

COLD WAVE DID HARM IN SOME PLACES

SNAKE RIVER WILL LOSE A MILLION AND ALL SOUTHERN IDAHO HURT—ONLY SLIGHT DAMAGE IN OREGON.

Pullman, Wash., April 13.—Loss variously estimated today at from \$500,000 to \$800,000 was sustained by fruit growers in the Snake river district on account of heavy frosts, which practically killed the entire crop. The buds on the peach, apricot and cherry trees were destroyed. Plums and prune orchards may yield half a crop, unless another freeze comes tonight.

The cold was intense at Wawawai and Penawawai, on the Snake river, last night that the ground froze to a depth of three inches. From Clarks-ton to Riparia, a distance of 70 miles, the fruit crop was practically wiped out. It is not believed that the apples in the uplands were injured much, as they had not advanced far enough. In Pullman this morning it was 18 degrees below freezing.

Idaho Is Hurt.

Boise, Ida., April 13.—Killing frost last night heavily damaged the peach and apricot orchards of Southern Idaho, according to reports received here today. Apple, pear and prune blossoms were not far enough advanced to suffer much injury. Freezing temperature is predicted for tonight.

Trilling at Eugene.

Eugene, Or., April 13.—Some damage was done to fruit in Lane county last night, but no serious losses were sustained. The temperature went as low as 25 degrees.

Slight in Eastern Oregon.

La Grande, Or., April 13.—Very slight damage was caused to the fruits in this section by the frosts this week. The apple orchards were uninjured.

Yakima Is Bitten.

North Yakima, Wash., April 13.—With two nights of severe frosts, with a 20-mile hail storm one day and a snow storm the next, the fruit crop in the immediate vicinity of North Yakima seems to be problematic. Growers are divided in their opinion about the damage done. The cherries and apricots are thought to have suffered, and some damage to the pears is feared.

Spokane Is Hurt.

Spokane, Wash., April 13.—Severe damage to the peach and cherry crops in the vicinity of Spokane is predicted by farmers as a result of the frost last night. The temperature at some points dropped to eight degrees below freezing. Farmers expect to get but half a crop of peaches, and are even less hopeful of the cherry crop.

SECRETARY BENSON HAS ATTACK OF GRIP

Dr. Steiner, superintendent of the State Hospital for Insane, left yesterday for Redlands, California, to consult with physicians relative to the health of Secretary of State Benson, who is suffering in addition to chronic malady with a case of la-grippe.

Secretary Benson about a month ago was attacked with la-grippe and it has persistently stayed with him. While his friends state that he is a sick man they declare that his case is not critical and that Dr. Steiner was sent for because he has been his physician for years and knows more about his malady than any other physician.

The secretary's friends predict that he will return to the state along in June. The following telegram, however, is not optimistic.

Redlands, Cal., April 13.—Despite assertions by his physicians that he was in no immediate danger, friends of Secretary of State Frank S. Benson, of Oregon, former governor, today admitted that they were seriously worried about his condition.

WELLS FARGO JUST SOAKS THE CALIFORNIANS

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Sacramento, Cal., April 13.—Governor Johnson today issued a statement concerning the investigation by the state railroad commission of the rates charged throughout the state by the Wells Fargo Express Company. The governor said:

"The information that has been furnished to us regarding Wells Fargo & Company's rates shows charges within the state of California to be much higher than almost any other place in the United States. The most significant thing in the comparison of rates is the comparison of packages weighing six pounds or less between San Francisco and Los Angeles, and between New York and San Francisco. Here is the table of charges for 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6-pound packages: New York to San Francisco, 30c, 35c, 45c, 60c, 80c, 90c. San Francisco to Los Angeles, 25c, 35c, 45c, 60c, 65c, 75c.

"These charges show just this—that shippers in San Francisco, particularly those in the dry goods business, who are requested to transmit a large portion of their outside sales in small packages, must pay for transmission within the state of these packages, practically the same price that the merchant in New York can, by the same means of transportation, lay down the same article in the state of California.

"We would not by any means dis-

TROUBLE OVER LOW GRADE OF SEWER PIPE

Fraud and collusion between the city engineer and contractors of the Terwilliger Homestead sewer, resulting in placing inferior terra cotta pipe in the sewer instead of vitrified sewer pipe, is charged in a suit filed Tuesday in Portland by the Terwilliger Land Company against Mayor Simon and members of the executive board. The plaintiff asks the court to annul the proceedings authorizing the construction of the sewer and to prevent the city from enforcing collection of assessments for the cost of the work.

Both City Engineer Morris and the contractors, the Jacobsen-Bade Company, are attacked in the complaint. It is asserted that not only did the city engineer act without authority, when he substituted terra cotta pipe for vitrified sewer pipe, but that he raised the price of the work, after the contract had been let, from \$45,295.80, the contract price as named by the bidder, to \$51,068.24.

How the property owners are alleged to have been swindled by the change from vitrified brick to terra cotta pipe, is set forth in the complaint by the allegation that the terra cotta cost only 40 per cent of what the vitrified brick would have cost. All the bids submitted for the work were for the more expensive material—vitrified sewer pipe.

Fraud is alluded to in various parts of the complaint. It is asserted that the change from vitrified sewer pipe to terra cotta "was done by the contractor with the consent, and acting in collusion with, the city engineer, fraudulently to enable the contractor to make a larger profit in the execution of his contract than could have been made if the contract had been executed in accordance with the plans and specifications of the sewer."

The above is from the Oregonian, and, while Salem has no interest in Portland sewers, in view of the fact that she is putting in several miles of sewer pipe, it behooves property owners to keep their eyes on the job, and to see that the pipe is all right.

Critics are the people who can't do the things they know how others should do.

There is no fun in getting what you don't want, or wanting what you don't get.

criminate against New York merchants, but that in California that we should discriminate against the California merchants seems intolerable.

"The comparison of the rates charged by the same company in other states for like distances—say approximately 150 miles—over similar territory, with similar conditions, show the rates outside of California to be 100 pounds from \$1 to \$1.25 approximately, while in California the rate is approximately from \$1.40 to \$2.75. So far as we have been able to discover, no reason whatever exists for the difference."

MATTERS OF INTEREST ARE ACTED UPON

BOARD OF TRADE LOOKS INTO THE CANNERY MATTER AND ALSO THE MATTERS OF A BOULEVARD AND A NEW DEPOT.

While the minstrel show given by the Elks lodge last evening prevented the large crowd from attending the Board of Trade meeting, the gathering was enthusiastic and several matters of interest were discussed.

The matter of the removal of the Holcombe cannery to Portland came up and information was volunteered to the effect that W. G. Allen, of Eugene, who formerly owned the plant, was here and that he would assume charge of it. It was also decided to have the committee on manufacturers call on Mr. Holcombe and ascertain, if possible, just what his plans with regard to the cannery are.

Hal V. Boland suggested that the city of Salem should be provided with a better depot than that furnished by the Southern Pacific and suggested that action be taken all along the line of securing it. That brought out the information that the company has already made an appropriation for the erection of a depot but just where it will be located has not been decided.

The good roads committee was instructed to tender its services to the state officials having in charge the construction of a boulevard connecting the various state institutions.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

Hotel Marion: A. A. Kendrick, Frank W. Monroe, F. D. Stephenson, A. S. Moss, W. E. Warns, H. W. H. W. Johnson, H. A. Wright, E. S. Smith, Frank D. Hennessy, J. W. Casey, C. H. Freeman, E. R. Crawford, H. M. Gagne, Portland; D. A. Watt, Cove, W. T. Youngblood, Portland; Fred Dose and wife, Woodburn; George T. Cochran, La Grande; Fred Campbell, Chemawa; G. T. Wilson, Medford; E. R. Hunt, Eugene; Leonard Gross and wife, Eugene.

Salem Hotel: George A. Emerson and wife, Hastings, Neb.; C. R. Childenden, Portland; S. Barnett, New York.

Capital Hotel: W. C. Joyal, William MacKenzie, A. H. Bristow, W. M. Benbow, Portland; G. H. L. McCraw, Vancouver, Wash.; W. L. Jones, Jefferson; J. A. Burch, Seattle; R. H. Lewis and wife, Seattle; L. W. Moore, Brea, Vista.

Cottage Hotel: A. F. Blackerby, Silverton.

KILLED HER TO KEEP HER FROM GETTING SAD

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Boston, Mass., April 13.—Arraigned in court here today on the charge of having murdered her own daughter, Mrs. Clark Russell, who had confessed the crime, gave her explanation to the court.

"Well, I killed her," she said. "I thought it would be best for her. I did it because I thought she would be better off. I have been sick lately and have worried much. Some one said Marjorie smiled too much, and that hurt my feelings. She could not help smiling and being happy. But I thought it best to kill her, so she would not grow up to be sad."

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BABY SEES MOTHER BEATEN TO DEATH

Tacoma, Wash., April 13.—Coroner Shaver this afternoon is holding an autopsy over the body of Mrs. John Buchanan, who, according to the story told by her 4-year-old son, was beaten to death with a boat oar by Roy Morehead at Gig Harbor, near here late yesterday. Morehead is held in the county jail without bail.

The child was the only witness to the tragedy, and gave the alarm to two farmers, who ran to the scene, and saw Morehead taking away the pieces of a broken oar. Morehead denied that he struck the woman with the oar.

The tragedy was the culmination of a long-standing feud between the families over the boundary of their land.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND.

Of Baltimore, in the state of Maryland, on the 31st day of December, 1910, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Capital.	
Amount of capital paid up	\$2,000,000.00
Income.	
Premiums received during the year	\$2,662,234.87
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	261,037.12
Income from other sources received during the year	38,886.69
Total income	\$2,962,158.68
Disbursements.	
Losses paid during the year, including adjustment expenses, etc.	\$594,424.91
Dividends paid during the year on capital stock	320,000.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	930,672.88
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during year	117,058.06
Amount of all other expenditures	343,084.46
Total expenditures	\$2,305,240.31

Assets.	
Value of real estate owned	\$1,281,282.18
Value of stock and bonds owned	4,008,569.00
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	105,900.00
Cash in banks and on hand	683,325.77
Premiums in course of collection and in transmission, less than 90 days old	399,138.18
Advances on contracts secured	300,590.39
Interest and rents due and accrued	...
Total assets	\$6,778,805.52
Less special deposits in any state (if any there be)	\$34,037.00

Total assets admitted in Oregon	
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$5,944,768.52
Liabilities.	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$326,294.28
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	1,143,326.65
Due for commission brokerage	89,899.29
All other liabilities, including surplus	2,270,823.88
All other liabilities, including capital	2,000,000.00

Total liabilities \$5,485,248.30
Total premiums in force December 31, 1910... 2,662,922.73
Business in Oregon for the Year.

Total risks written during the year	\$4,218,515.60
Gross premiums received during the year	30,216.38
Premiums returned during the year	959.14
Losses paid during the year	2,605.64
Losses incurred during the year	183.79
Total amount of premiums outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1910	3,058.81

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