

Oregon Expected to Double Irrigated Land in 50 Years

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Oregon, which now has 1,374,707 acres of irrigated land, will bring water to 1,459,170 more acres in the next 50 years, the Oregon Agricultural Experiment Station estimates. The station made this estimate

after a comprehensive land and water survey.
It said there are 5,325,000 acres of cropland that could be classed as irrigable, plus 25 million acres of range and pasture lands.
There isn't enough water available for all of that land, and it wouldn't pay to irrigate a lot of it. The estimate that the amount of irrigated land will be doubled in the next half century is based on assumptions that present sources of water will remain available, that state and federal water policies won't change, and that the demand for food will show farm prices high enough to make irrigation profitable.

The Willamette Valley, which now has 80,195 acres of irrigated land, is due for the biggest expansion of any region. The station estimated that 702,800 more acres in the valley will be irrigated in the next 50 years.
Present totals for other regions, with the estimated amounts to be added in the 50-year period, are: Coastal counties, 10,650 and 39,420; Columbia Basin, 93,842 and 327,750; Blue Mountains, 260,003 and 143,750; South Central Area, 654,859 and 168,920; and Southern Oregon, 75,658 and 65,530.
"Preliminary calculations," the report says, "indicated there is enough water in sight to meet the requirements of the estimated irrigable land by areas as well as the total water need for the state."
"Considerable development through storage and other means will be needed, however, if this water is available for irrigated agriculture."

Requests for Forest Tree Seedlings Up

The State Forestry Department has received more requests for forest tree seedlings in the past four weeks than during the entire 1954-55 planting season, the department said Tuesday.
It has received requests for 1,300,000 trees in four weeks, mostly from farmers.

Demand for noble and grand firs indicates farmers are planting them for the Christmas tree trade. The supply of the noble and grand firs is exhausted, but there are some Douglas firs left.

Prison Convict Guilty of Escape

A prison convict who fled a cherry-picking detail last July was found guilty of escape in Marion County Circuit Court Tuesday. Millard Raymond Williams, 19, serving a 30-month larceny sentence, was caught at Aumsville a few hours after he walked away from the work crew July 29. At the time of his escape, Williams was within four months of parole according to Warden Clarence T. Gladden.
Williams will be sentenced Tuesday.

Rockaway Logger Charged in Murder

TILLAMOOK — Grant Bailey, 33, Rockaway logger, was charged with first-degree murder Tuesday in the slaying of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Peccard at Bailey's home Sunday.
Police said Bailey had told them he shot the Peccards in self-defense, when a fight broke out after he had ordered the Warm Springs couple from his home.

81 Living Descendants Survive Man

DALLAS, Ore. — S. C. Dixon 92, died Tuesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ira Vincent, after an illness of about a week. He leaves 81 living descendants.

Services will be 11 a.m. Friday in the Howell-Edwards chapel, Salem. Graveside services will be held at Mt. Union Cemetery near Corvallis at 1:30 p.m.

Dixon was a lifelong member of the Evangelical United Brethren Church. He had lived at DeLake with another daughter, Mrs. Ada Corrigan, the past seven years. Born April 27, 1863, at Manchester, Ind., he came to Oregon to farm near Corvallis in 1891.

He and Mary E. Scherr were married at Hutchinson, Kan., in 1885. Mrs. Dixon died in 1930. Mr. Dixon farmed near Dayton for several years before retiring about 10 years ago.

He leaves four daughters, Mrs. Ada Corrigan, DeLake, Mrs. E. T. Wilson, Centralia, Wash.; Mrs. Ira Vincent, Dallas; and Mrs. Maud Launer, McMinnville; four sons, R. C. and Daniel Dixon, Dayton; Virgil Dixon, DeLake; and E. S. Dixon, Monmouth; 26 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

State Demos Ask Millions For 4 Dams

WASHINGTON — Oregon's three Democrats in Congress urged President Eisenhower Tuesday to seek a "minimum" of \$7,335,000 in appropriations for planning and construction of four Oregon dam projects.

The request was made in a letter to the President by Sens. Morse and Neuberger and Rep. Green. Their request included \$1,450,000 to complete planning of John Day lock and dam, \$735,000 for planning on Green Peter-White Bridge project, \$2,900,000 for construction of Hills Creek Dam and \$2,450,000 for construction of Cougar Dam.

Knight Attempts To Guide Votes

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Gov. Goodwin J. Knight Tuesday made his first direct move to head California's vote-rich delegation to the San Francisco Republican national convention next year, and perhaps head off any rival tickets.
He gave out word that he is proceeding with formation of a stand-by pro-Eisenhower slate for the California June 5 presidential primary. It will be pledged nominally to the Republican governor as a favorite son candidate if Eisenhower steps out or doesn't enter California in time.

Shivers Won't 'Ever Join in Adlai Drive'

AUSTIN, Tex. — Texas' Gov. Allan Shivers said Tuesday he will never change in his opposition to Adlai Stevenson, and again said he hoped the Democrats would nominate a "moderate" whom he could support.

Shivers told a news conference Stevenson represents "the ultimate" among Democrats who have "sought to impose their own ideas of the party" above its traditional beliefs.

Shivers was among the Southern Democratic governors who supported Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1952.

The governor said that in the last 20 years a new group of leaders who might be termed "inter-

Abbott Ends Testimony in Murder Trial

OAKLAND, Calif. — Burton Abbott Tuesday wound up four days on the witness stand at his kidnap-murder trial, still firm in his insistence he did not kidnap and kill 14-year-old Stephanie Bryan.

Dist. Atty. J. Frank Coakley finally released Abbott after three full days of cross-examination. But first he drew from him an admission he knew of no enemy who would "frame" him with such a sinister set of circumstances as those actually surrounding him. Stephanie disappeared April 28 in Berkeley.

lopers" have appeared in the Democratic Party. They have sought to "misuse, misdirect, and abuse the party," Shivers said.

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MUNICIPAL COURT

Webb L. Haskins, 545 Shipping St., charged with disorderly conduct and failing to stop at the scene of an accident, released on payment of \$85 bail.
Otis Franklin Rock, 449 N. 23rd St., pleaded innocent to charge of driving while license was suspended; released on own recognizance, trial set Feb. 24.
Calvin B. McCown, Valsetz Box 322, free on \$250 bail, pleaded innocent to charge of driving while intoxicated; trial set Feb. 16.

CIRCUIT COURT

Troy Ladd vs State Industrial Accident Commission: Defendant's answer seeks dismissal of suit.
Pete L. Taranoff and Anna Taranoff vs John L. Schmitt and Agnes M. Schmitt: Court rules plaintiff owners of real property and entitled to immediate possession.
Union Oil Co. of California vs Arthur M. Dennison: Default order and judgment of \$1,631.94 awarded to plaintiff.

Fred W. Groomer Jr. vs Janet Groomer: Decree of divorce awarded to plaintiff with custody of two minor children to plaintiff on condition they remain with parents of defendant.

Oscar H. Loe vs C. A. Hofstedt: Order awards judgment of \$275 to plaintiff.

Allie L. Compton Jr. vs Clarence T. Gladden: Warden ordered to produce plaintiff in court Dec. 27 at 10 a.m. for hearing on defendant's demurrer to replication.

Jean Ann Bunnell vs Myrl Dean Bunnell: Defendant ruled in contempt for failure to conform to court's terms, given to Dec. 22 at 10 a.m. to comply.

Walter F. Hayes and Mea H. Hayes vs Chester K. Southworth, doing business as Pure-Bred Nutria Farms: Complaint seeks judgment of \$2,727 allegedly as loss because of failure of defendant to deliver on contract.

State vs Millard Raymond Williams: Defendant convicted by jury of charge of escape from State Penitentiary; continued to Dec. 27 for sentencing.

PROBATE COURT

Estate of Frank Wade, deceased: Order fixes time of hearing on final account for Jan. 20 at 10 a.m.
Estate of Catherine Frances Biemeier, deceased: Order closes estate and discharges administratrix.

Estate of Leona Eleanor Johnson, deceased: Order admits will to probate; estate estimated at \$4,000.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Richard Cecil Haseman Jr., 24, Waldport, logger, and Alona Fay Daly, 21, Mill City, student.
Hughlet Pascal Magee, 22, 1965 Breyman St., hair dresser, and Claudia Jane Talmage, 21, 3290 Duncan Ave., milllith operator.
Larry Clifford Martin, 19, 3270 Livingston Rd., student, and Danell Adell Hamilton, 18, 1415 Pearl St., office clerk.

Stanley Lee Mathis, 25, Gervais Route 1, box 135, student, and June Alen Ethel, 20, Gervais Route 1, box 135, student.

DISTRICT COURT

Andrew Michael Blandel, Toronto, Can., and Thomas Ralph Gordon, Vancouver, B. C., charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, continued for arraignment; bail set at \$1,500 each.

Walter Mack, New York City, charged with failure to stop for loading school bus, continued for arraignment, bail set at \$100.

Two Diseases High in List

Several cases of infectious hepatitis and gastro-enteritis led the list of communicable diseases reported by the Marion County Health Department for the week ending Dec. 16, but health officials said they did not represent anything of epidemic proportions.
Dr. W. J. Stone, Marion County health officer, said the 19 cases of hepatitis and 12 of gastro-enteritis reported during the week represented an accumulation of cases rather than a severe outbreak. All were reported in Salem.
Other diseases listed in the report of 70 county doctors were two cases of poliomyelitis, two of whooping cough and one each of chickenpox, German measles, impetigo, infectious mononucleosis, mumps, pneumonia and strep pharyngitis.

Death Takes W. T. Murphy

William T. Murphy, 73, of Salem Route 3, Box 763, died Tuesday at a Salem hospital.

A former railroad engineer and resident of Portland and Albany, Ore., he had moved to Salem two years ago from California. Born April 11, 1882, at Hastings, Neb., he was a life member of the Elks.
He leaves two sisters, Mrs. Lulu Bigelow, Salem, and Mrs. Beulah Cassidy, Waldport; three stepsons, M. G. Murphy, Riverside, Calif.; Lawrence Murphy, Vallejo, Calif.; and Leonard Murphy, also of California; niece, Mrs. LaVaughn Smith, Salem; and several step-grandchildren.

Services will be 2 p.m. Friday in the Virgil T. Golden chapel, burial in Belcrest Memorial Park.

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