

WEST COAST IN GRIP OF STORMS

Pacific Slope Swept by Gale From Victoria to Los Angeles

Here is the weather bureau's record of the storm:

Extent, Victoria to Los Angeles and east to Nevada.
 Heaviest precipitation for 24 hours, Red Bluff, 1.96 inches.
 Fall in San Francisco for 24 hours, 1.13 inches.
 Fall from 5 p. m. to 5 a. m., .95 inches.
 Heaviest fall, approximately .75 inches, from 1 to 3 a. m.
 Seasonal rainfall to date, 8.74 inches; normal, 6.71.
 Prediction—Fair and cooler by tonight; fair Tuesday.
 Wind velocity at San Francisco, 34 miles an hour.
 Wind velocity at Point Reyes, 64 miles an hour.

One of the worst storms of many years created havoc on land and sea today, the damage being heavy throughout the bay region, which bore the brunt of it. A large district in San Francisco was kept in darkness for hours. Suburban trains were tied up, especially in Marin county, where bridges were washed away. The Kentfield stadium was turned into a lake, and in the estuaries arks were set adrift.
 Off port many vessels were in danger.

MANY SEWERS CAVE IN
 With the opening of the board of works offices half a dozen reports of sewer cave-ins were on hand and the board prepared to handle between 20 and 30 cases, most of them in streets yet unaccepted.

A tremendous surf pounded the beach, the water lapping the roadway.
DISTRICTS IN DARKNESS
 A giant tree in Junipero boulevard near Sloat boulevard was uprooted. Falling across wires, it threw the district into darkness. The Ingleside district, nearly all of Richmond, the beach, Bay View and the Fortrero were in darkness for varying periods, restoration of service being made with difficulty. In some districts there were no lights on streets or in houses for four hours.
 A wire snapped at Fell and Stanyan streets, its spluttering attracting a crowd.

RAILROADS TIED UP BY FLOODS
 The terrific wind and rain played havoc in Marin county, tying up the Northwestern Pacific suburban electric lines for two hours, flooding the

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER AND HIS WIFE BOTH ILL WITH BAD COLD

Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, who is ill at her Forest Hill home in Cleveland.



CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 22.—John D. Rockefeller was compelled to leave Euclid Avenue Baptist church earlier than usual yesterday owing to a severe cold with which he is suffering. The oil king did not stop to shake hands with fellow members and visitors, as he ordinarily does, but went directly home immediately after the

services. Three members of the oil king's family are now ill at Forest Hill. Mrs. Rockefeller has not fully recovered from the illness that caused the couple to stay in Cleveland for the fall. Miss Lucy Spellman, sister in law of Rockefeller, is also being treated by a physician. Rockefeller's recovery is expected to be rapid.

A concrete bridge spanning the San Anselmo creek at Tamal Park, just completed at a cost of \$1,000, was swept away by the turbulent stream. At Kentfield the grounds of the Marin stadium, the gift of Congressman William Kent to the people of Marin county, was flooded to the proportions of a broad lake, in which the auditorium building stood like an island. The racecourse, children's playground and May pole plaza were all under water and the grandstands were partly submerged.
BOONAIR ROAD UNDER WATER
 The road to the Hotel Boonair near Escalante was under water, arks were adrift and the high tide along Richardson's bay rose to within 10 inches of the Northwestern Pacific tracks.

MRS. GRANT WILL FIGHT FOR DECREE

Cross Complaint Says Son of Famous General Is Real Party at Fault

RENO, Dec. 22.—Elizabeth Chapman Grant has filed an answer and cross complaint in the divorce action brought against her three months ago by Jesse Root Grant, son of the famous civil war general, and that a lively fight will follow joining the issue is assured.

It is understood the wife has money while Grant is financially handicapped in expensive legal proceedings. Both principals have skilled lawyers. Mrs. Grant in her answer denies every allegation of desertion and declares in her cross complaint that her husband is the one who deserted and that in fact their separation has existed practically ever since their marriage more than 30 years ago.

She prays the court to deny her husband any decree and to grant her one upon her allegations of his desertion of her.

Mrs. Grant was Elizabeth Chapman of San Francisco.

24 ADRIFT IN ARCTIC ICE FLOES

Crew of Karluk Have Little Chance for Life, Is Report by Captain Pedersen

The story of a polar tragedy which in grim particulars may rival that of Captain Scott's disaster when the final details are revealed was brought to San Francisco by Captain C. T. Pedersen, reporting that the Karluk, carrying the supplies and part of the members of the V. Stefansson arctic expedition, has been lost in a fierce gale. The same storm which swept the Karluk from its ice pack and carried it to sea, destroyed Captain Pedersen's vessel, the gasoline schooner Elvira.

Stefansson, with three assistants, Diamond Jenness, Burt H. McConnell and George H. Wilkins, are in winter quarters at Point Barrow, having left the Karluk on a hunting trip, and had not returned when, on September 22, the arctic gale released the ship from the frozen floes and sent it to sea.

The vessel carried with it Captain Robert Bartlett, three scientists and a crew of 20 men. Every element of chance is against them, says Captain Pedersen. He believes the men abandoned the Karluk and took refuge on a giant floe, in which case their fate depends upon the currents of the ocean, which may carry them to shore somewhere.

PEERS SEEK POLE

16 Would Visit Antarctic

By Associated Press.
 LONDON, Dec. 22.—Foster Stackhouse, who is organizing the British Antarctic expedition for next year, says 16 peers are among the 4,800 applicants for places on the expedition, one peer being so eager to join that he has offered to become cook's "boy" if there is no other position for him.

The Elvira was a total loss, with its cargo of furs valued at \$18,000. Captain Pedersen made a trip over the ice by dogs and sleds to Fairbanks, which took him 25 days, and from there succeeded in reaching the States. His ship was wrecked on September 22, the day after the Karluk was torn from the ice. The whaler Helvedere has the rest of the Elvira's crew.

RADIO FOR VESSELS
 MARE ISLAND, Dec. 22.—Authority was received at Mare island today to install a new radio set on the refrigerator ship Glacier, as well as the naval reserve ship Maribhead, which vessel is now stationed in San Francisco bay.

FEIGENBAUM IN MOVE FOR RIGHTS

Lawyer Accidentally Files Wrong Petition, Which Indicates Plan

Attorney Edward A. Lande made a mistake this morning when, on behalf of Sanford Feigenbaum, he filed before Judge Graham a petition to have Feigenbaum restored to competency. The petition was set for hearing for 2 o'clock this afternoon, but Lande discovered that he had filed the wrong petition. What he intended to file was a petition to have Mrs. May Feigenbaum, guardian of her husband, Sanford Feigenbaum, render an accounting of moneys belonging to him and received by her. Lande withdrew the first petition and substituted the second, though the filing of the wrong one indicates that he is intending to make an effort to have Feigenbaum restored to competency.

Feigenbaum, who is the son of Joseph Feigenbaum, wholesale toy merchant, married Miss May Meyer. He ran a collection agency and later got into trouble with his creditors by falling, it is said, to turn over money belonging to them. His difficulties so preyed on his mind that he became mentally unbalanced.

500 DIE AS LAVA POURS OVER ISLAND

Fresh Eruptions Bury Natives on Ambrim; Steamers Rescue 1,300

By Associated Press.
 PARIS, Dec. 22.—Fresh eruptions have caused further destruction of life among the natives of the island of Ambrim in the New Hebrides group, according to a report received today at the French ministry of marine from the captain of the French gunboat Kersaint, on his arrival at Noumea, New Caledonia.

Dip point, on the western coast of the island, has been buried beneath a heavy fall of cinders and many of its inhabitants are missing. Two local steamers rescued 1,300 natives. No Europeans or Americans have been injured or killed.

Earlier dispatches estimated the loss of life among the natives at 500.
MRS. VANDERBILT ANNOYED
 NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The odor of paint was so annoying to Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, who arrived today on the America, that she insisted on Captain Chuick ordering the cessation of painting outside her cabin while the ship was at sea.

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