



His Credit for Blood Again Good (AP)—Four-year-old Billy Meers played with his toys in a Dallas, Tex., hospital bed, his credit at the hospital blood bank restored by offers from all parts of the country to replenish the amount used to treat him for chronic nephritis, considered an incurable kidney ailment. "New words would have to be invented to express my gratitude," said his mother, Mrs. Charles Meers (right). Billy has been given blood plasma equivalent to 227 pints.

Birthday Celebrated

Mill City—Lela Mel Kelly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kelly, celebrated her 10th birthday with a theater party. Ten of her friends gathered at her home about 6:30 o'clock

for the birthday refreshments before going to the theater. Invited friends were Nancy Hase-man of Idanha, Delores Ann Smith, Alona Fay Daly, Paula Jane Vanbuskirk, Pauline Ma-son, Wilma Mae Cooke, Lyla Potter and Delores Jane Poole.

Engineering Well Along On State Highway Projects

Portland, Jan. 13 (AP)—Engineering on post-war highway im-provements in Oregon is so far along that "we could let contracts for \$30,000,000 in projects in the next six months if the war ended today." That was State High-way Engineer R. H. Baldock's comment on road face-lifting plans outlined tentatively by the state highway commission late yesterday.

The proposed program calls for more than \$24,000,000 to transform the state's primary network into a modern thor-oughfare system and \$6,850,000 to spruce up secondary roads.

While federal legislation is in the making to determine the ex-tent of financial aid the state will receive, Baldock's staff will be working up specifications on other projects aggregating some \$20,000,000.

Baldock, meanwhile, will at-tend hearings starting in Wash-

ington February 15 on a bill which would appropriate \$3,000,000,000 for highway con-struction in the 48 states in the three immediate post-war years. Oregon's share is expected to be \$15,000,000 each year.

Some Projects Tentative

The commission indicated that it has not decided definitely on all the proposed projects listed under the first expected \$30,000,000 program. It made clear also that the extent of con-struction will depend upon the amount of funds finally made available by congress.

The first thing on the post-

war program, however, the commissioners said, is comple-tion of the Pacific highway through and beyond Eugene.

Big projects included \$4,302,000 for improving the Columbia river highway; \$1,000,000 for completion of the Modoc Point-Algoma Gap in The Dalles-California highway; \$1,000,000 to finish the Warm Springs cut-off from Mount Hood to Ma-drax; \$795,000 for completion of the north unit of Marshfield-Coquille connections; \$762,000 for straightening the Oregon coast highway between Tilla-mook and Pleasant Valley; com-pletion of connections between Newport and Spencer creek to put the highway along the coast.

Other proposed projects in-

cluded: oiling of the John Day highway over the Blue moun-tains, \$123,000, and between Unity and Ironside, \$246,000; grade-raising and oiling of The Dalles-California highway be-tween Lapine and Crescent, \$310,000; John Day highway im-provements at Prineville, in-cluding a new Crooked River bridge, \$8,000; improving sur-face of Santiam Pass highway

Damage Claims High

The commission said \$101,530 in claims for highway damages, mostly to central Oregon routes as a result of army maneuvers there last summer and fall, would be presented to PRA.

First criticism by public of-ficials of the Moses plan for \$75,000,000 in post-war im-provements at Portland was

voiced at the meeting. Baldock said the proposed East Side thruway was "extravagant and impossible." T. H. Ban-field, Portland, commission chairman, said extension of the existing Front avenue drive would achieve the same pur-pose as the thruway. The commission estimated the exten-sion would cost \$15,000,000 less.

The commission set up an \$18,261,000 budget for 1944.

Most Pacific salmon spawn once and then die.

Mill City Chapter Given Instruction

Mill City—Marilyn chapter, No. 145, OES, held a regular meeting, with Hazel Foster, as-sociate grand matron, from Prineville, present. Mrs. Fos-ter held a school of instruction for the new officers of the com-ing year. A covered dish sup-per at 6:30 o'clock preceded the meeting. The committee in charge of the supper includ-ed Maxine Hill, Mildred Allen and Marion Todd.

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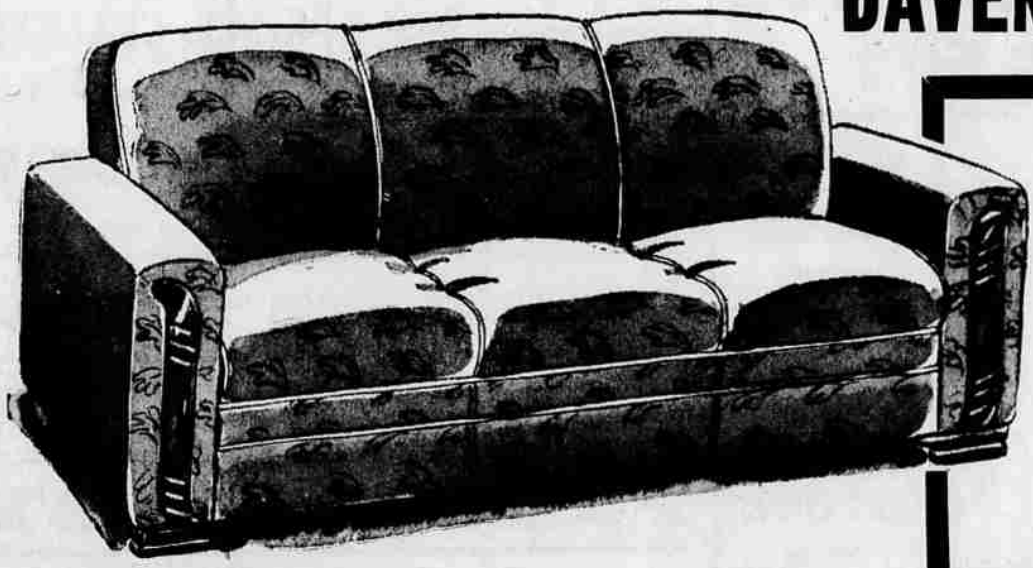
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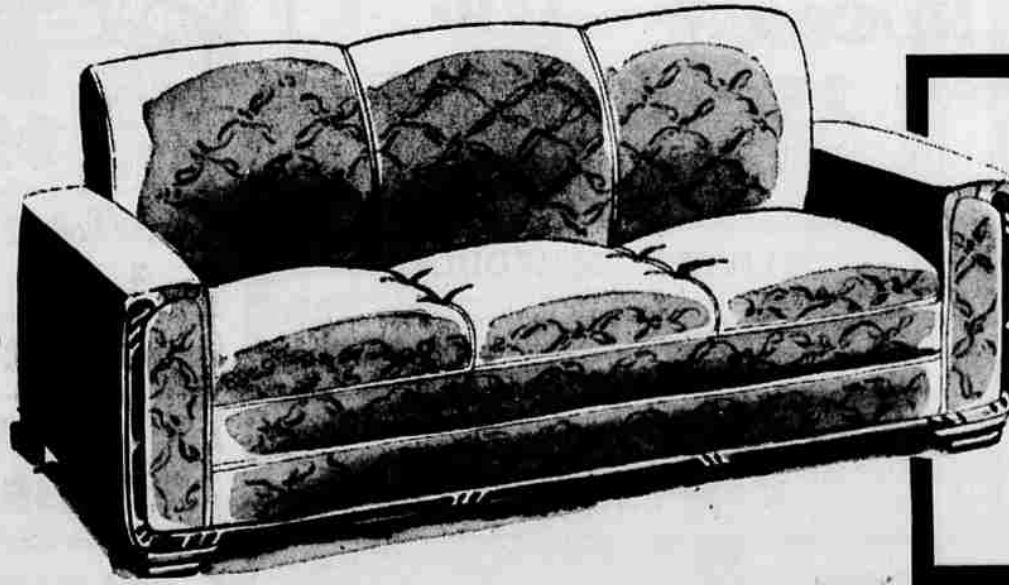
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