

Valley Project Sounds Unreal

Expenditure of Millions on Willamette Sounds Like Fairy Tale

(Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of articles on the history and significance of the Willamette Valley Project.)

By C. GENEVIEVE MORGAN

To old timers here about, word that the federal government will spend \$6,000,000—approximately \$19,170 each working day—in the next fiscal year in the Willamette valley for flood control sounds like a page out of Alice in Wonderland.

But it is true, for Thursday of the past week the senate passed a \$305,192,000 flood control bill, from which the army engineers have made tentative allocations which include the six million dollar appropriation for this area in the year beginning July 1. Before the Willamette basin job is completed, more than 10 times the amount now allocated will be expended.

It is the purpose of the Statesman to present through this series of articles the program the army engineers, under whose guidance the work will be done, have outlined, the general steps it will entail and the benefits envisioned for this area, not only in actual flood control, but in development of navigation which in turn means development of industries, in development of irrigation and when, and if desired, development of hydro-electric power.

Although the Willamette Basin project has been in the air and on paper for several years, few persons really know the work which has brought about this fabulous project. For this reason, the first articles will recount briefly steps which led to dropping a sixty-two million dollar project into this valley.

R. H. Kipp, executive secretary of the Willamette basin project commission, traces the now-assured development from 1929, when the Columbia Valley association formed by 100 ranking citizens of Portland, set to work for development of the Columbia and all its tributaries, the principal one being the Willamette. This group's initial aim was work on the Upper Columbia above Portland and Vancouver.

The following year, 1930, the CVA joined with what was then known as the Willamette Valley citizens association, and the joint group coordinated efforts to secure five or six dams proposed by the WWA in the main stream of the Willamette.

Plan Had Weaknesses The project for dams in the Willamette main channel had its weak spots for two reasons: 1, undrainability of several dams in the main stream; 2, too huge an expenditure for dams alone. (Fifty million dollars was contemplated for that work.)

While approved by the district engineers, the project, for these dams was turned down by the division engineer, Col. Thomas M. Robins, then located at San Francisco. Strangely enough, Col. Robins as a division engineer in the Portland office, was several years later in action which brought approval of the present project at hands of congress and the president.

But when Col. Robins, as San Francisco division chief, turned down the dams' proposal in 1930, Willamette valley leaders were apparently whipped. They had struggled interminably with the Willamette development idea for half a century and a setback after it got to the division army engineer's office was too much for them.

German Refugees Turned Back From Havana



Denied permission to land in Cuba, these German Jewish refugees are shown aboard the German liner St. Louis at Havana while futile negotiations to allow them to land were underway. The liner later sailed for Hamburg, Germany, with 907 refugees still aboard, after 29 were allowed ashore because they had the necessary papers.

How Does Your Garden Grow?

By LILLIE L. MADSEN If you are going traveling this summer you should first look through a copy of Edward L. Farlington's new "The Gardener's Travel Book." It lists, and briefly describes, 24 gardens of interest throughout the United States and Canada. A total of 31 pages are devoted to the gardens of interest in California. It also lists the various festivals in the different localities.



Miss Madson

At Berkeley, we are told, is the finest collection of fuchsias in the world. The strict address of where the collection is to be found is also given. We are told of the apricot festival at Brentwood each June, of the commercial flower seed farms in bloom in June, July and August, of the famous Kauffmann rhododendron reserve. There is information on the sand verbenas at Palm Springs, the Coolidge rare plant garden at Pasadena, the presidio park at San Diego. There is a good description of Golden Gate park, there is something about the Mission Dolores garden, a very old one, situated in San Francisco. Tree lovers will be interested in the Dos Padres national forest at Santa Barbara.

One section is devoted to the famous trees of California including the 130-foot eucalyptus near Niles, the Jack London oak at Oakland, the largest rubber tree at Los Angeles, and a score of others. Well, Oregon didn't dry up after all! During the past two and three weeks I have been receiving complaints of the weather, until I was actually beginning to feel guilty each morning when I awakened and found the sun still shining. I truly felt like patting myself on the back when it finally began to rain.

Pastors Give Views on War

Rev. Erickson and Rev. Foster Debate Issue of Church Stand

(Editor's Note: The Statesman is presenting a series of views from local ministers on the role of the United States in event of war abroad. The question presented is: "Under what circumstances, if any, should the churches of the United States sanction participation of our country in a general European war?")

By O. E. FOSTER, Minister Englewood United Brethren church

The blackest pages in the history of the church is where she has either unapologetically tolerated civil authority or has tolerated the right of arbitrary rule by existing monarchs. Therefore the church and those who presume to speak for the church, must be very careful and discriminative in what they say on such a highly controversial subject as war and peace.

It is my personal conviction that under no circumstances should the churches of the United States sanction participation in a general European war. Some of my reasons are as follows: First, on general principle. War means the maiming, butchering and the killing of human beings, it casts out love and infuses hate and is therefore contrary to the life and teachings of Christ, who is the head of the church. No matter how great the wrongs committed against Protestant, Catholic or Jew as such, by their respective governments, we are not justified in the light of New Testament teaching in avenging banishment with murder or even murder with murder. To register our emphatic protest as the pope did in behalf of the Catholic church and to pray for both the persecutor and the persecuted are about the only weapons prescribed for Christians.

Second, because of bitter past experiences in the World War. That experience should have taught us that war is far from an holy crusade. America was given little to say as to how the war should have been prosecuted and less to say how peace should have been made. The church threw open her doors and many ministers gave over their pulpits to foreigners who were loud in their urge that young men give their all on the field of battle, but who later told us very politely but firmly and finally that our "sentimental mush" idea in regard to peace would not be considered.

Present communisms and umbrella diplomacy are but the degenerate and silly offspring of the spirit of hate and revenge. Truth not known. Third, because we have never had and do not know the whole truth concerning the extent of the persecution of certain minority groups in Europe or of the provocation which brought it about. The temptation to exaggerate the tendency of government and some not even representative, therefore we cannot consistently sanction a war that is to "make the world safe for democracy" and unsafe for monarchies and dictatorships.

Before Stern Went Under



The fate of 90 men aboard the sunken British submarine Thetis in Liverpool bay near Birkenhead, England, was made more precarious when a strong tide swept the projecting stern under water and impeded efforts of rescuers to supply the men with fresh air. In this picture, sent by wire to London and by cable to New York, rescuers are shown on the tail of the submersible before it went down.

Safety Valve

To the Editor: At a recent meeting of the Oregon state milk board, held in Salem, Walter Keyes, local attorney, made the statement that the price paid the producer in the Salem district for milk used in the bottle trade was 58 cents per pound butter fat. This statement was promptly challenged by some one from the audience who stated that the price paid was 42 cents per pound butter fat. By some pointed questioning of the milk board it was brought out that the price required by the distributor was 58 cents per pound butter fat, but the board required one quarter of a cent per pound for their maintenance, or a net of 57 cents.

It was then revealed that many in the Salem district were only getting 43 cents per pound butter fat. No one offered any explanation of why this 15 cents difference. I was reminded of a time black with a view of the National Memorial in Ottawa; while the three-cent red and black carries portraits of the king and queen. It is indeed a momentous occasion and worthy of being commemorated.

No doubt many of you readers are familiar with the name of Gregor Mendel, who was a pioneer with his theory on the laws of heredity. He and other scientists, Robert Koch, bacteriologist and Wilhelm K. Röntgen, discoverer of X-ray, are being honored with a stamp apiece by the free city of Danzig. Although opinions differ on the question of whether or not the Duke and Duchess of Kent should be posted in Australia or not, the fact is not altered that they will soon be arriving there, Australia, up to the minute. British colony, will have a new stamp with their portraits ready and waiting next November.

Closing Exercises Cancelled by OSD

Prevalence of Measles Prompts Decision to Cancel Affair

Closing exercises for spring of 1939 at the Oregon state school for deaf have been cancelled because there are a number of cases of measles at the school. J. Lyman Steed, superintendent, said yesterday.

Honorable mention for good work and attitude in the school-room during the 1938-9 school year was given to six students: Lyle Blakely, Thoma Colley, Lois Fisk, Daisy Jacobson, Ruth Ann Root, Jewelloombs. One of the largest, if not the largest, classes of deaf students in the records of the American Red Cross, will receive certificates for passing the ARC first aid course. The class includes: Freda Akesson, Helen Holland, Rockslen Conrow, Ruth Kraus, Marjorie McDaniel, Gloria Northway, Ethel Shelton, Patricia Shorb, Helmina Wieman, Alice Wright, Mrs. Helen A. Liden, Leonard Beaman, Teddy Cochran, Romeo Dare, Wade Eggeston, Ray Fleck, Clayton Hemphill, Calvin Johanson, James McKnight, Edwin Stortz, Fred Tartarini and Mr. T. A. Ulmer.

One Person Takes Court Road Offer

The county court received notice Friday that one of its nine cash offers for parcels of north river road property required as right-of-way of a forthcoming re-alignment project had been accepted. Saturday was the deadline set by the court for the owners of the other eight parcels to accept its offers and avert condemnation proceedings.

Legion Posts Are Urged to Provide Stunts in Parade

Every American Legion post in the state is being urged to enter a comic stunt in the 40 & 5 society parade to be staged in Salem the night of August 9, the eve of the Oregon department convention. Kelly Owens, chairman of the grand promenade parade committee, reported at a meeting of the 40 & 5 convention commission Friday.

Bits for Breakfast

(Continued from page 5) company had a page ad on various styles of bicycles and tricycles. Victor and Rembrandt Remington bicycles had large space ads. So did a dozen or more other concerns. Of course, automobile advertising was not even in the dawn.

In the number of the magazine under review, "Oregon, the best field for investment," stands out in the ad of Eugene D. White & Co., Portland, and the Union Pacific takes a lot of space to say it saves 24 hours on a trip between Omaha and Portland. A number of concerns were advertising wagons and carriages, hitched to spanking teams, and the feeding m-kers of surreys and buggies and miscellaneous horse drawn contraptions took a lot of the space of the magazine. Times have changed—advertising motor cars has a bit more "class" than it had in the days of that magazine. Now that kind of advertising makes most of the big, flashy "magazine" possible of profitable publication at all.

On the Record

(Continued from page 4) a definite interest in the maintenance of peace and law, even outside its own borders, and that it would be a mistake if gamblers, risking war for national aims, should count on our indifference. This general attitude is still held, I dare say, by a majority of the American people, and nothing is likely to happen in the next few months to lead them to relinquish it. The opposition can show that so far as domestic affairs are concerned, this attitude remains largely platitudinous. It has not succeeded in giving us: healthy agriculture, or notably reducing unemployment, or adequately enhancing national income. It has permitted and even at

Poison For Earwigs

Earwigs, according to letters reaching me, are doing considerable damage in rose beds. Poison sprays and poison baits seem to be the only thing which control these pests. Earwigs are certainly embroddering the rose buds, but they are not the only pest doing that. The little green worm is plentiful this year, too. Careful watch should be kept and each worm picked off and killed; of course the arsenate of lead, or other poison sprays, will do a great deal toward ridding the bushes of the pest, but even so, often hand-picking must be resorted to.

W. H.—Camillias can be grown from cuttings taken in mid-summer, usually after July 15.

D.—Rotenone dust will control the worms and bugs which are eating your geraniums and petunias. This dust won't harm the leaves either. Very likely earwigs have eaten the lobelia on the low box on the lawn if the box isn't too heavy. If it is, you will find a myriad of earwigs both big and little. If you can arrange the box so that it can be off the ground and the grass be allowed to grow, then spray the grass with a rotenone poison you can keep the earwigs under control. This should only be used, however, if you do not have pets who may also eat the grass.

S. G.—Transplanting Rhies

Transplanting Rhies can be successfully transplanted even when they are in bloom. You give them lime as they have been injurious to them. Your soil may be too heavy; don't give them lime. Columbian will not thrive in a soil treated with lime. Instead add some leaf mold and sand to the soil. Columbian, as a rule, are not short-lived. I have seen columbines over ten years old. They will thrive in either sun or shade, although a little afternoon shade is not too heavy, suits them best.

M. A. H.—You can cut down times, demagogically encouraged social strife.

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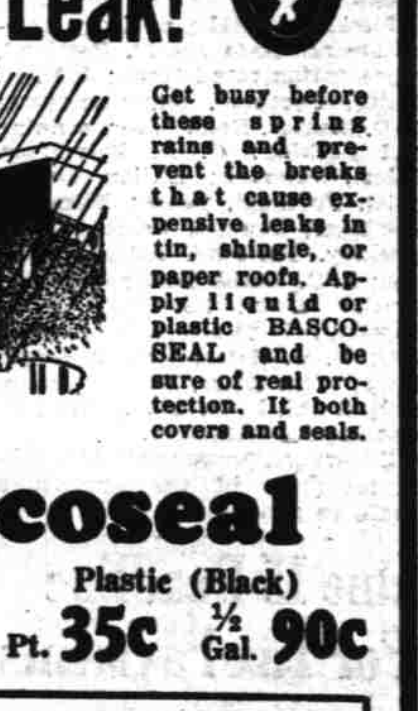
2d Coos Graduate Dies by Drowning

COQUILLE, Ore., June 3.—(AP)—Thomas Martindale, 18, member of the Coquille high school graduating class, drowned Friday while swimming in Barry's pool, about a mile from here. The body was recovered. He was the second death in 10 days of a graduating student in Coos county. Edwin Leddy, 12, Hauser eighth grade graduate, drowned while swimming during a school picnic last week.

About Stamps

By DORIS HAROLD Hello, Fellow Collectors: Well, by this time no doubt many of you have received Canada First Day covers commemorating the royal visit of our sovereigns, King George and Queen Elizabeth. The three stamps issued are exceedingly attractive and typically Canadian in style. The one-cent green and black bears the portraits of Their Royal Highnesses the Princess Elizabeth and Margaret in Rose, the two-cent brown and

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