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Koiner Making One-Day Visit

The USS Koiner, radar escort picket ship, is in at the Port of Anchorage today.

Open house will be held today with visiting hours from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The Koiner will leave Anchorage Wednesday.

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City's Port Eyes Budget

The city's port commission met today to consider its 1964 budget.

Although all departments of the City of Anchorage have been instructed to prepare preliminary budgets, the port commission is getting the jump on the other departments for two reasons, according to City Manager Robert Oldland.

Projection of port income and expense for the coming year with an eye to the port's ability to meet its Feb. 1964 principal and interest payment is considered necessary.

Effects of a proposed POL facility on port income are under tentative study.

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The Navy ship had been scheduled to dock here July 4th but the visit was postponed due to shipping activity at the city dock.

Port Director Capt. A. E. Harned said "low tides in the afternoons would possibly preclude visiting hours during the low tides." He said it had been suggested to the Koiner skipper that visiting hours be set both in the morning and at night.

Harned said the port would be working Alaska Freight Lines barges during the Koiner visit and that no parking would be permitted at the port or on the road near there.

The ship will be tied up at Seward tomorrow and Sunday, the Navy said.



HERE TO EYE ALASKA CARGOES

James Earl Wager, superintendent of operations for the American Mail Line, was in Anchorage Tuesday to observe shipping operations at the Port of Anchorage and to study the area's potential in production of cargoes. With Wager, left, is William Burnett, who was acting as local agent for the Seattle shipping firm. (Anchorage Times Photo)

LUMBER IS SUGGESTED FUTURE LOCAL CARGO

"It is up to the people in Alaska to develop cargoes," is the opinion of James Earl Wager, American Mail Line superintendent of operations, who was in Anchorage Tuesday.

Wager, who arrived in the Port of Anchorage at noon aboard the Alaska Mail, said he had ridden the vessel from Seattle to look over the operation of the port and to discuss possible future cargoes from this area.

The Alaska Mail is the first American Mail Line vessel to put into Anchorage in 15 years, Wager said.

To do so, the ship was routed 500 miles off the regular course between Seattle and the Orient. Approximately 40 trips are made annually along this route.

MINIMUM value of cargo which would justify more frequent service is between \$10,000 and \$15,000, according to the operations superintendent.

He met Tuesday with local officials to discuss possible cargoes from this area.

The Alaska Mail loaded approximately 9,666 board feet of hardwood logs and 1,000 tons of tallow at the port. The lumber is bound for Japan, the tallow to Korea.

Wager pointed out that obtaining cargoes is a highly competitive field.

FOR ALASKA, production of cargoes profitable enough to guarantee regular service also is competitive.

The Alaska Mail carried a deckload of hardwood logs when the vessel docked at the port. The lumber is from Longview, Wash.

Eying the logs on the Alaska Mail's deck, Port Director E. A. Harned noted that Alaska could produce such forest products.

He said the lumber shipment is indicative of the need for the recently formed Forest Products Promotion Committee, organized by the port to boost production and shipping of lumber from this area.



35 TONS OF SURPLUS STEEL GO TO U. OF A.

Approximately 35 tons of structural steel and pipe is headed for the University of Alaska from the Kodiak Naval Base.

Brought to the Port of Anchorage by the Widgeon, power barge of the Department of Fish and Game, the steel is being trucked to Fairbanks where it will be used in the university's construction program.

The steel, which has a value of \$14,403 cost the university only a \$1,440 service and handling charge under the federal surplus property program.

According to Tom Main of the state Division of Supply, which arranged the property transfer, surplus refrigeration equipment and vehicles with a value of \$11,500 are still awaiting transportation to Anchorage from Kodiak.

DURING fiscal year 1963

which ended June 30, federal surplus property valued at nearly half a million dollars was obtained for health, education, public libraries and civil defense programs in Alaska for a cost of only \$38,159.06 or about 8 per cent of the value, Main said.

Agencies and institutions in this area which have benefited from the program during the past year include Alaska Methodist University, Anchorage Independent School District, Providence Hospital, and Kenai Community Clinic.

The shipment of steel for the University of Alaska was the first time a Fish and Game vessel has been used for transporting surplus property from Kodiak.

Port Starts Budget Work

The Port Commission met this morning to start putting its 1964 budget into final form. The final budget is to be considered at a meeting on July 24, Capt. A. E. Harned, port director, said.

At a staff meeting yesterday, a calendar was set up for departmental preparation and presentation of budgets.

The Port Commission held its first meeting soon so it could arrive as soon as possible on the port's standing for meeting its debt obligations, City Manager Robert Oldland said.

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Port Handles Shipment of U.S. Surplus

A shipment of approximately 35 tons of structural steel and pipe passed over the Port of Anchorage dock Sunday morning on its way to the University of Alaska.

The transaction was handled by the Alaska Surplus Property Service of the Division of Supply whereby transfers of surplus property are made from federal to state agencies on a non-profit basis.

THE PARTICULAR shipment yesterday morning came from the Kodiak Naval Station. It was brought here by the state Fish and Game power barge "Widgeon." The surplus material — having an acquisition cost of \$14,403 — was transferred to the University for 10 per cent of its value or \$1,440.

A spokesman for the local office of supply said there is still \$11,500 worth of refrigeration and vehicle equipment awaiting transportation.

During the past fiscal year approximately \$455,800 worth of surplus was exchanged between federal and state agencies for a service charge averaging about 8 per cent.

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