

Missing Camel, Sought By Port

The Port of Anchorage is searching for a camel, believed lost somewhere in the inlet. No missing animal, the camel acts as a buffer between vessels and the port dock. The camel apparently broke away during the winter. The port will pay \$100 for direct information leading to its recovery. The camel is a 12-foot long drum, 30 inches in diameter. A framework of heavy blocks and wooden beams is built

Port Pact Completed

Freight Lines Signs Five-Year Contract

Scheduled common carrier service through the Port of Anchorage will begin about June 9.

City Manager Robert Oldland Monday signed the contract between the City of Anchorage and Alaska Freight Lines.

The freight line will operate under the contract's new rate schedule.

M. W. Odom, president of Alaska Freight Lines, and R. L. Faubert, secretary of the shipping firm, earlier signed on behalf of Alaska Freight Lines.

THE AGREEMENT provides that all freight barges owned or chartered by the firm carrying freight for Anchorage or Railbelt points beyond Anchorage shall use the city dock facilities for a period of five years. The firm will maintain a weekly sailing schedule.

Berths will be maintained at the port dock for 12 hours prior to and following the scheduled arrival time of each vessel, Oldland said.

Pact Is Signed, Alaska Freight to Serve Port

The city signed a final agreement yesterday with Alaska Freight Lines, Inc., contract carrier for the Port of Anchorage. Alaska Freight is to start using the port about June 9.

The agreement provides that all barges owned or chartered by Alaska Freight carrying freight destined for Anchorage or other points on the Railbelt beyond Anchorage shall use the city port facilities. It is for five years, with an additional five years at Alaska Freight's option.

ALASKA FREIGHT agrees it is to maintain a weekly year-round schedule of sailings through each of the years. The city agrees to keep berths available to Alaska Freight for 12 hours before and after the scheduled arrival times.

The agreement was signed by Alaska Freight's president, M. W. Odom, and its secretary, R. L. Faubert, and by City Manager Robert Oldland.

7 Vessels Due In Port

Seven vessels are scheduled to discharge or take on cargo at the Port of Anchorage during the month of June as a high level of summer activity continues.

During one day last week longshore activity reached a peak of 102 men working, according to port director A. E. Harned. The majority of the men were locally hired on a temporary basis as there are only 26 regular longshoremen in Anchorage.

Cargoes going and coming during June cover a wide range, including newsprint, meat, tallow, jet fuel and general cargo. In addition, the port will have regular barge and oil exploration traffic. For the first time, and American Mail lines vessel will call here in June.

WEEKEND FERRY VISIT SLATED AT ANCHORAGE

Some 17,000 persons are expected to visit the MV Malaspina Friday and Saturday when the flagship of the Southeastern Alaska Ferry System is in Anchorage. A similar number probably will have to be turned away.

Making this estimate today in a meeting with state, city and military officials was John Alcantra of the governor's office here.

The exhibition visit of the vessel also will mean trips on the Malaspina for 650 persons.

According to Alcantra, the Coast Guard has authorized 400 persons to make the two-hour cruise on Cook Inlet Saturday. The other 250 will be permitted to buy tickets for the Saturday night trip to Homer.

THE MALASPINA is to arrive in Anchorage at 10 a.m. Friday after a 773 mile trip from Skagway. An all-day open house, possibly lasting until midnight, is planned Friday.

Tentative plans for Saturday call for an open house from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The vessel then will be cleared so 400 persons can board for the inlet cruise.

Free tickets for the cruise are to be distributed by the Anchorage Chamber of Commerce, the state, city and the military, with each to receive 100. The cruise will take the guests some 15 to 18 miles from Anchorage.

THE OPEN HOUSE will continue from 2 to 9:30 p.m.

Ferry Rides Set During Vessel Visit

Malaspina Due 10 a.m. Friday For Two Days

Anchorageites will get a chance to see and ride on the ferry Malaspina here this weekend.

The sleek vessel will pull in at 10 a.m. Friday at the Port of Anchorage and open house will be held all that day until midnight.

AFTER A MEETING this morning to map out final plans for the Malaspina's visit here, John Alcantra, liaison assistant to Gov. William Egan, said 400 tickets will be available for a cruise Saturday.

The city will distribute 100, the Greater Anchorage Chamber of Commerce 100, the military bases 100 and the state offices 100.

Alcantra met with representatives from the city, the port, the Chamber of Commerce and the military.

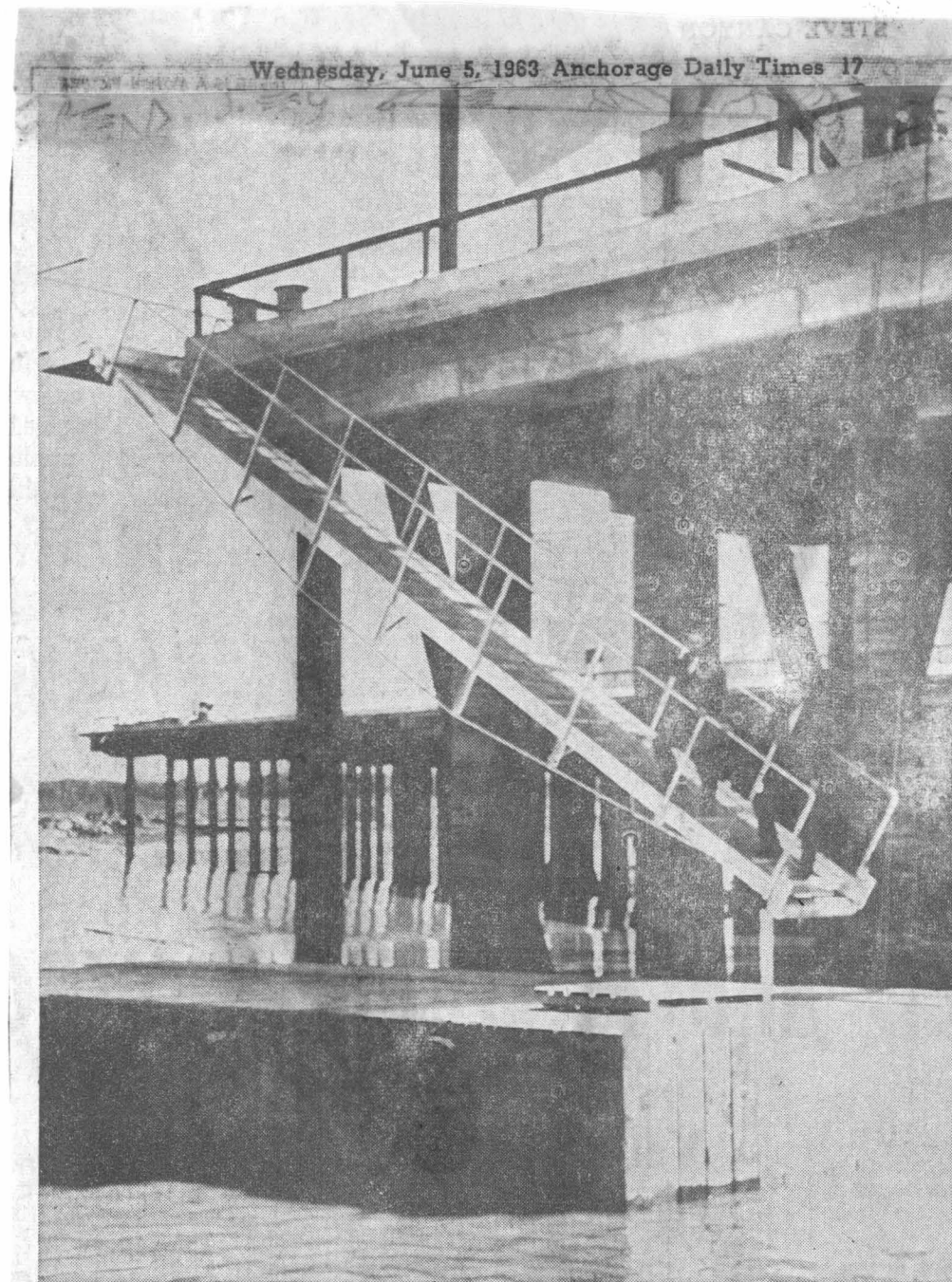
HE SAID OPEN house will be held again Saturday morning until the Malaspina puts out for. (See Page 2, Col. 6)

the cruise at 10 a.m. and then will be held again on its return, probably about 2 p.m., until 9 that night.

Traffic control is to be handled by the city police and traffic departments. Maps and instructions are to be released later for motorists.

The Malaspina will leave here at 11 p.m. Saturday for Homer and arrive there at 7 a.m. Sunday. There will be 250 tickets available for the trip at \$7.50 a person. The Travel Center here will handle tickets for the trip and the return here by charter flight.

AFTER LEAVING Homer, the Malaspina will go to Seward. But no passengers will be permitted beyond Homer. The Malaspina is an inland-water vessel and the Coast Guard will not authorize passengers for its open sea travel.



FLOATING DOCK GOES IN SERVICE

Standing at the end of a pivoting gangway port director A. E. Harned (left) and Pan American Petroleum Corp. production superintendent A. E. Piper give a new floating dock at the city port a trial run. The dock, designed and built by Pan American will be turned over to the port free of charge by the company. It provides a landing facility for smaller vessels, at low tide. (Anchorage Times Photo)

Bus Service Slated During Ferry Visit

Shuttle bus service will be provided all persons wishing to visit the MV Malaspina on her two-day stay in Anchorage.

Arrangements guaranteeing the largest possible number of persons getting to the Malaspina's Port of Anchorage berth with a minimum of traffic confusion were completed Monday.

No vehicles will be permitted in the port area except shuttle buses and trucks engaged in unloading operations.

The shuttle buses will operate between the Lower Parking Bowl, between Second and Third avenues, and the Port of Anchorage dock. A fare of 25 cents per round trip will be charged.

FREE PARKING will be available in the Lower Bowl during the Malaspina's visit.

No roadside parking will be permitted past First Avenue and C Street.

Roped-off walkways will protect pedestrians.

City police officers will