

HOPE VIRTUALLY ABANDONED FOR SAILORS

Flood Conditions Ease; Rivers Decline

Highway 101
South of Coquille
Said Under Water

Families Evacuate
Coquille Lowlands

Coquille — Flood conditions eased in Oregon today but Highway 101 was under water six miles south of here and State Police reported the route still closed. Traffic was detoured from Charleston to Bandon over Seven Devil's rd.

State Police Sgt. James Joy reported that Highway 42 east to Roseburg was open and free of water Sunday, 101 to the north was open, and traffic on Highway 38 at Reedsport was normal.

Coquille Falling Slowly
The Coquille river Sunday afternoon was at 21.8 feet, less than a foot below flood stage, but falling slowly. Lowlands adjacent to the river were flooded with up to nine feet of water in some areas. About five families, 22 persons in all, were evacuated at their own request from farms in the Arago district on the south side of the Coquille river over the week end.

At Newport, State Police reported the Coast highway clear. Bus and truck traffic on the Cape creek bridge 12 miles north of Florence, weakened by a Friday slide when a large tree tore out a pillar, resumed Sunday, although the heavier vehicles were crossing one at a time. State highway crews worked to have the bridge completely shored up by tonight.

Coast Guard and state police rescue teams along the coast remained on call for possible flood relief duty, if new storms should break out.

Willamette Crest Waited

In Portland, the U. S. Weather bureau said Sunday the Willamette was expected to crest near 12 feet tonight, six feet below flood stage.

The Willamette river was down to 17.1 at Corvallis this morning after passing the 20-foot flood mark during the week end. The river dropped 4.1 feet in 24 hours at Corvallis and 1.2 feet during the same period at Albany where it was 2 under the flood mark this morning.

The Santiam at Jefferson was at 11.1 feet, a drop of three feet from Sunday morning.

The weather bureau said that most rivers would continue with a slow to moderate fall for the next one to two days.

Three-Year-Old Falls

From Car Near Provoit

Three-year-old Joseph Elmore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Elmore, Applegate, was hospitalized at Osteopathic hospital Sunday with multiple cuts and bruises on the head and face and fractured left arm after he fell from the family car near Provoit, according to reports.

The boy is under observation at the hospital and was reported "greatly improved" this morning.

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Jacksonville Man Killed in Crash At Bybee Corner

One person was killed and another injured in two traffic accidents in Jackson county on icy highways over the week end. Several minor mishaps hampered traffic in and out of the Rogue valley Saturday and Sunday, state police reported.

Ted Low Hewlett, 35, of 701 South Third st. Jacksonville was killed early today when the car he was driving overturned on the Jacksonville highway, according to investigating officers.

It was Jackson county's 26th traffic fatality this year. An accident on Highway 99 south of Ashland hospitalized Mrs. Bessie B. Nunn, 71, of Wheeler. She suffered a broken collar bone and cuts and bruises when a car driven by her husband, Gilman Barry Nunn, 73, Wheeler, slid on icy pavement and overturned, police said.

Hewlett, an employee of Timber Products, was driving alone toward Medford shortly after 12:30 a.m., according to officers, when the car left the icy highway near Bybee corner. It was foggy at the time, police said.

Survivors include his wife, Jean, Jacksonville city recorder, and a daughter, Holly, about 1 1/2 years old. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Conger-Morris funeral home.

Most Children Get Third Polio Shot

The majority of Jackson county school children have received the third shot of Salk poliomyelitis vaccine, according to Dr. A. Erin Merkel, health officer.

The last of the third shots were given to Griffin Creek school children Wednesday, he said, for a total number of 4,467 that have received the third shot of the vaccine.

The third round of the shots was started in the schools Nov. 18 with the schools scheduled throughout the month.

Dr. Merkel stressed that this number does not include all children who have received the series of shots. Many families had their private physicians administer the vaccine, he said.

He added that there is still tax vaccine available to persons up to 20 years of age. The shots will be given at the health clinic all day Tuesdays and Friday afternoon.

The doctor said that those who have not taken advantage of the program should start immediately so that the third shot may be administered prior to the summer months.



PATHFINDER—The icebreaker USS Glacier plows through the ice at McMurdo Sound, Antarctica, making a path for supply ships. The vessels bring in needed materials for members of Operation Deep Freeze III.

Christmas Lights to Be Judged Tonight in Medford, Other Towns

Entries for the Christmas decorating contests in Central Point and Eagle Point will be judged tonight, according to sponsoring groups, the Central Point Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Eagle Point Lions club.

Homeowners may register until 5 p.m., with judging beginning at 6 p.m. Homes should be lighted until 11 p.m., those in charge said.

More than \$200 in prizes, with a \$75 cash first prize, will be awarded the 12 best entries in Central Point. Top winner will enter the National General Electric contest.

The Eagle Point Lions club is offering \$25 in prizes to the four top winners.

Judges Listed
Judges in Central Point are Bob Bailey, Donald Lacy and Bill Colley. Eagle Point judges will be Mrs. Olive Floyd, president of the Oregon Federation of Garden Clubs; Mrs. A. C. Lewis, district flower show chairman; and Mrs. I. D. Fitzgibbon.

DOE-JONES AVERAGES
New York — Dow Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 428.08, up 0.88; 20 railroads 96.00, off 0.32; 15 utilities 67.93, off 0.02, and 65 stocks 143.60, off 0.07. Sales today were about 2,790,000 shares compared with 2,500,000 shares Friday.

WEATHER
FORECAST: Generally cloudy with occasional light showers of rain or rain and snow mixed in valley, snow showers in mountains tonight and Tuesday. Patches of valley fog. Low tonight 30. High Tuesday 45.

Our Skies Tonight
Sunrise 7:38 a.m.
Sunset 4:43 p.m.
Moonset 7:39 p.m.
First Quarter Dec. 28
VISIBLE PLANETS
Venus, low in southwest 6:03 p.m.
Jupiter, in the southeast 5:05 a.m.
Mars, rises 5:41 a.m. and this week will be seen moving among the stars of the constellation, Scorpio.

Pope Cautions Against All-Out Armaments Race

Vatican City — Pope Pius XII Sunday cautioned against letting Communist technological advances and propaganda panic the free world blindly into an all-out arms race.

The 81-year-old Pontiff, in a Christmas message broadcast throughout the world in 27 languages, defended the right of free nations to band together for common defense — an obvious reference to NATO.

But he said the "true friends of peace" should not be duped by short-term Soviet advantages. "Needs 'Breathing Space'"

"Let those who observe today's competition know how to reduce the facts to their true proportion," he said.

"Let them not permit themselves to be misled by supracacies, of very short duration, nor to be influenced by fears skillfully evoked to win the interest and support of others."

He said the world needs a "breathing space" from the costs of the arms race. He said he was confident the free nations of the world would band together in the event of danger.

"We are certain that at the first sign of danger that link of solidarity among free nations would not fail to be tightened even more, as some recent events have clearly shown," the Pope said.

He scored some scientists who "do their work as if the spirit were non-existent, and has nothing to contribute."

Eisenhower To Light Giant Christmas Tree

Washington — President Eisenhower was to take time off from official duties Monday to light a giant Christmas tree symbolic of the nation's hope for peace.

The President was scheduled to throw a switch at 2 p.m. (PST) illuminating the huge "national Christmas tree" set up in a park behind the White House as part of the capital's annual "Pageant of Peace."

The Chief Executive was also scheduled to deliver a brief Christmas message to the nation and the world.

"Never Laid A Glove On Me. By The Way, Where Am I?"



Multiple-Fatality Crashes Mar Start Of Christmas Week

By UNITED PRESS
An outbreak of high fatality week end traffic crashes marked a grim beginning to Christmas week. Many of the victims were children.

A United Press count showed at least 43 persons were killed in week end multiple-fatality traffic wrecks around the country.

One of the week end's worst collisions killed six persons on U.S. 66 near Holbrook, Ariz. The crash Sunday involved a pickup truck and a car containing four holiday travelers from Indiana.

Dead Identified
Lester Boyd Jones, 44; Frank E. Port, 17; Carol Mildred Port, 45; and Janet L. Port, about 14, all of Hobart, Ind. Tsosi Shirley, 45, Sanders, Ariz., and David Fix, about 40, Pine Springs, Ariz., both passengers in the truck, were killed.

Five persons were killed in a two-car collision Sunday near Lafayette, Ind. The dead were Keith Weaver, 26, and John McCloud, 22, both of Lafayette; Jack McCloud, 24, Monitor; Mrs. Margaret Ayers, 50, Frankfort, Ind., and Mrs. Virginia Mae Rowan, 48, also of Frankfort.

A mother and her three daughters were killed near Salinas, Calif., while returning Sunday from a Christmas program at church.

Struck By Train
Mrs. Dortha Martella, 42, and her daughters, Sally, 10; Judy, 12, and Barbara, 15, died when their pickup truck was struck by a train.

The three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Stork were killed Saturday as they returned from a Christmas shopping trip in Breda, Iowa, during which the boys asked Santa Claus for gifts they'll never see. The victims were Neil Stork, 8, and his brothers Eugene, 10, and Daniel, 12.

Two sisters and a brother riding home from church at Opelousas, La., in the back of a pickup truck Sunday were crushed to death when a trailer truck jackknifed and toppled on them.

Beatrice Papillion, 14; her sister, Mable, 10, and a brother, Rocklyn, 12, died. Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Papillion, and another brother, Linus, were riding in the cab and escaped death.

Four persons, including a mother and her two daughters were killed Sunday when a pickup truck and a semi-trailer truck collided near Crofton, Utah, on a snow-covered highway.

Head-on Collision
Mrs. Sally Thurston Rust, 21, her two children, Max, 1, and Marie, 2, and Faye Segroves, Grand Island, Neb., driver of the trailer truck, were killed.

Mrs. Mary Arelene Terill, Laurens, Iowa, her daughter, Diane, 6, and Duane McHugh, Dunlap, Iowa, were killed Sunday in a head-on collision near Woodbine, Iowa.

Another triple-fatality crash killed three Neenah, Wis., teenagers Saturday when their car careened out of control on a rural road and rammed into a tree. Killed were Judith Bauman, Marilyn Ahrens and Peter J. Kemps, all 17, of Neenah and vicinity.

Mrs. Anne Thompson and her daughter, Kathleen, 6, were killed near Elkhorn, Wis., Saturday when their car crashed into a truck.

A Christmas party hayride at San Antonio, Tex., ended in tragedy Saturday night when a car hit the back of the wagon, killing Jose Angel Martinez, 23, Daguin, Tex., and injuring 24 persons.

28 Crewmen on British Freighter Believed Lost

Mercy Fleet Searches Raging North Sea

London — Hope was all but abandoned Monday for the 28 crewmen aboard the British freighter Narva which sank in a North sea storm as it raced to the rescue of another ship in distress.

An international mercy fleet searched the mountainous seas but all they found were a spreading oil slick, an overturned lifeboat and two life-buoys with their flares still burning.

Ironically all 14 men aboard the other ship, the 865-ton British coaster Bosworth, were saved and the vessel taken in tow while the Narva was speeding to its rescue.

The dramatic battle against the sea took place in the North sea midway between Aberdeen, Scotland, and the southern tip of Norway.

The Bosworth had radioed an SOS that it was listing dangerously. The 1,991-ton Scottish-owned Narva heeded the call of distress, shouldering through the gigantic waves in its 60-mile rescue mission. Later the Bosworth reported the list somewhat corrected although it was abandoned.

The Bosworth, with a hole in its stern, was being towed to Aberdeen by the British trawler Faraday. The Bosworth's crew transferred to the trawler Wolverhampton Wanderer.

The 6,670-ton Norwegian liner Leda arrived on the scene in time for passengers and crew to watch the Narva's death throes from 500 yards away.

They saw the freighter's crewmen hanging desperately to whatever they could grab on the Narva's slippery, sloping decks. The liner dumped 17 tons of oil into the sea to calm it but it was no use.

Holiday Mail Said In Good Shape Here
Christmas mail at the Medford post office is in "good shape and going through the office" for the best year yet, according to Postmaster Moore Hamilton.

He said early mailing and bundling of local and out-of-town mail by the public has been especially helpful. Receipts and outgoing correspondence appear to be about the same quantity as last year, when the holiday mail rush was aggravated by snow storms in the east.

Youngsters apparently were mailing letters to Santa Claus at a specific address, Hamilton said, because few letters have been sent for the local post office to forward.

Glendale, Calif. — Final rites are pending for Henry B. Warren, 68, editor of Sea and Pacific Yachting magazine.

Road Conditions
Highway 99, Siskiyou — Windy and snowing, chains mandatory from Yreka north to Oregon line.

Highway 66, Green Springs — Snowing, chains mandatory. Three inches of snow on road, snowing, motorists should carry chains. Heavy snow reported at Prospect.

Highway 199, Oregon mountain — Rains, pavement bare.

Highway 99, Sexton mountain — Road slushy, no chains needed.

State Highway 42, Myrtle Point — Open to traffic with no delays in travel; several points open for one way traffic.

Highway 101, South of Coquille — Open and normal.

Medford Stores Will Be Open Until 9 o'clock Tonight