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PREPARE FOR EAR BANGING

By Charles V. Stanton

The Hells Canyon project has become an exceptionally good political propaganda vehicle. It appeared for a time that it was bogged down. However, it is now wheeling along in high gear.

This issue has been played out of all proportion to its economic factors. It has become the pivot for the battle between public and private power advocates. Although the differences between the proposed construction plans are of comparatively minor importance, the project puts the principles of public and private power in direct opposition to one another, thus providing a suitable battle ground.

Public power advocates have won an important victory in the U.S. Senate, where approval of the federal high dam was gained. I believe it may be safely predicted, however, that this victory will prove far more political than practical. It is my personal belief that had there been any expectation in the Senate of a practical victory, the bill would not have passed.

The senators, I suspect, took the view that even though the bill should be given Senate approval, it would be killed in the House. As a last resort, it is a sure bet that the measure will get a presidential veto.

Strategy Involved

It is quite probable that Democrats will put forth a tremendous effort to obtain House approval just to force an Eisenhower veto. Obviously, with the close vote in the Senate, and a close vote probable in the House, the bill is not likely to pass over a veto. If, however, the President can be made to veto the bill, the public power crowd will have forged a strong lever for use in the 1958 and 1960 elections.

The average voter, inclined to be swayed more by emotion than by reason, is expected by the public power crowd to be influenced by "evidence" that the Republican administration is "all for big business and opposed to development of natural resources for the best interests of the public."

Public power advocates contend that only by a federal high dam can the Hells Canyon project be properly developed in public interest. The high dam would generate more power but at much greater installation cost. It also would serve purposes of flood control and navigation, sponsors claim. They also insist it is essential to integrated development of the Columbia River.

Private power advocates contend that the three dams being built by the Idaho Power Company, while generating less power primarily, will permit side generation sufficient to make up the difference; will, by utilizing three low dams, inundate less agricultural land; will permit power to be made available at a much earlier date than could be obtained through the more ambitious high dam project; that the flood control factor favoring the high dam is insignificant, amounting to only about two inches on a downstream flood crest.

Rate Structure Argued

Much controversy also rages around the rate structure. Public power advocates contend that only by furnishing cheap power can industry be attracted to the Pacific Northwest. Private power interests, however, ask how public power advocates, by supplying a federal subsidy to industrial power rate can accuse the Republican Party of being the "party of big business?" They also contend that the public power rate is no cheaper than the private power rate if taxes and other charges imposed upon a private utility are considered.

The administration is accused of selling out a western development to a corporation chartered in Maine. But the other side points out that, while the corporation is registered in Maine, the bulk of the stock is owned in the West.

And so the argument rages on. With the vote in the Senate the fight takes on a new vigor. We may be sure we will have our ears banged with the propaganda blasts from both sides until after the 1960 elections when, like Al Sarena, the issue will die a quick death.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS

By FRANK JENKINS

(Continued from page one)

It takes all kinds of people to make a world.

Question: Is fallout resulting from atomic bomb explosion tests a grave menace to the health and welfare of the world?

There is one answer: Continued atomic bomb explosion tests will pose a serious threat to the health of the world's population. Dr. Raymond Ellickson, head of the physics department of the University of Oregon, warned in Eugene the other day. In fact, he told the members of the Eugene Rotary club, even if tests were stopped now the effects of past explosions on plant and animal life would continue for many years.

Dr. Ellickson concentrated much of his talk on radioactive Strontium 90—a material not existing on earth before man began the first A-bomb test. It is a particularly vicious element, he said, because it resembles calcium in structure. As such, it is assimilated by plant and animal life, including the human body.

Dr. Ellickson continued: "In areas of the world where calcium is not abundant—as in the Willamette Valley of Oregon—growing things will absorb the material more readily without being able to differentiate between it and calcium. Then the destructive work begins in developing mutations, and tearing down blood-making processes such as are found in human bone marrow."

He added: "Leukemia, transformed genes and other deformities will inevitably result through continued explosion of the bombs."

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He concluded: "Regarding a purported link between the element Strontium 90 and the incidence of leukemia, I'm afraid the patients have received more radiation from diagnosis than they have from the 'background.'"

What are we ordinary non-scientific people to think about this business of radioactive fallout? It seems to me that until more is known about it the less we see about it the better it will be for everybody.

The Winner



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Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP)—"American men are the best built in the world," said Francesca Lebow.

"They are also as vain as any men in the world. But, unlike women, they aren't frank and wholesome about their vanity. They yearn to look well in their clothes, but they are scared to death of being called fashionable."

"They think it's sissy," Mrs. Lebow, perhaps the outstanding woman consultant on what men should wear, said the cowardly American male's fear of the word "fashion" is one of the clothing industry's greatest obstacles.

"We'd give thousands of dollars to anyone who could come up with a new term that would make men proud of being fashion-conscious instead of frightened. The word 'style' won't do. For some reason men think it sounds cheap when applied to them."

Mrs. Lebow, who was the first menswear editor of Vogue magazine, became even more interested in the field after marrying Victor Lebow, a clothing manufacturer.

"Approximately 70 per cent of all men's clothing is now either selected or actually purchased by women," she said, "and the percentage is increasing."

"Even when a man goes into a store by himself to pick up a suit, it often is one which his wife has scouted for him in advance."

What's wrong with a man doing his own buying? "Nothing at all," said Mrs. Lebow, "if he knows what colors and fabrics suit him best—and isn't afraid of trying something new now and then."

Among Mrs. Lebow's own innovations for men are removable cuffs on suit coats and braided evening jackets—neither of which, it must be admitted, has caused the average manly heart to beat much faster. "You wait," said Mrs. Lebow, "who is as firm as she is pretty. 'I'll still win both those battles.'"

Here are a few clothing tips she offers for guys who think any suit is okay, just so Sam doesn't make the pants too long. "A big man will look slimmer and neater in a dark suit. As every woman knows, any light object looks larger than a dark object the same size."

That doesn't mean he has to wear black or charcoal suits because they think any color shirt or necktie goes well with it. But it is a lazy man's color.

"A slim man can wear heavy, woolly looking tweeds, but a stout man should wear a smooth, fine finished fabric."

What about colors? "Blue is the most universal color for all skin tones," said Mrs. Lebow, "but that doesn't mean plain old blue serge. Blue will be the color of the future."

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Editorial Comment

From The Oregon Press

DISCONTENT

Eugene Register-Guard

We Americans, the Albany Democrat Herald points out, eat pretty high on the hereford. The editorial in that paper says the average American family spends some \$5,000 a year for what it considers "subsistence" living. On the contrary the Japanese farm laborer in California earns some \$3,000 a year and saves some \$2,500 of it.

A wonderful virtue, thrift. But we'd be in a pretty fix, if too many of our people followed the example of the Japanese farm laborer who saves to buy a farm back in the old country.

America has managed to extend its war-born business boom for more than 10 years, principally because the average American wants an even better standard of living. He wants the material things that cost money and that make jobs for other Americans who want material things and so on.

We hear a lot about the "trickle down" theory of economics. There is also a "trickle up" theory. Economic prosperity can be possible only so long as there is a large body of people who want things they haven't got. If the day comes that we're satisfied with the standard of living we have, many of the wheels of production will stop. And then our standard will slip back.

Discontent is a wonderful thing. Happiness, in the material sense, is fine as a goal, but let's hope none of us ever achieves it. And from what we've seen, we doubt that many of us ever will.

Service Family Visits Yokums

By PEARL MOORE

Capt. C. E. Atherton and family were recent weekend guests at the home of Mrs. Atherton's mother, Mrs. Laura Yokum in Canyonville.

Capt. and Mrs. Atherton have returned to Hamilton Air Force Base, Calif., but their son, Carey, remained with his grandmother, Mrs. Yokum's eldest daughter, Mrs. June Jones and family, plan to move to Canyonville from San Rafael, Calif., within a week.

Minister Appointed At the annual Methodist conference in Corvallis recently, Ernie Shippen was appointed to Shedd. He plans to leave for Shedd Friday.

Craig Anderson is spending his summer vacation with relatives in Napa, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Church, owners of Ravenwood Dairy in Canyonville, left recently on a trip to Boise, Idaho, where they will spend a week with their nephew, U.S. Sen. Frank Church, and family.

Gloria Johnson is visiting relatives in Coquille, and will spend the summer there.

Pat and Leroy Sondenaa have been visiting relatives in Toledo, Ohio. The Robert Glenn family has moved to Tacoma, Wash. Glenn is employed by Kenneth Brown and is working near Tacoma.

The Herbert Brainerd family went fishing recently near Medford. Mr. and Mrs. George Wood returned recently from an insurance convention held in Detroit, Mich. Wood is a Canyonville insurance agent.

Delegates Attend OES Convention

By MRS. G. B. FOX

Mrs. Art Gaedecke of Azalea and Mrs. G. W. Hopper of Wolf Creek were delegates from the OES Order of Eastern Star chapter at the grand chapter meeting in the Masonic Temple in Portland recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pruitt of Glendale moved to Seattle recently where Pruitt has obtained employment in an aircraft company. Mrs. Glendene Pruitt and son of Glendale were baptized recently at the Glendale Missionary Baptist Church.

The FL Club held its second nomination of officers at the last meeting.

Bob Jones and Mrs. Vera Kemp, president and office manager of the Glendale Telephone Co., have returned from a convention of the Oregon-Washington independent telephone company in Spokane.

Mrs. Cora Byers spent five days recently visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rife on the Tennessee Mine near Azalea.

Mrs. Blanche Jones and brother, Henry Jones, spent the day recently with the Ray Rife family near Azalea. The Jones are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Green of Canyonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hales of Quines Creek near Glendale were visited overnight recently by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Covington of Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Gilbreath are spending a part of the summer visiting their son and grandchildren in Washington. They will also spend some time on their farm there.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones of Ruben Road was ill at her home last week.

Policeman Answers Call, Helps Deliver Baby

By MRS. G. B. FOX

PORTLAND (AP)—Portland police officer Kenneth Whitman was sent out Saturday night to investigate a "prowler" and before the night was over he had delivered a baby.

The prowler turned out to be Orre E. Kerns, who was trying to find a telephone to get medical help for his wife.

Kerns took Whitman to his apartment where Mrs. Kerns was in the final stages of labor. Whitman, who had first aid training, rolled up his sleeves and helped. The mother, Mrs. Lila Kerns, 30, and the newly born, four-pound daughter, were reported "doing fine" at a Portland hospital.

Saddle Club Of Yoncalla Attends Lebanon Festival

By MRS. GEORGE EDES

Yoncalla Saddle Club members attended the Strawberry Festival at Lebanon.

Those attending were Mrs. Delton Thiel, Pat Thiel, Mrs. Golden Kruse, Mrs. Rita Turner and Red Bragg. Mrs. Rita Turner rode her horse, Golden Chance, with the court of the Cottage Grove rodeo delegation. Also present from North Douglas County were Ray Ryan and Jim Carnes of Elkton.

Visit in Portland

Mr. and Mrs. Avery Lasswell and daughter, Anne, spent several days recently in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lasswell drove to Santa Barbara, Calif., recently to bring their grandson, Bruce Timmons, home from school.

Juanita Johnson has been attending a MYF camp at Camp McGruder near Tillamook. Lawrence Calkins has been at boys camp at Suttle Lake.

Yoncalla High School has received a new paint job, both on the inside and outside of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Taylor and two sons of Salem visited at the Ben Emery home recently.

Visitors Arrive

Nola McDougal of Bend and Tom Olsen of Mullan, Idaho, have been visiting at the Henry McDouglas home.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Curtis and two sons spent a recent weekend with Mrs. Curtis' parents at St. Helens.

Norma Latham, Susan Conner, Lauretta Bickelstaff and Bonnie Bowman attended the Grand Assembly of Rainbow Girls at the Dalles. Norma Latham was selected to sing in the Grand Assembly choir.

Mrs. Ben Emery and Mrs. Loyd Emery and family and Sharon Emery spent several days recently in Portland where they and Sharon received a physical check-up.

David Williams has returned after spending a week visiting in Woodburn. He is now planning on joining the Navy and will leave for Portland early in July for his physical.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brooks Jr. and family of Enterprise spent a few days recently visiting at the parental Brooks' home in Hayhurst Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Lee of Pittsburg, Calif., are visiting at the James Portlock home in Hayhurst Valley.

Student Comes Home Sharon Timmons arrived home recently after spending the winter as a student at Stanford University in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Sherley and daughter, Bonnie, spent a recent weekend visiting in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Campbell and daughter, Dawn, spent a weekend visiting at the Ernest Sinnock home.

Mrs. Tim Ellis and two sons have made a week's visit with relatives in Redding, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson of Geneseo, Ill., are visiting at the Walter Meier home for a couple of weeks. Mrs. Nelson and Mr. Meier are brother and sister.

Bobby Gary and Brad Brooks of eastern Oregon are spending the summer with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brooks, in Hayhurst Valley.

Former residents, Mr. and Mrs. Del Graves and two daughters, have returned to their home in central California following a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hagan, and other relatives.

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