

Proposed Rate Cut in Grain Shipments Aired

Portland - (UPI) - A battle over a proposed rate reduction in railroad grain shipments to Pacific Northwest ports gained in intensity Wednesday.

The lower Columbia river ports of Vancouver, Longview, Astoria, and the Port of Portland commission joined in a petition asking the interstate commerce commission to suspend the reductions scheduled to go into effect Sept. 30.

Voices Support

In Pendleton Tuesday night the legislative interim committee on agriculture voted to support the proposed rate reductions. The committee's resolution asked the Port of Portland, the dock commission and other public bodies to refrain from action opposing the rate reductions.

Railroads have said the reductions would bring an estimated saving to Northwest wheat growers of \$7 million a year.

The petition approved by the lower Columbia river ports was prepared by the Portland commission of public docks.

The deadline for filing the petition is Sept. 18.

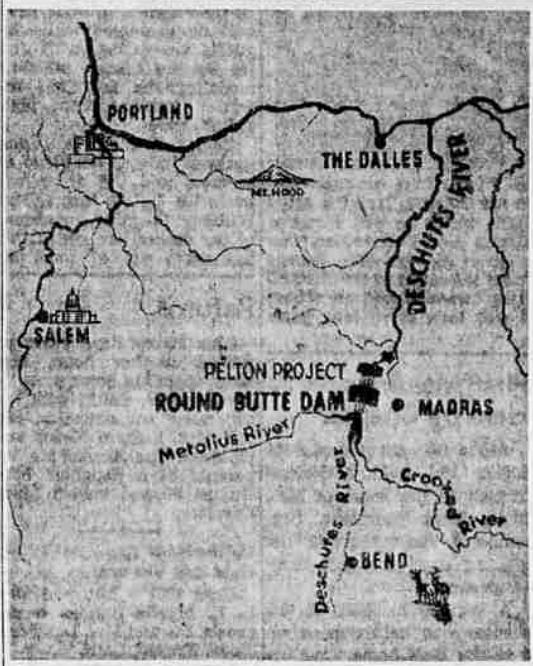
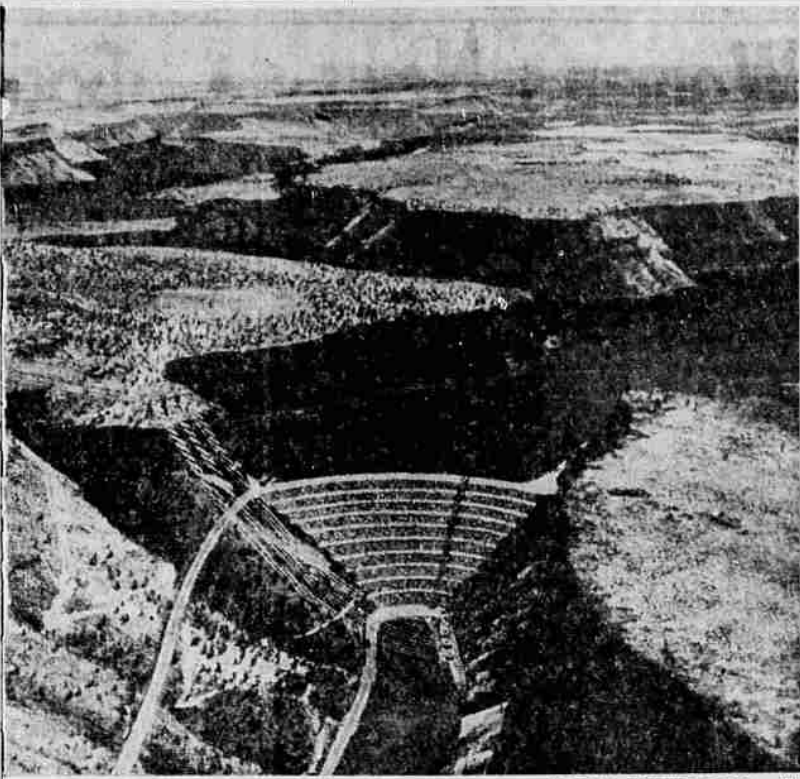
The dock commission in Portland said the action taken today was not aimed at any particular form of transportation but that the ICC was being asked to make a thorough investigation of the effect of the reductions on competitive carriers.

Lengthy Consideration

It said the decision to join in the request for suspension was made "only after a lengthy consideration of the possible effect of the proposed rates on up-county farmers, on other commodity rates, and on the economic justification of navigation improvements in the Columbia river system, including the 40-foot channel."

The ports who were represented expressed themselves as favoring the lowest possible rates for all forms of transportation which are compensatory and which would not drive any mode of transportation out of a particular field.

The Dalles - (UPI) - Residents of the Port of The Dalles district have turned down a \$1.5 million general obligation bond proposal for new port facilities by a margin of about 8 to 1.



Portland - (UPI) - An order delaying opening of the Columbia river commercial salmon season from Sept. 15 until Sept. 19 has been an anti-bond proposal for new port facilities by a margin of about 8 to 1.

British Star Becomes Most Sought-After Actor in Hollywood

By VERNON SCOTT
Hollywood - (UPI) - On the basis of a single movie, British star Laurence Harvey has become the most sought-after actor in Hollywood - more so than box-office champ Rock Hudson and clan leader Frank Sinatra combined.

Harvey, nominated for an Oscar this year for his performance in "Room at the Top," has reached the top and finds more room there than he had expected.

The ex-Shakespearean has already signed for five more pictures and has enough others lined up to keep him working for the next three years.

His explanation: "There is a demand for me because there's a shortage of leading men."

Not particularly handsome, and unschooled in New York's "method" of mumbbling, scratching and eye shifting, Harvey is unique.

Scripts Important

"If I accept all the offers, I can go from one picture to the next for 10 years," he said. "The important thing is good scripts. If an actor can find the right property he doesn't have to worry about money. They are a form of collateral that can barter for financing."

The sandy-haired Englishman has acquired several properties himself and has

formed his own production company.

But before he opens store, he is duty bound to star in "The Spinster," "Summer and Smoke," "A Borrowed Life," "A Distant Trumpet" and "The Long, the Short and the Tall."

Portrays Russian

"I play an Englishman only in 'The Spinster.' In the others I portray a Southerner, a Russian, a Yale man and various Europeans," said 31-year-old Harvey.

Another measure of his sudden success is his leading ladies. He is scheduled to work with Elizabeth Taylor, Kim Novak, Ava Gardner and Shirley MacLaine.

"There's a sixth picture that I neglected to mention," he said. "I must leave for Tokyo this week to scout locations for 'Tamika.'"

"That's another exciting thing about making movies today. My films will be made all over the world. Instead of staying in one place posing like ladies and gentlemen, actors have become tramps and vagabonds again."

The first Confederate flag was made in Montgomery, Ala.

The Takahē, flightless bird of New Zealand, is a type of morhen weighing about five pounds.

Head Capacity Of Ancient Man Said Determined

Washington - (Science Service) - Oreopithecus bambolii, the ancient man-like creature who walked the earth in what is now Italy some 12,000,000 years ago has had his skull pieced together and the cranial capacity determined.

His cranial capacity can "reasonably be regarded" as somewhere between 276 and 529 cubic centimeters, Drs. William L. Straus Jr. and Miguel A. Schon, anatomists of Johns Hopkins university in Baltimore, Md., who made the determination, reported in the current issue of Science.

The cranial capacity of the ancient Oreopithecus almost certainly falls within the ranges of variation of two of the great apes, the orang-utan and the chimpanzee, the scientists reported.

The cranial capacity is much larger than that recorded for an Old World monkey, they said.

Super-Family

The cranial capacity definitely identifies Oreopithecus as a member of the Hominoidea, the super-family that includes both the anthropoid apes and man and his immediate forerunners. The reconstruction, however, the scientists conclude, is of no help in deciding whether this creature belongs among the

'Beatness' Merely Self-Consciousness

New York - (Science Service) - The "beatness" of today's beatniks is merely apathy grown self-conscious, Dr. Edwin H. Powell of the American Sociological Association annual meeting here.

The rebellion of the "beat generation" represents a shift from radicalism to bohemianism, from active protest against an institutional order to a preoccupation with personal relations.

Where a radical would try to change society, the beatnik revolts by trying to establish an individual identity. This identity he achieves through a refusal to act.

The "beat" cult enables the individual to stand apart without standing for any ideology. All the eccentric expressions of the cult, such as rites, rituals, dress and a special slang, contribute to this feeling of apartness, Dr. Powell and the use of drugs

apes, man and his cousins, or in a family of his own.

The ancient skull was found in 1958 embedded in a coal mine at Baccinello, Italy, although an earlier specimen was described in the scientific literature of 1872, by Dr. Paul Gervais and wrongly identified as a monkey. The many bone fragments were pieced together and a plaster reconstruction of the skull was made by the Swiss scientist, Dr. Johannes Hurzeler.

and religious mysticism may also enhance this feeling.

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ROUND BUTTE DAM - The drawing above is an artist's conception of the proposed Round Butte Dam while the map at left shows the location of the Portland General Electric project.

PGE Authorized By FPC to Build Round Butte Dam

Portland - Round Butte, the controversial \$72 million Deschutes river hydroelectric project to be built by Portland General Electric company, has been authorized by the federal power commission in Washington, D.C.

The license for the project, which will be the biggest dam ever to be built within Oregon, was offered in the form of an amendment to the existing Pelton Dam license.

Thomas W. Dezell, the utility's board chairman and chief executive officer, commenting on the license offer, said: "We have not yet had an opportunity to examine the license in detail, but on the basis of the information we have received the license appears entirely satisfactory."

One Change Made

Only one change was made by the FPC in PGE's license application.

The power commission order specifies that PGE must provide a downstream river flow of 3500 cubic feet per second during March, April, May and June. The utility had requested that the minimum flows be set at 3000 cfs during April, 3500 cfs during May and 4000 cfs during June.

Round Butte will almost double the output of PGE's seven existing projects. Its capacity will be 300,000 kilowatts with an estimated average yearly output of 925 million kilowatt-hours. It will take three years to build.

Will Flood Park
The giant earth-fill dam will back up waters to flood Cove State Park, but PGE will finance two larger parks in replacement. Negotiations now are under way with the state highway department for planning of the new parks. The lake formed by Round Butte will have 60 miles of scenic shoreline and is to be named for Billy Chinook, Warm Springs Indian hero and scout for explorer captain J. C. Fremont.

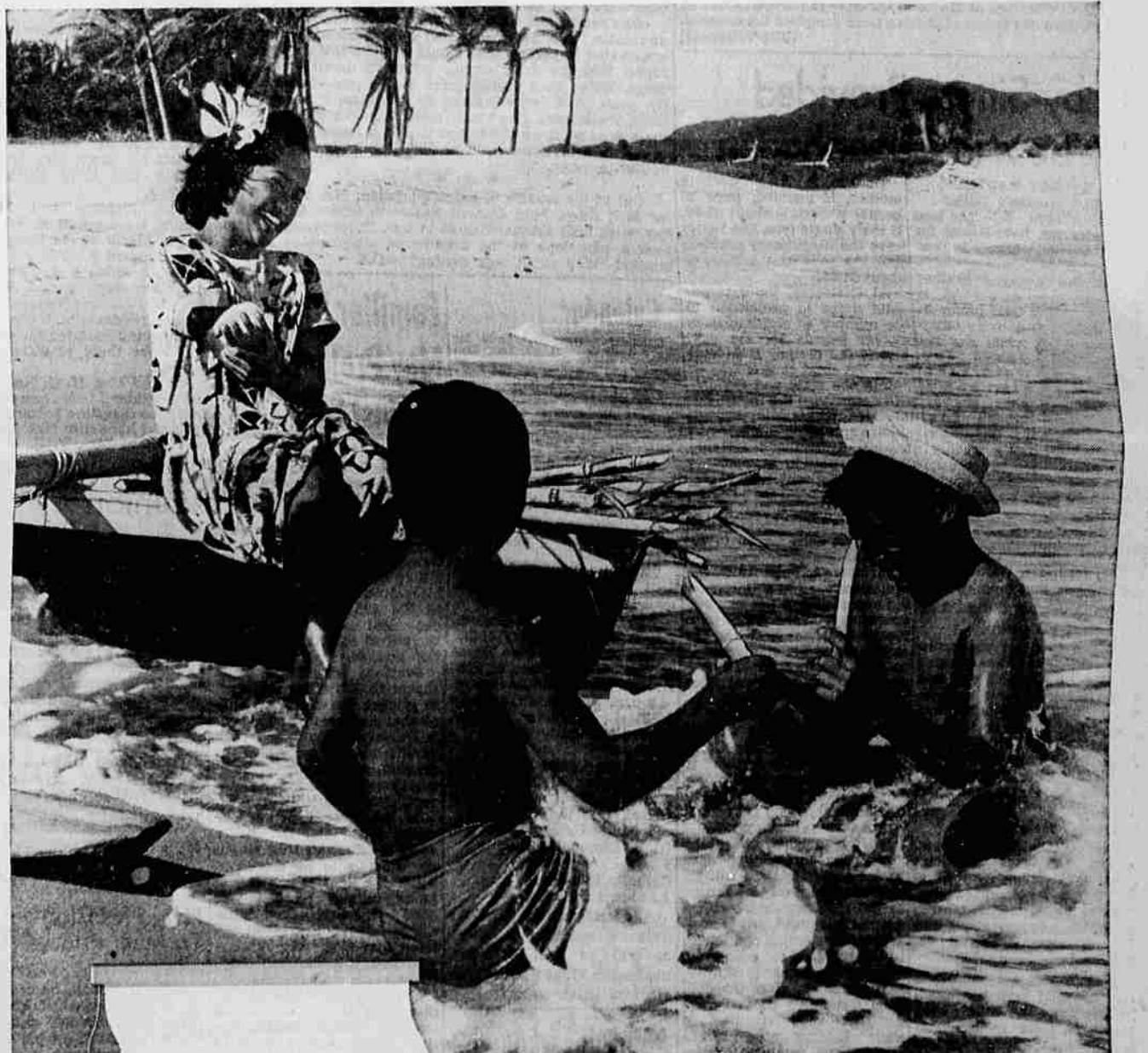
PGE chief executive Dezell said his company was "extremely gratified" that the PFC has granted the license, and he indicated the utility was anxious to start construction.

He pointed out, however, that a state license application was still pending before the state Water Resources board. "We are hoping that the state agency will take early and favorable action on the matter," Dezell concluded.

Saturn Radio Waves Measured

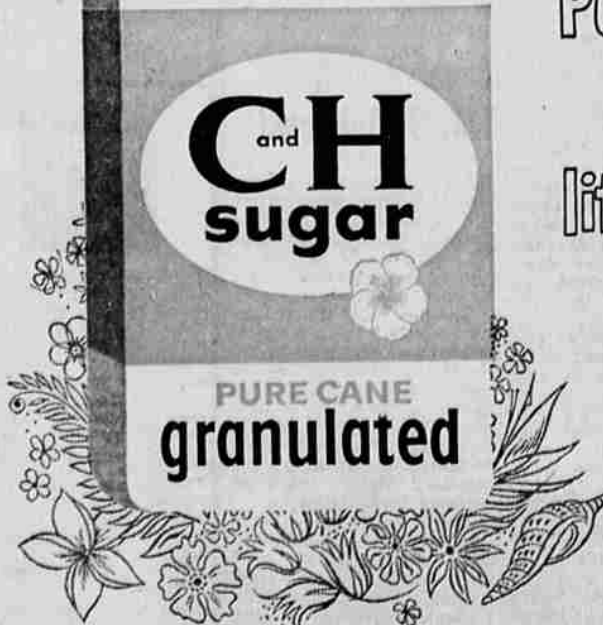
London - (Science Service) - Clear radio waves from the planet Saturn and from a remote, gas-surrounded dying star have been measured for the first time. The University of Michigan's head of radio astronomy, Prof. Fred T. Hadcock, reported the university's pioneer measurements to the 13th General Assembly of the International Scientific Radio Union here.

The scientists used the university's 85-foot radio telescope. The data showed Saturn's atmospheric temperature is minus 283 degrees Fahrenheit. The gas-surrounded star - called planetary nebula, New Galactic Catalog 6543 - is 3,000 light years away.



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