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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS
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TRANSPORTATION BUILDING
OLYMPIA

March 15, 1963

Mr. Click Belander
Yakima Herald
Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

I want to thank you for the many courtesies shown me on my recent trip to Yakima. I hope I can make good use of your valuable information.

Enclosed is a check for "Strangers on the Landing". Also enclosed are two copies of the Highway Historical Marker booklet. Would you please give one of these booklets to Phil?

Very truly yours,

Sid
SIDNEY WALSH
Landscape Engineer

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Mr. Click Relander
1212 North 32nd Avenue
Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

While closing out my job file on the Ah-Wa-Tum Historical marker, now that the "shooting" is all over, I am returning these two letters belonging to your files.

Thank you once again for all your wonderful assistance and I'll be knocking at your door in the future, if only to say "Kla-hoy-ya."

Very truly yours,

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November 6, 1963

City Desk
Yakima Herald & Republic
Yakima, Washington

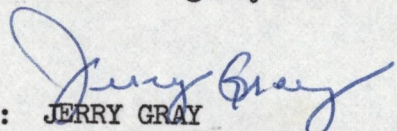
Dear Sir:

Attached are a copy of the opening day program for the new section of the Yakima Freeway and a reproducible map of the Yakima Freeway including the section to be opened on November 12, 1963.

Arrangements for the opening day program are being made by the Yakima Chamber of Commerce.

Very truly yours,

C. G. PRAHL
Director of Highways

By:  JERRY GRAY
Acting Public Information Officer

CGP:lc
JG
Attach.

Official Opening

RUDKIN ROAD

E. LENOX AVE.

TERRACE HEIGHTS

UNDER PARTIAL
CONSTRUCTION

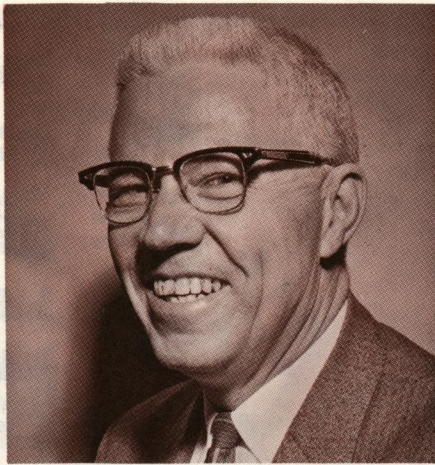
The
**YAKIMA
FREEWAY**
Nov. 12, '63

The YAKIMA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE in cooperation with the WASHINGTON STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION presents the RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY at 3:00 P. M. at the TERRACE HEIGHTS OVERPASS.

[Enclosure. 6 Nov. 63]



The Honorable Albert D. Rosellini
Governor
State of Washington



The Hon. Jack Larson
Mayor of Yakima

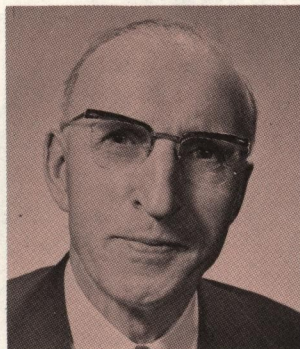


James E. Tonkin
President, Yakima
Chamber of Commerce

WASHINGTON STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION



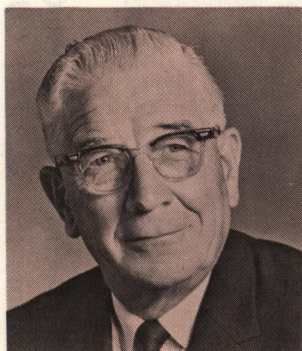
Ernest A. Cowell
Commission Chairman



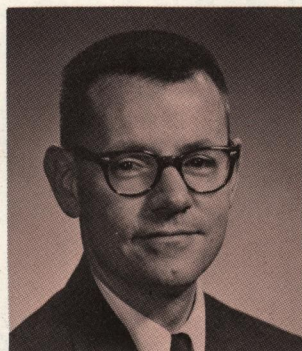
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Commission Vice Chairman



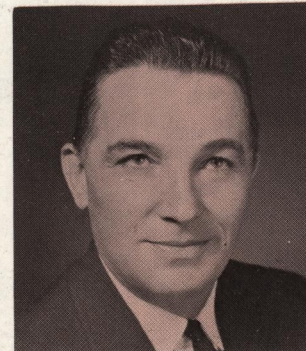
Robert L. Mikalson
Commissioner



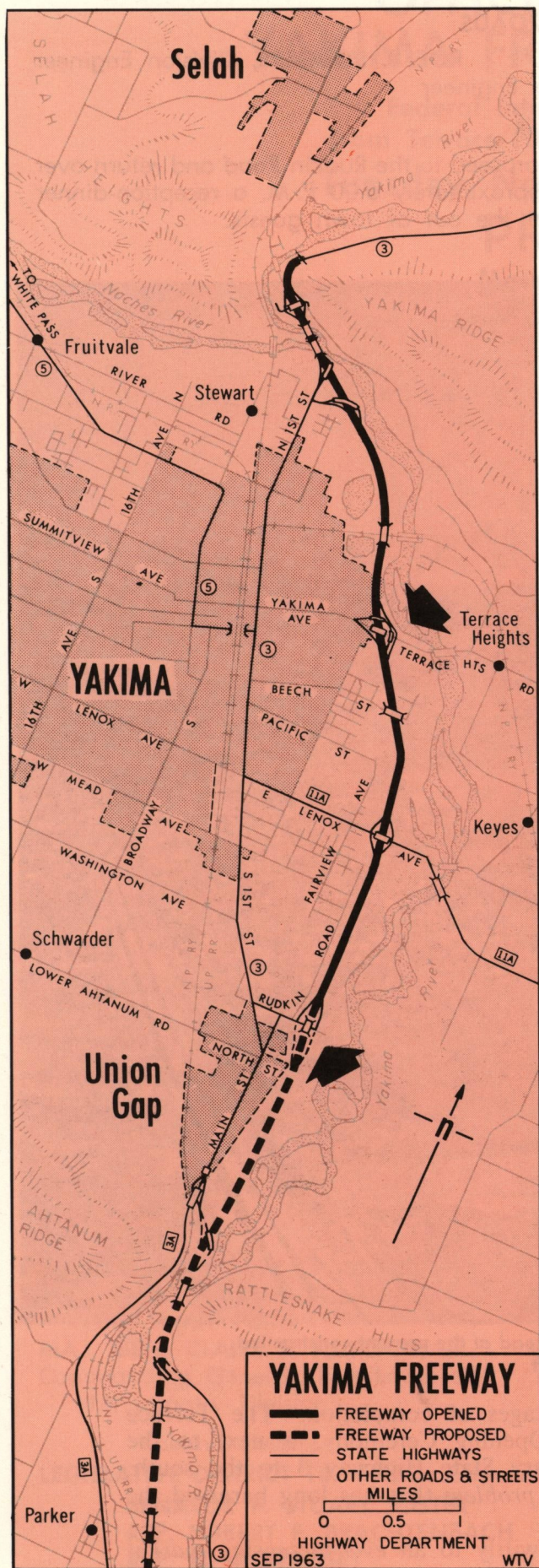
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Highway Commissioner



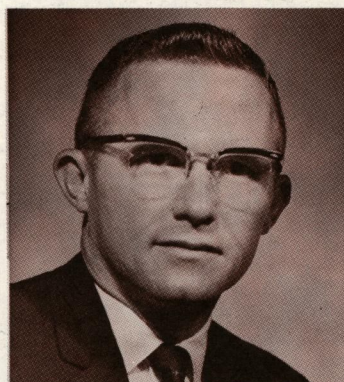
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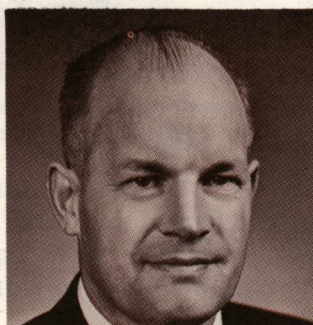
CONSTRUCTION and COST DATA of the YAKIMA FREEWAY from Terrace Heights Way to Rudkin Road 3.139 Mi.

Contract No.	Cost
C-2655 Terrace Heights Way Vicinity, Utilities Adjustment, Pacific Telephone North- west, Cascade Natural Gas Co., Pacific Power & Light Co.	\$ 74,515.21
Contract No. 7025 Terrace Heights Way to East Lenox Avenue, Grading and Bridge, Fiorito Bros., Seattle	639,300.00
Contract No. 7189 Terrace Heights Way to Rudkin Road, Grading, Surfacing and Paving, Mc- Atee & Heathe, Inc., Spokane	809,629.50
Contract No. 7329 North First Street to Rudkin Road, Signing, Traffic Safety Supply Co.	40,493.50
Contract No. 7361 Rudkin Road Overcrossing, Bridge, Harold Lockyear & Sons, Inc., Longview North First Street to Rudkin Road, Illumination, Estimate	103,161.44 98,000.00
Total Contract Amount	\$1,765,099.65
Engineering	176,510.00
Total Cost	\$1,941,609.65

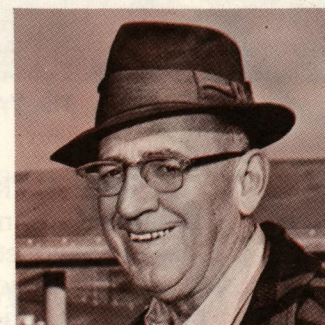
The YAKIMA FREEWAY Engineers



W. M. Foster, District
Engineer for District
5 in Yakima



Einar Winter, Resident
Engineer for Freeway
Project



Murray P. Davidson
Assistant
Resident Engineer

OFFICIAL OPENING YAKIMA FREEWAY PORTION

Federal Interstate Highway No. 82
from Terrace Heights Way to Rudkin Road
Tuesday, November 12, 3:00 P.M.

PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies

JESSE YARDLEY, President
Okanogan Cariboo Trail Association 97

Presentation of Colors and National Anthem
Fort Lewis Military Band

INVOCATION

Rev. Riley Johnson, Rector
St. Michael's Episcopal Church

JAMES E. TONKIN , President	Yakima Chamber of Commerce
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HON. JACK M. LARSON	Mayor, City of Yakima
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Manager, Yakima Chamber of Commerce

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MISS YAKIMA, KAREN KELLEY and her princesses: MARY ELLEN MARTIN and BARBARA SPANTON

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OSCAR SODERSTROM, Police Chief

SHERIFF BERT GUNS

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GEORGE SMITH, City Manager

HONORED GUESTS

ROY BETLACH, Chief, State Patrol

MAJ. O. C. FURSETH, Assistant
Chief, State Patrol

MAJ. GEN. CLAIRE E. HUTCHIN, JR.
Commanding General, Fort Lewis and
4th Infantry Division

Yakima County

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Deputy Post Commander of Fort Lewis

BRIG. GEN. W. R. PEERS

Combat and Fire Support, Fort Lewis

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REP. CECIL C. CLARK

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BAIRD FRENCH, Regional Engineer

ROE P. RODGERS, Division Engineer

CHARLES WALTON, Area Engineer

RECEPTION-DINNER

Following the ribbon-cutting ceremonies, the caravan will proceed to the Rudkin Road and return over the freeway to the Chinook Motel and Tower, where at approximately 6:00 P. M. a reception-dinner will be held. The Yakima Chamber of Commerce will host the out of town guests.



The YAKIMA FREEWAY terminating at the Rudkin Road at the present construction.
PSH 3 is at the left.

The YAKIMA FREEWAY is in its last stages of completion. The Terrace Heights-Rudkin Road strip, celebrated in today's Opening Ceremony, is next to the last leg connecting with the main highway, Primary State Highway 3 to the south.

This major accomplishment *will end a traffic problem* that has long harassed the cross-city traffic in Yakima.

Industrial and agricultural produce will flow swiftly to an *ever-increasing market demand* that will insure the future growth of this inland empire and thriving City of Yakima.



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December 1, 1966

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Mr. Click Relander
City Editor
The Yakima Daily Republic
114 North Fourth St.
Yakima, Washington 98901

Dear Click:

We were wondering when we would be challenged over some of the materials in our booklet, "Highways to History." Nevertheless, we are quite surprised by your very direct question concerning the identity of Chief Kamiakin, and the photo of him in our publication.

The photograph which we list as Chief Kamiakin came from Mrs. Ibbotson, a member of the staff of the Washington State Historical Society at Tacoma. Unfortunately, Click, we are not qualified here to determine whether or not she is right. We will pursue your question and let you know what we can uncover. At any rate, it will be very interesting to see.

You might be interested to know that there has been considerable controversy over the location and wording of our historical markers above Wishram on Sign Route 830 on the Columbia River. In an effort to solve the dilemma, we referred the matter to Mr. Bruce LeRoy, director of the museum at Tacoma. Bruce wrote back the following reply: "I'll be damned if I know."

All of this reminds me of the city editor who told me once that there are three sides to every story -- "yours, mine, and the facts." And as I grow older I find that it is increasingly more difficult to get the facts.

The booklets are available by writing to the Public Information Office, Department of Highways, Highways-Licenses Building, Olympia, Washington, 98501.

Thank you for your kind comments on our booklet, Click.

Very truly yours,

William Dugovich
Public Information Director

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