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Rumors are Flying

Brookings Ain't Dying

Lets keep on trying

And stop all this lying

## FEDERAL FOUL-UP .....

Two items of interest keep cropping up in the metropolitan press that simply amaze us. One, the Japanese weather station keeps making various reports about Atom bombs, and hydrogen bombs bursting in air. Then the Atomic Energy Commission and other various government agencies will rush around to either deny the blasts, or to confirm them.

What's the trouble? Don't the AEC think that the American people should be informed on when and where and how the bombs are being shot off. Why do we have to get the information from the Japanese weather people? It doesn't make sense to us.

Two, what is the story on Hells Canyon? We know that certain congressmen and senators are trying to rush a bill through, to enable the Federal government to build the "high dam". We know too, that the Idaho Power Co. has been building their "low dam" for several months now. In fact, they have rushed in hundreds of people, and many dozen pieces of equipment to expedite the building of the dams.

The obvious fallacy is this. Why are the Idaho power people going ahead with their dams, when it becomes more and more apparent that the Federals will do the building? We'll answer that. The Idaho Power Co. will be re-imburshed for the work that they have already put in, if their federal permit is canceled. If that is the case we are about to see ahuge waste of money—tax money. It seems to us, that the government could find ways and mans to issue a temporary injunction until congress either approves the high dams, or washes their hands of the whole mess. But in any case, let's put a stop to the building until we know which way the ball is going to bounce!

## Curry County Economic Survey

report of the Timber Resources and Industry Committee covered in Survey

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The Timbers Resources and In-

dustry Committee considered the following as problems and objectives of the committee:

1. A forest education program through farm woodlot marketing demonstrations.
2. A county-wide inventory of what we have and who owns it.
3. A study of grazing land that could and possibly should be growing timber.
4. A study on whether grazing

can be a supplement to reforestation while the forestry program develops.

5. A study of the tanoak and alder, available in the county as an added industry.

6. A study of transportation due to the port sites, which could be developed in Curry county.

7. A study of the industry, at present, and its capacity to produce.

8. A study of erosion control measures on logging roads and logged-over areas.

9. A study on what the conceivable growth of the timber industry could be in Curry county.

The strong demand for Curry county timber has developed in recent years. This demand has, in turn, created a demand for access roads into the Federal Forest.

Facts, presented to the committee, pointed out that a possible 1,000 miles of mainline roads would be needed to fully develop the timber resources in the county and 1,000 miles of spur roads.

Recommendations, based on committee study of facts presented, were as follows:

1. The extension service, with the cooperation of all related agencies, conduct an education program on farm woodlot management practices through the establishment of three demonstration areas in the county.

These demonstrations would show methods of safety, pruning, thinning, Christmas tree production, reforestation, equipment for the farm woodlot operation, salvage, development of minor forest products, fire control and be used for public tours.

2. The development of an inventory of forest products. This inventory would include present supplies of tanoak, alder and fir timber.

3. The development of a survey indicating the present timber industry's production capacity and the possible future growth of our forestry industry which our resources can support.

4. The Curry County Survey Council urge and assist our U. S. Foresters, State Foresters, County Court and other public agencies, to speed the development of an access road program into the public forest so that an orderly, scientific, sustained world harvest of our mature timber may be

developed more quickly, for the benefit of our county's economy.

5. That livestock producers be encouraged to expand to use grazing areas, produced by burning and seeding of logged over lands, in the interim of timber regrowth.

The committee further recommends that caution be urged to keep livestock units within limits of good grazing management principals for the prevention of undue injury to three growth, and depletion of forage grains through overgrazing.

The committee adds that management of bottom land should be such as to maintain a sufficient pasture acreage to supplement a program of woodland grazing.

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