

Increased Spending Asked For NW Reclamation Tasks

WASHINGTON (AP)—Increased spending on water, reclamation and conservation projects in the Pacific Northwest is recommended in the budget sent to Congress Monday by President Eisenhower.

Requests for more than \$163,715,750 in the year starting next July include three new construction starts and two planning starts by Army Engineers and one Reclamation Bureau start.

This total of earmarked projects compares with requests for some 153 million dollars last year. Again, the lion's share is asked for spending by the engineers.

The specific requests for work in Washington total \$92,740,000; for Oregon, \$35,423,000; and for Idaho, \$1,042,750. Not included in these totals are some three million dollars asked for reclamation projects shared with other states and requests for area-wide projects.

Funds asked for new construction starts by the engineers include \$1,400,000 for Green Peter Dam in Oregon, \$400,000 for lower Columbia River bank protection in Oregon and Washington and \$425,000 for the Colfax, Wash., flood control project.

The budget asks \$23,000 in new planning money for navigation work on the Coos and Millicoma rivers in Oregon and \$50,000 to start planning on a flood control project for the Sammamish River in Washington.

The Reclamation Bureau would get started on the Bully Creek extension project near Vale, Ore., principal works of the project.

with \$173,000 asked to acquire right-of-way for Bully Creek Dam and other work preparatory to calling for construction bids early in fiscal 1962.

For the Bonneville Power Administration, the budget asks \$31,195,000, a reduction of \$249,000 from 1959 appropriations. Included are \$20,220,000 in construction funds and \$10,975,000 for operation and maintenance.

For another area program, the lower Columbia fish sanctuary, the president requested \$1,400,000 for general construction and \$1,915,000 for operation and maintenance.

Largest sums asked for construction by the engineers are \$41,800,000 for John Day lock and dam in Oregon and Washington and \$20,000,000 for Ice Harbor lock and dam in Washington.

One of the larger sums asked for the Bureau of Reclamation is \$6,100,000 for continued construction on the Columbia Basin Project in Washington.

Irrigation construction is to continue in fiscal 1961, but with less new work initiated than in previous years.

Two million dollars asked for the Chief Joseph Project, Greater Wenatchee Division, will provide for the second year of construction, expected by the bureau to be the peak year of work on the 4,460-acre east unit.

The \$2,235,000 asked for the Crooked River Project in Oregon would essentially complete the principal works of the project.

Texas Blast Curbs Work On Orb Fuel

MARSHALL, Tex. (AP)—There may be up to 90 days' delay in production of solid propellant rocket motors as a result of a terrific explosion at the Army's Longhorn Ordnance Works last week.

Quoting an unnamed spokesman for Thiokol Chemical Corp., which operates the facility near here for the Army, the Dallas News said today it will be early April before the plant is back in full operation.

The newspaper also said the violent blast caused damage estimated by Lt. Col. John E. Harrison, who commands the ordnance works, at one million dollars.

Harrison told a reporter he had made no such estimate. Until Army Engineers finish a survey, he said he was unable to predict how long production might be crippled.

"I don't know whether it will be a month or six weeks," Harrison said.

Other sources at the installation, 15 miles northeast of Marshall in northeast Texas, have said production will be at least slowed for about three months. Thiokol is the Army's biggest builder of solid propellant rocket motors.

Ripping through a remote-controlled plant unit, the explosion last Friday rocked a broad area of northeast Texas and northwest Louisiana.

Court Records

KLAMATH FALLS MUNICIPAL COURT

Donald E. Brallier, drunk and disorderly conduct, \$50 or 10 days.

Bob Arlow Stewart, disorderly conduct, \$25 or five days.

Andrew Gray, drunk, \$25 or five days.

William Lee Fargo, minor in possession of liquor, \$25 or five days.

TRAFFIC

Elmo Walter Griffith, ran yellow light, \$5.

Cecil Arlon Tilley, ran stop sign, \$5.

Adam Eckerich, ran stop sign, \$5.

Lester Mancini Cummings, ran stop sign, \$5.

James Huber Crisman, ran stop sign, \$5.

Joyce Marie Mann, ran stop sign, \$5.

Billy Jack Balford, ran red light, \$5.

James Oliver Roberson, ran red light, \$5.

Cleon Noel Struble, ran stop sign, \$5.

Elijah Ross, ran red light, \$5.

George Adolph Hansen, ran red light, \$5.

Margaret Louise Lonniss, ran stop sign, \$5.

Dorothy May Waldo, ran stop sign, \$5.

George Jesse Jara, ran stop sign, \$5.

Billy Gene Martin, ran stop sign, \$5.

Donald L. Trout, ran stop sign, \$5.

Robert Earl Barrett, ran stop sign, \$5.

William E. Metcalf, ran red light, \$5.

Sharon Marie Atkinson, violation of basic rule, \$15.

Dun Evertson Sheip, reckless driving, \$50.

Holla Wayne Kohal Jr., ran stop sign, \$10.

Robert Mervin Kennicott, meter warrant, \$6.

Actor Stevens To Enter Trial As State Witness

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—Movie actor Mark Stevens was set to enter the Finch-Tregoff murder trial today as a witness on behalf of slain Mrs. Barbara Jean Finch.

Stevens said he had played "many a game of tennis" with Mrs. Finch before she was shot to death last July 18. Stevens' testimony was expected to deal with threats by her surgeon husband, Dr. Bernard Finch.

The trial of the doctor and Carole Tregoff has been in recess since Wednesday owing to the illness of a juror. Scheduled to resume testimony was Mrs. Marica Helfrich with whom Mrs. Finch stayed in Hollywood after alleged attacks by her husband.

SNAP Operating After 365 Days

BALTIMORE (AP)—Scientists at the Martin Co. say SNAP, a little atomic gadget expected to produce electricity without maintenance for 140 days or so, is still going strong after a year.

SNAP stands for "System of Nuclear Auxiliary Power." The device has no moving parts but produces heat by the radioactive decay of 1-40 of an ounce of polonium-210. The heat is converted directly into electrical energy by a series of thermocouples.

Minnesota Mining and Mfg. Co. collaborated with Martin in development of the generator.

Also waiting to testify were the proprietors of three apartments which Finch set up for red-haired Miss Tregoff. One was from Las Vegas where Finch was arrested the day after his wife was shot to death outside their home in West Covina, Calif.

One Los Angeles newspaper said today that apartment recordings of conversations between Finch and Miss Tregoff made by divorce investigators were still to be introduced in the trial. Prosecutor Fred N. Whichello has said he has no knowledge of the existence of such recordings.

Others waiting to testify were two hoodlums, John P. Cody and Richard Keachie, whom the doctor and Carole allegedly contracted at Las Vegas in an attempt to have Mrs. Finch killed. They are accused of paying Cody \$1,400 to do the job. He is said to have spent it on gambling with-

out ever intending to carry off the bargain.

Miss Tregoff had been working as a waitress in the Sands Hotel carrying drinks to the gambling tables. She said she went back to duty the day after she admittedly went with Finch to the West Covina home. Her fellow workers at the hotel remember her as a very aloof girl and said Finch often waited alone at a table — not gambling — until she got off.

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