



SOME OF THE SUPPORTS for the new South Sixth Street Viaduct over the Southern Pacific tracks begin to take shape as workmen construct the forms for the concrete, some of which has already been poured. The new viaduct is scheduled to be open for traffic by next fall, with final completion slated for late 1957.

# Speculation Told About Soviet Tests

WASHINGTON (UP) — Official sources speculated today that the new Soviet nuclear test means the Russians are going all-out to perfect atomic warheads for long-range ballistic missiles.

Others said it proves the Russians have achieved "atomic plenty." They are now, one well-informed source said, building up a "whole family of atomic weapons" comparable in versatility to the larger U.S. nuclear arsenal.

Such weapons include atomic warheads for everything that now uses high explosives — artillery shells as small as eight inches in diameter, a growing variety of missile charges, bombs of many calibers, land mines, torpedoes, and depth charges.

**RUSSIAN EXPLOSION**  
The new Russian explosion was announced Wednesday night in London and Washington. It was part of a series of explosions which have been going on intermittently since August, 1955. Although the United States has reported only five individual shots in the series, informed sources said there may have been many more.

Never before, since their first test in September, 1949, have the Russians been able to stage so many tests in so brief a time. Instead of months, the gap between tests previously had been years.

It was Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash.), a member of the Congressional Atomic Energy Committee, who said the Russians apparently "are developing a whole family of tactical and strategic weapons."

**ATOMIC WEAPONS**  
Tactical atomic weapons are designed for battlefield use, strategic for destroying vital city and industrial centers far from the fighting fronts. Jackson has said often that the Russians may be ahead in development of far-ranging missiles which, with H-bomb warheads, could destroy entire cities without warning.

Jackson and other members of the committee were quick to point out that the Russians, despite propaganda talk of nuclear test bans, are toiling as hard as they can to build up the size and quality of their atomic stockpile. The Atomic Energy Commission

did not say whether the new explosion, which occurred in the "past few days," was an atomic or hydrogen device. It used the word "nuclear," which could be either.

## Klamath Men Win Slalom Races

LAKEVIEW — Don Reynolds placed first, Truman Conn, second and Joe Linnman, Klamath Falls, third, in the men's open race at the Warner Canyon fifth giant slalom races on Sunday.

In the junior boys race, Mike Smith won first; Kurt Schmidt, Klamath Falls, second; and Larry Ray, third. Tommy Tooke won first in the super junior contest with Layne Clifton second and Dennis Barry, third.

Top winner in the women's open was Judith Adams; second, Mrs. Don Lindsey; third, Molly Fletcher. In the mighty mix, Jimmy Tooke was first; Sherry Shelton, second and John Lindsay, third. Stanley Tooke won the men's half-open.

## Ferguson Plans Said Complete

Plans for a six-classroom addition to the Twyla Ferguson Elementary School on Homedale Road near Delaware have been completed by Morrison and Howard, local architects. Bids for construction of the addition are being invited by the Klamath County School District.

Sealed bids will be opened at 2 p.m., Thursday, April 19, in the office of John F. Heyden, clerk of the school district, Veterans Memorial Building. A bidder's bond or certified check in the amount equal to five per cent of the lump sum bid must accompany the bid as a guarantee for the execution of the contract.

Plans and specifications may be obtained at the office of Morrison and Howard, 203 Williams Building, with a deposit of \$50 for their safe return.

A primary wing of four classrooms and two toilet rooms will be separate from the existing building. The other two classrooms and a janitor's workroom will be added to the east end of the present school structure. Total floor space added will be about 7,300 square feet.

A general bid will cover all items of work, including additional paving for playground and parking.

## Improvement Club To Present Play

PORT KLAMATH — For the fourth consecutive year, the Civic Improvement Club will sponsor a Little Theater Group presented by Mrs. B. B. Blomquist and her drama class from KUEH in Klamath Falls. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m., Saturday, March 24, at the C.I. Clubhouse.

This annual springtime event has become a highlight of the season here and Mrs. Elizabeth M. Loggley is general chairman. Hostesses to welcome the Klamath Falls visitors will be Mrs. Frank Strahan and Mrs. James F. Van Wormer. At the close of the program, refreshments will be served by Mrs. Blomquist and her pupils by Mrs. William C. Martin and Mrs. Harold L. Wimer, C.I. Club members.

## LETTER FROM WASHINGTON

by Rep. Harris Ellsworth 4th District

In my letter last week I told of an effort I had made on the floor of the House to increase the appropriation for the employment of more field men by the Interstate Commerce Commission to help speed up the movement of railroad freight cars and secure their fair allocation. The brutal truth is that pitifully little actually can be done now to head off a serious car shortage this year. The "too little and too late" policy of the big railroads has caught up with them—and with us.

The railroads now own 300,000 fewer cars than they did 20 years ago. The need of cars has substantially increased. Carloadings this year are eight per cent greater than last year. Last year 37,509 new cars were installed on the lines while 73,491 old cars were junked.

As of now 147,330 new cars have been ordered from the builders. At the present rate of construction, 4,000 cars per month, it will take three years to fill the present orders for new cars. But the present rate of new car construction is only a little more than one-half the number of old cars now being junked!

That is the story. The outlook for this year is depressingly bad. There is not so very much that Congress or the government can do about it. About the only possibility for improvement of the situation is to see to it that the cars the railroads own are used more efficiently. Some are now being used as storage warehouses. The federal government itself is the worst offender in this. Hundreds of box cars are on sidings loaded with surplus grain. This practice of using cars for storage by private shippers and the government must be stopped. Many cars are not sent by the shortest route to destination. That practice should be ended. Many railroads do not own enough cars of their own and keep cars of other roads longer than they should. A penalty should be levied against the offending railroads.

I have introduced a bill in Congress to give the Interstate Commerce Commission authority to take steps to prevent these practices, all of which hold up the proper and efficient movement of cars. The passage of my bill will not solve the car shortage problem—but it would certainly help the situation.

The fight on the farm bill which is nearing completion in the Senate is between those who insist on a rigid program of 90 per cent of parity price supports and those who favor the flexible support program advocated by the administration. That battle was by no means settled when the Senate by a surprisingly large majority voted in favor of the flexible program.

After consideration of the bill is completed by the Senate it will go to what we call a conference committee. That group will consist of the top five or seven men of the agriculture committees of House and Senate. The conference has broad powers being charged simply with resolving the differences between the House and Senate versions of the bill. That means really that the House and Senate members of the conference will write the language of the final bill. Each House has the right of final approval of the work of the conference but can do little about actual wording.

I have no inside information on this but from reading the list of those Senators and Representatives who most likely will be members of the conference it looks as if a majority will be those who have battled most ardently for the 90 per cent rigid support plan. The House last year, by a very thin margin, passed this bill containing the 90 per cent provision. The Senate has favored the flexible plan. Even so the conference conceivably could report the bill containing the rigid support principle. The real big fight will come when the conference report comes to the floor of each House.

From here on out anything can happen on the farm bill including, in my opinion, a final deadlock and no bill at all.

### DIVORCE

DENVER (P)—Mrs. Emma L. Vocate, 32, was granted a divorce from bus driver Robert L. Vocate, 31, after complaining she was forced to wear a coat in the house to keep the heat bill down and was restricted to use of one electric light at a time.

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