

# Elaborate Easter Observance Planned by Churches of Community

### rites at sunrise will inaugurate day of rejoicing

### Communion and Baptismal Services, Special Music Will Mark Anniversary of Christ's Rise From Tomb

Weeks of preparation and planning by church choirs and committees throughout the city will be evident Sunday when Easter services, from sunrise until evening, will be observed by all congregations.

Many groups will go to points out of town early for special sunrise services, a rite especially reserved for Easter, the most inspirational of all Christian observances. Many churches will have services at various times throughout the day, others holding to regular hours with particular services.

Communion and baptismal services and Easter music of all kinds, cantatas, chorals and hymns, will be presented in some form in all churches of the valley. Joy on the anniversary of the rebirth of Christ, most significant of all Biblical events, will be the note sounded universally in all Christian lands. Young and old, rich and poor, all walk churchward on Easter morning, no matter how their attendance stands the rest of the year.

If present conditions continue, blue skies and bright sunshine will smile on the Rogue River valley Sunday, and the faces of the people will reflect the serenity and peace found in the beauty of a lovely day.

## McMINNVILLE CANNERY PLAN TO BE DISCUSSED

McMINNVILLE, Ore., April 10.—(AP) The Chamber of Commerce said today a committee investigating a proposed fruit and vegetable cannery would report at a county-wide meeting of farmers and businessmen here Monday.

The cannery would provide an annual payroll of \$30,000 to \$35,000 and would eliminate the necessity for farmers to take produce to Salem, Silverton or Hillsboro.

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## Plane to Help People in Oklahoma Hills Depict Resurrection Drama Easter Morn



A scene from the Wichita Mountain Easter Pageant pictures the crucifixion of Jesus. The rough setting is similar to the country of Judea.

LAWTON, Okla.—(AP)—On a rocky hillside—similar to the terrain of Judea—the story of a lowly Nazarene's nativity and His death on the cross will be enacted Easter Sunday at dawn.

The setting is a vast natural amphitheater at the base of Mount Roosevelt in the Wichita mountains of southwestern Oklahoma, 22 miles northwest of Lawton.

Eighty thousand persons ignored their cozy beds and bumped over rough mountain roads a year ago to see the drama of Jesus' birth and death, presented by the Wichita Mountains Easter service association. Even more are expected to be present at 3:30 a. m. this April 12.

Sponsors plan elaborately for the second presentation, which will add three modern touches to the story 1900 years old.

While 2,500 actors in the religious drama sing in the finale, Pilot Art Goebel will take his plane roaring aloft to sky-write a benediction—"Peace on earth."

A public address system will carry actors' voices to the big audience, which will be seated on the rocky slopes of the amphitheater or in parked automobiles.

Wear Ku Klux Klan Robes.

A third twentieth century flourish will be the gown of the actors.

From the now dust-covered caverns of the Ku Klux Klan have been brought 400 hoods and gowns to be worn by the angels.

"We had to find costumes for 2,500 actors," said the Rev. A. M. Wallock, director of the service. "We need the robes. They will be returned after the pageant."

Five hundred "angels" will make

their appearance at 3:30 a. m., descending to the stable in Bethlehem where Jesus is born. Overhead shines the star of Bethlehem. Cherubim and Seraphim in silver and gold appear.

Two thousand voices swell in a tremendous chorus and as their preludes continue, tableaux of "The Rock of Ages," "The Martyr's Cross" and "The Light of the World" are presented.

The Nativity, the Adoration of the Wise Men and the Joy of the Shepherds is immediately followed by the scene of the Temptation.

Then follow rapidly pictorialization of the last hours of the Nazarene carpenter on earth.

The "Last Supper." In an upper room under the stars and a flood of moonlight, the masterpiece of Leonardo De Vinci, "The Last Supper," comes to life.

Then the disciples enter the garden of Gethsemane. Grief stricken, Jesus prays. The disciples sleep on. An angel comes and ministers unto Jesus.

The scene shifts abruptly. By the guttering light of a torch, Jesus is seized by the mob and is dragged before Pontius Pilate.

Deep silence follows the condemnation. Then comes the stumbling march with the cross, crucifixion. Jesus is buried in the sepulchre.

Dawn breaks over the mountains and the resurrection sermon begins. As light streaks the sky the stone at the tomb moves away without the aid of human hands.

Terrified, 100 soldiers on guard turn and flee. Two angels step from the dark tomb.

The service closes with a picture of peace, dedicated to the brotherhood of all races.

## Sacred Cantata By Many Voices At M. E. Tonight

Tonight in the auditorium of the Methodist Episcopal church, corner of Main and Laurel, at 8:15, a combined chorus from several of Medford churches is to present the sacred cantata by Dubois, "The Seven Last Words of Christ."

This composition has been in preparation for some time and promises to be a very fine evening of choral music. The performance is to be under direction of Don Huckabee with Sebastian Apollo at the grand piano and Eva Haezelrig Marsh at the organ. Soloists for the evening will be Mrs. C. H. Paske, W. P. Brooks, Jack Denison and Miss Eleanor Poffenbarger.

The performance is scheduled to begin promptly and no one will be seated after the beginning until the intermission. Plan to be early. There will be no admission, but a free will offering will be taken.

## Everyman's Class Meets At Rialto Easter Morning

Everyman's Bible class will meet at the Rialto theater for Easter services Sunday morning from 9:30 to 10:30. There will be a fine program of special music and gospel songs followed by the Easter lesson by the teacher, W. R. Baird.

The class cordially invites all men and boys to attend and enjoy the fellowship. It was explained by those in charge that the meeting will be over in time to permit attendance at other Easter church services, starting at 11 a. m.

## Sunrise Service At Central Point

CENTRAL POINT, April 10.—(Sp.) Sunrise service will be held Easter morning at the little Red Brick church in Central Point. All are invited. Stanley Parrish will be chorus song leader. James Johnston of Faith Home, Corra, Cal., will give a message. Rev. R. C. Lewis, the pastor, will present Life Work Recruit flag. "Set your alarm clocks and come with your families," says the C. E. society of Central Point Federated church, which is sponsoring the service.

## Epworth League Sunrise Service

The South Methodist Epworth league will hold sunrise services Easter morning near Jacksonville. All who wish to attend are requested to meet at the church at 8 o'clock a. m. Anyone interested may come.

Bridge Luncheon to be given Easter Monday, 13th, at the Parish hall, sponsored by the ladies of St. Ann's Altar society. Contract, auction and 500 will be in play after the luncheon. The public is invited, 30c each.

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## Church Of God To Start Revivals

The Church of God at Haven and Holly, will begin a revival meeting Easter Sunday, April 12 at 11 a. m.

Rev. N. S. Duncan of the Northwest Ministerial association will be the evangelist. Meetings will be held each evening next week, 7:45.

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## First Methodist Plans Extensive Easter Services

Rev. Joseph Knotts of the First Methodist church announces an extensive Easter program. The Epworth leaguers will hold a sunrise prayer meeting, Rev. T. H. Temple of Talent giving the address.

An unusually large attendance is expected at Sunday school, which begins at 9:30 a. m. One of the most interesting parts of the day's services is the baptismal service and reception of new members. All parents wishing their babies christened should be on hand promptly at 10:30 o'clock.

The DeMolays are to attend the 11 o'clock service in a body. Special seats are reserved for them. Extra seats to fill every available space will be placed and the parlor back of the choir will be opened, if necessary.

The young people are planning fine services for their 6:30 p. m. meetings. Another great audience is expected in the evening when the dramatic club presents a three-act religious drama, "The Rock," at 7:30. The club has been rehearsing for some time under direction of Robert Christner.

## Holy Communion At St. Mark's On Easter Morning

At 6:30 Sunday morning, Easter observances at St. Mark's Episcopal church will begin with holy communion and a full choral service. The choir will sing a communion service by Eyres and an offertory anthem, "Gloria," from Mozart's "Twelfth Mass."

At 8 o'clock, holy communion will be observed without the choral service, and a baptismal service will be held at 9:45.

The third and last service will be at 11 o'clock, when the choir will present an Introit, "Christ, Our Passover," by Schilling. Incidental solos will be sung by Roberta Ward Bebb, soprano, and Gertrude Warnock, contralto. This will be followed by Eyres' communion service and an offertory anthem, "In the End of the Sabbath," by Speaks. Solos will be by Nina Mulholland, contralto, and Elsie Carlton Strang, soprano and director of the choir.

Miss Dorothy Burgess, formerly organist for the church and now a student in music at the University of Oregon, will play in the absence of Genevieve Brown, regular organist.

## Good Friday Talk By Weatherford Event Of Tonight

Fred M. Weatherford, president of the Medford Ministerial association and pastor of the local Church of the Nazarene, will be heard in the presentation of a Good Friday message over the local radio station from 7:15 to 7:45 this evening. He will use the topic, "The Cross and the World Alternative." Special music will also feature in the program.

Saturday the church will conduct an Easter program advertising feature on the streets of Medford, beginning at 7 p. m.

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She had been a resident of Eagle Point for 54 years, coming to Oregon 84 years ago, crossing the plains with her parents, at the age of 4 years.

On July 16, 1853, she was married to Alfred C. Howlett near Oregon City, to which union 13 children were born, all except two preceding her in death. Her husband passed away in May, 1934.

"Ma" Howlett endeared herself to everyone, both young and old, who came to know her. Her husband had to endure in coming to and settling this country, and also difficult for the younger generation to conceive of the fortitude and courage with which she always met every emergency. No matter how great her own burden or grief, she was ever ready to lend a helping hand and a word of comfort to others in sickness and disease. She took homeles and motherless ones into her home, caring for them as her own, a mother to all.

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