

Church Activities

Methodist Church Schedules Services

Christmas Eve a candlelight service will be held at the First Methodist Church from 7 to 8 p.m. Families and friends are invited to attend the worship service.

The program, based on the scripture and carols, will take place in the sanctuary lighted by candles and the lights on a fir tree.

The Rev. Ellsworth Tilton will preside and Mrs. Myrtle Burr will be at the organ. The public is welcome.

Christmas Day, Sunday, there will be two church services at the Methodist Church and no church school.

The first service will begin at 9:30 a.m. The youth choir will sing three Christmas spirituals, at this service. At the 11 a.m. service the adult choir will sing "There's A Star in the Air," and "The Birth of a King." Harold Mobley will be the soloist.

The sermon is entitled "The Hidden Gift."

Services Held For Mrs. Kabat

Mrs. Minnie Kabat, resident of Roseburg about 45 years ago, died Dec. 19 in Portland. She was the widow of the late Leonard Kabat, who operated a cigar-making shop here, ultimately sold to the late W. H. Bowden.

Mrs. Kabat is survived by two daughters, Miss Leone M. Kabat, who taught in the public schools here, and Mrs. Nita Rusterholz.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at Finley's Rose Chapel, Portland.



Christmas In Union Square

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Christmas Program Set By Lutherans

The Faith Lutheran Church, 1130 N.E. Malheur St., will celebrate Christmas Day with the following services:

At 9:45 a.m., a church school service will be presented by grades five through 10, including musical selections by the youth of the church and a sermonette by the Rev. Lester Olson, "This Is Christmas."

During the 11 a.m. worship service, the sermon, "Glorious Appearing," and the choral anthem "Angels We Have Heard on High," will be presented.

A 7:30 p.m. candlelight choral worship service will be presented by the choir, under the direction of Mrs. Robert Kent, accompanied by Mrs. Arlo Jacklin. Mrs. Lester Olson will accompany Mrs. Jacklin on the prelude and postlude with the violin. This will be a musical service with hymns and anthems appropriate to the Christmas season. Several solos will be included in the program.

Following this service, light refreshments will be served.

Toketee Project Damaged; 300 Persons Marooned

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time of repair was not known. Elsewhere in the north, service was expected to be back to normal by noon, Cockeram said.

Utilities throughout the county today reported they were licking the many troubles caused by the flood waters.

In Elkhorn, where the water soared to record heights, Umpqua Telephone Co. personnel had repaired men out to replace poles and downed lines ripped out by a raging Elk Creek. They were hampered by poor road conditions caused by the water and resultant floods.

Mrs. G. J. Licklider, wife of the company owner, electricity again went out at Thursday midnight, but was "okay" now. Snow hampered the workers this morning.

In Kellogg residents were recovering from the flood impact which covered a good part of the town and broke telephone service.

Roseburg Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. Manager Jack McGuire said Sutherlin and Oakland phone service was not impaired. He said trouble still existed in Tye and Kellogg. Service at Camas Valley and Glade was reported "normal."

McGuire said Drain telephones suffered no "material damage" although the phones at the Woolley Lumber Co. were reported out.

George O'Mealy, manager of the California Pacific Utilities which services Myrtle Creek, Riddle and Canyonville, said things were returning to normal Friday. He reported no severe damage, although two lines from Canyonville, serving Tiller, are still out. Only one line remains down in Myrtle Creek. It serves Sunrise Hollow, north of the city and about eight patrons are affected.

Electrical service to the three cities was not seriously hampered. Power went out for two hours in Myrtle Creek.

Down in the southern part of the county, Robert Jones, manager of the Glendale Telephone Co. said "everything is okay now." He said one line was out in Windy Creek, north of Glendale. Most of the trouble in the area Thursday came because trees impaired service as they fell across lines, Jones said.

Floods, Mishaps Add To Circulation Manager's Grievs

A. Fuller Johnson, News-Review circulation manager, declares himself a candidate for a nervous breakdown. Another series of events such as those of the past two days, says Johnson, will put on the finishing touches. He has his eye on a bed at the Veterans Hospital.

With roads and highways blocked by water and slides Thursday, he endeavored to arrange airplane drops of bundles to Winston, Myrtle Creek, Riddle, Canyonville and Glendale. But high winds made low flying too risky. All routes to the south end of the county had to cancel deliveries until today.

While partial deliveries were made on routes to the north, and papers were delivered in the Camas Valley area, troubles other than weather arose to interrupt service elsewhere.

Ila Jones, carrier on the Lookingglass-Clallam route, made about half her deliveries before her car broke an axle on a remote section of the road.

Edna Boyter was making good progress on her Little River route when a punctured radiator caused her car's motor to overheat and freeze.

Johnson was frantically trying to get order restored on his route system in time to make complete deliveries of today's edition.

Services Scheduled For Clema O'Neill

Funeral services for Clema Nina O'Neill, 61, will be held in The Chapel of the Roses Saturday at 1 p.m. Dr. James Miller of the First Presbyterian Church will officiate.

She is survived by her husband, Charles, Roseburg; three sons, Daniel and Don, Roseburg, and Rex, Vancouver, Wash.; a daughter, Mrs. George (Evelyn) Mazon, Lookingglass; a brother, Glenn Hartwell, San Diego; four sisters; Mrs. R. J. Sheppard, Mrs. Bryan Akard and Mrs. L. B. Pitts, all of San Diego; Mrs. Noel Tweed, La Mesa, Calif.; and six grandchildren.

Interment will follow in the Roseburg Memorial Gardens.

Most Highways Reopened As Flood Waters Recede

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at Savage Rapids, near Grants Pass was still covered by water though.

The Oregon Coast Highway remained closed near Coquille, where flood water from the Coquille River covered the road. Also closed were the Albany-Corvallis routes, and the Umpqua Highway.

Many secondary highways were under water, but traffic was going through.

The commission also listed these closures:

Willamette Highway, by wash-out above Oakridge.

Cascade Highway, between Clackamas and Oregon City.

Bellevue - Hopewell, at Deer Creek.

Hillboro-Silverton, 1 mile south of Hillsboro.

Woodburn-Estacada, at Pudding River.

Freemont Highway, at Paisley because of bridge washout.

The new snow in the mountains was heavy, making chains necessary at several points.

Chains are needed at the following places, with the total amount of new snow during the 24 hours ended at 8 a.m. Friday:

Siskiyou Summit, 4; Santiam Pass, 10; Willamette Pass, 8; Chemung, 10; Bly, 8; and Austin, 10.

Motorists were advised to carry chains at these places:

Government Camp, 3 inches of new snow; Timberline, 5; Warm Springs Junction, 2; Bend, 8; Brothers, 6; Lapine, 8; Meacham, 5; John Day, 1; and Burns, 8.

Algeria Death Toll Mounts; Troops On Way

ALGIERS, Algeria — Killing and violence continued in Algeria Friday as France pledged 60,000 more soldiers to deal with the situation. That will probably commit as many French troops as were used at one time in Indochina.

The step coincides with the most violent period in Algeria since independence — seeking nationalists started their insurrection in earnest 13 months ago. In the past two weeks the death toll has passed 200 and in the last 24 hours the best unofficial estimate of deaths is about 40.

With the French election campaign in full swing, nationalist rebels have apparently decided to make their biggest effort. The Algerian problem is already a big factor in the election and growing daily.

The elections were called off in Algeria because of terrorism and the fact that Moslem officials — elected or otherwise — have been under nationalist threat of execution if they do not resign their posts.

The 61 Moslem members of the top local elective assembly decided Thursday night not to quit. At the same time they said they would send a delegation to France to "fight for and defend the idea of national Algeria."

Heaviest fighting in the past 24 hours occurred in the 6,000-foot peaks of the Djurdjura Mountains, where a strong rebel band was entrenched. French troops taking part were Alpine shassiers.

Flood Damage Surveyed As High Water Recedes

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The Southern Pacific's Siskiyou line, the old mountain route south via Ashland, also was still closed by bridge damage at Merlin, but was expected to be reopened Friday afternoon.

Coquille, without phone service even within the city Thursday, finally got communications restored Friday morning.

Water was high on the north coast of Oregon, too, and there a Nehalem farmer, Ancil Lowmman, 63, lost his life when his boat overturned after he had rowed across the Nehalem River with a load of milk.

His was the state's third death in the week-long storm of wind and rain. The others came from a falling tree and a car plunge into a bridge washout.

In Tillamook County the wind that accompanied the rain Friday morning, it had been 27.9 Thursday morning. At Roseburg the South Umpqua dropped nine feet overnight. And upstream from Reedsport, at Scottsburg, the Umpqua dropped six feet.

The Coast Guard Station said it considered the damage danger at Reedsport to have passed, when morning high tide failed to force the river to damaging levels. It had received additional boats and men from Tillamook and Depoe Bay and said it needed no more help.

The Coos County Red Cross chairman, R. C. Van Hine, said Thursday night that the Coquille River, in rising to within a foot of the all-time 1951 high, covered a 10-mile area from Coquille to Arago almost completely. Water stood three feet deep and deeper in farmers' fields.

At least 1,500 persons had been driven from their homes through-out the wide area of flooding from north to south in the state. Many began to return Friday.

Radio Stations Set Special Programs For Yule Season

Roseburg radio stations have lined up special Christmas programs.

A network show, "Christmas In Union Square," will be heard at 7 p.m. Friday over KRNR.

Saturday a galaxy of programs have been scheduled. They include KRNL's "Christmas Carol" of Charles Dickens, which features the late Lionel Barrymore in his immortal role of Scrooge. It will be aired at 6:30 p.m. Later at 8 p.m., KRNL will present a national show, "The Joyful Hour."

It tells the story of the nativity in music and drama and features many screen personalities.

Station KRNR announces many local holiday programs. In addition to network presentations, Saturday they include: Douglas High School chorus, 1:05 p.m.; Mother Goose Nursery, 3:05 p.m.; Rose Grade School chorus, 5:15 p.m.; Roseburg High School chorus, 7:30 p.m.

KRNR lists several "spectacular" network programs. They include "Christmas Sing With Bing" at 6 p.m.; "The Messiah" from Independence, Mo.

Sunday, KRNR will air a taped recording of "The Messiah" as presented locally by the Messiah Festival Chorus. It will be heard at 9 p.m.

Station KYES says regular programming will continue "with special emphasis" on Christmas music.

California Death Toll Climbs To 9 In Floods

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75 miles south of San Francisco, was reported in a message from police there to San Francisco police. It ended:

"Santa Cruz in dire need of help. 300-400 exposure victims need blankets and help."

Earlier in California six persons had been reported dead. Two women and a girl drowned Thursday in Placer County in eastern California. In the northwestern section two persons were reported dead in Humboldt County and one in Del Norte County.

Heavy rain and winds were expected to continue through Friday night.

The five villages stricken in the northwest corner of California lay empty. Their residents had fled from waters rising from a record week of storms.

The communities were Pepperwood, Elinor, West, Klamath and Klamath Glen.

Elmer Hodgkinson, managing editor of The Humboldt Times at Eureka, said in a report transmitted by Naval Reserve radio that the five villages were "virtually wiped out by racing flood waters."

He said other villages, including Carlotta, Ferndale and Alton, were isolated. None of the ruined and endangered villages has more than 500 population.

Hodgkinson said water was reported 15 to 18 feet deep and many houses were washed away in Klamath, near the mouth of the Klamath River. He said Klamath Glen, upstream about four miles, was reported almost completely destroyed. About 18 miles south, waters of the Redwood Creek ran 4 to 15 feet over the track, a village of about 300 people.

There were some reports that people had been seen on houses floating down the rampaging Eel River but they were believed rescued downstream, Hodgkinson said.

The Eel spread across its entire valley after the Redwood Valley Dam upstream overflowed. The torrent struck worst at Pepperwood, Elinor and West.

Further evacuation in the flooded valleys was scheduled for Friday, by helicopter and by boat.

When the coastal counties took the hardest beating, the inland areas also were in trouble. Two big valleys in northern Siskiyou County were flooded and the big rivers of the Northern Sierra — the Feather, Yuba, American and Bear — were over flood stage.

School Budget Committee Will Meet Next Tuesday

Election of officers and a decision on how the 1956-57 budget for School District 4 will be prepared are paramount business items for budget board members when they meet Tuesday night at 8 p.m. at Central Junior High School.

Supt. M. C. Deller Thursday said he'd ask the group for direction in working on a desirable program or "tailoring the budget to a financial figure." He'll have estimated receipts to show the group, so it will know what it has to work with.

Deller said he'd received the resignation from the budget group of Warren Engdahl. School board members appointed Gordon Smith, 926 Chapman St., to fill the vacancy.

MOORE RETURNED HERE
David C. Moore, 30, Roseburg, Thursday was returned from Elko, Nev., by Sheriff Ira C. Byrd to answer to a circuit court bench warrant charging contempt of court.

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Local Red Cross Chapter Authorized To Give Aid

The Douglas County chapter of the Red Cross has been authorized to receive requests for financial assistance from flood victims, according to Roy Bradley, local public information officer, local public information officer.

Bradley said authorization came from American Red Cross Pacific area headquarters at San Francisco. Those in financial need may apply at the chapter office, 814 SE Lane Ave., before 5 p.m. for a personal interview.

He stressed that actual need, and not loss from the water, is the basis on which assistance is given. Financial help won't be given to those who appear to be able to help themselves.

Assistance by the Red Cross is an outright gift from the American people, he said. The organization won't loan money. There will be no obligation on the part of recipients to pay back money. The chapter also was authorized to accept financial gifts to assist local flood victims.

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