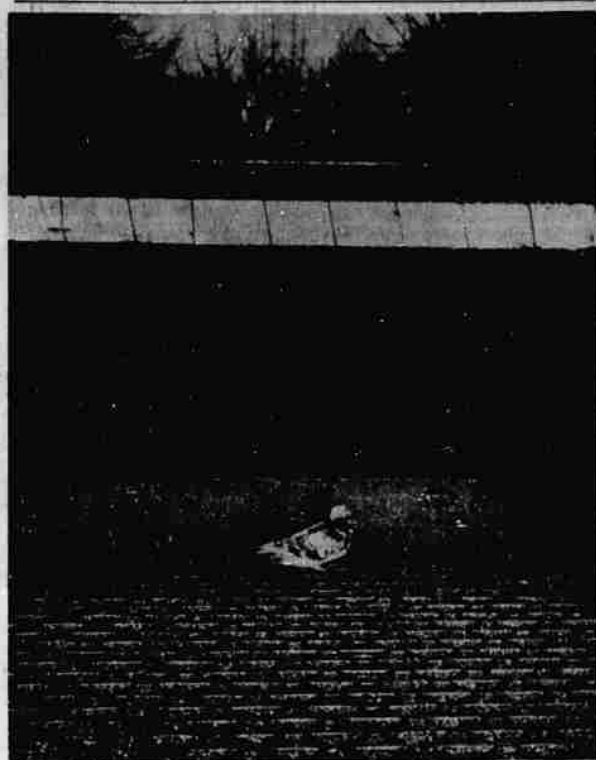


UNITED STATES NEARS SPLIT WITH BULGARIA



VICTIM OF WEATHER—This pigeon picked the wrong spot to make a landing Wednesday morning. As soon as its feet touched the icy steel deck of the Oak street bridge, they froze to the surface. Photographer Sid Fredrickson snapped a picture of the bird's predicament before he warmed it with his hands, freeing it from the trap. It then flew peacefully away. — (Picture by Photo Lab.)

BARRIER TO COMMUNISM

Defense Chief Johnson Offers Strong Argument For Draft Act's Extension

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Defense Secretary Johnson asserted today that the draft act was "one of the decisive factors in stopping the spread of Communism in Europe."

Pleading for extension of the law now due to expire next June, Johnson told the House armed services committee:

"Termination of selective service could well be interpreted abroad as an indication that this country does not consider the international situation as serious as previous arguments in favor of the foreign military aid program and the North Atlantic pact indicated."

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

OUTSIDE my window, as these words are written, there has been a constant procession of cars getting stuck in the snow. Those without chains have been especially unfortunate. Expert "rocking" by the driver has helped to get a lot of them out, but pushing by sidewalk volunteers has helped even more.

I've been intrigued by this fact: The cars driven by pretty girls (there have been several such) have got more help than the others.

DON'T vouch for the following incident. Like Homer, I "tell the tale as 'twas told to me."

Several men were sitting around yesterday shooting the breeze. The storm provided the

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Penney Co. Executive's Estate Split Is Asked

RENO, Nev., Jan. 20.—(AP)—A petition for distribution of approximately a million dollars worth of stocks from the estate of the late Frank S. Jones, a J. C. Penney company executive, was filed in district court here yesterday.

Jones died at Pasadena, Calif., last July 14. He and his wife, Blanche, had made their home in Reno for several years.

A partial inventory of the estate listed its value at \$1,740,212.68. But Mrs. Jones' attorney, Samuel Platt, said total value is about \$2,000,000.

Mrs. Jones is sole beneficiary and executrix.

Silver Thaw's Effects Give Douglas Electric Co-Op Its Toughest Job In Winter Blow

The silver thaw during the last two days gave employees of the Douglas Electric co-operative more trouble than the snow, wind and rain of the previous week, Harold Backen Jr., manager, said Thursday.

Speaking of the over-all situation, Backen said, "It's been quite an ordeal."

The major rural areas affected by the silver thaw, and the previous bad weather, were east and west of Oakland and Sutherlin, and in the Tyee and Kellogg districts, the manager reported. And lack of communication—with many telephone lines down—has slowed the work.

The heavy ice formations broke conductors and overloaded trees, causing branches or whole trees to fall across the power lines, Backen said. The area between Oakland and Drain has been affected most, on the route of the co-operative's 33,000-volt transmission line. That line was

to have been restored Thursday afternoon, weather permitting, Backen stated. Most service on all lines should be restored sometime Friday.

The repair and maintenance crews have been handicapped by lack of access to the points of trouble, the official pointed out, as many trees have fallen across icy roads making it very difficult to get trucks and equipment in.

25 Breaks Repaired
Reviewing the exhausting week
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The Weather

Cloudy with intermittent rain today, tonight and Saturday. Continued mild temperatures.

Sunset today 5:09 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:39 a. m.

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House Refuses Further Funds To Help Korea

Administration's Orient Policies Given Setback By Coalition Majority

By JACK BELL
WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Republicans hung a "no-confidence" tag on the administration's Asiatic policies today after the 193-to-191 House defeat of a Korean economic aid bill.

Caught by surprise, the administration took its severest foreign policy blow since pre-war days when 131 House Republicans joined 61 Democrats and one American Labor party representative late yesterday to smash down the aid bill.

They topped by two votes the 170 Democrats and 21 Republicans who stayed in line for the measure, which the Senate passed in the last session with little show of opposition.

The bill would have authorized \$60,000,000 more to round out a \$120,000,000 program to help Southern Korea keep its economy going in the face of the Communist-dominated Korean regime to the north.

Republicans termed the result a clear sign that members of their party—and some of the Democrats—have lost confidence in the state department's handling of the cold war against Communism in the Far East.

Democrats replied tartly that election year winds are blowing. They intimated that the Republic

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Aga Khan Theft Chief Slain; Five Of Gang Jailed

PARIS, Jan. 20.—(AP)—The chief of the bandit gang that robbed the Aga Khan of \$500,000 worth of jewels last summer has been murdered, five others of the gang are in jail and two have disappeared with the loot, French police announced today.

The bandit chief and his girl friend, have been slain, police said, apparently by their accomplices. The bodies have not been found.

The 72-year-old Moslem ruler, one of the world's wealthiest men, and his wife, the Begum, were held up by tommygunners as they drove from their villa near Cannes on the Riviera on their way to visit the Aga's son, Prince Aly, and daughter-in-law, movie actress Rita Hayworth.

Security police chief Berteaux told reporters one of the robbers now in custody, Jean Olivet, had a villa near that of the Aga Khan, and the jewels had been buried in the garden of the villa for some five days after the robbery.

The Aga Khan said at the time of the robbery his jewels were fully insured. The Begum said the loot included rings, bracelets, necklaces, clips, compacts and powder boxes. One bracelet alone was valued at \$290,000.

"Big Inch" Gas Pipe Line Explodes In Ohio

CALDWELL, O., Jan. 20.—(AP)—The "big inch" gas pipe line exploded near here early today with a roar heard miles away—spouting flames which reached an estimated 500 feet into the air.

No one was reported injured. The flames destroyed one unoccupied farm house and barn, and threatened three other dwellings.

The state highway patrol reported the flames were being brought under control about 6 a. m.—two and a-half hours after the explosion.

The pipe line carries natural gas from Texas fields to mid-western and eastern areas.

Cause of the explosion and extent of property damage were not determined immediately.

Plywood Industry To Emphasize Use Of Waste

TACOMA, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Realization of economists' forecasts of continued peak activity in the construction industry will bring a demand for nearly 2,000,000,000 square feet of plywood during 1950, Harry Schrader Jr., managing director of the Douglas Fir Plywood association, said yesterday.

Schrader told a group of northwest loggers that emphasis of the plywood industry this year would be on the utilization of what are now waste products.

He expressed concern over the small supply of select peeler logs available.

GRANTED PROBATION

Robert Behring Wilson, 27, Scottsboro, was sentenced in circuit court Thursday, to serve one year in the state penitentiary at Salem, then placed on probation.

Wilson pleaded guilty to a charge of forgery of an endorsement on District Attorney Robert G. Davis' information.

Nelson Upped In Forest Service

Marion M. "Red" Nelson, forest supervisor of the Umpqua national forest, is being promoted and transferred to Washington, D. C. He will become assistant chief of the division of fire control of the forest service, according to H. J. Andrews, regional forester of the Pacific Northwest region of the U. S. forest service at Portland.

Nelson's successor will be Robert Aufderheide, forester in charge of the Pacific Northwest forest and range experiment station's work at Corvallis.

It is understood the transfer will be effective Feb. 20.

Douglas Convict One Of 3 Dead Of Drinking Alcohol

SALEM, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Three state prison convicts died last night from drinking wood alcohol, prison warden George Alexander said today.

All were employed as cooks. They are Samuel E. Malone, 43; Edward H. Reese, 24; and Daniel W. Rivenbark, 40.

Alexander said Reese, who was cooking for the prison hospital, admitted taking the alcohol from the hospital laboratory Wednesday night. Some alcohol was found in Rivenbark's cell.

Malone, serving his fourth prison term, was received at the prison from Douglas county April 27, 1948, to serve three years for forgery.

Reese came from Klamath county June 18, 1949, to serve 10 years for larceny.

Rivenbark, received from Josephine county April 16, 1949, was serving 12 years for assault and robbery while armed with a deadly weapon.

U. S. Plans To End Boycott Of Spain

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—(AP)—The new American decision to help scrap the diplomatic boycott of Franco Spain apparently had military strategy as a major reason.

Diplomatic officials reported today that western military leaders long have favored this as a move toward bringing Spain into the western defense system.

Their argument was that Spain's strategic position made it vital to any effective western plan for stopping any possible Russian attack on Western Europe.

Secretary of State Acheson disclosed yesterday that the United States now favors sending an ambassador back to Madrid.

The Senate, which has much to do with foreign policy, showed general approval. Both economic and religious pressures have been apparent.

Senator Eastland (D-Miss.) and other cotton state senators have asked recognition, in part because of trade angles. Also, many Catholics have urged recognition of the Franco government as a defender of religion.

Those opposing recognition have argued mainly that Franco is a dictator raised to power by Hitler and Mussolini.

Traffic Still In Confusion From Storm

Damage In Northwest Mounts After Freezing Rain, Resultant Slides

(By The Associated Press)
Rapidly melting snow snarled highway, rail and air traffic in parts of western Washington and Oregon today, as damage mounted from yesterday's freezing rain.

Several Cascade mountain passes were closed to highway travel. Slides slowed rail traffic. Slushy airfields hampered plane schedules.

Southwest Washington, hardest hit by yesterday's "silver thaw," reported heavy loss by broken power lines as accumulated ice broke them.

A spokesman for the Clark county public utility district gave a preliminary estimate of \$250,000 damage to PUD lines in the county. He said all power lines in Clark county were broken, with Vancouver, Wash., the only town having power this morning.

Residents of the orchards and Burton areas northeast of Vancouver said fir trees were "stripped like chickens" by weight of ice.

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Mercy Hospital Addition Bids Get Time Extension

Opening of bids for the construction of a proposed \$300,000 addition to Mercy hospital has been extended until Jan. 27, according to word received from Portland by Sister Mary Austin, superior of the hospital here.

The delay was made since bad weather conditions have made it impossible for some out-of-town contractors who intend to submit bids to view the hospital site, Sister Austin, explained.

The bid openings for the 40 by 80-foot, 45-bed hospital extension was scheduled for Wednesday night of this week, in the office of Jacobberger, Stanton and Zeller, architects, in the McKay building, Portland.

C. Of C. Preparing For Annual Feast

Harold Hickerson, Roseburg Chamber of Commerce secretary, said today the chamber is providing for "every contingency" to assure that the annual chamber banquet will be held as planned Wednesday, Jan. 25, at 6:30 p. m. in the Methodist church banquet room.

Hickerson said arrangements have been made to assure adequate heating, lighting and cooking facilities should another power failure black out Roseburg that night.

Featured speaker on the program will be Marshall Dana, editor of the Oregon Journal editorial page. His subject will be "Their World and Ours," based on experiences he has gained from recent extensive travels throughout Europe.

Although many tickets are still available to the function, Hickerson said it is hoped that those planning to attend purchase their tickets from the Chamber of Commerce office as soon as possible, in order to make final plans for the number of persons to be fed.

Junior First Citizen Choice For 1949 Expected To Attract Big Crowd At Feast Tonight

Roseburg's junior first citizen's banquet, inaugurated four years ago, has grown to large proportions, and well over 200 persons are expected to be on hand tonight for announcement of the secret committee's choice of citizen number one of 1949.

Under sponsorship of the Roseburg Junior Chamber of Commerce, the affair will take place at Kennedy's Dutch Mill, starting at 7:30 p. m. Dancing following the banquet and program will continue until midnight.

Bruce Kelly, of Portland, state president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, will be present to deliver the address of the evening according to information received by Charles Hart, banquet general chairman. Kelly has been prominent in Jaycee work, and is a past national director of the U. S. Junior Chamber and a member of the Hoover Commission for Better Government. His topics will be "A Young Man's World."

Rod Dotson, program chairman, announces the program will open with the invocation by Rev. W. A. MacArthur. George McIntosh, incoming president, will give the welcome. After the banquet, Paul Geddes will preside as master of ceremonies and introduce the speakers.

Installation of officers, conducted by State Vice-President Bill Tipton of Roseburg, will be a feature of the program.

Awarding of the first citizen's plaque will be the evening's highlight. Several lesser awards will also be presented. Kelly will then give the evening's address.

Wayne Crooch, last year's junior first citizen, is in charge of awards. Bob Luckey is ticket chairman.

Since the affair will be on Friday, both fish and turkey will be on the menu. A limited number of tickets will be on sale at the door, and an effort will be made to care for all persons who come, whether or not they secured tickets in advance, the committee announced.

In addition to Crooch, other first citizen selections were David McCarroll and Bill Black.

No Clues Yet To Boston's Million Dollar Bandits

BOSTON, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Top flight investigators commanded by the nation's crime chief streamlined their hunt today for Boston's million dollar desperadoes.

Under orders from FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, who took control, experts involved in the investigation co-ordinated activities.

Directives from Hoover's office criss-crossed the nation to FBI branches in key cities in the hunt for nine bandits who seized a million dollars in cash and a half million in checks at the Brink's armored transportation company garage Tuesday night.

As the manhunt entered its third day, investigators clung to only a few thin leads.

The FBI automatically enlisted the aid of millions of civilians, banks and business establishments last night by publishing serial numbers of 24,050 bills totaling \$98,900 of the \$1,000,000 taken in the robbery.

Authorities pointed out that similar publication has cracked some other cases.

A top executive of the insurance company covering the stolen funds disclosed that had the robbers arrived two days later close to \$10,000,000 would have been in the company's vaults.



BRUCE KELLY
Jaycee Banquet Speaker

YMCA Elects Heads; Work Is Reviewed

The Roseburg YMCA board of directors, corporate (voting) members, and those who had led some program for the local "Y" this last year, met last night at the junior high for the first annual session. Highlights of the program, following a dinner, were the election of officers for 1950, the annual report of 1949 activities, and the honoring of Alva Laws for his years of service to the H-Y.

William Green presided in the absence of Dr. Morris Roach, retiring president, who was called to Portland. Nominating committee chairman Nat Johnson reported the following nominees: Ormond Feldkamp, for president; Alva Laws, secretary, and Don Reed, treasurer. The report

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Hiss Scored By U. S. Prosecutor

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—(AP)—A government prosecutor today likened Alger Hiss to Benedict Arnold, Brutus, the Devil and Martin T. Manton, a federal jurist convicted of "selling justice."

Assistant U. S. Attorney Thomas F. Murphy told a federal court jury in his summation it should convict Hiss on the basis of "the irrefutable documents" in the case.

Hiss, former high state department official, is on trial for the second time on charges of perjury. His first trial last summer ended in a jury disagreement.

Murphy pointed to the piles of government exhibits which the government claims Hiss passed to Whittaker Chambers, admitted former courier for a Soviet spy ring.

"They don't depend on anybody's memory," Murphy said. "They have been here 11 years. No one has altered them."

Hiss and his wife, Priscilla, appeared calm as Murphy addressed the jury.

Fall From Scaffold Fatal To Electrician

LEBANON, Ore., Jan. 20.—(AP)—A 15-foot fall from a scaffolding in a church building killed Laverne Scott, 41-year-old electrical contractor here today.

Scott was wiring in the Baptist church. Apparently he had just started to descend when he slipped. His neck was broken and death was almost instantaneous.

Scott was operator of Scott's Electrical service, and had been prominent here for several years. His widow and two children survive.

State Lawmaker Can't Hold 2 Offices, Ruling

SALEM, Jan. 20.—(AP)—State Rep. Herman H. Chindgren, Molalla, can't hold his office as a member of the Clackamas county fair board, Attorney General Neuner ruled today.

Neuner ruled that Chindgren must quit one of the jobs. He ruled that holding both of the jobs violates the state constitution.

Washington Issues Threat In New Note

Sofia Told To Withdraw Demand For Recall Of American Envoy Heath

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—(AP)—The United States threatened today to break diplomatic relations with Bulgaria unless that Communist country withdraws its demand for the recall of American minister Donald R. Heath from Sofia.

An American note replying to the Bulgarian recall request was ordered delivered to the Bulgarian government in Sofia. It was also handed to Dr. Peter Voutov, ranking Bulgarian diplomat here.

The note described the demand for Heath's recall as simply the latest of a "series of indignities and restrictions" which have made it virtually impossible for the U. S. diplomatic mission in Sofia to carry on its duties.

The American note added: "Accordingly, unless the Bulgarian government withdraws its note of January 19 and demonstrates its willingness to observe established international standards of conduct, the United States government must conclude that the Bulgarian government does not desire to maintain normal relations."

"In these circumstances the United States government will be obliged to withdraw the United States diplomatic mission from Sofia."

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Safeway Stores Lose First Round In Milk Battle

PORTLAND, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Safeway stores, loser in the first round of a battle for an upstate milk market, indicated today it would challenge the state's milk control powers.

The battle is expected to go to the State Supreme court, where Safeway can question the right of the state to keep Safeway's milk out of upstate markets.

Safeway lost the first round yesterday when milk administrator Thomas L. Ohlsen denied the grocery chain permission to sell its own brand of milk (Lacorne) in Salem.

A spokesman for the grocery chain, division manager C. H. Bartlett, at once accused Ohlsen of "fostering a milk monopoly."

Ohlsen said Safeway must be kept out of the Salem market in order to protect dairies now in business here. They might suffer losses, and in turn producers might be hurt. In the end the public would suffer, Ohlsen concluded.

Safeway had applied for permission to process Salem-bought milk in its own Lucerne plant in Portland, then sell 3.8 percent butterfat milk in paper containers in Salem Safeway stores at minimum prices.

This drew the opposition of the big Dairy Co-operative association in a hearing in Portland last month. Curley's Dairy of Salem also opposed Safeway. Both admitted they did not want competition from Safeway's richer milk.

In a statement accompanying yesterday's decision, Ohlsen indicated he would protect upstate markets from Portland competition. He said distributors other than Safeway also had expressed interest in expanding to other areas. Such expansion might have serious and far-reaching effects on upstate dairies, he said.

Portland Mayor Favors Special Tax Levy

PORTLAND, Jan. 20.—(AP)—The only way out of Portland's financial troubles may be for taxpayers to reach deeper into their pockets, Mayor Dorothy Lee suggested today.

She proposed a \$750,000 special levy to enable the city to keep its essential services going until the end of the fiscal year in June. She added, though, that a thorough study would be made before she determined whether to ask an election on the levy.

Slot Machine Seized, Cafe Operator Accused

Bill's Cafe, located south of Roseburg was raided Thursday morning by Sheriff's deputies. One console type slot machine was confiscated, Sheriff O.T. Carter said.

Wilford F. Froener, operator of the cafe, was cited for possession of a slot machine and was ordered to appear in justice court at 11 a. m. today, for arraignment, Carter added.

Deputies Cecil Bever, Dallas Bennett and Ira Byrd made the raid following private complaint.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

President Truman again resorted to profanity yesterday, in commenting on James F. Byrnes' candidacy for governor of South Carolina. No excuse whatever for a President using such language—unless of course he is referring to the weather.



YMCA OFFICERS—Election of officers was a feature of last night's first annual meeting of the YMCA. Pictured left to right are Bill Green, retiring vice-president, who presided as chairman; Ormond Feldkamp, the new president for 1950; Marlen Yoder, general secretary; Don Forbes, vice-president, and Alva Laws, secretary. Don Reed, elected treasurer, was not present.—(Photo Lab picture.)