

Contracts for Talent Project Authorized for Award

Washington—Interior Secretary Fred A. Seaton said today Bureau of Reclamation contracts totaling \$4,179,387 in connection with the Talent project in southern Oregon have been authorized for award.

They are for construction of the Howard Prairie delivery canal and Little Beaver Creek federal canal, and the Keene Creek dam and Green Springs power conduit on the Talent division, Rogue River federal reclamation project in Jackson

county. The Howard Prairie-Little Beaver Creek contract was authorized for award to Chert Brothers, Inc., and others, Ephrata, Wash., on a low bid of \$1,285,057. Other bidders were Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. of Medford, \$1,367,630, and Hall Atwater Inc., and others, Seattle, \$1,513,272. Bureau of Reclamation engineers estimated cost at \$1,127,084.

W. A. Dexheimer, commissioner of reclamation, said that

the work, consisting of about 8.9 miles of concrete lined canal to transport water to Keene Creek reservoir, rock fill for Little Beaver Creek diversion dam and other earthworks and construction of supplementary structures, should be completed in 540 days.

The Keene Creek - Green Springs contract was authorized for award to the Cheney Construction Co., and others, Seattle, for \$2,894,330. Other bidders were Kemper Construction Co., Los Angeles, \$2,942,889 and Floyd Shofner, La Puente, Calif., \$2,965,708. Bureau engineers' estimate was \$2,412,867.

Keene Creek dam will be an earthfill structure 580 feet long and 67 feet high. Other work under the contract will include excavation and construction of concrete-lined Cascade pressure tunnel and Green Springs tunnel, two six-foot diameter pressure tunnels, connected by about a mile of five-foot inside diameter pressure pipe with a capacity of 128 cubic feet per second. The job is scheduled for completion in 600 days.

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Ike Prepares for Conference With British Minister

Washington—President Eisenhower laid the groundwork today for high strategy talks with British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, possibly to create a close scientific alliance coping with giant Russian advances in space missiles.

The President summoned Secretary of State Dulles to prepare for the three-day conference with Macmillan starting Wednesday. They also will discuss the sizzling Turkey-Syria dispute brought to a boil by Russian propaganda.

Congressional Demands
Backgrounding the talks were new congressional demands for pooling and increasing the Free World's scientific brains and manpower to meet the missile-borne Soviet satellite.

There also was a direct demand to the President from Sen. Mike Monroney (D-Okla.) to restore immediately \$170,000,000 "meat axed" from military weapons research and development.

Monroney, in a letter to Eisenhower, said it was imperative he revoke a "secret" order Aug. 17 effecting the cuts.

Sputnik Called a Bauble

An off note came from Presidential Assistant Clarence B. Randall. He dismissed Russia's Sputnik as a "silly bauble." He said the United States could have been first in putting up a satellite if it had mixed its Sputnik program with military missiles.

While the Russian moon entered its 19th day of circling the earth, there were these other developments:

—Scientists at Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory in Cambridge, Mass., said the satellite and the rocket which put it into orbit would be more visible over the United States during the next three nights than ever before.

—Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash.) proposed an eight-point plan to boost the scientific manpower pool of North Atlantic Treaty Organization nations.

Proposes Civil Control
—Sen. Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.) proposed a civilian organization of scientists to take over the U.S. missile program from the military. He said the government also should subsidize the scientific education of "uniquely adaptable" students.

There were reports in London that Macmillan would make a plea for the United States to share its atomic and missile secrets with Britain.

President Eisenhower called for close scientific teamwork between the two nations in a toast last week to visiting Queen Elizabeth II.

Two Ashland Youths Arrested by Police

Two Ashland youths, one 16 years old and the other 17 years old, are being held in the Jackson county jail charged with delinquency which covers burglary and petty larceny, according to the Jackson county sheriff's office.

They were arrested by Ashland police yesterday in connection with breaking into and entering a cabin Saturday on Tolman creek rd. in Ashland owned by Col. Harold R. Jordan, 558 Holly st., Ashland.

Margaret Truman Plans Return To Show Business

Hollywood—Margaret Truman will return to show business Nov. 14 to star on "NBC Matinee Theater," the network announced today.

Hoffa May Be Kept Out of Office Until After Trial

Washington—A federal judge apparently is ready to keep Teamster President James R. Hoffa from taking office until a trial determines if he was elected properly.

Judge F. Dickinson Letts indicated Monday he would issue a new injunction of some kind to keep Hoffa from taking over. Union lawyers, anticipating further action by the judge, were preparing a quick appeal to a higher court.

The judge refused to cancel a temporary injunction barring Hoffa from office. The injunction expires Thursday.

Instead, he proceeded with a hearing on a request by a group

SAIGON BOMBS HURT U.S. SOLDIERS

"Listen—I Got A Good Mind To Walk Out Again"



Damages Awarded to Crescent City Man

A verdict in favor of the plaintiff was returned by the jury in U.S. District court last week

end concluding a three-week civil trial which started Oct. 1. William R. Ritchie Jr. of Crescent City, Calif., was awarded damages assessed at \$173,066.42 by Federal Judge William East, Portland, in a suit against Richard Drew Lamb of the Magnolia Motor and Logging company and Magnolia Lumber corporation.

Ritchie, in a complaint filed with the U.S. District court September, 1956, asked for damages in excess of \$800,000 for work, labor and services; materials furnished; logging equipment loaned; and breach of agreement.

UMC Reaches 60.6 Per Cent of Goal

The total pledged for the United Medford Crusade has reached \$74,594, or 60.6 per cent of the \$123,130 goal for this year, according to reports given at yesterday's weekly UMC luncheon.

Robert A. Johnson, general chairman, said he believed that by next week, the UMC would have 75 per cent of its goal. Next week's luncheon will be at the Medford Elks club.

The public employees division reached 100 per cent of its goal, and Elliott Becken, division leader, said the division will continue beyond its \$9,769 goal to more than \$10,000 before the campaign is completed.

Russ Hogue of the lumber division said S. V. McQueen's loggers section is \$50 more than their goal, and there still is a third of the solicitations outstanding. Several sections in the commercial division have completed solicitations.

Other divisions reporting yesterday included special gifts, 83 per cent complete; professional, 71 per cent; service, 66 per cent; lumber, 62 per cent; retail, 54.3 per cent; distribution, 53 per cent; commercial, 20.4 per cent, and special events, 10 per cent.

Missile Test-Fired; Vanguard Postponed

Cape Canaveral, Fla.—The Air Force fired a small, fast missile today but delayed the long awaited test of the satellite launching Vanguard rocket.

Observers at the scene said the missile that streaked out over the Atlantic ocean toward the downrange tracking stations was either a Bomarc or a Snark. The Bomarc is a jet-propelled surface-to-air anti-aircraft missile and the Snark is a sub-sonic pilotless plane.

The missile left a vapor trail in the sky despite 30-mile an hour winds that pounded the coast and apparently further delayed the launching of the Vanguard missile.

Pledges To Admit UN Investigation Commission

Turkey, Israel Must Do Likewise, Leader Declares

United Nations, N.Y.—A powerful Syrian leader pledged today that Syria would admit a United Nations War Investigation Commission to its territory if Turkey and Israel would do the same.

The promise was made in Damascus by Syrian Speaker of Parliament Akram Hourani as the General Assembly here prepared to open debate on charges by Syria and Russia that the United States is prodding Turkey into attacking Syria.

Syria has proposed that the United Nations send an investigating committee to Turkey to look into an alleged buildup of forces on the Syrian border. However, the suggestion had not been put into the form of a resolution in advance of today's session.

Wants Impartial Chairman
Hourani told United Press Staff Correspondent Peter Webb that U.N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld should head up any such investigating committee because he "is impartial."

He said if Turkey and Israel would let such a committee onto their soil, "Syria will give access to any place in Syria."

The immediacy of the Middle East crisis took the spotlight from the disarmament debate which resumed in the main political committee, Jules Moch, France's disarmament expert, was the only speaker listed.

Syrian Foreign Minister Salah El Bitar, who has been in close consultation with other Arab leaders and members of the Soviet bloc, was expected to lead off the Middle East debate.

Teachers Institute Slated Tomorrow

Schools in Jackson county will be closed tomorrow for the annual Jackson County Teachers' institute at Medford High school. Classes in all schools will resume Thursday, Oct. 24.

The institute will start at 8 a.m. with registration. The Crater High school band, under the direction of Norman Carothers, and McLaughlin Junior High school mixed chorus, directed by Ray Lewis, will participate in the program.

John Houser will discuss "Educating the Pupil for Today's World" at 9:15 a.m., and Lee Ragsdale will talk on "Teachers' Credit Union" at 10:20 a.m.

Other morning speakers will be David Frohnmayer, who will discuss his experiences while living with a European family last summer and Frank Jenkins, publisher of the Klamath Falls Herald and News, will talk on "How to Read a Newspaper." Starting at 1:30 p.m., C. C. Seavey will talk on the "Power from Cosmic Space," and G. R. Durham will discuss "The Three Illusions." The institute is scheduled to close about 3 p.m.

Salem—Harold Johnson, Astoria, is the new chairman of the Oregon Fish Commission.

WEATHER

FORECAST: General cloudiness tonight and Wednesday, few light showers. Rain in valleys, rain changing to snow in mountains. Low tonight 40; high Wednesday 58. Temp. Highest Yesterday 67. Lowest this Morning 38.

Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise 6:33 a.m. Sunset 5:19 p.m. New Moon 5:43 p.m. And at that time a total eclipse of the sun will be taking place that will be visible in the Wed-dell Sea off Bruce Coast in Antarctica. (The next total eclipse of the sun visible in the United States will occur Oct. 3, 1959).



SWIRLING WAR CLOUDS hover over Turkish port of Iskenderun, once part of Syria. Units of U. S. Sixth Fleet are off shore as United Nations prepare to debate. (International)

Mollet May Be Asked To Form Government

Paris—The Socialist Party gave former Premier Guy Mollet permission today to make a second attempt to form a new French government if asked by President Rene Coty.

The break in the 22-day deadlock, worst in the nation's post-war history, could come later today when Mollet meets with former Independent Premier Antoine Pinay. Coty asked them to bury their bitter political differences for the sake of the country.

Crisis Would Dissolve
If they could reconcile their differences, Mollet's demands for new taxes and a price freeze and Pinay's call for no new taxes and freedom for prices, the crisis would dissolve. Their parties are the biggest outside the Communist Party and Coty desperately hoped for a compromise that would put a strong government in power. But whether they could succeed was problematic; their political beliefs are entirely divergent.

Their meeting was arranged after former Premier Robert Schuman failed in an attempt to organize a middle-of-the-road government headed by his Catholic Popular Republican party.

However Schuman gave Coty a plan that he said might end the deepening financial crisis that has placed the nation on the verge of bankruptcy. Both Mollet and Pinay were studying this plan and Coty hoped they might come to agreement when they realized the nation's plight.

Communists Asked To Account for Soldiers

Panmunjon, Korea—The United Nations command demanded today that the Communists account for 1,084 Allied soldiers taken prisoner of war by the Communists in the Korean conflict.

Maj. Gen. Homer L. Litzenberg, senior delegate to the UN Military Armistice Commission said the Communists thus far had only "cruelly fabricated" an accounting of 1,084 U. S. prisoners.

He said the Communist must "have some knowledge of their fate." He cited the names of three American servicemen as an example of "only a few instances in which the evidence of eyewitnesses, the report of your own news services, or broadcasts of your slide showed beyond doubt that your side had information of the missing UN personnel."

The Communists, led by North Korean Gen. Kook Rook, countercharged that the UN was "forcibly holding" 93,742 Communist prisoners of war.

Eagle Point High School Closes Due To Pupil Absences

Terrorists Hurl Explosives Badly Damaging Building

Saigon—Left-wing terrorists hurled three bombs at American vehicles and installations in central Saigon today, wounding 19 persons including 13 U.S. Army officers and enlisted men. The U.S. Information Service Building was badly damaged.

The 13 soldiers were wounded in the explosion of two plastic bombs outside U.S. military billets here where the American Army is helping the government of South Viet Nam build up its strength against the Communist North.

No one was reported injured in the blast which wrecked the library although the building contains apartments upstairs for U.S. Embassy employees.

One bomb was hurled under an American military bus near the billets. Another exploded in a flower pot outside an Army hotel. The bombs were reported to be the same type of plastic bombs used by left-wing elements in outbursts of terrorism three years ago.

Eight Seriously Injured
Eight of the Americans were wounded so seriously they were being flown to Clark Field in Manila for hospital treatment. Five others were released after being treated at the U.S. Army dispensary.

The first bomb, apparently a time bomb, exploded at 7:25 a.m. (10:25 a.m. PST) outside Five Oceans Hotel, a U.S. military billet. It injured American military men waiting for a bus.

The second bomb was hurled under a bus outside the Hotel Metropole at 7:40 a.m. The two hotels are about a mile apart.

The third bomb exploded inside the U.S. Information Service library at 1:05 p.m., knocking down bookshelves and blasting out windows. The library was closed at the time, a factor which averted casualties.

Communists Suspected
Some quarters believed the bombs may have been exploded by Communist elements to embarrass the Viet Nam government during the current ministerial meeting at the Colombo Plan Conference.

The bomb thrown at the bus from a passing automobile also injured four or five Chinese and Viet Namese on the street. Another Chinese was blown off his bicycle. He was treated at the site of the bombing.

Authorities said the bomb used in the bus attack was a friction bomb in which explosion follows removal of the fuse safety cap.

The bus was demolished but some passengers and the Viet Namese driver escaped unhurt. Eyewitnesses at the Metropole Hotel said they saw no one throw a bomb. Investigators believed the bomb was hurled from a passing automobile since there were few persons on the street at the time.

The most seriously injured men were officers. All names were withheld pending notification of next of kin.

Informed sources said that no arrests were made by noon.

Salem—Wally Hunter, Portland, has been hired as publicity director for the Republican party in Oregon, State Sen. Lee Ohmart, Salem, announced today.

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The senator also charged that the company violated the Taft-Hartley Act by secretly sponsoring what it termed a "spontaneous" committee of workers who successfully fought union organization.

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Jacksonville Man Bound Over to Grand Jury

Stanley McEvoy, 34, Jacksonville, Was Bound Over to the Grand Jury from the District Court Yesterday Afternoon, on Charges of Uttering and Publishing a False Check and Larceny by Bailee.

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