

Army Engineers Advocate Multiple-Purpose Upstream Storage Dams For Umpqua

Col. Jackson Graham, Portland district engineer of the U.S. Corps of Engineers, revealed a report Friday afternoon which showed the corps had carried on flood control studies in the Umpqua basin intermittently for the last 10 years.

In the report on water resources development, it is contended that "construction of multiple-purpose upstream storage would be necessary to provide appreciable reduction of flood damages at all but several locations in the basin."

It relates that in only six of the

locations, the damages are of sufficient magnitude to make local protection by levees or channel work practical. Recommendations for improvements of these locations have not yet been submitted to Congress.

The report cites several areas of known flood damage as of 1950 and recommendations made by the corps on these. They are:

1. South Umpqua above Cow Creek. Floods cause inundation of parts of the area. The clean, rock-bottomed stream channel precludes economic channel enlargement. Levees are not feasible either because of the narrow strips to be protected.

2. South Umpqua from Cow Creek to confluence with the North Umpqua. In some areas, partial protective projects have been constructed and others would be economically feasible. However, it is not practical to provide levees or channel improvement to prevent damages from major floods.

"The rather extensive damages to most of these communities can be alleviated only by provision of upstream flood-control storage."

North Umpqua River — The flow is being developed for power purposes and may be controlled to an appreciable degree when power reservoirs (Copco) are completed. Flooding has not been a serious

problem along this stream.

Cow Creek — Tracts from one-fourth to one-half mile wide along the upper reaches between Glendale and Azalea are flooded about once every two years. Clean, rock bottom makes stream storage "most practicable means of protection."

Myrtle Creek — Flooding of lower portions of the town of Myrtle Creek is caused from high discharges from the creeks and backwater effect from floods on the South Umpqua. Channel work might be economically feasible if stages in the South Umpqua River were reduced by storage.

Lookingglass Creek — An area of about 1,500 acres is inundated about every two years by floods on the creek combined with backwater from the South Umpqua. No recommendations were made.

Sutherland Creek — Almost annual flooding in and near Sutherland were noted. Channel improvements to bypass Sutherland and carry greater flows within the bank both above and below the town appears feasible.

Elk and Pass Creeks — Streams

join at Drain to cause considerable damage at times of moderate to major flood conditions. Channel improvement could reduce this damage, but major floods could not be passed without some inundation.

Calapooy Creek — Because of the comparatively small area to be protected and the small amount of damages, local protective works are not apparently justified. Flood control benefits credited to storage would be small.

Yoncalla Creek — Flood plain covers part of Yoncalla and about 850 acres along the lower four miles of the stream. Local flood protection would be economically feasible, but, "in the past, local residents have declined to provide necessary local cooperation."

Mill Creek — Considerable damages have occurred in the vicinity of Loon Lake. A project for channel clearing and deepening at the mouth of the lake was included in a 1940 authorization and has been completed. Upstream storage on the Umpqua River would have no effect on this stream.

Smith River — Numerous agricultural areas are along tidal reaches of the stream, some protected by levees. The 1940 authorization included rehabilitation and strengthening of several levees. Provision of upstream storage on Umpqua River would have no effect.

Umpqua River above Scottsburg — Developments along the river are not extensive and are generally above even major flood stages. Tidal reaches — Many areas protected by levees, some of which are constructed or improved with federal aid. Additional areas might be protected at some future time. Upstream storage would have very little effect on flood stages in these reaches since winter storms and tides are generally controlling factors.

The existing projects authorized for navigation are: (1) Jetty on either side of the entrance to the mouth of the Umpqua and dredging within Winchester Bay, Umpqua River and Schofield River; (2) channel 6 feet deep and 100 feet wide from mouth of river to the mouth of North Fork and thence 4 feet deep and 75 feet wide to Sulphur Springs Landing about 20 miles from mouth. (A contract to accomplish work on the project is expected to be awarded this year.) (3) investigation of possible navigation improvements above Scottsburg.

Glide, Glendale Projects Bid Opening Slated

Bid openings are scheduled at both Glide and Glendale this month for construction projects.

At Glide, bids will be opened April 19 at 8 p.m. for purchase of \$90,000 in school construction bonds. Bids will be received until that time by Marybelle Beckley, clerk.

The bonds will be dated May 1 and will mature Feb. 1 at the rate of \$18,000 a year, 1958 through 1962.

Legal advertisements have also announced that bids will be opened Monday at 8 p.m. in the Glendale City Hall for construction of sewer facilities. However, the council agreed at its last meeting that it would be unwilling to open bids if engineers did not offer more information on the construction.

About four years ago, city voters approved bonds for the construction, but it wasn't until last year that agreement was made with the Oregon Bond Commission to buy them.

Chairman Harry Dayton Of Cow Creek District Names Committee

By ERMA BEST

Harry Dayton, chairman of the Cow Creek district of the Douglas Water Resources Board, has named to his committee Don Clark, Riddle, industry; Olga Sether, Riddle, municipal; Olga Sether, Glendale, agriculture; Richard Werick, Azalea, aquarium life and recreation.

Special Meeting Held

At a special meeting held at the Riddle City Hall recently the city zoning commission presented a zoning plan which was accepted by the city council. The plan will be written into an ordinance which will be posted for a hearing before residents of the city.

Len Hall, jeweler and watchmaker of Roseburg, has purchased the former Scott Jewelry building and adjacent lot and plans to reopen the store shortly.

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin D. Dagwell, bishop of Oregon, conducted the Easter morning service at the Riddle Church of the Ascension before a congregation that taxed the capacity of the church. Following the service the bishop was a guest of honor at a dinner given by St. Clare's Altar Guild at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lilly, accompanied by their grandson, Mike Lilly, left recently for a ten-day vacation trip to Los Angeles, Calif., where they will visit at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ernest Victor.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hart spent the Easter weekend in Coos Bay with their son, Edward Hart and family.

Weekend Guests

Captain and Mrs. Webster Parker and four children were weekend guests at the home of Mrs. Parker's sister, Mrs. George Dawson, and family. The Parker family drove up from San Francisco where Captain Parker is now stationed following transfer from Boise, Idaho.

Recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Willis were Mr. and Mrs. Irving Botkin and family who were returning to Monterey, Calif., where Mr. Botkin teaches music in the schools, after a vacation spent with relatives in Estacada. They were joined for the day by a brother, Vern Botkin, and family of Coos Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nolten spent the weekend in Portland where they joined their son, John T. Nolten, Jr., daughter, Mrs. Walter Houseman, and nephew, Earl Riggs, and families for Easter dinner.

TSgt. and Mrs. James F. Fryslie and three daughters were overnight visitors Easter Sunday at the home of his uncle, Milton C. Hoff. The family was returning to Hamilton Air Force base in California following a leave spent with Washington relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Olson and four children went to Eugene over Easter to visit his father, who has been ill, and her parents, who were recovering from flu.

Attend Conference

Riddle High School students attending the Ashland Conference for Young Adults recently were: Ann Raulston, Norman Raulston, Jim Carhart, Shirley Woolley, Irene Dawson and Dixie Holtman.

Mrs. Margaret McGee, Riddle High School commercial teacher, attended the Western Business Education Association meeting held in Seattle last week.

The Southern Oregon College choir from Ashland, will sing before the Riddle student body on April 12 at 11 a.m.

Easter guests at the Clويد Wigle home were Mrs. Wigle's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Horning, of Beaverton, and a long-time friend, Mrs. Irene Layton of Aloha.

Mr. and Mrs. James Juhl and son, Jack, drove to Florence to spend Easter with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Juhl, and to get their other son, Pat, who had been visiting his grandparents for a week.

Miss Beverly Thompson, who attends a beauty school in Eugene, spent Easter at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Griffith and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Cockrell and daughter, Beverly, drove to Medford for Easter Sunday dinner.



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Local News

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Toastmasters Club Slates Installation

Installation of officers of Toastmasters Club 604 is scheduled for Tuesday, April 10, at 7 p.m. in the Civic Room of the Hotel Umpqua.

The Toastmasters clubs at Winston-Dillard, Camas Valley and the newly reactivated Roseburg club have been extended an invitation to attend. Past members of all clubs have also been invited. Officers to be installed are: Pete Fullerton, president; Bill Copeland, educational vice president; Ed Drysdale, administrative

vice president; Marvin Lane, secretary; Walter Brittle, treasurer, and Norm Bleakman, sergeant-at-arms. Out-going president is Milton (Mickey) Hard.

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Farm Bureau president, Lawrence Michaels, expressed the opinion that Judge Woodrich is well qualified to speak on this problem, since all juvenile cases are handled in his court.

The meeting, scheduled for 8 p.m., is open to the community and parents are especially invited to attend.

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