

Anchorage Gets \$3.1 Million For Port

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Federal Grant Is Told

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A \$3.1 million Economic Development Administration grant has been approved for the city of Anchorage to construct additional port facilities, Sen. Ted Stevens said today from Washington.

The funds, combined with a \$2.7 million general obligation bond issue authorized by city voters last fall and \$400,000 from an earlier bond sale, will be used to add 370 feet of wharf to the present dock, build an access ramp and stevedore building, and install water and sewer facilities.

The project, at a total cost of \$6.2 million for the first phase of construction, also includes development of marshalling and storage yards to facilitate handling of containerized cargo.

A date for sale of the \$2.7 million bond issue, already delayed once pending approval of the EDA grant, will be set promptly, City Manager Robert Sharp said.

The bid award for wharf construction will be made about midsummer, Sharp said, but actual work on the facility will not begin until next spring.

The terminal, called Terminal No. 3, will be built in two phases.

Planning for the second phase will begin immediately, Sharp said, although sources of funding for this phase are uncertain at this time. An additional \$6 million plus will be needed for the second phase, Sharp said.

Uncertain if federal funding will be available for the second phase, Sharp said the city administration is considering inclusion of this project in the

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Grant Provides Larger Wharf

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capital improvement budget now under review in his office. Any inclusion in the capital improvement program, however, will have to be affirmed by the City Council.

Following opening of the port's first pier and building in April, 1961, the first major addition was the petroleum dock. That was followed by construction of Pier No. 2, also completed in two phases. Before construction on second phase on this pier was under way, planning had already begun for the present addition, Sharp said.

According to the grant application, the new facility is expected to add 66 permanent jobs to the port area.

Sharp gave considerable credit to his staff, including Port Director Erwin Davis, Mayor George Sullivan and Alaska's congressional

delegation, especially Stevens, for success in obtaining the federal grant.

An amendment pushed through last year by Stevens to the EDA appropriation approved by Congress, said Sharp, no doubt contributed to the city's getting the full \$3 million instead of a lesser amount.

Sharp also credited Stuart Bowdoin, the city's federal programs coordinator, who researched and put the EDA application together; George Treadwell of Seattle, an engineer with the national firm of Tibbets, Abbott, McCarthy and Stratton the city's advisers on the port; Mike Courtneage, EDA representative for Alaska in Anchorage, and Art Smith of Seattle, EDA's regional representative.

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Port job begins soon

A City of Anchorage port expansion project which will create 626 new jobs and an annual payroll of \$9.3 million will get underway this summer.

The Economic Development Administration Thursday granted the city \$3.1 million in matching funds for the engineering and construction of general cargo terminal No. 3. City voters approved a \$2.7 million general obligation bond issue last fall for the city's share of the project.

City Manager Robert Sharp said Thursday that sale of the bonds would be scheduled within the next couple of days. The council has already approved contracts for dredging and yard work, which will begin as soon as the bonds are sold. "We expect to bid and award the main dock this summer," said Sharp, "with construction to begin next spring."

Sharp said the entire facility should be constructed by the fall of 1974. The total project cost is \$6.2 million.

Sharp said the EDA grant would cover phase one of the construction of terminal No. 3, which includes improvement of the transit cargo storage yard and connecting ramps and other facilities, such as utilities.

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Grumbles To Fill Local Port Post

Carl E. Grumbles has been named to a key administrative position at the Port of Anchorage, according to Port Director Erwin Davis.

Grumbles, former resident engineer with ITT Arctic Services Inc., here, will assume the overall responsibility for port maintenance projects. He also will coordinate the activities of construction contract employees and consulting engineers performing work on marine terminals and in the port industrial park.

The port maintenance supervisor slot that Grumbles fills is a newly reinstituted position with the port, Davis said. The appointment takes care of pressing needs to provide in-house supervision and coordination of port projects during expansion of the marine facilities, which Davis said he expected to grow rapidly.

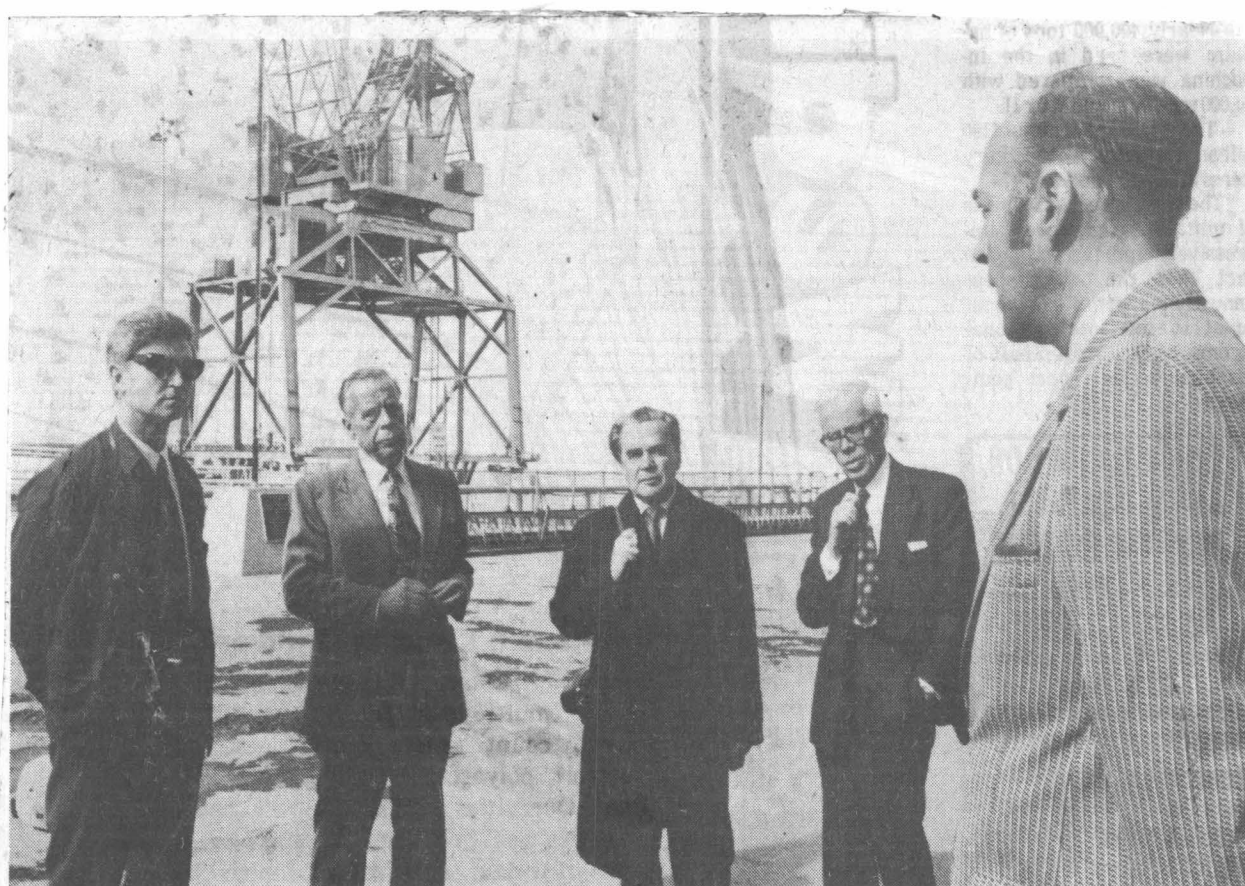
Grumbles, a two-year resident of Alaska, is married and has three children.



RECRUITER TIES CUTTER STORIS

Chief Machinist's Mate Richard S. Hamel hooks a line onto a davit at the Port of Anchorage as the Coast Guard Cutter Storis arrives yesterday afternoon. The ship, homeport-

ed in Kodiak, came in off a fishery patrol for four days of rest and relaxation for the ship's 80-man crew. Hamel of Anchorage is Coast Guard recruiter for Alaska.

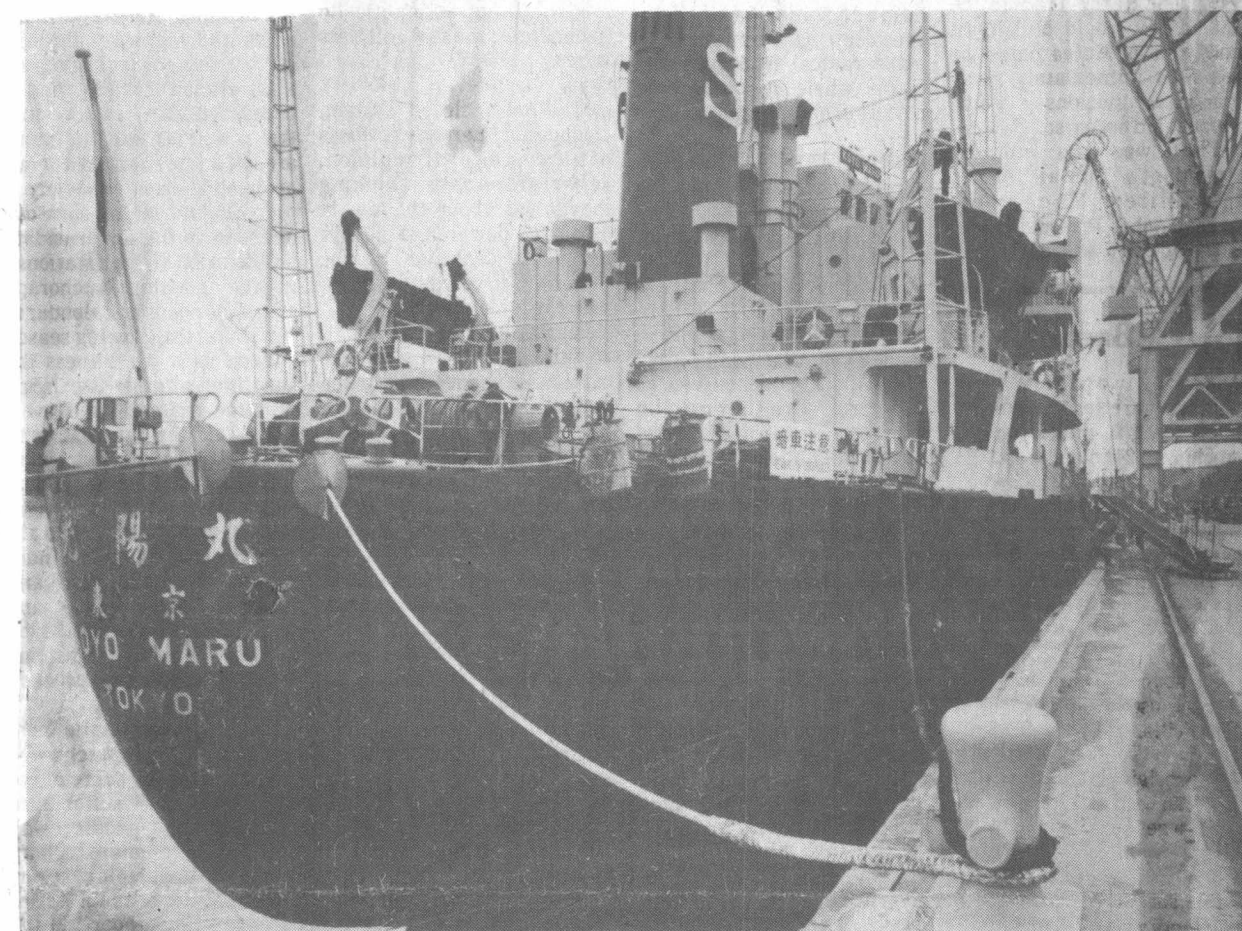


RUSSIAN SCIENTISTS VISIT PORT

Port Director Erwin Davis, right, explains the workings of the Port of Anchorage to visiting Russian scientists as they visit this morning. From left are, Dr. Felix E. Are, of the Permafrost Institute of Yakutsk; Warren George of the

Alaska District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, tour guide for the day; Professor Pavel I. Melnikov, director of the Permafrost Institute of Yakutsk and Dr. George K. Swinzow, traveling host for the group.

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JAPANESE SHIP BRINGS CARGO

The first general cargo ship of the season, the Koyo Maru, arrived in port yesterday, and began unloading cargo today. The ship was brought to Alaska by Dick Lyons of Alaska National Corp., a subsidiary of Alaska Brick. The ship is loaded

with general cargo from flat glass, cement fence tubing, water well casing, general building materials — even nuts and bolts — for the summer construction season. It is homeported in Tokyo.

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Officials Hear Plans For Port MacKenzie

Port MacKenzie, the projected deep water port across Knik Arm from Anchorage, will be under construction within the next four to five years, members of the Anchorage City Council and Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly were told at a joint work session today.

The two legislative bodies met to discuss a variety of mutual interests, chief of which centered on possible future formation of a regional port authority.

Ed Pawelek, managing partner of the Port MacKenzie Co., which is making plans for the port, and consulting engineer Bob Crow of Pacific Architects and Engineers, Inc., unveiled an engineers' rendition of the proposed port complex, which will comprise some 1,800 acres of Point MacKenzie land when completed.

Pawelek, who already owns some of the land in the proposed port area, said the project will be constructed in three phases.

The first phase will be oriented towards an export facility, Pawelek said. The port, he added, would open mining areas in the Mat-Su borough for development.

This phase will require about 400 acres of land. Another 200 acres will be required for Phase Two, which Pawelek described as a municipal port primarily involving containerized cargo

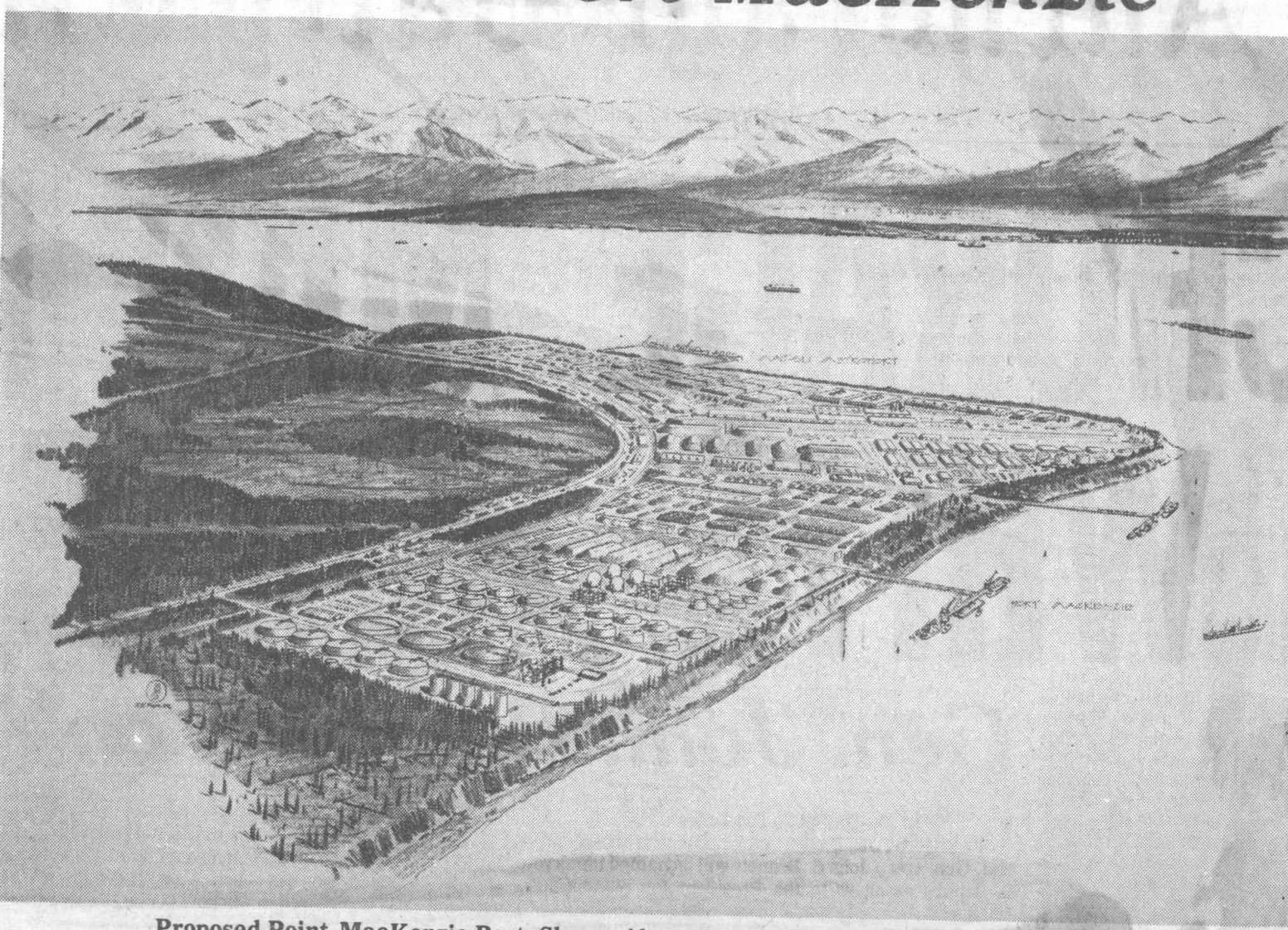
operations. Studies have indicated the cost of goods going to the interior of Alaska from a port at Point MacKenzie would be reduced about 10 per cent from present costs.

To provide storage and back up space for both facilities, an additional 1,200 acres will be needed in the third phase, Pawelek estimated.

Present plans for the port include a greenbelt around the entire port area periphery. A road connecting the port site to the present Knik Road could be built by the Mat-Su borough from Goose Lake. Pawelek said he has also received expressions of interest from Alaska Railroad officials in a rail extension to the site.

Also scheduled to make presentations at the meeting were Anchorage City Manager Robert Sharp and Mat-Su Borough Manager Wes Howe. The two officials were to provide the legislative bodies with information on federal requirements for a joint port authority.

Pawelek noted that the major source of funds for development of the new port would undoubtedly be the federal government, and these funds would probably only become available through a regional port concept. Last October Matanuska-Susitna voters approved the borough's assumption of areawide port powers.



Proposed Point MacKenzie Port, Shown Above, May Trigger Regional Port Authority



TWO RECEIVE CITIZEN AWARDS

As a highlight of the 25th anniversary dinner of Anchorage's Polar Bear Chapter of the National Defense Transportation Association, Mayor George Sullivan, second from right, presented Outstanding Citizen Award Plaques to Lt. Gen. James C. Sherrill, commander in chief, Alaska, and Arne Michael-

son, traffic manager for Headquarters, U.S. Army, Alaska. At left is William Meehan, chapter president. The presentation took place at Elmendorf Air Force Base Officers' Club. Michaelson is a charter member of the Polar Bear Chapter.

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