

# Worst School Tragedy Ever

## Over 400 Children Killed When Large Building Explodes, Texas

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for a quarter of a mile. Children were decapitated. Some were mangled. Some lost limbs. Supt. Shaw likened the victims to rag dolls with their clothes torn.

Some of the bodies were near the edge of the desolate heap of wreckage. Rescue workers removed these first. One hundred bodies of children, five older than 15, were taken to Henderson where they were laid out in improvised morgues awaiting identification. Ten bodies of their teachers were brought with them.

Thousands of automobiles blocked all highways leading into this community, in the center of the vast east Texas oil field. Sightseers and curious thronged elbow to elbow with parents of children trapped within the school.

There was an agonizing shortage of doctors and supplies to treat the injured. Emergency calls were broadcast throughout east Texas for physicians and nurses and for bandages. Supply houses emptied their stores.

When all ambulances and private cars had filled with the dead, anxious fathers and mothers dragged the bodies of still more victims into the school gymnasium.

There the children and their teachers were placed end on end awaiting identification. State police and American legionnaires rushed to the scene and took charge. Even laundry trucks became ambulances.

Members of the Parent-Teachers' association meeting in a gymnasium east of the school found a scene of family horror nearby.

Five hundred men raced from the oil fields served by the school to the scene. Later an additional 1,000 men went to work upon the wreckage.

Disheveled, screaming mothers, some of them in disagreement over the identification of the broken bodies, milled about the school grounds. The scene was chaotic.

# Task of Removing Bodies Is Speeded

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ponderous oil trucks to the mass of debris covering the children were stretched huge stout cabs. Sweating oilfield "roughnecks" turned errands of mercy—many seeking their own sons and daughters, also hauled at the task.

Scenes of actual horror were surprisingly few but the mute faces and unseeing eyes of scores told volumes.

One mother frantically snatches at a hand with two rings on it—found yards from the building. A cry and she turns away.

# All on WPA Sent Copies of Speech

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municate with congress. That is what the other side is doing. But there never has been any preference given to WPA employees in Oregon because of political reasons, and there never will be as long as I am in charge. There never has been and never will be any pressure on anyone, politically or otherwise."

# The Call Board

**HOLLYWOOD**  
Today—Double bill, Joan Aubrey in "The Big Show" and "Lady From Nowhere" with Mary Astor.

**STAIRS**  
Today—Eastern circuit vaudeville plus Conrad Nagel in "Navy Spy."

**CAPITOL**  
Today—Double bill, Victor Moore in "We're in the Jury" and Pat O'Brien in "China Clipper."

**ELLSINORE**  
Today—Double bill, Edward Arnold in "John Meade's Woman" and Roland Young in "The Man Who Could Work Miracles" and latest issue of "March of Time."

**GRAND**  
Today—Grace Moore and Cary Grant in "When You're in Love."  
Saturday—Victor McLaglen in "Nancy Steele Is Missing."

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# Star Reunited With Husband



Here is Mary Astor, screen star, and her new husband, Manuel Del Campo, as they appeared together at her Toluca Lake home during their first reunion since a surprise marriage last month. Del Campo had been called to Mexico City by the death of his father.

# Amelia Cuts Time On Honolulu Trip

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Miss Earhart stepped out of the plane behind Mantz. Then came her navigators, Captain Harry Manning and Fred J. Noonan. Asked how the flight compared with her solo hop from Honolulu to Oakland in 1935, Miss Earhart said it seemed "longer."

It was not longer, however. Her flight of January 11, 1935, required 18 hours 15 minutes to cover the same 2400 miles, in the other direction.

Although Miss Earhart and her crew deliberately throttled down the new plane to save it for other perilous stretches on the world flight, it covered the distance in 15 hours, 51 1/2 minutes, trimming one hour, 6 1/2 minutes from the previous mark of 14 hours, 53 minutes set by the Hawaii Clipper last December.

Although Miss Earhart's plane was the last of three to take off from Oakland for the overnight flight, she was far in the van at the finish, landing at 5:59 a.m., Honolulu time.

# Missionary Will Show Color Film

Paul B. Peterson, president of the Eastern European mission, an international missionary organization with headquarters in Chicago, will speak and show full color motion pictures of missionary activity in eastern Europe at the Evangelical Tabernacle, 13th and Ferry streets, Sunday night at 7:45 o'clock. A little over a year ago, Mr. Peterson returned to America following a survey of the Eastern European mission field during which he traveled through 20 countries of Europe.

So far as it is known these are the only motion pictures in existence showing missionary work in that region. These views, which have been shown not only in many parts of the United States and Canada, but also in England, Switzerland, and other lands, give a clear conception of the field and the type of work being done by this mission. There is nothing either entertaining or theatrical about the pictures; they are instructive, inspiring, convincing.

# Farm Product Processor Re-Classification Asked

WASHINGTON, March 18—(AP)—Representative Walter M. Pierce of La Grande, Ore., proposed today amendment of the Social Security act to classify as "agricultural labor" employees of farmers or similar cooperatives engaged in processing or handling farm-produced materials.

# Canby School Auditorium Purchase, Plan of Co-op

OREGON CITY, March 18—(AP)—The Oregon turkey growers cooperative is negotiating for the purchase of the Canby grammar school auditorium with a view of converting it into a cold storage plant, officials of the association said.

# A Three Days' Cough Is Your Danger Signal

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# Premium List For 4-H Show Is Out

## Will Be Held April 22-24 at Fairgrounds; Ten Divisions Given

Announcement of the premium list for the annual 4-H spring show was made yesterday by Wayne D. Harding, county club leader. The show will be held at the fairgrounds April 22 to 24.

Any 4-H club member enrolled in the projects listed may participate. The exhibits must be placed not later than 10 p. m. April 21 or they may be mailed to the office of the county superintendent before that date. In all divisions 10 ribbons will be awarded for the best exhibits.

Judges for the show will include Mrs. G. T. Harrington, Salem; Mrs. L. A. Humphreys, Crown Mills, Portland; Helen Cowill, assistant state club leader, Corvallis; Lynn Cronmiller, state forestry department; Dr. E. E. Berg, Marion county health unit; A. N. Fulkerson, Salem, and Mrs. George Moorhead, Salem.

Classes included are a special health contest with four scholarships from the Marion County Public Health association for the two highest scoring boys and the two highest scoring girls. Cooking with five divisions and two exhibits in camp cookery; clothing with seven divisions and also an exhibit in handkerchief sewing; room improvement with five exhibits; room improvement; health, health poster contest; handicraft; forestry; knitting; art and a number of special contests. The latter will include the style revue with the winner participating at the state fair. There will be numerous demonstrations including the dollar dinner, the winner of which will also participate at the state fair. The home economics judging contest is another important feature.

# District Meeting Scheduled Sunday

Program details for the senior and junior divisions of the Haystack Sunday school district at the 175th quarterly convention to be held Sunday at the Pratum Methodist church are announced as follows:

Senior program—Song leader, Mrs. Paul Silke; 10 a. m., song service; 10:20, devotion; 10:35, bible lesson study, Howard Frink, adults leader; 11:10, song, congregation; 11:20, sermon, Rev. Orval M. Whitman; 12 noon, basket dinner and fellowship hour; 1:40, harmonica, Haystack Sunday school; 1:50, duet; 1:55, business and offering; 1:56, duet, Mrs. Silke and Mrs. Keen; 2:00, world Sunday school convention report, Fred DeVries; 3:00, congregational hymn; address, Rev. F. W. Eriksen of Salem; benediction.

Junior program, with Mrs. H. F. Shanks, superintendent; 10:00, song service; 10:20, devotions, Irene DeVries, Pratum; 10:35, classes, cradle roll and beginners, Evelyn Hiers; 11:00, sermon; 1:15, guitar solo, Lashib Center Sunday school; 1:30, "Jesus Loves Me," all little children; 1:40, harmonica, Haystack Sunday school; 1:50, duet; 1:55, reading and music, Brooks; 2:00, Easter story, Beulah Gerig; 2:20, candle lighting, Eldridge Sunday school; 2:30, sermon, Rev. Lynn A. Wood of Salem; 2:45, object lesson, Homer Leisy; 2:50, reading, Clear Lake Sunday school; 2:55, solo, Clarence Fagr; 3:10, song, girls, Lashib Center; 3:25, memory drill by congregation.

# Woman Holds Key To Future, Claim

The modern woman of the business world and the home holds the key to the future of the United States of America, declared Circuit Judge James T. Brand of Marshfield at the ninth annual public relations banquet of the Salem Business and Professional Women's club held at the Marion hotel Thursday night.

"In the past women left civic duties to men and men left them to politicians," Judge Brand told the 115 members and guests. "Man has sold his birthright for a bowl of economic pottage."

The business woman, said the judge, represents a point between the past and the future, a point of contact between the business man and the woman in the home. In this role she sees government not in terms of any political faith or another but seeks to follow the median course.

Ilda Bingenheimer as president of the club acted as toastmistress and welcomed the guests, who included heads of other Salem men's and women's service and civic organizations. Mayor V. E. Kahn responded on behalf of the guests. The program included songs by Miss Gretchen Kreamer, instrumental trio music by Elaine Steingrube, Margaret Langan and Celeste Elliott, and singing of the Oregon state song, led by Esther Hager.

# Pioneer of Coos Region Is Called

MARSHFIELD, Ore., March 18—(AP)—George Cook, 88, who came to Marshfield with his parents on an old "squarerigger," as a boy of four, dropped dead at his home here late today.

He served two terms as mayor of Marshfield and for 13 years on the Coos Bay port commission, being president of that body until the first of the year.

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# Minto Hotel Now Closed For Year

Hotel de Minto has been closed for the spring and summer seasons, Chief of Police Frank A. Minto, announced yesterday. One reason for the closing was that the chief patronage of the place was becoming more and more that of the professional transient, who was working back and forth between the "hotels" and "flophouses" being operated in valley cities. The other reason was that the warmer weather made it possible for transients to sleep out of doors.

The city council committee in charge of the "hotel" has a small amount of money left for the project but doesn't wish to dig further into the city's emergency fund as long as Chief Minto believes the transient station is no longer needed, Chairman Frank P. Marshall said last night.

# Easter Egg Hunt Slated, Mt. Angel

## National Defense Plaque Is Presented to Post by Mrs. Lucht

MT. ANGEL, March 18—Mt. Angel Auxiliary women served a club supper to members of the local post Tuesday night in honor of the birthday of the Legion. A large birthday cake with 18 candles, baked by Mrs. Sam Sims, graced the festive board. The cake was later cut with special ceremony by Commander Fred Lucht. After the supper the Legion was presented with a plaque by Mrs. Fred Lucht, president of the Mt. Angel unit. The plaque was awarded by national headquarters for work in national defense.

Festivities were followed by separate business sessions of the two organizations. The auxiliary initiated four new members, Mrs. Al. Stupfel, Mrs. Robert Drysdale, Mrs. Amos Haggie, and Mrs. C. Hafner. Mrs. A. J. Butsch was awarded the navy plate offered by the auxiliary as a prize in a recent contest.

## Egg Hunt Slated

An Easter egg hunt for the children of the veterans is being planned for the Saturday before Easter. The hunt will be held on the lawn of the Fred Prosser home and will begin about 3 p.m.

A food sale, scheduled for Saturday, March 27, will be held all day at Oswald's store with Mrs. Frank Walker in charge. A special line of pastries will be offered.

April 1, Mt. Angel will be host to the Marion County council. Both the Legion and auxiliary will meet in the dining hall of St. Mary's school.

# Mudd Is Elected Elks Ruler Here

Clifton Mudd was elected exalted ruler at the annual meeting of the Salem Elks lodge last night. He will succeed Dr. Charles A. Howard.

Other officers named were: Leading knight, T. R. "Ted" Paulus; loyal knight, William Hammond; lecturing knight, Marvin Headrick; secretary, Harry Weidner; treasurer, Tyler Brown; trustees, Joseph Adolph and David Drager; tiler, E. G. Burrell; alternate representative to grand lodge, Armin Berger.

# Trains Sideswipe; One Man Dead, One Missing

SAN FRANCISCO, March 18—(AP)—Southern Pacific Railway company officials reported here tonight that a freight train fireman was killed, an engineer was injured and a brakeman was missing as the result of a sideswiping accident at Elliot, five miles west of Livermore, involving a gravel train. The accident occurred about 10 p.m.

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ON STAGE **SCOTTY ALLEN**  
IN PERSON and His Alaskan Huskies

LAST TIMES TODAY: EDWARD ARNOLD in "John Meade's Woman"; "THE MAN WHO COULD WORK MIRACLES"

# Radford Estate's Case Near Close

## Boyer vs. State Accident Commission Is Next in Equity Court

With only two witnesses yet to be heard in the trial of the case of Chester B. Zumwalt, administrator of the estate of Mary L. Radford, against Inez Knapp and others, Judge L. G. Lovell this morning will take up the next case on the docket when the Radford dead case is concluded.

The case coming up for trial is that of Benjamin Boyer against the state industrial accident commission and Wallace H. Newhard. The plaintiff is seeking an injunction against the commission to restrain it from making a \$1000 award to Newhard for an eye injury.

Boyer contends that Newhard was working as an independent contractor in repairing his house and had agreed to take care of the compensation payments. When the injury was received by Newhard, Boyer states, he signed a paper for him but that he did not know that it was a claim against the commission.

In his answer Newhard claims that he was working for the plaintiff for a daily wage and claims that he is entitled to the award for his injury which has been approved by the commission.

# Clinic Scheduled For Scio Schools

SCIO, March 18.—A clinic for school pupils is to be held in Scio, March 23, when tuberculosis tests will be made by Dr. A. G. Prill. Mrs. J. H. Tumbleson and Mrs. W. S. Snyder will assist. In addition to the Scio schools, those at Franklin Butte, Oakview, Shelburn, Queener, Munkers, Arnold, Richardson Gap, Prospect Mountain, Burgen Hollow, Lourdes, Devaney, Riverview, Cole, Mt. Pleasant, Blyss, Den and Providence are to be included in the clinic, says Mrs. Nova Young of Albany, county health nurse.

"Jimmie" Kruml, who died in Lebanon March 17 from a self-inflicted gunshot wound, was well known by many of the scio boys who attended school here when Kruml did. His father, Frank Kruml, has conducted a shoe shop in Scio for many years. His mother died at Scio about 28 years ago.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Scio telephone association ways and means were discussed looking to financing the business and taking care of indebtedness. Several business men of the city, at a meeting Monday night, recommended an assessment of \$10 for business phones and \$5 for residence phones.

# Violations Charged

Florence E. Adamson, 539 North Liberty street, was booked by city police last night on a charge of failing to stop a charge of operating an automobile with four people in the front seat was written up against Rodney E. Carlson, Portland.

# Gervais Church's Offerings Stolen

Burglars broke into the Church of the Sacred Heart at Gervais sometime Wednesday night and took nine days' accumulation of worshippers' money from the offering box, Rev. William S. Walsh, pastor, notified state police yesterday afternoon. He was unable to estimate the church's loss.

The burglars gained entry to the church by climbing a ladder and breaking out a window pane.

# Certes Goes to Amboy

George Certes has gone to Amboy, Wash., where he has accepted a position as night watchman in the Frank Thomas mill.

# Pie Social Slated

HALLS FERRY, March 18—Mrs. Elsie Carpenter, teacher here, announces that a pie social will be held at the school Friday night, March 26.

# Lightning Strikes Near Bradli Home at Aurora

AURORA, March 18.—The electric storm Monday night caused damage to both telephone and electric wires, left some homes in and around Aurora in darkness and also burned out a mile of electric line.

# Merton O. Whites Back at Mt. Angel

MT. ANGEL, March 18.—Mr. and Mrs. Merton O. White returned to Mt. Angel this week after spending the winter traveling in California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, and old Mexico. They left Mt. Angel December 16, driving down the ridge route to Ontario, Calif. Here they spent the holidays and found a very unusual winter. The next several weeks were spent in San Diego, where they proceeded to El Paso, Texas. They enjoyed especially the agreeable Texan climate.

In New Mexico they visited the Carlsbad Caverns which they considered wonderful in the extreme. They next visited all the Mexican towns along the border. They next enjoyed some time in Yuma, Tucson, Phoenix and from thence moved on to Palm Springs, Calif. The desert city they found delightful but the weather a bit too hot for regonia. Catalina Island and the various points of interest around Los Angeles were all covered. A trip to Death Valley left lasting impressions and the wonderful work at Boulder Dam was awe inspiring.

# How Many Pennies Your Child's Life?

There is one point, on which practically all doctors agree. That is: Don't give your child unknown remedies without asking your doctor first.

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