



TINY TREE—Although her Christmas tree did not win first place in the Christmas lighting contest, Penny, a two-year-old golden cocker spaniel, seems to be perfectly pleased, because a lot of people stop to look at it anyway. Penny belongs to Abby Green, 1118 East Main street, Medford. The miniature tree which decorates Green's lawn, is coated a frosty white and is trimmed with

tiny lights. In spite of its small size it makes a striking display when spotlighted at night. Green had a little tree up several years in a row, but skipped last year. After a number of inquiries from neighbors he decided to put it up again for the holiday season. Green plays the Hammond organ at the Rogue Valley Country club.

Christmas Eve, Morning Services Scheduled at Valley Churches

"At Christmas we are reminded of a star that long ago appeared in the eastern sky. The star of hope and love and job symbolized not the material and scientific aspect of man's growing powers, but the gift to men of spiritual grace from God," Dr. Eugene Carson Blake of Philadelphia, said recently in a Christmas message to American churches on the eve of his retirement as president of the National Council of Churches.

To establish the right relationships between man and God, this Christmas many valley churches have scheduled services tonight and tomorrow morning. Majority of the churches honored the birth of Christ at Sunday services or afternoon and evening programs. Capacity and overflow crowds were reported by many churches.

The traditional Midnight Eucharist will be celebrated at St. Mark's Episcopal church tonight starting at 11 p.m. The senior choir will sing under the direction of John A. Drysdale with Mrs. Ernest G. Conrad at the organ. A Christmas meditation will be given by the Rev. George R. V. Bolster.

Midnight Mass

All of the county Roman Catholic churches will hold midnight Mass tonight. To accommodate the expected crowd in Medford, Mass will be held at both the Sacred Heart church and St. Mary's school gymnasium. The Rev. Timothy Sanders, OSB, of Mt. Angel Abbey, will be guest priest at the local church during the Christmas week.

A service of combined chancel and youth choir will be held tonight at 11 p.m. in the First Methodist church. The Christmas eve service will consist of music, message by the pastor, and a candlelighting ceremony at midnight.

The children of St. Peter Evan-

gelical Lutheran church will present their program, "The Little Lord Jesus," tonight at 8 p.m. in the church.

Tonight at 11 p.m. the traditional Christmas eve service at Zion Lutheran church will be held. The song service will give the congregation a chance to sing most of the familiar Christmas carols, and the choir will sing five Christmas anthems closing with the "Hallelujah Chorus," by Handel.

A midnight service of carol singing and holy communion will be held at 11:30 p.m. tonight at Church of the Good Shepherd, Prospect.

Christmas at Home

Members of the Medford Friends church will observe Christmas eve in their homes. Rather than meeting at the church for a worship hour, the pastor has prepared a guild for a short service to be used by families at home.

Christmas day services scheduled in Medford include an 11 a.m. Christmas service at Apostolic Faith church; a Christmas Eucharist at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Mark's Episcopal church; and 10 a.m. divine worship at Ascension Lutheran church. The Rev. Elvin S. Tollefson, pastor, will speak on "The First Christmas Sermon" and will include holy communion, adult confirmation, and reception of new members.

County Roman Catholic churches will hold Masses at the Christmas week.

Khrushchev Hints Armed Forces Cut

London — Soviet Communist leader Nikita Khrushchev hinted today that Russia is preparing to cut its armed forces in view of NATO's latest declaration against the use of force, Moscow Radio reported.

Khrushchev, in a speech to the Ukrainian Republic's Parliament in Kiev, said the Supreme Soviet (parliament) had recommended a study of such cuts last week. He added that "development of science and engineering in our country" makes reductions in armed forces possible.

Moscow Radio broadcast a brief paraphrase of Khrushchev's speech to the Republican Supreme Soviet of his home state.

Two Injured in Speeder, Car Crash

Willard J. Harwood, 55, of 1 Clark st., was admitted to Rogue Valley hospital, and David Herdon, 25, of 2 Clark st., was treated and released this morning when a railroad "speeder" in which they were riding was involved in an accident with a car at the Jackson st. crossing.

Driver of the car, Ellsworth Johns Hallenback, 406 Oakdale ave., was cited by city police for failure to yield the right-of-way following the accident. Operator of the "speeder," Robert Lyle Balch, 2 East Clark st., was not injured, police said.

Hollywood — Movie producer James Hill says there is a good possibility, he will become Rita Hayworth's fifth husband during the New Year's week end.

Russia Invited To Initiate Genuine Check of Arms Race

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Nation Prepares For Celebration Of Christmas Day

Merchants Report Big Business Volume

By UNITED PRESS

The nation today prepared to celebrate Christmas 1957 with an abundance of peace and prosperity.

Only the northern reaches of the Midwest and the western mountain regions were expected to enjoy a white Christmas, but there was no lack of other traditional aspects of the season.

Merchants around the country reported a huge business volume, in some cases record sales, indicating gifts will be piled high around the Christmas tree. Christmas Starts With Church

For millions of devout Americans, Christmas will start tonight with midnight church services. Family get-togethers will feature the day's activities, topped off with a sumptuous Christmas dinner.

But, inevitably, tragedy in the form of traffic deaths will cast a somber cloak over the holiday celebration, but since Christmas falls in mid-week the highway slaughter is not expected to be as great as on holiday week ends.

The National Safety Council estimates as many as 180 persons will be killed during the 30-hour holiday period from 6 p.m. on Christmas Eve until midnight Christmas Day.

This compares with the "normal" traffic toll of 80 deaths for a non-holiday period at this time of year.

Stay Sober, Obey Laws

The council pleaded with motorists to stay sober and obey traffic laws, pointing out that most traffic fatalities are caused by drinking drivers and road hogs.

The council's plea will be backed up by all-out crackdown on violators in most states by state and local authorities who will give up the day with their families so that others may live to enjoy the holiday with their loved ones.

President Eisenhower, like most Americans will spend today at work, and tentative plans call for the President and Mrs. Eisenhower to spend Christmas Day at the White House and then leave for a long weekend at their farm home in Gettysburg, Pa.

Morse Congratulates Garcia on Victory

Manila — U. S. Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.), congratulated President Carlos P. Garcia today on his "grand election victory."

Morse called on the Philippine president at Malacanang palace. The Senator stopped over in Manila briefly enroute to the United States after attending the Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in India.

Morse told Garcia that his election victory had received a great deal of attention in the United States and mostly favorable comment.

NO PAPER WEDNESDAY

In order to permit employees to observe the Christmas holiday, the Mail Tribune will not be published on Wednesday, Christmas Day.

Fireside Chat



Lighting Contest Won By A. C. Pierce Home

The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Pierce, Pierce heights, was first place winner in the Christmas lighting contest sponsored by the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce, Chairman Jim Anicker announced today.

A red and white simulated sleigh, framed by a light-trimmed window and backed by an unusual red-toned Christmas tree, decorated the Pierce residence.

A rotisserie oven and wall plaque were first place awards. Top winners of the Christmas decorating contests in Central Point and Eagle Point were the A. M. Setness home, 733 Pine

st., Central Point, and the Ted Hoffman home, Eagle Point.

A \$75 first prize was awarded by the Central Point Junior Chamber of Commerce and \$25 in prizes were awarded winners by the Eagle Point Lions club.

Second place Medford winner was Ralph Barclay, 425 Modoc ave. A. M. Farfan, 723 South Newtown st., received a special third prize for outstanding workmanship and ingenuity.

Other third prize winners were Paul Bauer, 1522 Terrace dr.; Thomas Cardona, 224 Saginaw dr.; James A. Johnson, 323 O'Garra st.; Bruce Moffatt, 2178 Spring st.; Mrs. Burr E. Tye, 102 Mistletoe st.; and Mr. and Mrs. George W. Williams, 1218 Murray st. Each received an electric blanket.

Other Central Point winners were John L. McCoy, who received \$30 from the Central Point Grange; C. E. Green, J. W. Beacham, Mitchell Hull, D. Burelson, Nola West, Mrs. A. D. Van Horn, Ronald Lamb, Victor Van Hoy, Earl Manner, and Dick Wyatt. All received prizes donated by Central Point merchants, according to Chairman John Chaney.

Edge Point winners included Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hale, second; Mr. and Mrs. Don Ashpole, third; and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Porter.

ICC Chairman Quits; Ike To Select Goff

Washington — President Eisenhower has accepted the resignation of Owen Clarke as chairman and member of the Interstate Commerce Commission. The President immediately announced his intention to nominate Abe McGreggor Goff, general counsel of the Post Office Department, to serve as chairman for the rest of Clarke's term as a commission member which expires Dec. 31, 1959. The ICC selects its own chairman for a one-year term.

Clarke wrote the President in a letter made public Monday that he wished to resign after four years in the most for "entirely personal circumstances."

Judgment Against PTC Reversed by High Court

Salem — The State Supreme Court today reversed a \$10,000 judgment in a suit against the Portland Traction company. Suit was brought in Multnomah county by Wally S. Layne who suffered injuries in a collision between a pickup truck and a freight train in November of 1953 at the SE 92nd avenue interurban crossing.

Sports Bulletins

Los Angeles — Henry (Red) Sanders, head football coach at UCLA, said today he will keep his job and has asked that his name be withdrawn as a candidate for the head coaching job at Texas A&M. Meanwhile, at Champaign, Ill., Frank Leahy, former Notre Dame coach, said he would take the Texas A&M job if it was offered to him definitely.

President Calls For Clear Evidence To Ease Tensions

Washington — The United States extended a Christmas invitation to Russia today to stop "threats and blandishments" and initiate a genuine step toward checking the headlong nuclear-missile race.

The Soviets may get their first chance to accept when the expanded 25-member United Nations disarmament commission meets for the first time, probably early next year.

President Eisenhower, in his first television appearance since his Nov. 25 stroke, called upon the Kremlin Monday night for "clear evidence"—not more words—to prove its sincerity in seeking to ease East-West tension.

Both the Chief Executive and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, in their report to the nation on last week's allied "summit" meeting in Paris, left the door open to new East-West talks whenever Russia shows willingness based on "integrity and sincerity."

High administration sources, in giving the "open-door" interpretation of the President's remarks, did not indicate how, when or where the administration felt Russia should demonstrate its sincerity in peace efforts.

They indicated, however, it is now up to Russia to make the next move inasmuch as the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Council in Paris has proposed specific steps to Russia to break the deadlock over disarmament.

Test of Soviet Intentions

One of those steps is to join the 25-nation U. S. commission disarmament talks when they begin. While Russia has denounced the 25-nation group it has not boycotted it. Some officials thought the convening of the commission next year may provide a major test of Russia's intentions. Russia likewise has scoffed at, but not flatly rejected, the alternate NATO proposal for an East-West foreign ministers conference.

Dulles, who gave the bulk of the half-hour talk, rejected as too unwieldy Russia's counterproposal for a special disarmament meeting of the full U.N. General Assembly.

However he said the West will "continue probing to find some evidence that there is within the Soviet Union the good will to resume serious efforts to achieve nuclear peace and to put behind us the horrible prospect of nuclear war."

Both Eisenhower and Dulles hammered home repeatedly that the basic objective of the United States and its allies is peace.

"We are determined that there must be no war," the President declared.

To Build Armaments

Dulles said however that "while the Soviets go on piling up their armaments, our own armaments must proceed." He made these other major points:

—While the U.S. will probably continue making nuclear warheads for some time, its allies in Europe can take over production of rockets for the intermediate range ballistic missiles to be based there. He did not indicate how soon Europe could start making IRBMs.

—NATO "has the desire to explore" the possibility of liaison with other Free World regional security organizations such as the Organization of American States, Southeast Asia Treaty Organization and Baghdad Pact.

—Russia has declared "economic war" and the allies must put more money into "capital-hungry" free nations lest they be "forced" to take Communist aid at the price of their freedom. Here the President said "with that I emphatically agree."

Dulles said failure to halt Russia's economic offensive would lead to engulfment of underdeveloped countries one by one and eventual "strangulation" of the U.S. and its allies.

Asks for Sacrifices

The President, who spoke for a total of about five minutes at the start and end of Dulles' report reiterated his "constant readiness . . . to make any conceivable effort that might realistically help to reduce world tensions."

The president said every American is "prepared to make any necessary sacrifice to sustain and advance" the hope of disarmament and easing East-West tensions. Dulles said American "beyond a doubt" would make "any necessary sacrifice" for that goal. Senate Democrats criticized both Eisenhower and Dulles for failing to detail fully the sacrifices that lie ahead for the American people.

out the sacrifices the people will be required to make in the years ahead."

Dulles will be called before his committee early next year, Mansfield said, to give a "down to earth" briefing.

Sen. John J. Sparkman (D-Ala.), declared "they do not paint a picture of great urgency."

Grim-Faced President

House Speaker Sam Rayburn said Eisenhower and Dulles made the best report "they could" but that what they said "didn't contain anything new."

Senate Republican leader William F. Knowland (Calif.), said "I thought it was an informative report to the American people . . . A speech which will receive the full consideration of Congress."

Throughout the report Eisenhower was grim-faced. He did not smile once. But reporters watching him in the television studio said he appeared buoyant and eager.

Navy Plane Down At Sea; 4 Rescued

Honolulu — A huge Navy radar patrol plane with 23 crewmen aboard crashed and exploded in heavy seas in the Pacific Monday. Four survivors and two bodies were found by search-craft.

The Super Constellation, crammed with electronic equipment was flying a routine mission along the Pacific radar "picket line" when disaster struck shortly after takeoff.

The plane exploded while attempting to ditch in bad weather, the skipper of a rescue boat quoted surviving crewmen as saying. The reason for the hazardous water landing attempt was not known immediately.

All of the survivors were injured. They were:

Cmdr. Guy Howard, 41, the pilot, Oakland, Calif.; Lt. (jg) Thomas John Kline, East Williston, N.D.; Lt. (jg) Richard Lee Rentschler, 22, Lincoln, Neb., and Aviation Technician 3C Franklin A. Henry, Kankakee, Ill.

'Sick' Strike Cuts Railroad Service

New York — A "sick" strike cut service today on the Long Island Railroad, the world's largest commuter line, giving thousands of workers an unscheduled holiday and snarling Christmas plans for thousands of others who had planned to ride the trains to join family and friends for Christmas celebrations.

A spokesman for the road said 185 conductors and ticket takers had called in sick between midnight and 6:30 a.m., apparently as the result of a dispute over holiday train crew schedules.

Up to 8:30 a.m., 45 of 230 scheduled trains had been cancelled.

Road Conditions

Highway 99, Siskiyou — Snowing throughout Siskiyou county, chains required.

Highway 66, Greensprings — Snow, chains required.

Highway 199, Oregon mountain — Rain, pavement clear.

Highway 99, Sexton mountain — Rain, pavement clear.

Highway 62 to Crater Lake — Snowing at Prospect, chains required.

State Highway 42, Myrtle Point — Open and normal.

Highway 97 — Open, chains required from Dorris, Calif., to Oregon state line. Ice and snow in Weed area. Chains required through Chemult area north of Klamath Falls.

Crater Lake — Highways open to headquarters, chains required; 7 inches new snow; 87 inches on ground. Road to rim closed.

Money Bag Missing From Store's Safe

A money bag containing \$100 in bills and small change was taken from an open safe at the M and M Department store, 220 East Main st., Medford, Monday, according to Medford police.

William Spaulding Cochran, route 2, box 413R, told city police the safe is normally guarded during the day but in the Christmas rush it had been left unattended several times during the day. He said the safe is located on the balcony of the store, near the restrooms.

Police said someone apparently saw the money bag in the safe and picked it up. They said the theft took place between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Monday.

WEATHER

Sunrise	7:39 a.m.
Sunset	4:43 p.m.
Moonset	8:40 p.m.
PROMINENT STARS	
Antares, low in east	6:23 p.m.
Rigel, rises	6:02 p.m.
Venus, below the Moon	
Jupiter, rises	2:37 a.m.
Mars, low in southeast	6:46 a.m.

Our Skies Tonight

FORECAST: Cloudy with patches of fog early tonight. Rain starting during the night, continuing through Wednesday as showers. Snow above about 4,500 feet. Low tonight 33 degrees. High Wednesday 45 degrees. Highest yesterday 39. Lowest this morning 33. Prec. to 10 a.m. Today .20