Region Utilities Advised to Unite In New Projects

Portland–(UPI) – Bonneville Power Administrator Charles Luce said today Pacific Northwest utilities should coordinate their plans for new power projects to help keep rates down.

Luce said there was a need to avoid excesses and deficits of power that would interfere with orderly growth of the region.

"A coordinated plan to develop these resources—one which would avoid surpluses and shortages—would contribute greatly toward maintaining the lowest possible BPA rates of the consumer and the growth of the region," he said.

In commenting on BPA's advance program to meet needs through 1973, released today, Luce said the proposed intertie with the Southwest would help balance loads by providing an outlet for temporary surpluses.

The advance program said eight million kilowatts of new capacity would be needed to meet area load growth in the next 10 years.

Luce said the Northwest had made progress in the past few years in coordinating operation of dams and "now must apply the same principle to construction."

He said that with construction of a steam plant at Hanford assured the region will avert a serious shortage in late 1965. In 1967 power from John Day and Lower Monumental dams will come on the line.

The advance BPA program said some public agencies were planning projects that will begin to produce power about the time John Day and Lower Monumental dams will add 1.75 million kilowatts of capacity. He said the surplus of power would become even larger if Canada ratifies the treaty to develop the upper Columbia River.

Even Waste Costly

"The region's economy pays for the cost of power," the advance program said, "and it pays whether is used or wasted."

The program said "if the region is to keep its power costs at the lowest possible level, priority in scheduling should be given to the lower cost federal multipurpose projects."

It said that in 1963 a firm power surplus of 5.6 billion kilowatt hours will exist in the Northwest. This will disappear in 1965-66 but reappear in 1967-68, the report said.

AGREED TO SETTLEMENT—Southern Pacific railroad and Brotherhood of Railway clerks agreed to a "full and final" settlement of their five-year dispute over automation in San Francisco Saturday. Above, after agreements were signed, union and railroad officials shook hands. They are (left to right) Lester P. Schoene, union counsel; C. L. Dennis, vice grand president of Railway Brotherhood; Lee Sloan, assistant personnel manager for SP; and Milton A. McIntry, general manager of SP. (UPI)

Performers to Testify on Rating

Washington– (UPI) –Performers get their first opportunity to testify before a congressional committee investigating broadcast ratings and their influence on radio and television programs.

Johnny Carson, host of NBC's "Tonight" television program is scheduled to appear today. Others are expected to follow during the hearings conducted by the House Commerce Special Investigating committee.

Later, representatives of A. C. Nielson Co., the largest of the audience measuring services, will testify before the committee during its third week of hearings.

The company probably will be questioned about the number of persons it asks about the programs they watch and how it compiles reports to organizations hiring them to make the surveys.

The ABC radio network has complained to the committee that some of the reports it has received conflicted. Committee investigators have indicated they think the number of those questioned in the surveys was too small to represent viewing and listening preferences.

Other congressional news:

Taxes: The U.S. Chamber of Commerce requested a $8.6 billion tax cut this year rather than spread over three years as requested by President Kennedy. Cuts are needed, Joel Barlow, chairman of the chamber's taxation committee, told the House Ways and Means committee in prepared testimony "to avoid the recession the President has been talking about."

Space: Chairman Clinton P. Anderson (D-N.M.) said his Senate Space committee plans a review of the nation's space program and especially its increasingly high cost. Although Anderson said specific lines of inquiry have not been decided, he indicated interest in some projects which may involve duplication.

McNamara: Sen. William Proxmire (D-Wis.) said Sunday some congressional critics of Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara attack him because they want his power to award weapons contracts.

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Foreign Briefs

JFK TRIP RILES COMMUNISTS

Tokyo–(UPI)–Communist North Korea charged today that President Kennedy's Costa Rica trip is aimed at "whipping together the Central American countries" for a new plot against Cuba. Pyongyang radio, heard here, called the meeting "an intolerable challenge and insult to the Cuban people."

STORMS KILL 13 IN PAKISTAN

Dacca, East Pakistan–(UPI)–Storm's killed 13 persons in East Pakistan last week, according to reports received here today. Sixteen persons were injured when a cyclone swept a train from its tracks 60 miles from Dacca. The storm-hit area was cut off from the capital for four days.

FILES IN HANDS OF AUTHORITIES

Leopoldville–(UPI)–Joseph Ileo, the central government's representative in Elisabethville, reported yesterday that files on 300 white mercenaries who served in the Katangese army now are in the hands of Leopoldville authorities.

He said two mercenaries have been arrested and the dossiers will enable officials to find out which of the others have left Katanga and which stayed after the central government takeover of the province in January.

NEW IRANIAN PRINCESS NAMED

Tehran–(UPI)–Iran's new princess was named Massoumeh Fahrahnaz in a ceremony yesterday in the Shah's palace. The princess, Empress Farah's second child and first daughter, was born last week. Farahnaz means "Farah's Pet."

Panel to Meet to Settle Five Issues In Automation Dispute

San Francisco – (UPI) – A three-man arbitration panel will meet in San Francisco this week to settle the five remaining issues in the lengthy automation dispute between Southern Pacific Railroad and the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks.

The railroad and the union signed two agreements Saturday night, ending a two-month constant strike threat by the 11,000-member brotherhood in seven western states.

The key agreement was a contract on 175 of the issues in the five-year dispute. It provided the union's members almost complete protection against dismissal as a result of automation.

The second document was an agreement, as requested last week by President Kennedy, to settle the five remaining issues by binding arbitration.

Neutral Member

J. Keith Mann, 38, associate dean of the Stanford University Law School, was named as the neutral member of the arbitration board Sunday by Kennedy. The railroad and union have not announced their representatives for the panel.

The five issues remaining are: 1. Details of job retraining for clerks; 2. A formula which the company could reduce the work force in time of economic distress; 3. The time the railroad would be given to re-hire employees laid off because of "acts of God," such as floods or earthquakes; 4. Money to be paid by the railroad to employees transferred from regular work areas, and 5. Means by which workers, who receive job retraining and still fail to qualify, can be rehabilitated.

Natural Attrition

Terms of Saturday's primary agreement provide that jobs within the union's jurisdiction could be eliminated only by natural attrition — death, retirement, resignation, promotion or discharge for cause.

Federal Mediator Frank O'Neill, who had conducted the negotiations since union members threatened to walk off their jobs on Feb. 6, said the company was given "attrition credit." This gives SP the choice of either doing away with the job, filling the position with a man whose job it considers obsolete, or putting another employee in any other job it wishes filled.

Boy Learns About 'The Wee Folk' in Letter from JFK

Fremont, Calif–(UPI)–This is a St. Patrick's Day story about a 10-year-old boy, the Irishman who lives in the White House, and the "little people."

Mark Aaron Perdue, who attends a special class for retarded children in Fremont, wrote a letter to President Kennedy March 5. He was wondering about the little people, and he thought the President as an Irishman, might be able to help him.

"Where do the little people live," his letter asked. "Do they live under bushes" Do they have horses. Can only the Irish see them? You are an Irishman. Can you see them."

His answer came on Saturday, the eve of St. Patrick's Day. The President's letter read:

"Dear Mark:

"I want to thank you for your nice letter. I enjoyed hearing from you and hearing about your school.

"Your questions are quite pertinent, coming as they do just before St. Patrick's Day. There are many legends 'bout the "little people' but what they all add up to is this: If you really believe, you will see them.

Long Beards

"My 'little people' are very small, wear tall black stovepipe hats, green coats and pants, and have long white beards.

"They do not have horses. I have never been able to determine where they live. They are most friendly and their message is that all the peoples of the world should live in peace and friendship.

"Since you are interested in the Irish, I want to wish you a happy St. Patrick's Day. With every good wish to you and your brothers, Chris and David."

Dead-Pan Comic Greatly Improved

Canoga Park, Calif. – (UPI) – Buster Keaton, 66, famed for his dead-pan comedy, was reported "greatly improved" today in West Hills Doctors' hospital where he was taken Sunday for observation.

The comedian was originally thought to be suffering from pneumonia, but doctors said an examination showed he had only a minor chest congestion. Attendants said Keaton probably would be released Tuesday.

Georgia-Pacific Tells Output Plans

Portland – (UPI) – Georgia-Pacific Corp. announced Sundays it would bring its Toledo, Ore., pulp mill to an output of 800 tons a day within a year.

A spokesman said modifications of the mill machines will permit 200 tons a day more output than the current 600 tons. Most of it will be containerboard.

Work is scheduled to begin in April.

Log Haulers Have New Load Height

Salem — Log truck haulers were granted another foot of payload space as a result of action recently by the state highway commission.

The commission amended a resolution which previously had forbidden log trucks to haul loads higher than 12 feet, 6 inches. The new ruling now allows haulers to load their logs to a height of 13 feet, 6 inches, the same height limitation as on other vehicles.

State Highway Engineer Forrest Cooper recommended the permit change. He pointed out the lack of accidents in loss of loads and the improvements in hauling equipment and the better methods of securing loads in recent years.

The new height will apply to all log trucks, providing the bunks on which the logs are carried are equipped with stakes.

Except on a few highways where the higher loads are prohibited because of low structures, all vehicles will now be permitted to haul loads having a maximum height of 13 feet 6 inches, with the exception of vehicles transporting lumber. Oregon law presently prohibits lumber trucks from going beyond a height of 12 feet, 6 inches.

On Trading Stamps Hearing Scheduled

Salem–(UPI)–A public hearing on the trading stamp bill has been set for 3 p.m. April 3 in the Capitol Building, it was announced today.

Opponents of the bill written by Rep. Eugene Hulett, (D-Eugene), charge the bill would impose such prohibitive conditions that use of trading stamps would be halted.

Washington — (UPI) — Corporate profits in 1962 hit a new high of more than $26 billion, government figures indicate. The previous high was set in 1959 when corporations cleared $24.5 billion. The biggest gains in the last three months of 1962 were racked up by autos, chemicals, rails and utilities.

Cancer Meeting For Nurses Slated In City March 20

DR. CLIFFORD ALLEN
Featured Speaker

Dr. Clifford V. Allen, professor and director of radiation therapy at the University of Oregon medical school, will be the featured speaker at the first Cancer Conference for Nurses in Medford March 20.

Topic of his address, which will be given at 3:30 p.m. in the Rogue Valley hospital auditorium, is "X-ray and Radioisotope Therapy."

Dr. Allen was honored in 1962 by the "John R. Tomlin Award in Support of Radiation Therapy," in commemoration of the late Medford philanthropist.

He received his medical training at the University of Iowa medical school, and from 1955 to 1960 held the post of chief of radio-therapy and isotope service at the Veterans' hospital in Portland. He is past president of the Oregon Radiological Society, a member of the Tumor Institute at Swedish hospital, Seattle, and a trustee of the National Society of Nuclear Medicine.

Two Medford physicians also will participate in the conference. They are Dr. Roland M. Mayer, surgeon, who is on the staffs of Sacred Heart hospital and Rogue Valley Memorial hospital; and Dr. Otto Emig, gynecologist at Sacred Heart and Rogue Valley Memorial hospitals. Dr. Mayer will speak at 1 p.m. and Dr. Emig at 7 p.m.

The role played by the nurse in treating cancer will be discussed by afternoon and evening panels. Panel members will be Mrs. Joan Bass, R.N., graduate of the Emmanuel hospital school of nursing, Portland, who is now with the Jackson County Health department; Mrs. Roberta Croyle, R.N., graduate of the Jewish hospital, Cincinnati, who is at present with Rogue Valley hospital as in-service educational instructor; Mrs. Blanche Frisbie, R.N., nursing supervisor in the Jackson county health department for 21 years after study in public health at the Oregon medical school. Mrs. Frisbie is now service chairman of Jackson County unit, American Cancer Society. Also on the panel will be Mrs. Grace Reymers, executive secretary of the Society's Jackson-Klamath county units.

The conference planning is a joint effort by the Oregon Nurses' associati , District 4, and the American Cancer society.

Juvenile Art Show Planned at Gallery

An exhibit of juvenile art featuring paintings and drawings of Janel Lessing, 13, of Las Angeles, opens today at Rogue Gallery, 220 West Main st.

It is one of three events scheduled this week by the Rogue Valley Art association.

The exhibit attracted national attention recently through an article in the Saturday Evening Post magazine. Included in the exhibit will be selected examples of pre-school and elementary school are by local students, it was stated.

Next Sunday the student artists will be honored at a reception at the gallery at 2 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19 the French film, "Rififi," will be shown for art association members and guests at 8 p.m. in the small auditorium at Medford High school. The film, a mystery written and directed by Jules Dassin, was made in 1956.

DECLINES INVITATION

Jerusalem, Israel –(UPI)– A heavy work schedule will force Premier David Ben-Gurion to decline an invitation to Time Magazine's 40th anniversary celebration in New York in May, government sources said here Wednesday.

Plant Disease Short Course Set Tomorrow

Basic information on plant diseases designed to assist growers, gardeners and others interested in plant disease development and control will be given during a plant disease short course in the Jackson county extension service auditorium starting at 10 a.m. tomorrow, according to County Agent Don Berry.

Talks are on plant diseases and their controls by Dr. Ira Deep, Oregon State university botanist; tissue culture methods by Dr. Leo Jones, OSU botanist; plant disease clinic, by Iain MacSwan, OSU plant pathologist; virus diseases and mother blocks, by Dr. John Milbrath, OSU plant pathologist; insect transmission of plant disease, by Dr. Pete Westigard, Southern Oregon Branch Experiment station entomologist.

Actress Recovering From Pill Overdose

Santa Monica, Calif – (UPI) – Actress Mercedes McCambridge was reported in fair condition today at Santa Monica hospital where she was recovering from an overdose of sleeping pills.

Miss McCambridge, who was 45 Sunday, was taken to the hospital Saturday night by her son, John Lawrence Markle, 21, who said he found her unconscious in her apartment. Attendants at the hospital said the actress, who won an Academy Award in 1950 for best supporting player in the film, "All the King's Men," was "much improved," but it was to early to know how long she would be in the hospital.

Washington – (UPI) – The Supreme Court meets today to hand down decisions and orders after a two-week recess for opinion writing.

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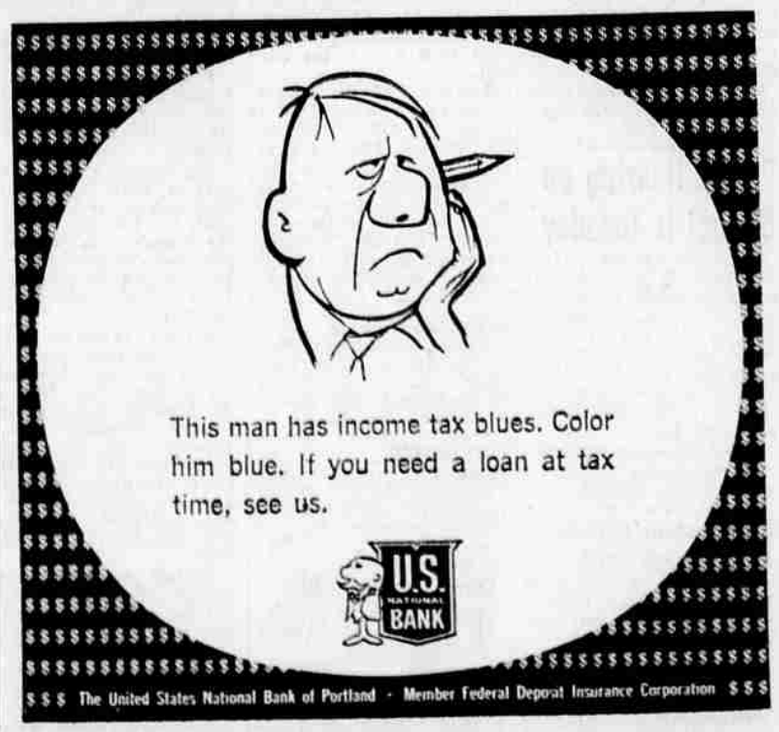

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