

Trident sub silently slips out of Seattle port

SEATTLE (AP) — The Trident nuclear submarine Ohio, welcomed by friends and foes alike when it arrived Aug. 12 at its Hood Canal home port, departed Monday with no fanfare, said a Navy spokesman.

The submarine left the Naval Submarine Base at Bangor, west of Seattle, in the morning, said Master Chief James McDonough, media relations officer.

He said there was no send-off ceremony, and he had heard of no protesters in sight of the submarine.

Representatives of Ground Zero, near the Bangor base, could not be reached by telephone.

Asked its destination, he said, "We don't discuss our submarine operations."

However, the sub presumably was headed for a normal cruise operation, its first. Test cruises, said McDonough,

"were all conducted on the East Coast." Bangor is home port for the Trident submarines. The second Ohio-class warship, the Michigan, is scheduled to arrive at Bangor for outfitting and its nuclear weaponry "sometime next year," said McDonough.

McDonough said it was routine operation for the submarine to depart Bangor on the surface, but that it would be possible for the ship to leave submerged.

Seven other Tridents are under construction at Electric Boat at Groton, Conn., which built the Ohio and the Michigan. The 1983 federal budget includes funding for a tenth submarine.

The Tridents are 560 feet long and displace 18,750 tons. They normally carry 24 missiles, each with several nuclear warheads and a range of 4,000 nautical miles.

Atiyeh asks limits in SAIF probe

SALEM, (AP) — Gov. Vic Atiyeh has asked special investigator Les Anderson to limit his probe of the State Accident Insurance Fund Corp. to allegations that the board of directors got "sweetheart deals" on their workers' compensation insurance rates.

Atiyeh met Monday with Anderson to tell the former Eugene mayor what he wants him to accomplish, hopefully before the Nov. 2 general election.

Atiyeh said he wants Anderson to find out whether any of the SAIF board members, including Atiyeh's campaign treasurer Leroy Livermore and long-time political allies Lynn Newbry and F.F. "Monte" Montgomery, benefited illegally from their appointment as corporate directors.

Anderson said he didn't think his acquaintance with Newbry and Montgomery would bias his investigation.

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Atiyeh told Anderson to avoid duplicating the work of state auditors and legislators who also are looking into SAIF's business practices.

A joint House and Senate task force was appointed last week to determine whether SAIF, a semi-public corporation, has achieved the goal of lowering workers' compensation rates. Secretary of State Norma Paulus and Insurance Commissioner Jo Driscoll have asked their auditors to examine both the finances and the performance of the company.

Among other things, auditors will be looking at the board's decision to give big raises and cars to corporate executives, and its policy of allowing large surpluses to accumulate instead of lowering rates or increasing dividends.

KOIN-TV challenges federal subpoena

PORTLAND, (AP) — A Portland television station is challenging a subpoena seeking transcripts of news broadcasts since Feb. 5 about five people facing federal charges stemming from a Portland bank robbery.

Ted Bryant, news director of KOIN-TV, said the station's attorneys have filed a motion in U.S. District Court in Portland seeking to quash the subpoena.

Two defendants in the case, Stephen M. Kessler and Donald G. Booth, were among six inmates who escaped from Multnomah County's Rocky Butte Jail in July and later were recaptured.

A defense lawyer in the case, Ronald Hoebet, said the three other commercial TV stations in Portland had agreed to comply with modified versions of subpoenas.

Hoebet said the news material will be used in arguing for a change of venue on grounds of pretrial publicity. The case stems from an April 1980 holdup.

Bryant said the motion filed Thursday argues that the subpoena was unclear, unreasonable, oppressive and failed to meet some requirements of federal law.

He said complying with the subpoena would require reviewing scripts of every news show because the station's filing system doesn't include all news materials that aren't accompanied by film.

Other defendants in the case are Patrick O'Shea, who was arrested following a high-speed chase July 16 near Eugene; Cynthia Walker, who was arrested with O'Shea, and Inez Guerrero.

Lottery tickets 'probably' legal

SALEM, (AP) — Oregon district attorneys probably won't prosecute people for having Washington state lottery tickets in their possession, a special counsel to the state attorney general said Monday.

"There simply won't be any prosecution," Special Counsel John Reuling said. "It would be very impractical to try to enforce it."

An exception would be made for someone possessing so many tickets that it appeared he was trying to

sell them, Reuling said.

Washington state lawmakers this year adopted a state lottery to raise \$20 million by June 30, 1983. Officials say \$49 million worth of \$1 tickets will be sold beginning Nov. 15. Winners will receive prizes ranging from \$2 to \$100. Hundred-dollar winners will be eligible for one of two \$1 million drawings.

Oregon law does not prohibit the purchase of an out-of-state lottery

ticket, Reuling said, but it does ban possession of illegal lottery records, including individual tickets.

He said if an individual ticketholder were prosecuted, the ticketholder might argue that the Washington lottery was legal and that the ban didn't apply. Reuling said he doesn't know whether a court would accept that argument, but he said district attorneys are unlikely to spend much time trying to develop a case to test the law.

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