

POSTOFFICE WILL CLEAN CHRISTMAS MAIL UP TONIGHT

The Medford postoffice has managed, thanks to thorough preparatory system and the use of experienced substitutes to augment the regular staff during the Christmas rush season, to keep abreast with the delivery of the record-breaking number of parcels and other Christmas mail that has been received this week, and for this reason Postmaster Warner gave out the welcome news this noon that a 100 per cent delivery clean-up will be made of all Christmas mail by early this evening.

This means that every Christmas package, letter or postcard that had arrived in the city by this noon will be delivered, probably before night, as the special Christmas parcel carrying train from Portland, running as the second section of train No. 13, arrived shortly after the first section this noon, and there are no more parcels or other mail to arrive in the city today, as the afternoon and evening trains do not carry mail of parcels.

An illustration of the herculean task the local postoffice staff has been accomplishing this week and the fact that a 100 per cent delivery will be made by this evening is the fact that yesterday 2,987 parcels alone were delivered by the postoffice motor delivery trucks, besides the hundreds of parcels delivered by the regular carriers, who also delivered in the afternoon an untold number of letters and postal cards.

The Christmas load that arrived on the special train this noon was quite light as compared with the great loads of the past four days. Of course, limited Christmas mail will arrive in the city during the night and tomorrow, which cannot be delivered until the day following Christmas, as the postoffice does not function tomorrow.

Up to this noon the money receipts from the sale of stamps, etc., from the outgoing mail were \$1,000 larger than any Christmas sending period in Medford's history.

STEVENS PUPILS WILL BROADCAST ON FRIDAY

A radio program which promises to be of unusual interest will be broadcast next Friday night between 8 and 9 o'clock over KMED. The pupils of James Stevens will give the program and many well known singers of Medford and Ashland will be heard. Included in the list of singers will be George Peckham, Elbow Mae Wilson, Merland Tolleson, Florence McElhose, Porter J. Neff, Mrs. Alex Sparrow, Paul Scheer, Laverne Sutherland and from Ashland Mrs. Edna Smith, Lucille and Dorothy Crews, Ragina Johnson, Irwain, Bateman and Vera Landing.

DANCE AND BANQUET ENJOYED BY LEGION

Several new members were initiated at last night's meeting of the Medford American Legion post, which also passed a resolution of condolence in the death of Governor I. L. Patterson. A letter of congratulation was sent to George A. White, recently appointed to the rank of major general in the national guard. A dance and turkey feed, held jointly with the auxiliary, followed the post meeting.

ISIS East Main Near Bridge Admission 10c and 15c

A FIRST RUN PICTURE TONIGHT WED., THUR., FRI.

CALL FOR CLOTHING SOUNDED IN TALENT

TALENT, Ore., Dec. 24.—(Sp.) An urgent need for clothing has been coming in the past few days in the Talent district for unfortunate families, and anyone having clothing of any kind and wishing to help in this work, please leave articles with Mrs. C. P. Estes at the Talent Service station, and they will be delivered promptly.

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Ye Poet's Corner

THE BELLS OF CHRISTMAS

The bells of Christmas ring out: Proclaim the joyous tidings far Of Mary's Son, the Christ of Earth. The bright, eternal morning-star.

Again men's hearts turn toward that place Where in the East the star ray shone, And heralded with its glorious beams

The babe who came to build a throne.

Ring out ye bells, send forth the song Of peace on earth and Christmas cheer;

Oh, swell the echoing cry along Till it will ring through all the year.

That welling through the souls of men, There may resound some notes, though dim, Of that great song of peace and love,

Which angels sing; the Heavenly Hymn.

Ring out, ye bells, send forth the song Of peace on earth, good-will to men;

Ye hills and vales roll back the song Till it will ring, and ring again.

—Everett Cole.

LIQUOR VIOLATOR GIVEN \$300 FINE

Judge Taylor dealt out another stiff sentence yesterday to a liquor violator when he imposed a fine of \$300 and a sentence of 60 days in jail to L. J. Williams of Sacramento, who was arrested here Sunday night on a transportation of liquor charge.

When Rolly Petty was arraigned on a driving while intoxicated charge he entered a plea of not guilty and his case was set for hearing on January 2, his bail being fixed at \$500, which was furnished by Mrs. Petty and E. R. Hull, arrested at the same time as Petty on last Sunday night on intoxication charges were fined \$15 and \$25, respectively.

The case against Chester Thomson, 19, of Central Point on the charge of attempted forgery, following his arrest last Saturday, was continued to January 3rd, and he was released on \$200 bond.

PENNEY EMPLOYEES TO GET BONUS TONIGHT

For the employees of the J. C. Penney store, Christmas will be more than a happy event, as bonus checks, ranging from \$65 to \$130 were to be distributed this evening to clerks in recognition of their service and the amount of their sales. An interesting fact of the Penney stores, Manager William Bolger said this afternoon, was that employees are never "doctored" for loss of time caused by sickness. It was not long ago when the store paid wages of a clerk for 35 days while she was sick, and sent her flowers ever other day.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Christmas service will be conducted at the English Lutheran church at 7 p. m. on Christmas day. The pastor will give one of the most beautiful of the Christmas legends and the children of the Bible school will render a Christmas program. You are cordially invited to attend.

PHOENIX MISSIONARY MEETING ON FRIDAY

PHOENIX, Ore., Dec. 24.—(Sp.)—The Ladies' Missionary society will give a covered dish supper Friday night at the church at 6:30. This is their regular yearly thank-offering meeting. After the dinner a short program will be given and the balance of the evening will be spent in a social way. All in the community are invited and urged to attend.

PAGEANT AT TALENT METHODIST TONIGHT

TALENT, Ore., Dec. 24.—(Sp.)—The Pageant of the King will be the title of the program at the Talent Methodist church, Tuesday evening, and promises to be very interesting. The program will commence at 7:30 o'clock.

Twins Only a Dream. LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—(Sp.)—V. H. Hammer, dreaming he was the object of a chase by Indians, jumped through his bedroom window without raising it. He received cuts on arms and head.

ROTARY MEETING BRINGS CHEER TO SEVEN AGED MEN

In accordance with their annual custom, members of the Medford Rotary club held a special Christmas program today in honor of the old gentlemen of the county home. The program which was in charge of a committee headed by Fred Heath, Sr., opened with appropriate musical selections by the members of the Presbyterian church. Three beautiful Christmas carols were rendered by the quartet which consisted of Mrs. Florence McElhose, Mrs. Edna Isaacs, Dr. W. W. Howard and Mr. Marsh.

Dr. W. W. Howard and Mr. Marsh as accompanist. Other musical numbers were given singing by the club and impromptu solos by Chas. Clay, Wm. Allen and Herb Alföldi.

A splendid Christmas address by Rev. Wm. B. Hamilton, former Rotarian was greatly appreciated by all present. Rev. Hamilton spoke of Christmas Day being the birthday of the "gambler" in the type of gambler, however, that one usually thinks of—but the type of man who stakes his all in an endeavor to attain a high ideal. He went on to cite cases of "gamblers" of this type, men such as Columbus when he set out on what was deemed a hopeless mission, the Wright Bros., who risked life and limb to conquer the air and Thos. A. Edison who toiled day and night and spent a fortune to invent the electric light and other marvelous things to benefit mankind.

The greatest of all men who toiled incessantly and made endless sacrifices for his fellow man was He whose birthday we honor tomorrow, stated the speaker. He gave unstintingly and gambled everything he had even to his last stake—his life—in order that He might relieve human suffering and leave the world a better place in which to live—and against great odds—won.

Following Rev. Hamilton's Christmas message Santa Clause, impersonated by Ed. Stockley, distributed Christmas packages to the seven old gentlemen present as honor guests and extended Yuletide greetings to Wm. Lyzeman, well known veteran member of the local club and a wire to Dr. Sweeney, both of whom are convalescing from recent illness. Following the meeting the elderly guests were escorted to their homes by local Rotarians.

ONE MORE DAY TO REPORT SEALS TO BUILDING PROGRAM

As the last health seal returns come in and the grand totals are being made, Mrs. R. E. Greene, Christmas Tuberculosis Seal chairman, thinks she must be having the same thrills that officials of a college election experience. It is all so exciting—to get her bunch of letters each day and to check up with the day before, the week before and the year before! And to find it good!

Now only one more day to go. And not one word from Ashland during the entire drive. The Medford contingent of the Jackson County Health association is looking for a grand surprise. Will they beat Medford in their totals? Ashland loves to do that.

Even in the rush and busyness of the last minute Christmas plans, those who have not sent in their money for the seals are urged to do so today. So that tomorrow may see a new mark for total sales drives in Jackson county.

"Rio Rita" to Show Craterian Tomorrow

As Florenz Ziegfeld has "glorified" the American girl, so Radio Pictures glorifies Ziegfeld in its superb spectacle of music, beauty and drama coming to the Fox Craterian theater, "Rio Rita." All the rich thrills which drew Broadway crowds for 62 consecutive weeks to the Ziegfeld theater, have been retained in the film production and to these have been added mobility and magnitude which the stage, even under the direction of a Ziegfeld, could not hope to attain.

THE MARKETS

Produce. PORTLAND, Dec. 24.—(Sp.)—Butter, eggs, milk (butterfat), poultry, country meats, onions, potatoes, wool, nuts, bay casava, lard and hogs steady and unchanged.

Sugar and Flour. PORTLAND, Dec. 24.—(Sp.)—Cane sugar (sacked basis)—Steady. Coffee, fruit or berry \$5.40 per cwt.; beet sugar, \$5.25 cwt.

Flour (city delivery prices)—Steady; family patents, 48c, \$7.60; whole wheat, 48c, \$6.70; graham, 48c, \$6.50; bakers' hard wheat, 48c, \$7.50; bakers' bluestem patents, 48c, \$7.40; pastry flour, 48c, \$7.30.

Radio Program KMED

Mall Tribune-Virgin Station

Tuesday, Dec. 24 6 to 8:15—Orthophones. 6:15 to 8:30—News and market reports by Mall Tribune. 6:30—Educational feature. 6:30 to 7—Brain Shop. 8 to 8:30—Big Tail Market. 8:30 to 9—Rogue River Canyery. 9 to 10—California Oregon Power Co. Wednesday, Dec. 25 8 to 8:30—Children's hour. 8:30 to 9—Good Morning Folks program. 8:30 to 8:45—Parkers. 8:45 to 9—Fickieson Radio Service. 9 to 9:30—Park Grocery. 9:30 to 10—Monarch Grocery & Oil Station. 10 to 10:30—Mann's Dept. Store. 10:30 to 11—Heath's Drug Store. 11 to 11:30—Burlison's. 11:30 to 12—Lewis Super Service. 12 to 12:30—Jackson County Bldg. & Loan Assn. 12:30—News flashes by Mall Tribune. 12:30 to 1—Merce Auto Freight Lines. 1 to 1:30—City Cleaning & Dyeing. 1:30 to 2—Palace Barber Shop. 2 to 2:30—Merle Kindle. 2:30—Selected Poem. 2:30 to 3—XL Battery Store, Ashland. 3 to 4—Jacksonville hour.

MANAGEMENT FETES TRIBUNE EMPLOYEES

Employees of the Mail Tribune were guests of the management last night at the Hotel Medford at a big turkey banquet, followed by an interesting program and distribution of Christmas presents. It is likely the banquet will now be an annual event.

The basement dining room was lastly decorated with Christmas greenery and was featured with a beautifully decorated Christmas tree, illuminated with colored lights. A program included two well rendered poems by Orway Patton and A. B. Williams, harp solos by Miss Betty Stennett, vocal solos by Miss Ragina Johnson of the Ashland Tidings, dancing by Betty Publ and a saxophone solo by Maynard Bush. A. P. Stennett acted admirably as toastmaster. An appropriate speech was also made by S. S. Smith, manager of the Mail Tribune. Approximately 65 employees and guests were present.

MEDFORD CONTRIBUTES TO BUILDING PROGRAM

Contemplated construction of commercial, public, residential and industrial buildings in the Pacific Northwest, including projects announced from November 5 to December 9, inclusive, totaling \$15,169,444 in estimated value, is shown in the compilation prepared by the statistical department of the Architecture and Building edition of Pacific Builder and Engineer for the issue appearing December 21. Eighty projects are announced. In the four states surveyed, Washington leads the procession with 59 activities, Oregon contributes nine, Montana offers eight and Idaho provides four.

Oregon's nine projects are estimated to cost \$1,290,444. Portland leads her state with three jobs worth \$425,000. Marshfield offers two valued at \$65,000; Pendleton one at \$300,000; Bend another at \$175,000, and Medford \$100,000.

ORIGINAL POEMS ARE FEATURE OF CHURCH SERVICE

Last night's program at the First M. E. church featured Everett Cole, high school student, whose poem, "The Christmas Star," won second place in the high school contest, and Frona Belle Bray, local lyric writer and poet, in two original poems each. Everett's "Christmas Star" and "Babe in a Manger," were soulfully rendered and warmly received.

One of Mrs. Bray's readings was a story of the first Christmas told in beautiful word pictures. She was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. C. H. Paske, who softly played "The Rosary" during the recitation. The reading was arranged and partly written by Mrs. Bray. Mrs. Bray's original poem is as follows: "CHRISTMAS TO ME" Christmas means more to me Than a tree, Or merry feasting on Land and sea. Christmas means more to me Than bells rung; Than snow on hillside or Carols sung; Or kind thoughts, or kind deeds That you do, Unless I can make you Happy, too.

Christmas means more to me Than a creed. Once there was One who helped Those in need. Christmas means this to me: Baby eyes Gazing so wistfully Toward the skies; Hearts atone; friendships true, Don't you see Christmas was His gift to You and me.

Other features of the program were carols sung and special musical numbers by the choral Mesdames George Wendt, E. E. Nichols, C. H. Paske, N. M. Hogan and Mrs. C. A. Meeker each rendered solos. One of the most pleasing numbers was a violin solo, "Cantzonetta," by Miss Montana Mahan. The program concluded with the congregation standing and singing "Holy Night."

LEGION DANCE IS CHRISTMAS NIGHT

In order to correct any mistaken ideas concerning the date of the Legion's annual Christmas ball, the local post has announced again that this affair will take place on Christmas night, Wednesday, December 25, as originally planned. The dance will be held at the Oriental Gardens, where the finest floor and best equipped ballroom in southern Oregon is available for the enjoyment of the local dance public.

On the Air

Tuesday, December 24. 5:30 to 6 p. m.—"Around the World With Liberty" (transcontinental). NBC service to KGO, KHQ, KO, MO, KGW, KECA. 6 to 7 p. m.—Evening hour (transcontinental). NBC service to KGO, KHQ, KOMO, KGW, KFC. 7:30 to 8:30 p. m.—Radio-Relief-Orpheum hour (transcontinental). NBC service to KGO, KHQ, KOMO, KGW, KFC. 8:30 to 8:45 p. m.—The Pepsi-Cola program. Amos 'n' Andy (transcontinental). NBC service to KGO, KHQ, KOMO, KGW, KECA. 8:45 to 9 p. m.—John and Ned. NBC service to KGO, KHQ, KO, MO, KGW, KECA. 9:30 to 10 p. m.—The Olympians. NBC service to KGO, KECA, KOA. 10 to 11 p. m.—Spotlight Review. NBC service to KGO, KHQ, KECA. 11 to 12 p. m.—Laughing-Harris Hotel St. Francis Dance Orchestra. NBC service to KGO, KO, MO.

Wednesday, December 25. 7 to 8 a. m.—Christmas Carol. NBC service to KGO. 8 to 9 a. m.—Reveille. NBC service to KGO. 10:30 to 11:30 a. m.—"Woman's Magazine of the Air." NBC service to KGO, KHQ, KOMO, KGW, KFC, KFI.

Tomorrow Night Through Station KGW at 9 o'clock

Giacomo Rimini Leading baritone of the Chicago Civic Opera... Brunswick Brevities CHRISTMAS MUSIC

CITIZENS URGED TO REPORT ALL SCARLET FEVER

The health unit welcomes the cooperation of county residents at large and with their cooperation, good results of health work can be achieved. The unit has been doing excellent work in the county and with a trained staff in a position to meet any situation if cooperation of the people is 100 per cent.

Classified advertising gets results. The disease itself is not serious, complications following scarlet fever attacks present a problem. Victims of the disease are requested to report their cases as early as possible to the county health unit and advise all consult their family physician if afflicted.

An early stage of the disease causes a pollen on the face, but this condition continues only for a short time and is followed by the rash. The situation at present has no epidemic possibilities, but caution and the entire cooperation of the people is requested to prevent such epidemics by reporting the cases to the health unit and family physicians.

More Balloons For the Kiddies Next Thursday

The balloons left at the Sixth Street Service station, distributors of Richfield products, by Santa Claus, for distribution to the kiddies yesterday and today, did not last very long. A wireless was sent to Santa Claus for more balloons and he answered he was too busy to retouch himself but was sending another supply of balloons that will be ready for the kiddies at the Sixth Street Service station Thursday morning, December 26th.



The entire personnel of this store join in wishing for our friends and patrons a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. We wish also to express to you our sincere thanks for your support and good-will during the past year, and we hope to have the pleasure of serving you again often during 1930.

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