

# FEDERAL FUNDS FOR CITY WORK

Statesman Proposes Water Project Plan to Give Work to Idle men

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able to pay. It is advisable to buy the distributing system so as to apply its earnings as quickly as possible to cover interest charge on the bond issue. In case of inability to do this the city could consider the construction of an independent system; but we do not believe that would be necessary. Cost Would Not be Over Two Millions

Such are the board outlines of the proposal which The Statesman lays before the people of the community, believing that it offers a feasible plan for solving the pressing problems of relief next winter and also carrying out the mandate of the people as expressed in the election. The Statesman opposed the original bond issue, and has not changed its opinion regarding the lack of wisdom in spending \$2,500,000 for a water plant here. But the people voted it, and the last city election was in effect a reaffirmation of that verdict since both candidates for mayor endorsed "mountain water". Moreover it does not now seem necessary to spend more than \$2,000,000 to provide such a gravity system, in view of the recent declines in construction costs.

Carrying out the program, if it is judged to be sound, hinges on validation of the charter amendment (or its subsequent re-enactment); adoption of measures such as the Hawley bill; and accept-

ance of the application of the city of Salem for the funds. Failure to surmount these several obstacles would of course be fatal to the plan.

What are the advantages of the proposal outlined? First, it would provide employment and give worthy men a worth-while job. The work would need to be rushed. It is not just a "make work" proposition. There must be efficiency and economy in spending the money. That is why the contract system is absolutely necessary or the costs might run away with the deal.

Second, it takes advantage of present low costs of labor and materials. One reason why speed is so urgent is that these levels will not last indefinitely. At any day now we may see stiffening of prices for steel and lumber and cement. If we wait a few years it will probably take all the \$2,500,000 to do the job.

Taking the Baar and Cunningham estimates on the construction work and reducing them 15 per cent which may or may not be reasonable we would have the following:

Right of way, clearing and pipe line ..... \$ 804,100  
5 million gallon city reservoir ..... 51,000

..... \$ 855,100

Possible cost of present distributing system ..... 850,000

Total ..... \$1,705,100

This would not include a 20 million gallon reservoir in Waldso hills estimated to cost \$181,500 for the reason that it is not immediately necessary. The Willamette intake could be used as a stand by plant in case of pipeline difficulty. Also it does not allow for desirable improvements to the distributing system. If \$94,900 be reserved for this purpose then

the total cost would be \$1,800,000.

Now if this money can be borrowed at 4% per cent interest the capital charge would come or nearly come without the carrying capacity of the plant as now operated. Using the 1930 figures of the company, the operating statement would appear about as follows:

Operating income ..... \$179,286.63  
Operating expense, deducting pumping charge but adding pipeline maintenance and operation ..... 63,376.08

Gross income ..... \$115,910.55  
Annual interest charge ..... 85,500.00  
Net after charges ..... 30,410.55

This is without allowance for depreciation, for additions and betterments, for bond retirement, or for taxes in lieu of those now paid by the private company. It may be necessary to increase water rates to take care of those items. The growth of the city however may be rapid enough to provide increases in earnings to retile the bonds over a 35-year term.

Taking advantage of present low building costs, and procuring the money on a comparatively low rate of interest, it thus may be possible to obtain a gravity system on a capital investment lower than was dreamed of. Or if further investigation convinced the citizens that the Santiam project is not feasible and they should fall back on the Willamette supply, the city could proceed to confer similar benefits on itself and the unemployed by completing a new intake, filter plant and reservoir.

Those are the proposals embraced in this plan. They are offered for comment and criticism. If practical then diligent effort should be made to promote them. Particularly should work be done with the congressional delegation to see that the relief bills are properly phrased or we might be eliminated through a technicality.

The other proposal advanced by The Statesman is that organized effort be put forth to save foodstuffs that will otherwise go to waste this summer. Creating a working organization under the

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and A. A. Schramm were made advisory members of the endowment committee. All members of the board of trustees whose terms expired this year were re-elected. They are C.

auspices of the Red Cross as in war time, berries and fruits and vegetables could be harvested by young people who would gladly donate a few days of work to the cause. Undoubtedly some local cannery would allow the use of its facilities for canning or packing the products and they could then be stored for distribution as needed this winter. Last year some of the Lower Columbia river points put up canned salmon on this plan. A deal might be made for exchange by the charity organizations of some of our fruit and vegetable pack for their canned salmon. In this work many of those who received aid should be enlisted to contribute their labor in the cause.

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# MISSPELLED WORD WINNERS ARE TOLD

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# REDDING NAMED TO HEAD W. U. ALUMNI

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bers, Isabel Childs and Tinkham Gilbert, Salem; members of the board of trustees, Harold E. Eakin, Salem, Earl A. Nott, McMinnville.

The association heard for first reading a new constitution and set of by-laws prepared by Ronald Glover and postponed final adoption of the new constitution until the fall meeting.

Dr. Burt Brown Barker, vice-president of the University of Oregon, made the principal address at the banquet, dwelling on the values of college training in

daughter, Mrs. Coral Ballinger of Salem. Announcement of funeral later by Clough-Barrick company, Church at Ferry street, phone 9139.

the workaday world. He is an alumnus of 1888. Honored classes at the banquet were those of '82, '87, '17, '22 and the class of '32 which is to be graduated tomorrow. The latter organization marched in a body to the banquet and entered the hall while the alumni stood in respect to them. Following the banquet, the alumni were among the guests at the annual reception given by President and Mrs. Carl Gregg Doney.

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