

Vital Oregon Problems Met Morse Reports

Sen. Wayne Morse said Saturday that while Congress may have passed some necessary legislation, the flood damage could have been prevented had Congress appropriated the funds long sought by western flood control bills.

They were:

1. Conservation and flood control appropriations;
2. Relief for Columbia River flood victims;
3. Guarantee that Western fertilizer supplies will not be critically shorted by European recovery shipments.

Working with Sen. Guy Cordon of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Morse made a major speech on the floor and secured funds for McNary and other Oregon dams.

When the Memorial Day flood struck out Vanport, Oregon's congressional delegation in both houses teamed with other westerners and obtained what Morse termed the greatest amount of

disaster relief ever passed by Congress.

Morse said that the Oregon team took the point of view that most of the flood damage could have been prevented had Congress appropriated the funds long sought by western flood control bills.

The Morse amendment to the European Recovery Bill, which was passed during the last week of the session, lifted the obscure problem of where to get anhydrous ammonium for the Salem fertilizer plant from a local worry to a national issue.

The Salem plant, and others like it, were closed down because the Army had a monopoly on anhydrous ammonium, a basic ingredient of synthetic fertilizers. Morse declared that Oregon's soil was as important as foreign soil. He secured passage of an amendment to release from army control enough anhydrous ammonium to keep American fertilizer plants operating.



SEN. WAYNE L. MORSE

Progressives See Socialization Of Key Industries in America

PHILADELPHIA—(AP)—The new Progressive Party called Saturday for nationalization of some key industries, a reversal of policy abroad. A broad-gauged program of social advance at home, and a peace conference with Russia.

With Wallace O. K.

The 6400-word platform on which Henry A. Wallace and Glen H. Taylor will campaign for the White House touched upon almost every phase of American life and bitterly charged both old-line parties with "betrayal" of the people.

The platform was approved by Wallace before publication.

The new party called "as a first step" for nationalization of the largest banks, railroads, the merchant marine, the electric, power and gas industry, and other unspecified enterprises dependent on government funds.

The Progressives proposed immediate negotiation with Russia for world peace, abolition of the "quarantine Communism" program in Greece and Turkey, repeal of the military draft act and "repudiation" of the giant European recovery program.

Tugwell Present

The platform committee was

headed by Dr. Rexford Guy Tugwell, one-time assistant secretary of agriculture and one of the late President Roosevelt's original brain trusters. It included a sprinkling of university professors, labor leaders, authors, and persons long associated with liberal political groups.

District Council Talks Wages

About 100 delegates to the quarterly meeting of Willamette Valley District Council, AF of L, met in caucuses here Saturday afternoon to consider wages and other questions pertaining to the lumber industry.

During a Saturday morning session at Carpenters' Hall, delegates from 46 lumber workers' local unions discussed the wage question "in particular" and other matters. Union officials said, however, that no action would be taken until 10:30 a.m. Sunday when the delegates attend a final session. They planned a banquet at the Osburn Hotel Saturday evening, with officials of the Northwest District Council as special guests.

Delegates from lumber and sawmill locals from throughout the Willamette Valley were expected to formulate policies for presentation to the Northwest Council convention in Boise in September.

Dixiecrafts to Try To Enter Race In All States

ATLANTA—(AP)—The states' Rights Democrats steering committee Saturday decided to try to enter a presidential ticket in all the states.

The action was announced in a formal statement released through George McNabb, press secretary to Gov. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina.

Thurmond was recommended at the Birmingham states' right convention July 17 to carry the south's fight on civil rights against President Truman.

His running mate, selected at the Birmingham meeting, is Gov. Fielding L. Wright of Mississippi.

The committee's announcement said the decision to campaign in all states was to give "millions of real Americans the opportunity of voting for these candidates, and to preserve our American way of government according to our federal and state constitutions."

The governor also disclosed that the party's official title, adopted Saturday, is "States Rights Democrats."

He told reporters "we are not running on a white supremacy, racial-hatred or class prejudice platform. We are running primarily on the issue of states rights."

SUPERFORCES TAKE OFF
WASHINGTON—(AP)—Three B-29 superfortresses on a round-the-world flight took off late Saturday from the Azores and headed for Tripoli, the Strategic Air Command announced.

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