

Flood Control Battle Retold

Interest in Plan Reborn After Army Engineers Gave Refusal

(Editor's Note: This is the second of a series of articles on the history and significance of the Willamette valley flood control project.)

Rebirth of Willamette valley project after the 1930 effort had been turned down by the division engineer of the US Army engineers of San Francisco came through popularity in other sections of the type of flood control dams in tributaries of larger rivers.

Augmented by the billion dollar losses over the country from devastating floods, flood control became a factor in the Willamette valley. About this time, there were organized in the Willamette valley, with headquarters at Eugene and Springfield, the Willamette Valley Flood Control association. Sufficient interest was developed to that members of congress, led by Congressman James W. Wadsworth and Senator Charles L. McNary, were able to secure an appropriation of about \$300,000 for a special flood control survey. This was authorized in 1934.

Engineers Report
Prior to this, between 1928 and 1932, the army engineers had made an extensive report, known as No. 308, which covered all factors—navigation, reclamation and power—from a general standpoint for the Columbia river and Willamette basin. With this behind them, the army engineers, when the \$300,000 survey report was authorized for the Willamette, had to consider only the factors that required more detailed study and those which applied only to the Willamette basin.

Even at that, this second survey required about three years to complete and an additional \$50,000 was obtained before it was finished.

This report was sent to the board of army engineers in Washington, DC, in June, 1937, by Col. Thos. M. Robbins, who was then division engineer in the Portland office, Portland having been created headquarters for the new division separate from San Francisco where Col. Robbins was stationed when he turned down the 1930 project of dams in the Willamette canal proper.

Mr. H. Kipp, executive secretary of the present Willamette basin commission and secretary before that of the Willamette valley project committee, recalls that in this period when the report was being prepared the Willamette project became so important and desirable in minds of directors of the Columbia Valley association that 30 days before the big drive started to put over Bonneville dam, under report No. 308, the board had instructed Kipp (also CVA secretary) to put forth most of his energy on the Willamette development.

Martin Interested
In April, 1935, the Willamette valley project had gained such significance that then Governor Charles H. Martin, intensely interested in development of the valley here, appointed a special Willamette valley committee of 27 members, representing 19 counties, Columbia being included in the nine directly in the valley. That committee was organized with Douglas McKay, Salem, as chairman and R. H. Kipp, Portland, executive secretary.

No state funds were available for pushing the project, so CVA donated Kipp's services for the first year and in the second year some \$950 was secured from the county courts of the member counties.

This committee succeeded in organizing the entire valley and in October, 1937, the army engineers at Washington sent out the newspapers an adverse report.

And for a second time the average individual, if he paid any attention at all to the project, felt the bottom had dropped out for good.

(Tomorrow: The army engineers are persuaded to visit the valley.)

Tongue's Thesis Accepted at Yale

Word that his thesis had been accepted for a doctor of jurisprudence degree by the Yale university law school was received here yesterday by Thomas Tongue, director of codification of city ordinances for the League of Oregon Cities.

"Constitution and Arbitration of Labor Disputes" was the title of the thesis written by Tongue, whose codification work in Salem will be completed some time next week he last night revealed.

Ol' They Cut Down The old Pine Tree

LA GRANDE, Ore., June 3.—(P)—So they chopped down the old pine tree—and now they'll have to plant a new one.

Circuit Judge R. J. Green sentenced four youths, who chopped down a tree which served as a pioneer Oregon trail landmark, to replace the tree, under supervision of State Highway Engineer W. C. Williams, with "as large a tree as possible."

In addition, the boys were paroled to Williams for one year on condition they work through July planting other trees.

Sweet Home Tips Turner

SWEET HOME—Turner was topped, 19 to 17, by Sweet Home here Sunday in the only Cascade league tilt played. The others scheduled were rained out.

Sweet Home 19 8 3
Turner 17 10 5
Russell, Wilkinson and Morgan, Mines and Edwards.

When Hawser Snapped and 98 Men Were Doomed to Die



These graphic pictures show how the salvage boat Vigilant almost saved the lives of 98 men aboard the submarine Thetis near Birkenhead, England. Top view shows stern of ill-fated craft, encircled by the Vigilant. Then the hawser snapped and the submarine began to sink (lower picture), and soon disappeared. Pictures cabled from London to New York.

Pruitt Chosen To Council Job

Will Serve as Alderman From Ward Seven in Clark's Place

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Hutton is president of the association.

The council passed an ordinance, introduced by City Engineer Harold Davis, requiring property owners to destroy grass and weeds twice a year. The dates designated were between May 15 and June 15, and between July 15 and August 15.

The "Green River" ordinance, prohibiting house-to-house peddling except on invitation, was indefinitely tabled.

A portion of Grant street was changed to Roosevelt street by ordinance.

The Salem WCTU asked the council to make cigarette vending machines unlawful in Salem, protesting against them on ground they would lack police control and therefore be detrimental to youth of the city.

A street light at High and Perry street was granted, and petitions were received for lights at South Summer and Cross, and at South Summer and Wilbur. Claude and Adams streets' residents petitioned for a sanitary sewer.

Improper Budget Preparing Rapped

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the city's investment in any particular parcel.

A revision of the classification of expenditures, to show both function and object, and a complete inventory of all fixed property owned or used by the city, to be used as a basis for establishing a detailed property record, is advised.

The report states an investigation, covering the years from August, 1934, through June, 1935, revealed the city poundmaster had made no records of certain moneys received as pound fees and for the sale of dogs from the pound, despite the fact the ordinances governing operations of the city dog pound being specific in their requirements that records are to be kept and all moneys turned over to the city treasurer and credited to the general fund.

It also states that while the name of Carl G. Radke, city poundmaster, did not appear on cash disbursement claims of the University of Oregon medical school as a vendor of dogs after June, 1934, the signatures of other names appearing on invoices covering the purchases of certain dogs so closely resembled the handwriting of Radke that they appeared to be fictitious signatures by him.

The report says: "With the aid of the chief of police of the city of Salem and after considerable investigation and questioning of Mr. Radke and an employee of the medical school, we were informed that during the period from July, 1933, through March, 1935, Mr. Radke had sold from the city of Salem dog pound at least 88 dogs and that he had received \$1 each for them. We were also informed that Mr. Radke had signed the invoices, or at least some of them, using fictitious names or signatures. None of the money so received was turned over to the city treasurer."

Davis Confesses Purse Snatching

Warren Davis, arrested on a larceny charge by a city officer here last night, was said by Assistant Chief Carl Charlton to have confessed to two Salem purse snatchings.

Davis, officers said, is a parolee from a five-year federal sentence on a mail theft conviction.

Officials Probe Death Of Man on River Bank

EUGENE, June 3.—(P)—Officials investigated the death of Wilbur Yarnell, 45, following discovery of his body on the bank of the Willamette river. There was a bullet wound in his head and a gun was found nearby.

John Yarnell, his uncle, who found the body, said Wilbur had been in poor health.

Washington Ready For Royal Couple

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cables along the curbing will restrain the spectators jamming the sidewalks. In a cleared space between the service men and the sidewalks will be the police, committing the less majestic of facing the crowds and presenting their backs to the royal procession.

And, there will be dozens of plainclothesmen, both of the police force and the secret service circulating among the throng. The storekeepers don't know it, but the secret service has bought some of their window seats.

Individual Taxes Returns Tabulated

Salem Lists 1503 Returns on Incomes of 1937, Reports Reveal

WASHINGTON, June 3.—(P)—Oregon cities and towns of 1000 or more population reported 52,517 individual income tax returns to the federal government for 1937.

The figures were based on reports of collectors of customs and were governed by the postoffice addresses on taxpayers' returns, Guy T. Helvering, commissioner of internal revenue, said.

Single persons having net income of \$1000 or more or gross income of \$5000 and married persons having net income of \$1000 or more or gross income of \$5000 or more are required to file income tax returns.

In compiling the figures, in some instances the total for the cities and towns is less than the total for the county because of postoffice addresses falling outside the civil divisions tabulated.

In all, \$3,395,541 returns were filed. The amount of tax and total income were not included in the report but will be announced later.

The Oregon returns included: Counties—Marion 138, Polk 266, Linn 544. Cities—Corvallis 485, Albany 339, Lebanon 90, Salem 1503, Silverton 168, Dallas 160, Independence 61.

All others—Residents of other states: 719; residents of foreign countries (American citizens and aliens) 40.

Well Preparation For Use Ordered

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the department in arriving at this price.

R. E. Koon, consulting engineer, told the commission he was convinced "we have a permanent well there," in recommending that a permanent pump installation be made.

The R. J. Strasser Drilling company of Portland, which put down the first big well, will drill the second on the basis of 45 feet a foot for a minimum of 45 feet and \$13.50 a foot for any greater depth up to 120 feet. Koon has advised the commission the 45-foot depth probably will be sufficient.

The Strasser company also was directed for \$50 to complete the pumping and cleaning of one of the eight eight-inch test wells drilled on the island during the winter. Whether this well will be equipped for regular use or only depended upon to check possibilities of future development remains to be decided.

The commission ventured into the well field as a means of securing an economical addition to the underground infiltration galleries' output of water, which does not quite supply the city's full needs during the dry summer months.

Of Thee I Sing

WASHINGTON, June 3.—(P)—"America" would become the national hymn under a bill introduced today by Representative Hill (D-Wash.).

The status of "The Star Spangled Banner" as the national anthem would be unchanged.

Angell Would Limit Term

WASHINGTON, June 3.—(P)—Representative Angell (R-Ore.) proposed today an amendment to the constitution limiting presidential and vice presidential terms to one of six years.

Gregoire Estate's Property Is Sold

Hawkins Is High Bidder With \$26,000 at Auction Sale

Properties in the Mary F. Gregoire estate, which has been in probate court here since 1930, went under the hammer yesterday morning and when lively bidding was over, the 835 acres of land brought in what amounts to \$26,000, or actually \$21,000 cash plus a \$5000 mortgage.

Harry M. Hawkins was the successful bidder. The sale was conducted by Ed O. Stadter for the administrator, Ladd & Bush Trust company.

The land is in three bundles, 135 acres near Victor Point and two tracts near St. Louis.

Separate bids were received first on the three tracts, then on all land cut into two bundles and finally a single bid on all the tracts. The court ordered the property was to go to the highest bidder which ever way the highest bid figured.

On the single bid for all, D. C. Knight and Octavia Gross, an heir, were in the bidding to all hit the Hawkins' offer. Previously, Elmer Lorraine bid \$4000 on the Victor Point place and D. C. Knight the high of \$10,700 on the St. Louis land.

Tunnel Proposed Through Cascades

Water From Western Side of Mountains Would Go to East

BEND, June 3.—(P)—The federal reclamation bureau considers a plan to transfer water from the Willamette valley slope of the Cascade mountains to Deschutes, Jefferson and Crook irrigation projects.

Waldo lake would be brought through a two-mile tunnel under lofty Mount Ray to increase central Oregon water storage. The plan has received tentative approval of the bureau's Denver office and the Oregon engineer.

Diversion of 30,000 acre feet of water from Waldo lake in addition to 30,000 acre feet impounded in the Gold lake area was suggested in the report. A diversion dam would be constructed on the creek at the Gold lake outlet. A short tunnel would be bored through the divide into Odell lake. From Odell, the water would be pumped and find its way into the Deschutes river and Wapinitia reservoir.

Engineers said flood control and irrigation projects in the Willamette basin had eliminated many objections to turning Waldo lake water into the central Oregon farmlands.

Liquor Locker Is Denied by Board

PORTLAND, June 3.—(P)—Restaurant liquor licenses were denied permission to establish liquor locker systems for patrons, by the state liquor control commission today.

The commission said that under the new state-law, holders of restaurant licenses were permitted to sell beer, wine and liquor mixers but could not keep customers' bottles on the premises.

One license was suspended, 14 refused and eight granted at the meeting.

Among those granted was one to Fraternal Order of Eagles, Salem, club license permit.

Albany Parachute Record Is Balked

ALBANY, June 3.—(P)—Herbert H. Stark's assault on a world record for successive parachute jumps was abruptly halted yesterday at the 16th try.

A gust of wind fouled the chute, dropping Stark on his face and knocking him unconscious. The accident occurred only a few feet from the ground, and Stark was not seriously hurt.

Ten more jumps would have been required in the 24-hour period for a new record. The 16th leap was made from an altitude of 2000 feet.

Marion County Has 33 Grads

Score of Salem Students at University Among Record Class

EUGENE, June 3.—The largest graduating class in the history of the University of Oregon, 740 who received degrees or certificates, included 33 from Marion county.

At an impressive ceremony Sunday night, June 4, Dr. Donald M. Erb, president of the university, conferred 704 bachelor and advanced degrees and 36 certificates for social work and nursing. Dr. Erb also pointed out the duties of students as citizens in his address entitled, "The Debt We Owe." The baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Dr. Raymond C. Brooks, of Los Angeles, who spoke on "The Widening Horizons."

The university conferred two honorary degrees on distinguished citizens, Dr. John C. Merriam, retiring head of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, DC, was made a doctor of laws, and Frederick W. Skiff, Portland, received the doctor of letters degree.

Students from Salem and vicinity who received degrees included: Master of Arts

John S. Uriaub, education, Salem; Doctor of Medicine

Robert Douglas Johnston, Salem; John McKinney Gules, Woodburn.

Bachelor of Science of Arts

Lehon—Warren Calvin Gill, law; Floyd James Gould, business administration; Vinton H. Snyder, music.

Rickreall—Warren H. Tinker, education.

Roseburg—William Matthew C. Webb, business administration; Clarence Albert Chamberlain Jr., English; Eli S. Hall, education; Harry M. Lehrbach, journalism; Kenneth Earl Pickens, business administration.

Salem—Margaret Ayers, history; Robert Floyd Baxter, economics; Elizabeth Bird, nursing; Marvin B. Clatterbuck, education; Marie Westoff Elkins, education; Madeline Heckman, education; Mary Frances Henderson, journalism; Ruth Luella Hillman, Germanic languages; Mary Blair Isler, economics; Florence Lake Kron, education; Arthur William Lamka, business administration; Grace Allen McLaughlin, education; George Monroe Minturn, business administration; Lyle Marra, education; Lela Reed Newmyer, education; Rosanne Schroeder, education; Norman P. Scott, journalism; Zolite M. Volchok, business administration.

Silverton—Edward James Johnson, physical education; William LeRoy Regele, business administration.

Woodburn—Alice Maria Breed, political science; Evelyn Gertrude Ramage, education.

Wandering Jews Granted Landing

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issued on that date, included the requirement of new certification of the steamship companies by the state and labor departments of permission for immigrants to land.

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Mills Nominated For Legion Head

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uled for the Fourth of July celebration sponsored by Capital post at the fairgrounds. It was announced that motorcycle races would also be featured on the Fourth as well as fireworks, children's sports and many other attractions.

The Legion convention commission reported that the convention here in August would attract a number of notable visitors in addition to Louis Johnson, former national commander and now assistant secretary of war, and National Commander Chadwick. Tentative plans for a statewide beauty contest were also announced.

Mrs. W. L. Marks Called Suddenly

ALBANY, June 3.—(P)—Mrs. Willard L. Marks, wife of the state board of higher education chairman, died here yesterday after a short illness.

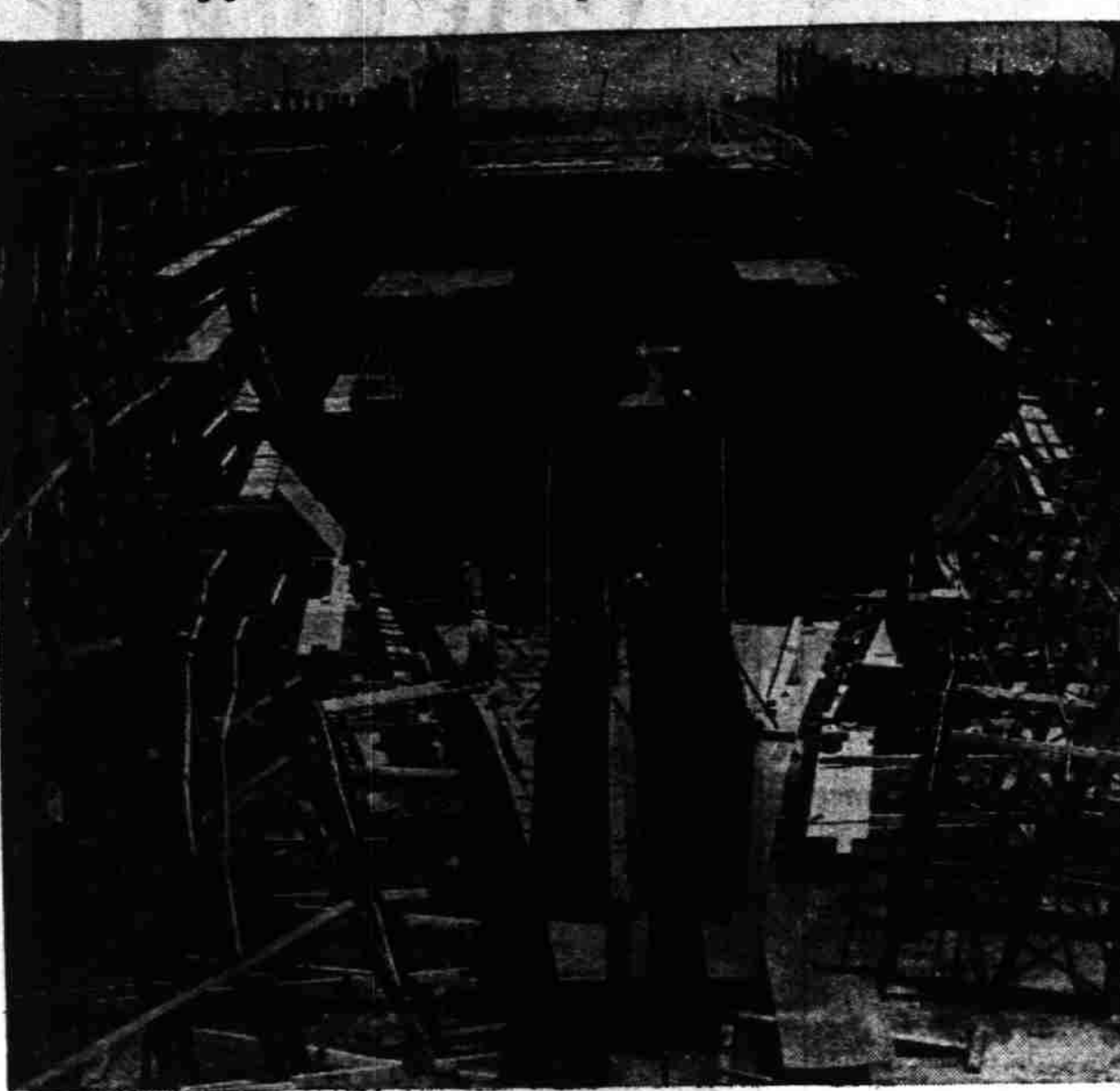
Mrs. Marks, 54, was widely known for club and girl scout work. Surviving are her widower, a son, Robert, and two daughters, Marian, University of Oregon student, and Helen, Albany high school girl.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, 3:30 p. m., at the Fort-maller chapel here with cremation at Salem.

Shields Is Officer

WASHINGTON, June 3.—(P)—The war department said today Luke Smith Shields, route one, box 34, Salem, had accepted appointment as a 2nd lieutenant, quartermaster reserve, in the officers' reserve corps.

S. F. Shipyards Hum as Important Industry Returns



Twelve hundred men already are on jobs and hundreds more are due for other jobs in Oakland, Cal., shipbuilding yards due to the return to the Pacific coast of an important industry. Rapidly rising is the hull of one of two 492-foot cargo ships being built by the Moore Dry Dock company for the US maritime commission at a cost of \$5,715,520. Feature of the construction is a new electric welding device which "sews" the ships together instead of building them up rib by rib and plate by plate on the ways. Photo shows hull 105, in front center, the propeller shaft alley, beyond and at right angles the bottom levels of the cargo holds and engine rooms. The ship will be launched early in September.—(LIN).

Man in Barricade Snipes at Police

Netarts Man Burns Store Before Fleeing; Held Threatening Wife

TILLAMOOK, June 3.—(P)—Guns flamed in quiet Netarts, beach resort, before dawn yesterday. Sheriff's Deputy Allen Birch said Guy L. Runyan barricaded himself in his wife's store, shot at deputies and then burned the structure to the ground.

Runyan was indicted for assault as he fled from the store with two guns and a knapsack of ammunition.

Mrs. Runyan took refuge with neighbors and called officers at 4:30 a. m., when she told Birch Runyan threatened to shoot her. Runyan opened fire as Birch and Deputy George Robinson reached the store.

Birch said he saw Runyan ignite the building before fleeing through the back door to the beach, where he was captured. Tillamook firemen protected adjacent property from the flames, although they could do nothing to save the store, a long-time landmark for trolling boats.

Runyan was indicted for assault with intent to kill and arson by the county grand jury today and was held in the Tillamook jail without bail.

Buck Hutton Head Of Firemen Meet

PORTLAND, June 3.—(P)—Visiting firemen, 300 of them, discussed fire fighting methods, standard working conditions for firemen and continued favorable relations with the public today.

Harry Hutton, chief of the Salem fire department and president of the Oregon State Fire Chiefs' association, and Ray Salder, La Grande, president of the Oregon State Firefighters' association, headed the annual three-day convention.

DIT THE HEAT ON 'SCREWDRIVERS'

HE'S A "SCREWDRIIVER"—

When he wants to turn right, he always starts from the middle of the road. Brakes scream, drivers grit their teeth... Remember, your engine uses three times as much gasoline in first and second gear as in high—when a "Screwdriver" brings you to a needless stop, he's got his hand in your pocket!



Join the SHARE-THE-ROAD Crusade at your Shell dealer's and get FREE emblem for your car

Help reduce time-wasting, fuel-wasting Stop-and-Go driving 25%. Leading traffic authorities say it can be done by getting rid of "Screwdrivers" and their traffic boners. "Share the Road" and Super-Shell both are on Stop-and-Go.



Super-Shell SAVES ON STOP-AND-GO