

SNOW COVERS VALLEY HILLS, RAIN HEAVY

OLD FASHIONED WINTER GREET'S SOUTHLAND

Early Morning Rainfall Boosts Season's Total Past Normal

Following a heavy fall of snow which laid a white mantle on all the hills and mountains surrounding the Valley, a steady rain commenced here early this morning which recorded .23 of an inch precipitation up until 8 o'clock.

Residents of San Fernando witnessed one of the most unusual sights in the history of the city when they awoke this morning and found the roof of the old San Fernando Mission covered with a blanket of snow.

Heavy snow was reported in the hills near Newhall and early risers here reported that a wide rim of snow had embraced the entire circle of hills in this district.

Shortly before noon the rain in Van Nuys changed to heavy flakes of snow but melted as quickly as it fell to earth.

Deep snow was reported in the northern sections of the state today as well as in the mountain areas of Southern California.

The weather bureau at Los Angeles forecast a continuation of the rain here today and tomorrow.

The .23 of an inch precipitation here today brings the total for the season to 4.31 inches, nearly twice that recorded this time last year when the season's total was 2.42 inches.