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EUGENE PONCHOT

Green Church Slates Three Guest Speakers For Special Rallies

A series of "World Mission Rallies" will be held at the Green Community Church on Old Pacific Highway...

The Rev. Charles Glenn will present the work of pioneer missions. He, with his wife went to Ecuador in 1945 and has spent two terms in pioneer missionary work with the Cayapa Indian tribe...

The Rev. Eugene Ponchot will represent the work of the Missionary Church Assn. in Sierra Leone, Africa. He is a graduate of the Fort Wayne Bible College and of the School of Missionary Medicine of the Bible Institute of Los Angeles...

Miss Virginia Meier has spent one term of four years in missionary work in Hawaii. She will represent the work of the Missionary Church Assn. in Hawaii which is sponsored by the youth groups of the Missionary Churches...

William F. Woods, 78, Dies At Son's Home

William Francis Woods, 78, former resident of Rapid City, S.D., died Jan. 31 at the home of his son, Elvin, Camas Valley Road, Roseburg. He and his wife had come to this community four months ago to visit their children.

Surviving are his wife, Minnie, Roseburg; four sons, Lester and Elvin Woods, both of Roseburg, Kenneth Woods, Rapid City, S.D., and Virgil Woods, Cotton Wood, S.D.; three daughters, Mrs. Carl (Neva) Olson, Roseburg, Mrs. Clarence (Marvella) Beck, Rapid City, S.D., and Mrs. Vonley (Marian) Schellenberger, Box Elder, S.D.; 35 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in The Chapel of the Roses Friday, Feb. 3, at 2 p.m. Elder Walter Ristion of the Seventh-day Adventist Church will officiate. Interment will follow in the Roseburg Memorial Gardens.

BREMENTOWN MUSICIANS

"The Brementown Musicians," a children's theatrical production based on a Grimm fairy tale, will be presented tonight in Roseburg at 7:45 in Central Junior High School. It is sponsored by AAW.



END OF LINE—County bridge crews are dismantling the old Rice Bridge east of Dillard because three floods and an arson attempt had made the span unsafe. Though it doesn't appear so here, the structure was one of the few remaining covered bridges in Douglas County. The County Court hasn't decided whether to rebuild. Engineers estimate replacement would cost about \$100,000. (Paul Jenkins photo).

Whittemore And Lowe Piano Duo Appear Thursday Night

Precedent-breaking concert tours, best-selling records and numerous radio and television appearances have made the two-piano team of Arthur Whittemore and Jack Lowe favorites among music lovers.

The team will appear in Roseburg Thursday at 8:15 p.m. in Central Junior High auditorium under the sponsorship of the Roseburg Community Concert Assn., the fourth in a series of five winter concerts.

In terms of "prestige and popularity" the facts tell the story. As artists in their field, Whittemore and Lowe are in constant demand

as soloists with the country's leading orchestras. The pianists also have an enthusiastic audience for their coast-to-coast recital tours.

On records, the versatile young men have hit the over-a-million mark of best-sellers, with classical, romantic and contemporary records. Their all-time best-seller, "Two Grand," has been re-issued in the new speeds. In addition, they have recorded Saint-Saens' popular "Carnival of the Animals," playing with the Boston "Pops" orchestra under the direction of Arthur Fiedler Dvorak's "Slavonic Dances" and a two-piano rendition of "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" and "Sheep May Safely Graze" by Bach.

Classical music is a rarity in television, but Whittemore and Lowe became the first classical instrumentalists to have their own TV show amassing a total of over 100 appearances.

Whittemore was born and raised in Vermillion, S.D. His father was the "outstanding guard in the first 20 years of football" and coached and played at Brown University. His mother was a vocal student. Lowe was born in Denver and started as a violinist, playing at 15 with the Denver Symphony. Both won scholarships.

Whittemore won a teaching fellowship and Lowe a scholarship to Eastman School of Music at Rochester where they met and teamed up. Partied by the war, they were reunited in 1946 and have been playing together since. University of Rochester bestowed citations on the duo as two of the institution's most distinguished alumni.

Physical Fitness Tests To Be Given Roseburg Students

The Rogers' physical fitness test to be given Roseburg High School students Thursday is part of a aid in the development of an effective physical fitness program for Oregon schools.

Roseburg was selected as one of 19 pilot testing centers in the state by the sponsoring Oregon Assn. for Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

Other testing by a five-member team from the University of Oregon will be at Klamath Falls, Medford, Eugene, Springfield, Salem, Portland, Pendleton, Coos Bay and Astoria.

Approximately 100 boys and 100 girls will be selected at random to take the physical fitness index tests at Roseburg High Thursday. The results of the test will find sub-normal pupils in physical fitness and after a three-month period re-tests will be administered by the University testing team to note any improvement.

Administrators and physical education teachers from all Douglas County schools are encouraged to attend, according to District Four Athletic Director Cece Sherwood. The tests will begin at 8:35 a.m. and will conclude about 4 p.m. They will be held on the upper decks of the gym.

Testing will include four muscular strength tests: right grip, left grip, back lift and leg lift; two muscular endurance tests, pull-ups and push-ups; and a lung capacity test.

The move behind the testing in the state is derived from a mid-summer meeting in 1955 of athletic figures with President Eisenhower. At that time the President expressed concern in the discrepancy between fitness of European school children and American youngsters. Tests showed that while only nine percent of European children failed specified muscular tests, 58 per cent of American testees failed the same tests.

Recent physical fitness testing in Oregon schools has verified the fact that many children need special developmental activities to improve their fitness, according to a report of the NAEPER. It is the idea of the current testing to draw some conclusion as to what steps should be taken to develop a more effective physical fitness program in Oregon.

Oregon is the first state to conduct such a testing program since the program was first brought to light last summer.

Nightclub, TV Singer Charged With Shooting

NEW YORK (AP)—Nightclub and television singer Billy Daniels was charged Tuesday night with shooting and wounding a man in an after-hours bottle club in Harlem.

Daniels, a Negro, who gave his age as 30, said he remembered nothing about any shooting. He was released in \$2,500 bail for a hearing Wednesday on charges of felonious assault and illegal possession of a pistol.

The crooner's arrest and detention for several hours kept him from appearing at the Copacabana night club where he said he had been getting \$10,000 a week.

Police investigating the shooting of James Jackson, a 33-year-old prizefighter trainer, were apparently led to Daniels by an anonymous tip. Jackson was found on the sidewalk outside the Harlem club Tuesday morning with a bullet wound in his left shoulder.

BENEFIT NETS \$36.40

The Associated Women of the Oakland Community Presbyterian Church held a baked food sale and served coffee, Saturday, at the Sanitary Market in Oakland. A total of \$36.40 was taken in for the polio fund.

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ACCEPTED—Vernon M. Murdoch Jr., Roseburg's deputy police chief, has been accepted to attend the 57th session of the FBI National Academy in Washington, D. C., FBI Director J. E. Hoover notified Chief Stan Olson today.

Murdoch is the first Roseburg man ever to be accepted for the three-month school, which starts March 19. The City Council agreed last summer, when a request was entered for Murdoch's training, to pay his train ticket and keep him on salary during the school term. Other expenses will be paid by the officer.

Resident Of 40 Years Dies In Local Hospital

Myrtle Schroeder Northous, 68, resident of Jackson Street, died Jan. 31 in a local hospital. She was born Jan. 8, 1888, in Nantucket, Ore., and came to Roseburg 40 years ago to make her home.

Surviving are a son, Earl Schroeder, Medford, and one grand-daughter.

Funeral services will be held in The Chapel of the Roses Friday, Feb. 3, at 11 a.m. Interment will follow in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Roseburg.

School Board Selects E. Roseburg School Site

session at 7:30 p.m. at Central Junior High School. Another building problem came closer to solution last night. The board moved to spend approximately \$80,000 for the proposed Hucrat addition. The sum includes four classrooms, small health and special education rooms and completion of the cafeteria.

If possible, the board hopes to present a bond issue to residents of the district within the next six weeks.

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The band man told of a survey made to determine instrumental music needs in the district. Withnell said he found that nearly 300 pupils in the district play trumpets or clarinets, making the musical program uneven.

Unidentified Motorist Hits, Kills Small Dog

An unidentified motorist hit a small dog Monday as he drove south towards Roseburg on Highway 99. The blow felled the animal, crushing his hip.

Later, a second driver, an employee of the Roseburg Neon Co., stopped to render aid. He took the animal to a local veterinarian.

The "vet" examined the little part-Pekinese male and learned the crushed hip couldn't be repaired. He called the Douglas County Humane Society and received their permission to dispose of the animal.

Tuesday, the society was more than a little upset about the entire matter. Spokesman Dorothy Hult pointed out that the hit-run driver broke Oregon State Law 483.614 by failure to stop and assist the injured dog.

And, additionally, the fawn-colored animal had no license. There was no way for society members to find the owner. Mrs. Hult said "even a collar or harness" would have been a help.

She said the dog was obviously a pet. A license number would have made it possible to find the owner's name.

Girl Receives Leg Bruises When Car Struck By Engine

A girl passenger in a car received leg bruises about 2 a.m. today when the car was struck by a Southern Pacific engine on Mosher near Sheridan street, Roseburg police said.

She is Wanda Kolb, 20, of 1603 SE Miller St., who was riding with Jack Edward Nelson, Idleyld Route.

Nelson told officers he stopped across the tracks. He didn't see the engine, operated by L. E. Denn of Eugene, until it was too late. The engine was headed south, the car west. About \$400 damage was done to the car.

In another mishap, the owner of a driverless car was cited Tuesday after the car rolled down Southeast Haynes to Stephens Street.

The car, owned by Harvey Reid Nelson, 1247 SE Cobb, was hit by a car driven by Velma Elizabeth Bennett of Winston as it rolled onto Stephens, officers said. The driverless car ended up against a parked car owned by Royal S. Denton, 125 SE Cobb.

Nelson was cited for failure to park his vehicle securely, police said.

R. Raffensperger Pleads Innocent To Liquor Counts

Robert J. Raffensperger, 29, Roseburg, pleaded innocent to two liquor regulation violation charges when he was arraigned Wednesday morning before municipal Judge Randolph Slocum.

Raffensperger was released on his own recognizance on a charge he failed to have a youth sign a certificate of age at the time some beer was purchased from Raffensperger at the Beverage Shop Saturday night.

Trial on that count was set for March 29 by the judge.

A trial date of April 25 was set on a charge of selling alcoholic beverages to a minor. Bail of \$750 was continued.

Raffensperger was picked up Monday after one of three youths arrested by city police for being in possession of beer, told officers they bought beer at the establishment on Stephens Street.

Raffensperger claims the youth who made the purchase showed identification purporting he was 22 years old. Wednesday, the defendant appeared in court with attorney Gordon Carlson to enter his pleas.

Medford Veteran Dies At Veterans Hospital

Fred Turner, 73, died Jan. 28 at the Roseburg Veterans Hospital. He was a veteran of World War I. He was born Dec. 27, 1882 in DuBois, Neb., and was a resident of Medford at the time of his death.

He is survived by a nephew, George Turner, of Medford.

Funeral services and interment will be in Medford today at 2 p.m. The Chapel of the Roses is in charge of the arrangements.

Socialist Party Leader Takes Over As French Premier



GUY MOLLET new French premier

By JOSEPH E. DYNAN PARIS (AP)—France's first Socialist Premier since 1947 took over the governmental reins today, heading a non-Communist leftist coalition pledged to prompt negotiations to end the costly Algerian conflict.

Socialist party Secretary General Guy Mollet, who once taught high school English, was confirmed as the nation's 22nd postwar Premier by an unusually large majority of the National Assembly early today.

The vote was 420-71 with 83 abstentions.

The chamber's 151 Communists gave their votes to Mollet to pressure him for the "popular front" tieup they seek with the Socialists.

To counter this, the Catholic MRP (Popular Republican Movement) and other moderate groups voted with Mollet's Republican Front of Socialists and Radicals, and most rightists abstained. This gave the new Premier a majority of those voting without the Reds.

The Republican Front, which Mollet leads jointly with Radical party leader Pierre Mendes-France actually has only about 180 votes in the 596-member Assembly. Because of this the government is generally conceded a life expectancy of only three or four months.

The Premier's streamlined 13-man Cabinet includes seven Socialists, three Radicals, one nonparty man and two others from splinter groups. Mendes-France is deputy premier without control of any ministry.

Gov. Patterson Succumbs To Sudden Heart Attack

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the Oregon State Motor Assn. in 1950-52.

He was born in Kent, O., July 18, 1900. His family moved to Portland when he was 8. He served briefly in the Army in World War I, was graduated from the University of Oregon business school in 1923, and received his law degree from the university in 1926.

That same year he began law practice at Hillsboro, where he remained until stepping into the governorship.

Most county political figures expressed extreme grief over the death of Gov. Patterson. State Sen. Paul Godder summed it up this way: "The loss of a sincere friend comes as a distinct shock to me in the passing of Paul Patterson."

Segregated Dances Asked After Auditorium Brawl

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP)—The board of directors of Chattanooga's Memorial Auditorium, where a "rock 'n' roll" dance exploded into a brawl between Negro dancers and white spectators Monday night, will be asked to adopt a resolution banning the mixing of races at dances there.

Tommy Thompson, auditorium manager, said last night he will recommend the action because "the mixing of races at these dances is a dangerous practice and should be stopped before an unnecessary tragedy occurs."

The dance, featuring nationally known Negro singer Roy Hamilton, led into a furious bottle and chair throwing melee that required every available city and county policeman, both white and Negro, to put down.

Survey Shows Utilities Recovering From Storm

Moderate weather throughout Douglas County in recent weeks has given utility companies a chance to catch a breath of air, and most operations are now back to normal.

Floods, followed by a big snow storm, wreaked havoc with telephone and electric power facilities the latter part of December and early in January.

A current survey shows the situation is now good, and officials are hoping, of course, that Old Man Weather will not bring a recurrence.

Jack McGuire of Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. says area operations are functioning normally now, but work will continue through the winter to make permanent repairs to facilities.

At the height of the snow storm, 2,000 to 2,300 phones of a total 12,000 were out of order. All are back in service, at least on a temporary-repair basis.

Service was disrupted in the Roseburg, Glendale, Oakland - Sutherlin, Camas Valley and Winston-Dillard areas by the heavy snow. Damage estimates have been made, and will be reported soon.

Power Situation Good Both H. C. Wells of California Oregon Power Co. and Harold Backen Jr. of Douglas Electric Co. Oregon Power Co. and Harold Backen Jr. of Douglas Electric Co. gave their reports on the storm damage.

Backen said temporary repairs are now being made. Permanent work on Douglas Electric lines. A few spots are still being cleaned up. A list of damaged items and costs is being compiled and will be complete in about a week.

Yoncalla Mrs. Kittie Jobe of Yoncalla Telephone Co. said Tuesday that five phones still were out of service, but it was expected all would be in use by today.

At one time 309 of the company's 379 stations were out of order during the snow storm. Extra repair delay was encountered about two weeks ago when a fire swept a warehouse in Yoncalla. The fire did about \$1,000 cable damage, total storm damage will reach \$100,000, Mrs. Jobe estimates.

One bright spot: the storm showed some weak points which have now been corrected, so the situation is really better now than before.

Lack of experienced repairmen hampered efforts in the area.

Elkton

Umpqua Telephone Co. operations are "just fine" now compared to the situation during the snow storm when 160 of 190 stations were out, a spokesman said Tuesday.

A few Spokessburg area phones still are out, and will be for about a week. No estimate of total damage has been made.

Engineers now are working to cut the system over to dial phones. Construction bids will be let later in the year, and the dial system should be in use by about December.

Myrtle Creek

George O'Mealy of California-Pacific Utilities Co. says the company telephone system is now "back on a normal basis," with some cleanup work continuing.

Many phones were out for three weeks. At one time, about 860 of 1,900 stations were inoperative, mostly in rural areas. The company serves the Myrtle Creek, Canyonville, Riddle, Days Creek, Milo and Tiller areas.

Quick recovery largely depended on bringing in company crews from Colusa, Calif., and Elko, Nev., O'Mealy said. The crews returned to their home stations last weekend. A monetary estimate of storm damage and repair costs is to be compiled in the near future.

Glendale

Glendale Telephone Co. crews are hard at work in the Azalea area in preparation for the switch-over to an automatic switchboard the evening of Feb. 4.

A few stations still are out, particularly in the hard-hit areas of Ruben Road and Ferndale, according to Manager Robert Jones. Like other smaller operations, the company has been hampered by lack of experienced help.

Hospital News

Douglas Community Hospital Admitted Surgery: Roderick Reinhart, Alice Dalton, Roseburg; James Duffy, Sutherlin.

Medical: Mrs. W. H. Buzzell, Ralph Hanley, Mrs. Archie Briggs, Mrs. Melvin Gregory, Roseburg; Mary Wilde, Myrtle Creek.

Discharged Jerry Sulter, Wanda Johnson, Mrs. Victor Moody, Peggy Young, Roseburg; Mrs. Vernon Jantzen, Camas Valley Mrs. James Moss, Oakland; Ed Birdsall, Fred Larson, Dillard; Ernest Burris, Winchester.

Mercy Hospital Admitted Surgery: James Bell, Roseburg; Mrs. Marnius Smit, Oakland; Mrs. Charles Cooper, Sutherlin. Medical: A. A. Wilder, Roseburg; Mrs. Don Blass, Canyonville.

Discharged Mrs. Duane Roles, Mrs. Arthur Samson and son, Ronald Lee; Kenneth Van Buren, Mrs. William Carr, Roseburg; Mrs. Warren Lockwood, Tenmile; Diana Elliott, Glide.

Washington Visitor Dies In Canyonville

Bert Washington Flory, 72, of North Bend, Wash., died in a Canyonville hospital Tuesday, following a short illness.

He was born in Indiana Jan. 8, 1884. He moved to Washington with his parents at the age of 5. He was visiting a daughter, Mrs. Laverne Lehman, Days Creek, at the time of his death.

Survivors include four daughters: Mrs. Victor Kropi, North Bend, Wash.; Mrs. Harold Hans, Grayland, Wash.; Mrs. Harry Howren, Tiller; and Mrs. Lehman; one son: Charlie Flory, of Azalea; several brothers and sisters including Chester Flory of Days Creek; 19 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

The body will be shipped to Tacoma, Wash., Wednesday by Ganz Mortuary of Myrtle Creek. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Buckley King Funeral Home in Tacoma.

NEW MYF GROUP

An intermediate MYF group was formed Sunday at the Wilbur Church. Seven young people attended the first meeting. Games were enjoyed, followed by a planning discussion and worship service. Refreshments were served after the meeting. The group will meet each Sunday evening at 5:30 p.m. All young people are invited to attend.

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