

## Parched Southwest Eyes Pacific States' Water

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Interior Department officials are eyeing the rainy Pacific Northwest as a possible source of water for the parched Pacific Southwest.

The revived interest in ambitious proposals to transport water over hundreds of miles of desert and mountains was revealed Wednesday in testimony released by the House public works appropriations subcommittee.

The possibility was brought up during closed hearings of the committee by Reclamation Commissioner Floyd Dominy and Assistant Commissioner William I. Palmer.

Dominy raised the possibility while testifying in support of a request for funds to pump ground water in the vicinity of Yuma, Ariz., which lies almost on the Mexican border.

"All we need to do to recover this water is to pump it from a modest depth," Dominy said. "It is the lowest cost water that possibly can be salvaged on the lower Colorado, and actually is one of the very few sources of water remaining to use in that area."

Alternate sources, he said,

## Materials Study Set For Schools

A committee composed of nine or ten western Oregon educators will be in Douglas County Sept. 18 and 19 to make a study of instructional materials now being used by schools in the county.

Heading the committee will be Henry C. Ruark, Salem, consultant in the instructional materials from the state Department of Education.

Kenneth Barneburg, county superintendent, said the committee study was requested by the Intermediate Education District Board (successor to the now defunct Rural School Board) in connection with studies to determine the need for a curriculum materials center for Douglas County.

Earlier this year a team of educational specialists headed by Ruark opened its study into curriculum needs. Purpose of the visit next week will be to determine what instructional aids would be needed in a county center.

After dividing into three subcommittee groups, the educators will visit as many schools as possible during the two days, interview administrators and inspect classroom instructional materials.

When the visits are completed, the educators will reconvene as a committee and prepare a report summarizing instructional materials which would benefit the educational program but are not now being used. Contained in this report will be a recommendation on what the county should be doing in providing instructional materials.

## Reedsport Council Eyes Water Meters

The Reedsport City Council at this week's meeting gave some consideration to a proposal to install water meters within the city. At the invitation of Councilman Lin Swain, a representative of a water metering manufacturing firm, Kurt H. Daniel, was present to give information on such metering.

According to Daniel, meters would cost on an average of \$50 or less each, depending on the number installed. Reedsport at present charges a flat rate of \$3.50 per month for homes inside the city with slightly higher rates for those outside the city limits.

Kenny Kent was introduced to the council as a new western Douglas County member on the county planning commission.

The council was reminded of the Sept. 20 bond issue election for \$47,500 to construct a city jail, utilizing the present community building for police quarters. The election will be held at the city recorder's office from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., correspondent Dawn Pescau reports.

## Apartment Burglarized By Vandals Wednesday

The apartment of Nettie Meyers at the rear of 1732 SE Main St., Roseburg, was burglarized sometime Wednesday when she was away from home, city police report.

Called to the home by Mrs. Meyers to investigate, police found broken glass on the kitchen floor, the oven of a gas stove turned on, with the pilot light apparently put out, and other destruction. The kitchen and bathroom were ransacked but other parts of the apartment were untouched.

Entrance was through a rear window, which had been pried out and was lying on the ground. The glass was not broken. Juveniles are suspected.



**NEW CHAIRMAN** of the Oregon State Board of Education, Eugene Fisher of Elkton, center, is shown here at this week's state board meeting chatting briefly with State Supt. Leon P. Miner, left, and former chairman Ronald Jones of Brooks, right. Fisher will be one of the featured speakers at tonight's county School Boards Association meeting in Roseburg.

## Hope Gets Medal From JFK

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Global traveler Bob Hope appeared on yet another stage Wednesday — the White House rose garden — and ended up with a gold medal and a new straight man, President Kennedy.

The Chief Executive presented Hope with a special gold medal authorized by Congress in recognition of his efforts over more than 20 years in staging shows for servicemen around the world.

The President signaled the start of the quip fest when he invited the more than 100 congressmen present to move in closer for a better look.

"After all," he said with a grin, "this is one of the only bills we've gotten by lately." This touched a responsive chord in Hope, who then began firing a rapid string of jokes.

Hope said the medal would not explain why he was not in military service during World War II "but at least it'll show them which side I was on."

Hope made Sen. Stuart Symington, D-Mo., the fall guy for some of his gags. He said Symington had been seeing off the Hope troupe on its round-the-world trips to entertain servicemen for many years. "He's been sort of a den mother to us," he said.

Referring to the gold medal bearing his profile, Hope said he suggested that he have plastic surgery performed to alter the shape of his celebrated ski-slide nose before the medal was struck.

"But Symington said there would be more gold this way," Hope said.

The President said congressional action in voting Hope the medal demonstrated the nation's affection and appreciation for the comedian.

Hope said he felt "very humble—although I feel I have the strength of character to fight it."

**PRESENT FOR CASTRO**

HAVANA (UPI)—Premier Fidel Castro received a Russian-made convertible Wednesday as a gift from Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev.

Soviet Ambassador Alexander Alexiev handed Castro the keys to the car.

## State Board Chairman To Speak At County School Boards Meet

The relationship between local school districts and the state Board of Education will be discussed by Eugene H. Fisher, Elkton, at the fall meeting tonight of the Douglas County School Boards Association.

Fisher is chairman of the state board.

Over 90 reservations have been made for the meeting which opens at 6:30 p.m. with a dinner in the Fremont Junior High School. Entertainment will be provided by Roseburg schools.

Attending the meeting will be school board members, district clerks, school superintendents, legislative delegates and press and radio representatives.

Also expected to participate in the program are Tom Rigby, Eugene, executive secretary of the Oregon School Board Association, and Sedley Stuart, OSBA second vice president and chairman of the David Douglas School District in Multnomah County.

## Dirksen Requests All-Out Support For Test Ban Pact

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Senate GOP Leader Everett M. Dirksen's all-out support of the nuclear test ban treaty today strengthened prospects that few Republicans than Democrats would vote against it.

Dirksen teamed with President Kennedy to try swing "doubtful" votes behind the treaty. There was some unofficial indication that a couple of votes might have been shaken to the "aye" column.

Among the known negative votes, Republicans trailed Democrats with the South contributing virtually all of the treaty opponents on the Democratic side.

Sen. Russell B. Long, D-La., was the latest of the southerners to come out against the treaty.

Friends of Sen. Henry M. Jackson, D-Wash., a key figure in the treaty consideration, said they expected him to give it his ultimate support.

Jackson deferred announcing his decision until Friday. But he said today that a letter from the President read to the Senate Wednesday "confirmed" assurances given by subordinates that Kennedy would carry out safeguards sought by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Kennedy, at Dirksen's request, gave the Senate his "unqualified and unequivocal assurances" that U.S. security would be protected under the treaty. Dirksen read the President's letter to a crowded chamber.

The GOP leader, complimented by fellow senators for his stand, told the Senate he would back the treaty as a display of his willingness to "go the second mile" for peace.

Senate GOP Whip Thomas H. Kuchel, Calif., firmed up his support of the treaty today in a prepared Senate speech in which he said all his original reservations about the pact "have been answered."

## Oregon Nurses Slate Meeting

The September meeting of the Oregon Nurses Association District 11 will be held Sept. 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the Oak Tree Inn in Winchester. This will be the first meeting of the fall season.

Spokesman James B. Hall said all nurses of Douglas County may attend. Following a short business meeting, a program will be presented by Paula Anderson of the House of Uniforms. Her subject will be hats.

Reservations can be made by calling Mrs. Marguerite Dorsey, president of the district association.

On the business agenda for the meeting will be election of delegates to the state convention scheduled in Ontario Oct. 2-4.

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## Tax Measure Proponents Open Campaign

An informational campaign on the Oct. 15 referendum vote of a \$60 million tax increase, emphasizing a "yes" vote on the measure, got under way in Douglas County Wednesday night.

It was launched by the Douglas County Committee for a Yes Vote on Measure No. 1 at the Courthouse in Roseburg. Organization representatives from all parts of the county were invited, and 22 showed up.

Featured speakers were Mrs. Willard Pease, chairman of the committee; Rep. Richard Eymann of Marcola, a member of the House of Representatives Tax Committee; and Robert Van Houtte, Portland, a representative of the Oregon Education Association.

Mrs. Pease explained the formation of the state committee for a Yes Vote and noted that the county committee was formed earlier this week as an arm of it. She said the committee had officially kicked off its campaign with the Wednesday night meeting and an earlier emergency session of the Douglas County Council of PTAs.

She reported that the campaign will be designed to (1) inform the electorate; (2) stage a "vigorous face-to-face," "door-to-door" drive with emphasis on contacting each individual in the county; and (3) make sure all people know the issues.

Other members of the committee in the county so far are James Gregory, vice chairman of the Roseburg Education Association; Kenneth Barneburg, Douglas County school superintendent; and Ralph Snyder, a Roseburg High department head who is past president of the Roseburg Education Association.

Effects Studied  
Rep. Eymann spent most of his time on the rostrum reporting on

how the \$60 million tax increase was brought about and what effects its rejection by voters might bring.

He said if the measure is turned down by voters "we don't know what will happen." But he emphasized that whatever the result, it would be a chaotic situation.

Eymann said many state programs have already been stopped, including most institutional building plans. He said hardest hit by a cutback in appropriations would be higher education. At the same time, he said, estimates of from 11 to 14 per cent cutbacks are being eyed for the Basic School Support Fund. For Roseburg, the reduction could range from \$129,743 to \$165,699 in the current fiscal year, he said.

**Sales Tax Eyed**  
Looking past the present crisis, Van Houtte discussed reforms in taxation which will probably be considered in the future. He said he felt a sales tax was coming to the state eventually to broaden the tax base more.

Mrs. Pease said the first step of the new county committee will be to get as many people as possible registered who are not now eligible to vote. The deadline is Saturday. Meanwhile, she said, informational material prepared by the state Department of Education and a speakers bureau on the issues are available. She concluded that the informational campaign won't be limited to impacts on education.

**CHURCH JAZZ IS OUT**  
LONDON (UPI)—Teen-agers have turned down a plan to hold jazz services in St. Michael's Church as a means to make religion more meaningful to the younger generation.

"We do not want gimmicks like hot-dog hymns," said a survey turned in Wednesday to the Rev. Harry Edwards.

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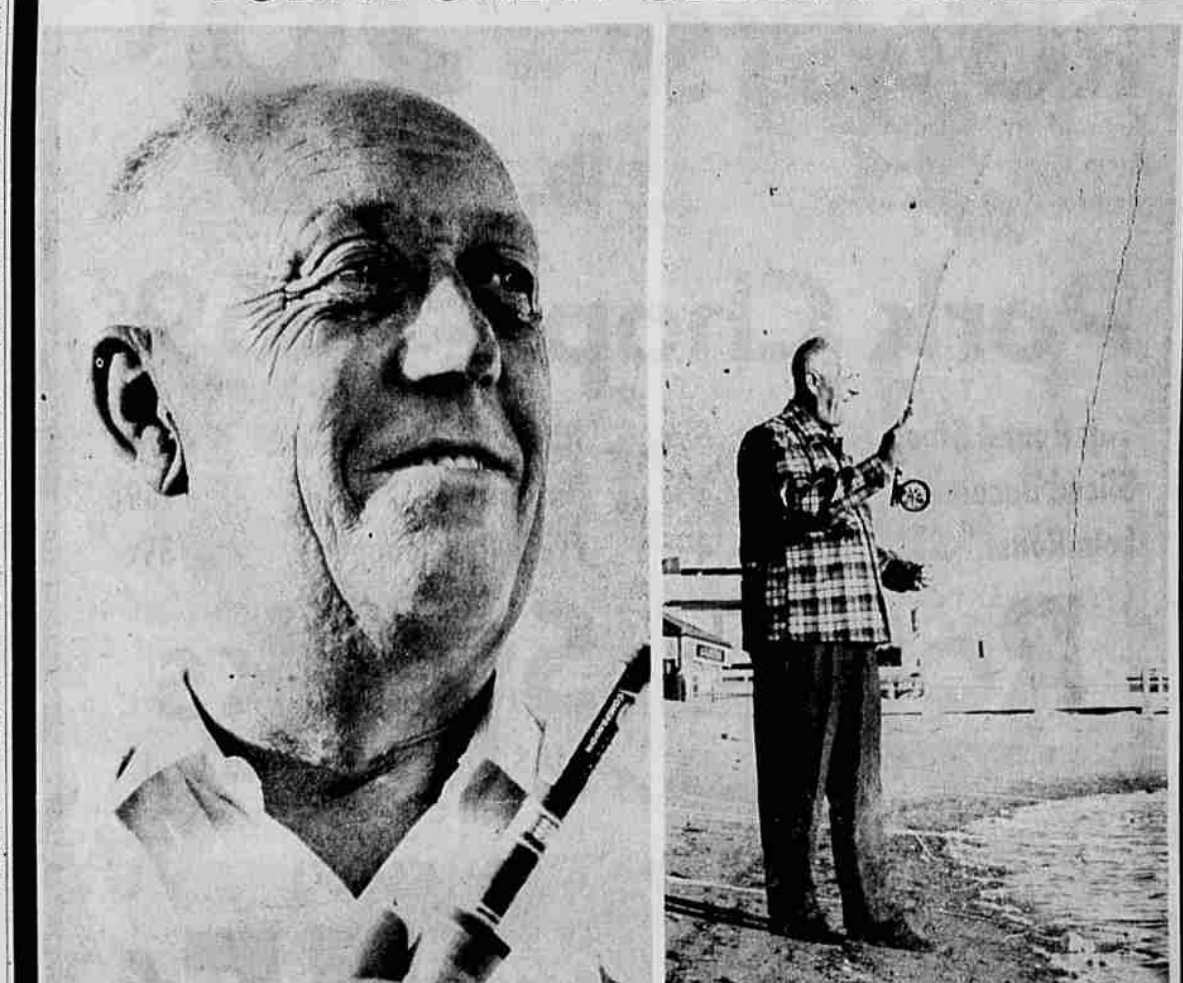
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**BLUE RIBBON WINNER** at the Oregon State Fair was Bob Reinert of Roseburg, with his mare, Goldie. He captured the ribbon in the 4-H Senior Horsemanship class, and received a red ribbon award in the Senior Showmanship class. Goldie was Grand Champion mare in the 4-H Conformation class at the Douglas County Fair this year.

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