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HEAVY SNOWFALLS

Supplementing what we said the other day about the snowiest places in North America, here are some of the more remarkable records of snowfall in the United States during the past five winters:

For Whole Winters (Western States)

*788 inches, Paradise Inn, Wash., 1924-25
*620 " , Crater Lake, Oreg., 1926-27
588 " , Paradise Inn, Wash., 1926-27
*558 " , Heather Meadows (Mt. Baker Lodge), Wash., 1926-27
502 " , " " (" "), " , 1927-28

(The asterisk signifies that measurements were not continued during the entire winter; the figures show the amounts actually measured.)

For Whole Winters (Eastern States)

321 inches, North Lake, N. Y., 1925-26
245 " , Wanakena, N. Y., 1925-26
226 " , North Lake, N. Y., 1927-28

For Single Calendar Months (Western States)

363 inches, Paradise Inn, Wash., January, 1925
192 " , Heather Meadows (Mt. Baker Lodge), Wash., March, 1928
167 " , Cascade Summit, Oreg., January 1929
157 " , Crater Lake, Oreg., February, 1927
151 " , Cascade Tunnel, Wash., January, 1925

For Single Calendar Months (Eastern States)

90 " , North Lake, N. Y., March, 1928
77 " , North Lake, N. Y., January, 1926
67 " , Lowville, N. Y., March, 1928

The heaviest fall within a period of three days recorded anywhere in the United States during the past five winters was 87 inches at Giant Forest, California, Feb. 12-14, 1926. A snowfall of 87 inches represents, roughly, 8.7 inches of water.

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