

Aandahl Says That Threat Of Federal Monopolies Has Curbed Power Developments

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fred G. Aandahl, assistant secretary of the Interior for water and power, said Tuesday the threat of federal monopolies has discouraged local responsibility for power development in the Tennessee River basin and the Pacific Northwest.

Aandahl reviewed Interior Department power policies in a statement prepared for a House subcommittee on government operations which has held three months of hearings across the nation. Aandahl's personal appearance on the stand was delayed.

The inquiry, by a subcommittee on public works and resources headed by Rep. Chudoff (D-Pa.), has provided a sort of preview of the hot public-versus-private power dispute shaping up for the 1956 election campaign.

It has erupted into public wrangling and split the committee along party lines.

The Interior Department is the marketing agent for all federal power except that produced in the Tennessee Valley Authority's area and by the Army Engineer project at Sault Ste. Marie. Aandahl said all federal power, including that produced by TVA, constitutes a commercial generating capacity, which he put at 113 million kilowatts as of Sept. 1.

Total capacity, Aandahl said, includes a reserve of about 20 per cent—"if by some disaster all federal power were destroyed, there would still be enough power if proper distribution could be arranged to meet all our needs with still a 7 per cent reserve."

"It is interesting to note that the two regions of lowest reserves now are the TVA area where there is a federal socialistic monopoly of

power generation and transmission and the Pacific Northwest where federal activity has reached 38 per cent of the total," Aandahl said.

"Certainly as one factor, the threat of federal regional monopoly and absorption of local investments has discouraged local responsibility in these areas."

Aandahl stood on the power policy stated by Secretary McKay Aug. 18, 1953.

"It is recognized that the primary responsibility of supplying power needs of an area rests with the people locally. The responsibility of the Department of the Interior is to give leadership and assistance in the conservation and wise utilization of natural resources."

The assistant secretary said that after announcement of that policy and the partnership approach it was "significant to observe the resumption of local responsibility and fast responsive action of local interests, both public and private, in the Pacific Northwest."

A major wrangle has revolved around federal regulations which have required the "wheeling" or transmission of publicly generated power over the lines of private utilities if those lines cross public lands.

In announcing the hearings, Chudoff said that testimony indicates private utilities are benefiting from failure of the department (of Interior) to properly dispose of its power.

Chudoff said "on their face, complaints received by this subcommittee constitute a serious indictment of administration power marketing practice."

The subcommittee has been investigating the effect of the government's power marketing on rural electric cooperatives, municipal electric systems and other customers entitled to reference to power generated by federal projects like Bonneville Dam and other regional federal power administrations.

CLEARED OUT AGAIN
EUGENE (AP) — Someone cleaned out the Frank Foster home at Veneta some months ago—taking clothes, dishes, groceries, and everything else.

Now it has happened again, Sheriff Ed Elder reported Monday after the Foster family returned from a trip to California. Everything was gone—including the telephone from the wall.

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Dillard Family Returns From Vacation Trip

By ROSA HEINBACH

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Claiborne and son, Kyle, and grandson, Rodney Boutwell, have returned home from a 10-day vacation in Idaho. After a visit in Boise at the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. William Claiborne and son, Tommy, they went to Jerome and visited Mrs. Claiborne's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Canada.

They visited Claiborne's father, J. A. Claiborne, and a brother, Arnold, at Hagerman. They were guests of Mrs. Claiborne's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Johnson at Shoshone, and another brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sloan, at Twin Falls.

On their return trip to Dillard, Mr. and Mrs. Claiborne and Rodney hunted deer for three days at La Pine. Kyle returned home earlier.

Word has been received from Ben Walters, who has spent the summer months the past two years in Dillard, that he had arrived back in his old home at Sheridan, Ark. He is employed at a sheet metal plant at Parkersburg, W. Va. He was employed at the Paul B. Hult mill in Dillard.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bridges and children, Perley and Andy, went to Klamath Falls over the weekend to visit.

Mr. and Mrs. George Millikin and daughters, Patricia and Kathryn of Salem, visited last week at the home of the former's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Max Pennie, and Mrs. Thomas Millikin and daughters, Goldie, Mary, and son, Donald, in Roseburg. Mr. and Mrs. Millikin and daughters and Julian Hatfield were dinner guests at the George Thomas ranch on Roberts Creek, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McAllister and sons, Danny, Howard and Randy Lee, of Claverdale, Calif., were weekend guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Mamie McKay and the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Welch and family.

Mrs. Belle Clark and Mrs. Grace Barnes of Dillard went to the coast Sunday with their nephew and grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Barnes of Roseburg. They went by way of Drain. They returned home by way of Myrtle Point.

Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. Clark were spending the past 10 days at the home of the former's son, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Barnes, while they were hunting over in Eastern Oregon. The Barnes Sr. was accompanied on their hunting trip by their son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Don Fast.

Adenauer Winning Pneumonia Bout

BONN, Germany (AP) — Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's doctors disclosed Tuesday that West Germany's 79-year-old government chief has pneumonia but said he is recovering.

A special medical bulletin issued by two physicians said Adenauer's "feverish bronchitis has been complicated by a light bronchial pneumonia."

The bulletin added that the pneumonia "is fading away" and "the fever has abated, but the chancellor must remain in bed for at least another week."

The aged German leader went to bed last Friday with a feverish cold. The bulletin Tuesday was the first indication that he was seriously ill.

Intimates said he became chilled during a night drive from Luxembourg to Bonn last Wednesday following his day-long conference with French Premier Edgar Faure and Foreign Minister Antoine Pinay on the Saar plebiscite.

Tests show that night temperatures next to bluegrass sod can be as much as 6 degrees lower than at shoulder height.

Norblad Would Put Ban On Fishing Boat Danger

SALEM (AP) — Rep. Norblad (R-Ore) said Monday he might introduce legislation to give the Coast Guard authority to prevent small fishing boats from going into dangerous areas.

He asked the Coast Guard to investigate the drowning of four persons at Astoria Sept. 3. The Coast Guard has advised him the investigation now is being made.

In that tragedy, during the Astoria Salmon Derby, eight boats capsized.

Norblad said the Coast Guard advised all boats to stay away from the area in which the accidents occurred. He also said that it urged the wearing of life jackets, but that none of the drowned victims wore them.



SIMIAN SOLUTION — Sarina, an orangutan at Amsterdam, Holland, zoo, has the perfect solution for hot weather. A basin of water and some privacy are all that are needed.

Attlee Claims Disarmament Changes Better Than Ever

By TOM OCHILTREE

MARGATE, England (AP) — Labor Party leader Clement Attlee said Tuesday he believes the chances of a disarmament agreement among the world's big powers are better than ever.

The 72-year-old former prime minister told the annual Labor Party conference this is because all countries now realize that "a major war leaves no victors."

Attlee, making his first public appearance since a recent illness, accused Prime Minister Eden's Conservative government of dodging the issue in refusing to cut the nation's two-year military service term.

Eden announced last week that Britain would reduce her armed service by 100,000 men in the next three years by a gradual raising of the draft age.

"The government have failed to meet their responsibilities," Attlee said. "It is quite useless to have a mass of fighting men without an adequate economy to support them."

He renewed his party's demand for an outright ban on the H-bomb and for big power talks on general disarmament.

BICYCLISTS CITED

BEND (AP) — Bicyclists who violate safety regulations now are cited to court.

Fifteen boys and seven girls showed up at the first session before Municipal Judge A. J. Gray, where they got a reminder on the need for safety, and a half hour's instruction.

DEER, CAR GET AWAY

BREMERTON (AP) — Without naming names, the Bremerton Sun reports this hunting season story: Two hunters were driving on the Cushman Lake road when a deer ran across in front of them. They grabbed their rifles and jumped out, but the deer got away. So did the car, which ran into a tree.



PVT. FRED FOYE, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Foye, Roseburg, has been promoted to Pvt. First Class. He enlisted in the service in January 1955. After completing his basic training at Fort Ord, he went to Fort Chaffee, Ark., for a 6-week course in heavy artillery. In May he entered leadership school at Fort Sill, Okla. After graduation he was transferred to the 3rd Corps Aviation Detachment at Fort Sill. In November he will leave for Louisiana to take part in Operation Sagebrush.

OSC Enrollment Up 17 Per Cent; Total Is 6,109

Enrollment at Oregon State College has climbed to 6,109 this fall, 900 more than a year ago and the fifth highest total in OSC's history. Only the veteran-packed years of 1946 to 1949 saw more students registered than this fall and even those records are expected to be broken during the next few years at OSC.

Engineering continues to be the largest school at OSC with 1,332 students. That is 24 per cent more than last year and reflects the high national demand for trained engineers. The school of business and technology is second with 870; science is third with 835; and agriculture, fourth, 814.

The school of education which ranks fifth with 784 students has the highest percentage gain. Thirty percent more students are preparing to be high school and elementary teachers this year than last.

Helping to boost the total also is an increase in the number of returned servicemen entering college. This year's veterans total is 922, compared to 575 a year ago. Men outnumber women at OSC by more than 2 1/2 to 1.

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