

City News THE WEATHER Oregon: fair tonight, Saturday cloudy, rain in extreme west portion, gently variable winds, booming fresh southerly Saturday. Temperature today: minimum, 49. Maximum Thursday, 55. Precipitation today, .17 of an inch. Stage of river, 3.1 feet. Direction of wind, north.

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TORNADO TOLL AT 827

Experiences in Storm Are Related

TALE TOLD OF PEOPLE TAKEN THROUGH AIR

Boards, Stoves, Buildings And Animals Hurlled Into Atmosphere

Freak Stunts Are Recalled By Those Who Went Through Disaster

GORHAM, Ill., March 20.—(AP)—Wednesday was a dark and gloomy day at Gorham. It rained all morning. The air was heavy. No wind stirred the countryside. In the afternoon it rained harder and the sky grew black. Huge hailstones pelted down. Then came the tornado like a huge wall of smoke.

Woman Tells Story

Mrs. Judith Cox, wife of a Missouri workman was in a restaurant visiting Miss Mary Clark and Miss Lulu Moscherosch when the sky suddenly darkened. "It began to rain. I thought I would go home," Mrs. Cox related. "I opened the door and saw a great wall that seemed to be smoke, diving in front of it white billows that looked like steam.

Fire Flashes About

"It seemed to me that I must reach my two children who were in school and I opened the door again, bent my head down against the wind and started out. Then the storm hit me. I was blown back into the restaurant and against the stove. The whole building seemed to quiver. It rocked back and forth. There was groaning and creaking and then it began to fall

POLAND AGREES WITH LITHUANIA

GENEVA, March 20.—(By the Associated Press)—The frontier dispute between Poland and Lithuania has been settled.

Lithuania protested to the League of Nations early this week against an alleged attack on Lithuanian frontier guards by Polish patrols.

A communique given out by the Lithuanian legation in Paris said the Poles attacked without provocation last Monday night and had threatened to occupy the district of Sirvintal by force of arms unless the Lithuanians evacuated it.

Lithuania's foreign minister notified the League of Nations that the Poles had released the prisoners taken in the recent clash on the border and that the incident had been "happily closed."

Carnival Spirit to Rule At Annual Spring Style Show Here This Evening

Colored hats, horns and other carnival favors will be passed out to "window-shoppers" on Willamette street tonight to create the carnival spirit for the annual spring style show. Many merchants of the city have prepared special display windows for the occasion, and these windows will be exposed tonight.

RAY OF HOPE FOR FUTURE CAST BY RELIEF WORKERS

DUQUOIN, Ill., March 20.—(By the Associated Press)—Amid the confusion and pitiful sights wrought by Wednesday's tornado there shone today one bright ray of encouragement, the fruit of the incessant work of the Red Cross, which established temporary headquarters here, principally to take care of the refugees from DeSoto.

RELIEF WORK ON WASHINGTON, March 20.—(By the Associated Press)—Relief machinery of the American Red Cross was in full motion today in behalf of the thousands of injured and homeless in the tornado-wrecked section of the middle west with national headquarters here speeding every facility of its growing force of relief workers in the field.

FUNDS ACCEPTABLE SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—(By the Associated Press)—The headquarters of the Pacific division of the American Red Cross here received a telegram today from national headquarters in Washington, saying that no public appeal for funds is being made by the Red Cross, but that voluntary subscriptions will be forwarded to the headquarters in St. Louis.

LODGE IS ACTIVE BENTON, Ill., March 20.—Grand Master R. C. Davenport, head of the Illinois Masonic lodge, was in Benton yesterday and headed a committee that visited the storm-swept area making a survey to be used in a drive for funds which they will use in rehabilitation work.

CHAPLIN CASE UP WASHINGTON, March 20.—Secretary of Labor Davis announced today that he would hand down a final decision tomorrow in the case of Mrs. Hanna Chaplin, mother of Charles and Sydney Chaplin, motion picture actors, who is subject to deportation.

Motorship, Seized By Federal Agents; Is Sent to Harbor

JUNEAU, Alaska, March 20.—The motorship Federal, seized here yesterday when federal officers found intoxicants aboard, was proceeding today to Tenaker, 75 miles away, under guard put aboard by the United States customs. She is to be back here Monday, when her master, John B. Edwards, steward Norman Baker, and mess boy, go to trial for possession of liquor.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 20.—The Oregon is a wooden vessel of 1221 tons plying with cannery supplies and men between Seattle and southeastern Alaska. She left here March 5.

Woman Celebrates Her 113th Birthday

ALBION, Neb., March 20.—With her three bachelor sons on their little farm a mile north of Albion, Mrs. Rose Garvey, Nebraska's oldest resident, celebrated her 113th birthday today. Mrs. Garvey boasts of "never being sick a day." Today she said she was "well and very happy."

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3,000 MEN TO TAKE UP WORK ALONG CUT-OFF

If Weather Permits, Labor Will be Resumed Within Few Weeks

Preparations for Early Start in Outdoor Work Are Being Made

Three thousand men will be at work on Southern Pacific railroad construction work on the Natron cut-off in a few weeks, or just as soon as weather permits, announced L. L. Graham, district freight and passenger agent of the railroad, today. Preparations for getting an early start on outdoor work are going ahead full speed, he says, and as soon as clear weather seems permanent the cut-off will be alive with men, teams, and machinery.

Track Laying Resumed

"Track laying on the cut-off was resumed this week," said Mr. Graham today, "and the company already has 60 Mexicans laying steel rails. Grading work is virtually complete between rail head and McCredie Hot Springs, as well as tunnel No. 1, which is 350 feet in length. There is little grading work above McCredie Hot Springs."

Horses shipped down to the valley last fall for feeding during the winter are being shipped back preparatory to the resumption of grading work, it is announced by the company.

Early Start.

Several days of sunshiny weather recently indicate that an early start may be had on construction, probably the latter part of this month.

The possibility that rails may be laid in to McCredie within the next 30 days is expressed, but it is considered unlikely that train service will reach that point until some time in July.

Attempted Bank Robbery Fails

STEELEVILLE, Mo., March 20.—Two of five men who attempted to hold up the Farmers Bank at Steeleville today were killed, two wounded and a fifth captured when citizens' posse previously informed that a holdup was contemplated engaged the robbers in a pistol duel. One citizen was wounded.

Hotel Owner at Albany Succumbs

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Four are Killed in Head-on Wreck

ST. LOUIS, March 20.—(By the Associated Press)—Four persons were killed in a head-on collision at Davis Sliding, near Carlinville, Ill., today, according to word received by the Illinois Traction system here. A work car and a passenger car on the traction lines were wrecked, it was said.

SIGNS OF DAYS OF 1856 FOUND IN ANCIENT FIR

Tree Rings, Showing 60 to 70 Years, Cut Before Data Are Found

Though Bark is Intact, Cut Brings to Light the Old Markings

A rare discovery, in the form of a tree bearing symbols made by United States surveyors in 1856, was made this week near Westfir by Cascade national forest employes. News of the discovery was received by Nelson F. Macduff, supervisor of the forest, from H. E. Haefner, in charge of the Western Lumber company timber sale at Westfir.

Little Hope Held

Because the original corner mark had rotted away many years ago, Mr. Haefner and his assistant looked for the bearing tree with little hope of finding it, as most of the trees in that section are deeply fire-scarred on the up-hill side. One tree, however, bore indications it might have been blazed by an axe at one time, although the bark was unmarked.

"Let's chop into it, anyway," suggested Mr. Haefner. "We ought to go down through about 60 or 70 rings in the wood if we reach the original markings."

Brown Wood Found

After carefully chopping into the big tree the foresters finally encountered some brown wood, showing evidence that it had been marked. A little later they reached the marking made by United States trail blazers years before the civil war. The

Fist Fights Break Up French Chamber

PARIS, March 20.—(By the Associated Press)—Frie for all fist fights, such as probably had never before been seen in the chamber of deputies, broke up this afternoon's session.

The disturbance arose after Premier Herriot, in defending the government's policy in religious matters, had said:

"We accept and welcome Christianity in its pure form, but not the Christianity of bankers."

Anti-Tetanus Serum Rushed

INDIANAPOLIS, March 20.—(By the Associated Press)—Anti-tetanus serum—759 tubes, all that was available here—was sent to storm-torn southern Illinois early today in an airplane in command of two army officers of Fort Benjamin Harrison.

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Bryan 65 Years old



WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN

MR. BRYAN PASSES 65TH YEARMARK; FORTUNE IS TOLD

LINCOLN, Neb., March 20.—William Jennings Bryan, three times candidate for president of the United States, and a power in democratic politics for years, yesterday reached the age of 65 years, and in connection with the celebration of the commoner's birthday anniversary, Judge C. H. Slama of Wahoo, who has just returned from Mr. Bryan's home at Miami, Fla., said that shortly after Mr. Bryan moved from Lincoln he bought Miami real estate valued at \$35,000 which has now increased in value to a quarter of a million dollars. Additional purchases, he said, had increased the Bryan estate to \$1,000,000.

His fortune is talked of on every hand," Judge Slama declared.

Alienists are to Examine Portland Fireman-Firebug

PORTLAND, Ore., March 20.—Three alienists have been appointed by Presiding Circuit Judge Morrow to examine into the mental condition of Chester C. Buchtel, former fireman, who has confessed to setting 60 fires in Portland and vicinity. Those appointed were Dr. R. E. Lee Stienler, superintendent of the state mental hospital at Salem; Dr. William E. House and Dr. J. F. Calbreath. Appointment of the commission was made on motion of John F. Logan, attorney for Buchtel.

Three More Bodies Taken From Mine

FAIRMONT, W. Va., March 20.—(AP)—Three additional bodies were removed this morning from mine number 41, of the Bethlehem Mines corporation at Barracksville, where 34 men were entombed Tuesday night when an explosion occurred.

The three bodies taken from the mine this morning were badly burned from the fire that followed the blast. Two other bodies had been removed last night.

Quake Destroys Town of Talifu

SHANGHAI, March 20.—(AP)—The China inland mission, Reuters Agency says, has received a telegram dated March 19, stating that an earthquake has destroyed Talifu, a town in western Yunnan province. A disastrous fire followed and help is urgently needed, the message says. The foreigners in the neighborhood are safe.

RELIEF WORK IS HASTENED; GOLD SETS IN

Forecast is For Freezing Weather; Hundreds of Bodies Recovered

Condolences of King And of President of Foreign Lands Are Sent

(By The Associated Press) Reports late this afternoon showed 827 dead.

Injuries to about 8000. Associated Press casualty list totaled 577 identified dead.

Kentucky and Tennessee stricken areas virtually cleaned up. Burials being made in both states.

A few hamlets in Missouri yet unreported. Casualty list at 15 dead. Dead at Murphysboro, Ill., climbing to previous estimate. One hundred and seventy-five known.

West Frankfort, Ill., death increased to 110. Deaths in other Illinois cities unchanged in numbers. Bodies Recovered.

All bodies recovered at Princeton, Ind., and most of them at Owensville. Feasible roads making rescue and relief work more expeditious. Property loss Indiana towns estimated three to four million dollars.

Devastated regions turning to plans and means of burying their dead. Shortage of coffins and facilities may cause group burials.

Relief workers report better progress in caring for injured and destitute.

Contributions flowing into the districts providing money and comforts. As they became better organized attention was given also to rural communities.

All business in Murphysboro suspended. Banks urged to keep doors closed.

Herrin, Ill., scene of several Williamson county shootings and uprisings just south of blasted storm strip, opened its one hospital to injured.

Many Children Die. Estimated that more than one-third of the nearly 120 dead at DeSoto, Ill., were children under three years.

Violent snow storm fringed the tornado on the north when it struck Wednesday. Weather bureau predicts freezing or above in the devastated regions tonight; much colder tomorrow.

King Victor Emanuel and Premier Mussolini of Italy and acting President Simons of Germany cabled condolences to the United States.

"A grenadier's black funnel, standing at an angle of 45 degrees, followed by a deluge of hail," was the description of one thankful survivor. "Black as midnight, moving faster than a train, was another."

Infant Is Safe. At West Frankfort a five-day old infant squawling in a perambulator, was pulled safely from a pile of kindling that had been a home. The mother nearly lay crushed.

The number of frightful mutilations and crushed limbs and the fact that in many cases wounds ground full of dirt could not be attended for hours, brought the spectre of tetanus stalking on the field. Airplanes bearing all available tetanus anti-toxin rushed out of Indianapolis.

Women at DeSoto took up a collection. (Continued on page three)

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