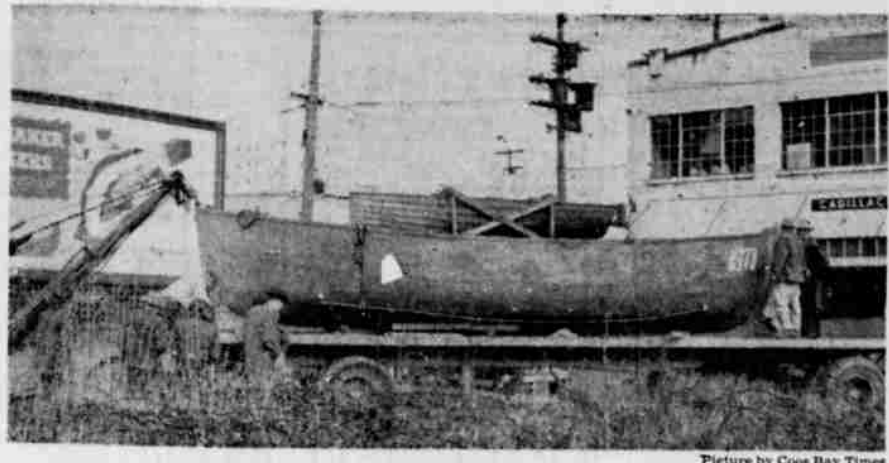




BOAT FOR ROSEBURG SEA SCOUTS—Pictured above is a 29-foot motor lifeboat, granted by the Navy for use of Sea Scouts of this area, being unloaded at Coos Bay. Until final arrangements have been made for reconditioning and storing, etc., the boat will be kept on a vacant lot there. Approximately 20 Senior Scouts, members of Senior Outfit 237, sponsored by the Roseburg Kiwanis Club, will participate in its use.

Britons Shocked By Observations Of Loretta Young

LONDON, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Hollywood Screen Star Loretta Young's observations about her recent trip to London hit the front pages today. The reaction generally was shocked but restrained: "Loretta, how could you!"

Miss Young was noted as saying British factory workers faint every day around 11 o'clock for lack of food. She said, according to the published quotes, that Englishmen have beards because no razor blades are available, that people walk on cardboard patched shoes. She trumped on a lot of toes when she said that fish—the partner of chips—is fried in paraffin because of a lack of fats. British eyebrows were high.

The Daily Mirror printed Miss Young's comment under the heading: "The things some people see," and suggested she had returned to America with "an aching heart for all the hunger and shivering she thought she saw."

The News, largest circulating afternoon paper in the world, decried her remarks in two columns headed: "Life in Britain, by Loretta Young."

Steelworkers Plan to Ask for Wage Increases

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 28.—(AP)—The CIO United Steelworkers announced today that its 170-man wage policy committee has been called to meet here Feb. 18 "to prepare a program to lay before the steel industry calling for an increase in wages."

It was the first definite announcement that the union will seek a "third round" of post-war wage boosts. It did not indicate just how much more money would be sought.

The union's contracts run to April 1949, but provision was made for the wage section to be re-opened by request on April 1, 1948.

Airplane's Co-Inventor Battles Heart Attack

DAYTON, O., Jan. 28.—(AP)—Orville Wright, 76-year-old co-inventor of the airplane, was reported today by Miami Valley Hospital where he was admitted yesterday, following his second heart attack since last October. Attended by a private nurse, Wright "rested easily" during the night. His physician, Dr. A. H. Brower, said last night the aviation pioneer's second attack was not as severe as the first and that Wright was "much better this time."

Chico Marx Sues Movie Firm for \$200,000

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Because, he says, he was "deeply humiliated" when his name was used in the movie, "Rhapsody in Blue," without his permission, Chico Marx wants \$200,000 in damages from Warner Brothers Pictures.

The film comedian, in a Superior Court suit filed yesterday, said he was particularly annoyed because he was quoted in the picture as endorsing certain piano-playing techniques which he did not approve.

General Bond Issue, Gasoline Tax Should Pay for Roseburg Street Widening, Suggestion

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"We of Roseburg feel that if major widening work is to be done, it will have to be paid for by bond issue or through financial assistance from outside," Slankard stated in a letter prepared for presentation to the legislative committee.

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Tentative Accord Reached On Site For Swim Pool

Plans for construction of a public swimming pool at the Senior High School were discussed last night at a joint meeting of the City Park Board and the School District Board.

Under provisional agreement, a tract of land 365 by 125 feet on the High School grounds would be leased to the city by the School Board and include a pool and a tennis court. The site under consideration is at the east end of Finlay Field and borders Bowden Ave. The tank would lie between the tennis court and the girls' gymnasium. Supt. of Schools Paul S. Elliott announced.

Percy Croft, of the Park Board, said that the project is waiting for final agreement between the Park and School Boards and for approval of the City Council.

Undesirable Aliens Get Into U. S., Solon Says

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Rep. McDowell (R-Pa.) said today "an astonishing number" of undesirable aliens have been getting into the United States.

The Pennsylvania is chairman of a House un-American Activities Subcommittee on Fascism. He has made personal checks on conditions along the Mexican and Canadian borders.

At the moment, the subcommittee is trying to find out how Ferenc Valta, wartime Hungarian consul in Vienna during the German occupation, entered this country.

McDowell told reporters he plans to expand the inquiry to determine whether there has been laxity in U. S. consular officials overseas or at immigration ports.

Douglas McKay to Speak At Hotelmen's Meeting

Douglas McKay of Salem, candidate for governor, will be the principal speaker at the meeting of the Southern Oregon Branch of the Oregon State Hotel Association in Roseburg Saturday.

Hotel men from throughout Southern Oregon will gather at the Umpqua Hotel for a reception at 4 o'clock Saturday, to be followed by a business session and a dinner at 7 o'clock.

Hosts for the occasion will be Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harding, owners, and Ernest and Harry Butler, managers of the Umpqua Hotel, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bodin, operators of the Rose Hotel.

Lumber-Sawmill Union Council Sets Meet Here

A two-day meeting of the Willamette Valley Council of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers, AFL, will be held in Roseburg Feb. 7 and 8. It was reported by Oscar Slack, local business agent.

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Ham Slices, Plus Dime, Given Away In Butchers' War

ST. HELENS, Ore., Jan. 28.—(AP)—The three way butchers' war here has reached the stage where one of the competitors is giving away \$1 a pound slices of ham and handing the customer a dime to carry them home.

That is the offer of Jack Sappington, whose new shop three weeks ago started the price war that has been a bonanza to budget-worried housewives in a widening area.

Furthermore, the new entry in the meat retailing field here was happy to deliver the ham, but wouldn't send a dime on such orders. "I just pay to have it carried away. If you want it delivered you will have to take it for nothing," he told customer.

So far Sappington has used up 25 to 30 hams and figures the hams weight 12 to 14 pounds each.

Last week the free-for-all competition bidding brought free hamburger from Sappington's competitors, plus free delivery. Other meats are sold—but at prices that are attracting buyers from as far as Portland.

What the next move will be is anybody's guess and even the three competitors won't venture any suggestions.

Seven Indicted In Black Sand Scheme

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 28.—(AP)—Seven persons, one of them a former employee of the Hanford (Wash.) atomic energy project, were under arrest today on charges that they collected \$200,000 from investors with a scheme for recovering gold from black sand. U. S. Attorney Harvey Erickson reported.

An indictment returned by a federal grand jury here, accused the seven of conspiracy, using the mails to defraud and violation of the securities act.

It charged that Dr. Harold R. Rector of Richland, Wash., was described in the literature distributed by the group as "a key atomic scientist in the development of the atomic bomb at the Hanford project."

Erickson said Rector was a Richland chiropractor and that while he worked on the project during the war, "his job was to test water before they put it in boilers to see that it would not corrode the pipes."

Others named in the indictment were F. E. Nemes, Westcott B. Clark and Bonedick S. Dawson, arrested in Los Angeles; Stanley E. Richardson, Richland; Henry P. Schwartz, Seattle, and Flora L. Carpenter, Spokane.

Red Meddling in N. Y. Relief to Be Probed

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—(AP)—The House Un-American Activities Committee will study testimony involving alleged Communist influences in New York City's multi-million dollar relief set-up.

Mayor William O'Dwyer, announcing yesterday that the committee had requested the testimony, said it would be submitted "at the earliest possible moment."

The data was gathered by a four-man investigating committee named by Welfare Commissioner Benjamin Fielding. The inquiry, the mayor said, stemmed from charges by the Civil Service Forum, an organization of city workers, that local 1 of the CIO United Workers of America, "was Communist controlled and was using union methods to obstruct the work" of the welfare department.

Frost Blankets Roseburg Third Successive Morning

Frost blanketed the city for a third morning in succession today as the temperature dropped several points below freezing.

At 8:30, observers at the Weather Bureau reported a temperature of 24 degrees F. yesterday morning at the same time, the thermometer reading was 23 degrees.

The thermometer began a steady drop from 53 degrees at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon to 30 degrees at midnight; 28 degrees at 1 a. m.; 27 at 2 a. m.; 25 at 3 a. m., and 24 degrees at 8:30.

J. C. McCallister, manager of the Weather Bureau here, said he expected high cloudiness late today and the temperature to drop to between 25 and 30 degrees F. tonight.

Icy Wave Deals Fresh Damage Roseburg News-Review

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U.S. Military Bill May Be Doubled Friction With Russia Eyed By Senators

Army, Navy Chiefs Urge Full Scale Defense; Atom Bomb Blow Considered

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—(AP)—The nation may be asked to spend as much as \$16,500,000,000 for defense next year if friction with Russia continues, senators disclosed today.

This would be 50 per cent more than President Truman has asked in his peacetime record budget for the 12 months beginning July 1.

The estimate of future military needs came from members of the Senate Armed Services Committee after a closed door conference with the high command yesterday.

They said Gen. Eisenhower, retiring Army chief of staff, and other top ranking generals and admirals advised that the Army, Navy and Air Force must be brought up to date quickly.

Gen. Eisenhower and others in the high command were said to have told the senators yesterday the way they think the next war will be fought.

It may begin, they were quoted as saying, with an aerial attack on the United States using the atom bomb.

This was one of the reasons given for having a large reserve of trained men to take over ruined cities and man essential industries.

The United States was described as needing 1,000,000 trained men to occupy and guard the outlying air bases from which it would launch its aerial counter-attack upon the enemy.

Unprotected Mill Burner Protested

Residents of Edenbowser situated near the city airport have directed a petition to Seth B. Thomas, state fire marshal, protesting the "serious fire hazard" created by an unprotected burner at the Coon Creek Timber Co. mill, Sheriff O. T. Carter said today.

The petition, which was forwarded to Thomas by Sheriff O. T. Carter, said that shavings, sawdust, fire and soot from the mills are "blown all over the community," settling on the roofs of homes and buildings.

"With the wind in the right direction, it would mean the burning and destroying of a vast amount of homes and property," the petition stated.

C. J. Whelchel, manager of the Coon Creek Timber Co., had no comment to make today about the petition. He indicated that he would await word from the state fire marshal before taking action.

Oakland Bank Robber Suspects Due in Oregon

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Two men charged with participation in the Oakland and Sweet Home, Ore., bank robberies are expected to leave here for Portland as soon as reservations can be made.

The men, Henry Clay Tollett and Sam Scribner, were ordered removed to Oregon by Federal Judge Leon Janwich.

They have been held here following conviction at Bakersfield on armed robbery charges.

Streamliner Takes to the Air—Almost

Twenty feet of the Santa Fe Streamliner El Capitan hangs over a downtown Los Angeles street after the engine broke away from a switching crew. The diesel engine was being separated from the train when it lunged forward, going through a heavy bumping post, across a driveway, and through a concrete retaining wall. No one was injured. (NEA Telephoto.)

Truman's Ouster of Eccles As Federal Reserve Board Chairman Stirs Criticism

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Senator Tobey (R-N.H.), said today he proposes to find out "who the forces were who went to the President and got him to remove" Marriner Eccles as Federal Reserve Board chairman.

Action Planned On Sewer Problem

More than 60 persons met in the auditorium of the Church of God on Garden Valley Road in the North Roseburg suburbs last night, to discuss the sanitary conditions of their community and plan means for an early correction of existing health hazards.

A committee of 11 persons was selected to consider methods of sewage disposal, which is now under construction, and a meeting with representatives of the Oregon State Sanitary Authority, to get first hand information for plans for adequate sewage disposal for their district.

County Judge D. N. Busebark, John Kotchman, who said it constituted a health hazard, and T. Claude Baker, Douglas County sanitarian, attended the meeting.

The committee has planned an inspection tour of the Riddle sewage disposal plant, which is now under construction, and a meeting with representatives of the Oregon State Sanitary Authority, to get first hand information for plans for adequate sewage disposal for their district.

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Windstorm Rakes Area Of Greater Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 28.—(AP)—This is not only the year of the long drought in Southern California, but the year of the big wind as well.

A windstorm stirred up great clouds of dust and sand and swept through Ontario yesterday at the rate of 85 miles an hour. This gust, in excess of hurricane proportions, was reported by the operations officer at Ontario International Airport, who said it continued for only a few seconds, forcing a suspension of air traffic and damaging one plane.

Scores of trees were uprooted by the wind, which blanketed a wide area of greater Los Angeles. A barn was blown down in San Bernardino, where a maximum velocity was 51 miles an hour. Polting sand made traffic hazardous on Foothill and Valley Boulevards between Los Angeles and San Bernardino.

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Deer Meat Possession Charge Is Denied

Albert McGee, Roseburg, posted \$200 bail in Justice Court on a charge of illegal possession of deer meat. Justice of the Peace Hartfield reported, McGee allegedly killed a deer on the North Umpqua Road Sunday night and had the meat in his possession at his home when arrested by state police. Hartfield said McGee pleaded innocent to the charge.

Commons Votes \$200,000 For Royal Newlyweds

LONDON, Jan. 28.—(AP)—A bill granting Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip \$200,000 annually passed the House of Commons finally today without a word of argument. The money largely is tax free.

Approval in the House of Lords is a foregone conclusion. So is royal assent, which will make it law.

The bill survived a last trimming assault last night.

Pilgrim Fathers Win Over Rock in Debate

CAMBRIDGE, England, Jan. 28.—(AP)—The question before the Cambridge University debating society last night was: "The Pilgrim Fathers landed upon Plymouth Rock, but in the opinion of this house it would have been better for Plymouth Rock to have landed upon the Pilgrim Fathers."

The negative won, 113 to 101.

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House Passage Of Tax Slash Bill Assured

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Republican members of the House ways and means committee said today taxes can be cut \$8,300,000,000 and the government still can pay \$11,000,000,000 on the national debt in the next two fiscal years.

The 15 GOP members made that declaration when formally reporting to the House that the committee has approved Rep. Knutson's tax-slashing bill.

They said their calculation is based on a planned \$3,000,000,000 cut in President Truman's \$39,700,000,000 budget.

The 10 committee Democrats filed a statement saying the Republican-backed bill presents a "threat of deficit spending for fiscal year 1949, and a substantial risk to our fiscal solvency, national security and fulfillment of our international responsibilities."

House O. K. Assured

House debate on the election year tax battle will begin tomorrow. A vote is set for Monday.

Party leaders called to separate mass meetings of all House Republicans and Democrats late in the day to organize their forces for the impending tax battle.

With Republicans holding 245 seats and Democrats only 185.

Clyde Wiard Gets Award for Work In Behalf of Vets

Clyde "Pop" Wiard was decorated with the V. F. W. American citizenship award Tuesday night at a meeting of Patrick W. Kelley Post. The presentation was made by Mayor Al Flegel following Wiard's selection as the citizen to be honored for work on behalf of veterans and in general good citizenship.

The meeting also honored past commanders of the Roseburg post with Past Commanders W. L. Preston, E. E. Sherman, S. Van Vorst, Roy O. Thurnlund, C. Hoover, T. F. Holmes and Harrison R. Winston occupying the various chairs. A large class of candidates received the V. F. W. obligation.

Harrison R. Winston, commander of District 16, dedicated the post's new banner and national colors.

Dr. Kenneth Kinney, medical director at the Roseburg Veterans Hospital, told of conditions at the facility and gave assurance that veterans will be given all possible help and consideration.

An electric iron was presented by Auxiliary President Mrs. A. R. Cooper, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Hart, the post's latest married couple.

A motion picture, "Joe's Kid," depicting activities of the V. F. W. home for widows and orphans at Easton Rapids, Mich., completed the entertainment.

Chinese Pirates Bid For Captives' Ransom

HONG KONG, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Chinese pirates who boldly raided the Dutch ship Van Heutz Dec. 15 are making overtures for the ransom release of six kidnapped passengers, the China Mail reported today.

The newspaper said natives of Blas Bay, notorious buccaner hangout about 30 miles north-east of Hong Kong—reported they were in contact with the gang, which asked 5,000 Hong Kong dollars (\$1,250) to open negotiations and a "substantial" unspecified ransom. Three weeks ago the bandits were reported demanding \$25,000 ransom each.

The six Chinese business men—were kidnapped after the pirates luredly robbed 1,600 passengers and escaped aboard commandeered lunks near Blas Bay. Loot was estimated at \$500,000 in cash and jewels.

Lumber Price Drop to Be Slight, Assn. Head Says

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Any reductions that occur in lumber prices will be slight and probably temporary, Norman P. Mason, president of the National Retail Lumber Dealers association, says.

Mason, here for the annual convention of the Northeastern Lumbermen's Association, said mounting yard inventories in the Northeastern lumber consuming area recently have led to sparse ordering by retailers. This, he said, "may" result in some price reductions by mills of as much as 15 per cent.

"These will come from marginal operators if at all," he added. Mason said larger mills are in a strong financial position and can wait until the seasonal drop in demand is reversed without lowering their prices.

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Thousands Of Toilers Idled; Traffic Upset

Fuel Shortage Adds to Discomfort; Dust Storm Lashes California Area

By The Associated Press

Winter's relentless siege of cold, snow and ice dealt further damaging blows to a wide section of the country today.

The inclement weather affected many segments of business and industry and made idle thousands of workers. The death toll—in the East, South and Midwest—was nearly 100.

The third cold wave in a week chilled residents from the Rockies to the Atlantic coast. A blizzard swept New Mexico. A numbing cold spread over Texas from the Panhandle to the lower Rio Grande Valley. Snow falls in Tennessee measured from four to 16 inches.

Ice from three to six inches deep covered Arkansas and other parts of the south hit by cold weather, closing schools, impeding traffic and disrupting communications.

Dust Storms in California California did not escape the antics of the elements. Gusts of 85 miles an hour swept through Ontario, Calif., and winds of between 50 and 60 MPH in other parts of the San Bernardino Valley yesterday. Trees and some telephone poles were felled as the winds whipped up heavy clouds of dust and sand. The weather generally in Southern California was clear.

In Northern California forecasters said there was a "bare possibility" of rain for the drought-stricken region and immediate prediction was for continued clear skies. The region has been without rain for more than five weeks.

The current fuel shortage brought further discomfort to many communities as the cold weather tightened its icy grip over the area from the Rockies to New England.

Auto Production Halted No estimate was available as to the number of workers made

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GMC Accused Of Bargain Refusal

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—(AP)—Robert N. Denham, general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, today charged General Motors corporation with an unfair labor practice under the Taft-Hartley law. He alleged it refused to bargain with the CIO Auto Workers Union on an insurance plan.

Denham's complaint to the NLRB was based on charges brought by the union Jan. 23. A hearing was set for February 10.

NLRB officials said the formal complaint clears the way for Denham to seek a court order for General Motors to stop the alleged unfair labor practice.

Denham charged GM with (1) refusal to bargain on a union proposal for an insurance plan, and (2) attempting to compel GM's 250,000 workers to accept a company-arranged insurance plan.

The complaint said the CIO-UAW has tried for several years to win an agreement on an insurance plan giving workers payments for sickness, accident, medical or surgical treatment, hospitalization or death.

Governor of Alabama Wants to be President

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 28.—(AP)—The South had a man today who would like to be president—Gov. James E. Folsom of Alabama.

Folsom, 39-year-old former insurance man from the small, mid-Alabama town of Cullman, announced yesterday he was a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination.

In his announcement, Folsom, who has been governor just slightly more than a year, said President Truman was "not running" either the party or the nation.

He also declared that Truman "has got himself hog-tied" by the monopolists, the brass hats, the grain speculators and the Wall Street lawyers.

Fire Destroys Grade School at Silverton

SILVERTON, Ore., Jan. 28.—(AP)—Fire destroyed the Thomas Grade School, one of the oldest in the Central Willamette Valley, yesterday afternoon shortly after dismissal of the pupils.

Firemen said the fire appeared to originate on the roof of the frame building. Neighbors saved most of the books, benches and a piano before flames reached the lower part of the building.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Kautzsch

Commodity speculation disclosures indicate that our plan-pounding president is contending with a lot of sharps that may cause him to B-flat after the November election.