

Astoria-Megler Bridge Gets Final Legislative Approval



Start of Span Construction in 8 Months Seen

Salem—(UPI)—Final legislative approval was given to the Astoria-Megler bridge late Tuesday. Highway officials said construction of the Columbia river span should begin within eight months.

The 4.1 mile toll bridge won sanction of the Senate 28-1. The bill went to Gov. Mark Hatfield who already has said he will sign it. The House approved earlier.

The action climaxed 30 years of planning, work, and ideas.

The \$24 million, two-lane bridge will abolish an outdated ferry system. It will close the only gap in U.S. Highway 101 between Canada and Mexico.

The proposed toll is \$1.75 per car with trucks paying slightly more, depending on their size.

A projected construction schedule has the span opening for traffic in 1964.

Hare Only Dissenter

The lone dissenter was Sen. John Hare (R-Hillsboro), who complained that Washington state should pay half the cost. The states have agreed that Washington will pay 34.4 percent and Oregon 65.6 percent, splitting the tolls 50-50 when the bridge is paid for in 1983.

Tolls will not be enough at first to pay for costs. The contract to be signed with Washington, probably in July, calls for Oregon to pay the first \$100,000 of any deficit. The rest will be split with Washington not to pay any more than \$200,000 in any year.

Each state will build its own approach. Washington's will cost \$180,000 and Oregon's \$1.5 million—more costly because the ship channel is on the Oregon side.

Committee Deadlocked

The House Judiciary Committee remained deadlocked after another stab at approval of a constitutional amendment to end the death penalty. Chairman George Van Hoomissen said there apparently would be no capital punishment legislation this session.

A hotly contested Senate bill to give the public utility commissioner new powers in determining what utilities may serve what areas won 4-3 approval of the House Planning Committee. Public power backers say the bill is intended to destroy people's utility districts and assure private power of the lion's share of customers.

A bill for \$17 million in bonds for highways 101 and 22 was tabled by the House Highways Committee, 5-4. A \$10 million bonding bill for Highway 197 was trimmed to \$4 million and approved. Also approved was a bill requiring all new cars starting in 1962 to be equipped with safety seat belts.

United Press International

The biggest known underground chamber in the world is the Big Room of the Carlsbad Caverns, New Mexico. It is 4,000 feet long, 300 feet high and up to 825 feet wide.

Klamath Falls Man Changes Court Plea

Wendell Floyd Long, 31, Klamath Falls, recently in circuit court withdrew his plea of innocent, and entered a plea of guilty to charges of burglary not in a dwelling.

A presentence report was requested by Long. Ben Day was appointed his attorney.

Long was charged with breaking into a sporting goods store in Medford Feb. 9.

David Albert Hoffer, 26, Holland hotel, Medford, pleaded innocent to charges of breaking into two Central Point stores. Trial was set May 1, on the first charge, and May 8 on the second charge.

Wilburn Dell Crawford, 37, Modesto, Calif., was arraigned in circuit court, and Otto Frohnmayer was appointed his attorney.

He is charged with uttering and publishing a false check.

Crown Zellerbach Earnings Decline

San Francisco—(UPI)—Crown Zellerbach Corporation reported Tuesday that 1961 earnings were slightly lower than the first three months of 1960.

Earnings for the first quarter were \$8,328,000, 9 per cent less than the \$9,116,000 earned during the first quarter last year. Net income per share was 58 cents in 1961, compared with 64 cents in 1960.

Sales for the first three months showed a slight increase over 1960.



WHO IS J. R.?

U.S. Pledged To Block Armed Intervention by Russia in Cuba

Washington—(UPI)—The United States was firmly pledged today to block any Soviet armed intervention in Cuba.

President Kennedy warned Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev Tuesday night this country would not immediately to hurl back any "military intervention by outside force."

The President's sternly worded note also cautioned Russia against using the Cuban situation as a pretext "to inflame other areas of the world."

Khrushchev charged the United States had aided the invasion and said Russia would "extend to the Cuban people and its government all the necessary aid to repel the armed attack on Cuba."

The American note, handed to Soviet Ambassador Mikhail Menshikov at the State Department, was a reply to a message from Khrushchev asking Kennedy "to put an end to the aggression against the republic of Cuba."

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In some Latin American countries, rioters inflamed by anti-American speeches turned their fury on Roman Catholic churches, local anti-Communist newspapers and other targets.

There were strong indications of international organization in the riots. Throughout Latin America, from the back-

woods of Mexico to the capital of Bolivia, the rioters screamed the same slogans and used the same weapons— Molotov cocktails and incendiaries.

The worst outbreaks reported occurred in Venezuela, where 16-year-old Edgar Gonzalez Marquez was shot and killed and about 35 persons injured and 30 arrested in rioting in Caracas and the "oil capital" of Maracaibo.

A mob in Concepcion, Chile, burned a U.S. flag in the streets and stoned the U.S. Consulate and the Chilean-American Cultural Institute.

Three rioters and two policemen were injured.

In Guatemala, mobs shouting "Viva Fidel! Kill the cursed Kennedy!" stoned the offices of Pan-American World Airways, United Fruit and other American companies in Guatemala City.

United States had aided the invasion and said Russia would "extend to the Cuban people and its government all the necessary aid to repel the armed attack on Cuba."

The President also addressed himself to Khrushchev's statement that the Cuban situation, if allowed to proceed, might "provoke a chain reaction" all over the world.

Kennedy said: "I have taken careful note of your statement that the events in Cuba might affect peace in all parts of the world. I trust that this does not mean that the Soviet government, using the situation in Cuba as a pretext, is plan-

ning to inflame other areas of the world.

hoped "to assist their fellow Cubans in their struggle for freedom."

Kennedy denied the United States had engaged in military intervention in Cuba, and he made it clear any Soviet armed intervention would be met by U. S. action.

Riots Around World Protest Alleged U.S. Aid To Invaders

By United Press International

Communist-led demonstrations protesting alleged U.S. aid to the anti-Castro invaders of Cuba spread around the world today in a wave of violence recalling the Red-organized anti-Belgian riots set off by the Congo ex-Premier Patrice Lumumba.

There were growing indications of anti-Communist resistance to the mobs in Latin America, scene of the worst outbreaks of violence.

In Moscow, U.S. Charge d'Affaires Edward Freers was expected today to protest Tuesday's attack on the em-

bassy by mobs of Russians.

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CORRESPONDENT JAILED—Henry Raymond, United Press International correspondent in Havana, has been jailed by the Cuban government. Raymond, left, is shown conferring with Cuban President Osvaldo Dorticos at a Havana reception earlier this year.

Turner Catledge, president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, has pledged to do whatever possible to win freedom for Raymond and other American newsmen arrested by the Castro regime.

(UPI Telephoto)

World Tensions, Poor Reports Lead Stock Prices Downward

New York—(UPI)—Stocks continued sharply on the downside this morning in the wake of international tensions and a flood of quarterly earnings reports.

Losses of a point or more were widespread.

American Telephone, Chrysler, Ford, U.S. Steel, Youngstown Sheet, Ansoconda and Du Pont dropped more than a point in the blue chips.

Down between 3 and 5 were IBM, Zenith, Kerr-Mc-

Gee, Paramount Pictures, Pfaunder and Revlon.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

New York - (UPI) - Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 Industrials 890.89, off 8.12; 20 railroads 141.89, off 0.48; 15 utilities 111.95, off 0.49; and 85 stocks 229.24, off 1.58.

Sales Tuesday were about 4.83 million shares compared with 5.58 million shares Monday.

Tuesday's prices on selected stocks:

Allied Chemical	60 1/4
Alum Co. Am	73
American Airlines	22 3/4
American Can (nd)	40 3/4
American Motors	44 1/4
A T & T	126 3/4
American Tobacco	50
Ansoconda Copper	27 1/4
Armco Steel	72 1/4
Bendix Corp	64 1/4
Boeing Air	42 1/4
Burns & McDonnell	44 1/4
Caterpillar Corp	38 1/4
Chrysler Corp	46 1/4
Coca Cola	38 1/4
Continental Can	38 1/4
Crown Zellerbach	37 1/4
Crucible Steel	21
Curtis Wright	20
Du Pont	21 1/4
Eastman Kodak	11 1/4
Ferrostaal	38 1/4
Ford	83 1/4
General Electric	92 1/4
General Foods	79 1/4
General Motors	45 1/4
Georgia Pacific	66 1/4
Graham Paige	3 1/4
Grain Processing	24 1/4
Healy Oil	38 1/4
Homeslake Mining	42

Portland Traffic Patrolman Killed

Portland—(UPI)—Roger L. Davies, 30, Portland traffic patrolman, was killed Tuesday afternoon when his motorcycle and a car collided in the downtown area.

Driver of the car, Mrs. Editha Tucker, 57, Corvallis, was not hurt.

Davies is survived by his widow and five children.

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