

Highway Board Will Open Bids On 12 Projects

Bids on 12 highway projects costing \$800,000 will be opened by the state highway commission in Portland on September 4. Projects are:

Deschutes and Lane counties—Provide 11,400 cubic yards of crushed rock on Belknap Springs-Four-mile Butte rock production project on McKenzie highway.

Hood River and Wasco counties—Provide 11,500 cubic yards of crushed rock on Hood River rock production project on Columbia river and Mt. Hood highways.

Jackson county—Surfacing and oiling 4.07 miles of Salt Creek-Hanley ranch section of Little Butte secondary highway.

Jefferson county—Grading 10.4 miles of Madras-Juniper Butte section of The Dalles-California highway.

Klamath county—Provide 10,200 cubic yards of crushed rock on Beatty-Paradise creek rock production project on Klamath Falls-Lakeview highway.

Lane county—Provide 8,000 cubic yards of crushed rock on Swishome rock production project on Siuslaw and Alsea-Deadwood highways.

Lincoln county—Grading, surfacing and paving with bituminous macadam 3.5 miles of forest boundary-Reed creek section of Siletz secondary highway.

Morrow and Umatilla counties—Provide 10,000 cubic yards of crushed rock on Gilliam county line-Umatilla rock production project on Columbia river highway.

Multnomah county—Reconstruct westerly steel truss of Morrison street bridge, construct two reinforced concrete approach spans, pedestrian subway, and retaining wall on Morrison street bridge on Pacific highway west in city of Portland.

Sherman county—Grading and topping 1.61 miles of west unit of Sherrars grade section of Sherrars bridge secondary highway.

Umatilla county—Provide 9,300 cubic yards of crushed rock on Pendleton-Meacham rock production project on Old Oregon Trail highway.

Wasco county—Grading 6.91 miles of Warm Springs River-Mill creek section of Warm Springs highway.

Dr. Tschudy Named To Biology Chair

Dr. Robert H. Tschudy, with a doctor of philosophy degree in botany from the University of Washington, who graduated from that institution as a bachelor of science in 1931, has been selected as the new assistant professor of biology at Willamette university. For the past two years, Tschudy held the position of physiologist in connection with the navy's investigation of fouling the bottoms of United States ships, at Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla, Calif.

During the school year 1933-37, Tschudy served as graduate assistant in botany at the University of



Bridge Crossed Under "Fire"—With bayonets fixed, soldiers of the 30th infantry, cross a pontoon bridge over the Chehalis river near Centralia, Wash., while on a mock raid during the war games. Splashes are from rocks thrown to simulate gunfire. — Associated Press Photo.



Closes Bank—John M. Nichols (above) closed his bank, the First National of Englewood, Ill., after threatening to do so for years. He came into national prominence in the early 1930's with a "one man war" against the New Deal's banking policies. — Associated Press Photo.

Washington. He has had teaching experience at Cornell university, Ithaca, N.Y., and at the University of Wyoming.

Military Recreation Center Sought Here

Site for a Salem Army and Navy club, which is a project of the defense recreation committee recently appointed by Mayor W. W. Chadwick, will be found by a special survey-

Senator Asks For Inquiry Into Gasoline

Washington, Aug. 21 (AP)—A New England senator today urged a speedy congressional investigation to determine whether the east actually faces a gasoline shortage, as the defense petroleum office sharply reasserts the case.

"I want to learn if there is an actual shortage or if we are being pushed around for psychological reasons," Senator Maloney (D., Conn.), told reporters, saying he would ask the senate commerce committee to act immediately on his resolution for an inquiry.

Meanwhile, it appeared that automobile owners in Washington soon would feel the full force of the curtailment program. Local filling stations, operators were informed that one large oil company would deliver to its retail dealers, between August 16 and 31, only 30 per cent of what they received in July.

Senator Maloney proposed that a special senate committee determine if there was an actual shortage of gasoline and fuel oil, and recommend means of assuring an adequate supply of fuels for national defense purposes "without undue hardship to business enterprises and consumers generally."

He said he would ask that Secretary of the Interior Ickes be called as the first witness, if the senate approved the inquiry.

As the proposal gained support, Senator Clark (D., Mo.), said he was especially interested in learning if it were necessary to cut down American consumption to supply Britain with fuel, or if such steps were being taken to emphasize the "all-out" viewpoint of aid to Britain.

At the same time, Senator McNary of Oregon, the minority leader, predicted that there would be almost solid republican support for the Maloney proposal on the commerce committee, of which he is a member.

Consolidation of Churches Studied

The proposed consolidation of the Evangelical and United Brethren churches was discussed today at the annual Oregon conference of the United Brethren churches.

The Oregon conference now is being held here, while representatives of the 24 churches in Oregon, Washington and Idaho will come here Saturday for another meeting.

The Lake of the Woods in Canada covers an area of 2,000 square miles.

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85,000 Troops To Be Inspected By Marshall

With the Army in Southwest Washington, Aug. 21 (AP)—More than 85,000 soldiers of the 4th army were drawn up on a battle front in west coast war maneuvers today awaiting an inspection by Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson and Gen. George C. Marshall, chief of staff.

The last of California's tactical combat troops arrived in the state today to join the 50,000 soldiers of Fort Lewis who have been fighting a superior invader force for the past week.

Only a few quartermaster units from California are due on the front to bring the defending army's strength to 21,000, biggest maneuver concentration of soldiers in west coast history.

There was little activity on the front today. The 49th and 7th divisions from California were busy maneuvering into position on the front. Officers said an attack probably would be launched tomorrow on the front from Vador to Shelton. Small units will occupy strategic locations elsewhere.

Secretary Stimson and General Marshall were expected in the area by tomorrow night. Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt, commander of the 4th army, invited newsmen to a conference in Longview tomorrow noon. It was expected Stimson and Marshall would be there at that time.

Raver Worried By Reports of New Locations

Portland, Ore., Aug. 21 (AP)—The possibility that originally selected sites for northwest aluminum plants may be changed is disturbing, Paul J. Raver, Bonneville administrator, said today.

He coupled this with the assertion that delays in selecting sites and getting plants started was costing the United States 250 tons of aluminum daily.

The Aluminum Company of America's chief engineer accompanied OPM engineers in what he termed a cursory examination of sites and the offer of aid from Bonneville was rejected, he said.

"The fact that the Aluminum Company of America engineers are assisting in the selection of these sites is certainly significant and disturbing," Raver said, "from the point of view of the future competitive positions of these government plants in the northwest."

Raver said that locations at Spokane, Tacoma and Cascade Locks were originally chosen by Bonneville after careful study, and added it was essential that the plans be located where power facilities would be readily available.

"Bonneville has been ready for at least two months" to start its lines to the projected plants, he said, and "we cannot assume responsibility for additional delays and additional costs involved in shifting these sites from the locations originally agreed upon."

Allison Are Home
Fairview—Mr. and Mrs. John Allison and daughter, Arlene, and their sisters, Misses Hazel and Elva Allison, returned Monday evening from a nine days' vacation trip to

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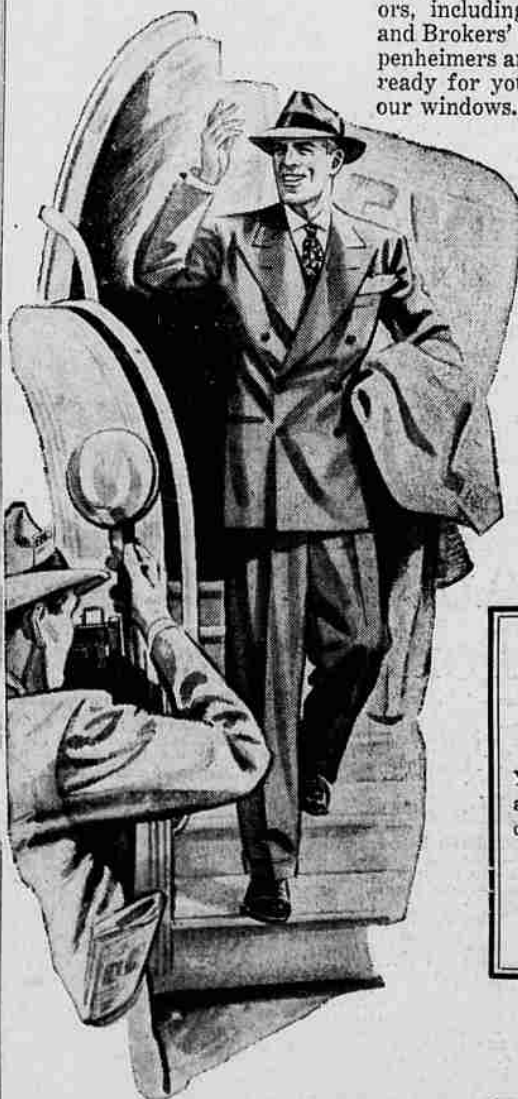
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Joe Louis Reconciled—Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis and his wife, Marva, were reconciled and decided to forget the differences that led to a divorce suit. Here they are in Chicago, after they made the announcement at a hearing on Mrs. Louis' petition for temporary alimony. — Associated Press Photo.

Banff and Calgary, Alberta, Canada. At Calgary they were guests of their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Mont Kelly.

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Dividend Tax Bill Title Prepared

Ballot title for an initiative measure taxing corporation dividends 5 per cent to pay jobless compensation to Oregon persons who do not have jobs after discharge from military service was prepared by the attorney general today.

The bill, filed by State Rep. E. C. Allen (D. Multnomah), would be on the November, 1942, ballot if enough signatures are obtained.

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