

Water Appeals for BPA Funds

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Dr. Paul H. Raver, Bonneville power administrator, predicted Tuesday that the House-approved 70 per cent BPA funds would mean employment for 50,000 people in the Pacific Northwest by 1949. He made the statement to a subcommittee of the House appropriations subcommittee. He asked for restoration of the whole budget request of \$20,000 for BPA for fiscal 1948. House allowed \$6,907,800. Raver said the Northwest economy, Raver is dependent on big supplies of BPA hydro-electricity. The amount is increasing. If it is not estimated 1947 unemployment at 15,000 and set the 1949 at 50,000. Unemployment in fabricating processing industries, affected by lack of raw materials, is greater than the effect of direct unemployment," Raver said. He listed these other economic factors: The region cannot supply electrical power to sawmills and logging camps, production will be immediately affected, resulting in loss of jobs at furniture factories and in housing construction throughout the country. Lack of appropriation curtails series to primary producers of aluminum, the chief loss will be in fabricating centers of the region where unemployment efforts will be 30 times as great. The entire request of BPA is less than the total revenue of the year, amounting to about \$200,000,000.

Certain tribesmen of India eat only once a year. A bull is sacrificed and eaten in a day by the male adults.

Sunspots of Enormous Size Appear as Maximum Nears

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Sunspots, some of enormous size, are now again quite frequently making news in the press and over the radio. At times, telegraphic circuits and overseas short wave are practically put out of operation by the radiations from these solar deformations. This is occurring oftener than a few years ago, since the time of sunspot maximum is approaching. Records of solar spottedness during the past 200 years have definitely shown that the maximum effect occurs on an average once in about 11 years. This is the average and not the invariable

cycle. The time between maxima has been as short as seven years; as long as 17 years. Around the time of minimum it is often impossible to find any spots for days at a time.
Rapid Approach
The last minimum occurred in 1944, but the next maximum seems to be approaching so rapidly that most experts expect it within a year or two. A hasty telescopic view of the sun two weeks ago revealed numerous spots of average size strung along in two irregular lines on each side of the solar equator.
A few weeks earlier an enormous blot appeared. It was so large as to be seen easily through photographic negatives, smoked glass, or thin clouds. One enthusiast, who shortly before had been presented with a pair of prism binoculars, reported that she fitted negatives over the front lenses of her glasses and obtained superb views.
Darken Lens
A warning should be given against viewing the sun directly through field glasses of any kind without first covering the front lenses with darkening material, else the concentrated light may permanently injure the sight.
A typical spot consists of a black-appearing central umbra surrounded by a lighter penumbra. The condition seems to be due to the rise from beneath the solar surface of spiraling gases, which cool as they expand. Even the umbrae are extremely hot and luminous (around 4000 degrees centigrade) but they appear black in comparison with the 6000-degree surface of the main body of the sun.
23-Day Period
The solar equator rotates in about 25 days, therefore long-enduring spots may be carried around back of the sun and later come again into view.
The largest spot group ever recorded was the one of early 1946. In February it covered nearly one per cent of the sun's visible surface. It gradually became smaller, but was four times carried entirely around the sun, and was last seen in May, 99 days after discovery. Small spots usually persist for only a few days.
With the increasing spottedness of the sun, we may confidently look for more spectacular displays of the Northern lights. The latter are thought to be caused by electrical particles which shot from the region of the sunspots, finally reach the rarefied upper air.

Ace Missing On Africa Hop

CAPETOWN, South Africa—(AP)—A U.S. Army Air Force plane piloted by one of America's most widely-known World War II aces and carrying three American passengers was reported missing Saturday in southeastern Africa and four Royal Air Force planes immediately began a search.
Col. Chesley G. Peterson of Santaquin, Utah, air and military attache of the U.S. legation in Pretoria, took off Friday from Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, and was believed to have crashed somewhere between there and Mbeya, Tanganyika, 400 miles to the northeast.
Fighters and bombers of the Royal Air Force, which searched jungle areas Friday for traces of the missing Beechcraft expeditor, took off again Saturday from Salisbury in the expanding hunt.
Peterson's flight was scheduled to have taken five hours and 17 minutes and he was reported overdue at 2:30 p.m., Friday.
Commander of a Thunderbolt group operated over Europe during the war, Peterson was promoted to the rank of colonel in October, 1943, and at the age of 23 was considered to be one of the youngest colonels in the Army.

Got a Title? See Debrett's

LONDON—(AP)—American heirs to ancient and honorable titles have been called upon to lay official claim to them.
"It costs nothing," said C. F. J. Hankinson, editor of Debrett's. The 145th annual edition of that book of the peerage was published this week.
Many of its 3000 pages posed possibilities for an average American having to call his next door neighbor sir so and so. More and more British titles, it appears, are drifting to the United States.
So many, in fact, that Hankinson reported he had obtained an official British opinion that Americans may inherit peerages without losing their American citizenship.

Sons of Norway Plan Independence Dance

Sons of Norway will observe Norway's Independence Day May 17 with a program and dance at the Masonic Temple at 8:30 p. m. to which the public is invited.
Norwald Nelson, president of the club, pointed out that Norway's struggle for independence has had an important bearing on

developments in other Scandinavian countries.
Taking part in the program Saturday will be Sigurd Nelsens, Lucille Olson and Eloise O'Connell, vocalists, and Stacey Green and Emily Rhodes Parker, pianists and accompanists.
Dancing and refreshments will follow the program.

KOREANS GET JOBS
TOKYO—(AP)—In anticipation of the day when Korea will become a self-governing country, United States authorities absorbed more Koreans into influential government posts during January, Gen. Douglas MacArthur stated Monday in his monthly report of military government activities in Korea.

Bank Awaits Claim Action

SEATTLE—(AP)—The Seattle First National Bank Tuesday awaited action on its suit filed in superior court Monday to recover nearly \$8000 "bought" by Mrs. Lillian I. Nelson at an auction for \$1.90.
The bank claimed that the money, stored in tin cans, was sold to the Seattle woman April 15 "under the mistaken assumption" that the cans contained only food or cleansers. Mrs. Nelson discovered the cache in a box of household goods she had purchased.
The bank, as executor for the estate of George Lee, former Seattle barber, asked that the auction sale be rescinded and the money be returned to the estate.

Man Given Sentence On Train Ride Charge

Walter Alexander Fischer, transient, was sentenced in Justice Court Monday to 10 days in jail on charges of stealing a ride on a train and was also given a suspended \$25 fine for trespassing. He was picked up Sunday by a Southern Pacific agent and will be released as soon as his record has been checked.
Harold W. Cearley, Glenwood, pleaded not guilty Monday to a charge of drunken driving. Judge John Bryson fixed bail at \$200 cash or \$500 property bond.
Cash receipts from farm marketings in January, 1947, were nearly 40 per cent above January, 1946.

Fraternity 'Besieged' As Result of Prank

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—A near riot by hordes of home seekers trying to rent rooms in a fraternity house was blamed Tuesday on a college prank.
The brothers of Alpha Gamma Omega defended their fraternity house at the University of California at Los Angeles Monday night from 500 indignant house-hunters who jammed the streets outside, blocking traffic for blocks. They came in answer to an advertisement:
"For rent three bedroom duplex. \$40 a month."
PINE WAGES GO UP
KLAMATH FALLS—(AP)—Employers and unionists in the lumber industry here were being polled Monday on an agreement for a 7 1/2-cent an hour wage increase reached by the CIO International Woodworkers of America negotiating committee and the Pine Industrial Relations Committee, Inc., representing employers.

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HOT DOG KING: (later) Thanks for the tip on Chevron Supreme. The old wagon's got more pep now than a hot-shot freight barreling down-grade, and I haven't heard a ping since high-octane Chevron Supreme went in the tank. What'll you have, old timer, pickle or mustard? Your hot dogs are on the house from now on.

What Makes Telephone Jobs Good Jobs?

We believe telephone jobs are good jobs. But we'd like to tell you something about working conditions in the telephone company so you may decide for yourself. Good jobs are made up of a number of things... for example...

- **Is the work steady?**
Telephone pay checks come regularly—month in and month out. That's mighty important to wage earners who can plan ahead and have reasonable assurance of steady telephone work all through the year.
- **Are extra payments made for Sundays worked?**
Yes. Time and a half is paid for Sunday work.
- **Are extra payments made for holidays worked?**
Yes. Double time is paid for specified holidays worked. Full pay, with a few exceptions, is received by those who do not work these holidays; the holidays are New Year's Day, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.
- **Are there paid vacations?**
Certainly. After a year's service, employees get one week with pay... two weeks after two years on the job... three weeks after fifteen years.
- **Are there sickness benefits, death benefits and pensions?**
Yes, since 1913 and provided at no cost to the employee.
Sickness benefits range from four weeks at full pay plus nine weeks at half pay for an employee with two years' service on up to a year at full pay for those with 25 years service. The specter of illness doesn't worry the telephone family quite as it would without this plan.
Death benefits to dependents range from four months' pay for an employee with two years' service on up to a full year's pay for an employee of ten years or more.
Pensions—A funded plan paid for wholly by the company. Money accumulated over the past twenty years is held by the bankers trust company as trustees. This money can be used for employee's pensions only. Each employee's pension is based on his rate of pay and length of service.
- **Are cafeterias provided?**
Employee cafeterias, in larger offices, serving quality food at low prices... attractive lounge rooms... good surroundings... are just a few of the things that make telephone work pleasant.
More than 16,000 people here on the coast have liked their telephone jobs well enough to spend more than 15 years with the company.

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