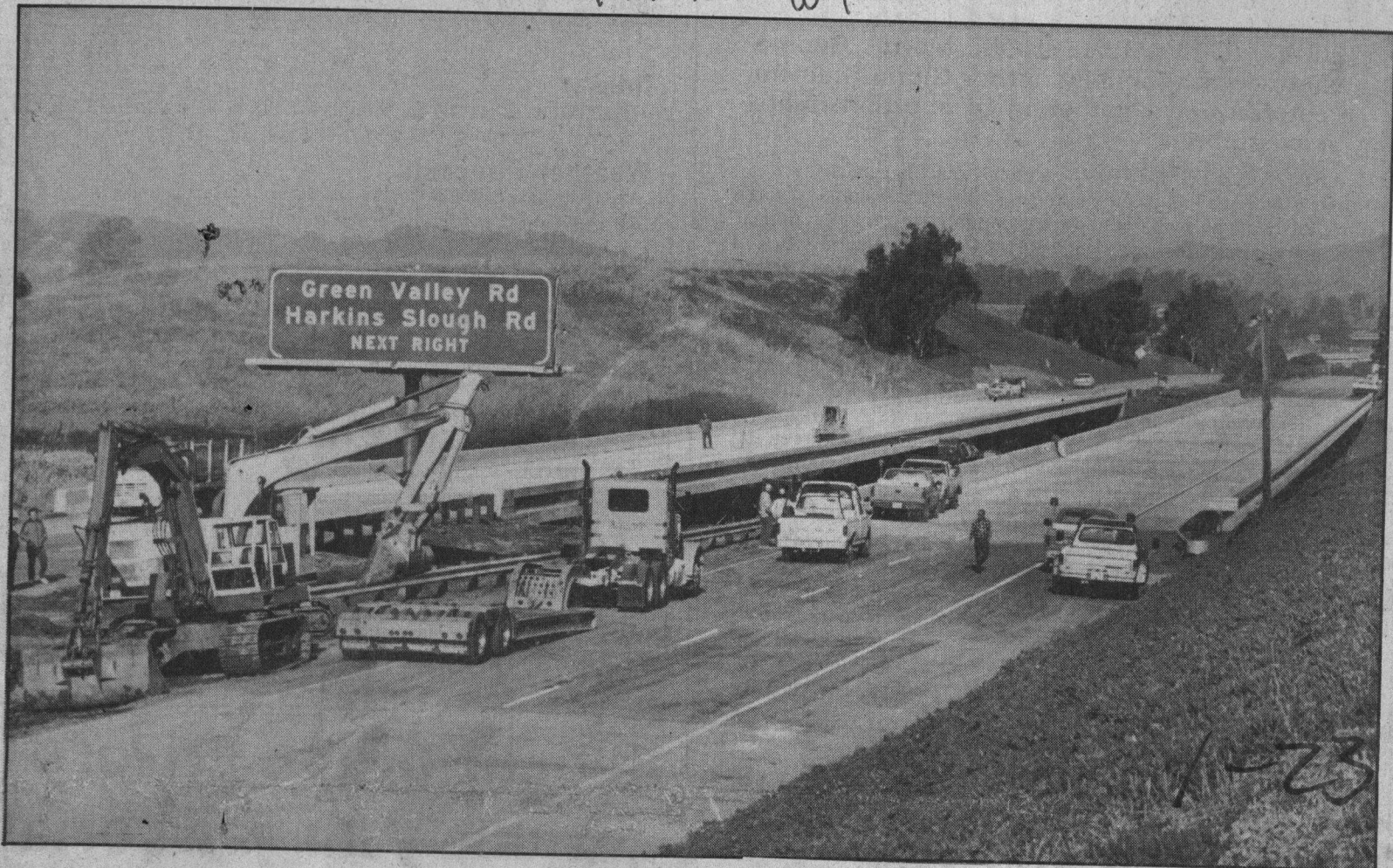


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Unofficially, the word is that the Highway 1 bridges over Struve Slough outside Watsonville, which were closed to traffic since they collapsed in the earthquake, may be completed in a week. A Caltrans spokesman said today there was still about a week's worth of work to

be done on the project, although the official reopening date is still set at March 1. The new north- and southbound bridges are each 500 feet long. Crews have been working around the clock since November on the \$5.1 million project.