

FOUR DIE WHEN SLIDE CRUSHES

avalanche Bears Down Upon Home; Woman and Two Of Sons Rescued

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Almost before the two had reached a margin of safety, the flood was roaring across the highway.

Kidney said he saw a little boy with a dog in his arms run from the back door of the house just seconds before the 12-foot wall of debris smashed down upon it. The house seemed to rise, tipped hesitantly, then was borne down with the flood. The youngster with the dog, later identified as Donald, was swallowed in the roaring mass. Searchers wading laboriously through the dangerous silt, found the body of the dog. They had not found the boy's body at a late hour.

Kidney said he heard children scream as the house began to move. Their cries of terror lifted momentarily above the crashing of the slide, then weakened and subsided utterly into the increasing roar of the flood, and the booming snap of heavy timbers.

As the house began to settle in the lake the flood had created, one of the children was seen at an upstairs window, crying for help. This was Clifford, who had been thrust up through the smashed timbers by rising water. Citizens who had gathered quickly at the scene hurried to rescue him.

Mrs. Allen was found a short distance from the house, half-submerged in the cold ooze. She was hurried to a neighboring house and medical aid summoned. Eileen was helped out of the debris and taken to safety.

When the first fury of the slide had subsided, and the father and three sons were found still missing, volunteer workers waded thigh-deep into the muck, and searched for the bodies.

One by one the bodies were recovered, lifted onto a door that had been ripped from the smashed house and that served as a sort of raft, and taken to firm ground. Only the youngest son's body remained missing.

Leonard Allen, 26, of Rydewood, Wash., was not at home when the disaster occurred. He came from Rydewood within a few hours. His sister, Mrs. Leona Bozart of Clatskanie, also was absent at the time.

The slide reached to within a few inches of the top of a dike protecting the Marshland drainage district. Residents of the community were working feverishly to-night to fortify the dike against the terrific pressure they feared might crumble it.

The Allens moved to this district about four years ago from Woodland, Wash.

CHRISTMAS ALSO HAS SAD ASPECTS

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and, however, and the kidnapers started afoot for town, leaving their victims to do the same.

SCARBORO, N. Y., Dec. 25. (AP)—Dorothy Jane Long, age 8, wanted to remain awake all night so she could speak to Santa Claus. Finally she dropped asleep after asking her mother to awaken her if Santa should come.

This morning Dorothy was found dead by Mrs. Long. Doctors said she had died of excitement.

Prison Blazing in Foiled Break



A night scene showing the State prison at Charlestown, Mass., in flames after it was fired by five desperate convicts attempting a jail break. The blaze was started in the tailor and blanket shop as a smoke screen to aide the felons. Below, Boston and Charlestown police lined up at the prison gate with riot guns.

Christmas is Honored In Schools, Churches

PIONEER.—The school children gave their annual Christmas program at the clubhouse Friday night with the following program: Song, "Silver Bells," four girls; play, "Christmas Detectives," Vincent Thiess, Eugene Inman, Bob Thiess, Alice Robbins and Fay Keller; recitation, "I'm Not Too Little to Help," Frankie Inman; recitation, "Brown's Memory," Truman Robbins; song, "Star of the East," boys; drill, "The Old Dolls," Margie Inman, Fay Keller, Virginia McCarter, Eugene Inman, reader; song, "Glory to God," girls; play, "It is Better to Give Than to Receive," Elmo Black, Virginia McCarter, Chesley Glinley and Margie Inman; recitation, "Santa's Defender," Donald Killion; play, "Father's Joke," Russel Richter, Fay Keller, Alice and Virginia McCarter and Raymond Richter; song, "A Christmas Prayer," school.

Santa Claus, in the person of George Curtiss, passed gifts and candy.

HAYESVILLE.—In spite of torrential rains, a fair crowd was present to enjoy the program presented by the children of the Hayesville school Friday afternoon.

Although the original program was abandoned when the teachers were notified through the Health Center that it would be unwise to present a program at the community club, as planned, due to the current epidemic of whooping cough, the substitute program was very good.

The Harmonica club, which is composed of about 40 members, did very good work.

The following program was presented: Song, "Up on the House Top," primary grade; dramatization, "The Kitchen Who Wanted to Become a Christmas Present," primary grade; violin solo, Bernice Robertson; "Silent Night," harmonica band; violin solo, Daniel Verhagen; pageant, "Holy Night," advanced grades.

At the close of the program, Santa and his helpers delivered candy to the children as a treat from the community club.

ORCHARD HEIGHTS.—Uniquely beautiful lighting effects and decorations featured the Christmas meeting of the Popcorn P. T. A. Thursday night. An excellent program of playlets, recitations and musical numbers was given by the pupils of the school under the direction of their teacher, Miss Josephine Smith. Santa Claus, impersonated by George Wilson, dispensed gifts to the children and a treat of apples, candy and popcorn balls was served to all present.

AUBURN.—An interesting and varied program was presented at the schoolhouse Thursday night. The entertainment was presented as follows: Play, "A Visit to Santa Claus"; recitation, "My Christmas Dolly"; play, "Christmas Sympathy"; song, "Oh, You Christmas Candy"; recitation, "A Christmas Eve Thought"; number by the Auburn orchestra; "Rose Petals Romance"; recitation, "To Santa"; play, "Grandma Brady's Christmas"; recitation, "My New Christmas Dolly"; recitation, "Presents for Christmas"; play, "Christmas Spirit"; "Blue Bells and Violets," Auburn orchestra; play, "Love Lights the Tree"; song, "Santa's Coming."

The school children all took their parts very well, and the program was very much enjoyed. Ben H. Hawkins, impersonating Santa Claus, gave bags of candy and nuts to the children present.

WEST STAYTON.—The students of the grade school here gave a nice program at the schoolhouse Friday night. Most of the program was put on by students of the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades.

HA Home Owned Theater HOLLYWOOD
Last Times Today a James Cruze Production "Race Track" with LEO CARRILLO and Junior Coghlan
Wed.-Thurs. Dime Nights Ann Harding, William Powell in "Double Harness"

Junior girls choir of 13 members under the direction of Miss Winona Nickerson received special credit for their part in the program. The entire program was filled with well rendered songs and recitations and a playlet, "Telling of the Birth of Christ." An electric cross was lighted and a morning star guided the "Wise Men."

A full house of patrons of the Webster district attended the Christmas program by the schoolers under the direction of Miss Isabelle Foreman, the teacher at the Webster school house Friday evening. A beautifully lighted tree was a portion of the exquisite Christmas decorations of the school room. A sack of treats for all attending was enjoyed.

NORTH HOWELL.—The North Howell grade hall was crowded to capacity Friday night, when parents and friends of the school children gathered there to enjoy the program presented by the grade pupils and in which every pupil attending there had a part. Music, drills, recitations, a play, some clever exercises and the very well done operetta, "When Santa Forgot the Smiths," made up the attractive program and everyone who was there now knows that Santa Claus really does come down the chimney and through the fireplace with his pack of toys, because they saw him do it.

AMITY.—Friday afternoon the Amity Union high school students had their annual exchange of gifts. A short impromptu program was given after which the letterman of Amity Union high school handed out the presents.

Many Amity high school graduates were back to visit school and to enjoy the program yesterday afternoon. The alumni were: Barge Rogers; Hub at Vichell, Chet Stephens, Viola and Elsie Pumala, Carl Wood, Maurice Versteeg and Dobe Wood.

PERRYDALE.—A large crowd attended the Christmas program in the auditorium last night. A musical operetta "Christmas with the old woman in the shoe" by the grade students was well presented and much credit goes to Kenneth Ramey and Helen McMillan for their coaching the children.

Christmas carols were sung by the high school glee club and the high school students also put on a short play after which Santa Claus took charge. There were 281 bags of candy handed out with a large number left to be distributed later.

RICKEY.—A large crowd was in attendance at the old fashioned Christmas program and tree put on by the community club Friday.

The program included: Song by school children; recitation, Mavis Beck; vocal solo, Alene Beard; recitation, Patricia Kenny; vocal duet, Nita and Roy Taylor; recitation, Beverly Jean Pattison; vocal duet, Inez and Iota Miller, and a group of numbers with Hobart Smith as master of ceremonies which included guitar numbers by a trio composed of W. O. Storch, W. F. W. Corsey, yodeling songs, Joe Chambers, impersonations, Roy Gibbon.

FALLS CITY.—A capacity house attended the Christmas program and benefit presented by the grade school assisted by the girls' high school glee club at Victory hall Thursday night for the grade school hot lunches. The following donations were received: Twenty-nine pounds red beans, 24 pounds white beans, 11 pounds macaroni, 15 pounds sugar, 10 pounds onions, sack potatoes, sack carrots, two pounds cocoa, four quarts tomatoes, sack cabbage, three quarts peas, three cans milk, four pounds salt, three pounds rice.

The evening's program was composed of the following numbers: Reading, Delmer Ferguson; play, first, second, third and fourth grades; reading, Eugene Ross; selections by the first and second grades; rhythm band; song, upper grades; selections, girls high school glee club; selections, school orchestra; Christmas drama, upper grades; arrival of Santa Claus and distribution of Christmas treats.

LEWIS P. ALDRICH CALLED BY DEATH
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Mr. Aldrich was a member of the I. O. O. F. lodge at Silverton and of the Elks lodge here. Besides his widow, Mr. Aldrich is survived by his mother, Mrs. Nellie A. Waite of Alameda, Cal.; his sister, Mrs. Evelyn Knott of San Francisco, and a half-sister, Mrs. Grace Myers of San Diego, Cal. The former two are now in Salem.

GRACIOUS - WAGGLES - GAY
DAYTON.—The Dayton Methodist church and Sunday school Christmas program and tree was held Friday evening at the church attended by a full house. The

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ELSINORE
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Friday—Max Baer in "The Prizefighter and the Lady."

GRAND
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Thursday—El Brendel in "Olsen's Big Moment."

CAPITOL
Today—Ed Wynn in "The Chief."
Thursday—Frankie Darro in "Wild Boys of the Road."

STATE
Today—"The Silent Enemy," epic of the American Indian.
Wednesday—Douglas Fairbanks in "Mr. Robinson Crusoe."
Saturday—Ralph Forbes in "The Phantom Broadcast."

HOLLYWOOD
Today—Leo Carrillo in "Race Track."
Wednesday—Ann Harding and William Powell in "Double Harness."
Friday—Key Maynard in "Drum Taps."

Admirers of Louisa May Alcott's literature and the "Little Women" series in particular, are flocking to see the screen version of that entrancing story at the Elsinore; some of them, no doubt, in spite of grave fears that Hollywood may have done some violence to the original. They come away with those fears allayed, and with thorough approval of the picture, both as entertainment and as a portrayal of the story in the spirit, intent and mood in which Miss Alcott wrote it.

To persons familiar with the

book, the scenes are authentic and the dialogue leaps out with startling authenticity; but more than that, the well-chosen cast enters into the spirit of the story and of the characters in a manner to cause a cessation of much head-shaking over Hollywood's shortcomings.

Katharine Hepburn does a marvelous piece of acting in portraying the difficult role of Jo March, though some readers of the book may not quite agree with her interpretation, or the director's interpretation, in some spots.

"RACETRACK" FILM IS AT HOLLYWOOD

Thrilling race track scenes are the features of the new World Wide Pictures—James Cruze feature, "Race Track," showing for the last time at the Hollywood theatre today.

Leo Carrillo, noted star of stage and screen, will be seen in the stellar role, with a supporting cast that includes Junior Coghlan, Kay Hammond and Leo Moran.

As the title suggests, the picture is a story of the race track, Carrillo appearing as a bookmaker with Junior Coghlan as a walf he adopts and who grows up to be a jockey.

The race track scenes were filmed at Agua Caliente, famous resort just below the Mexican border, where James Cruze, director, took the entire troupe for a week while the fast-action racing scenes were shot.

Arrest Four in Fatal Stabbing Of Archbishop
NEW YORK, Dec. 25 (AP)—Four men were held in jail on charges of homicide tonight as police curried Armenian neighborhoods for witnesses to the murder of Archbishop Leon Tourian, the presiding prelate of the Armenian National Apostolic church.

Anniversary Is Observed By Warners

The week of December 24 to 30 is Warner Brothers' anniversary week and they are celebrating their third anniversary in the operation of the Capitol and Elsinore theatres in Salem.

The celebration will be done in gala fashion and as an anniversary present to theatre-goers of Salem and the Willamette valley they are offering at the Elsinore Christmas week, "Little Women" with Katharine Hepburn and at the Capitol Jackie Cooper in "The Lone Cowboy."

At the Elsinore the New Year will bring such outstanding hits as "Duck Soup" with the Four Marx brothers, "Blonde Bombshell" with Jean Harlow and Lee Tracy, Dolores Del Rio in "Flying Down to Rio," Ruth Chatterton in "Female," "Son of a Sailor" with Joe E. Brown, Marie Dressler and eight famous stars in "Dinner at Eight," return of George Arliss in "Disraeli," Paul Muni in "The World Changes," "The Super Shocker," "The Invisible Man" and many more.

The Capitol will keep pace by offering "SOS Isenberg," E. A. Greer's "Thundering Herd," "Tillie and Gus," "Tarsan the Fearless" with Buster Crabbe and others.

FLOODS SUBSIDING IN N. W. DISTRICT

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water reaches the lowlands. The Columbia was only slightly lower at Longview.

The Richland district in Benton county, Washington, suffered seriously yesterday when the Yakima river went out of its banks, flooding thousands of acres embracing nearly 50 farms.

Tillamook, Ore., conditions were nearly normal after one of the most critical flood and storm experiences in many years. Astoria reported some relief from flooded areas around Brownsmead and Younger river.

Most railroad lines were usable but slow orders and constant threat of slides made schedules uncertain. Highway officials were making every effort to keep motor traffic moving, but travel information as to condition of roads was good but a few minutes.

WANTS MORE MARINES WASHINGTON, Dec. 25. (AP)—An appeal for greater strength in the fighting force of the marine corps was made tonight by Major General Ben H. Fuller.

Too Late to Classify
Parties seen taking 2 suitcases from packed car at 155 S. 19th St. known. Return—no questions asked.

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