

Rival Interests to Be Heard in Plan to Build Master Dam

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PORTLAND, Ore., June 11.—(AP)—A revised interior department plan for dam construction in the Pacific Northwest—a master plan to determine the order in which proposed dams will be built—will go before the public June 25 at Walla Walla in one of the pivotal meetings in Columbia basin planning.

Rival forces are lining up for the arguments then—fishing interests vs. Columbia river shippers and bargemen, irrigation and power advocates. All were called to the meeting by Col. Theron D. Weaver, North Pacific Division Army engineer and chairman of the Columbia Basin Inter-Agency Committee to exchange views on the plan.

The plan divides the Columbia River into upper and lower parts with the halving point at the Okanogan River. Similarly the Snake River is divided—the Salmon River confluence becoming its halfway mark.

Below these points no dams would be constructed in the next decade—with the exception of McNary dam on the Columbia at Umatilla, Ore., for "McNary has gone too far to stop or to delay."

Meanwhile an attempt would be made to preserve the great Columbia River salmon run by transplanting the fish to the lower rivers.

Salmon Run at Stake
Already there is criticism. The fishing interests note that the plan says "benefits to the Pacific Northwest from a thorough-going development on the Snake and Columbia are such that the present salmon run must if necessary be sacrificed."

Fishermen can find solace only in that the plan also assures them of salmon runs in the next 10-20 years and that Army engineers believe they can construct dams that will not curtail the runs.

The engineers in fact do not see the need in delaying dams proposed for the lower river. They cite Bonneville, which has passed a record Chinook run this spring, as proof that dams need be no barrier to salmon.

There are other objections, too. Power advocates—They are not sure upriver dams can supply enough kilowatts to keep up with what otherwise might be rapid industrial expansion.

Farmers—Those in the mid-Columbia area consider it an unwarranted ten-year delay before they get irrigation.

Barge operators—They foresee another decade of waiting before the Columbia and Snake channels are deepened and rapids eliminated to allow big barges to carry commerce up as far as Lewiston, Idaho.

Indians—Their fishing rights are protected by treaty. If the fish disappear from the river, will it be a violation of the treaties?

Alternatives for Indians
Interior Department officials suggest that the Indians could be taken care of by: (a) Paying an agreed or arbitrated valuation of fishery rights; (b) Giving the Indians downstream rights; or (c) Settling up alternative economic opportunities.

The plan does not mention any aid in the next decade for the unirrigated lands or for the barge men, but there are proposals for additional power.

The dams delayed by the plan are The Dalles dam across the

Columbia at The Dalles, Ore., and four on the lower Snake River below Lewiston.

To make up for them in power, the department proposes to proceed with construction of the Hungry Horse dam in North-western Montana, Foster Creek dam in Eastern Washington, and Detroit dam in Western Oregon.

In addition the plan suggests construction of Hell's Canyon dam on the upper Snake; Boundary dam on the Pend Oreille, and Wolf Creek dam on the upper Snake before any main-stream dam.

Finally additional generators are proposed for Grand Coulee and Rock Island dams in Washington and Kerr dam in Montana to take care of increasing power needs.

Dr. C. C. Poling in Coma; Sons Are Summoned

PORTLAND, June 11.—(AP)—The condition of Dr. C. C. Poling, retired evangelical clergyman, who has been in a coma since Sunday, was reported less favorable today.

One son, Dr. Charles S. Poling, Presbyterian pastor at Arcadia, Calif., arrived today. Another son, Dr. Daniel A. Poling, president of International Christian Endeavor, was en route from Philadelphia by plane but became ill and will continue the trip from Chicago by train. A third son, Dr. Paul N. Poling, general secretary of the Presbyterian board of education, is on a speaking tour and has not yet been advised of his father's illness.

Army Enlistment Age Cut to 17 Approved

WASHINGTON, June 11.—(AP)—Legislation lowering the Army's voluntary enlistment age to 17 was approved today by the House Armed Services committee.

The measure also permits reenlistments for terms up to six years, and original enlistments for two, three, four, five or six years, with non-commissioned officers being allowed to reenlist for unspecified periods and receive a \$50 bonus at the end of each year of the indefinite period.

Present law provides a minimum enlistment period of three years.

Ex-Deputy Superintendent Of Oregon Banks Passes

PORTLAND, June 11.—(AP)—Arthur H. Olson, 61, former deputy state superintendent of banks, died at his home here yesterday.

He came to Portland in 1918, for a time was associated with the

State Bank of Portland, then took the position with the State Banking Department which he held for 22 years. At the time of his death he was vice-president and general manager of the Commercial Bank of Tillamook which he helped organize several years ago.

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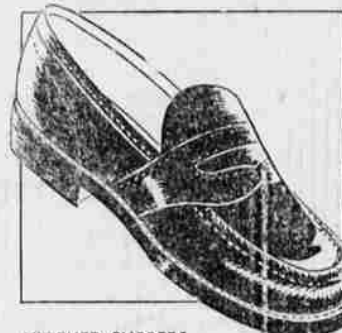
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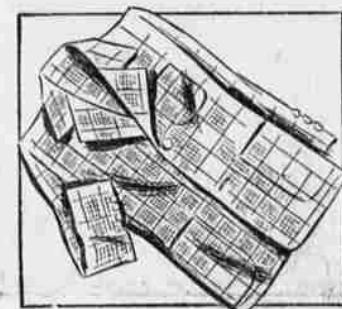


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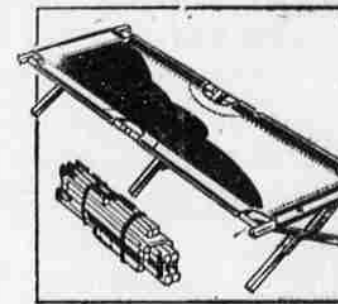
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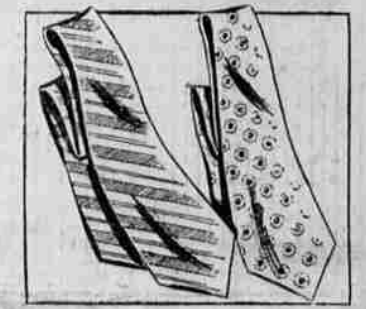


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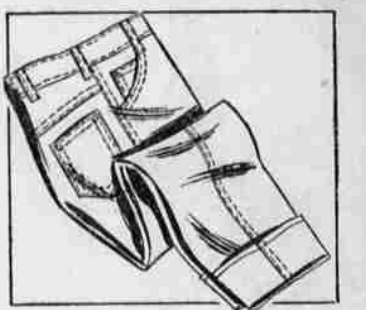
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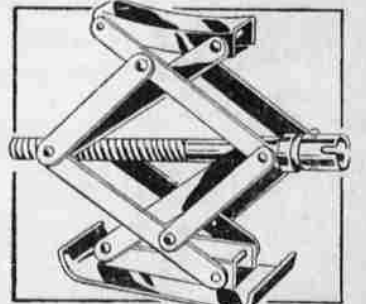


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