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## o Favor Sways Us；No Fear Shall Awe＂

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Cooper and Grand Coulee
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Hugh L Cooper，onted engineer，by saying that Coil
Coooer built his own monuments in the eqreat hyd Cooper biant his own monumens in tesigned and whose construction he su su
tric plant pervised．Among them are the Keokuk dam across the Missis
sippi，Muscle Shoals，Deeiperstroi in Russia，built under the
soviet regime． sovié regime．
Col．Cooper＇s name deserves to be connected with anoth
er great dam，Grand Coule．．We are not sure that the origin－
ated the proposal，but he gave it nation－wide publicicty． ated the proposal，but he gave it nation－wide publicity．
The story was something like this．About 15 years just after the world war，the idea of the Columbia basin irri
gation project was incubated at Spokane．The first plan was gation project was incubated at Spokane．The firrst plan was
to divert wwater from the Pend 0 Reille．river near Newport
Went Wasshinton，using the lakes above for storage．Canals would
carry the water southwest of Spokane to basins in the scab－ carry the water southest of Spokane to basis．
rock country，from which radiating canals would carry wa
ter to the thirsty acres ying between the Columbia and Snake rivers in Central Washington．
It was said that Col．Cooper was interested in dam sites his own interest by yaving the water flow was said to have the Grand Coulee project．At any rate he fell in with the
backers of the Coulee dam．Gen．Goethals of Panama canal gravity plan rather than the pumping project at Coulee．
 ton were some ardent democrats in the days when democrats
were scarce．They backed C．Dill for senator in 1924 when the Spokesman－Review at Spokane，which had fought the
Coulee dam vigorously，opposed Dill strenuously and support－ ed Poo doexter for reelection．Among the Dill supporters was
Frank T．Bell with interests in Grant county，who became Dill＇s secretary and later was made ommmissinere of fiecheries go）．Dill campaigned on a shoestring but he nosed out Poin dexter．He then took up the columbia basin propect and to
punish Spokane and reward his friends out in the sticks he in getting the project under way；so fell in line behind Dill
He did a good selling job with Pres．Roosevelt in the early lays of the new deal and secured funds to launch the project．
The initial construction is a low dam whose only utility is for The initial construction iis a low dam whose only utility in $f$ f
power．The justification of this investment dependt on $t$ then
building of the high dam later，and the pumping of wat building of the high dam later，and the pumping of wate
over the canyon wall to spread out over the fertile but no
arid lands of Central Washington． arid lands of Central Washington．
Col．Cooper dropped out of the sia on his big DDeiper project．Condutions He went to Rust to rusify
building any dam in Box canyon．So his name is not connect． ed with Grand Coulee．He did give it the initial impulse how－
ever which brought it to public attention．Push and politics carried it forward from there．

ET the green lights on new state capitol work．brought by
The assurace of a PWA grant of \＄450，000
Ralph Eu ，Moody，assistant attorney general，on his r
 site for the two buildings contemplated．This should be a
least two blocks．These blocks need not be the ones facing new capitol，IIt hthis property is too high tor the present appro
priation one of the north blocks colld be purchased．The com mission has full latitude，subject only
board of control，in purchasing the
Second task is to appoint architects for the new build
 conception；they are familiar with the schene，forift architecte
able to proceed promptly with the work．To shit whole plan．
capitol will look like，in chaste marble．As the work proceed they will grow more enthusiastic over the building and will
insist on completion of the project so Salem＇s capitol center Wsil be wompletion of the project so Salem＇s capito center
will borthy of the state and receive wide acclaim for its beauty．

## Beet Thinning by Machine

GOWING sugar beets has never been very popular with
 Where sugar beets have been grown it is common practice $t$ rely on Mexican or other foreign labor to do the job of thin
ning beets by hand．This has led to labor troubles with the race antagonism added to increase the tension．
been developed to do the thinning automatically．Experi ments have proven that as good yields are obtained in thi
way as by hand－thining．If this spoves true in practice the eeet raising will be materialyy will ail be machine work The farmer himself can ride the rubber－tired implement to do the chore．Few hands will be required．
This may open the way for the other parts of the country．Now the crop is confined chiefll sugar beet raising，as well as other farm districts in the state
where the soil is richt where the soil is right．
hare thought of thate Thhey will loo the se same wav ose the armie
of hands who used to follow the wheat harvest north from Sacramento valley clear into Canada．

For Thrill and Fame
HREE thousand men， 10 ships and 102 planes are en nagigator Freed Noonan．Hope which flamed Sunday
nith reported signals by radio，wanes as the nearest vesse reports having no information as to the Earhart plane．Bu
this army of men with their ships and planes will scour the shis army of men with their ships and planes will scour the
seas and the isiands and the reefs in persistent search to ef
fect a reacu if feet a rescue if not too late，or to locate wreckage to confirr
their fears of disaster． What right does one individual have to worry the whol
world and call for such heavy expense in time nd money and
fffort if the person is in in danger？The exploits of darin thrill folk；but the emotional strain on people is great whe fate and human instinct forces efforts，at rescue even whe
the rescuers are disgusted at the foolhardiness of the adven
turer．One might voice the hope that，saved or lost，Miss Ear hart＇s experience will put an end to such risk adventures
but that is uueles．Some one will seek new honors and new
fame in fresh heroics，will court death for hours of glory Boldnes ad．


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Kellers Are Hosts Over 4th Holiday tends Christian Church sate Meeting






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