

Permanent Forest Roads Would Link County Network

This is the last of a series of three articles describing study and recommendations from the Douglas County Planning Commission for a long-range highway building program.

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The long-range program for a system of highways over the county which has been proposed by the Douglas County Planning Commission calls for 11 highways to form permanent forest access and time-saving routes between arterial highways.

These "B" thoroughfares proposed would be mostly improvements on existing forest access routes.

The planning commission in its "Major Thoroughfares Study" has listed two of these secondary routes among four recommended for construction in the next five years.

Main Forest Access

These "B" (secondary) highways would form main forest access routes, so lateral or logging roads would never need be more than 18 miles in length, according to the plan.

Proposed widths of rights-of-way on these "B" highways would be at least 100 feet under the plan.

Following are descriptions of the 11 roads recommended.

Smith River Highway — This highway would form another cross-county thoroughfare north of Drain and Gardiner. The Bureau of Public Roads is currently building from the western end of the county. Another road comes from Highway 99 from the east to Gunter. It is recommended it be improved and a link between the two be built. It is also recommended as part of the first five-year program. The commission also contemplates a highway should be built.

along Vincent Creek to replace the Weatherly route to Highway 38.

Loon Lake to Lookingglass — This permanent forest access route would be part of a highway to stretch almost the length of the county about 13 miles west and parallel to Highway 99. The beginning of the route is the Mill Creek Road from Highway 38 to Loon Lake. The proposed construction would extend south along Lake Creek and Wolf Creek to connect with an existing road near the Umpqua south of Tyee.

Lookingglass to Glendale — This route paralleling Highway 99 to the west would follow the old Coos Bay Wagon Road for about five miles west of Reston. It would continue south through Tenmile, along Olalla Creek west of Table Mountain, through Horse Prairie, down Table Creek to Cow Creek and then to Glendale.

Oregon Highway 42 — It is recommended the proposed road along the route of the old Coos Bay Wagon Road replace Highway 42 as the major route from Roseburg to Coos Bay and that 42 be retained as a "B" route serving Winton, Camas Valley, Myrtle Point and Camas.

Elk Creek - Glide - Crater Lake — Construction proposed for this major timber access road from the Scotts Valley - Elkhead junction of new U.S. Highway 99, across the North Umpqua near Glide, south to Highway 227 and into a proposed short-cut route to Crater Lake along Jackson Creek. (Recommended in first five-year program.)

Calapooia Creek Highway — It is proposed to improve the present highway, now used for access to farms and to heavy stands of mature timber in the north-central portion of the county. It is also proposed to extend the road to Canton Creek, a project which has

already been proposed by the Bureau of Land Management.

Canton Creek and Steamboat Creek extensions — A new route up Canton Creek would form a county road loop with the Calapooia Road. The Canton Creek Road can then be pushed across the ridge to connect with an existing road on to Cottage Grove. The Steamboat Creek extension would form better timber access and form a route to connect with the U.S. Forest Service road along the middle fork of the Willamette River.

Little River Route — The huge forested area between Canton Creek and the North Umpqua Highway can be served by a central forest access highway following the Little River Road to its source and then by an extension around Quartz Mountain to connect with the proposed connection between the North and South Umpqua highways.

Roberts Creek - Dixonville thoroughfare — This would form a by-pass route from Dixonville on the North Umpqua Highway to the Winston-Dillard areas.

Myrtle Creek — This existing road can be improved to become an important "B" major thoroughfare between Myrtle Creek and the proposed Elk Creek to the South Umpqua Highway route.

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Cub Scout Pack Holds Recent Party

Rose School Cub Scout Pack No. 55 held a Christmas party in the school gym last week. Mrs. Finlay's Den 4 gave the flag ceremony.

The Christmas tree was decorated with ornaments made especially for the party by all the Cubs. Gifts of food were deposited in a box for the needy and will be distributed by the Salvation Army.

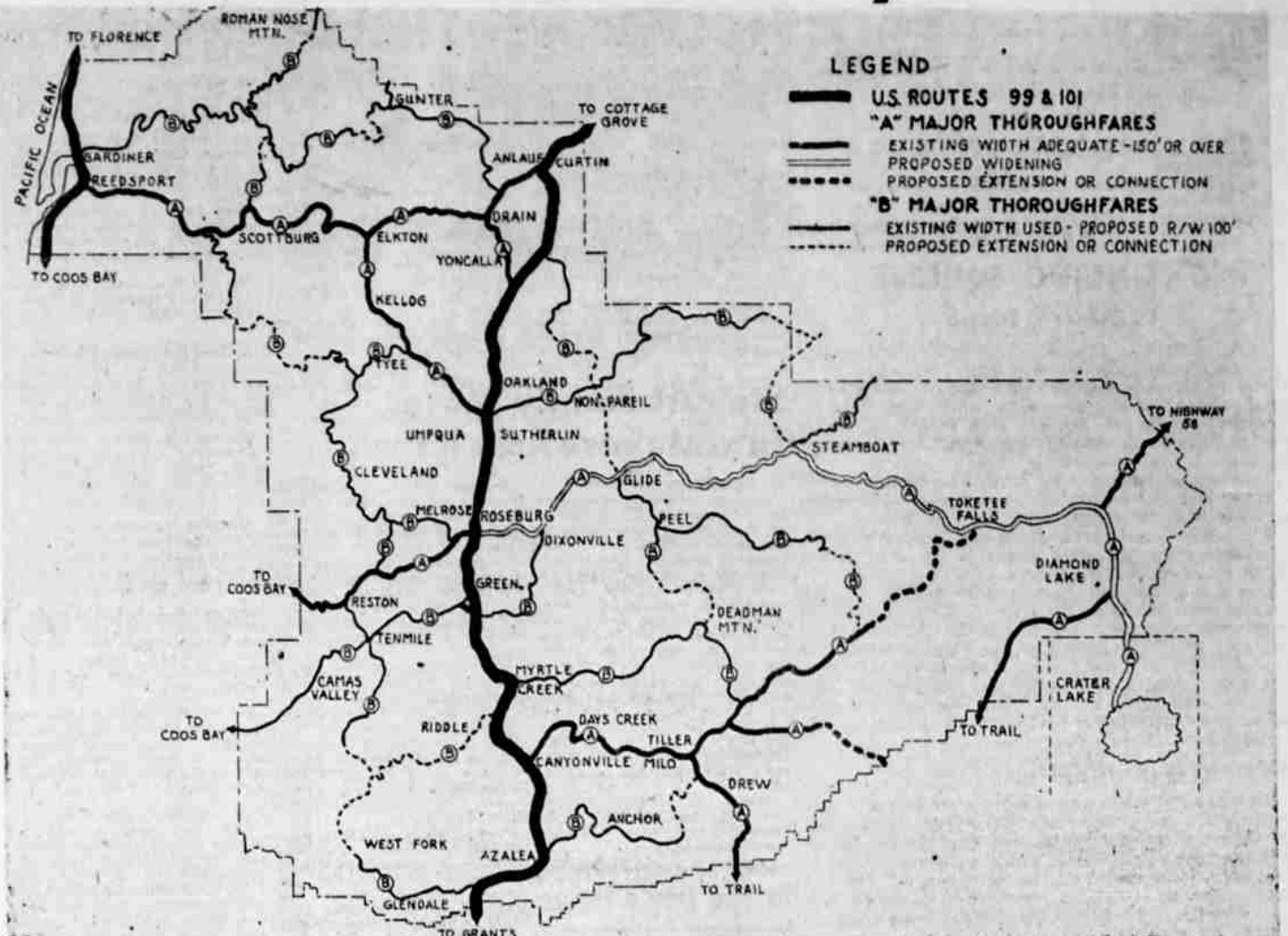
All December birthdays were acknowledged by everyone singing "Happy Birthday." The Cubby was won by Mrs. William's Den 4. Cubmaster Darney Iles presented awards to David Cash, Bryant Gilkeson, David Gilkeson, Don Ramberg, Steve Erickson, Don Blackwell, Gus Rose, Ken Ayers, Joel Norman and David Gasline.

Cubs in Mrs. William's Den 4 did a pantomime skit on the song, "All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth."

The Cubs in Mrs. Gilkeson's Den 1 sat in a large circle with their candle boards which they had made and decorated in the Christmas theme for their December project.

As the lights were dimmed the tapers on the boards were lit and all joined in singing, "Silent Night."

The program was concluded by the appearance on the stage of Janice Norman, mascot of Den 9, dressed in appropriate New Year's attire, who extended season's greetings to the large audience.



MASTER PLAN—The above map of the county shows present roads in the county and the proposed connections which would tie them into a network to make any part of the county accessible. The long-range plan recommended by the Douglas County Planning Commission would call for construction of between 90 and 100 more miles of highway. Solid lines on the map represent present roads. Dotted lines are proposed routes which would have to be constructed.



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