

Solons Vote Navigation, Flood Control Projects

WASHINGTON (AP) - The House Public Works Committee Monday approved legislation to authorize beach erosion projects for future construction.

Projects in the omnibus bill would cost \$622,000,000 although this does not represent the total federal cost which ultimately will be involved.

In some cases the committee approved a project but limited the monetary authorization to a portion of the total cost. This means that before such projects are completed additional authorizations will be necessary.

In addition to the federal costs local interests will contribute some funds in many instances.

Chairman Dondoro (R-Mich.) of the committee said he hopes he House will act on the bill in the near future.

Projects must be authorized before Congress can appropriate planning and construction funds for them.

Projects in the bill and the amount authorized include:

Oregon - Rogue River, harbor at Gold Beach, \$3,750,000; Umpqua harbor and river, Schofield River at Reedsport \$41,000; Columbia River at Mouth, Ore., and Wash \$8,555,000.

Washington - Columbia River between Chinook and head of Sand Island \$227,100; Willapa River and harbor and Naselle River \$977,000; Grays Harbor and Chehalis River \$421,800; Grays Harbor and Chehalis River, Westhaven breakwater \$328,700; Anacostis harbor \$179,300; Neah Bay \$139,250; Bellingham harbor \$1,336,650; Blaine harbor, \$436,000; Shilshole Bay, Seattle \$3,397,300; Port Angeles harbor \$477,900; Everett harbor and Snohomish River \$395,500; Quillayute River \$425,550.

Flood control projects:

Columbia River basin - \$180,000,000.

Hoover Denies Asking Federal Power Exit

EUGENE (AP) - Former President Herbert Hoover denied Monday that he ever advocated federal withdrawal from the electric power business, and said Adlai Stevenson in a speech here Saturday was led into two other "grave misstatements of fact or implication in respect to myself."

The ex-President said his stand on the federal government in the power business was that the government should get out of the "socialistic and bureaucratic empire building by way of operating the powerhouses and distributing power, that the federal government should sell its power at the bus bar (power connection made at damsite) to the municipalities, the states and the private utilities."

Referring further to the "grave misstatements," Hoover said he did not veto the first multiple purpose dam for hydroelectric power, but that he did veto the Norris Dam bill because there was not adequate protection for the Treasury.

"I have advocated multiple-purpose dams when justified for the past 30 years," Hoover said. "Further, I had a large part in bringing about and almost completed during my administration the . . . first and largest multiple-purpose dam in our country. This was the Hoover Dam on the Colorado."

Stevenson, the 1952 Democratic nominee, told a democratic rally here that the present administration was going back to the Hoover power policies of 1931.

Hoover, here for a brief fishing vacation, left by plane for San Francisco Monday after replying to Stevenson's remarks.

Ike Calls for Billions More Highway Aid

BOLTON LANDING, N.Y. (AP) - President Eisenhower called by proxy Monday night for billions more of highway construction to meet defense needs of atomic war and of a possible population of 200 million by 1970.

Through Vice President Nixon, the President proposed to the annual conference of governors a federal-state alliance in a "grand plan" of road development.

He said 50 billion dollars over the years will be only a good start toward meeting requirements of a 200 million population. But he didn't come right out and propose spending that amount.

In the international field, the chief executive declared that in times of crises we must maintain "a military dike on our defense perimeter."

And, sketching in broad terms the American philosophy of government, he said it represents "the middle road between nihilistic chaos and enslaved regimentation."

Eisenhower cancelled a personal appearance at the governors' conference because of the death of a sister-in-law, Mrs. Milton Eisenhower. Vice President Nixon took his place for a prepared address using the chief executive's notes.

W. G. Burris Succumbs to Long Illness

Winston G. Burris, 50, operator of the Salem Builders Supply Co., and a lifelong resident of Salem, died at a local hospital Monday after an illness of several months.

He was born in Salem Dec. 20, 1903. He resided at 585 Bolice St. Most of his life had been spent in the lumber business and he acquired 'Salem Builders Supply' several years ago.

Mr. Burris was a member of Masonic Lodge No. 4 and the Scottish Rite.

Surviving are the widow, Mildred, of Salem; two daughters, Mrs. Dan Graham, Springfield, and Mrs. Curtis Franklin Jr., Spokane; brothers, Paul F. Burris, Salem; Max Burris, Eugene, and John H. Burris, San Marino, Cal.; and a sister, Mrs. Richard Eastman, Altadena, Calif.

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Sea-Trains To Alaska Being Studied

WASHINGTON (UP) - The Defense Department is studying the military and economic feasibility of having sea-trains operate between the Pacific Northwest and Alaska, a spokesman said today.

No defense department recommendation has been made, the spokesman said, pending the outcome of an Army study of a special report on the question. However, a Defense Department transportation official said the idea "appears desirable."

He said that loading rail cars on ships in the Pacific Northwest and transporting them to Alaska would reduce stevedoring costs and boost coastwise trade.

The army's transportation corps has a report on the sea-train idea prepared by W. Weyer & Co., Orange, N.J. The report was received two weeks ago.

Maj. Gen. P. F. Yount, chief of transportation, has barred publication of the Weyer report pending completion of a study by his office.

with 33 years postal service. He will manage some 2,400 post offices serving about five million persons in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Alaska.

His district managers also were sworn in. They include Ralph C. Saxton Jr., Seattle district operations office; Jerome F. Davenport, Spokane; Mervin L. Merritt, Butte, Mont.; James C. Leighton, Boise, and Bryant D. Brady, Anchorage.

New Regional Postal Chief Takes Oath

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Schwartz is a native of Portland



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Man Drowns At Hermiston

HERMISTON (AP) - Search continued in the Columbia River Monday for the body of Thomas Ray Orr, 25, who drowned near here Sunday night while picnicking with wife and another couple.

The Orrs and Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth A. Elliott had eaten a late picnic meal. About 11 o'clock, Orr, an employee of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot, decided to go swimming. Soon after, the others heard his cries for help and went in search of him with a lantern.

Once they spotted Orr in the darkness, but about 15 minutes later his shouts died away. His wife, Lorraine, treated for shock in a Umatilla hospital, said she believed her husband had suffered cramps.

The couple had three children.

Canada River Levels Drop

VANCOUVER, B. C. (AP) - Levels of all major rivers in British Columbia are dropping, lessening the danger of new floods.

Dikes were reported holding steady on the Fraser River on Monday with the river dropping and reports from districts along the Columbia told of unchanged levels.

At the smelter city of Trail, 250 miles east of Vancouver, the Columbia remained steady as pumps were used to clear out water from flooded basements in homes and business places.

A four-inch jump was reported Sunday but Monday's reading of 40.92 feet failed to show any appreciable increase overnight.

The news was welcomed by weary flood fighters on Trail's Grouse Avenue, where water hit a five-foot level Sunday.

Residents of Riverside and Bay Avenue pumped out basements.

TO LEARN IN ITALY

ROME (AP) - A group of American teachers of Italian, here under the Fulbright program, will start a five-week seminar on Italian language and contemporary Italian history at the University of Siena. Among them is Patricia M. Gathrocole, University of Oregon.

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