

St. Lawrence Project Pact Sent Congress

Washington, March 21 (AP)—President Roosevelt sent to congress today the text of an agreement by which the United States and Canada propose to develop the St. Lawrence waterway power project, estimated eventually to cost more than \$500,000,000.

Deep sea navigation between the Great Lakes and the Atlantic and provision for 2,200,000 new hydroelectric horsepower for the two countries are contemplated.

The agreement, closely resembling a treaty which the United States senate failed to ratify by the necessary two-thirds vote in 1924, is subject to approval of congress and the Canadian parliament. Only a majority vote would be required this time in the American congress.

Mr. Roosevelt transmitted the agreement with a brief accompanying message "for the information of the congress" and said he would "request introduction, in due course, of legislation designed to make this agreement effective."

The president explained that the agreement provides "for the construction of dams and power works in the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence river, and providing for completion of the essential links in the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence deep waterway when the governments of the United States and Canada agree that circumstances require it.

A state department summary of the agreement said that a preceding exchange of notes between the two governments showed the project was "regarded as directly associated with both the power supply and ship-building phases of our national defense program, including the plan for defense of the western hemisphere and the determination to supply all possible aid to Great Britain, the members of the British commonwealth, and their allies."

The immediate project contemplated is in the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence river. The cost of this is estimated at \$266,170,000.

Red Cross officials who have handed the work of the local chapter so successfully during the past season will again be at the helm for another year's work, the entire committee of officers being unanimously re-elected at the annual meeting and dinner at the Marion hotel last evening. Officers named are Judge George Rossman, chairman; W. M. Hamilton, vice-president; Mrs. Ronald Jones, Brooks, secretary, and Linn C. Smith, treasurer.

Included among those introduced at the meeting last evening were members of the Red Cross motor corps of Portland, officials and delegates from other county chapters; Iri McSherry, chairman of the Marion county disaster preparedness committee, and John Patterson, Red Cross official from Lane county.

Featured speaker of the evening was George Wisting, assistant general manager of the Northwest Electric company of Portland, and chairman of the community chest drive in that city last year.

Alien philosophy and foreign ideals may be driven from the country and the world be led back to sanity if we in this country preserve our faith in democratic principles, volunteer our services and feel a sense of responsibility for those less fortunate, Wisting said.

In the spirit of the people of America lies its strength, the speaker told his audience.

Red Cross Re-Elects List of Officers

Members of the high school Christian Endeavor society of the First Presbyterian church will hold a party in the social room of the church this evening, beginning at 7 o'clock. A special invitation has been extended to any high school young people who are interested in either the party or in going to Mehana with the group Saturday.

Maxine Wagner, general chairman for the social committee, has appointed the following assistants: Roy Burns, Edna Fisher and Milton McClain, games; Lucille Reed, Laura Jean Bates and Barbara Ann Ricketta, decoration; Lois Barrick, and Jean Driggs, refreshments; Duane Silverthorne, Bill Burns and Billy Patton, clean up.

A nominating committee will be appointed during the evening by Laura Jean Bates, president, and election of officers for the new church year will be held Sunday, April 6.

Lebanon Boxers Awarded Letters

Lebanon — Twenty-one members of the 1941 Lebanon high boxing team, whose season ended this week, were awarded letters. Records show the local scrappers with 41 wins, 26 losses and three draws in 70 bouts against Salem, Sweet Home and Corvallis.

Lettermen are as follows: Dwayne Gessler, Donald Cox, Dale Plagman, Charles Enaley, George Dewey, Bob Smith, Dalton Johnson, Pete Smyth, Leonard Roe, Walt Postal, Lloyd Koepke, Jack Lemons, Gerald Warnke, Dick Brown, Warren Barnis, George McDonald, Charles Long, Lawrence Wise, Don Penfold, Earl Plagman and Fred Baca.



German Armored Cars in African Desert—German armored cars move along a desert road in Africa. German sources describe these as the first of the German cars sent to the North African desert, where clashes have been reported between Nazi and British mechanized detachments. — Associated Press Photo.



A Typhoon Of Thrills... of Lamour love... in the teakwood forest of Burma. Dorothy Lamour, Robert Preston and Preston Foster in "Moon Over Burma" playing today through Saturday at the State theatre. Companion hit with "Moon Over Burma" is "Dancing on a Dime" with Robert Paige, Virginia Dale and William Frawley.

Grand Coulee Dam To Work Tomorrow

Grand Coulee, Wash., March 21 (AP)—Grand Coulee dam—seven years a'building and the biggest thing ever made by man—will go to work tomorrow. In simple ceremonies, switches will be thrown between 1 and 1:30 p. m., to start the water wheels of two 10,000 kilowatt turbines churning the energy of falling water into the first electric power from this unbelievably big project.

And as the first Grand Coulee electricity energizes the 235 mile transmission line to Bonneville, there will come into being one of the largest integrated power systems in the west.

From Bonneville project, on the lower Columbia river, this Grand Coulee energy (a reduced load of 150,000 volts) will be switched over the 40 mile line to the federal power administration's substation in Vancouver, Wash.

There it will become part of the stream of power for the plants of the Aluminum Company of America, nearby; the Pacific Carbide and Alloys Co., at Portland, and homes, farms and other industries served by Bonneville in western Washington and Oregon.

Each step will be broadcast over a national radio network.

The two generators which start work tomorrow in the "west" powerhouse at the dam would be deemed large almost anywhere else. Each is 13 feet high, 15 feet in diameter and each weighs 88 tons.

But they, and a third of the same size to be installed, are mere pulling infants alongside the 18,108,000 kilowatt machines to be installed. These turbines, the world's largest waterwheel generators, each will produce 30 per cent more power than is produced by any other waterwheel generator in existence. Or put it this way:

Combined output of the first three—to be ready for work some time this summer—would light New York City and Chicago combined, with 5,500,000 lamps of 60 watts capacity.

After the "big uns" go to work, the two used in tomorrow's ceremonies will go back to the more prosaic duties for which they were designed—lighting the power house and dam, working the dam machinery.

Preparedness Portrayed
Hopewell—Preparedness pictures in charge of Stanley Sargeant, were shown at the Hopewell Community club March meeting Thursday evening. Refreshments were served.

They are Lieut. Col. Harold G. Maison of Salem; Major Kent L. Moody of Oregon City; Capt. James G. Helmer of Poplar, Mont.; and Capt. Raymond M. Davis of Green River, Wyoming.

S. P. Seeking Shop Mechanics

As a result of heavy traffic volume brought about by defense projects and general business improvement, Southern Pacific has raised the age limit by ten years on applicants for jobs as qualified mechanics, and will immediately augment its shop forces through the Pacific lines territory.

According to an announcement made today by George McCormick, general superintendent of motive power for the railroad, the age limit for such employment is now extended to cover applicants up to age 55. Previously the age limit was set at 45.

Men to be hired, McCormick said, must be qualified mechanics in any of the following classifications: machinists, boiler makers, blacksmiths, sheet metal workers, pipe fitters, electricians and car mechanics.

Although the employment program will be general in all of the railroad's Pacific lines shops, it will be heaviest at principal shops located at Sacramento, Roseville, Oakland, San Francisco, Bakersfield and Los Angeles, California; Eugene and Brooklyn, Oregon; Sparks, Nevada; Ogden, Utah; Tucson, Arizona; and El Paso, Texas, it was stated.

Maison Ordered To Fort Benning

Camp Murray, March 21 (AP)—Special orders issued recently by Major General George A. White, commanding general of the 41st division, include the names of four officers to attend the staff officers' course at Fort Benning, Georgia.

They are Lieut. Col. Harold G. Maison of Salem; Major Kent L. Moody of Oregon City; Capt. James G. Helmer of Poplar, Mont.; and Capt. Raymond M. Davis of Green River, Wyoming.

Willamette U. Freshman Glee Saturday Eve

Even if one had not become acquainted with the fact otherwise, the fact that the annual Freshman Glee, Willamette university traditional event, was in the offing could be recognized by the appearance of the campus. "Graves" labeled "seniors," walks bearing statements as to what the various classes might expect as a result of their competition, all indicate that the song and marching contest is scheduled for Saturday night at the gymnasium.

With restrictions having been placed upon the hours the various classes may engage in practice for the momentous event, thereby eliminating the 2 a. m. show-up for students, nevertheless most adults would not relish a five o'clock morning appointment of any sort. The gymnasium which is being decorated with a teal blue and white color scheme has been used almost exclusively for rehearsals by the four classes since the final game of the state basketball tournament.

The contest which annually attracts thousands of persons who seek to gain possession of the tickets is a program of original songs and music set to intricate marching formations. Several factors enter into the determining of the winner, including music, adaptability, words, marching and the like.

Tickets for the Glee have long since been disposed of and thousands will have to visualize the program by means of the radio. Broadcast will be from 8 to 10 o'clock over stations KALE and KSLM.

Manager Arnold Stats sent Los Angeles through a strenuous workout today during the temporary lapse in exhibition ball games and expressed satisfaction with the conditioning of the club, particularly the rookie division.

Mel Mallory, former college player from Oregon, apparently has been chosen to fill the second base position left vacant by the graduation of Lou Stringer to the Chicago Cubs.

Mallory May Replace Stringer

Bates further said that while the proposed blanket project is written to cover 10 months it will probably be sufficient to handle the situation for two years.

He stated also that a crew will be replaced on the Liberty road where the work was shut down with the recent cutoff in WPA employes and he also said that market road No. 90 from Liberty to Grabenhorst's corners will be put on as a project and it would probably take about a month to get the money for that project but it would be secured and

County Signs WPA Road Application

County Judge Hewlett and County Clerk Boyer today signed the application for the latest \$1,070,517 blanket WPA road project to be sent to Washington for approval, these being the officers required by the government to sign such county applications.

Fred C. Bates, WPA superintendent here, was in the courtroom today when the project application was signed and in response to questions from court members said that the county can choose its own roads under the proposed blanket project and designate the manner of their improvement. Under such a project it is not necessary for a road improvement application to go to Washington each time one is filed but approval is had out of Portland. The original blanket project, however, must go to Washington for approval and it is expected it will take from six weeks to two months to secure this.

Under terms of the application the federal government pays 75 per cent of the cost and the sponsor must guarantee 25 per cent and this project Bates said was written on this basis. Judge Hewlett had asked if there wasn't some way the county's share of material and rock costs could be cut, but Bates said 25 per cent is the share allowed the sponsor and it can be cut no lower. He stated that contributions of rock and materials are credited against the 25 per cent and the present status shows about 27 per cent. He said on roads where the contributions of rock and gravel do not take up the 25 per cent when WPA work is completed that such roads are held open until the graveling does the 25 per cent. Bates said the county records on WPA work are now more complete than at any time and the contribution allowance is being figured more nearly up to date.

King and Queen Escape Raid

London, March 21 (AP)—King George and Queen Elizabeth left Plymouth a few hours before the German raid started at dusk yesterday, it was disclosed today.

Accompanied by the queen, the king had gone to Plymouth yesterday to inspect warships, and had been welcomed by Viscountess Astor, the lady mayoress, who is American-born and a member of the house of commons.

While the king inspected the ships the queen toured areas which had

been bombed earlier in the week.

For the first time, the king boarded one of the over-age American destroyers now in British service. The crew, all Canadian, lined up for inspection as a boatwain piped the king aboard. The king talked to officers and men and showed a keen interest in the entire vessel, especially in its armament and equipment. The king was a naval officer in the last war and fought in the battle of Jutland.

Divorce Is Asked
Albany—Mrs. Jacquelyne Hawkins has filed suit in circuit court here asking a divorce from William Hawkins, whom she charges with cruelty. They were married at Aberdeen, Wash., January 7, 1939. The plaintiff asks for restoration of her maiden name, Jacquelyne Brask.

Mexico has started a campaign against ochocerosis, a dread eye disease that often causes blindness.

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