

Idaho Power Plans \$10 to \$15 Million In New Service Facilities During '63

Idaho Power company will invest \$10-\$15 million in new service facilities during 1963 as part of its continuing expansion that "pumps new dollars into channels of commerce, creates additional jobs and taxes and helps pace the sound growth of our economy," company president T. E. Roach announced last week.

Describing the utility's 1963 construction budget as "by far the largest business expenditure in our area for new facilities," Roach said it includes spending for new and improved transmission and distribution lines and substations.

"Thus, just as Idaho Power has done through the years, we will continue to build and modernize to satisfy the ever-increasing demands on our interconnected system."

Hells Canyon Work Included

For the third straight year, a major portion of Idaho Power's outlay is earmarked for construction of a heavy-duty access highway that is being pushed along rugged mountain terrain to the

site of Hells Canyon dam in the heart of North America's deepest gorge.

Roach said the company's construction expenses this year will increase its total investment in service facilities to about \$360 million.

This year, he said, also will produce the company's largest tax bill estimated at \$15.5 million, including state and local taxes estimated at \$7.7 million.

"Our 1963 expenditures, part of a total of \$140 million we propose to spend in the next six years, are positive proof that Idaho Power is ready, willing and able to help pave the way for continued area growth that has been greater than anywhere else in the Pacific Northwest," the utility president pointed out.

Indicates Vigorous Economy

Roach, reporting that the peak demand on Idaho Power's system is expected to rise to an all-time high of about 950,000 kilowatts in 1963, cited the gain as "an excellent indicator of the vigorous state of the Snake River valley's economy."

Transmission line construction provided in the 1963 budget already has begun, according to the president, with the company's mobile crews installing heavier conductor to increase the capacity of a 69,000-volt line between Ontario and Nyssa.

The company also will continue extensive survey and engineering work that is a vital preliminary to construction of a new 255-mile high-voltage transmission line between American Falls and Anacosta, Mont. Idaho Power will build the line jointly with Montana Power company and Utah Power & Light company.

Eighth Connection with Pool

The new heavy-duty line will provide Idaho Power's eighth transmission interconnection with the Northwest Power Pool and further strengthen coordination of the three utility systems for the benefit of their customers.

More than 130 miles of new high-voltage transmission lines were built by the company in 1962. Longest of the new facilities was a 138,000-volt line from the Lower Salmon generating plant on the Snake river to Hailey and a 46,000-volt line from Hailey to Ketchum—a total of 70 miles.

Two new substations are planned for construction this year, with at least four others scheduled to be enlarged to increase their capacities.

Substation Work Announced

The new substations will be built at Bannock Creek, between American Falls and Pocatello, and in Boise, while expansion work will be performed at the Ontario, Elmore, Quartz and Wells, Nev., substations.

In addition, distribution facilities will be installed at the Gem Junction substation, near Marsing, to improve area service.

Roach said other transmission, distribution and substation construction will be added to projects already on the 1963 program, "especially in the next few months as irrigators complete their plans for new electric pumping developments."

Idaho Power extended service to more than 350 new pumps in 1962, boosting the total supplied by the company to 6,525 pumps. Totalling nearly 290,000 horsepower, the pumps provide water to some 661,800 acres.

PARRAS EXPRESS THANKS FOR ASSISTANCE GIVEN

We would like to thank publicly members of the Nyssa Eagles auxiliary for helping our son, Carlos Parra, with the medical aid he is receiving. His health is much improved.

We also want to thank the auxiliary for help given him in starting and furthering his art career. Our special thanks to Mrs. Virginia Brandt.

—Dios Los Bendiga
God Bless You,
Mr. and Mrs. David Parra and Family

LINDA CLEAVER ELECTED PRESIDENT OF 4-H CLUB

Officers were elected at the March 1 meeting of Buena Vista Livestock club held at the Lester Cleaver home.

The meeting was under direction of Linda Cleaver, newly elected president. Others named to office were Newell Cleaver, vice president; Marjory Morton, secretary; Rocky Kiem, Susan Hartley and Janet Montgomery, song and recreation leaders; Roger Garner, news reporter.

Next meeting will be March 29 at the Lester Cleaver home.

—Rodger Garner, Reporter.

Spring's in the Air... and So's Trouble When Sprays Aren't Handled Carefully

Pre-spring days and early farm activities bring a reminder from J. D. Patterson, state department of agriculture's chief chemist, to handle agricultural sprays and dusts with kid gloves.

Properly used, any crop chemical on the market is as safe as the flowers that brighten the landscape. Patterson offers the following safety guides for protection of user and innocent bystander, including children:

1. Follow directions on the label... Use the product how and why and when the label advises.
2. Don't flirt with danger by leaving sprays where children may play with them.
3. Don't put spray mixtures in pop bottles or other containers that will tempt children to think they are to be drunk like pink lemonade.
4. When not in use, store original bottles and packages where neither people nor animals can get into them.
5. Preferably, don't take remainder of these products out of the original container if using only a portion; if they are put in another container, label it so no mistake as to identity is possible.

6. Don't leave them in an open field while the person responsible can't keep his eyes on them. If this sounds silly, remember that a few years ago two young people died from contacting sprays left unattended in an open field.

On another angle, Patterson suggests that persons hiring spraying done, either ground or air, should be sure that the applicator holds a state license to perform this work. It's illegal for anyone doing this type of work for pay unless he has passed the state examinations and is licensed. Overnight operators, out for a "fast buck," are a sure cinch not to have an Oregon license.

SPEND SUNDAY IN BOISE

Mr. and Mrs. George McKee visited Sunday in Boise with her brothers-in-law and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Al Law and Mr. and Mrs. John Dougal.

W. HIATT TRANSFERRED TO GREENLAND ARMY BASE

Army Specialist Five Willis G. Hiatt, whose wife, Evelyn, lives in Parma, recently was assigned to the 7th Artillery group in Thule, Greenland.

Hiatt, an information specialist in the group's Headquarters Battery, entered the army in 1947 and was last stationed in Spokane, Wash.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Scott O. Hiatt, route 1, Nyssa, he is a graduate of Nyssa high school.

Twelve Area Girls Enter Queen Contest

An American GI Forum queen contest is now under way with 12 young ladies from the Nyssa-Adrian area as candidates.

Contestants are Suzanne Martinez, Ruth Gallegos, Martha Lora, Cookie Gallegos, Linda Madrid, Phyllis Gallegos, Dora Lopez, Maria Rosales, Teresa Gallegos, Raffleta Martinez, Rosa Vendrell and Mary Ellen Rosales.

Winner will be announced at the Easter dance to be held Sunday, April 14. At that time there will also be a cash award drawing. The winning young lady will reign during the Spanish festival and throughout the coming year.

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63,000 New Drivers Licensed During 1962

Nearly 63,000 drivers were added to Oregon's driving population last year.

Vern L. Hill, director of the Department of Motor Vehicles, said recently that 62,920 applicants completed the license test during the year. In 1961, 61,335 original licenses were issued.

Hill noted that during the year 29,143 out-of-state driver licenses were surrendered by applicants for an Oregon license. This was 46 percent of all new applicants.

The department also reported that it issued 57,893 instruction permits during the year. This was nearly 8,000 more such permits than were issued in 1961.

The state's total driving population is estimated at 950,000.

NYSSA NAVYMAN ASSIGNED TO DUTY IN PUERTO RICO

Richard T. Settles, radioman seaman apprentice, USN, son of Mrs. Clara N. Ramband of 101 Ehrgood avenue, Nyssa, reported Jan. 30 to the U.S. Naval Communications station, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

He has been assigned duty at the U.S. Naval Radio station (T), Fort Allen, Puerto Rico.

Settles is a graduate of Nyssa high school.

SIGHT Quiz

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