

Canadians Opening New Railroad Era

"Please Go Easy," as the Pacific Great Eastern railroad in British Columbia was known for three decades, is throbbing with new traffic and construction and is now pushing its rails into rich new territory of northeastern British Columbia.

In a day when railroad building is considered a thing of the past, the rash, aggressive Pacific Great Eastern is opening a new frontier and sometime next spring, it's sleek diesel locomotives will chatter into Fort St. John, near the southern end of the Alcan highway.

The railroad is owned by the government of British Columbia and with the importance of western Canada's rich natural resources now recognized, it has become a prosperous public carrier.

The P.G.E. started years ago in the middle of nowhere with the intent of putting a line between Vancouver and Prince George. The private promoters failed and the government of the province took over, extending the line south to Squamish, some 40 miles north of Vancouver, and as far north as Quesnel. For years, freight and passengers were ferried between Vancouver and Squamish.

Then came the boom in western Canada. The provincial government appropriated funds to bring the line the final 40 miles into Vancouver and to push on to Prince George. Outmoded equipment was replaced with

diesels and new passenger and freight cars. Two years ago, oil and gas were struck in the Dawson Creek area and the P.G.E., prospered for the first time, undertook to build to the booming new frontier. Last winter, track gangs worked in temperatures that ranged as far as 40 below zero, but they spiked the steel rails down in the finest traditions of the pioneer railroad builders of the American west.

It is a great drama of railroad building that is going on in western Canada and someday the line into Fort St. John may be a link in a railroad to Alaska.

In a day when many believe there are no new frontiers, enterprising Canadians have opened a new one in northeastern British Columbia.—Ashland Tidings.

\$8 Million Building Planned at Portland

Portland — Plans for a modernistic \$8 million building which would include a 320-room hotel were disclosed here Monday.

The building would be located at the west end of the new Morrison street bridge. Jack Bain, chairman of the Multnomah county board of commissioners, said it is hoped to have the structure completed in time for the 1959 Oregon centennial celebration.

The plans call for parking facilities for 2600 cars.

The building would be a motor hotel on top of the large parking garage and motorists would drive through the building to get on the bridge. A helicopter landing field on the roof also is planned.

The project is being sponsored by Sanford Langoe and George Crow, Portland businessmen.

DANIELS PLEADS GUILTY

New York — Singer Billy Daniels pleaded guilty Monday to illegal possession of a pistol. The conviction stemmed from the shooting of boxing trainer James R. Jackson in an after-hours bottle club last year. Daniels, 42, was indicted for felonious assault in the shooting. A general sessions judge set Dec. 5 for sentencing on the gun possession charge.

Wall Street Waits Standard Oil Terms On Stock Offering

By ELMER C. WALZER
United Press Financial Editor
New York — Wall Street is awaiting announcement of the terms of the Standard Oil company (New Jersey) stock offering which is expected at the latest Nov. 1.



The company plans to raise \$250 million to \$300 million for expansion and exploration for more oil, considered by Wall Street as a quarter billion dollar vote of confidence in the future of the nation.

It has set at 6,565,000 shares the limit of the offering. It will be made to permit stockholders to purchase additional stock at the rate of one additional share for each 30 held as of Nov. 8. The offer will expire Dec. 18.

The figures lacking in the offering now are the exact number of shares to be offered, and the price at which the offering will be made.

The company through the underwriting syndicate headed by Morgan Stanley & Co. has prepared a preliminary prospectus and submitted it to the securities and exchange commission. Must Be Effective

No stock can be offered in any state until the registration statement becomes effective. If the SEC so ordered, the company would have to amend or change its prospectus before the offering could be made.

The final prospectus pamphlet, it is expected, will be in big demand in the financial district because it gives detailed information on the giant company.

The prospectus will show the vast ramifications of this near eight billion dollar oil company—biggest in the world. Presently Standard Oil (N. J.) has 196,939,278 shares of capital stock outstanding. If the full total of 6,565,000 shares is floated it will bring the total to 203,504,278 shares. That is beaten by only one United States company—General Motors, which has 277,690,000 shares outstanding.

A train wreck at Wellington, Wash., in 1910 killed 96 persons.

Neuberger Heartened By Testimony Given At Proposal Hearing

By SENATOR NEUBERGER
Portland, Oct. — (Special) — It was heartening to hear the great preponderance of testimony before our Senate subcommittee— from Indian and white alike— given in favor of our proposal providing for Federal acquisition of the timber and marsh of the Klamath reservation in southeastern Oregon.

This has become urgently necessary because of the hasty and reckless liquidation of these resources which is called for by the termination bill put through Congress by Senator Cordon and Congressman Coon in 1954. Spokesmen both for the Indians and for the Klamath Falls Chamber of Commerce testified before the subcommittee that the bill was changed fundamentally at the 11th hour, to require a far speedier disposal of Indian assets than ever had been originally intended.

Unless we can bring about Federal purchase of the reservation, this liquidation still will occur, and with three disastrous

Adenauer Elected To Third Term As Chancellor

Bonn, Germany — Konrad Adenauer was elected today to a third term as Chancellor of West Germany on his policy of rearmament, European Federation and close cooperation with the United States.

The 81-year-old Adenauer was returned to power for another four years by a vote of 274 to 192 in the lower house (Bundestag) of Parliament.

Nine deputies abstained from the voting. Twenty-two others were absent.

Adenauer's Christian Democratic party won a record-breaking 50.2 per cent of the popular vote in the Sept. 15 general elections, giving him an absolute majority and ensuring him of his victory today.

In 1948, Adenauer was elected Chancellor by a single vote majority. In 1953, he was re-elected by a vote of 304 against 148.

On the eve of the vote, Adenauer was reported working out final plans for a new two-party coalition government pledged to speed up German rearmament and retain the close ties with the free West. The Christian Democrat coalition partner will be its strongest ally, the German Party. The two control 287 votes in the 497-seat lower house.

Adenauer will announce the cabinet which will run West Germany for the next four years some time Wednesday. The broad lines of its policy will be made public at a full-dress statement before the Bundestag Friday.

Dairy Farmer Quits As Video Quiz King

New York — Dairy farmer Harold Craig "abdicated" his television quiz show throne last night in favor of a sure \$106,000 and perhaps some "grassroots politics."

Craig, of Granville, N. Y., thus broke a five-week deadlock with New York psychologist David Mayer, who becomes the new champion of NBC's "Twenty-one" quiz program.

The 26-year-old farmer startled the audience and emcee Jack Barry by choosing an eight-point question in the second round after Mayer already had answered correctly an 11-point query. This indicated he was relinquishing his title as current TV quiz king. Craig answered his question correctly, giving him 18 points to Mayer's 21.

Craig, who had won \$119,500 in 17 appearances on the show, thus took home \$106,000 after Mayer's winnings of \$13,500 were deducted. They had been playing the game at \$4,500 a point.

Craig said he was sorry he lost, but added he was "relieved." He said "a lot of people have asked me to run for Congress in my district."

results: (1) The dumping of 4 billion feet of pine timber on the market in a great suffocating rush, (2) the lowering of timber prices for Indian and white, and (3) the possible draining of the marsh where hundreds of thousands of ducks and geese gain sanctuary as they migrate along the Pacific Flyway.

Federal Purchase
Federal purchase will cost between \$110 and \$150 million. This sum will not be easy to sell to members of Congress from 47 other states. In my bill postponing the liquidation for only a few months, I succeeded in passing through the Senate a clause reimbursing tribal funds for \$1.1 million spent on termination proceedings. The House slashed even this to \$550,000.

One of my staunchest allies for Federal purchase is Thomas B. Waters of Klamath Falls, chairman of the Management Specialists who were appointed by ex-Secretary McKay to handle tribal matters. Waters is a lifelong Republican, and he and I are not political associates. But he is an open-minded man, with the courage and candor to adjust himself to new conditions. It is a pleasure to work with somebody who places truth first and political considerations last.

Our favorite person this fall is a little 4-year-old Klamath Indian girl named Elizabeth Marie Lang. Her grandfather is Delford Lang, chairman of the Klamath Tribal Council, so Elizabeth Marie sat through eight hours of important but dull testimony before our Senate Indians Affairs subcommittee in the Multnomah County Courthouse. Not once during this ordeal did she whimper, cry, protest or stir. Indeed, she put to shame her adult contemporaries for patience and good conduct.

That is why I insisted that the hearing record formally contain the name of Elizabeth Marie Lang—with a star there, too, if the Government Printing Office so provides. As subcommittee Chairman, I decided that this Indian tot deserved an "E" for effort and also an "A" on her report card!

Language Needed, Student Emphasizes

American schools need to place more emphasis on teaching foreign languages, according to David Frohnmayer, recently returned American foreign exchange student at Monday's chamber of commerce round table.

David said he found most youths his age could speak French and English as well as German during his two-month stay in Germany. He cited the language problem as the reason Americans can only spend two summer months in foreign countries while foreign students can spend a full year in America.

The foreign students can speak very good English in addition to their own language while Americans, on the average, can speak only English, he added.

He compared the town of Mohn, Germany, where he stayed, with Medford. Weather, industry, traffic, people, tourist conditions and other comparisons were made by the Medford High school senior. He was one of 750 students who went to foreign countries on the American Field service program during 1957.

Camp Fire Girls

Horizon
Rogue Valley Horizon club met last week to discuss plans for a trip to Portland November 1, 2 and 3 to attend the Horizon club zone conference there. The conference program will consist of social and service workshops, recreation, fashion show, and entertainment, and will be held at the Boy Scout training center.

Future service projects to be performed in the valley between now and Christmas were also discussed at the meeting. Refreshments were served following the meeting by hostess Linda Luman.

Scribe, Linda Roberts

Poles Steal Plane; Request Asylum

Roenne, Bornholm Island, Denmark — Two young Poles landed a light civilian plane on this Baltic Sea island today and asked for political asylum.

The Poles, speaking in halting English, said they had stolen the plane in Poland and flew it across the Baltic.

The two Poles, both in their early 20s, were identified as Eduward and Szmant Franciszek. It was not known immediately whether they were related.

They told police they stole the plane at the civilian air strip at the town of Slupsk where they had been working, one as a flying instructor and the other as a radio operator. Slupsk is 10 miles from the Baltic coast and about 60 miles west of Danzig.

Argentina Strike Has Little Effect

Buenos Aires — A Communist-led general strike delayed transport in some places today but failed to halt normal activities in Buenos Aires.

The strike, called by the Peronist and Communist leadership of some 60 unions to support demands for a wage increase and a price freeze, delayed service on suburban railway lines and on city buses. However, cafes and shops opened and most newspapers published their morning editions and distributed them without trouble.

Medical Fund Group To Hear Eisenhower

New York — President Eisenhower flew to New York today to address a dinner meeting of the National Fund for Medical Education, which he helped form in 1949 when he was president of Columbia university.

The President and Mrs. Eisenhower were to leave Washington this afternoon. They planned to spend the night at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel and leave early Wednesday for Washington.

The dinner, to be held in the grand ballroom of the Waldorf, will be in honor of Alfred P.

Sloan Jr., former chairman of the board of General Motors Corp. and president of the Alfred Sloan Foundation. Sloan will receive the Frank H. Lahey Memorial award for service as a layman to the cause of medical education.

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