

Bypasses' Effect On Oregon Cities Slated For Study

SALEM — A study of the effects of highway bypasses on Oregon cities was ordered Monday by the Legislature's Highway Interim Committee.

The investigation will be made for the committee by Dr. Wesley Ballaine, director of the Bureau of Business Research at the University of Oregon.

Dr. Victor P. Morris, dean of business administration at the University of Oregon, and Dr. Ballaine presented the proposed investigation to the committee.

Main topics to be investigated will be:

1. Analyze the effects on communities which can be seen from the bypass and those which cannot. Ease of access to and from the bypass will be considered.

2. Type of business firms adversely affected immediately upon opening a bypass and their relative importance to the community.

3. Adjustments that adversely affected firms make when the new traffic pattern is established.

4. Types of businesses benefited by bypasses.

a. Changes in real estate values. Cost of the investigation is \$3,500. It is to include consultation with civic leaders, checks of motel occupancy, records of grocery shelves before and after the new route opens and compilation of gasoline sales to indicate shifts in traffic flow.

The report is to be completed by Aug. 1, 1956.

Parks Also Considered
Rep. Robert L. Elfrstrom, Salem, committee member, termed bypasses "inevitable." He said the principal issue is whether or not to keep the communities in sight of the bypass.

Army Engineers To Open Cougar Dam Job Bids
PORTLAND — Army engineers will open bids here Sept. 13 for excavation and timbering of two test pits for subsurface investigation of the proposed Cougar Dam on the South Fork of the McKenzie River.

In inviting bids Col. James U. Moorhead, district engineer, said the pits must be ready for use by Nov. 15.

The Portland district has a \$500,000 appropriation with which to plan and start construction of the dam, cost of which is estimated at 37 million dollars.

ENLISTS
Jimmie Ivan Beam, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Beam, Roseburg, has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force for a period of four years. He will receive his basic military training at Parks Air Force Base, Calif.

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Two Negro Children Rescued From Ice Box
FORT WORTH, Tex. — Two small Negroes were rescued yesterday from an abandoned ice box where they faced possible suffocation.

Juvenile detectives checking vandalism heard a pounding inside the box of Arthur King's garage. Inside they found King's stepson, James Yates, 19, and his half-brother, James King, 1.

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Vital Statistics

Marriage Licenses Issued

LEITH - LONG — Oliver Wesley Leith, Seattle, and Joyce Arlene Long, Glendale.

VERAGSON - BRAZIL — Gordon Veragson and Evelyn Marie Brazil, both of Lakeside.

Divorce Suits Filed
THOMPSON — Richard Larry vs. Louise Marie Thompson. Married Dec. 28, 1946, at Reno, Nev. Cruel and inhuman treatment charged. Plaintiff would agree to award custody of two children, \$75 to defendant.

DONIVAN — Marion Elaine vs. Bryan Donovan. Married July 5, 1952, at Stevenson, Wash. Cruel and inhuman treatment charged.

Home Builders Invite Russians
WASHINGTON — U. S. home-builders have invited Russia to send a half dozen construction experts to this country to see how Americans put up their homes.

Earl W. Smith of El Cerrito, Calif., president of the National Assn. of Home Builders, issued the invitation Monday through Soviet Ambassador Zarubin.

The Russians haven't said yet whether they'll accept. If they do, the association plans to treat the visitors to a tour rivaling that of the Russian farm delegation this summer.

An association spokesman, disclosing the State Department-approved invitation Tuesday night, said it was suggested that Russia send six housing officials of its Ministry of Construction for a three to four weeks visit.

AMBASSADOR ARRIVES
CAIRO, Egypt — President Eisenhower's roving ambassador, Eric Johnston, arrived here Wednesday to talk over the American-backed plan for regional development of the Jordan River waters.

COFFEE PRICE SOARS
JAKARTA, Indonesia — The price of tobacco on the Semarang Central Java market soared 200 per cent Tuesday as a result of this year's crop failure caused by recent floods in the Brantas River valley.

Idaho Dismisses Suits Charging Company Piracy

BOISE, Idaho — Saying it lacked the authority to handle the case, the State Public Utilities Commission Tuesday dismissed the complaint of four north Idaho electric cooperatives against the Washington Water Power Co. of Spokane.

The four co-ops had charged WWP with acts of "piracy" in their areas.

The commission explained the complaining companies "are not public utilities... and are specifically exempt from the jurisdiction of this commission."

The co-ops are the Clearwater Power Co., the Idaho County Light and Power Cooperative Assn., Northern Lights, Inc., and the Assn., all organized through rural electrification loans from the federal government in the 1930s.

They had charged that the Spokane firm "for the past several years... has been encroaching, aggrandizing and pirating into areas served by your petitioners."

The co-ops said WWP has been picking up customers in the more heavily populated areas and "operating as a public utility and selling electrical energy without legal authority in the state of Idaho."

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Head Of Hospital Will Be Relieved
OLYMPIA — Dr. E. M. Campbell, acting superintendent of Eastern State Hospital, will be relieved as soon as a replacement can be found, the state director of institutions said Wednesday.

Dr. Thomas E. Harris said the contemplated change has no connection with the escape Monday of two convicts who had been transferred to the hospital from the State Penitentiary at Walla Walla.

Harris said Campbell has been carried as acting superintendent since last September when the regular superintendent, Dr. Robert H. Southcombe, resigned.

"We have been looking for a successor to Dr. Southcombe ever since," Harris said. "The recent escape of the two convicts has no connection with the contemplated change."

Campbell apparently had not been informed of his superior's intentions, telling the Associated Press in Spokane that it came "as a complete surprise" and a "distinct shock."

Bonneville Awards Two Power Line Contracts
PORTLAND — The Bonneville Administration awarded two contracts, totaling more than \$230,000, Wednesday.

A \$128,000 contract for clearing right of way and building access roads for two sections of the Reston-Fairview 230,000-volt transmission line went to Murray Bros. Construction Co., Bend.

A \$105,167 contract went to L. B. Read, Portland, to construct the control house of the Big Eddy substation, three miles east of The Dalles.



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Commissioner Reminds Of Equal Pay Principle
State Labor Commissioner Norman O. Nilsen has recommended that employers take the initiative in reappraising wage structures within their businesses in respect to the equal pay for equal work principle which became a law this month.

The equal-pay law prohibits an employer from paying women less money than men for equal work requiring equal skills. Rating each job in a firm's pay scale solely by its duties and responsibilities regardless of the person in the job will establish an equal pay policy that never can be disputed, asserts Nilsen.

American, Red Chinese Talks Again Deadlocked
GENEVA — United States and Red Chinese envoys met again Wednesday, but apparently failed to break the deadlock over the repatriation of Americans detained by the Peking regime.

U. Alexis Johnson, U. S. ambassador to Prague, and Wang Ping-nan, Communist Chinese ambassador in Warsaw, met for two hours and 22 minutes in the Palace of Nations, at the end they announced only that another meeting will be held next Tuesday at 9 a.m.

400 DEATHS FORECAST
CHICAGO — A Labor Day weekend traffic death toll of 400 was forecast today by the National Safety Council.

This would be 100 deaths more than would occur if the weekend were not a holiday. The period covered by the estimate will run from 6 p.m. Friday until midnight Monday.

Engineers Award River Revestment Contracts

PORTLAND — Portland district Army Engineers Wednesday announced award of a \$17,404 contract for bank protection work on the Santiam River, and tabulation of bids for extension of revetments on Dexter Dam on the middle fork of the Willamette River.

The Santiam River job, three miles northwest of Jefferson, was awarded to L. C. Daniel, Eugene.

Apparent low bidder for the Dexter Dam revetments project was C. T. Malcolm & Co., Portland, with an offer of \$8,170. Other bidders were Floyd Graham Construction Co., Lebanon, \$11,247, and P. G. Knox, Gladstone, \$10,315.

The dam work is in two parts, and the awards will be made separately, the engineers said.

Hanford Atomic Works Employee Dies Of Injury

RICHLAND, Wash. — An employee of the Hanford atomic work who was injured in the eruption of a salt bath furnace inside the production area, died in a hospital here Wednesday.

R. B. McCord, 42, Richland, a foreman in the metals preparations section of the manufacturing department, was recharging the furnace Tuesday night when he was hurt.

The General Electric Co., prime contractor to the Atomic Energy Commission here, said radiation was not a factor in the fatal accident, the first in the Hanford operating force since 1948.

U.S. Will Stand Pat On Russian Travel
WASHINGTON — The United States is standing pat on its determination to ease travel curbs on Russians only when the Kremlin does likewise for Americans inside Russia.

The "spirit of Geneva" of which Russians talk these days has generated no change whatever in the Soviet travel restrictions. These restrictions against American visits include border zones, key cities and other regions for a total of about one third of the Soviet land area.

Bird Hunting Season Opens Over Oregon
PORTLAND — The bird-hunting season will open in Oregon Thursday. Band-tailed pigeons and mourning doves will be the target.

The pigeon season will last through September with a daily bag limit of six a day but not more than 24 for the season.

The dove season will last through Sept. 25 with a limit of 10 a day or 10 in possession.

The seasons for upland game birds and waterfowl will open later.

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