

FPC Gives Okay to 1700-Mile Pipeline to Pacific Northwest

Oregon To Receive Service by Fall of '56, Attorney Says

Washington — (U.P.) — The Pacific Northwest Pipeline Corp. has received Federal Power commission permission to build a 1,700-mile pipeline from New Mexico to Washington state to serve seven western states with natural gas.

Charles E. McGee, attorney for Northwest here, said Saturday the big project would get under way in early spring.

Oregon Service by '56
Colorado and Idaho customers would be served this year. Service to users in New Mexico, Wyoming, Oregon, Washington and Utah will begin probably by the fall of 1956 when the pipeline is scheduled for completion, McGee said.

The line, McGee said, will run from the San Juan basin in New Mexico to a point near Bellingham, Wash. It will draw natural gas from the San Juan basin and the Big Piney area of Wyoming.

The FPC approved a financing plan which allows Pacific Northwest to issue \$120,675,000 in bonds, \$17,220,000 in preferred equities and \$25,126,000 in common stock.

Must Okay Finances
The FPC said it approved Pacific Northwest's application for building the facilities last June 18 on condition it also must approve the method of financing. The Security and Exchange commission must approve the financing before it goes into effect, however.

The total funds necessary for construction are \$165,121,000, the FPC said, of which bonds will be issued for \$120,675,000. The bonds will be sold to insurance companies. The rest of the project will be financed by six per cent notes and common stock.

The company also plans to bring gas into the Pacific Northwest area from Canada but final details have not yet been completed.

Building Permits Here Outstrip State Growth

Building permit values in Medford during 1954 were 61 per cent higher than those in 1953, compared to only an 8 per cent increase throughout Oregon as a whole, according to a report of the Equitable Savings and Loan association.

Building permit valuation here last year totaled \$2,513,036, compared to \$1,564,941 the year before, the report said. Throughout the state the 1954 total was \$87,888,678, and the 1953 total was \$81,003,559.

Permit valuation of residence construction in Medford last year was \$1,044,200, compared to \$746,100 in 1953, or an increase of 40 per cent, the report showed. The statewide dwelling figures were \$36,709,340 in 1954 and \$34,349,257 in 1953, an increase of 7 per cent.

Murder Trial Slated To Start at Burns

Burns — (U.P.) — James Quinton Anderson, 31, of Beatty, is due to go on trial Monday in the court of Circuit Judge M. A. Biggs for the murder of Richard David Miller, 25, member of a wealthy former Tucson, Ariz., family.

Miller was killed by a shotgun blast after a drinking party at Beatty last November. Anderson was indicted by a Klamath county grand jury, but the case was transferred to Harney county circuit court on a motion for a change in venue.

Rose Festival Sets Date for '55 Parade

Portland — (U.P.) — The Board of Directors of the Rose Festival Association has decided Saturday is a better day than Friday for the annual festival parade.

The decision was made at a special meeting Friday to consider arguments from some quarters urging that the parade be held on a Friday this year. The parade traditionally has been held on Saturday and the Parade Committee had recommended the Saturday date be continued.

Thus, this year's parade will be Saturday, June 11.

Circuit Court Judges Subject of New Bill

Salem — (U.P.) — The House yesterday passed and sent to the Senate a bill that would allow more than one circuit court judge to sit temporarily on the state Supreme Court bench.

Also approved was a bill striking out the population limit on counties that may abate public nuisances. Present law makes such a procedure illegal in counties under 50,000 population.



PULSE QUICKENER—How would you like it if your heart that 21-year-old Nancy Lee is swinging into? Nancy sends her Valentine greetings from Las Vegas, Nev.

Gov. Knight Has Troubles Keeping Date in Portland

Portland — (U.P.) — Gov. Goodwin Knight of California finally made it to Portland for a Lincoln day banquet talk, but he was 2½ hours late and minus his luggage.

Last year, Gov. Knight was scheduled to speak at the Lincoln day banquet here but developed laryngitis.

Knight was delayed Friday when two planes developed minor engine trouble.

Gov. Paul Patterson and some 600 other Republicans waited nearly three hours at the Columbia athletic club. Patterson, instead of reading Knight's speech, made an off-the-cuff talk in which he spoke of the present international crisis and said:

"I pray to God that the president will find it in his heart to

\$1,600,000 Transaction Revealed at Prineville

Prineville — (U.P.) — The Hudspeth Land & Livestock Corporation has acquired six ranches totaling more than 85,000 acres of land in Crook county in a \$1,600,000 transaction, one of the largest on record in the county.

Included in the deal, closed this week, were 2230 head of cattle, equipment and housing.

Bills in Legislature

Salem — (U.P.) — The Oregon Senate has passed and sent to the governor a bill exempting family dairies from the distribution regulations of the Department of Agriculture.

Dairies consisting of one cow or three goats still would come under health regulations against bangs disease, brucellosis, and tuberculosis but would have to

run again in 1956."

Knight, who spoke in Seattle last night, said the new AFL-CIO alliance "will wield a decisive and overwhelming influence on our national affairs." He said the new combined union would represent about 45,000,000 American voters.

Patterson was questioned again about any plans he might have for 1956 and again replied that he had none at present.

Nine Students Named For Willamette Honors

Salem — (U.P.) — Eight men and one woman have been named to the dean's list for outstanding scholarship at Willamette University college of law, Dean Seaward Reese said Saturday.

The mark of scholastic achievement for the fall semester is reserved for students in the upper 10 per cent of their classes.

Third year men David Card of Coos Bay and Eldon F. Caley of Salem were named to the honor for the fifth consecutive semester.

Other law scholars are Richard Coggin of Coos Bay; Robert Batchelder of Lake Grove, Jean Lowman of Vancouver, Wash., and Arthur Franke, Luther Jensen, George Juba and Lewis Hampton, all of Salem.

Rogue River GOC Organization Meets For Business Talk

Rogue River — Rogue River Ground Observers met at Oak Grange with 24 members and 3 visitors present.

Supervisor Howard Miller presided and stressed the fact that, in view of the tense world condition and especially here on the west coast, more observers are urgently needed.

Sgt. Bernard B. Moore, Medford, extended an invitation to a birthday party of the Medford GOC, to be held Feb. 21 at 8 p.m. in the VFW hall in Medford.

Lt. Lew Ayres read names of new observers. Linabelle Miller, Inez Gelvin, Beryl Ingle, Iza Forsyth, Edith Osborne. A junior member, George Robbins, was presented with wings. He then told of the drive to be conducted for new observers. Awards will be given.

Howard Miller stated that observers at the post are permitted to use the post phone on any business of the Air Force.

Party Planned
Ways and means chairman Stella Miller reported a "private party" is planned for the next meeting.

Joe Golding suggested that members solicit plywood to improve the post by an air space under the floor, and weather stripping around the door.

A "picture entitled "Communications for Civil Defense" was then shown by Sgt. Moore.

Miller stated permission has been given to meet each month in the dining room of the Live Oak Grange.

Gearhart Fluoridation Program Said Success

Portland — (U.P.) — Fluoridation of public water at Gearhart, on the Oregon coast, has brought about an 82 per cent decrease in tooth decay among six-year-old children there.

The State Board of Health announced here Saturday that a study just completed showed the 82 per cent reduction in decayed, missing and filled teeth among six-year-olds, and a 42 per cent decrease in tooth problems among seven-year-old Gearhart children.

Dr. David Witter, director of the board's dental health section, said the program resulted in a 23 per cent decay reduction for the entire 6-12 age group in Gearhart. The city-wide fluoridation program began in July, 1951.

The word clove comes from the French "clou," meaning nail.

Natural Gas Deposit Found Near Payette

Payette, Idaho — (U.P.) — A New Mexico oil firm has struck a natural gas deposit at the southwestern edge of this city, it was announced Saturday by H. K. Riddle, an engineer with the company.

Riddle said drillers struck the gas Friday at the 1442-foot level of a well. The engineer said the deposit appeared to be of a commercial quantity and contained no water, although it had not yet been determined how much of the product existed.

Initiative Said Increasing Costs

Salem — (U.P.) — The citizens of Oregon, through the initiative, and not the legislators, are piling up their own expenses, State Sen. John C. F. Merrifield (R-Portland) told the Oregon State Farmers Union here Friday.

"Of the \$200,000,000 expenditure budget, 41.8 per cent is not the fault of the Legislature, but of people's initiative," he said.

"No matter how much you'd like to, you can't vote things for people without paying for them. People initiate and vote a building or benefit. The Legislature figures out a way of meeting the cost, and the people vote down the legislators' tax program. This is beginning to leave only one alternative: Property tax.

He added "if you like the basic foundation of the farmer's independence, I hope you will continue to stand on it rather than a 'give me' program."

Police Nab Parolee After Lengthy Chase

Portland — (U.P.) — A 32-year-old federal parolee fired a shot out of the window of his car and led deputy sheriffs on a wild, 30-block chase in northeast Portland before he was captured early Saturday.

Held in Multnomah county jail as an ex-convict possessing and discharging a firearm was James Howell Wells of Portland. He also was being held for the federal parole board.

Wells told police he was "mad" at his girl friend and had planned to kill her and himself with a .38-calibre revolver he bought Friday under an assumed name. He said he had fired the weapon to be sure it was in working order. His girl friend wasn't identified.

Centralia, Wash. — (U.P.) — Earl M. Sloniker, 46, Centralia, died at Centralia hospital Friday night shortly after his car was hit by a southbound passenger train at a grade crossing one block from Union depot.

Birdseye Herd Tops Dairy Association's January Summary

The dairy herd of 60 animals owned by Victor and Nita Birdseye topped the January herd summary prepared by the Jackson County Dairy Herd Improvement association, it was announced last week.

Cows in the Birdseye herd produced an average of 773 pounds of milk and 43.3 pounds of butterfat.

Other herds in the top five on the summary were those owned by R. L. Wyant and Son, 33 animals, with an average of 579 pounds of milk and 38.7 pounds of butterfat; B. C. Whiteaker, 40 animals with an average of 863 pounds of milk and 37.9 pounds of butterfat; P. K. Nelson, 21 animals with an average of 637 pounds of milk and 7.34 pounds of butterfat, and Minear Brothers, 71 animals with an average of 648 pounds of milk and 35.1 pounds of butterfat.

Top Cow
The top individual cow was "77", owned by Straus Brothers. The cow produced 1,576 pounds of milk and 88 pounds of butterfat. Second was Bloom, owned by Richard Westenberg, with 1,271 pounds of milk and 86.4 pounds of butterfat, and third was Smokie, owned by Chet Jensen, with 1,234 pounds of milk and 85.1 pounds of butterfat.

Morse Urges Delay of CAB Decision on New Alaska Airlines Setup

Washington — (U.P.) — Sen. Wayne L. Morse urged the Civil Aeronautics board Saturday to hold up a decision on renewing airline franchises on the Portland-Seattle-Alaska run until its fifth member goes on the board.

Greatly Concerned
The Oregon Independent wrote CAB members that he was "greatly concerned" over reports that the board is considering a recertification for Pacific Northern Airlines but not for Alaska Airlines. Both lines serve the route now.

Morse said he thought the decision should be considered by a full five man board. Former Rep. Ross T. Rizley (R-Okla.) has been nominated for the vacancy on the CAB but that Sen-

ate has not confirmed the appointment.

Trend Toward Monopoly

Morse also wrote the board members there is "growing feeling in Congress that there is a definite trend toward monopoly in airline transportation." He said "the rumored recommendation relative to the Portland-Alaska run, if put into effect, would constitute evidence in support of the charge of monopoly."

Certifying only Pacific Northern would eliminate competition by Alaska Airlines which, "I am informed, has had the greatest number of flights on this run since 1951," Morse said.

Electrical Wires Over Columbia River Sought

Goldendale, Wash. — (U.P.) — A permit to construct temporary overhead electrical wires across the Columbia river at Covington Point near The Dalles was sought from Army engineers Saturday by the Klickitat county public utility district No. 1.

The wires would have a vertical clearance of 95 feet above the water.

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ANOTHER WINNER AT FORTUNE

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Childers, 1324 Morrow Road, Medford, are shown here selecting their Hotpoint Refrigerator which they won as their monthly prize at the FORTUNE SERVICE STATION, South Central and South Riverside Ave. From left to right are "Zack" Zacharisen of City Appliance, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Childers and Vic Milnes of Fortune States. Fortune awards Free Gasoline every day, 10 prizes every week and the next grand prize is awarded February 24.

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