

## Gates Closed at McNary Dam

Walla Walla, Ore. — The gates at McNary dam were closed today as the Army Engineers began filling the huge reservoir which they expect will reach a level of 310 feet by April 29.

Resident Engineer Sam Neff said water will flow over the spillway for the first time tomorrow evening and that the McNary locks will be ready for traffic Saturday.

A minimum flow will be allowed downstream so that operations at Bonneville dam can continue while the reservoir is being filled, he said.

"The contract for construction of the dam itself is now practically completed," Neff said. "We are starting a limited amount of flood control, marking completion of the first major stage of the project."

First power from the \$280,000,000 Columbia river project will flow into the Northwest power pool in December, he said. When the powerhouse is filled, 14 generators will provide a potential of 980,000 kilowatts. One small generator is in operation now to provide power for facilities at the dam.

## Seeks Damages After Accident

Albany — Damages totaling \$105,337.97 are asked in circuit court here by a young woman who was critically injured January 8 in a traffic accident at the Jefferson overpass five miles north of Albany on the Pacific highway.

Plaintiff is Mary Salvon, 22, Albany, who names the Cummings Transfer company, and two employes, Frank Leo Smith and Claire Lavern Vaughan as defendants.

Miss Salvon alleges that she was a passenger in a car that crashed into a truck owned by the defendant company and operated by the two employes.

She suffered compound fractures of the thigh, compound fracture of an arm, compound fracture of a forearm, basal skull fracture and brain concussion, besides other injuries including impaired vision of one eye, all of which will keep her confined in a wheel chair for six months.

The complaint avers that Smith and Vaughan were engaged in towing one truck with another truck and were making a wrongful left turn amid poor visibility when the collision occurred.

## Atlanta Publisher President of ANPA

New York (AP)—George C. Biggers, publisher of the Atlanta Journal and Atlanta Constitution, was elected president of the American Newspaper Publishers Association Thursday.

Biggers, vice-president for the last two years, took office immediately for a 12 month term. He succeeded Charles F. McCahill, general manager of the Cleveland News, who had served as association president for two one-year terms.

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