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MIGs Challenge U.S. Jets Over Viet Nam

PPL Asks Keno Dam OK

Pacific Power & Light Company announced Saturday it has filed with the Federal Power Commission an application for an amendment to the existing license on the Klamath River for the construction of the Keno hydroelectric project.

Included in the proposal is the removal of the existing Keno regulating dam, which was damaged by floods last December, and its replacement with a dam that would become the new regulating structure for the Klamath River and also the diversion structure for the hydroelectric development.

It was explained the age of the existing wooden Keno dam makes it impractical to rebuild the damaged portions or replace it in total.

Paul B. McKee, chairman of PP&L's board of directors, had announced here at a Feb. 19 meeting of the Klamath Flood Committee that the company would seek FPC approval of a new Keno dam and deepening of the river channel to be part of the company's longer-range hydroelectric program in the area.

During February and March the company constructed a new auxiliary channel through the Keno reef area, which will be required for the over-all development. During the past two weeks the new channel has been helpful in draining some farmlands in the area.

Pending approval of the FPC, the application for the new project proposes to start work in July on the new dam and deepening of the Link River channel and the Keno area channel with completion in December. Deepening of another section of the Klamath River upstream from Keno would be performed in 1966 and 1967.

The site for the new Keno Dam is about one mile downstream from the existing wooden structure at Keno.

The final phase of the hydroelectric project involves six miles of power conduit and canal and a two-generator 100,000-kilowatt capacity powerhouse. This work is scheduled for completion in the early 1970s, when the power will be needed by the utility to supply customers in the area, it was noted.

Russ-Built Jets Turn Tail, Run

SAIGON (UPI)—Soviet-built MIG jets took to the air for the first time Saturday to challenge an armada of U.S. warplanes that blasted two key bridges only 65 miles from the North Vietnamese capital of Hanoi. The Red MIGs turned tail and fled when missile-armed U.S. jet interceptors zoomed in on them.

The Communists claimed their forces shot down 12 of the more than 150 American Navy and Air Force jets making the raids—among the biggest of the war and the closest strikes to Hanoi ever made by U.S. jets.

An American spokesman said two U.S. Navy planes were downed in the raid. One crashed in North Viet Nam after the pilot parachuted safely. It was feared he fell into Communist hands. The second plane managed to limp back to Da Nang Air Base where it crash-landed.

There was no mention of U.S. Air Force losses.

MIGs Flee

A Navy spokesman said three of the Russian-made MIG's "attempted to interfere" with the bridge-bombing mission but fled when the deadly American jets gave chase at almost twice the speed of sound.

The spokesman could not disclose whether the U.S. pursuit planes unleashed either their radar-guided Sparrow or heat-seeking Sidewinder air-to-air missiles against the Red planes.

It was assumed the Communist jets belonged to the fledgling air force of North Viet Nam, which has been supplied by Red China with between 15 and 20 outdated MIG17 jets. The MIGs have never before dared to go up against American and South Vietnamese planes raiding North Viet Nam.

Saturday's big American raid was aimed at two strategic Communist "life-line" bridges just north of Thanh Hoa and 65 miles south of Hanoi.

Over 100 carrier-based Navy jets raked the bridge at Dong Phuong in the morning and then went back several hours later to blast it again when they were unsatisfied with the first results. A second strike did the trick. A Navy spokesman said the bridge was knocked out.

Meanwhile, about 50 U.S. Air Force F100 and F105 fighter-bombers struck against the "Dragon's Mouth" (Ham Rong) Bridge just seven miles from the span blasted by the Navy.

Blast Bridge

Results of the Air Force strike at the combination rail and highway bridge on the outskirts of Thanh Hao were not announced immediately. Destruction of the bridge would be a major loss to the Communists who put it into operation only last year. The original span had been destroyed by American planes during World War II.

Sources said the bridge was one of the most important in North Viet Nam and its loss would effectively sever the principal north-south communication lines in North Viet Nam.

On the civilian front in Saigon, stringent security precautions were taken to protect the U.S. Information Service library after terrorists in a bomb-laden automobile were discovered in a routine police check and fled in a hail of bullets.

The U.S. library and office building was considered a key target since the U.S. Embassy already has been bombed. A car-borne bomb last Tuesday shattered the embassy, killing 21 persons and wounding almost 200.

JOHNSON, PEARSON CONFER—President Johnson is shown Saturday with Canadian Prime Minister Lester Pearson as they meet with reporters at Camp David, Md. Pearson is reported to have urged the president to "pause" in the American air attacks on North Vietnamese installations. —UPI Telephoto

Weather

Klamath Falls, Tulelake and Lakeview — Mostly fair and mild today through Monday. Highs today and Monday 57-62. Lows tonight 23-33. Variable winds mostly under 12 mph.

High Saturday	56
Low Saturday	28
High year ago	54
Low year ago	29
Precip. past 24 hours	0.09
Since Jan. 1	3.38
Same period last year	4.41

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Conservatives Control State GOP

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Mishmash in the news:

Prime Minister Pearson of Canada suggests as this is written that it might be a good idea if the U.S. would suspend its attacks against North Viet Nam temporarily in order to give the communist regime in Hanoi "a face-saving opportunity to end its aggression."

U.S. Ambassador to South Viet Nam Maxwell Taylor, who is a soldier, opposes the idea. He doesn't give his reasons—but, presumably, he has it in mind that suspending our attacks might give the North Viet Nam communists a breathing spell that would enable them to HIT STILL HARDER.

Sally Rand, celebrating her 61st birthday in Chicago, is interviewed by a reporter who starts off his piece by stating that she's still working her same old racket—cavorting behind a couple of ostrich feathers fans and NOTHING ELSE.

The reporter asked her if she ever thinks of retiring. She replied:

"Me retire? Why retire? My figure's still the same. I still weigh 113 pounds. My hair's still blonde, and my measurements are still 35-25-35."

What she was saying is why quit as long as the customers keep coming?

Sally got her start back in 1933. She wowed the customers at the big Chicago world fair with her ostrich fans and nothing else costume.

Not much change in the entertainment world since 1933.

Well, in these days, they tend to leave off the fans.

From Houston, Texas:

Doctors Friday placed a half pound heart inside a dog and kept the dog alive for three and a half hours. While the dog lived, the doctors report, the artificial heart took over the nor-

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Home Rented

The advertisers reported that they rented the house five minutes after the newsboy delivered their paper. They had many, many calls all evening.

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Committee Approves Smoke Tax

SALEM (UPI) — The House Taxation Committee Saturday approved a four-cent cigarette tax, with one cent reserved for incorporated cities.

The action came after the committee had refused to attach a three per cent sales tax and a net receipts income tax law to the cigarette tax bill.

Both are still under consideration by legislative leaders, however, in the face of mounting demands for local property tax relief.

The committee approved the cigarette tax measure by a 7-3 vote, but the bill will not reach the House floor until the lawmakers have a chance to study the necessary amendments. Chairman Edward Branchfield, R-Medford, scheduled a final look at the bill Wednesday.

Rep. Joe Rogers, R-Independence, the sponsor of the cigarette bill, said he might file a minority report attempting to have a sales tax added to it, unless he is assured the committee will give the House a chance to vote on a separate sales tax measure.

Rep. Keith Skelton, D-Eugene, also indicated he might file a minority report. He was the author of the attempt to attach the sales and net receipts taxes to the bill.

The cigarette tax would be referred to the voters in the 1966 primary election and would go into effect July 1, 1966, if approved.

It provides that three cents from each pack sold would go into a local property tax relief account. The money would be distributed to counties on the basis of assessed valuation and to all taxing units within a county on the basis of levy.

The other cent would go to cities on the basis of population and could be used for any purpose.

The decision to set the tax at four cents reversed a decision made earlier this week to increase it to five cents. That plan ran into heavy opposition from the vending machine industry, which said it needed the extra cent to pay for the cost of converting its machines.

The committee decided it did not want to add the vendors to the list of cigarette tax opponents in the referendum, despite comments from Rep. Sam Johnson, R-Redmond, that little money would be left for property tax relief.

The four-cent tax is expected to raise about $9 million a year with three-fourths of that now assigned for property tax relief. The cities also could use their additional shares for that purpose.

KLAMATH BILLIARDS CLOSED IN RAID—Police Sgt. Ray Howard affixes a notice of closure on the rear entrance of the Klamath Billiards, 630 Main Street, after the establishment and two other taverns were charged by the district attorney as operating in the form of a common nuisance.

Authorities Raid Three KF Taverns

Dist. Atty. Sam A. McKeen said Saturday owners of two of the three downtown business firms closed following gambling raids by police Friday evening have agreed to post bonds which will allow them to reopen their establishments.

McKeen said this agreement amounts to pleas of guilty to charges that the two establishments are common nuisances for conducting gambling operations. The two are Smitty's Tavern, 117 South Seventh, and The Waldorf, 610 Main.

These two businesses, McKeen said, will be allowed to reopen once the $2,500 bonds are posted and Judge Donald A. W. Piper signs the necessary papers. McKeen said equipment and furniture used to conduct gambling games at the two establishments would be confiscated prior to reopening.

Meanwhile, the third establishment raided Friday — the Klamath Billiards, 630 Main — remained closed Saturday.

McKeen said two other establishments operated in conjunction with the Klamath Billiards — the Chuck Wagon Restaurant and the Bronco Room, were closed at first with the Billiards. But McKeen said, the Chuck Wagon and the Bronco Room were allowed to reopen after they were sealed off from the Klamath Billiards.

City police and members of McKeen's office raided the three downtown firms simultaneously about 5:30 p.m. Friday. In accordance with a temporary restraining order issued by Judge Piper, each of the three businesses was closed and police began inventorying evidence such as poker chips.

McKeen said he will file papers Monday asking the Circuit Court to extend its order into a temporary injunction which would keep the Klamath Billiards closed until its trial on the "common nuisance" allegation.

McKeen said a hearing on the injunction will be held within 10 days.

Confidence Vote Given Elmo Smith

SALEM (UPI) — Conservatives remained in firm control of the Republican State Central Committee Saturday, and sidestepped an open split with the party's liberal wing.

At a day-long session, the Central Committee gave a vote of confidence to State Chairman Elmo Smith, sent "greetings and best wishes" to defeated 1964 GOP presidential candidate Barry Goldwater, struck out against the U. S. Supreme Court's "one man, one vote" decision, and decided against adopting a resolution condemning next weekend's "Dorchester Conference."

The group also adopted resolutions praising House Speaker F. F. Montgomery, R-Eugene, and new national GOP Chairman Ray Bliss.

A proposal to create a wide-based advisory council to "coordinate" all factions within the party "to project a clear-cut attractive image" was referred to the party's State Executive Committee for more study.

Opponents of the advisory council idea said the party already had too many voices, and that the state chairman should continue to be the GOP spokesman for Oregon.

Lauds Council

Secretary of State Tom McCall, however, said "the advisory council would be useful to stop the present confusing babble."

McCall said the "Dorchester Conference is not a conspiracy" against the regular party machinery, and announced he still planned to attend.

The conference was called by Rep. Robert Packwood, R-Portland, to map future course for Oregon Republicans. Smith was not invited to attend.

McCall, who refused to support Goldwater in the 1964 campaign, said he would attempt to bring to Dorchester group "under the wing of the party led by Elmo Smith." Smith gave vigorous support to Goldwater's campaign.

'Key Force'

Montgomery was the key force in blocking a resolution condemning the Dorchester meet.

Montgomery announced that he would not attend the conference in the interests of party unity. It was also revealed that House Majority Leader Rep. Robert Smith, R-Burns, had cancelled plans to attend.

Montgomery said "What started as a social-political gathering has been misinterpreted and exaggerated out of proportion. The passage of a condemning resolution would only fan the

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AF Closes Kingsley To Autos

Kingsley Field has become a "closed base" and automobile traffic in the facility will be regulated by guards, the Air Force announced.

Kingsley Field information officer Lt. Ken Fisher said the closure of the base was ordered to conform with a recent Air Force regulation concerning base security. He said the primary security concern is Kingsley's F-101 fighter-interceptors.

The order became effective Thursday. As of that date, all auto traffic into the base is being controlled through the north and south entrances. All other streets which formerly allowed access to the base have been barricaded.

The order does not affect the public areas of the airport such as the municipal airport terminal and the private flying hangars.

Residents of the Klamath Falls area, Fisher said, who desire to gain access to the base will be asked to sign a visitors' log indicating their names and reasons for visiting. Each visitor then will be issued a pass which will be returned to guards upon departure from the base.

Pearson Urges President To 'Pause' In Air Raids

THURMONT, Md. (UPI) — President Johnson and Canadian Premier Lester B. Pearson conferred Saturday on an apparent difference of view on U. S. bombing strategy in the Viet Nam anti-Communist war.

Pearson spelled out at a luncheon meeting with Johnson his proposal — made in Philadelphia Friday night — for a "measured pause" in the American raids on Communist North Viet Nam to give the Red Hanoi regime a face-saving chance to start peace talks.

Johnson listened in friendly but noncommittal fashion.

Talk "Friendly"

At a brief chat with newsmen afterward at his Camp David presidential retreat, Johnson said the talk was friendly and covered topics of mutual U. S.-Canadian interest as well as Viet Nam. In fact the President commented that the main objective of Pearson's visit had nothing to do with Viet Nam and that was not the purpose of anything else you could blow up or make look big or dramatic."

Pearson made his bombing "pause" suggestion in a Philadelphia speech. He said then that he was not advocating any "compromise on points of principle" but was expressing the belief that a momentary halt in the raids might open the door to a diplomatic settlement.

Johnson has declared publicly many times that he is determined to keep up military pressure against Hanoi until the Reds halt their aggression.

Discuss European Situation

He said he and Pearson had discussed the European situation as well as Viet Nam. He said they also dealt with such topics as pollution of the Great Lakes and a proposed Canadian-American aviation agreement.

When reporters were ushered into the patio where they met, Johnson told them:

"The prime minister was in Pennsylvania and I was going to be here today so I asked him to come over and have lunch with me. He is returning shortly and we have no news for you.

"The prime minister and I have talked about various problems that affect our respective countries. It was a general discussion, a friendly one.

Pearson then added:

"I haven't much to say except it has been a very pleasant for a chance to come to Camp David while I was in Philadelphia.

"We talked about the state of the world which is not as happy in some places as it should be."

Asked About Viet Nam

Asked whether his Viet Nam proposal figured in the meeting, the premier said:

"We discussed Viet Nam and the view I expressed last night. I don't want to say anything more about that except to reiterate that in our government we have tried to understand the United States position in Viet Nam as I underlined last night and support that position.

"I have said before and I don't mind repeating (this is) the responsibility of the international community, and not only of the United States which is bearing that responsibility at the moment. We wish to continue that (Canadian) support."

He added that he saw no obstacles to continued Canadian support.

The two hemisphere leaders conferred for a little less than three hours. They talked on a sunny patio of Aspen Lodge, the main quarters of the White House Catoctin mountain retreat.

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Harassment Hits Berlin

BERLIN (UPI)—East German police Saturday delayed Berlin-bound traffic for the third consecutive day in harassment aimed at blocking a West German Parliament meeting here next week.

Communist police at check points on highways leading to this isolated Western outpost held up traffic for up to five hours in a new slowdown that followed an announcement that Soviet and East German troops would hold maneuvers next week on West Berlin's doorstep.

The slowdown inspections affected trucks and automobiles traveling to West Berlin on the autobahns from West Germany, but Western allied military traffic was not affected.

Nuclear Plant Put In Orbit

VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (UPI)—America's first nuclear power plant designed for future planetary missions was launched into polar orbit Saturday.

A radio signal from earth was transmitted to the spacecraft at 8:05 p.m. EST and its miniature atomic reactor was expected to begin operating about six hours later.