ATOMIC POWER BY '75

PENDLETON (AP) — A General Electric Corp. engineer says 15 per cent of this nation's electric power may be supplied by nuclear means by 1975.

Willis Browne told the Pendleton Junior Chamber of Commerce Wednesday night that within 20 years nuclear plants may be producing half the electric power of nations which now are power-shy.

Browne is an engineer at the Hanford, Wash., atomic center.

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Navy To Send Double-Sonic Missile From Ships At Sea To Army's Proving Grounds

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Navy plans to send its double-sonic Regulus II guided missiles streaking 500 miles from ships at sea to the Army's Dugway Proving Grounds in Utah.

"It is expected that the full range will be ready for use by August," a Navy announcement Wednesday added.

First launchings will be from Edwards Air Force Base, 75 miles north of Los Angeles, where the Regulus II has undergone initial testing. Later launchings will be from Point Mugu and ships in the area of San Nicholas Island, 50 miles off the coast.

Regulus II, which flies twice the speed of sound and has a range exceeding 1,000 miles, is designed for launching from submarines.

Need Inland Range

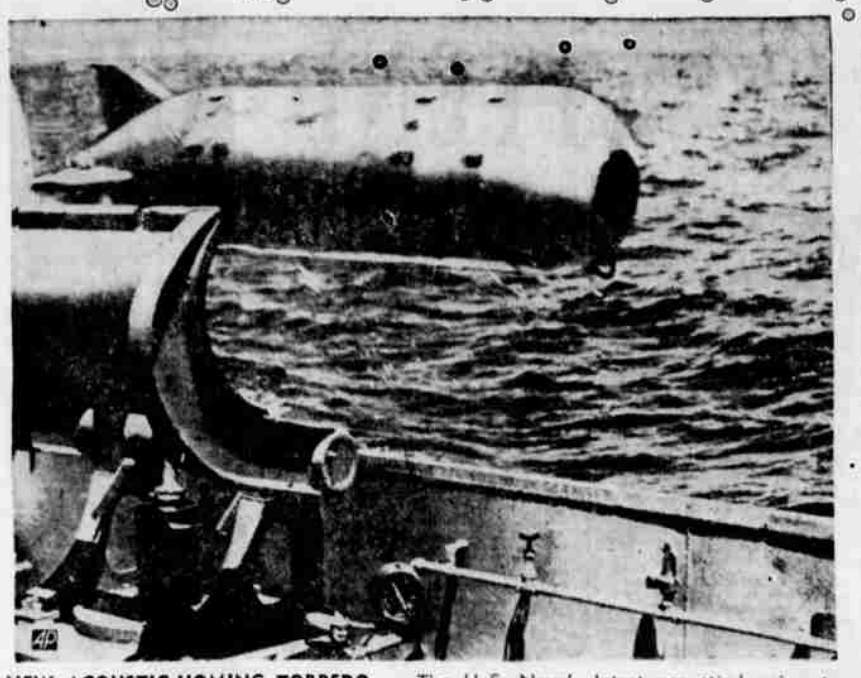
The inland range is necessitated by special technical requirements of the missile's guidance system, said Rear Adm. Jack P. Monroe, commander of the naval air missile test center at Point Mugu. He said reference points available only on land are needed to insure pinpoint accuracy built into the system.

The Navy said several flights of the Regulus I—subsonic predecessor of Regulus II—have been made with the missiles recovered inland after launching off the Southern California coast. Regulus I is already operating with fleet units.

"Flight corridors will avoid all populated areas," the Navy said. On their flights the missiles will be above 60,000 feet most of the time. Chase aircraft able to take direct control of the missiles will accompany them.

"In case of an emergency a destruct system built into the missile can be activated either by the control aircraft or by ground controllers," the Navy said.

Equipping the range with vans containing telemetering, radar and other instrumentation will cost an estimated five million dollars, it reported.



NEW ACOUSTIC-HOMING TORPEDO — The U. S. Navy's latest acoustic-homing torpedo, the MK 32, now in use with surface units of the fleet is being tossed over the side of a ship from an open launcher, in this photo released by the Defense Department. The MK 32 does not have to be fired from a torpedo tube, and once in the water its homing capabilities enable the weapon to track down and sink any type submarine, according to the Navy captain. (U. S. Navy photo via AP Wirephoto)

Interstate Bridge Not Now Eligible For Federal Funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal Highway Administrator Bertran D. Tallamy announced that as things stand now the new Portland-Vancouver, Wash., bridge over the Columbia River cannot qualify for federal aid.

The question was brought up at a Senate Public Roads subcommittee hearings by Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore).

Tallamy said the bridge, part of U.S. 99 is to be financed by tolls under legislation in Oregon and Washington. Highway 99 is on the federal interstate highway system on which the federal government pays 90 per cent of the construction cost under a 1956 law.

Tallamy said the bridge was put under contract in May, 1956, a month before the law passed. He said there is no way to make retroactive any federal sharing of costs.

Others' Satus Same

He said many other projects started in the spring of 1956 were in the same status.

Under the 1956 act, Congress is to decide whether the states should be reimbursed for construction on the interstate system started in the 10 years before the law passed.

Neuberger said Secretary of Commerce Weeks has indicated he would favor such reimbursement more in case of a free road or bridge than for a toll route.

Tallamy said he believed Weeks would come back later with definite administrations view on the point. The administrator said if Oregon and Washington desired to make the bridge free they could do so by arranging some method to pay off bonds which provided for its construction.

Oregon and Washington are sharing in construction costs of the new bridge, which will be the second bridge across the river there. The new bridge is not yet open. The two bridges are to be operated as a unit, one carrying southbound.

Eleanor, Senators Send Regrets To Soviet Folk

NEW YORK (AP) — Messages of regret were broadcast to the Russian people this week on the 40th anniversary of the crushing of Russia's Constituent Assembly by Red Soldiers.

Communist soldiers shut down the Assembly on Jan. 19, 1918, after Bolsheviks had received only 25 per cent of the votes and 62 per cent had gone to the Moderate Socialists.

Among those who sent messages to the Soviet Union by Radio Liberation, which broadcasts in Russian and 17 other Soviet languages, were Mrs. Franklin D Roosevelt, Senate Majority Leader Lyndon Johnson (D-Tex.) and Senate Minority Leader William F. Knowland (R-Calif.)

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French Grab Arms Cargo Suspected As Algerian Aid

ALGIERS (AP) — French authorities checked today for the origin of an arms cargo seized from a Yugoslav ship, seeking to establish if the Algerian rebels have turned to Communist countries to equip their guerrilla army.

The French announced yesterday they had seized 150 tons of arms and ammunition from the Yugoslav cargo - passenger ship Slovenija after French naval units shunted the ship into Oran.

Estimated to be worth two million dollars, it was the biggest arms haul made during the three-year-old Algerian rebellion.

After the arms were unloaded, the Slovenija was allowed to proceed. Most of her 30 passengers were Americans.

The Slovenija was bound for New York, with a stop at Casablanca. The French suspect that the arms were to be off-loaded at the Moroccan port and would have wound up in the hands of Algerian rebels who operate from eastern Morocco.

Yugoslav officials in Paris said France would be asked to explain the seizure, which they said came 40 miles off the Algerian coast. The French said it was intercepted in Algerian waters.

Niagara Blast Injures 60 Persons Wednesday

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y. (AP) — Baffled investigators studied a gaping crater for the cause of a huge explosion that ripped apart a railroad freight yard and injured over 60 persons Wednesday.

There were some indications that the blast may have come from a pipe carrying chemicals underground in this highly - industrialized city.

Any ready evidence seemed to have been blown away.

The midmorning blast shattered a line of chemical tank cars being switched in the yards of the Niagara Junction Railroad.

It left a crater over 40 feet deep and 150 feet across.

Property damage was estimated to be more than a million dollars.

New Deadlier Torpedoes Now Being Perfected

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Navy disclosed today it is working on a deadlier replacement for one of two torpedoes described only this week as the "new and latest" among its antisubmarine weapons.

Confronted by reports of growing Russian undersea might, the Navy has been pushing development of a new family of antisub devices featuring better guidance, speed and range.

The naval ordnance plant at Forest Park, Ill., is taking the lead in this work, particularly in developing a replacement for the Mark 32 acoustischoming torpedo which has the capability of being released from a suface vessel without complex and bulky launching gear.

INSTITUTE SLATED

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — The semi-annual meeting of the Pacific Northwest Chapter of the American Institute of Planners will be held here Feb. 14-15.

Portland City Attorney To Defend Stanley Earl

PORTLAND (AP) — The Portland City Council has authorized the city attorney to defend Commissioner Stanley W. Earl against a million-dollar damage suit.

The suit was filed last week by Arthur Bradley Williams, former reporter for the Oregon Journal. Williams asks $500,000 general damages and $500,000 punitive damages for statement made by Earl at a council meeting last March.

City Atty. Alexander Brown told the council it would be proper for the city to defend Earl because Earl's remarks, on which the suit is based, were spoken at a council meeting and as "an official part of his office."

Earl has filed a $500,000 damage suit against Williams and the Journal, contending that Williams supplied columnist Drew Pearson with untrue information about Earl.

USSR Warns East Of U. S. 'Threat'

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Union warned the nations of the Middle East Tuesday night that U.S. plans to establish nuclear and rocket bases on their territory are a theat to their existence and "an insult to the religious feelings of the Moslem people."

The Soviet Foreign Ministry called a special news conference to denounce the Baghdad Pact prior to the scheduled opening of the Baghdad Pact conference in Ankara Monday.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Leonid Ilyichev took the occasion also to warn the United States and other members of the Baghdad Pact that they would have to "take full responsibility for all the consequences" of their Middle East policies.

He singled out Turkey for taking "an especially aggressive stand" against the Soviet Union at the recent NATO summit conference in Paris.

Ilyichev charged that the United States, although not officially a member of the Baghdad Pact, is plotting to link the Baghdad Pact, the North Atlantic Treaty Alliance and the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization into an aggressive bloc against the Soviet Union.

There are 26 Federal dams built between Minneapolis and St. Louis for flood control.

Portland Transit Service Remains Still Up In Air

PORTLAND (AP) — This city's mass transportation situation remained up in the air Thursday.

The City Council changed its mind Wednesday and refused to give the Rose City Transit Co. the 5-cent fare increase the firm had sought. The fare now is 20 cents.

City Commissioner Ormond Bean said he had favored the boost reluctantly at first but that he was reversing his vote. He explained that he was uncertain about its legality. The council thus was left without needed unanimity.

The council acted after Howard Morgan, state public utilities commissioner, had told members that state law required that the city should submit requests for rate increases to his office.

The transit company had warned earlier that unless it received a fare increase, it would halt its service.

After Wednesday's council action company officials said they would confer with their attorneys before announcing their next move.

Princess Caroline Has First Birthday

MONTE CARLO (AP) — Princess Caroline of Monaco celebrated her first birthday Thursday. The palace announced she has six teeth and likes to play.

The princess' parents, Prince Rainier III and Princess Grace, planned a small family luncheon—with a one-candle birthday cake.

The prince and his wife, the former actress Grace Kelly, attended a special Thanksgiving mass this morning in the chilly private chapel of the hilltop palace.

The palace took official note of the birthday in a communique announcing the little princess "has six teeth, enjoys playing and is very sociable."

Princess Grace is expecting her second child in March.

BALLOT TITLE CHOSEN

PORTLAND (AP) — A ballot title for a three million dollar bond issue to improve the fire department was accepted by the City Council Wednesday.

The council will put the measure on the May municipal primary ballot.

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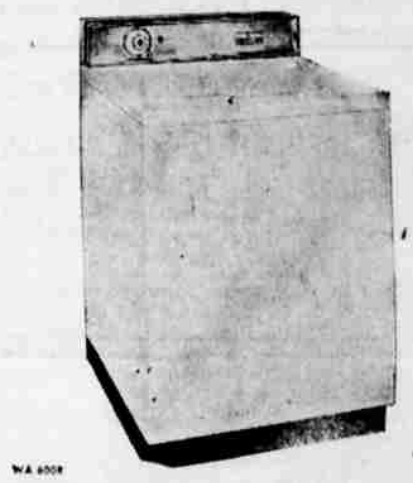
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