

Interstate Makes Bid For Utility

NEW YORK, June 7 (AP)—Interstate Electric, Inc., non-profit corporation formed by representatives of 13 public and cooperative agencies in Washington and Oregon, today offered to buy the entire electric properties of the Pacific Power and Light company for \$34,400,000.

The offer was made to Howard L. Aller, president of the American Power and Light Co., parent organization, by Charles Baker, Walla Walla, president of Interstate Electric. It included an alternative to purchase the voting stock of Pacific Power and Light Co., rather than the properties.

The offer was detailed in a letter in which Interstate's directorate, through Baker, recalled that American Power and Light had been ordered by the securities and exchange commission to dispose of its holdings and to dissolve.

Represented in Interstate Electric are: The Benton Rural Electric association, the Benton County Public Utility District No. 1, the Franklin County Public Utility District No. 1, Columbia County Rural Electric association, Umatilla Electric Cooperative association, Clark County Public Utility District No. 1, Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative, Walla Walla Electric Cooperative, Wasco Electric Cooperative, Klickitat County Public Utility District No. 1, Central Oregon Public Utility District and the Wickup County Public Utility District.

Additionally, he said, the Walla Walla Electric Cooperative has been organized to construct a new distribution system in that city; the Northern Wasco PUD has voted a franchise to construct a new distribution system at The Dalles, Ore., and the Hood River Electric Cooperative has constructed and energized a small distribution system to serve P. P. and L. customers in the Hood River valley and will expand it as materials are available.

G. P. Cavemen Panic Capitol

SALEM, June 7 (AP)—Panic prevailed in the state capitol Thursday afternoon as the Grants Pass Cavemen stormed through state offices kidnapping stenographers.

The capitol and state library buildings were filled with screams of women who were snatched by the two score bearded cavemen. They brought along their judge to conduct wedding ceremonies, but the girls refused to marry the men in the animal skins.

Two pretty cave girls came with them, but they disappointed the male employees by not capturing anybody.

The Cavemen were out to get Governor Earl Snell and Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell Jr., but both were away from their offices. Governor Snell had left for the state grange convention at Baker, and Farrell had gone to the state home for feeble-minded persons on an official visit.

The party, which stayed here an hour, was on its way to the Portland Rose Festival.

Chinese Truce Stalls Battle

NANKING, June 7 (AP)—Guns of China's warring factions were ordered silenced at noon today for 15 days of last-chance peace negotiations, delaying the prospects for an all-out battle in Manchuria which had threatened to break out at any moment.

As the cease-fire deadline passed, there was no word here as to effectiveness of the truce.

It was probable that some fighting between communist and government forces would continue, particularly in such areas as the Anshan steel district where the rivals are widely intermixed, but the threat of full-scale civil war was gone at least for a fortnight.

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WAC Captain Admits Theft

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lives," Miller remarked. "They were on one of the floors that was burned out."

Detailing the arrest of the Wac, Miller told a news conference:

"At noon Monday she had confessed her share. By 4 a. m. Tuesday we had her share of the loot, which comprised about 25 to 30 per cent of the amount stolen.

"The colonel had the rest."

While asserting that "we do not have the jewelry that the colonel admitted having," Miller indicated that military authorities know where it is.

As to the two other suspects, Miller said "We will grab them before your stories get on the wire."

Wallace Criticizes Third Party Move

WASHINGTON, June 7 (AP)—Secretary Wallace asserted today the democratic party "is the progressive party" and warned anew against a third party move.

A chameleon's tongue is longer than the chameleon itself.

which he said could only result in a "reactionary victory."

In an article written especially for and at the request of "The Democrat," official organ of the democratic national committee, Wallace repeated the anti-third party statement he made May 24 in New York before the American labor party.

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Stilwell Off To Sacramento

SALEM, June 7 (AP)—General Joseph W. Stilwell, commander of the sixth army, and his party left Salem in his C-47 transport plane en route to Sacramento, where he has a luncheon engagement with Gov. Earl Warren.

General Stilwell had conferences yesterday with Governor Earl Snell and Adjutant General Raymond F. Olson on plans to reactivate the Oregon national guard.

Last night General Olson was host to the general's party at a buffet supper, which was attended by state officials and their wives.

Moscow Rakes U. S., Britain

LONDON, June 7 (AP)—The Soviet commentator Philip Baratov declared in a Moscow broadcast today that independence was a word used by Great Britain and the United States to serve "imperialist diplomacy" and to "camouflage expansionist aims."

"One gets a pretty good picture of what the west means by independence if one considers the independence of Trans-Jordan, the Anglo-Dutch talks in Cairo and the talks between the Anglo-Dutch authorities and the representatives of the Indonesian republic, he said.

Asserting that the British obtained the diamond deposits of Kimberley and the goldfields of the Transvaal "draped in an elaborate mantle of struggle against slaveholders," Baratov said. "The same methods were used by the Americans in developing their system of naval bases in the Pacific and in the Caribbean."

"But as one American historian has said, Cuba is no more independent than Long Island; the island of San Domingo with its two Negro republics is no more independent than New York state, and Nicaragua and Panama are republics and sovereign states only in name."

Admiral Moreell Gets Promotion

WASHINGTON, June 7 (AP)—President Truman today nominated Vice Admiral Ben Moreell, government operator of the coal mines, for promotion to the rank of four-star admiral.

Moreell, who has active charge of the soft coal mines under Interior Secretary Krug, is a civil engineer in the navy.

Greece Passes Drastic Laws

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authorities or interfering with police.

Any person charged with violation of the law can be held in jail indefinitely without bond and without trial.

Mayor Talks Airport Use

Marshall Cornett and Mayor Ed Ostendorf met with the aviation committee of the chamber of commerce Thursday, June 7, at 4 p. m., to discuss operation of the city airport. Rental of hangars, handling of transient planes, and gasoline were some of the things brought up at the meeting.

The airport group received a recommendation from the aviation commission on the matters brought up, but nothing was decided definitely. Concerning the GI flying school at the airport, Phil Hitchcock, chairman of the aviation committee, reported that the government would pay \$1.50 to \$2.50 an hour for the GI's, but not until rent for the school is established.

The meeting adjourned with a discussion on gasoline and gasoline taxes. The committee voted to meet again, Tuesday, June 11, to interview applicants for the position of airport manager.

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Vandenberg New Chief

WASHINGTON, June 7 (AP)—President Truman today appointed Lt. Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg director of central intelligence for the government.

This is the agency created by presidential directive last January to coordinate all foreign intelligence activities of the government. It operates under a policy-making board composed of the secretaries of state, war and navy, and Fleet Adm. William D. Leahy, chief of staff to the president.

Vandenberg, 47-year-old assistant chief of staff G2, war department general staff, succeeds Rear Adm. Sydney W. Souers, who resigned to return to his private business interests in St. Louis.

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