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Rogue Study To Take Another Year

Completion of studies of the Rogue Basin, preliminary to preparing a plan of water resource development, will require more than another year, it was indicated today.

Letters from the Corps of Army engineers and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, both addressed to William Jess, president of the Rogue Basin Flood Control and Water Resources association, gave this tentative timetable:

Collection of fish and wildlife data, including water temperatures - about the first of 1961, with some preliminary data available a few months earlier.

Investigation by the corps of engineers of expansion of plans to accommodate increased storage requirements for fishery protection - as soon as possible thereafter.

No date for completion of the corps' studies was given, but the earliest possible date would be well into 1961, too late for the overall proposal to be presented to the first session of the 87th congress.

The letters were from Col. W. L. Winegar, district engineer for the corps, and Leo L. Laythe, regional director of the fish and wildlife service.

Excerpts from Colonel Winegar's letter follow:

"As you know, the Corps of Engineers was in the final stages of preparing the report (for basin development) when the provisions of recent legislation allowed us to consider the inclusion of enhancement of the very valuable fishery of the Rogue river. In order to give these aspects the consideration which they deserve in the formulation of a plan best adapted to all the needs of the basin, a delay in report completion seemed necessary and advisable. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which is primarily concerned in the collection of data on which any change in project formulation would be based, has estimated that its studies, which are now well under way, will take until about the end of calendar year 1960 for completion. However, some preliminary data will be available a few months earlier.

"In the meantime, expenditure by the Corps of any appreciable sums of money toward the investigation of the expansion of plans to accommodate the increased storage requirements for the fishery must await some indication of the outcome of the fishery studies. Accordingly, we will confine our activities to those necessary to keep current with continuing developments until preliminary data on Fish and Wildlife studies become available. We would expect to resume active work on the basis of these preliminary data from the Fish and Wildlife Service and to complete the report as soon as possible after their final data are in our hands, subject of course to availability of funds. . . .

"Please be assured that the Corps of Engineers intends to be in a position to proceed with the studies as soon as additional work can profitably be undertaken. This office will diligently prosecute the work to the maxi-

Budget Requests

Some \$75,000 was estimated as the amount necessary, and has been included in preliminary budget requests. Both Congressman Charles O. Porter and Sen. Wayne L. Morse have indicated they will support the Engineers' request for this amount in the 1961 budget.

The letter from the Fish and Wildlife service reported that 21 thermographs are now in operation in the Rogue River basin, and that three more will be installed this spring.

The temperature study is progressing as planned, the letter said, with "excellent cooperation" being received both from local people and from federal and state agencies.

Man Dies at Gates After Telling Aunt Of Being Beaten

Gates, Ore. - (UPI) - A 37-year-old man was found dead in a home here today, six hours after telling a relative that he had been beaten.

The victim was identified as Robert Otha Niemi, a cook. His aunt, Mrs. Lilyan Marie Grigsby, told police that her

nephew came home about 3 a.m., said he had "been beaten up" and laid down on a couch. When she tried to wake him up at 9 a.m., Mrs. Grigsby found he was dead.

Oregon Crashes Fatal to Three

Three persons died in Oregon over the New Year's holiday end as the results of highway accidents.

The holiday week end ran from 6 p.m. Thursday to midnight Sunday.

Two of the deaths were the result of persons being struck by cars.

Lee Carver, 63, Portland, died Saturday night in a Portland hospital after he was struck by a car. George Wolfe, 61, Portland, was killed Friday morning when hit by an auto near Woodburn. Wolfe was looking on at another accident when struck.

Jack Vanderbeck, 31, Portland, died Saturday in Hood River of injuries suffered in a one-car crash Friday near The Dalles.

Washington reported four traffic deaths during the holiday period.

Residence Damaged In Morning Blaze

Fire did extensive damage throughout the John Quigg residence, 28 Chestnut st., late this morning, city firemen reported.

They said that the blaze apparently started from a flue and broke out in the wall between the kitchen and the living room. It extended through the ceiling into the attic.

Firemen were called about 11:25 a.m. Seven men responded with two trucks.

Ashland Daily Tidings Sold to Ex-Californian

The Ashland Daily Tidings has been sold to a former Palo Alto, Calif., resident, it was announced recently by Publisher Graham M. Dean.

The new owner, Edd E. Rountree, a past San Francisco newspaper broker, will take over immediately, Dean said. The Daily Tidings, which is one of Oregon's oldest newspapers, had been under the ownership of Dean for nine years.

The purchase price was not revealed. Rountree and his wife have been Oregon residents for the past six months and plan to move to Ashland in the near future, it was announced.

Rountree attended the University of Missouri school of

journalism and has published newspapers in Sunnyvale, Healdsburg and Los Altos, Calif. He was with International News Service in Portland and Seattle for several years, and was an executive and stockholder of radio station KYA in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean plan to remain in Ashland for some time before assuming active newspaper work in another state, they said. Dean will retain ownership of the Siskiyou Daily News in Yreka, Calif., and the Daily Press in Astoria, N.M.

Before purchasing the Daily Tidings in 1951, Dean had been an executive with Spindel Newspapers in Iowa City, Iowa, and Salinas, Calif., for 25 years.

Highway Crashes Take 370 Lives During Holiday

Motorists Set New Death Record

By United Press International

The nation's motorists dimmed the start of a new decade by piling up a record highway death mark for a three-day New Year's holiday, closing figures showed today.

A United Press International count showed 370 persons dead in highway accidents between the beginning of the New Year's holiday period at 6 p.m. Thursday and its close last midnight. Fires took 60 lives and other accidents 81, for a total of 511.

Michigan had the highest number of traffic dead, 32. Texas was next with 27, Florida had 25, California 24, Pennsylvania 22, Ohio 20, and New York 19.

Contributing heavily to the total were three accidents which killed four, seven, and nine persons.

The National Safety Council, which had hopefully estimated that not more than 320 persons would die in the 78-hour holiday period, expressed hope that the high toll would shock the nation's drivers into greater care.

The total dead in this New Year's holiday surpassed the previous record count by United Press International for a three-day holiday period, 359 in 1956.

Only six states, Alaska, Arkansas, Hawaii, Montana, New Hampshire and North Dakota reported no highway fatalities.

Ike Asked Nixon To Mediate Strike

Augusta, Ga. - (UPI) - President Eisenhower "instructed" Vice President Richard M. Nixon more than a month ago to try to mediate the steel dispute, the vacation White House reported today.

Nixon "initiated meetings at the top level on both sides," the White House said.

Since the initial move, Eisenhower has conferred with Nixon a number of times in person and by telephone, along with Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, who worked for a settlement.

These details of the administration efforts to avert a resumption of the steel strike were disclosed by White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty coincident with the Washington announcement of the settlement.

Rio de Janeiro - South America contains almost eight million square miles and occupies about one-seventh of the total land area of the globe, according to recent estimates.

"Here's Carfare Home"



City Police Called As 'Friendly' Dog Tries To Take Ride

When Dorwell Rinaldo Hendrickson, box 847, Central Point, returned to his parked panel truck in downtown Medford Saturday, there was an unfamiliar German Shepherd dog waiting there. Dorwell ignored the dog and tried to get into his truck, but the dog tried to follow.

Having never seen the dog before and unable to get into his car at the same time keep the dog out, Dorwell called for assistance from city police. Police restrained the dog while Dorwell got into his truck and drove off. After Dorwell left the dog dejectedly walked away.

Police said the dog was extremely friendly, he just wanted a ride.

Sky-Searching Satellites Under Study to Give Missile Warning

Washington - (UPI) - A dramatic anti-missile protective system, involving a "flying box-car" fleet of up to 500 sky-searching satellites, was reported under study today for possible use by 1964.

Aviation Week, a space and science magazine, said that the study was underway under government contract at the San Diego division of Convair, a subsidiary of General Dynamics Corp.

It said the most logical function of the satellites - which would circle the earth in polar orbits - would be to supply ground-based weapons with an early warning of an enemy ballistic missile launched from any point on the globe.

Big Question It said the "blanket-scanning" function might also be coupled with the capability to launch missiles from the satellites themselves.

"This missile-launch capability from the satellite," the magazine said, "does not lie outside the region of technical feasibility." But, it said that the big question would be whether such a capability could be developed "within

the time period scheduled for the operational readiness of the satellite system in mid-1964."

Li. Gen. Bernard G. Schriever, chief of the Air Force research and development command, has said that an effective anti-missile defense system is one of the most urgently needed projects in America's defense program.

Orbit Horizontally Aviation Week did not say whether or how the satellite system might be involved with "Midas," the anti-missile satellite concept envisioned by Pentagon planners.

The report said that one possible satellite configuration under study by Convair is a flying box car shape eight

feet square and 20 feet long. It would orbit in a horizontal altitude.

Each satellite would circle the earth in 94 to 98 minutes at a height of from 300 to 400 miles. Mission period for each would be targeted for three years.

Most Critical Problem The magazine said reliability requirements will demand that failure of the satellites' power systems not exceed 20 per cent per year for each three-year flight period. That means, it said, that on an average, four out of every five satellites in orbit each year would be expected to be operational.

Power dependability, the magazine emphasized, is one of the most critical problems faced in such a satellite system. It said Convair is exploring and has solicited preliminary technical data on two possible avenues of solution: a radioisotope auxiliary power system and a solar energy auxiliary power system.

Belton succeeds Sigfrid "Sig" B. Unander, who resigned to accept an Eisenhower appointment to the federal maritime board.

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PACKAGE HIKES PAY, BENEFITS

Washington - (UPI) - The marathon steel dispute was settled today with increases in wages and benefits estimated by the union to be equal to 39 cents an hour spread over the next 2½ years.

Union and management reached a settlement based on recommendations by Vice President Richard M. Nixon and Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell.

Mitchell announced it after presiding over a 22-hour day-night bargaining session which started at 11 a.m. Sunday.

Details were withheld pending formal ratification but it was learned that the settlement provided for a package increase in wages and benefits expiring in mid-1962.

Fourteen cents will be in higher regular hourly wage rates—seven cents on July 1 this year and seven cents more on July 1, 1961. The rest of the 39-cent package is in wage differentials and various fringe benefits.

It was estimated roughly that the settlement would add upward of \$600 million a year to the industry's labor costs when all of the increases are in effect.

There wasn't any immediate word on whether the steel companies planned to increase prices as a result of the agreement.

The companies dropped their proposal for arbitration of the complex work-rules issue. Work rules concern local working conditions such as crew sizes, wash-up time and seniority. These matters will be referred to a joint committee for recommendations. But it said that no changes will be made without mutual agreement.

Living Cost Provision The settlement also calls for a limited cost of living provision gearing wages to increases in the government's consumer price index.

As part of the settlement, the union agreed to withdraw its court case seeking immediate payment of a 4 cent an hour living cost increase.

In addition to the wage hikes, the agreement calls for an increase in increments—the spread between job classifications—of two-tenths of one cent.

'Fringe' Changes Included This, coupled with the effect on incentive pay rates, will boost the average hourly earnings even further over the actual 14 cents in direct increases. Steel workers' present earnings are estimated to be \$3.10 an hour.

Insurance, pensions, supplemental unemployment benefits and other "fringe" changes are included in the new agreement.

R. Conrad Cooper, chief management negotiator, said the agreement was a "compromise" which gave the union something more than the companies' last offer. This had called for a three-year contract and a wage-benefit package the companies said amounted to 30 cents an hour. The union had valued the previous proposal at 22 to 24 cents an hour.

Items Taken From Tom Thumb Market Approximately \$700 worth of equipment was taken from the Tom Thumb market, 5017 Table Rock rd., some time Saturday night, state police and sheriff's offices reported today.

Darrell S. Sykes, an employee, told officers that he had entered the station attached to the market, Sunday morning and noticed the back door open.

Missing are four saddles, some bridles and other items. Thieves entered by breaking a window next to the door, officers said.

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The Earth is in Perihelion today, the point on its orbit nearest to the Sun. Our distance from the Sun at Perihelion this year is 91,342,000 miles.

WEATHER

FORECAST—Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday with valley fog late tonight, clearing by noon Tuesday. Low tonight 20. High Tuesday 38.

TEMPERATURE
Highest Yesterday 39
Lowest This Morning 17
PRECIPITATION
To 10 a.m. Today Trace

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NEGOTIATORS SHAKE HANDS — Labor Secretary James Mitchell, center, watches as R. Conrad Cooper, left, chief negotiator for the steel companies, and David J. McDonald, president of the United Steelworkers, shake hands in Washington this morning following announcement that the steel strike has been settled. Both sides adopted a settlement recommended by Vice President Nixon and Mitchell. — (UPI Telephoto)



HAPPY WORKERS — Four steelworkers in the morning's shift at Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.'s district plant at long strike is over. They are shown reporting for work. — (UPI Telephoto)

Nixon Given Share of Credit In Settlement

Washington - (UPI) - Vice President Richard M. Nixon was publicly given the lion's share of credit for settlement of the long, costly steel dispute today.

"Without the vice president, we would not have had a settlement," Labor Secretary James P. Mitchell told a news conference where the agreement was announced.

Mitchell recounted that he and Nixon had met eight or 10 times at the vice president's home with key leaders of both sides.

At the secret sessions at the Nixon home, the vice president talked in concrete "dollars and cents" figures and made a firm economic recommendation, Mitchell said.

Influence Significant He declined to say whether the formula agreed to today was identical with that suggested by himself and Nixon, but said that the vice president's "influence, prestige and leadership were very significant in this settlement."

The labor secretary reported that those at meetings at the Nixon home were Steelworkers Union President David J. McDonald, U.S. Steel Corporation Chairman Roger Bough, and R. Conrad Cooper, chief negotiator for management.

Mitchell also disclosed that last Thursday night Nixon met with heads of the 11 "big steel" firms in New York City while en route to California for the Rose Bowl football game.

Both McDonald and Cooper commended Nixon, Mitchell and President Eisenhower for their mediation efforts.

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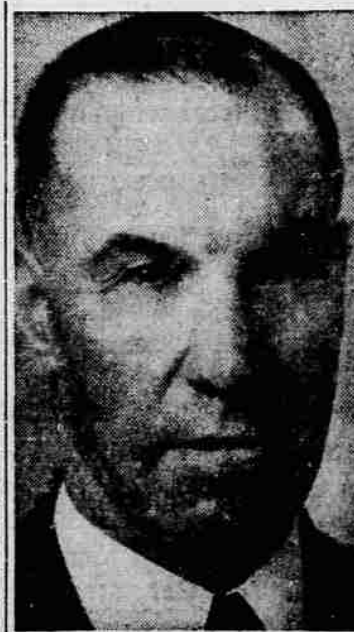
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