

Slides Caused By Rainfall

Railroad Employs Busy Clearing Track As Hill Slides Down

MILL CITY—Due to the heavy rainfall during the past few days, a slide on the highway, about a quarter of a mile above Mill City, has caused the state highway department some repair work on the pavement.

A crew of Southern Pacific workers has been working night and day on the railroad track below the highway, where the hill is slowly sliding onto the track. No delay in train service has resulted as yet, but the crew is still at work.

According to Mrs. Earl Parker, who has been keeping a record of the rainfall since 1936, the precipitation during a 24-hour period, starting the evening of Dec. 1, was 3.83 inches, which is the heaviest for that period of time, since the beginning of her record.

Millard Bass has returned to Gowen's Field, Boise, after spending a ten-day furlough with his parents in Mill City.

Jimmy Day, employed by the Mill City Manufacturing Co., at Blowout Camp, was injured last week, when a snag hit him, knocking him unconscious. He was treated at the Mill City hospital and spent several days there where X-rays showed no serious injuries. He is convalescing at his home. Fortunately, the snag which hit him was so decayed that it was completely pulverized upon hitting the ground.

The Security Benefit Association held a meeting at the IOOF Hall, entertaining Clara M. Grolbert, district manager.

During the meeting it was decided to have a no-host supper at 6:30 p. m., December 12 and to have an exchange of gifts after the meeting.

The refreshment committee consisted of Mary Ranbousek, Helen and Evelyn Kanoff. Entertainment was in charge of Mrs. C. A. Bruder and Mrs. William Shuey.

Clara M. Grolbert was a guest at the William Shuey home during her brief stay in Mill City.

Pratum PTA to Convene Monday

PRATUM — The Pratum Parent-Teacher association will hold its December meeting at the school house Monday at 8 o'clock. Stanley Church, state director of traffic safety, is to give a special program of sound motion pictures entitled "Short Stops" and "A Turn-About Man." Mr. Church and different pictures were enjoyed by the Pratum school children at Central Howell recently.

Everyone is asked to bring a "white elephant" for fun at the Dutch auction. Proceeds are to be used for children's Christmas treat.

Garden Club Party Tuesday at Woodburn

WOODBURN—The Woodburn Garden club will hold its annual Christmas party at the Lutheran hall Tuesday. A planned pot-luck supper will be served at 6:30 p. m.

All members and their husbands or wives are invited to be there. There will be a garden gift exchange. Entertainment will be furnished by Mrs. Lester Walling and Mrs. George Jones.

Hostesses are Mrs. H. C. Beaman, Mrs. Joe Richards and Mrs. Harold Jones.

Willamette Valley Briefs

Ground Is Soaked

WALDO HILLS — Waldo Hills farmers report the ground seems to have absorbed all the moisture it can handle for the present. Little puddles of water stand on the fields, a rather unusual sight. As yet no damage has resulted from water, however, farmers report.

Siton Girl Dies

UNIONVALE — Fran Siton, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Siton, who had been ill several months, died Thursday night at the Doernbecher hospital in Portland. Her parents and one brother survive.

Election Is Tuesday

JEFFERSON — At the meeting of Euclid chapter OES Tuesday night a 6:30 o'clock turkey dinner will be served. Election of officers will take place, and a Christmas tree and exchange of gifts will be features of the evening.

Day Material Ready

DAYTON — Material for erection of the new grade school gymnasium in Dayton is being trucked to the site and building will be started as soon as the weather is more favorable for pouring the cement foundation and doing other outdoor work.

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Airport Is Dropped at Silverton

SILVERTON—With the payment of the final \$180 hangar rent this week, the city of Silverton severs all connection with an airport. The amount was voted paid at the December council meeting.

Councilmen recall that the airport at Silverton first came into being in 1927 at the instigation of Delvert Reeves Post, No. 7, American Legion. In the airport were 87.2 acres of land belonging to the Al Coolidge estate. The Legion built the hangar and two years later, on September 27, leased the airport to the city. Agreements of the lease, as acquired by the Legion post in 1927, were that all taxes and assessments against the property be cared for.

In 1937, when the first lease, a ten-year arrangement, expired, it was found that there was \$2779.36 owing on the airport in taxes in addition to penalties and interest. The matter rode along until September, 1939, when the city audit showed that there was \$4015.67 due in back taxes, interest and penalties. The airport was leased at \$600 with an additional \$180 for the hangar during the past year. The entire amounts have been cleared up during the past two years, and the lease has not been renewed. What was once Silverton's airport is now a field being plowed up, and the hangars, it is reported, are soon to be torn down.

Since September 28, 1929, the city had leased the airport to the federal government, who bought title for the field and also hired men as caretakers at the field. The federal government, in addition, installed its lights about the field. During the past year the field was sub-leased to Alfred Adams.

While the airport has been, almost from the beginning, an expense to the city, city officials had maintained it in hopes some larger project might at some time develop from it. However, present officials felt that it was too great an expense to retain with no more prospects of development than could be had at present.

Citizens like to recall the time when air circuses brought scores of planes to town.

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Band Concert Set Tuesday

Ellefson to Direct Silverton High School Group

SILVERTON—Music lovers at Silverton are looking forward to the free concert to be given at the high school auditorium Tuesday night by the high school band with F. T. Ellefson as conductor and Don Renwick as assistant conductor.

The program consists of the following: Key, Star Spangled Banner; Elvey, Chorale, Come Ye Thankful People; Buchtel, Americana; Casey, cornet solo, Honey-suckle Polka; Don Renwick; Sousa, march, King Cotton; Mozart, minuet and trio, clarinet quartet, Jean McClanathan, Mahala Abell, Wallace Adams, Marion Rappay; Von Suppe, overture, Morning Noon and Night in Old Vienna; Fillmore, novelty, Military Escort in Five Ways (by request); Herbert, Victor Herbert Favorites; Cavena and McAllister, march, Americans All.

Band members are: flute, Lloyd Naegeli; oboe, Denny Legard; clarinet, Mahala Abell, Wallace Adams, Arleigh Berget, Bruce Dickman, Bill Duncan, Doris Hanks, Jean McClanathan, George Manolis, Darlene Reed, Melvin Watterson, Kenneth Allen, Tom Anderson, Vernon Brewer, Marion Rappay; saxophones, Donald Hattberg, Joann Libby, Bob Oeder, Oralee Winkler; French horns, Ken Cook, Calvin Johnson, Jim Nelson, Collin Bragg, Bill Scarth; cornets and trumpets, Milton Fuhr, Bill Hutton, Vincent Jorgensen, David Oeder, Don Renwick, Walter Scarborough, Henry Ulvin, Bill Hierington; trombones, Louise Aubrey, Helmer Anderson, Don Chandler, Carroll Goodall, Lee Grinde; bass, Henry Jackson, Bob Swanson; baritone, Bob Down; percussion, Wendel Loe, Vayle Dickerson, Jim Olson, Don Thompson; tympani, Jim Olson.

Legionnaires Make Christmas Plans; Announce Two Shoots

MT. ANGEL—The Mt. Angel Legionnaires and women of the auxiliary intend to do their bit of Christmas cheer, not only for the children of the post and unit but for the local men in service as well, as shown in plans made at the meetings Tuesday.

For the children they are planning the usual Christmas party with treats of sweets, an amusing Santa Claus and a Christmas tree. The children are being asked to put on the program, that is, each child wishing to do so may contribute a number of his own choosing to the entertainment. The Christmas party is slated for December 16.

The auxiliary is sending cards bearing Christmas greetings to each one of the 47 men of the community who are now in service. The post will send gifts to those among them who are sons of veterans.

Legionnaires and auxiliary women were invited to attend the Marion county council at Stayton on December 12.

The local post is planning another shoot before Christmas, the date not definitely set. This time it will be both an indoor and field shoot. The indoor shoot will be conducted in the Memorial hall and the field shoot on the legion shooting grounds about a mile from town.

The junior auxiliary will meet at the Memorial hall December 13 at 2 o'clock.

Al Stupfel, legionnaire and owner of Dude's restaurant in Mt. Angel, treated the members of both post and unit to an elk stew supper after the meetings.

Valley Events

December 8—Small Fruit Growers meeting, Salem chamber of commerce, 10 a. m.
 December 10-11—Annual meeting of Oregon State Horticultural society, Eugene.
 December 9-13—Northwest Turkey show, Oakland.
 December 12-13—Oregon State Corn show, Corvallis.
 January 13—State Grange Conference.

Family Dinner Honors Dad

Resident of Jefferson Honored on His 87th Birthday Anniversary

JEFFERSON—Margaret Hamill entertained with a family dinner Sunday in honor of her father, the occasion being his 87th birthday anniversary.

Guests were his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hamill and children, Portland. Friends and neighbors called during the afternoon to offer congratulations.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin, Connie Martin, Mrs. Robert Hart, Mrs. Leonard Marcum, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brown and family, Gery Carpenter, Wilsonville, and George Arucka, Scio.

The Hamills came to Jefferson 15 years ago from Colorado. Hamill operated the Jefferson cabin camp and service station until about two years ago, when he leased the station to Frank Martin.

Mrs. Rosa Buchanan and Edith have leased their house on Second street to Zera Thompson, and moved their household goods to Albany Wednesday. They are now located at 413 Elsworth street. Mrs. Buchanan has lived in Jefferson for over 49 years. The Thompson family are moving from Harry Jones' house.

Mrs. Delmer Buchner received word that her stepfather, Lert Miller, is critically ill in a Tillamook hospital. Mrs. Buchner and her brother, Delman Witherite, Albany and Della Miller left for Tillamook Wednesday.

Harvey B. Thurston and Mrs. Enos Nelson, San Diego, Calif., and Frances Goh, San Francisco, who were in Jefferson for the funeral of Mr. Harvey Thurston, returned to their homes Wednesday.

Harvey Thurston's brothers, K. S. Thurston and Clarence Thurston accompanied them as far as Palo Alto, Calif. They will spend several days visiting their aunt, Mrs. Jessie Davis.

Services Set By Churches

WEST SALEM — Special music will be featured at the Methodist church Sunday morning with the male quartet and a duet by Kenneth Abbott and Leighton Dashell. At 6:30 o'clock the youth fellowship of high school and college age people will meet. Rev. Don Hucklebee will be in charge of both services.

Rev. A. A. Loewen will deliver the morning and evening messages at the Mennonite Brethren church Sunday. In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Harold Duerksen and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Yungen will visit the convalescent home. Pete Harms will give the theme at the youth fellowship hour and Hilda Nickel will sing a solo. Prayer service will be Wednesday.

Mrs. D. T. Bradford has invited the members of the Builders class to meet at her home Monday at 6:30 o'clock for a no-host supper and study period which will be conducted by Mrs. Don Hucklebee. The business meeting will be followed by a recreational period. Each one is asked to bring a cash donation which will be used to buy Christmas gifts for a needy family.

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