

FEBRUARY, MOST RAINLESS MONTH OF PAST YEAR

According to the weather report of Prof. O'Gara for the month of February, completed Friday, the precipitation is the lowest in the record of the Rogue River valley, with but .10 inches falling. Under ordinary circumstances 4.13 inches would have fallen, leaving a deficiency of 4.03 inches for the month and a deficiency of .87 inches since September.

The report says that the fruit buds are in good condition, and with normal spring and summer conditions an excellent crop will follow. Although the mean minimum temperature of the month was considerably below normal, the mean maximum temperature brought the average of the month to within 1.4 degrees of the normal monthly temperature.

The report follows:

Date	Max.	Min.	Inch.
1	36	29	0.02
2	48	26	0.01
3	48	23	
4	49	26	
5	51	20	
6	54	27	
7	59	26	
8	59	26	
9	53	26	
10	57	27	
11	58	26	
12	58	25	
13	58	25	
14	55	26	Trace
15	63	35	
16	62	33	
17	50	27	0.02
18	47	23	
19	49	22	
20	46	22	0.03
21	46	26	
22	44	17	
23	46	27	
24	53	30	
25	52	21	
26	47	22	0.02
27	49	29	
28	51	19	

	Degrees F.
Maximum	63
Mean maximum	51.8
Normal maximum	50
Minimum	17
Mean minimum	27.5
Normal mean minimum	32
Mean monthly temperature	39.6
Normal mean monthly temp.	41

	Inches
Precipitation	0.10
Normal precipitation	4.13
Deficiency for month	4.03
Precipitation since Sept. 1, '12	11.25
Normal precipitation since Sept. 1, 1912	20.09
Deficiency in precipitation since Sept. 1, 1912	8.72
Clear days	19
Partly cloudy days	3
Cloudy days	6

BODIES OF MINERS TAKEN OUT OF TASMANIA MINE

HOBART, Tasmania, Mar. 1.—Pitiful scenes occurred at the mouth of the North Mount Lyell mine today when after some four and a half months' persistent search, 18 bodies of miners who were entombed in the memorable disaster of October 12 were brought to the surface and scores of mothers or widows gathered at the top of the shaft in an endeavor to recognize and claim the remains of some past dear member of the family.

The recovery of these bodies brings the death total to forty-five and further search has had to be abandoned because of the fierce fire which still rages in portions of the mine.

After allowing four months to go by the shaft was sealed up in order to smother the fire, it has at last been conceded by mine experts that the whole works will have to be flooded.

TOWNSEND, ALIAS CRANE, IS FREED

Cecil A. Townsend, alias Charles Y. Crane, who was given a hearing by the county court Friday to determine his sanity, was freed after a lengthy examination. It is the opinion of the officers that Townsend is only irrational when he has had a drink or two.

Townsend was picked up at Asoland recently for endeavoring to put over a bunco game, state the officers. This is the third time he has been in trouble here. He was given 60 days in the county jail in September for larceny and 30 days in November for accosting and annoying girls.

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BUD IN TRAINING FOR KNOCKOUT BROWN

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 1.—Bud Anderson, the much-touted Medford lightweight, went into active training here today for his match with Knockout Brown at Vernon March 15. Brown will not begin serious training until late this week. It is predicted that Brown will start a slight favorite.

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WEST FILES VETO OF BILL CREATING SUPERIOR COURTS

SALEM, March 1.—Governor West has filed his veto of the superior court bill, which would have abolished county judges and circuit courts. The message reads as follows: "I herewith return house bill No. 239 without approval."

"This bill proposes to abolish the office of county judge and fill the vacancy with a third commissioner. It provides for thirty-one superior judges. As there are at present twenty circuit judges this would mean an increase of eleven new judges and an increase in salaries amounting to \$44,000.00 a year."

"There is no doubt merit in the contention that many matters now handled by the county court should be taken care of by a higher court, but I do not believe that conditions at this time demand the creation of so many new offices and the throwing of further unnecessary burdens upon

the taxpayers of this state. I, therefore, return said house bill No. 239, with my veto.

"OSWALD WEST."

Governor West has signed the county attorney bill, which abolishes district attorneys and gives each county an attorney of its own.

PEACE IN MEXICO

IS LOOMING UP

LAREDO, March 1.—While no official announcement was made it is understood a peace pact was prepared

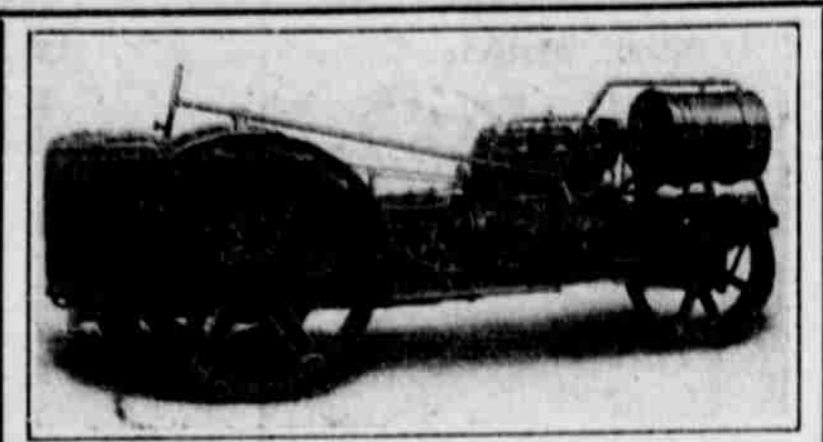
at a meeting in Nuevo Laredo today of the representatives of the Mexican government and emissaries of the various revolutionary factions in northern Mexico, which will be submitted to Pascual Orozco, Jr., within forty-eight hours for his approval.

It is said there is every assurance that peace will be arranged. The most important demand of the revolutionary leaders it is learned, is that a minister of justice acceptable to all factions be appointed as an assurance that justice be administered impartially and that order be maintained.

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