

Early start on Round Butte dam anticipated

PGE leaps final hurdle on Friday

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Preliminary work by Portland General Electric in constructing the Round Butte site in the Deschutes gorge is expected to get underway at once.

PGE got past its final hurdle in its application to build the 440-foot high dam deep in the gorge, just downstream from the confluence of the Metolius with the Deschutes, on Friday when the Oregon Hydroelectric Commission voted 2 to 1 to grant a license for the project.

A geologic study of the site in the narrow, spectacular gorge just west of Round Butte, an old volcano overlooking the Madras area, has been completed. Plans for the plant are about ready. Surveys for roads into the deep gorge have been sketched.

Several Years

Activity in the area even greater than that in connection with the Pelton dam, a short distance downstream, is expected. Completion of the project will take several years.

In Friday's action, Commission Chairman James W. Morrell, Portland, refused to go along with his two Oregon Hydroelectric Commission colleagues in approving a license for PGE. Morrell voted negatively because of "unsolved fish passage problems" and charged that recreation facilities planned for the Cove area will not be adequate for those lost.

Voting for the project were W. P. Grimes, Klamath Falls, and Lewis Stanley, S. Medford, engineer.

Water from the Round Butte dam will flood parts of the Metolius, Crooked and Deschutes Rivers.

To Be Flooded

The present Cove Palisades State Park camping area in the old orchard will be flooded. PGE has contracted to provide new facilities, mostly in the "saddle" area between Crooked and Deschutes Rivers. A new road system will be constructed in the area, and new bridges will be built over the Deschutes and Crooked Rivers.

Under provisions of the license, PGE will not be permitted to attain a pool elevation which would inundate or cause detrimental effects to Opal Springs. Cold water flowing from those springs is piped from Crooked River gorge and distributed over southern Jefferson county.

Also, the licensee shall maintain a daily, weekly, monthly or seasonal pool fluctuation not to exceed one foot from June 15 to September 15 of each year.

Fish Ladders Due

Fish ladders and other facilities must be provided.

First approval of the project came from the Federal Power Commission. Then came the approval of the multi-million dollar project by the State Water Resources Board. Action by the Oregon Hydroelectric Commission clears the way for construction.

As during the Pelton dam construction days, Madras is expected to feel the full benefit of the gorge work, with a heavy influx of workers.

All Central Oregon will benefit through the release of millions of dollars in wages in the area.

Heavy work will be encountered in the deep-lava rimmed gorge as the project gets under way. The 440-foot high dam will be anchored in old lavas, the Pelton basalt, of the canyon.

The hydroelectric plant will have a maximum power output of about 300,000 kilowatts. Installed generator capacity will be 247,000 kilowatts.

Behind the dam will form a lake into which will flow three rivers, the Deschutes, Crooked and Metolius.

Jobless checks reach highest point in history

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The number of workers drawing unemployment compensation checks rose to the highest point in history early this month, but the government reported indications of a pickup in the housing industry.

The Labor Department reported Friday that unemployment compensation rolls swelled by 64,000 during the week ended Feb. 4 to a record high of 3,358,400.

That was about 27,000 more than the previous record, set during the week ended April 13, 1953. Unemployment rose to 10 or 12 million in the 1930s, but unemployment compensation benefits then only covered a fraction of the workers protected now.

On a happier note, the Commerce Department said construction of new houses picked up by 12 per cent in January after hitting the bottom in December.

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TEMPERATURES

High yesterday, 40 degrees. Low last night, 17 degrees. Sunset today, 5:38. Sunrise tomorrow, 6:59.



LOST BOOK ROUND UP—Barbara Krata, Deschutes county library, keeps busy several hours a day with card file, record book and form letters, riding herd on patrons with overdue books. Most borrowers who keep books too long are just forgetful, but are not "rustlers," librarians say. "Forgiveness Day," next Wednesday, will offer fresh start.

Demonstrators stage massive London protest

LONDON (UPI) — Thousands of demonstrators assembled in the heart of London today to stage a massive sit-down strike in protest of the granting of a U.S. nuclear submarine base in Scotland.

More than 2,000 demonstrators, led by Earl (Bertrand) Russell, 88, the noted philosopher, planned to squat this afternoon on the sidewalk in front of the Ministry of Defense for three hours in a huge civil disobedience campaign.

The demonstrators arranged a parade to Trafalgar Square to kick off the protest meeting, Russell said. The Rev. Michael Scott and other leaders planned to address a huge rally in the square for an hour prior to the sit-down at Whitehall.

At the same time, more than 7,000 persons in Glasgow, near the Holy Loch Polaris missile submarine base, said they would stage a bagpipe parade and then hold a rally.

The Polaris submarine tender "Proteus" is scheduled to depart Sunday from New London, Conn. The exact time when a nuclear sub will arrive at Holy Loch is classified information.

Scientists find 'lost' satellite

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A little polka-dot satellite circled silently around the earth today as though it had never been lost.

But it had been lost, and the joy of officials at the National Aeronautics and Space Agency (NASA) was unbounded when they found it again Friday. They dubbed it Explorer IX.

They fired the 15-pound, 12-foot balloon Thursday morning from Wallops Island, Va., with a four-stage solid fuel Scout rocket.

Purpose of the shot was twofold—to test the boosting abilities of the inexpensive, efficient Scout and to use the satellite to gauge the amount of air drag satellites encounter high above the earth.

The first object worked out nicely—the Scout got the satellite into the air. NASA tracked it halfway around the world to Woomera, Australia. Then it went silent.

"It's lost," announced crestfallen officials.

The House Tax Committee is considering amendments to soften two of the bill's most extreme features: A flat one per cent income tax, and elimination of any

deductions for charitable contributions.

The changes would restore a slightly graduated tax, and would permit dollar deductions from the final tax bill if charitable gifts amounted to three per cent of the income.

Two Different Taxes

Actually, even though the bill would tax the entire income twice, using two different formulas, the total would be lower than

No fines

'Forgiveness day' planned by library

By Ila S. Grant
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There'll be no games of cops and robbers at the Deschutes County Public Library. And forgetful book borrowers, who may have been amused—or angered—or even frightened—by the recent episode at the Little East Orange Free Public Library in New Jersey, will have a chance to square up, with no questions asked.

The library will hold a "forgiveness day" next Wednesday. No fines or other charges will be made on overdue books returned on the birthday of the cherry tree-chopper who couldn't tell a lie.

It wasn't like that in East Orange Eleven in jail, the town in a rage, the mayor promising an investigation! What a field day for reporters and TV news cameramen.

No overdue library books are but, librarians agree. Librarian Harold Roth, who signed the formal complaints that resulted in the East Orange arrests, received a number of congratulatory telegrams from other members of his profession.

The opinion of many librarians—that it's a bad public relations to go to court, and that the library is supposed to be a warm and friend-

Music Boosters' chili supper planned tonight

The annual chili supper sponsored by the Bend Music Boosters will be held tonight in the Bend High School cafeteria. Serving will be from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Proceeds are used for summer music camp scholarships for Bend music students in the Bend schools, and for other assistance to the music department.

Food is being prepared in the school kitchen, under supervision of Mrs. Orval BarKnecht, director of food services. On the menu along with the chili will be crackers, apple cobbler and a choice of beverage.

Co-chairmen in charge of arrangements are Harry Monical, Norman Whitney and Earl Rourig. Tickets will be available at the door.

what most people now are paying. If the committee goes along with the changes, here's how the bill, proposed by the Interim Tax Committee, would work:

The first tax on the income would be called a gross income, or net receipts, tax. It would amount to one-half per cent for income under \$2500, one per cent for incomes from \$2500 to \$25,000 and one and one-half per cent for income above \$25,000.

On this tax, there would not be any exemptions or deductions. Effect would be to tax some lower bracket families now escaping any taxation.

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place—is shared by Miss Ivy Grover, Deschutes county librarian.

"Central Oregonians would seem to be basically honest, but often careless in this matter of returning books," says Miss Grover, who deplores above all the amount of time "wasted" in reminding patrons when a date due card will tell them if they will only read it.

"We can't choke the files," the librarian says, "so occasionally we do declare a forgiveness day like the one coming up February 22. If patrons bring their lost sheep back to the fold that day, they will be forgiven."

The heavy load is on just plain overdues. Written or telephone notification of these is given within a week, if possible, of the due date. Letters are now going out as of February 12, to 19 people on 27 items for December overdues.

This is a normal average for this time of year, Miss Grover says. These persons have failed to return the material or to contact the library.

Growing Problem

Some librarians say that there is a growing—and serious—disregard throughout the nation for library materials, and that outright theft is on the rise. Last year suburban East Orange lost about \$4,000 in library materials which had to be replaced.

In the last six months of 1960, adult circulation at the Deschutes County Library was 30,557 books, magazines and other items. Juvenile circulation totaled 20,310 items. In that period, when over 50,000 items were circulated, only 53 second notices have still brought no result.

During this same period, July-December, 1960, 25 adults and 27 juveniles paid for lost or damaged books.

Miss Grover says that she is hoping that many of the long overdue items—and others which have accumulated so far this year—will show up for forgiveness day.

"What will you do if they don't show up?" the reporter asked. "Will you sign formal complaints and haul the offenders into court?"

The librarian didn't answer directly. "The loss in public relations would be greater than the gain in money," she said. "The answer is to pursue the individual."

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There would not be a 500 exemption for each dependent as now granted.

But instead, for every exemption the taxpayer was entitled to for himself, his wife or children, he would subtract a flat \$20 from his final tax bill.

Only other deductions the taxpayer could get would be for extreme casualty losses, high medical costs, or charity contributions equaling at least three per cent of his earnings.

Nip doctors, dentists go out on strike

TOKYO (UPI)—About 100,000 Japanese doctors and dentists had walked out of their hospitals today in a strike to press a demand for a 10 per cent raise in fees. They warned that persons who fall ill do so at their own risk.

The U.S. Army, Navy and Air Force and the Japanese self defense forces opened the doors of their hospitals to emergency cases as the Tokyo government mobilized its largest ambulance force since World War II to cope with anticipated emergency cases.

The mass strike came in the middle of a nation-wide flu epidemic which has killed 22 persons in Tokyo alone.

Premier Hayata Ikeda refused to intervene personally in the dispute between the ruling Liberal-Democratic party and the striking Japan Medical Association.

The doctors demanded a 10 per cent increase in the fees they receive under a government health insurance program.

Dr. Taro Takemi, chairman of the medical association and chief spokesman for the striking doctors, said the doctors were "modern slaves." Welfare Minister Yoshima Furuji disputed them.

The Japan Medical Association said later it had asked local chapters to designate individual doctors to take care of emergency cases.

Mobutu said gaining support at Stanleyville

LEOPOLDVILLE, Congo (UPI)—Native troops in Stanleyville, traditional stronghold of the slain ex-Premier Patrice Lumumba, were reported today to have thrown their support to Maj. Gen. Joseph Mobutu, strong man of the Leopoldville regime.

Unconfirmed reports said the shift in allegiance of the troops controlling the eastern provincial capital followed a secret meeting between Mobutu and Victor Lundula, Lumumba-appointed commander in the Stanleyville area.

There were some indications that troops in Bukavu, another former pro-Lumumba stronghold, also may have lined up with Mobutu.

Threat to Lumumbists

These changes in the Congo lineup, if they are substantiated by events, would be ominous for Antoine Gizenga and Amicet Kasambura, pro-Lumumba heads of government in Leopoldville (Stanleyville) and Kivu (Bukavu) provinces respectively.

Gizenga, who had been hailed by Russia as the legal head of the Congo central government since Lumumba's death, has been strangely silent during the turbulent events of the past week.

Mine disaster takes 26 lives

J. LANNESBURG, South Africa (UPI)—Weary rescue workers toiled through the night seeking additional survivors of a mine disaster that claimed at least 26 lives when a half-ton of dynamite exploded 500 feet below ground in a gold mine near here.

The bodies of 22 natives and four white men were brought out of the mine and officials said the death count would probably reach 30. Another 10 miners were hospitalized, suffering from effects of noxious fumes.

The disaster occurred at dawn Friday when 26 cases of dynamite exploded as they were being lowered into the main reef mine of the South Roodenport Works, 15 miles west of here. Many miners waiting at the bottom of the shaft were trapped by the blast.

BLAST HITS WAREHOUSE

COLUMBIA, Miss. (UPI)—Four huge gasoline, kerosene and diesel fuel storage tanks exploded one by one at the Texaco bulk warehouse here Friday and destroyed two homes, two tank trucks, a warehouse and the tank trucks.

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Engineers strike, at least seven airlines crippled

Solon would end personal property tax

SALEM (UPI)—Sen. Walter J. Pearson late Friday proposed a bill for gradual abolition of the Oregon personal property tax. But he said it would probably mean an increase in taxation of real property.

Personal property is anything that isn't "nailed down," such as office furnishings and equipment. Real property is land and buildings.

The Senate Education Committee, of which Pearson is a member, agreed to introduce it as a committee bill.

Cut in Values

Assessed values on business inventories would be cut 20 per cent a year for five years. Since some of the burden would be shifted to homeowners—who pay real property taxes—Pearson suggests a two per cent cut in assessed values each year for five years.

The Portland Democrat said the amount of revenue derived from the property tax is not enough to warrant replacing it with another tax.

The committee tacked a "do pass" recommendation on the bill exempting fraternal groups from property taxation and sent it to the Senate floor for consideration next week.

Under Advisement

The House Tax Committee took under advisement amendments to the net receipts tax bill to make it more acceptable to the legislature. The bill would provide a general 10 per cent reduction in state income taxes.

The House Education Committee deferred action on Gov. Mark Hatfield's bill to hike school support by \$10, to \$115 per census child.

Committee members indicated they like the measure, HB1106, and others which would boost state aid to schools. But the unanswered question is whether the extra money should be used as a property tax offset by local school districts, and if so, how much.

Study Planned

Before the committee, acts, it would like to study SB1, by Sen. Francis Ziegler, R-Corvallis. Ziegler would increase state aid by \$25 a child—an appropriation of some \$30 million—and use the money for property tax relief.

Monday starts the legislature's seventh week, and at least two night hearings are scheduled.

At 7:45 p.m. Tuesday the Senate State and Federal Affairs Committee will launch the first of a series of public meetings on 3-way workmen's compensation, SB334. At 7:30 p.m. Thursday the House Judiciary Committee will hear HB1170, repeal of capital punishment.

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Golden Age variety show due tonight

The second annual variety show presented by the Bend Golden Age Club will be tonight at 8 o'clock in the Bend High School Auditorium. An advance ticket sale has been held, and tickets will also be available at the door.

The program will open and close with numbers by the Golden Age chorus, under direction of George Baker, Maybelle Dagle is the accompanist.

There will be instrumental and vocal solo and ensemble numbers, dances and humorous readings.

An additional feature will be the appearance on the program of several grandchildren of Golden Age Club members.

The club, membership in which is restricted to persons 60 years of age and older, was organized several years ago through efforts of the City Recreation Department and the Bend Senior Citizens Club. A clubhouse on Glenwood Drive has been acquired, and proceeds from the shows are used for expenses of maintaining the building.

Eyskens to keep reins till election

BRUSSELS (UPI)—Premier Gaston Eyskens vowed today he will keep his government in office despite the resignation of its seven Liberal members Friday night.

His statement appeared to rule out the possibility of a major cabinet crisis before the national elections scheduled next month.

The Liberals resigned from Eyskens' coalition in protest against alleged foot-dragging by the premier's Social Christian party of a move to increase the size of the lower house of Parliament.

Eyskens announced his decision to remain as premier after a 50-minute meeting this morning with the remaining members of the cabinet. Later he called on King Baudouin to inform him of his decision.

There were unconfirmed rumors the king might try to persuade the Liberals to reconsider their decision.

If they refuse, Eyskens will preside over a minority government until the elections, generally expected to be held March 26. The Social Christians hold 104 seats in the 212-member House, the opposition Socialists have 84, Liberals 21 and there is one right wing independent.

TWA: At least eight flights cancelled, including flights from New York and San Francisco. Others, except on twin-engine planes which do not carry flight engineers, "extremely doubtful."

AMERICAN: At least eight flights cancelled and the airline was "uncertain of our ability... to operate others" except twin-engine planes.

EASTERN: Promised to operate "most DCB jet aircraft and some four-engine propeller planes" on its major routes. All twin-engine planes flying. Some flight engineers were reporting to work, others phoned in sick or could not be reached.

NATIONAL: First three flights from New York got off, but next two delayed. Three engineers have called in sick. A spokesman said "it looks as if this thing may hit us."

NORTHWEST: All four flights from Atlanta grounded. Two were bound for Florida, two for Chicago.

WESTERN: Said it might have to cancel all flights from Los Angeles if strike continued today.

SELECTION DUE

SALEM (UPI)—The nominating committee to choose a successor to Peter Gunnar as Oregon Republican Chairman will meet early next week, Chairman Wayne Giesey said Friday.

Gunnar, Salem attorney, announced his resignation two weeks ago.

WEATHER

Cloudy tonight and Sunday; high 21-22; low tonight 22-22.