



FACES GRILLING—Ogden R. Reid, named by President Eisenhower as ambassador to Israel, waits to appear before the Senate foreign relations committee in Washington. Reid, 34, former president and editor of the New York Herald Tribune, is expected to run into stiff questioning from senators regarding his qualifications for the diplomatic post. Following the recent squabble over Mrs. Clare Booth Luce's appointment and resignation as ambassador to Brazil, the committee has set up a new policy of rigidly screening non-career diplomats.

Oregon Financing Plans for Astoria Bridge Hits Snag

Olympia, Wash. (UPI)—Oregon's plan for financing a Columbia river toll bridge at Astoria struck a snag Monday.

Washington state officials decided that this state lacks both the funds and legislative authority to make an annual subsidy necessary under a plan proposed by the Oregon Highway Commission.

W. A. Bugge, Washington highways director, was directed to arrange a meeting May 27 in Portland to discuss the feasibility of Washington's obligation being taken up either by a combination of counties or port districts. The session would be among the Oregon Highway Commission and the Washington Highway Commission, the Washington Toll Bridge Authority and the Washington Legislature's Interim Committee on Highways.

Subsidy Split Asked

Engineering studies showed that the proposed lower Columbia river bridge could not be financed solely from tolls. As a means of getting the project off the ground, Oregon proposed that the two states split the amount of annual subsidies needed to

Nuclear Vessel Declared To Be No Threat To Seaports

Portland (UPI)—Undersecretary of Commerce John J. Allen Jr. declared Monday that the U. S. nuclear-powered vessel N.S. Savannah will be so safe no seaport need fear radioactive contamination from it.

He said the ship, scheduled for launching this July, will be the world's safest vessel. "No seaport need be concerned about contamination from this ship and be assured that adequate precautions have been taken should this nuclear-powered ship be involved in a collision or a sinking," Allen said in an address prepared for a maritime luncheon here.

His remarks were aimed at spiking occasional articles questioning safety of the Savannah which will be the world's first nuclear-powered merchant ship. The articles reflected apparent concern of some seaports that the vessel might accidentally poison the cities with radioactivity.

Troubles Recalled

When the U. S. nuclear-powered submarine Nautilus visited Britain last year after its historic trip under the Arctic, it docked at the sparsely populated port of Portland rather than London. It was reported that the port was chosen on advice of British atomic energy authorities.

Later Denmark refused to let the Skate, another nuclear-powered sub, enter Copenhagen because of fear of radioactive contamination.

Allen said the Savannah is being built with the utmost concern for protection against radioactive contamination either to passengers or ports of visit.

"All radiological safety measures necessary are being taken," he said. "A cylindrical steel containment vessel provides for protection against an instantaneous rupture of the reactor. The containment vessel will prevent radioactive matter from the worst internal accident from reaching other parts of the ship."

Other Projects Cited

"With regard to disposal of radioactive waste, the method to be used initially in the Savannah provides for the complete retention of all liquid and solid wastes until the ship returns to a port equipped with special facilities for safe removal and shipment to a waste disposal area."

Allen also touched on these marine projects of the future:

Point. She said a span there would be financially feasible but that Oregon officials probably would be reluctant to change the location from the Astoria vicinity.

She added that another alternative might be a new feasibility study. A study showing the proposed bridge to be unfeasible was presented to the Washington Legislature last January.

Gov. Albert D. Rossellini, chairman of the Toll Bridge Authority, summed up the sentiment of Washington officials.

"If the project will require any guarantee from the state, we just won't have the authority," he said. "I think we should have the legal problems ironed out in time for a meeting with Oregon. It seems to me that there isn't a lot that we can do."

Rep. Julia Butler Hansen (D-Cathlamet), chairman of the Interim Highways Committee, said one alternative might be locating the bridge 12 miles upstream from Astoria in the vicinity of Tongue

—A submarine tanker. He said experts claim such an undersea tanker would not be affected by waves, wind, severe storms and other actions which reduce speed and efficiency of surface vessels.

—Hydrofoil merchant ships which he said might skim over the surface at speeds of up to 100 miles an hour. Hydrofoils use the principle of the airplane wing to lift themselves to the surface and thus cut friction to a minimum.

—Automatic navigation devices which would make sea navigation much safer. He mentioned the inertial guidance principle or so-called celestial navigation system as possible ways to cut down on sea collisions.

Officers were elected as follows: president, Caroline Harding; vice president, Carlene Maxwell; secretary, Alta Goode; treasurer, Pat Krell; and tall twister, Harriet Grieve.

The next executive board meeting will be Thursday, May 21, at the home of Mrs. George Hubbard.

Mrs. Lee Hoag has gone to Spokane, Wash., on business for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vaughn have returned to their home here after visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wendall Vaughn in La Grand, Ore.

Mrs. Caroline Harding spent several days in Applegate as guest of Mrs. Anna Scott recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Huston and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Keil returned to their home after a trip to Seattle and the Oregon coast.

Arthur L. Valley has torn down his cabin on Big Butte creek and will build a larger cottage, as he has retired and will make this his permanent home. He came from Besada, Calif.

Visiting at "Harding's Paradise" recently were Mrs. George Carter and Mrs. Francis Cole of Medford and Mrs. Willis Scott of Applegate.

The NEC of Upper Rogue Grange met at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Tockstein May 14 with a covered dish lunch-



SMUG SUSPECT—Grinning J. P. Walker, garage owner in Picayune, Miss., is shown as he told reporters that FBI agents have accused him of driving the car used to abduct Mack Charles Parker. Parker, a Negro accused of raping a white woman, was taken from an unguarded jail in Poplarville, Miss., and lynched.

Moscow (UPI)—Premier Mohammed Daud of Afghanistan arrived Monday in Moscow for a visit at the invitation of the Soviet government.

McLEOD Lions Auxiliary Meets

By CAROLINE L. HARDING

McLeod—Prospect Lions auxiliary held their monthly dinner meeting at Beckies cafe at Union Creek Wednesday, May 13, with 22 members present. President Mrs. Vic Chapman presided.

Delegates were chosen for the state convention which will be held in Portland June 17 through 20. Mrs. George Hubbard gave a report of the spring board meeting she attended in Portland in April stating there are now 60 Lions auxiliaries in the state, and the theme at the blind school in Salem is "Growing Towards Independence."

Mrs. Darwin Bevins also stated Prospect club took fourth prize in the recent Shady Cove Centennial parade. The annual community jamboree will be held for one day at Prospect, Saturday, July 25. Mrs. Heston Grieve and Caroline Harding were honored guests.

Mrs. Dorothy Hume and Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Bliss daughter, Jacqueline, were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lennis Smith and family Thursday, May 14.

Those attending the GAA swimming party at Ashland May 14 were Jacky and Joey Hume, Jaye MacDermont, Mary Ann Elrod, Anna Gustland, Ila Satler, Joan Houston, Kathleen Houston, Sharon Roberts and Jackie Ross.

and family have moved to Sams Valley where Bliss is employed.

TRUE TO ITS NAME

Edinburgh, Scotland (UPI)—Lobster fisherman James Smith, 49, fell out of the boat as he was setting his lobster pots. The boat chugged off into the fog, and Smith swam 100 yards to shore. He found the boat, named "Lead Me," landed ahead of him.

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