



Digging work by one of Jake Wright's city engineering department crews was completed Tuesday on first phase of the newest South River Road improvement—a \$22,000 city project extending about one-half mile from Miller Street to city limits. Here the paved surface will be widened from 16 to 26 feet, a 4 1/2-foot sidewalk will be placed on the east side and curbs on both sides. Curbing work will begin next week, following a plan designed to keep half the roadway open to traffic. (Statesman Photo.)

Britain Jobless At Low Mark

LONDON — The number of unemployed persons in Britain dropped to 185,000 in July, the lowest since the war, the Labor Ministry announces. The ministry estimates that the total working population in Britain at the end of June was 23,870,000.

Pinball Fight On in Portland

PORTLAND — A referendum attack on a sweeping new anti-pinball ordinance became official this week when the petition form was filed with the city auditor. The new ordinance will go into effect Sept. 4 unless opponents get the signatures of 12,111 or more registered voters before then. The measure would go on the ballot next year.

Salem Obituaries

Walter E. Ballantyne
Late resident of 417 N. E. Dean drive, Grants Pass, Ore., Aug. 6, at the age of 84. Survived by wife, Mrs. Winnie Ballantyne, Grants Pass; children, Joyce Wilcox, Hermiston, Ore.; Bruce Ballantyne, Hermiston, Ore.; Victor R., Victor A. and C. Donald Ballantyne, all of Salem; Roscoe Ballantyne, Missula, Mont. Burial services will be held Wednesday, August 10 at 9 a.m. at the Rest Lawn Memory Gardens under the direction of W. T. Rigdon Co.

Carl Brantley
Late resident of Tillamook, Oregon. At a local hospital August 9th. Announcement of services later by Virgil T. Golden Co.

Forrest Glenn Fulton
Late resident of 2845 Pioneer Dr., passed away Sunday, Aug. 7, at Portland, Ore. He was born June 16, 1904, at Elgin, Ore. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Gladys J. Fulton, Salem; son, Frank Fulton, Salem, and Norman G. Fulton, Hayward, Calif.; daughter, Carl Wright, Salem; sisters, Mrs. Charles Yeager, Oakland, Calif., and Mrs. Charles Catalano, Oakland, Calif.; brother, R. A. Fulton, Redding, Calif. Services will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Virgil T. Golden funeral home, with the Rev. L. White officiating. Interment at Belcrest Memorial Park. Masonic ritualistic services, Kingwood Lodge No. 204, A.F.&M.

Lee A. Strong
Late resident of Pacific Beach, Wash., at the residence August 6. Survived by wife, Edith May Strong, Pacific Beach; three sons, Donald Gene Strong, Pacific Beach; Vern Dale Strong, Salem; Lee A. Strong, Cottage Grove; one sister, Mrs. Ella Pettman, Clear Lake, Wis. Seven grandchildren. Services will be conducted at the Coleman Chapel, Hoquiam, Wash., Tuesday, August 9, at 10 a.m. Graveside services Thursday, August 11, at 2 p.m., at the City View Cemetery. Under the direction of Clough-Barrick Chapel. Casket will be open to friends at the Clough-Barrick funeral home Wednesday and Wednesday evening.

W. E. Weinberg
Late resident of 561 Illinois street, at a local nursing home August 8 at the age of 74. Survived by wife, Virgie Weinberg, Salem; three daughters, Mrs. H. E. Zeller of Scio, Mrs. Joe Shepard and Mrs. Carol Lury of Salem, and one son Wm. F. Weinberg; two sisters, Mrs. Fred Cole, Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. Fanny Cunningham, Salem. Two brothers, Henry Weinberg, Topeka, Kan.; Charles Weinberg, Portland. Member of the First Church of God. Services will be Wednesday, August 10 at 11 a.m. in the Chapel of Howell-Edwards Funeral Home. Rev. Harold McIntire officiating. Interment in Zena Cemetery.

Ivan W. Crum
At Roseburg August 8. Survived by wife, Mrs. Katherine Crum of Roseburg. Three sons, James Ray Crum, Roseburg; Gary Lee, Roseburg; Michael E., Roseburg. Mother, Mrs. Mary Crum of Medford. Services at Virgil T. Golden Chapel Thursday, August 11 at 2 p.m. Dr. Brooks Moore officiating.

George Wells
In this city at a local hospital at the age of 87 years. Announcement of services later by W. T. Rigdon Co.

Mrs. L. Gall Minnich
Late resident of 410 S. 14th St., died at a Salem hospital Sunday, Aug. 7. Survived by husband John T. Minnich, Salem. Daughters, Mrs. Elaine Boyle, Salem and Mrs. Cora-ell Preszvilla, Salem. Sisters, Mrs. Maureen Greer, Spokane, Wash.; Mrs. Harriet Blankenship, Salem; Mrs. Pauline Nichols and Mrs. Cora Peterson, Chicago. Five grandchildren. Services in the Chapel of Howell-Edwards Funeral Home, August 10 at 2 p.m. Interment Belcrest Memorial Park.

Daniel Dale Roberts
In this city on August 7 at the age of 15 years. Survived by parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Roberts, Salem; four brothers, Duane, David, Charles, and Richard, Portland; three sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Poupert, Portland; Mrs. Eva Evers, Brooks; Mrs. Eleanor Wilsey, Salem. Services will be held in the Howell-Edwards Chapel Thursday, August 11 at 1:30 p.m. Rev. Glenn Hillgrove officiating. Interment City View Cemetery.

Reward Set For Slayer Of KC Woman

KANSAS CITY — Contributions towards a \$10,000 reward for solution of the Mrs. Wilma Allen murder began coming Tuesday as authorities reported no new clues. The Kansas City Crime Commission has agreed to administer the reward fund. A total of \$3,000 was offered Tuesday. It included \$1,000 each from the Kansas City Star and radio station WHB of Kansas City and \$500 each from the state of Kansas and a car dealers association here. The FBI and other law enforcement officers reported there were no new developments in the hunt for the abductor and slayer of Mrs. Allen, whose nude body was found Sunday in a pasture 20 miles southwest of here She had been shot twice in the head. One man was questioned in the case today but was released.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the construction of 23 addition to the Perrydale School Gymnasium in Perrydale, Oregon, will be received at Perrydale School until 8:00 o'clock p.m., PST, August 12, 1955, and will then be publicly opened and read aloud. The plans, specifications and other contract documents may be examined and copies thereof may be obtained at the office of James L. Payne, Architect, 725 South Commercial Street, Salem, Oregon. A deposit of \$25.00 per set of drawings will be required. Any bidder upon returning his set promptly will be refunded his deposit and any non-bidder upon returning his set will be refunded one-half of his deposit. This project involves the construction of a wood frame addition. All classifications will be covered under the General Contract Proposal. A base bid, and unit prices are required. All proposals must be accompanied by certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond made payable to the Owner in an amount of not less than 5% of the bid. A performance bond will be required in accordance with terms of contract documents. The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality in, or to reject, any or all bids, or to accept any bid. No bidder may withdraw or modify his bid after the hour set for the opening thereof, or before award of the contract, unless said award is delayed for a period exceeding thirty (30) calendar days after opening of bids. SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 21, PERRYDALE, OREGON, Aug. 10, 1955

Solon Seeks Senate Probe Of FPC Action

WASHINGTON — Chairman Murray (D-Mont) announced Tuesday he will ask the Senate Interior Committee to investigate the Federal Power Commission's (FPC) handling of the Hells Canyon Dam project on the Idaho-Oregon border. He made public excerpts from a letter he addressed to FPC Chairman Jerome K. Kuykendall expressing "consternation" at what he termed FPC's suppression of its decision in the controversial public-versus-private electric power project until after Congress had adjourned. Favored Rival Plan The FPC announced on Aug. 4, two days after Congress had adjourned, its decision to license the privately owned Idaho Power Co. to construct the project. Murray and some other senators had favored a rival plan calling for construction of a single high dam at Hells Canyon as a public power project. The Idaho Power Co.'s plan calls for construction of three smaller dams in about the same area on the Snake River. Murray's letter said the FPC apparently had delayed from July 27 to Aug. 4 the announcement of its decision to license the private project. This, Murray wrote, indicated to him "a desire on the part of the commission to escape what would undoubtedly have been a full airing of this hurried procedure on the floor of the Senate."

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State Gets 13 Millions in Federal Road Funds

Nuclear Power May Soon Compete With Coal, Water

GENEVA — Leading Russian and American scientists agreed Tuesday the world is entering an era in which atomic power plants will be able to match costs of the conventional coal and water power plants. They expressed their views before atomic experts of 72 nations at the International Atomic Energy Conference, who also heard predictions of a worldwide boom which would see billions of dollars spent in a gigantic atomic construction program. Just how long it will take for atomic power to become competitive depends on costs in individual areas and the speed with which large-scale production units can be built. In some regions far from coal mines, the Russians said, it is already more profitable to operate atomic power stations. But generally speaking, it still costs considerably more to produce nuclear power. An American scientist, Dr. James A. Lane of the Oak Ridge (Tenn.) National Laboratory, said there is a good possibility that atomic power will become competitive with conventional power "within the next 15 to 20 years" in the United States. The apparent slowness in the United States program is mainly a question of meeting the unusually low production costs of conventional power production. The national average, cost of electricity in the United States ranges from four to seven mills per kilowatt, depending on how far the station is located from fuel supplies. This compares with 10 kopeks (25 mills at the official rate of exchange) per kilowatt for Russian central stations. (Story also on page 3, Sec. 2.)

WASHINGTON — The federal government announced Tuesday how it will apportion to the states \$75 million dollars in federal-aid highway money for the fiscal year beginning next July 1. The Pacific Northwest will get \$36,732,521. Washington will receive \$14,093,430; Oregon, \$12,919,044; and Idaho, \$8,720,047. These totals are broken down into primary, secondary, urban and interstate highway work. For primary highways, Washington will receive \$3,231,351; Oregon, \$5,410,740; and Idaho, \$3,902,559. For secondary roads, Washington will get \$3,494,756; Oregon, \$3,781,446; and Idaho, \$2,744,957. For urban roads, Washington will be apportioned \$2,618,940; Oregon, \$1,390,896; and Idaho, \$333,787. For interstate superhighways, Washington will be awarded \$2,750,283; Oregon, \$2,336,162; and Idaho, \$1,738,744. Seven big states get 35 per cent of the total; New York leads the list with \$56,235,233 and Texas is next with \$52,594,859. Involved in the apportionment are 315 millions for the primary road system, 210 for the secondary network, 175 millions for interstate superhighways and 175 millions for urban roads. The highway program is the regular one authorized in the past by Congress. Bills for a big new program were considered at the last congressional session but not passed. The states must, with certain exceptions, match 50-50 the federal money put up for the primary, secondary and urban systems. The federal government supplies 60 per cent of the money for the interstate network. In states containing public land, the federal money for all but the interstate system is increased above 50 per cent by half the percentage of the area in the state which is public land. The federal allotment for interstate roads is increased over 60 per cent by four-tenths of the percentage of the area which is public land within a state. Secretary of Commerce Weeks said in announcing the apportionment that the allotments were being made five months ahead of the time limit set by Congress.

CAB Sets Fee For Airline Mail Carrying

WASHINGTON — The Civil Aeronautics Board ruled Tuesday that West Coast Airlines, Seattle, should receive a lump sum of \$1,607,209 for carrying mail during the 1-month period which ended Oct. 31, 1954. For each month after Nov. 1, 1954, the CAB ruled, West Coast shall receive mail pay at the rate of 52.53 cents a plane mile. West Coast, meanwhile, asked the CAB to certify Pendleton, Ore., as a permanent part of its route, not on a temporary basis as was proposed in the board's tentative findings of July 22. West Coast also objected to the proposed elimination of Tacoma and Olympia from its Portland-Seattle routes No. 2 and 3. The airline urged that McColl, Idaho, be granted to it as a new route. No. 9 West Coast has been serving McColl on flights between Lewiston and Clarkston, Idaho. Adequate ventilators placed in bins of ear corn help dry high-moisture corn and prevent spoilage.



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