

# Knutson Tax Slash Bill Gets GOP Nod

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### The Weather

Cloudy tonight and Thursday; fog night and morning.

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## Yugoslavs Have Atomic Bombs, Tito Declares

### Army Ready To Erase All Foes, Boast

Russian Backing Openly Admitted in Bombastic Talk on "Annihilation"

TRISTE, Free Territory, Jan. 21.—(AP)—The pro-Italian newspaper La Voce Libera published today a purported secret speech by Premier Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia in which he was reported to have said that Yugoslavia has atomic bombs.

The newspaper said Tito, in a speech to his party executive at Zagreb, on Nov. 18, 1947, claimed that Yugoslavia had 150 divisions, atomic bombs and jet propelled planes for the "final annihilation of reaction."

The newspaper said it had had the text of the speech for a month, but had delayed publication, until it learned it was authentic and had been published in "Dissidence 40" pro-De Gaulist French newspaper.

Boasting Narrated  
La Voce Libera quoted Tito as saying that reactionary forces, with the aid of British and American capital, were working against the "Yugoslav Proletariat," but that he had a "very strong, well organized army which we do not feed chocolates and sweets, but which stands in readiness, not only to protect our frontiers, but also to oust the divisions of gangsters controlled by Italy and Austria."

The quotation went on: "We are ready to sink their..."  
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### 3 File for County Offices; Geddes Asks Justice Job

Three county officials have definitely decided to seek renomination in the Republican primary May 21, while a candidate for a fourth political office tossed his hat into the ring Monday, it was revealed at the county clerk's office today.

Shelby O. T. Carter, County Treasurer Oliver Johnson and Coroner Harry C. Stearns, who are seeking reelection, filed their declarations of candidacy at the clerk's office Tuesday.

Fourth candidate on the list is A. J. Geddes, former Roseburg city recorder, who will try for office of the peace of Deer Creek District, the post now held by Thomas C. Hartfield.

As city recorder of Roseburg for 19 years, Geddes was ex-officio justice of the peace, presiding over what is now the municipal court. Judicial functions were separated from the office of city recorder at the time that the city manager form of government became effective.

Fillings for county offices close March 12. Primaries for both the Republican and Democratic parties will be held May 21, while the general election will occur in November.

### Aunt Sues for Insurance On Veteran's Policy

SCRANTON, Pa., Jan. 21.—(AP)—A suit seeking reversal of the Veterans' Administration position on national service life insurance policies was filed in U. S. District Court yesterday.

The suit was filed by Ida Newhard, whose nephew George L. Fohnenstock, died June 22, 1944. She contended he had taken out two GI policies totaling \$10,000 and had named her as beneficiary.

The aunt asserted in her suit that the government through the Veterans' Administration refused to pay on the policies claiming that under the act pertaining to GI insurance, she as an aunt is not entitled to payment.

Western Schools Get Radio Equipment Free  
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—(AP)—More than 300 truckloads of surplus radio and radar equipment is being distributed to schools of western states free of charge today for educational and research purposes.

### Man Drowns in Pond On First Day of Job at Mill Near Canyonville

Alvin Allen Williams, 29, formerly of Cave Junction, Ore., drowned at the Canyon Creek Lumber Company plant Tuesday at 3 P. M., when he slipped and fell into the water while at his first day's work as a pondman. The pond is located two miles north of Canyonville.

He is reported to have suffered a deep bruise on his head when he fell into the water. His brother, who was working with him, managed to get hold of the body twice, but was unable to bring it out of the water.

Williams was born July 20, 1918, at Molone, Wash. He was a veteran of World War I and served with Company 1, 71st Infantry in both the South Pacific and European theaters of operation.

The body has been removed to the Roseburg Funeral Home and funeral services will be announced as soon as relatives are contacted.

### Infant Dies in Mayor's Office; Inquiry Ordered

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Mayor Hubert Humphrey today summoned an emergency meeting of the Minneapolis public health board for what he said would be an "exhaustive inquiry" into the case of a four-month-old infant who died in his office reception room yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jensen, Minneapolis, parents of Arthur, Jr., told William C. Sims, aide to the mayor, the child died following refusal of General (city) hospital physicians to admit it Monday night.

Coroner Russell R. Helm said the infant died of laryngeal-tracheal bronchitis. He said an inquiry by his office disclosed physicians at the hospital had administered penicillin injections and taken x-rays of the baby for a pneumonia check but had found no traces of that disease Monday night.

### Pit Being Built for New Press for News-Review

The Todd Construction Co., Roseburg, has started construction of the pit required for installation of the News-Review tubular press expected to arrive in February.

The concrete pit will be 32 feet in length, four feet in depth, and five feet in width, with a side pit to house the 50-h.p. press motor. It is to be located in the former driveway off E. Oak St. in the Medical Arts Building.

The driveway, previously used for roll paper storage, is being converted into a press room. The Chicago factory has announced that shipment of the press is scheduled for late January, and the pit is being prepared in time to permit concrete foundations to be thoroughly set prior to installation of the machine.

### Youths Nabbed After Chase in Stolen Car

After a chase of several miles on the Pacific Highway south of Canyonville Tuesday evening, state police arrested two youths in possession of an automobile owned by Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Carter of Roseburg, State Police Sgt. Lyle Harrell reported.

Names of the pair were given as Franklyn Fee Rossick and Joseph Gale Wilson, both of Port Orchard, Wash.

The Carter car, in which they were arrested, was stolen in Roseburg about 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The youths are suspected also of the theft of an automobile abandoned earlier in the day at Sutherland, Sgt. Harrell said.

## Housing Needs To Get Major C. C. Attention

Housing for the city's increasing population is a problem of "major importance" to which directors of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce devoted their attention last night, in their first regular board meeting of the year.

Directors adopted as an objective the construction of more houses in the community during 1948. Included in this objective, it was stated, is the need for greater utility and sanitation facilities.

"Planned expansion of our present industrial plants, new plants now under construction and in the blue print stage, together with a corresponding increase in other lines of commercial and professional establishments, county, city and school activities, will create a demand for employment beyond that of past years," said Louis J. Fullerton, president, in a prepared statement.

"Increased employment calls for increased housing accommodations, with a greater demand for utility and sanitary facilities. All of which present a problem of major importance to our community."

"Employment reached an all-time high in the Roseburg area during 1947," Fullerton's statement continued. "Thus we account for the heavy volume in..."  
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### 38 Sawmill Unions Back Pay Hike-or-Strike Plan

SEATTLE, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Unanimous concurrence with the strike recommendations of their executive board was voted yesterday by 38 locals of the Puget Sound District Council of the AFL-Lumber & Sawmill Workers Union.

The delegates voted to strike "as soon as possible" if no "substantial" wage boost is forthcoming in Thursday and Friday negotiations with employers. The union has asked a 30-cent-an-hour across the board increase.

Eighteen thousand western Washington workers are represented in the council.

The negotiating committee will meet here Thursday with representatives of the Plywood and Door Industry of Washington and Oregon. Friday it will meet with the Lumbermen's Industrial Relations Committee.

### "Drunks" Drive in Same Car at Once; Both Fined

PENNSAUKEN, N. J., Jan. 21.—(AP)—A police judge decided last night that two men can be guilty of drunken driving in the same automobile and at the same place.

The judge told Recorder George E. Yost that Robert Burns, 30, of Philadelphia, drove his automobile onto the sidewalk of John W. Mortimer. Mortimer telephoned police—who said they arrived to find Clarence Trotter, 35, also of Philadelphia, struggling to drive the vehicle off the sidewalk.

Yost fined each \$200 and suspended their driving privileges for two years.

### Jacqueline Horner, Missing Piano-Movie Prodigy, Found In Hotel Room With Sailor

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Jacqueline Horner, 14-year-old Los Angeles piano prodigy and movie actress who had been missing since Jan. 13, was taken into custody here early today, police announced.

The girl, said Inspectors John Merrill and Dan Shelley, was found in a Van Ness Avenue hotel room with a sailor. The youth was jailed on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. He is Wallace Wells, 19, attached to the Navy tanker Cimarron, at Hunters Point here.

## Canada's Prime Minister King to Quit After Record Career of Public Service

OTTAWA, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King says he wants to retire as leader of Canada's dominant Liberal party, and thus—according to dominion tradition—as prime minister, as soon as the party names his successor.

In an address before the National Liberal Federation's Advisory Council last night, he asked that a liberal convention be summoned next summer to select his successor as the party's boss.

Political circles interpreted the 73-year-old prime minister's carefully qualified remarks to mean that he wants to get out of office and politics this year, but that he would consent to being drafted if the country needs him further.

King, who has been in office for all but five and a half years since Dec. 29, 1921, would by April 20, 1948, surpass the empire record for length of prime ministerial service, set by Robert Walpole of Britain, who served for 21,000 days early in the 18th century as head of Britain's government.

Former political sources predicted that Louis St. Laurent, 66-year-old minister of external affairs, would be chosen to succeed King, both to the party leadership and the prime minister's post.

Under the Canadian political system it has been traditional for the same man to hold leadership of the party in power and the post of prime minister.

King succeeded the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier as liberal leader in 1919 and first became prime minister in December, 1921, serving until 1930 with the exception of the summer of 1932.

In 1930 he was defeated by R. B. Bennett, conservative, and for the next five years headed the liberal opposition. In October, 1935, he was returned to office with the greatest majority any party ever had in the Canadian parliament. He was reelected in 1940 and again in 1945, but with lesser majorities.

### Mrs. Harold Ingram Badly Hurt in Accident

Mrs. Harold Ingram, the former Mrs. Dorothy Geddes, daughter of 35, and Mrs. A. J. Geddes of Roseburg, is reported to be slightly improved at the Tucson, Ariz., hospital, where she is a patient following an automobile accident a week ago, in which she suffered a fractured back, skull, legs, arms and ribs. Her husband is manager of Montgomery Ward store at Tucson. They have two children, Frank Leslie and Pamela, Mr. and Mrs. Geddes plan to go to Tucson within a short time for a visit with the Ingrams.

Mrs. Ingram is a sister of Attorney Paul Geddes, Mrs. Harrie W. Booth and Mrs. S. J. Cooper of Roseburg.

### Soviet's Gold Holdings Second Only to U.S. File

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—President Truman sent Congress yesterday a report showing Russia's gold holdings are larger than any nation except the United States.

The U. S. gold pile was put at \$22,789,000,000, more than one-third greater than the \$14,000,000,000 total held by the rest of the world on last June 30.

### Woman Dies of Burns In Corvallis Accident

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 21.—(AP)—Mrs. Mack Andrews, 60, died last night in the general hospital here of burns suffered when her house at a camp south of the city, sending four persons to the hospital yesterday.

The hospital reported the victim's husband and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Sabo, the last two Oregon State College students, were the others burned in the combination explosion and fire.

The Sabos are from Klamath Falls. Firemen said the explosion came while Sabo was reattaching a butane gas tank. Fumes apparently were ignited by sparks and flames which destroyed the adjoining trailers.

Want to Buy U.S. Pants? "P.W." Stamped on Seats  
LOS ANGELES, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Anybody want to buy 10,000 pairs of Uncle Sam's pants?  
The War Assets Administration has 'em, cotton and wool. They have identifying markings that'll never come off—"P.W." for prisoner of war—on the seats. Seems the wartime chemists done out a paint for cloth that couldn't be removed, even by the peacetime chemists.  
So WAA is putting the pants up for sale Jan. 29, and advertising that they make very fine wiping rags.  
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## No Revisions Made to Lure Demo Support

Enough Votes to Override Expected Truman Veto Now Major Question

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Approved "as is" by the House Republican leadership, the \$5,600,000,000 tax slashing bill moved today toward swift House passage and a virtually certain veto.

Democrats mobilizing to battle the measure claimed enough votes however, unless the Senate trims the size of the tax cut when the legislation reaches that body.

Speaker Martin (R-Minn.) set the House vote for next week, probably Friday.

The House Republican steering committee, in approving the measure late yesterday, refused flatly to make any concessions that might attract Democratic support. A two-thirds majority is needed in both houses to overturn a Presidential objection.

Democratic Leader Rayburn of Texas told reporters "the bill as it is will never become law, and I think the Republicans know it."

But Rep. Knutson (R-Minn.), author of the measure, shot back that Rayburn is "indulging in wishful thinking" and added: "The bill will become law."

The GOP leaders ignored President Truman's substitute proposal calling for a \$40 "cost of living" tax cut for everyone and a compensating \$3,200,000,000 excess profits tax levy on corporations.

The Ways and Means Committee was called into closed session to consider the Knutson measure. But with Republicans outnumbering the Democrats 15 to 10, the committee's formal approval was virtually certain.

Budget Due For Slash  
Martin told a news conference after the steering committee decision that the Republicans will slash Mr. Truman's \$39,700,000,000 budget to make room for the tax cut and reduce the national debt of at least \$2,000,000,000.

"We need to cut the budget only by \$1,500,000,000 to do that," Martin said, "but we are going..."  
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### Petrillo Draws Rap From Hartley

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Rep. Hartley (R-N.J.), chairman of the House Labor Committee, told James C. Petrillo today the Justice Department was "excessively lax" in preparing a Lea Act case in which the AFL musicians union chief was acquitted.

Speaking face to face with the labor leader at a committee hearing, Hartley declared Petrillo was "clearly in violation of law" despite the acquittal in a federal court at Chicago last week. He added:

"I am not particularly upset by the court decision but I am concerned about how the case was prepared by the Justice Department. I must say it was exceedingly lax."

Petrillo, who sat silently as Hartley took aim to ask, was accused under the Lea Act of coercing a Chicago radio station to hire more workers than needed.

He was called before the committee to answer charges that he is attempting to throttle the American entertainment industry through a monopoly on music.

Hartley told him the British flew in 12 tons of phonograph records last week, after Petrillo banned union musicians from making records in this country. Moreover, Hartley said, 250 tons of other records are now en route to the United States by boat.

"What effect do you think that will have on American musicians, Mr. Petrillo," Hartley asked.

Petrillo launched into a long statement contending that the record-making industry is reaping huge profits whereas the average pay of American musicians in making recordings is \$40 a year.

"Our future is very dark," Petrillo said.

Morse Joins in Urge for New Anti-Lynching Bill  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Senator Morse (R-Ore.) and Rep. Keating (R-N. Y.) urged yesterday that Congress enact federal anti-lynching laws this session.

They testified before a Senate Judiciary Subcommittee which is considering three anti-lynching bills. One is sponsored jointly by Morse and Senator Wagner (D-N. Y.), the others by Senator Knowland (R-Calif.) and Senator Hawkes (R-N. J.).

Keating told a reporter that Republican congressional leaders have decided to let the Senate take up the legislation first since the House several times has passed anti-lynching bills only to have them talked to death in the Senate.

Levity Fact Rant  
By L. F. Rosenfeld  
Gandhi's fast that brought pledges to end India's communal war gave new meaning to S. O. S.—Save Our Shirt.



HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION ELECTS—Carl Hogg, left, of Salem, was elected president of the U. S. 99 Highway Association, Inc., at its annual meeting in Roseburg Monday. He is shown here with the retiring president, Ralph Koozer, of Ashland, looking over a tourist folder devoted to the highway.

### Women Protest Refusal To Save Doomed Negro

PORTLAND, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Oregon Democratic women today protested Governor Hall's decision not to commute the death sentence of Wardell Henderson, 26, convicted in the slaying of a Vancouver, Wash., resident.

Henderson, a Negro, faces execution in the gas chamber at the state penitentiary at Salem Friday for the 1945 killing of Walter Poole.

The Democratic women's organization reported members had voted last night to ask the governor to reconsider Henderson's case because of charges by several groups that jurors in the trial were prejudiced.

George Thomas, president of the Oregon Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said he also has protested the execution. He said "statements of jurors clearly show the verdict in the Henderson case was influenced by race prejudice. His execution will be a severe blow to democracy and justice."

### In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
WIZENED little Mahatma Gandhi ends his "peace" fast after abstaining from food for 125 hours and 45 minutes. Five hours before again taking food (a little sweetened lime juice) he had received assurances in the form of a written, signed pledge from leaders of all the embattled factions guaranteeing "complete, unbroken friendship among Hindus, Moslems and Sikhs." They pledged their lives to the carrying out of their pledge.

As a starter, the government of the new dominion of India granted freedom or pardons to all Pakistan (the new Moslem dominion) soldiers accused or convicted of criminal acts between Dominion Day and January 10.

Gandhi then announced that "fulfillment of this pledge will double my intense wish to live a full span of life doing full service to humanity at least 125 years, or as some say 133 years" (he is already 78).

DON'T laugh—as we westerners always have laughed at Gandhi. He has just given us a striking demonstration of what the world needs—which is sincere, unselfish leadership in which large numbers of people have enough faith and confidence to be willing to MAKE SACRIFICES for the common good.

We need that in AMERICA.

WE have here in the United States a man who holds some faint western semblance of the...

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## Rationing Talk Jeopardizing Nation's Meat Supply, Solon Says at Committee Session

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—All the hot talk in Congress about meat rationing is simply serving storage lockers, Senator Thye (R-Minn.) contended today.

While steering clear of the controversy between GOP Senators Wherry and Flanders over Wherry's "kiddie" accusation that his New England colleague is a meat "hoarder," Thye said he wishes the whole subject of rationing could be dropped.

Otherwise, he told a reporter, housewives will buy all the meat they can and put it into frozen storage. Thye said talk of rationing "already is jeopardizing our meat supply" by discouraging the feeding of beef cattle to full weight.

His contention is that producers, wary of the future, are eager to take advantage of current high prices and are rushing their cattle to market.

### Ex-Governors Lead In Louisiana Vote

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Two arch-rivals of Louisiana politics since the days of the "scandals" — former Governors Earl K. Long and Sam H. Jones — today were out in front and close together as the slow count of yesterday's Democratic gubernatorial primary election continued.

There were four candidates in the race and it was certain that a runoff primary, set for Feb. 24, would be necessary. But hundreds of empty boxes remained to be tabulated, so it wasn't yet certain that Long and Jones would qualify as the two highest and therefore eligible to repeat their runoff primary battle of 1940.

The prize is a nomination equivalent to election.

Jones is the man who led a ballot box revolt in that year against the late Huey P. Long's "total" organization, which he backed Earl Long, Huey's brother for the governorship. Jones won and was succeeded in 1944 by a political ally, the former governor, Jimmie H. Davis. This year Jones and Long again were named standard-bearers by their respective factions.

The old regular organization of New Orleans, breaking an alliance originally imposed by Huey Long, backed its own candidate, U. S. Sen. James H. Morrison. Judge Robert F. Kennon made an appeal for the ex-governor's vote with an "all GI ticket."

The Negro vote will amount only to a small portion of the total.

### Candidate of Dries Dated in Roseburg

Claude A. Watson, above, President of the United States, will speak at the First Methodist Church in Roseburg at 7:30 tomorrow evening.

The candidate who doesn't expect to win, Dr. Watson is the first presidential aspirant to swing through Southern Oregon this year.

A member of the California bar, and holder of the degrees of doctor of jurisprudence and doctor of laws, Dr. Watson has made a life-time study of government.

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