

Cordon Praised As Capable Guide For Senate Bills

Editors: The following is the first of two articles by Frank W. Valle on the Pacific Northwest filed Sunday.—The AP

By FRANK W. VALLE WASHINGTON (AP)—Traditionally one of the most important Pacific Northwest stories to come out of Congress each year is the appropriation bill for the Department of Interior. Because it controls the distribution of government-produced power, on which much of the area depends, and governs the reclamation of land on which to produce crops for the region's fast-growing population, the bill probably affects more Northwest residents than any other measure to come before Congress. Money-wise it closely rivals from a regional standpoint—government expenditures for dam construction made through the Army Engineers. The Interior bill was even more of a Northwest story this year with Sen. Cordon (R-Ore) heading the appropriations subcommittee which conducted the lengthy hearings involved. Cordon also guided the measure through the Senate and the give-and-take of

conferences in which Senate and House differences were ironed out. The Interior hearings alone were a big job—running morning and afternoon, and sometimes evenings, from April 14 through June 3. The subcommittee, frequently with the Oregon senator, the only member in attendance, heard 515 witnesses and amassed 2361 pages of testimony. At the same time, however, Cordon had the floor management of the controversial submerged lands bills, was engaged in the Interior Committee's struggles over Hawaii statehood and, according to many observers, was calling the shots for Secretary of Interior McKay during the ex-Oregon governor's early days in the Cabinet. Praises Cordon Sen. Margaret Chase Smith (R-Me) recently said, "if there was a bill that I wanted to get the Senate to pass and I felt that the going might get tough, I would want Sen. Guy Cordon to be the floor manager on that bill." A typical example of Cordon's approach came on a bill to authorize increased appropriations for the Elkutna hydroelectric project near Anchorage, Alaska. He introduced the measure and, when it was referred to the Senate Interior Committee, he promptly stood up and reported it out with the committee's approval. The House committee kicked the same bill around for months before finally approving it. Despite his obvious influence, Cordon prefers to remain behind the scenes. Actually, if it can be said of any political figure, it can be said that Cordon shuns publicity. Few public announcements issue from his office. Newsmen use it largely as a fount of background information. Northwest customers of private utilities will have particular reason to be thankful to Cordon in the event another low-water year cuts back the region's hydroelectric power production and forces the utilities to resort to steam-generated energy. Question of Cost One of the biggest issues to come before the Cordon subcommittee this year was: Should the cost of such steam-generated energy be absorbed by the Bonneville Power Administration or, as it was last winter, be borne by the private utilities alone and passed on to their customers? Led by Allan A. Smith, attorney for Pacific Power & Light Co. and Mountain States Power Co., private utilities urged absorption of the cost by Bonneville. Because the power so produced was put into the Northwest Power Pool for distribution by Bonneville, the entire region benefited, they said, from its production. Arguments Given Without the steam power, the utilities estimated it would have been necessary to curtail power deliveries 30 per cent instead of the 10 per cent actually ordered. In such circumstances, utility representatives argued, the costs should not be charged against the private utilities alone. Taking this position in testimony before the subcommittee were, in addition to Smith, Thomas W. Dellzell, chairman of the board of Portland General Electric Co.; Frank McCaslin, president, Oregon Portland Cement Co.; Robert H. Wren, Forest Grove, Ore. farmer; Lew Garbutt, manager, Yakima, Wash. Chamber of Commerce who also appeared for the Walla Walla Chamber; W. E. Jamieson, Oregon Steel Mills, Portland; Charles H. Helzel, Oregon public utilities commissioner; and Cliff Erdahl, chairman of the Pacific Northwest Utilities Conference and commissioner of public utilities at Tacoma, Wash. Asks Costs Absorbed Paul Raver, Bonneville Power administrator, also agreed the costs should be absorbed by the entire power pool rather than assessed only against customers of private utilities. Only two witnesses opposed absorption by Bonneville. Sen. Morse of Oregon said he was "opposed to the federal government subsidizing the private utilities in any way in regard to a surcharge which, in my judgment, they should assume for themselves out of profits." Monroe Sweetland, Oregon legislator and Democratic national committee man, said the utilities had rejected contracts with Bonneville for firm power some years ago in favor of lower cost dump power. Therefore, he said, "steam costs were the result of an anticipated and consciously assumed risk of the business. Costs should have been absorbed, as the profit margins amply would permit, by the private utilities without penalties on consumers or taxpayers as they are now requesting." The subcommittee sided with the majority witnesses and recommended that Bonneville enter into contracts for steam-generated power to meet demand in a low water year. The report of the House-Senate conferees also directed the secretary of Interior "to eliminate such inequities in the future."

Institute for Parents of Blind Praised

The fifth annual Institute for Parents of Visually Handicapped Pre-School Children is the "biggest and best so far," Walter R. Dry, superintendent of The Oregon State School for the Blind, said Sunday night. Yesterday marked the third day of the institute, which runs through Aug. 13 and is aimed at helping parents of visually handicapped children. Sponsor is the State School for the Blind at 700 S. Church St. Attendance to date has been as follows: 47 mothers, 29 fathers and 68 children. About one-third of the youngsters are sighted, but attended with their parents, as many have come long distances. Twenty Oregon communities are represented, ranging from Ontario to Seaside to Klamath Falls. There are two guests from the state of Washington and one from Idaho. Auxiliaries from the five Salem Lions Clubs and other nearby cities have volunteered their services as baby sitters. Three women from the Phoenix, Ore., auxiliary aided Sunday and Portland clubs were also represented, Dry said. A highlight of yesterday's program was a panel discussion on "Training for Independence and Self-Reliance—as the Parent Sees It." Leaders were Mrs. Donald Prows and Mrs. George Weller, both of Portland, and Mrs. K. W. James, Grants Pass. Evening speaker was Dr. Harold W. Bernard, professor of education, University of Oregon Extension Division, Portland. He emphasized the need of "letting the baby grow up" and becoming an individual. He cautioned parents not to give their children an over-dose of attention. Today's session opens at 9:15 a. m. with a talk by Dr. Carl V. Morrison, psychiatrist with the Portland Community Child Guidance Clinic. His subject is "The Social and Emotional Development of Children." Other speakers will be Miss Mollie Viasnik, counselor for pre-school blind children at the Salem institution, who will talk at 1:30 p. m. on "Selection of Toys" and Mrs. Ida R. Stafford, assistant director of St. Helen's Hall Preschool, Portland, whose topic at 7 p. m. is "Kiddies Love Stories."

Radio Station to Change Letters

FOREST GROVE (AP)—The radio station here will change its call letters starting Monday. Formerly KJGR, the station will use the call letters KRWC, radio Washington County. Station owner Irving Schmidtko announced the change Sunday.

BUS TROUBLE

TEL-AVIV (AP)—More than half of the bus passengers in Israel now travel standing, a spokesman of the Ministry of Communications told newsmen here when he outlined a new Five Year Railway Development Plan. While a large-scale import of buses would now be a rather expensive affair, scheduled improvements in the country's railway system—including more high-powered engines and better carriages—will draw the public away from the roads to the trains, he said.

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Ray Milland
"JAMAICA RUN"

6th Day of PW Swap Brings More Names

MUNSAN (AP)—The United Nations Command official list of American prisoners of war freed Monday in the sixth day of the Korean armistice POW exchange:

- Sgt. Prestee Davis, Durham, N. C.
- Sgt. James J. Brown Jr., Durham, N. C.
- Sgt. Benjamin Conley, Columbus, Ohio.
- Pfc. Raymond el Dorado Phillips, Wheatley, Ark.
- Pfc. James M. Connally, High, Tex.
- Sgt. Edward M. Trarrington Jr., Richmond, Va.
- Sgt. Herbert B. Hodge, New York City.
- Sgt. John Williams Jr., Oakland, Calif.
- Cpl. Walter R. Williams, Alleyton, Tex.
- Sgt. David Woods, St. Louis, Mo.
- Sgt. Robert L. Wyatt, Baltimore, Md.
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- Cpl. Stephen Hopkins, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Cpl. Joseph L. Montgomery, Trenton, N. J.
- Pfc. Page T. Baylor Jr., Washington, D. C.
- Cpl. Miles E. Lampkin Jr., Akron, Ohio.
- Sgt. Willard Pool, Columbus, Ga.
- Cpl. Jack Ricks Jr., Macon, Ga.
- Pfc. William H. Rhodes, Cumberland, Md.
- Sgt. James C. Williams, Kingston, N. C.
- Sgt. James Faulkner, Monroe, N. C.
- Cpl. Booker T. Johnson, Texarkana, Ark.
- Cpl. Vernon Scroggins, Richmond, Va.
- Cpl. Leroy James Sykes, Savannah, Ga.
- Pfc. Marcus E. Whorton, Gadsden, Ala.
- Cpl. Yvon J. Maillet, Otter River, Mass.
- Sgt. Ralph T. Liles, Norman, N. C.
- Cpl. Estel H. McComas, Otsego, W. Va.
- Pfc. Elmer C. Powers, Clintwood, Va.
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- Sgt. Robert M. Lee, Alma, Ga.
- Sgt. John Preston Pingree, High Grove, Calif.
- Cpl. Donald W. Heaton, Maryville, Tenn.
- Cpl. Donovan D. Waller, Creston, Iowa.
- Sgt. Truman Davis, Heber Spring, Mo.
- Cpl. Jack L. Stegall, DesLoge, Mo.
- Sgt. William Dertzer, Durham, N. C.
- Cpl. Leo T. Watson, Thomaston, Ga.
- Sgt. Leo A. Cormier Jr., Fall River, Mass.
- Sgt. Walter E. Bray Jr., Carlstadt, N. J.
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- Cpl. William H. Stevens, Baltimore, Md.
- Cpl. Billy J. Campbell, Loraine, Tex.
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- Sgt. Eugene R. Soble, San Pablo, Calif.
- Cpl. Richard P. Cobb, Fulton, N. Y.
- Cpl. William K. Dillon, Bluefield, Va.
- Pfc. Norman S. Hale, Cullman, Ala.
- Cpl. Hershel C. Pettit, Dayton, Ohio.
- Pfc. Lewis L. Gordon, Blairburg, Iowa.
- Cpl. Jerry L. Oakley, Btry D, 82nd AAA AW BN, 2nd Div.; mother, Juanita M. Oakley, Star Route 2, Box 20, Shelton, Wash.
- Cpl. Charles E. Pearnan, Athens, Tenn.
- Cpl. Carl J. Raup, Franklin, Pa.
- Cpl. Kimball O. Caterbury, Monroe, La.
- Cpl. Dorland F. Guinter, Montoursville, Pa.
- Cpl. Umberto Capurro Jr., South San Francisco, Calif.
- Pfc. J. C. Hatcher, Trion, Ga.
- Pfc. Frank N. Tooley, Greer, S. C.
- Cpl. Otis A. Van Leuven, Sussex, N. J.
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Fired Kashmir Premier Jailed By Opponents

SRINAGAR, Kashmir (AP)—Ousted Premier Mohammed Abdullah was arrested Sunday with 30 of his top government officials and held for trial on charges of corruption, maladministration and intrigue with foreign powers. Abdullah's political opponents and some Indian newspapers charged him with conniving with the United States to gain financial support for an independent Kashmir. Official sources merely said, however, that he was accused of contact with an unnamed foreign power. Steel-helmeted Kashmir police opened fire Sunday night on crowds who gathered in the streets here to protest Abdullah's ouster. New Premier Bakshi Ghulam Mohammad, put in office by Chief of State Yuvraj Haran Singh following the Indian-backed ouster of Abdullah Saturday, toured the capital in an effort to quiet the mobs. Bakshi is reported eager to work with India's Prime Minister Nehru for union of this princely Himalayan state with India. Abdullah, formerly a champion of such a course, has been drifting lately toward support of a Kashmir independent of both India and Pakistan. Both countries claim Kashmir.

Alaskan Dies At Medford

MEDFORD (AP)—Leslie Byron Avritt, 48, Juneau, Alaska, died Tuesday while visiting friends here. He was buried Thursday at Klamath Falls. Avritt attended school in Corvallis and was graduated from Oregon State College in 1931. He was active in sports, and coached football at high schools in Klamath Falls, Coos Bay and Shelby, Mont. He served in the Air Force during World War II, and later coached high school in Juneau. He became principal of Juneau high school in 1946. Survivors include the widow, Sarah, a sister and four brothers.

Portland Car Crash Fatal

PORTLAND (AP)—A head on automobile collision in North Portland Sunday night claimed the life of Bert O. Larson, 61. The driver of the other car, police said, was Frank O. Koller, 56, who works at the same coverage plant where Larson was employed. Koller was treated at a hospital for a head cut and an injured knee.

PW Beaten by 'Alley Oop' Club

TOKYO (AP)—One American returned prisoner said Monday his Red captors beat him with what he called an "Alley Oop" club. Marine Pfc. Alged P. Graham Jr., 3851 8th St., Seattle termed the instrument used on him an "Alley Oop club." He explained "it was like a baseball bat, small at the bottom and getting bigger at the top, with knobs around the top part." Graham said he was beaten after he had escaped but was recaptured in North Korea.

Public Hearing on Mehama-Salem Route Thursday

A public hearing on the proposed new Mehama-Salem section of the North Santiam Highway will be held at Stayton Thursday, the State Highway Commission reported over the weekend. Time and place of the meeting will be announced later. The public hearing is being held to hear objections, if any, from residents of Stayton, Sublimity and Aumsville to the relocation of the highway. According to state highway department plans the new road would pass all three towns, going between Stayton and Sublimity. The current road passes through Stayton and one section of it goes through Sublimity and Aumsville. The proposed route would leave the present highway several miles east of Stayton and then connect with the East Salem by-pass highway and enter Salem, probably on Mission Street.

Opponent Ex-President Hoover 79, To Start Job

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Seventy-nine years old Monday and preparing to go to work on a new job, former President Herbert Hoover Sunday night outlined what he hopes to accomplish as head of President Eisenhower's new Commission on Reorganization of the Executive Branch of the Federal Government. Asked for some birthday observations, Hoover, who is spending a couple of weeks in the Mark Hopkins Hotel here before returning to his New York home, told newsmen: "Undesired public chores seem to have become my privilege in life x x x my main chore for the next year is to serve on the new commission."

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