#### Ike's 'Hard Money' Policy May Mean Higher Electricity Bills

By A. ROBERT SMITH

Statesman Correspondent
WASHINGTON — The Eisenhower administration's new "hard money" policy is expected to be reflected in higher electric power rates charged by Bonneville Power Administration to its customers sooner or later, possibly next year when increased rates are scheduled to go into effect. While Republicans and Democrats are now debating in Congress

ville and Grand Coulee dams,

taking into account bond rates

during the thirties and early forties when they were built.

Now the FPC must re-evaluate

this item in terms of what the

investment in McNary, The Dalles, Detroit, Albeni Falls,

Hungry Horse and Chief Joseph

has been costing in these post-

war years and will continue to

cost in the foreseeable future

when additional funds will be re-

quired for completion in some

cases, additional generators in

higher interest rate policy be-

came known this year, BPA Administrator Paul Raver esti-

mated rates might have to be

increased from \$17.50 per-kilo-

watt year to about \$21.50 or

\$22.50 in order to permit BPA to

continue to meet its repayment

schedules for new projects of

new power rate may be driven

by the "hard money" policy,

**British Praise** 

PORTSMOUTH, England (#)

The Soviet cruiser Sverdlov steam-

It is still too early, BPA offi-

considerably higher cost.

Before the administration's

other cases.

almost daily whether "hard money" will mean a sounder dolabout right to meet the probable cost of the investment in Bonne-

lar or whether it will only lead to hard times, the indisputable result is that interest rates are rising all along the line. The government indebtedness, then, is costing more to finance from year to year.

This change in the nation's fiscal picture is linked to Bonneville through the law which requires that BPA pay back to the U S. Treasury sufficient interest on the taxpayers' investment in dams and related facilities to cover the Treasury's cost of borrowing the money. Interest Rate Ups Expenses

With a rise in these loan charges will go an accompanying increase in BPA expenses, which will be reflected in power rates. The timing is the only uncertainty at the moment.

Federal Power Commission accountants are currently laboring over columns of figures, calculating for one thing the amount of the cost of McNary dam which will be covered by this amortization plan which BPA must handle with power revenues. They will also have to take a look at the possible need to jack up interest charges from the 21/2 per cent level where it has stood ever since Bonneville began paying off. FPC Set Rate

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#### High Court Ruling Pleas UO Journalism



SAN FRANCISCO-Harry Bridges (left) West Coast longshore labor union leader and two other union officials, Henry Schmidt (center), and J. R. Robertson are all smiles after hearing in San Francisco that the Supreme Court had reversed perjury-conspiracy convictions against them. Bridges was accused of lying when he told a 1945 naturalization hearing that he was not a Communist. Schmidt and Robertson testified for Bridges at the naturalization hearing. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Sec. Wilson

Rebukes Reds'

**Truce Method** 

WASHINGTON UP - Secretary

of Defense Wilson, commenting on the current Red offensive in Ko-

rea, said Tuesday Americans

wouldn't apply such pressure when

Asked for his reaction to the bigscale drive recently launched by

the Communists in Korea, Wilson

told a news conference he doesn't

think he understands the Oriental

Asked about the prospects of

would take six months or more aft-

Reuther Picks

**Ex-Opponent** 

DETROIT - Richard T. Leon-

ard, a former leader of the Reu-

ther opposition in the CIO United

Auto Workers, has been picked by

CIO President Walter P. Reuther

Appointment of Leonard as one

of several CIO field representatives

will be announced soon, a spokes-

man for Reuther disclosed. They

will handle special assignments out of Reuther's Washington office.

Reuther is president of both the

As Assistant

as one of his assistants.

"From the American point of

a truce was in the offing.

mind, but-

He added:

to put pressure on.'

#### Thief 'Jailed' **Under Bed** cials believe, to estimate how much higher this prospective

ONTARIO ( B - Burrell Wilson, who likes sleep as well as any man, caught a prowler and then dropped off to sleep again without bothering to call police.

He heard noises of the prowler,

who hid in the house by crawling Soviet Warship into the big drawer that fills the space under Wilson's bed. Wilson got a hammer and nailed the drawer shut. Then he went

back to sleeping. In the morning he called police. ed out of British waters Tuesday They opened the drawer and ar-with the compliments of the British naval commander in chief here zales.

#### for the warship's smart appearance in the big Spithead coronation re-**More Forests** Adm. Sir John Edelsten said goodbye to the Russian visitors in Taken Under a message in which he thanked the Sverdlov for taking part in Monday's review and wished the Fire Control

More than 65,000 acres of forest lands have been added to the acreages patrolled by the state same old push to bring the boys and fire control association dis- home." tricts during the past year, Camforester's office, announced general conditions throughout the

Approximately 21,790 acres were added by the Douglas Forest Protective Association, 18,000 by the Eastern Lane Protective Association, 13,282 by the North-west Oregon District and 12,756 acres by the Central Oregon Dis-

Increases in the forest land totals came as a result of field examinations conducted by members of the district wardens staff. Under this land check sysconsiderable acreages of hazard woodlands have added to the protection Field surveys also disclosed that a number of former forest lands are now predominantly agricultural and in some instances used for suburban home sites.

#### Ex-Tax Aide Tells of Links To Samish

WASHINGTON (\*) — Irvin Gold-stein testified Tuesday that he rep-resented Arthur Samish, California lobbyist, in a tax case after once recommending as special govern-ment prosecutor that a perjury complaint against Samish be drop-

Goldstein was special assist to the attorney general assigned for 18 months to investigate irregularities in the internal revenue bureau in San Francisco. He résigned his government position last March 28. Goldstein told the House judici-

ary subcommittee investigating the justice department that he appeared before the internal revenue bu-dicted on charges of income tax law violation.
Goldstein testified that he with-

drew as counsel for Samish after it was called to his attention that Samish was involved in one of the grand jury investigations of tax matters in California.

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# **Building Bids Below Estimate**

PORTLAND un - The State loard of Higher Education opened oids Tuesday for a new journalism uilding at the University of Oregon, and found them well within

The Legislature has appropri-ated \$600,000 for the construction, which will become available when the State Emergency Board re-leases the money to the higher education board.

The building, to be named after Eric W. Allen, first journalism dean at the university, is expected to cost a total of \$500,000 on the basis of bids opened Tuesday. The low bids: General construc-

tion, J. G. Watts. Portland, \$290,-771; mechanical, H & S Plumbing, Eugene, \$63,672; electrical, L. H Morris Electric, Eugene, \$36,584. The bids include removal of Mc-Clure Hall, which was built before the turn of the century. It will be the first classroom building ever to be torn down on the campus. Additional costs will come from

providing equipment, landscaping, architect and contingency fees. The board formally accepted the resignation of President Harry K. Newburn of the University, and ordered a \$25,000 television laboratory for the School of Engineering at OSC. It will be used for classroom work. It will be available for use if the state ever establishes a TV station.

The board reported that Dr Philip G. Hoffman, director of arts gon general extension division.

#### Soviet Writer Switches to Peace Theme

BUDAPEST, Hungary (#) - Ilya Ehrenburg, Russia's top propagandist, declared Tuesday the Soviet Union wants to reach agreement view we certainly wouldn't want even with those who cordially and

long-standingly dislike us." Ehrenburg obviously was refertruce agreement, Wilson said:
"The evidence would indicate ring to the United States in a conciliatory speech which was in there is going to be one, but I can't say as to the timing."

The secretary said, too, that it marked contrast to his vitriolic blasts against America before the Kremlin "peace offensive."

The wild-haired Russian author,

er a truce is reached before troops who often has expressed his bitcan be started home from Korea. ter personal hatred of America, spoke at a meeting of the Com-munist - dominated World Peace "I'm conscious there will be the Council. The council, a main instrument

Before troops could be witheron Mull, director of the forest drawn, he added, a very great imassessment section of the state provement would be required in meeting here apparently to acuaint delegates of 65 countries with the "new look" in Soviet poli-

Co - existence; negotiation and agreement with the West appear to be the theme of the week-long meeting to which Western correspondents were invited.

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#### **Eugene Hamrick Elected** as Bethel **School Director**

Statesman News Service

BETHEL—At the annual meeting of Bethel school district, No.
125, Monday night Eugene Hamrick was elected to the board of directors in the place of A. Spranger, who has served for 14 years and declined reelection. W. R. Baker and Ralph Wilson, chairman for the ensuing year, are the other members, Mrs. A. C. Spranger has been school clerk for 13 years.

Oak Ridge school will be unable to send its pupils to Bethel school this fall, as has been done for the past five years, on acmade necessary an amendment to Bethel's proposed budget; af-ter which the budget was adopted. The levy will be eleven and one tenth mills on last year's valuation.

The name of A. C. Spranger was written in unanimously for a place on the county rural school board at the suggestion of Ronald E. Jones, who now holds the

## Aid to Small **Business Kept**

WASHINGTON (#) - Senate and sciences in the University of House conferees Tuesday agreed Alabama extension division, had upon a two-year extenson of some been named vice dean of the Ore- defense mobilization controls and on creation of a permanent small business administration with broad

Sen. Maybank (D-S.C.) announced he would refuse to sign the conference report because the Senate conferees accepted th new Small Business Administration (SBA) which had been written in by the House.

This agency is supposed to take over the small business lending functions of the Reconstruction Fi-



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nance Corporation (RFC) which is scheduled to go out of business June 30, 1954.

Of Gasoline Research But Maybank insisted the Senate never had held hearings on the Fifty-four Shell service station SBA and that there was no assurance it could get the 250 million dollars in lending authority pro-vided in the bill. He said he was not going to vote for a new agency to handle the lending job of the RFC when there

dealers met at breakfast Tues day in Hotel Senator to hear the story behind TCP, a new gaso line additive described as "the greatest motor fuel developmen! for a new agency to handle the lending job of the RFC when there introduction of tetraethyl lead was no assurance SBA would be 31 years ago." Errol W. Ross is able to function.



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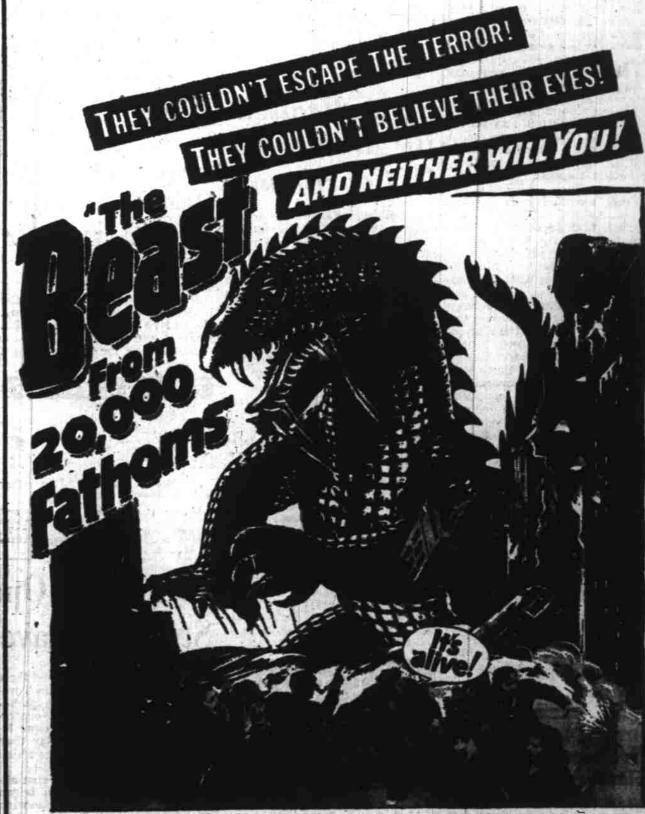
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