

Navigation Benefits Great For Hells Canyon Dam, Says Bonneville Expert

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Bonneville Power Administration market expert said Thursday navigation benefits for the proposed federal Hells Canyon Dam might be much greater than present estimates.

Two-Word Title Deed Omission Spells Fortune

EDMONTON, Alta. (AP) — Omission of two words from a land title deed 46 years ago spelled out a fortune for Anton Turta and his son Nick, who farm in the heart of Alberta's Leduc oil field about 20 miles south of here.

The two hold title to 160 acres of land on which miners' rights have been valued at more than one million dollars.

After a two-year legal fight, the Supreme Court of Canada dismissed claims by the Canadian Pacific Railway CPR and Imperial Oil Ltd. for the oil rights on the land.

Also benefiting from the ruling were the Montreal Trust Co., which holds a lease on Anton Turta's portion of the land, and William Sereda, who holds a lease on the other half.

Turta acquired part of the land in 1911 and the remainder in 1918 from Mike Podgorny, who had purchased the tract in 1908 from the railway. A clerk in the land title office had erred in drawing up Podgorny's title reserving to the railroad the rights to "all coal" subsequently found but omitting the words "and petroleum."

The error went unnoticed until Alberta's oil boom. In 1943 the deed was changed to read: "Reserving unto the CPR all coal and petroleum."

The CPR leased the land to Imperial Oil in March 1951. Turta went to court.

In May 1952, the Alberta Supreme Court ruled in the farmer's favor.

Justice W. G. Egbert held the land titles office did not have the authority to change the deed.

The Appellate Division of the Alberta Supreme Court upheld Justice Egbert's ruling and the Supreme Court of Canada agreed.

dams in the Hells Canyon stretch of the Snake River between Idaho and Oregon.

Testifying for groups favoring the federal project, Moment proposed that Army Engineers re-study potential river traffic between Vancouver, Wash., and Lewiston, Idaho.

R. P. Parry, Idaho Power lawyer, objected to testimony on navigation benefits and techniques used to compare costs and benefits of federal dams. He said Moment "merely is criticizing" the policies followed by federal agencies.

Parry clocked Moment's reply to one question at six minutes, then protested "We don't need these lengthy lectures." He said testimony at the hearing, which began July 7, "already has passed the 15,000-page mark."

Mrs. Evelyn Cooper, attorney for public power groups, said the problem of benefit-cost ratios "is a most difficult subject" and Moment, "a conscientious witness," only was trying to answer all questions satisfactorily.

Saying the witness "has a tendency to elaborate," hearing Examiner William J. Costello asked him to keep the wordage down.

Costello remarked Wednesday that Mrs. Cooper was asking "trigger" questions "which set off long dissertations" by Moment.

Wednesday Costello sustained objections of Idaho Power attorneys and rejected exhibits submitted by two public power witnesses.

Garden Valley PTA Will Remain With Association

By ERMA FIELDING

The Garden Valley PTA members by a vote of six to two decided to remain PTA instead of forming some other type of parents' organization. Mrs. Lloyd Carlson was elected president; Mrs. G. W. Tipton vice president; Mrs. Elton Zuer, secretary; and Mrs. E. H. Warren, treasurer, for the coming year.

House Guests Mrs. J. B. Faubion and Miss Irene Shelley of Portland were houseguests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ritchie this past week.

The Garden Valley Community Church held a successful revival with the Rev. Clarence Harms. The record attendance was 59 on Saturday evening. The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Harms were house-

guests at the home of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hull. They were dinner guests at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schmidt on Saturday and at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Curtis on Sunday, and following the Sunday evening services they were supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schmidt Jr.

Attends Convention Mrs. Charles Hafer attended the 13th annual National Rose Society convention at San Francisco this past weekend. She participated in the Practice Judging class and went on the following tours that had been arranged by the San Francisco Rose Society: Muir Woods, Cliff House, Japanese Tea Gardens in the Golden Gate Park, Maiden Lane, Oakland Municipal and private rose gardens and the

Berkeley municipal and private rose gardens. She also attended the rose show on Sunday in the rotunda of the San Francisco Civic Auditorium. She visited her cousin, Mrs. Katie Yeatter, in San Rafael Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Ewens spent several days visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Redburn at Coos Bay this past week.

DUKE LEAVES

LONDON (AP) — The Duke of Edinburgh left by plane for Scotland Thursday to join his wife, Queen Elizabeth II, and their two children for a 12-day holiday at the royal castle of Balmoral. The Queen, Prince Charles and Princess Anne made the trip by train.

Shakespearean Festival Cast Wins Scholarships

Eight veterans and 6 newcomers to the Oregon Shakespearean festival stage in Ashland have been awarded scholarships to the 1954 festival, according to Angus L. Bowmer, producing director.

The group of scholarship winners will form the nucleus of the company of approximately 50 actors who will appear in the 4 plays of the 14th season of America's oldest Shakespeare festival, which opens in Ashland August 1 for a month's run.

Although actors winning awards represent every section of the United States, Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa., leads all institutions in numbers receiving scholarships with 6.

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