

## Schools Set Yule Program, Vacation

Classroom windows brightly decorated with cutouts and glitter and freeland art signaled the big season of the year for Sandy's school-age youngsters.

Climaxing weeks of practice and preparation both grade and high schools were ready to present their traditional Christmas programs for parents and friends. The big moment would come after the plays and concerts were ended — Christmas vacation.

Sandy Union High School and Sandy Grade School scheduled Christmas vacation to begin after classes Friday, December 21. Kids wouldn't be expected back in school until Wednesday, January 2.

Caroling through the corridors is slated for the last day of school at Sandy High when the mixed choir will serenade classmates for an hour in the afternoon.

The annual musical program featuring the high school band and choir will begin at 8 p.m. Wednesday, December 19. Admission is free according to music director Lawrence Morrell.

### MUSIC SLATED

"Christmas Moods," played by the band, is set for the overture to the music program. An impressive procession by the massed choir and ensembles is entitled, "Angels We Have Heard On High."

A descriptive fantasy, "The Toy Shop," is the featured band number with senior Sharon Landreth as narrator.

"Winter Wonderland," "Silver Bells," and "Gesu, Bambino," will be sung by the girls choir. A quartet of girl choir members, dressed in what director Morrell has promised to be "interesting" costumes, will sing "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus."

Three numbers are marked for the mixed choir. "O, Holy Night," with Gayle Gadow as soloist; "Rocking," with Dixie Denton taking the solo part and a Calypso Christmas carol with Gayle Emerson soloist.

A quartet from the mixed choir promises two holiday favorites. "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" and "The Night Before Christmas."

Finale for the show is "White Christmas" by combined instrumental and vocal groups.

The junior choir and band are handling all program and ushering choruses. Morrell concluded, as well as taking care of backdrops.

### GRADE SCHOOL PLAY

The fourth through the eighth grades at Sandy Grade school will present a pageant of Christmas scenes and accompanying carols at 8 p.m. Tuesday, December 19 in the gymnasium.

The program will open with a procession, Adeline Fideis sung by all grades and Burton Blake singing "The Lord's Prayer."

In detail the program reads: Scene I: The Sabbath Day; "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear," Grade 5.

Scene II: Annunciation; "Ava Maria," High School Girls; "Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem," grade 4.

Scene III: Travelers; "O Come Emmanuel," Girls Chorus; "The First Noel," Grade 6; "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks," Grade 4.

Scene IV: Shepherds; "Gloria In Excelsis Deo," Girls Chorus; "Hark, The Herald Angels Sing," Grade 6; "Come, Hasten, Ye Shepherds," Grade 5; "March of the Three Kings," Grade 5.

Scene V: Manger Scene; "O, Holy Night," Girls Chorus; "Star of the East," "We Three Kings," Boys' Chorus; "Joy To The World" and "Silent Night."

### CAST

Readers: Martha Campbell and Jack Strope.

Mary, Jean Pettigill; Joseph, Jim Wolf; Priest, John Fussell; Wisemen, Phil Clapp, Art Skipper and Bill Tidner.

Travelers: Leslie Connell, Barbara Clark, Jim Chetlain, Mick Hoffman, Brenda Hunter, Thelma Lattin, Wayne Quinn, Jerry Katt, Patricia May, Sandra Miller, Jimmie Emerson, Dwayne Williams and Rebecca Dutton.

Shepherds: Gary Lamb, Edward Bernard, Alan Fleischman, Richard McDonald, Gary Turner, Mike Evans, David Ludi, Larry McCallum, Walter Whitlock and Danny Nichols.

Blind Man, Brian Lamke; Blind man's assistant, Dennis Sandercock; Angels, Marilyn Anderson, Anita Wade, Linda Clapp, Cheryl Hames, Elaine McQuaw, Judy Chetlain and Betty Chesnut.

Lights: John Cannon, Rodney Hanson and Keith Kersting.

Curtain: Art Bigelow and Terry Groom.

Mrs. Rech is general chairman for the Christmas program with assistants, Mrs. Schmitz, Mrs. Brooke, Mr. Knauss and Mr. French. Chairs and seating are under direction of Mr. Bakke, Mr. Doty and Mr. Lane; programs, Miss Grasse; lights, Mr. Anderson and Mr. Bakke.

Stage properties are handled by Mr. Boothby and Mrs. Richey; stage background, Mrs. Brooke, Mrs. Callaghan and Mrs. Montgomery; make up and costumes, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Rech, Mrs. Woodward and Mrs. Schmitz; ushers, Mr. Lane, Mr. Bakke; general factotum, Mr. Sutherland; music, Mr. Knauss.

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## Holiday Mailing Boxes At P.O.

Special boxes have been set up in the lobby of the U. S. Post Office for the express purpose of holding bundles of Christmas cards, Postmaster J. R. Metzger announced today. The boxes are clearly labeled for local and out of town mailing, he said, so that cards may be separated by the mailer and dropped in bundles.

Local boxholders received in Tuesday morning's mail a sheaf of four labels for local and out of town bundles. The use of these labels, tied on top a bundle of cards, would greatly speed mail to its proper destination, officials said.

The regular mailing slots in the end wall of the post office have been relabeled in large letters. Patrons were requested to separate mail into bundles for air mail, Portland, local and out of town packets, to most effectively take advantage of the arrangements.

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## Auxiliary Makes Christmas Plans

Members of the Women's Auxiliary of the Sandy Volunteer Fire Department announced that they will continue collecting donations for the children's Christmas tree.

Any needy family wanting clothing was urged to contact Mrs. Harold Edes at MUtal 7-2053, auxiliary officers said.

The women will sack candy for the children's Christmas party held Saturday, December 22, in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce-Kiwanis canned goods show at the Sandy Theatre at 1:30 p.m.

Mrs. Faye Bellar is doing the ambulance linen ironing for the month of December, it was announced at the weekly meeting, with Mrs. Helen Dahrens taking the job for the month of January.

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## Honors Go To Local OSC Man

OREGON STATE COLLEGE — William R. Rogers of Boring has been picked as a "distinguished military student" in the army ROTC program at Oregon State college.

Only 38 seniors were selected for the honor this year.

Distinguished military students have the opportunity to apply for regular army commissions, rather than for the reserve commissions normally received by ROTC graduates. If accepted, they may upon graduation, enter the regular army on the same basis as a West Point graduate.

Selection of distinguished students is based on scholarship, military program achievements and leadership potential. Advanced ROTC army training is offered at OSC in infantry, corps of engineers, signal corps, and field artillery.

Rogers, a senior majoring in electrical engineering at OSC, is in the signal corps branch of the ROTC program. A 1952 graduate of Gresham high school, Rogers is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney D. Rogers of Route 2, Box 157, Boring.

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## SOUND OFF

7th Division, KOREA (AHTNC) — PFC Duane H. Leber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Leber, Route 1, Boring, Oregon, is a member of the 7th Infantry Division in Korea.

Leber is a truck driver in Company A of the division's 32d Regiment. He entered the Army in August 1955 and arrived in the Far East last February.

Leber attended Gresham High School.

# Flash Flood Isolates Mountain Folk; No Danger Seen In Rampaging River

BRIGHTWOOD —irate residents on one side of the Sandy river here were cussing Wednesday at all that beautiful white stuff which made the mountain a winter wonderland. The picturesque snow was melting on Mt. Hood's slopes and cascading as tons of turbulent water filling the banks of the river.

The bursting stream forced the closure of Koch's bridge near Brightwood forcing residents on the far side to detour through Marmot and Sandy to gain the highway.

The wooden bridge, used primarily by log trucks, shuddered under the impact of the roaring muddy waters but late Wednesday reports from the county road department stated the waters were no longer rising and the bridge was still intact.

Tense residents kept a close watch on the Koch bridge during

the early part of the week when the wooden pilings under the structure were threatened with collapse during the heavy pounding. Riverbank property was swamped in low lying locations but no damage was reported.

High water in the Clackamas and Molalla rivers was also receding slightly after warm winds and rain turned deep snow into high water.

The Willamette river at Oregon City crested at 28 feet in the lower

river Thursday. Levels rose over 8 feet in 24 hours according to John Tatone, lockmaster for the U.S. engineers. The reading is still short of flood level even at the low point near Kelley Field.

No flood water fouling of water supply was found when the sanitary engineers from the county health department checked various trouble areas.

In spite of the heavy snows from the previous weekend, county roads appeared in good condition. Commissioner Darrel Jones attributed the lack of damage to pavements to temperatures kept above freezing point under the snow blanket.

The Koch bridge at Brightwood was slightly damaged just before dark Tuesday when debris piled against a fallen tree lodged on the upstream side of the bridge. County crews posted detour signs on either end of the wooden structure.

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## POPULAR WELCHES GIRL DIES AFTER RARE HEART OPERATION

WELCHES — Judy Anne Kramer, aged 14, pretty and popular student at Welches Grade School, died December 10, two days following a complicated heart operation, performed at Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kramer, Judy was born September 24, 1942 at Ridgefield, Washington. She spent many of her school years at Welches, where the Kramers kept their home, though Judy

lived in many different towns in the west.

Besides her parents she is survived by her six-year-old sister

Rena Rae.

Grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Friday, December 14, at 11 a.m. at the Vancouver Funeral Chapel, 12th and Broadway, Vancouver.

Herman A. Kramer and Mrs. Ray Butler, Ridgefield, Washington and great-grandfather William Bramhall of Battle Ground, Washington also survive.

Funeral services were set for Vault entombment follows at the Ridgefield cemetery.

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## Holiday Items Asked By Post

Next week we publish the annual special Christmas edition of The Sandy Post. We'd like to fill it, page for page, with stories and features on how people here prepare for the holidays and what they feel about it.

We plan to make hundreds of phone calls to gather material for these pages but our most wonderful Christmas gift would be hundreds of phone calls to us, from every reader on the subscription list.

Special family traditions, a favorite family holiday recipe (maybe handed down for generations or brought from another country), something your child has done at Christmas of which you're especially proud or amused — we'd love to hear about it. It needn't be a world-shaking event — just something which reflects the close, warm feeling of Christmas.

Call Terry Revenagh at MUtal 7-2781 or MUtal 7-3904.

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## Skoko Gets His Money Returned

OREGON CITY — Stan Skoko will not have to pay \$420 for guards over the ballot boxes during the recent recount he demanded of votes in the November 6 county judge election. Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton handed down the decision Tuesday, declaring that the county would be responsible for the payment of the guards since no provision is made in election laws for the hiring of guards during a recount.

The total cost of the recount was originally set at \$1,500 posted as a deposit by Skoko, after he lost the election to Ed Latourette by 62 votes. Election laws stated the deposit would be forfeited should the recount show Skoko lost. The final tabulation gave Latourette an official 100 vote lead.

County clerk Guy Pace figured the costs of the recount including payments to a special counting board and the hiring of the guards. Skoko protested that guard's salaries were not to be added.

"I hired the guards for the ballot boxes since we had to store them in a room with only a wooden door. . . . For the benefit of the public and myself I felt the guards were necessary," Pace stated.

With the guards' salaries subtracted from the total, the cost to Skoko is reduced to \$690. This means \$830 of the original \$1,520 will be returned to him.

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## Church Sets Two Events

The Sandy Assembly of God church has scheduled two special holiday events to be held in the church building next week.

Miss Esther E. Olson, a missionary on furlough from Pwulia, India, will be the featured speaker at a missionary service Sunday evening, December 16, at 7:45.

Miss Olson will tell of her work among Indian orphans, illustrating her talk with colored slides. The service here is a last stop for Miss Olson, pastor Melvin Grams reported, since she will leave for India and her orphanage early in 1957.

A four-act play entitled "Why Christmas?" will be presented Thursday, December 20 at 7:45 p.m. at the church with members of the congregation as actors. Main character in the play will be a Scrooge-like old man who doesn't believe in Christmas. Action of the play follows the old man's search for "the true spirit of Christmas."

The public has been invited to attend both events.

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## Club Officers Are Installed

The Mariner's Club held its annual birthday banquet in the Community Presbyterian Church annex on Saturday evening December 8. Twenty couples were present.

Candlelight installation of the 1957 officers was directed by the Reverend Donald Livesay. The following officers were installed: Skipper, Kay and Luke Oldenkamp; First Mate, Gloria and Cal Nelson; Log Keeper, Joyce and Jim Martin; Purser, Lois and Deane Wessellink; Chaplain, Shirley and Art Bakke and Cook, Edna and Wayne French.

Two guest couples were present; Lee and Jackie Crutcher and Lyle and Corrine Cummings.

After the installation Tom Boothby led the group in Christmas caroling. The rest of the evening was spent watching movies of the Mariner's past activities.

A coffee hour will be sponsored by the club on Sunday, December 16th.

## Bad Check Season Here

The sour note in Clackamas county merchant's joyful Yuletide selling bee was sounded by sheriff-elect Joe Shobe today when he alerted store owners to the holiday hazard of rubber check passers.

Th paper-hangers find Christmas-time brings ideal conditions for successful results in their racket, Shobe said.

Clerks are extra rushed, inexperienced sales people are hired as extra help, and the general good mood of the holidays often brings down the guard.

Shobe revealed some of the common tricks used to cheat businessmen. He warned merchants not to be lulled if the check is issued only for the amount of the purchases. The store owner still loses, since many passers do their gift shopping at the expense of the seller.

Another favorite trick of the rubber check writer is to buy \$10 worth of gifts with a \$50 check and then asks to leave the bundles at the store while he completes his shopping. The owner feels the fellow must be honest since the buyer is willing to return for the merchandise.

Tain't so, says Joe. All that happens is the store owner gets stuck with the bundles and stuck for the \$40 in change he gave the check writer.

Out-of-city and state printed checks should be suspected, Shobe concluded, and as always, positive identification should be made.

Driver's licenses and social security numbers can be forged but if the clerk can get the car license number it makes tracing the author easier for county officers.

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## Seals Sales Run Lower In 1956

Despite increased contributions on the part of many individuals to the Christmas seal sale, this year's returns have been consistently lower than last year's, was the report Monday, of Mrs. J. E. Blinkhorn, president, Clackamas County TB and Health association.

Returns for each of the three weeks since the seals were mailed have been lower than the returns for the same period last year, she said. This year's Christmas seal sale is the 50th annual sale for the National Tuberculosis association and its 3,000 affiliate associations, of which the county association is one, Mrs. Blinkhorn said. Seals were first sold in Clackamas county, Christmas 1919, she stated.

Total returns to date are \$6,874.45 as compared with \$8,487.89 of last year at this time, Mrs. Blinkhorn reported. Sandy's contributions had reached \$90 by last week.

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## Hoodlanders Set Social, Fun Night

BRIGHTWOOD — The Hoodland Valley Association has scheduled a social and fun night for Friday, December 14, to be held at the Barlow Trail Inn at 8 p.m.

Games and prizes will be featured. Tickets for the social night may be obtained from Ed Gadowood, Joe Woodie, Ray Leaf, George Williams, Jack Callaghan, Del Howard or Bill Steinbarger, club officers said.

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## Santa Due At Cub Meet

Busy Santa Claus has scheduled another appearance for next week when he will distribute gifts to Cub Scouts and their families at the Pack meeting Monday, December 17, 7:30 p.m., in the all purpose room at the grade school.

To help the gentlemen in the red flannel suit, cubs and their guests were requested to bring a 10 cent gift, which Mr. Claus will distribute.

Den 4 will give the flag salute. A new contest in parent and Cub attendance will be initiated at the December 17 meeting. Each den, with accompanying parents, will sit as a unit, with roll call to be taken at each pack meet. Best attendance at the end of three months brings the winning den free roller skating tickets.

"Eyes in the Sky," will be the theme for the next pack meeting. January and February meetings will be combined in February for the annual Blue and Gold dinner.

The next executive meeting for cub scout directors will be held January 14, 8 p.m., at the Clifford Sandstrom home.

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## Clues Sought For Window Smash

Investigation was still being conducted this week by Sandy police chief Carl Lofstedt into a theft case and a case of property destruction.

Mrs. Leta Schmitz, Center street, filed a report on December 6 that a window was broken in a residence owned by Dean Schmitz, 6502 N. Amherst, Portland. Snow-ball throwing children were suspected.

A new tire was stolen from the display rack of the Hoodway Union Service Station at the highway junction west of Sandy while Mrs. Ralph Hames, wife of the owner, was waiting on a customer. Mrs. Hames said that two men in a car with a New Mexico license had stopped at the station, which she was running while her husband was driving the school bus. She believes that one of the men stole the tire while the other distracted her attention with an order for oil, stored in another part of the station. The license number of the car was not noted.

Cited for violation of the basic rule this weekend were: Terry Larry Lambert, Boring and Lawrence Darrell Pullen, Sandy, who received a warning.

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## Service Family On Mercy Dash

SANDY — A Sandy service family this week made a fast flight from Germany to be at the side of the husband's stricken father. Through the efforts of the American Red Cross and Dr. Walter Noehren, Sergeant Elwyn L. Lamb and his family arrived at the home of his parents December 11, the day he was originally scheduled to leave Europe.

Lamb's father, LeRoy Lamb, Route 2, Box 83 has been confined to a Portland hospital since November 23 and is reported to be improving slowly.

Because of the serious illness of the Senior Lamb, the Red Cross flew the sergeant, his wife, and two children from Germany to New York. Receiving a message in that city that his father was improved, the family picked up a car there and drove to Oregon, hampered somewhat by snow and ice across the continent. After the first of the year, the sergeant's family will go to Camp Carson, Colorado.