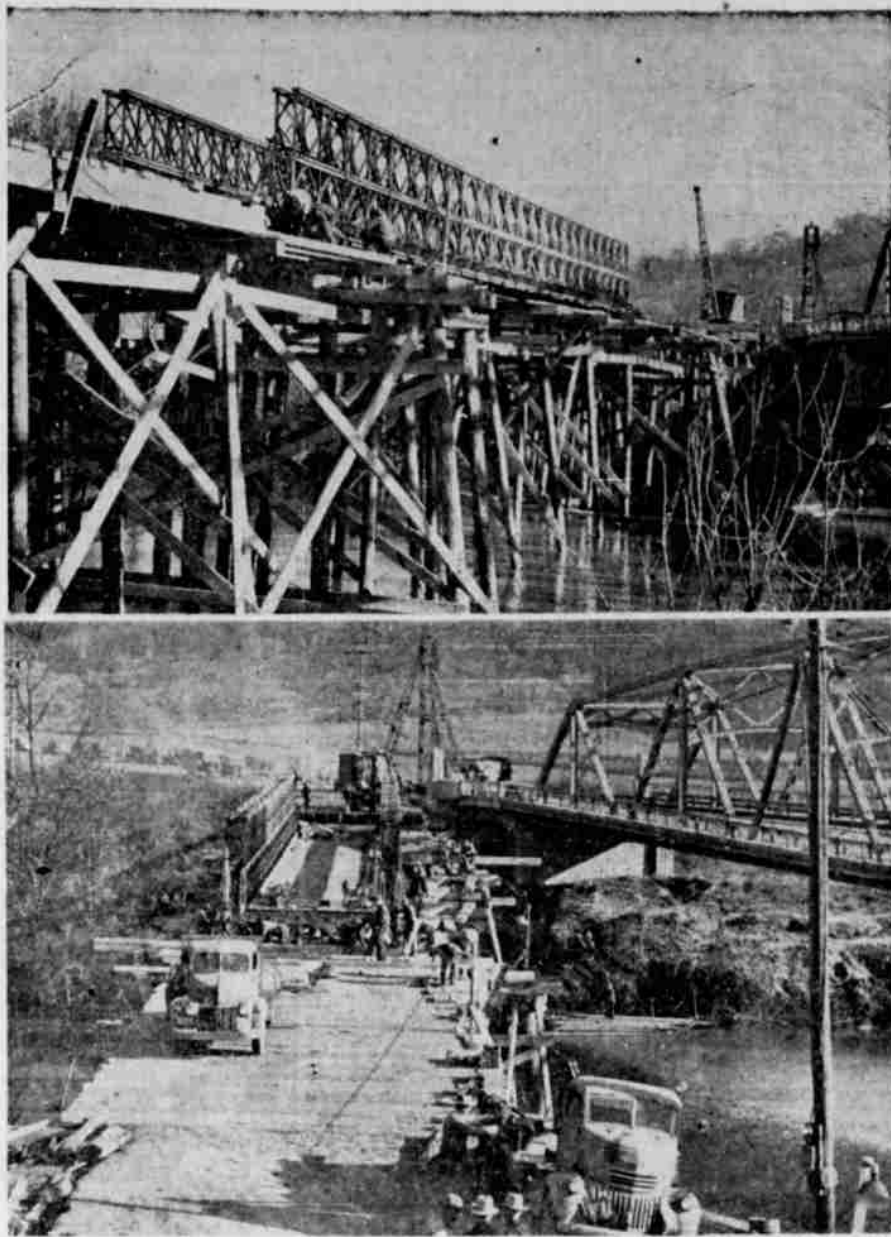




BAILEY BRIDGE SPANS RIVER—First of two Bailey bridges loaned by the Army is shown as part of the temporary span over the South Umpqua river, four miles south of Dillard. The second span will be erected today, along side the first Bailey bridge, to allow two-way traffic, said K. D. Lytle, state highway engineer. The bridge is expected to be opened for traffic tomorrow. It will be used while repairs to the main span are in progress.

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Henderson To Die In Gas Chamber

Governor Hall Rejects Pleas For Clemency

Negro Murderer Got Fair Trial, With No Prejudice, Decision of Executive

SALEM, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Wardell Henderson, 27-year-old Portland Negro, must die in the gas chamber at 8:30 A. M. next Friday, Governor John H. Hall announced today.

Governor Hall said "the law must take its course" in denying appeals by church groups and organizations interested in racial relations. They asked the sentence be commuted, charging that if Henderson had been a white man, he would have been sentenced to life.

Henderson was convicted of murdering Walter Poole, Vanport white man, on Christmas eve, 1945. The motive was theft of Poole's car. Henderson never confessed, asserting he was too drunk to remember what happened.

Fair Trial, No Prejudice
Governor Hall said in a lengthy

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Highway 99 Assn. Elects Officers, Hires Manager, Adopts Budget of \$20,000

Carl Hogg, past president of the Salem Chamber of Commerce, was elected president of the U. S. Highway 99 Association at its annual meeting in Roseburg yesterday. Hogg succeeds Ralph Koozer of Ashland, who has served as president of the association for the past 10 years.

Truman's Appeal Doesn't Help Him



MAJ. GEN. L. S. KUTER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—(AP)—The Senate armed forces committee today rejected a personal plea from President Truman to allow Maj. Gen. Laurence S. Kuter to become chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board and retain his rank and pay as an air force general.

The committee formally refused, for the second time, to approve the nomination of Kuter for the post.

Other new officers of the association include County Commissioner H. B. Roadman, Roseburg, vice president, who succeeds County Judge Grant Murphy of Salem, and Paul B. Rynning, Medford, Jackson County engineer, elected secretary-treasurer in place of Frank Hull of the Medford Chamber of Commerce.

New directors of the association are J. Early, Eugene, manager of the Osburn Hotel; C. H. Desmaray, Grants Pass, representing the Chamber of Commerce; H. E. Eakin, Cottage Grove, banker; F. Martin, Portland, Chamber of Commerce representative, and County Judge Herman Van Well of Dallas.

Budget Approved
The association approved a \$20,000 budget for the coming year and the employment of Hull, retiring secretary-treasurer, as the full-time manager.

As he turned over the meeting to the new president, Koozer stated, "It has been a pleasure and a distinctive honor to serve president of this organization."

Hogg replied that he wished to express his "warm thanks" to the outgoing board of directors.

Hogg added that the association hopes to "build up Highway 99 as an artery and to make it

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Three in Louisiana Seek Governorship

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Louisiana Democrats express their choice for governor today in one of the state's most puzzling political contests of recent years.

Seeking the office are former governors Sam Jones and Earl K. Long. U. S. Rep. James H. Morrison and Appeals Judge Robert F. Kennon.

Veteran political observers have shown little agreement in ideas on the relative strength of the candidates, probable survivors for a second primary Feb. 17, and potential lineup of support in the run-off by today's voters.

The Democratic nominee is certain of election in Louisiana, where Republicans have been impotent since Reconstruction.

The campaign, which began slowly and vaguely, moved to a fast finish on the spur of a charge in Congress last week by Rep. James Dornageaux (D-La.) that Long had evaded \$100,000 in income taxes.

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Knutson Tax Cut Bill Faces GOP Pruning

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Republican tax cutting plans reached the decision stage today.

Speaker Martin (R-Mass.) called the House GOP steering committee to an afternoon (2 EST) session to shape party policy on the red hot domestic issue.

There was every advance indication the committee would:

1. Ignore the urging of Bernard M. Baruch to put off tax cutting for two years.

2. Reject flatly President Truman's request for a \$40 "cost of living tax cut for everyone with an offsetting revival of the wartime excess profits levy on corporations.

3. Throw its weight instead behind a trimmed down version of the Knutson bill.

Chairman Knutson (R-Minn.) of the tax-writing Ways and Means committee told newsmen he would carry into the meeting a demand that his \$5,600,000,000 bill be adopted as the GOP tax slashing bill for 1948.

But high Republicans who would not allow the use of their names predicted the Knutson plan would be trimmed down—possibly to an overall cut of \$4,000,000,000—with chief emphasis on lower rates for taxpayers in the low brackets.

Exemptions to be Hiked
There was general agreement among GOP leaders that present exemptions should be boosted from \$50 to \$600 and the principle of community property taxation—allowing husbands and wives to split the family income for tax purposes—be applied

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Outlay Fixed Tentatively At \$74,300

Widening, New Traffic Signals Included in City Manager's Proposals

Street improvements tentatively totaled at \$74,300 were outlined for the City Council last night by City Manager M. W. Slankard. The suggested improvements are to be presented to the legislative interim committee on highways, at its hearing at Eugene Feb. 17, he explained.

The city manager's outline of proposed street improvements capped an evening largely devoted to a discussion of streets, as well as of several routine matters.

As it tentatively stands, the city manager's outline on street improvements designates widening for:

Rice St., between S. Main and S. Stephens Sts., 20 feet to 42 feet, \$13,000.

Covey Ave., between Military St. and Harvard Ave. to 42 feet, \$8,000.

Military St., between Oak Street Bridge and Covey Ave. to 42 feet, \$10,000.

Kane St., between E. Douglas St. and E. Lane, to 44 feet, \$15,000.

N. Jackson St., north of E. 2nd Ave. S., widening of traffic lanes on either side of center parkway to 24 feet, \$16,000.

Increase of radius of turn on 43 street corners from 3 feet to 10 or 14 feet, \$4,300.

Installation of two-way automatic traffic signals and installation of two-way automatic signals, \$8,000.

Slankard said he would attend the hearing at Coquille on Thursday, to observe its progress. The outline he presented to the council is subject to revision, he pointed out. Study of the proposed street improvements will be given by the interim committee in order to arrive at a scientific formula for the distribution of state road funds.

Pertinent Question Posed
Councilman Harrison Winston brought up the matter of maintenance of several "unimproved" city streets, and asked whether it would be possible to grade these

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Blood Mystery Still Unsolved

State police still are without clues as to the mystery surrounding a large pool of blood found in a Greyhound bus, which arrived in Roseburg at 2 a. m. Sunday. Sgt. Lyle Harrell reported today.

Approximately a pint of blood was lost by some passenger on the bus, which left Eugene at midnight and arrived in Roseburg about 2 a. m., Harrell said. The blood was not discovered until the bus arrived in Roseburg, the end of the run, and all passengers had departed.

Eleven persons were on the vehicle when it arrived in Roseburg, and they are requested to contact the state police office to give assistance in solving the "bloody mystery," as Harrell calls it.

The driver of the bus informed police that all passengers had been checked on and off the bus and that none appeared to be ill or injured.

Partly-Finished "Dream" Home Taken by Thieves
DETROIT, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Police today joined James C. Peterson in a search for the partly built seven-room ranch type home he reported was stolen from its foundations.

The 38-year-old war veteran and father, employed as a factory crane operator, told officers he had been building his "dream home" himself and had completed the entire framework, three walls and half the flooring before beginning a brief vacation three weeks ago.

Not a splinter was left when he returned to his construction work yesterday, Peterson reported, and a pile of lumber beside the frame was gone too.

"I'm going to pitch right in and start all over again," said Peterson. He estimated he had spent about \$3,000 on the house so far.

Ellsworth Announces Fourth Term Candidacy
WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Rep. Harris Ellsworth (R.-Ore.) yesterday announced his candidacy for reelection. Ellsworth is completing his third term.

Levity Fact Rant
By L. F. Ratzsch

If the GOP gains the presidency, it will have two debts to contend with—the national obligation and the one they will owe Hank Wallace.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

ACCORDING to Washington dispatches, Oregon got a few odd dollars over 134 millions from the federal government last year in the form of welfare grants and other "assistance."

That amounts to about \$11 PER PERSON—which isn't hay.

HERE'S a mild warning: Don't let yourself think of that 134 millions as manna descending gently from heaven on lucky Oregonians. No matter where it comes from, it is TAX MONEY. Taxes, like water, have an odd habit of filtering out and finding a common level.

That is to say, you paid your share of it, even if the money did come from the Great White Father.

HERE is a new angle on a cockeyed world:

In Hungary, which is run by the communists, American films made with the help of Robert Taylor, Gary Cooper, Adolphe Menjou, Alan Jones, George Murphy or Robert Montgomery are BANNED hereafter.

You will recall, if you are a careful student of your newspaper, that all these actors but Jones gave strong ANTI-COMMUNIST testimony at the recent hearing before the house committee on unAmerican affairs in Washington.

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Negro Law School Applicant Spurns "Jim Crow" Transfer, Returning Case to High Court

OKLAHOMA CITY, Jan. 20.—(AP)—The legal battle of a 23-year-old Negro woman to enroll in the University of Oklahoma law school today was headed back to the United States Supreme Court, which only last week directed the state to establish equal law school facilities for Negroes and whites.

A Negro school of law, established here in a surprise move by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education was branded by Negro leaders as a "Jim Crow Law School."

At a mass meeting here attended by some 600 Negroes, James E. Stewart, president of the local chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said the association's attorney will go back to the supreme court to contend that "some unit of the state government is in contempt" of the court's ruling.

Roscoe Dunjee, editor of a Negro newspaper here and a national director in NAACP, said the organization's legal staff is to meet today in Washington, D. C., to plan future legal steps.

Applicant Stands Pat
Mrs. Ada Lois Sipuel Fisher, the Negro seeking admission into the university's law school,

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Wallace's Entry Hailed by G. O. P.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Republican national committee members professed growing confidence today that inroads into the Democratic vote by Henry A. Wallace the fall will help to elect a GOP president for the first time in 20 years.

As the committee assembled to approve a campaign budget and apportion delegates to June nominating convention in Philadelphia, national chairman Carroll Reece said Wallace's entry into the race has resulted in desperate efforts now being made by Mr. Truman to recover his disreputable lost "Foreign Legion."

This has left no doubt, Reece said in a prepared address, of "the domestic partnership of the Democratic party and the Communist party."

Rep. Katherine St. George of New York assayed the effect of Wallace's third party campaign in a speech to the national committee last night in these words: "Merciful providence has sent him as a candidate at this time."

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Income Tax Relief for Landlords May be Asked

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Senator Buck (R-De.) said today he may ask Congress to grant special income tax relief to individual landlords experiencing hardship under rent controls.

Buck is a member of a Senate Banking subcommittee which is considering legislation to extend controls beyond the February 29 expiration of the present law.

Outbreak of "Virus X" Strikes 91 Students
HUNTINGTON, Pa., Jan. 20.—(AP)—The medical staff at Juniata College was busy today combating an outbreak of illness among the student body believed to be "virus X." Ninety-one students were stricken yesterday, none seriously.

Dr. William B. West, college physician, said the illness is characterized by intestinal disorders and "has the symptoms of Virus X" now prevalent on the West Coast.

Marion R. Cooley, Logger, Killed by Falling Tree
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