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BLIZZARD CRIPPLES RAILROADS

Storm Swept Plains From Denver to Kansas City and Down into New Mexico Doing Much Damage.

WAS BENEFIT TO FARMERS

Was Accompanied by Heavy Rain and Snow—All Colorado Is Blanketed With the "Fleecy" and a Big Drop in the Temperature Occurred, But Soon Changed to Warm—Fruit Is Reported Undamaged.

Denver, Colo., March 30.—All railroad traffic and wire service is badly crippled today on account of the blizzard which swept over the region between Denver and Kansas City and extended into New Mexico, however, the damage done by the storm is more than offset by the financial benefit which will accrue to farmers whose crops were threatened with failure due to the extended period of clear skies in the last month.

Indications today are that the storm is over but it is expected that several days will elapse before the telegraph companies will be able to resume normal service.

Reports today from various sections of the intermountain country indicate that the blizzard raged as furiously at one point as it did at others.

High winds, rain and snow tore down the wires and even poles near Julesburg, Colo., and a like

condition resulted on the south and central routes via Pueblo and Kansas. From Santa Fe, New Mexico, a heavy snowstorm was recorded, and a big drop in temperature was noted. All mountain cities of Colorado are covered by snow today.

The snow stopped falling at most points in the Rockies late last night. In the Colorado fruit district, rising temperatures are being recorded. The fruit suffered no damage from the storm.

In the vicinity of Cheyenne, Wyoming, the 50 miles an hour gale which blew yesterday abated today. Wires are down in many places, and traffic is delayed by high snow drifts. A heavy snowstorm accompanied the high wind.

G. A. R. OFFICERS WILL VISIT SALEM LOCAL POST

J. P. Shaw, commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of the State of Oregon, accompanied by W. C. Williams, his assistant adjutant-general, will visit Sedgwick Post No. 10, of Salem, on Saturday, April 2. It is the desire of the commander to meet all veterans of the Civil War. If they are members of the order or not, the members of the W. R. C., the ladies of the G. A. R. and those citizens who feel an interest in the "boys" who went to the front before "Johnny come marching home," all of whom are cordially invited to be present and hear what he may have to say. There will be a short business session, after which—at 2 o'clock—the doors will open to all mentioned above. A short but interesting program will be rendered in greeting the at 2 o'clock. All are welcome.

F. A. THOMPSON, Post Com. D. Webster, Adjutant.

Will Be Mobbed If Caught.

Budapest, Hungary, March 30.—A trace of the youth who is accused of having set fire to the dance-hall at Oskereka, Sunday night in which 350 persons perished, was found today and a large posse immediately formed and started in pursuit. It is almost certain that the young man will be lynched if he is caught by the infuriated populace. It is charged that the youth set fire to the dance hall while in a frenzy of jealousy because his sweetheart danced with other men.

After the fire, he disappeared and has not since been seen.

Today a rumor spread that he was in hiding at the home of friends outside the village.

Within a few minutes a large crowd of peasants gathered and started for the place where he was reported to be.

HUGHES IN PLACE OF BREWER

President May Name the New York Governor for Place on Supreme Bench Made Vacant by Death of Justice Brewer.

WOULD HUGHES ACCEPT IT?

The Appointment Would Put Him on the Shelf as a Presidential Possibility, and Practically Out of Politics—Hughes Not Popular With Machine Leaders and Their Opposition Would Prevent His Appointment.

New York, March 30.—That Governor Charles E. Hughes of New York may be proffered a justiceship on the supreme court of the United States, is a rumor which has caused a buzz of comment in political circles here today.

The rumor, which emanates from Washington, declares that President Taft previously considered the advisability of naming Governor Hughes to the supreme bench, and that the matter had been discussed in a meeting of New York politicians attended by the president.

The death of Justice Brewer, which leaves a vacancy just at the time when Governor Hughes' term has almost expired and when he could properly consider such a position has caused the rumor that such an offer is to be made to gain evidence. Friends of President Taft in Washington are reported to have admitted that the president has con-

sidered Hughes the most available candidate for a New York vacancy that might arise.

Hughes recently announced that he will not again be a candidate for governor. This announcement, which puts him out of state politics, at least so far as a state office is concerned. He could, therefore, his friends believe, accept with propriety an offer of a justiceship.

An angle of the matter that is of deep interest here is the effect that such an appointment would have on state politics. For four years Hughes has been the head of his party in New York, but has most of the time been at odds with the party machine.

The situation became so strained that a thorough reorganization of the republican party has been determined on by the leaders, and recently a conference was held at which the subject was brought up. President Taft was the guest of honor at this meeting, and it is said that he gave advice to the leaders regarding the sort of reorganization must be undertaken.

It is reported that he intimated that certain men should be shelved. Under the circumstances it is certain that he would not appoint Hughes to the supreme bench unless such a move would be approved by the republican state leaders.

The rumor has therefore caused considerable speculation and has in some quarters, been foundation for the belief that the president may consider that Hughes himself is one of the men who should leave active New York politics in the interest of the party organization.

OREGON BOOT METHOD COLLECTING POLL TAX

The old cinch methods of harrassing men who have not paid their poll tax got a jolt last night in the city council, in a report from a committee, in a report from a committee, in a report from a committee.

The council adopted a report condemning such methods, which have made the payment of this tax very odious. It puts an awful power in the hands of the collector to favor some and hound others, and should have been broken up long ago.

The city that would come out boldly and abolish this tax would be considered a progressive community, and laboring men would go to such a city to live.

JEFFRIES GETS READY TO TRAIN

Los Angeles, Cal., March 30.—If James J. Jeffries don't break his arm, or if some other unforeseen catastrophe doesn't interfere he will start for San Francisco next Friday or Saturday en route to Rowardennan to begin his training for the Johnson battle.

Jim's plans are up the air a bit yet. He stated today that he must hear from San Francisco and Rowardennan before he can be certain of the date of his departure. If he leaves Los Angeles this week it is probable that he will go down to his mountain camp above Santa Cruz next Monday.

Word received from Farmer Burns states that the big grappler is ready to start west at a moment's notice. The other members of the training staff also can be gathered quickly, and Jeff expects to begin his actual work the day of his arrival at Rowardennan.

Jeff, Joe Desmond and Ed. Hopperstead reached Los Angeles from their auto trip into the Inyo country about midnight. The big fellow was in excellent spirits, and declared that he gained five pounds on the trip. He is planning another hunting trip, which is scheduled to begin the week after the Johnson mill.

Robbers Made Good Haul.

Portland, Ore., March 30.—Detectives have obtained no clew to the daylight robbers, who yesterday broke into the home of Otto Wurtenberger, a saloon keeper and secured \$2350 in cash, that had been left in a trunk.

The robbery occurred while all the members of the family were absent, the robbers gaining entrance to the house by means of a skeleton key.

GREATEST OF MODERN ERUPTIONS

Hundreds of Miles of Rich Agricultural Country Buried Under Great Blanket of Scoria and Ashes.

35 CRATERS ARE ACTIVE

Volcano Is Spewing Millions of Tons of Lapilli and Pumice Over Orchards and Vineyards, Utterly Ruining Them—Air Filled With Dust and Smoke—Scientists Say Crisis Is at Hand.

Catania, March 30.—Local authorities have appealed to the government for aid in caring for the thousands of refugees from the stricken territory surrounding Mount Aetna.

Relief depots here are being overcrowded with men and women who hitherto have been independent, but now are in need of food, clothing and medicines.

The extent of the destruction is so great that an appeal for financial aid is asked, as well as for supplies. It is considered probable here that the government will vote an appropriation to carry out relief work.

A rumor spread here today that King Victor Emanuel is planning to visit Catania to personally supervise relief. The report caused joy, which quickly changed to sorrow when the rumor was denied. The people believe that if the king visited Catania he would take measures for speedy relief, and cause the governmental machinery to move faster.

Continued explorations by scientists have shown that every crater of

power to allay alarm. They have assured the people, through proclamations, that the lava cannot despoil Catania, owing to the conformation of the land between here and the mountain.

The assurances of the authorities that the lava stream probably will be diverted calmed the more intelligent of the people, but thousands of peasants pass through the ash-strewn streets praying to the Virgin to save them from death.

The heavy coat of ashes has choked all vegetation for miles and the country has taken on a desolate appearance. The impalpable dust from the crater fills the air to such an extent that breathing is unpleasant. During the day the sun's rays caused the floating particles to become illuminated with beautiful colors, while at night the fires of the volcano present an awe-inspiring but terrifying sight.

An indication of the increasing violence of the eruption was the issuance of orders today withdrawing troops from their stations nearest the mountain. The former is being deserted by every living creature. Engineers are digging ditches and building dams to stop the main lava stream, which has an average depth of 12 feet, and a varying breadth of 600 to 1000 feet.

The greatest damage that has been wrought so far is not from lava, but from the showers of little stones and ashes that are falling over an area of many miles. Nearly the whole country between Catania and the mountain is covered with ashes. This has killed vineyards and orchards and reduced to poverty hundreds of farmers.

A population of about 500,000 is affected by the eruption, which now promises to be the greatest of modern times.

A freakish feature of the eruption is the sparring of the pretty village of Nicolosi, on the southern slope. The town is shut in by foothills, which averted the lava, and mountain air currents carried the showers of ashes over the village. Nicolosi, however, is abandoned temporarily by its inhabitants.

Nine Days London to Victoria.

Victoria, B. C., March 30.—A new record of nine and three-quarter days for mail between London and Victoria has just been established. All former records were shattered yesterday afternoon when three pouches from London via New York and Seattle arrived in the time named. The mail left Liverpool on the steamer Lusitania, March 20.

KID MAKES LOCHINVAR LOOK TAME

Though Captured After Wild Flight to Desert With Kindergarten Sweetheart Is Still Determined to Have Her.

HE DICTATES TO HER DAD

Says She Is Bravest Little Girl in the World and Life Would Have No Charms for Him Without Her—Will Consent to Wait Two Years If Her Father Will Agree to Let Them Correspond, and to Marry at the End of That Time.

(UNITED PRESS LEARNED WIRE.)

San Diego, Calif., March 30.—Refreshed after a night's rest, Thomas Foreman, 17, who surrendered to a posse, with his sweetheart, little Gertrude Seifert after their elopement, today told the details of his flight and capture.

"Trust me to get the girl," began Foreman, his boyish blue eyes flashing.

"You can say that. I'll do that. Nothing can stop me."

"Gertrude is the bravest little girl on earth. Where could you find another like her? Do you think I would give her up? Why, she's all the world to me."

"When they say I was forced to surrender last night, they lie. I could have gone much farther and kept them at bay with my rifle. I gave up on account of Gertrude although she was willing to continue the fight."

"This is my proposition to Y—"



Sawmill and Logging Boom at Wildwood, One of the Many Industries Tributary to Cottage Grove. Photo by Mrs. Mary Huston.

the mountain is active. These craters are far apart, and many of them are inaccessible at the present time, but observations showed them to be eruptive.

Violent Eruption Last Night.

Catania, March 30.—A violent eruption of Mount Aetna throughout the night filled Catania's streets with ashes and cinders to the depth of half a foot. The volcano, 20 miles away, is spewing volcanic dust over a great area to the southward, is ruining vineyards and orchards, and is showing every indication of an approaching crisis.

A huge stream of molten lava is moving slowly toward this city, and the people are becoming hysterical with fright.

Frequent earth tremors add to the alarm of the populace, and the increasing detonations from the mountain are causing widespread fear.

Fresh craters appeared in the night and today. Professor Ricco estimates that 35 craters in the volcano, old and new, are now active.

The prefect and other civil authorities are doing everything in their

Seattle Grows Some.

Seattle, Wash., March 30.—The consolidation of Georgetown with its 7,000 inhabitants with the city of Seattle will be hurried through before April 15, when the federal census taking for the decade ending this year will be started.

Georgetown, which has been completely surrounded by greater Seattle for some time, yesterday voted to annex to Seattle by a majority of 151. Another attempt was defeated in an election last fall. The different result is attributed to the change of front of certain Georgetown business interests which opposed the move at first.

Seifert," explained young Foreman in an ordinary tone of voice, calmly and precisely as though discussing a business matter with the irate father of his sweetheart. "I must secure his promise to allow me to marry Gertrude within two years and also get permission to correspond with her while she is in Germany. If he will agree to this, I will make no further attempt to take her away. But if he doesn't consent, if there is any more funny business, I shall get the girl one way or the other. You can depend upon that. She is the bravest and best

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WHEN T. R. ARRIVES IN EUROPE.



—Morris in Spokane Spokesman-Review.

Sensational Bargain Giving

Here's a great opportunity for you to buy stylish wearing apparel for your spring outfit in the following departments: Dress Goods and Silks, Ladies' Coats, Ladies' Suits, Millinery, Dress Trimmings, Kid Gloves, Lace, Embroideries, Fancy Neckwear and hundreds of other goods suitable for spring wear. We are slicing the prices down to make fast selling and quick sales.



1910 Newest Millinery Now on Sale

The greatest line of swell creations that was ever shown in Salem. Come to our store and look through and you will say so. Salem's busy millinery shop is the place that sells the Hats. Come here for bargains in Millinery. Pretty hats like picture, now selling for

\$1.95, \$2.50, \$3.50 and up

Dress Goods and Silks

The greatest showing in Salem of this season's newest wears and shades. If you want variety, style, quality and low prices, come to the Chicago Store. We can please you. Sale prices, yard

25c, 35c, 49c, 65c and up

CHICAGO STORE

SALEM, OREGON "The Store That Saves You Money"

1910 Newest Spring Suits Now on Sale Stylish GARMENTS Like the Picture Now Selling at Small Prices



We are giving the greatest values we ever gave and doing the greatest business we ever done in Ladies' Suits and Coats. Why shouldn't we? Look at the prices. We sell high class garments at

\$7.50, \$8.50, \$10.50, \$12.50 and up

INDEPENDENCE TAKES ANOTHER FORWARD STEP

By a vote of 167 yeas to 20 noes Independence decided to issue \$20,000 bonds for a sewer system Monday.

Independence has recently voted to erect a \$25,000 high school, and has selected a five-acre site with room for athletic grounds.

Dr. Butler is president of the Commercial Club and Geo. W. Conkey secretary, and they believe in

pushing the town along the line of public improvements.

Since deciding on a high school and sewer system there are a number of new residences being planned and two brick buildings.

The launch service between Salem and Independence has been increased to two round trips a day.

The next movement is paving the business streets, and then Independence will get a move on it that will