

PP&L Offered \$34,400,000

New York, June 7 (AP)—Interstate Electric, Inc. nonprofit corporation formed by representatives of 13 public and cooperative agencies in Washington and Oregon, today offered to buy the entire electric properties of the Pacific Power & Light Co. for \$34,400,000.

The offer was made to Howard L. Aller, president of the American Power & Light company, parent organization, by Charles Baker, Walla Walla, president of Interstate Electric. It included an alternative to purchase the voting stock of Pacific Power & Light company, rather than the properties.

The offer was detailed in a letter in which Interstates directorate, through Baker, recalled that American Power & Light had been ordered by the Securities & Exchange commission, to dispose of its holdings and to dissolve.

Represented in Interstate Electric are:

The Benton Rural Electric association, the Benton county Public Utility District No. 1, the Franklin county Public Utility District No. 1, Columbia County Rural Electric association, Umatilla Electric Cooperative association, Clark County Public Utility District No. 1, Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative, Walla Walla Electric Cooperative, Wasco Electric Cooperative, Klickitat County Public Utility District No. 1, Central Oregon Public Utility District and the Wickup County Public Utility District.

The \$34,400,000 offer would include the Ariel Hydroelectric project in Washington state and the Public Service building, in Portland. Exclusion of the Ariel project would cut the offer \$8,000,000 and exclusion of the Portland building would cut it \$2,200,000.

Pacific Northwest Streams Included

Washington, June 7 (AP)—The billion-dollar rivers and harbors authorization bill which passed the house yesterday and went to the senate today, included the following Pacific northwest and Alaska projects and estimated first federal costs:

Coos Bay, Ore., \$5,689,000; Columbia and lower Willamette Rivers, Astoria, Ore., \$1,044,000; Columbia River, Vancouver, Wash., to the Dalles, Ore., \$1,381,500; Columbia River, The Dalles, \$76,500; Columbia River, Foster Creek, Wash., \$71,000,000.

Carlton Fitchett, Newsman, Dies

Seattle, June 7 (AP)—Carlton Fitchett, widely read and widely known veteran Post-Intelligencer reporter, died yesterday afternoon of a heart attack.

Fitchett, 60 years old, had just returned from a week-end of rest after doing a series of articles on Washington state, staff nearly 20 years and had he had been on the newspaper's worked on papers in Bremerton, Everett and Anacortes before coming here.

Decora Snyder Escapes Prison

Walla Walla, June 7 (AP)—Decora F. Snyder, inmate of the state prison since October, 1944, escaped yesterday afternoon while working on a construction project outside the walls.

State patrol officers as well as city and county police departments were cooperating in the search last night.



He's Set for U. S. Debut (AP)—Lennard Strand, Swedish distance runner who has victories over Gunder Haegg and Arne Anderson to his credit, wipes his brow after workout at Compton, Calif., where he will make his American debut in the Compton Invitational Track and Field meet. He will run in the 1500-meter event.

Sha'slek Waiting Convention Of Foreign War Veterans

Corvallis—Oregon's first postwar veterans convention, the 1946 silver jubilee and victory encampment of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will open with a distinctly cosmopolitan flavor at Corvallis the end of this month as delegates and visitors numbering nearly 10,000 partake of sha'slek and other Russian foods atop Mary's peak.

Dr. Harry J. Anderson, chairman of the barbecue has promised one of the outstanding events of the year, and in cooperation with the entire Russian colony south of Corvallis and headed by Wm. Dobrinin, will barbecue nearly 250 head of cattle to feed the veterans and their honored guests.

Governor Earl Snell will be a featured speaker at the barbecue and other sessions of the convention. Past National Commander James E. Van Zandt, Mayor Earl Riley of Portland and other national, state and city officials will be on hand for the encampment, according to Stanley Tripp, general chairman of the convention.

A joint memorial service for the honored dead of all wars will be held at the Methodist church June 30, while business sessions are scheduled to get underway early Monday. The military, civil and fraternal parade will be held on the evening of July 1. Social highlight of the convention will center around the banquet and ball to be held at the Elks Temple on the evening of July 2. Election of officers and presentation of department awards and prizes will feature the business session on the closing day, July 3.

The general chairman of the convention, Stanley Tripp, is assisted by Ed. Allworth and Mrs. Bertha McIntyre, housing; Jas. O. Howard, entertainment; Paul Stephens, parade; Dr. Harry J. Anderson, barbecue; B. N. Woods, decorations; Bob Ingalls, publicity; E. K. Weston, banquet; T. A. McMinn, transportation, and Art Lowe, program.

1913 Saxon Holds Up
Springfield, O. (AP)—While many people wonder when they will be able to purchase new 1946 model automobiles, Bill Ervin goes rolling along in a 1913 Saxon model for which he purchased a new 1946 auto license.

Canada May Seize Plants

Vancouver, B. C., June 7 (AP)—The Canadian government today threatened to seize and operate plants cutting lumber for boxes designed to hold foodstuffs if a strike of CIO woodworkers continues much longer.

Provincial Labor Minister George Pearson said the government would be forced to take action "or we'll starve."

He said provincial investigators were making a survey of food producing areas of British Columbia.

"If the situation warrants, the foodstuffs will move even if it means that the Canadian government must take over," he said.

The International Woodworkers of America struck 24 days ago to enforce demands for higher wages, lower hours and union security. A mediator's compromise offer was rejected.

More than 37,000 woodmen and sawmill workers have been made idle in the strike, which has caused a serious newsprint shortage in Canada and the United States.

Motor Coaches To Roll Again

Seattle, June 7 (AP)—Buses of the Washington Motor Coach system will roll again starting midnight, June 11.

A joint announcement by the Association of Street Railway and Motor Coach Employees of America (AFLE) and the company, released last night, said "agreement has been reached between the negotiating committee for the union and the Washington Motor Coach Co., Inc., that bus operations will be resumed at midnight, June 11."

Drivers of the line have been idle since March 22.

The statement was signed by C. B. Fitzgerald, president of the company and Harold Oathes, business agent of the union.

There was no mention of the terms of the agreement.

Approximately 175 drivers and 75 mechanics left their jobs last March when an expected 20 cents per hour wage increase failed to appear in their checks.

Fitzgerald said at the start of the strike the drivers were demanding a base wage of \$1.65 per hour, a raise from the top mark of \$1.45 then current.

An estimated 5,000 passengers were left stranded by the strike, which struck hardest at some of the smaller towns in the state which had no other commercial means of transportation.

PIONEER POST WILL HELP DUTCH WIDOW

A destitute Dutch widow with two sons and two daughters will receive a weekly package from Pioneer post No. 149 of the American Legion. Fern Jones, overseas package chairman, announced at a meeting of the all-woman organization Thursday night. The name was provided by the Dutch relief headquarters, she said.

Nell Knittel was elected finance officer to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Birdie Hebel. It was also decided to sponsor a refreshment booth at Marion square July 4 in connection with the Legion carnival. The post is holding a benefit dance at Legion hall tonight.

50 Years a Smithy

West Buxton, Me. (AP)—Joe Sands, 80, who died here the other day, boasted that he had shod more than 5,000 oxen as well as thousands of horses during the half-century that he served as village smithy.

Police Stop Young Speeders

Seattle, June 7 (AP)—The state patrol moved in and broke up the biggest "little Indianapolis" speedway classic in the north-west Wednesday night.

As some 300 teen-age speed lovers lined a 20-block section of a Seattle highway, blocked off at intersections by parked cars, the young drivers roared down the stretch in souped-up jalopies, racing against a time-clock, with some of them hitting as high as 105 miles per hour.

Sgt. W. H. Campbell of the patrol, said some of the 25 to 30 cars didn't even have lights. He said most of the machines had special carburetors to give the astonishing speeds.

The officers arrested 10 of the youths, and justice court charges including speeding, operating cars with defective equipment, and disorderly conduct.

Campbell said some of the crates were 15 years old, and

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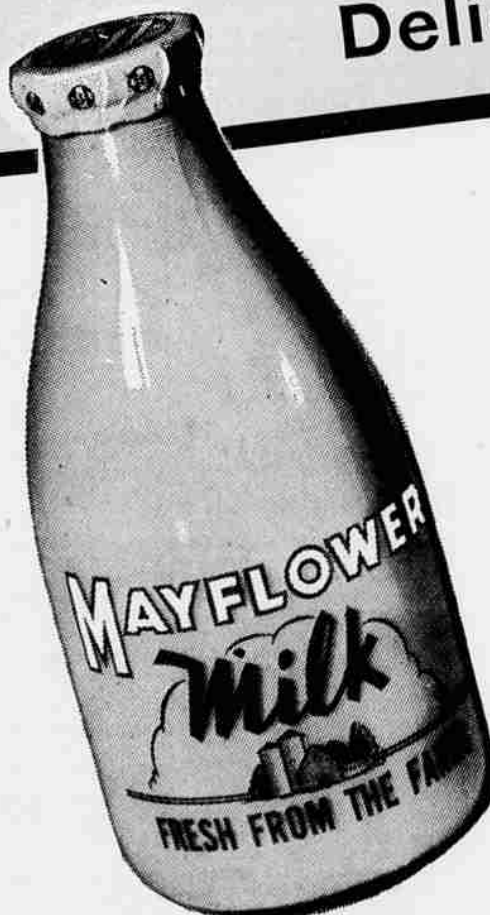
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