COLDEST WEATHER RECORDED IN OVER- 30 YEARS EXPERIENCED IN ALBANY AND PACIFIC NORTHWEST

MERCURY DROPS TO 11 BELOW ZERO HERE LAST NIGHT; ELLENSBURG, WASH., FEELS COLD AT 31 BELOW: MEDFORD ISOLATED BY WORST STORM IN HISTORY OF VALLEY.

The record for cold weather for a great many years was broken here last night when the mereury dropped to 11 degrees below zero, according to the report of local weather forecaster F. M. French & Sons. In 1881 it is said that the ther-

momiter showed 16 degrees below The zero point was reached at 9 o'clock last night and the weather dropped at about two degrees at hour until the extreme was reached. Houses all over the city are in a bad. way and plumbers are working over tire to repair broken pipees. It is difficult to heat up in some homes and buildings and there is considerable discomfort. Indications point to more cold weather tonight.

The total snowfall todate is 25 1-2 inches. Residents at Tangent report that the mercury stood at 14 degrees below zero at 8 o'clock this morn-

Cold at Portland

FORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12-By Associated Press.-Only three times since the local branch of the weather bureau was established has Portland experienced colder weather than today when the thermometer dropped to four degrees below zero. The storm has abated here and throughout the

over for the third time in the recollection of white men in this section. made to stores but not to residences.

30 Below at Ellensburg ELLENSBURG, Wash., Dec. 12day registered 31 degrees below zero,

the lowest on record. Medford is Isolated MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 12-For 36 hours Medford and Jackson county have been cut off from the rest of the world by the most severe snow storm and cold weather in history. Telegraph and power lines are out of commission. No papers have been published here since Wednesday.

Jefferson Cut Off Two feet of snow on the ground and the thermomiter showing eight degrees above zero is the situation here thos morning. Nearly all the country schools are closed also the town school. The rural mail carriers are unable to make their rounds on account of the deep snow and as a good many telephone lines are down, a lot of the farmers are completely

Brownsville House Destroyed By Fire

isolated.

A Brownsville dwelling house was entirely destroyed by fire yesterday morning at 9 o'clock with all of its contents. The house was owned by Thos Lacy who was using it as a kind of work shop inwhich he had been weaving carpets. It is assumed that the fire started from a fire left no assistance could be rendered.

generator. Take electrical treat-ments for your allments. Call Mr. when other food gave out. Smith for appointment. Hotel Al-12d15* O

bany. Agents Wanted 12d13* O FOR SALE—A four room house and O 2 lots in East Albany. Price \$1000. O \$100 down and \$10 a month. See O treasurer of the Linn County

lots in Sunrise Addition. Electric O cis tomorrow has been post lights garage chicken house concrete floor in basement etc., Price
\$2200, \$200 down balance monthly.
See Hoflich and Hornback, 325 Lyon
Street.

12d13

HUMAN AID IS BADLY NEEDED

Feathered Friends Repay Feeding Many Times Over

people with a kindly place in their out. hearts for the wee feathered songsters roads had been broken, have prepared feeding places already Sheep Must Be it for them. Thousands of small birds Heavy sleds are the longer.

tie birds. An ordinary bushel box feed can be hauled by teams and wag-makes a good feeding place. It can ons. be nailed to a post, tree or fastensuct, fastened down so that the birds

Government theremomiters early to- as evergreens about, hirds from the coverts will be seen, such as brown ICY BLAST HELD crepeers, spotted creepers, red-shafted flickers, several varieties of woodpeckers, towhees and other ordinarily shy bird friends. Some lowland dwellers, such as plover and snipe, sandpeeps and belted kingfishers, are coming close to residences.

Game birds such as pheasants and "bobs" have little food left now. The few clumps of dock and tarweed protruding above the snow have been It is reported the state game commission will go fifty-fifty with private bodies in feeding game birds. Some local aid must be given, or hundreds of pheasants in a weakened state will fall prey to hunting cats and dogs. Eared owls, barn owls, Cooper's and sharp-shinned hawks, blue darts and a host of other birds of prey are busy night and day searching out the help-less bobs and chinabirds.

Carter Tired Of Buckwheat Cakes and Sausage

Kenneth Carter returned last night from Bend Ore., where he had been on a business trip. When he reached Bend there was a foot of now on in the building. Owing to the snow the ground but before he left a 72 hour's steady fall left a carpet of 47 NRW CLASSIFIED 8 his train was stalled and he spent occooocooocooo until snow ploughs could open up the SALEMAN WANTED-For Albany track. One engine and plough turnand Linn county. Good opportun- ed over in front of the train. He reity for right party. See Mr. Smith, ports the snow deep all along the Albany hotel. Friday and Saturday. Columbia river valley. Carter state FREE DEMONSTRATION — The wheat hat cakes and sausage for Rogers Violet Ray High Frequency some time, for that is the dict with

Meeting Postponed

A. C. Schmitt, secretary and Hoffieh and Hornback, Lyon St. O Good Roads Association an 12d13 O nounces that the meeting to have been helf at the St. Fran-

FARMERS MAY FEEL LOSSES IF SNOW DOES NOT DISAPPEAR SOON ACCORDING TO REPORTS

STOCK IN NEED OF FEED IS ALREADY SUFFER-ING: WHEELED VEHICLES MAKE POOR ROADS: HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES LOW IN SOME CASES.

Some suffering and loss is unavoidable if the present fall of snow remains long, say reports from country districts. today if still another blanket should cover the present depth, heavy stock losses wou'd inevitably result.

Cattle are standing the cold well, ed vehicles can make little progress

Sheep Must Be Sheltered

Heavy sleds are the only means of as well as larger game birds will die making solid roads over which loads drifts on them. One turkey house in against held-ups. Many stations are if snow lays on the ground much of feed can be hauled. Where sled East Albany fell last night, killing placed around the bank and should runners pack the road solidly, wagon Pieces of suct nailed to window sills wheels merely chop up the show. A same quarter also is reported to have or in boxes outside windows will big horse can scarcely pull a buggy bring a swarm of eager, hungry lit- even on a well-traveled road. Little

The many hundred head of sheep ed anywhere out of reach of prowl- pastured in big fields will suffer, it if a sudden that occurs, aided by a The Albary St. ing cats. Bread crumbs, bird seed, is predicted, where they cannot be warm rain, the weight on roofs will grain, crackers, etc., are relished. The gotten under sheds. Many flocks are greatly increase before the snow in fields where no sheds are avail- slides off. must tug at it, is the best foodstuff, able, or where the shelters are too If the feeding box is near a window, small to accommodate the 'heep, county are in good working order, the bird-hoat will be over-paid for his Stockmen declare that if a sheep will-same lines are down. Near Hackle-trouble in the gleeful, grateful scenes lows in the snow until its wool be-man's Grove, Albany, wires have falland irregulorly.

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The Willamette river has frozen which he may watch. comes full of snow, it then cannot en. There six-inch sheaths of ic The most common sufferers observ- hay must be provided, for pasture is covered of course.

It is not sufficiently to walk upon, bong sparrows, meadowlarks, Gammove large flocks of sheep to shelter is almost certain. With the entire made to stores but not to residences, bell's and Nuttall's white-crowned by breaking a narrow, hard trail for valley and mountains covered with on sparrows, chickadees, beautiful cherthem with a team and a long, heavy almost unprecedented depth of frozen ry birds, grackles and blackbirds, and plank, dragged endwise through the water, a flood is inevitable unless the many others. In yards having such snow. The sheep can be driven along thaw be slow and gradual. snow. The sheep can be driven along thaw be slow and gradual.

this isle.

Sugar is Scarce

Country housewives, who lately

Phones Still Working

Many old sheds in stock pastures ism to working.

have fallen from the weight of snow
The signal also affords protection some turkeys; a chickenhouse in the robbers appear one of several persons same quarter also is reported to have could kick the switches and start the cave in and killed several fowls. Many bells to ringing. It is impossible to people report the rafters of their try to put the signal out of commis-houses sagging. Wherever possible sion, for the breaking of a wire or the roofs have been cleared of snow. Some weather prophets declare that

Telephones in most parts of the

High Water May Follow If the thaw, when it arrives, is

VALLEY FOR WEEKS

Weather Phenomena of Olden Days Recalled by Present Storm

It was some 37 years ago, say old time Oregonians, that things becam threshed out. The game birds readi- mixed up above and Dakota weather ly withstand the cold, but weaken was doled out to the Willamette Valrapidly if they cannot find foodstuffs. ley. The present cool snap recalls those days in the minds of many.

The Willamette river froze, and was crossed on planks. Deep snow lay over the whole valley. At Portland skating was popular on the river. Much suffering occurred. Some stock brenk for five weeks.

ing an anxious eye on the southwest for signs of welcome rain-clouds, declare that weather, like history, repeats itself. Prepare for worse!

will be made later.

gress late yesterday, according to in- more than the value of last formation received here.

Late Dispatches By Asosciated Press

Carpenter Issues Challenge PARIS, Dec., 12—George Carpen tier today issued a challenge to Jack Dempsey for a bout for the world's heavyweight championship.

Sufferage Is Ratified

DENVER, - Colorado completed ratification of woman's sufferage amendment today when the House of Representatives unanimously passed the Senate resolution.

Coal Production Increased

CHICAGO-A general increase in the production of coal today was inwas lost. And the cold spell did not dicated by reports from all fields. Some sections, however, some miners Local weather prophets, while keep are in rebellion against the terms of

McNary Bill Passes

The ladies of the Catholic Church ander which government control of that all of the by-products of the mill with the shooting and refused to make a sugar would be continued another will find ready sale here at a price a statement in the case until Fierstein more profitable than shipping it to and Hadley made a report. They are was sent to the house.

Crop Value Huge

WASHINGTON—The total value of sand barrels of Areada flour put up the Country's important farm of in 140 pound jute sacks.

The company is on of the largest department of Agriculture estimated. Financial institutions in this part of today. This is nearly a half bell of the state and has paid out for grain more than the value of largest largest and has paid out for grain more than the value of largest la crops.

BEAUTIFUL SNOW

By D. C. McClure

Show me the villain who wrote "Beautiful Snow," And I'll break him in two; I'll fill him with woe; I'll break his old back; I'll tear from him his clothes, I'll kick him all over; dislocate his nose.

I shoveled the "Beautiful" till way late last ngiht. And back again at it before it was light. I kinked my old spine, but feel yet that I'm able To clean up the rascal that wrote that old fable.

I'm a peace-loving man, as everyone knows. It's many, many years since I've come to blows With any man. But now I'd sure like to know-Where's the whelp that wrote that stuff, 'Beautiful Snow

BURGLAR ALARM BEING INSTALLED

Albany State Bank Putting in Device to Protect Against Robbery

The Albany State Bank is this week installing an electric burgiar alarm system in their big vault to protect their books and funds and the funds and valuables of their patrons. E. C. Palmer, president of the Sig-

nal Service Company, of Seattle, is here directing the installation of the apparatus, which is being put in at a cost of \$1,500. The steel vault is could only purchase 25 cents worth of lined with hundreds of little wires sugar, are doing without sweets in placed at such intervals as to premany cases. Kerosene and other vent anyone from passing between common necessities are being used them. The wires are made of an al- Local Men Denounced Infercarefully by those living a distance loy which is easily broken and is wherever they can be fed. Those from town. Auto, on which most quickly burned, causing the electric stockmen who were depending on farmers depend for shopping errands, circuit to be closed and starting two hauling hay and feed for their perds are useless now. Not a car is seen to the case he heard for a are facing a difficult problem. Wheel- on the roads, save those stuck and bells ringing that can be heard for a abandoned in the deep drifts. Many mile. The bolts and locks on the safe Ornithologists of Albany and all over the roads, even where broken people came to town yesterday on are also connected up and it is impeople with a kindly place in their out. Until yesterday, few country horseback on brief errands. possible for anyone to tamper with

the moving of the switch boxes will

. The Albany State Bank has shown a remarkable growth during the last year and this adder service and protection is taken to give the patrons the best possible banking convien-

RED CROWN MILL HAS PROSPERITY

\$900,000 Paid out for Grain in This Section; Capacity of Plant Doubled

The Albany Red Crown Mills owned by the Portland Flour Mill Company, and managed by C. J. Johns, completed the installing of new mach inery today, and now have a capacity of one hundred and sixty barrels of flour per day, with the prospect of the capacity of the plant being doubled before this time next year.

The records in the office of the mill show that the company has bought more grain since the first of last August that the total bought for the last six years. The sale of flour to Albany merchants since the first of October is more than the total sale of flour in the city and vicinity for the first eight months of the years 1914-

The mill has been run night and day since September 27. Under presbout one half of the grain bought by the company, while if the plant is increased to grind all of the wheat that is bought here it will no doubt be a great asset to this part of the state ally denounced any attempt to place

other markets. In addition to filling still at Harrisburg or at Irish Bend ordinary contracts, the company is n ow grinding for export, four thou-

this season about \$900,000 to the producers of grain.

0000000000000000000 Warning Issued Against Danger from High Water

T. P. Hackleman, one of Albany's oldest and most promin-ent pioneers, writes the Demoerat and issues a warning to 00 people living along the Wil- O lamette and Santiam rivers to O be on the lookout against high water caused by the sudden melting of the snow. Serious consequences might follow, he points out, and urges all in that part of the county to carefully watch the wind and rapidity of the melting of the snow, should it start to go away too fast,

MILL WATCHMAN SHOT AT BY TWO UNKNOWN MEN AT HARRISBURG WED

W. F. Woodcock, Guarding **Old Pattison Lumber Mill**, Target for Bullets Which Fly Close to Body.

SHERIFF INVESTIGATES

ence of Suspicion Placed Upon Representatives sent to Mill to Get Logs.

W. F. Woodcock, keeper of the defunct J. Al. Pattison Lumber Co. mill at Harisburg, was fired at Wednesday afternoon by two men who apepared at the rear of the mill. Two shots were fired one passing a few inches in front of Woodcock's face and the other a few feet in front of him.

At the second shot Woodcock threw himself on the floor, either to escape being hit or to fool his wouldbe assasins. As he did this one of the nen was heard to remark something

"My God! we've killed him!"

Assailants Run Away With this they turned and ran and entered a boat which was tied up below the mill and rowed rapidly down stream. Sheriff Kendall went to Harisburg yesterday and spent the day investigating the circumstances

of the shooting.

The shooting would appear to be due to trouble over the logs of the J. Al. Pattison company, the president of which was recently indictid in the U. S. District Court for making improper us of funds of the Linnton Bank, near Portland. About 500,000 feet of logs ere taken over by the Harirsbur. First National Bank, as a creditor of the institution and were perchased at public sale by Lee M. Travis, a Eugene attorney. Travis, through J. L. Norwood, a Harisburg attorney, sold the logs to the R. Veal & Son Chair Factory of Albany.

Veal Sends For Logs Fred Veal Wednesday sent L. F. Hadley and John Fierstein, of this city, who are working at the Veal logging camp at Irish Bend, to Harrisburg to tow away that portion of the logs which were tied up at the mill. Upon their presentation of the matter to Woodcock the latter refused to let them have the logs, stating that he had received orders from Travis to hold them until instructions were received to release them. The matter of payment had not been concluded, it is said.

The Veal representatives called up ent operations the plant can grind a- the office in this city and were in structed to wait at Harirsburg until the matter was settled.

Trouble is Encountered Mr. Veal this afternoon emphaticsuspicion upon his men in connection

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SHOP EARLY

and shop early in the day ONLY

More days to Shop until Christmas

