

Springfield Buys Power

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Bonneville administration to make annual payments equal to 10 per cent of the Eugene operation's investment in the facilities used. Furthermore, the BPA is to compensate the Eugene system for any line losses incurred in the power delivery.

Additional transmission line construction by the BPA this year has increased the amount of energy deliverable at the Bonneville substation north of Eugene from 15,000 kilowatt-amperes to 29,000. The transfer of energy from this substation over the Eugene system to Springfield will reduce the amount available for use in Eugene.

The agreement also provides that in the event that the BPA power supply is interrupted, the Eugene system will sell power from its own generating plants to the Springfield system—providing that Eugene has a surplus over its own needs and its other emergency contracts.

Also set for in the contract between the two municipal systems is a provision for the division of service rights in the fringe areas surrounding the two cities.

"This provides that Eugene will retain the prior right to serve customers in suburban areas where it already has established distribution systems. These include the district across the Ferry St. bridge in the vicinity of the Eugene Country Club, the Hayden Bridge district and the McKenzie River Valley east of Springfield.

Stated in the nature of a standing agreement—not to expire with the power transfer provisions—the service area division plan also allows to the Eugene system the area between the Hayden Bridge district and the Ferry St. bridge section. The Eugene Water and Electric Board already has main power transmission lines and water supply lines cutting through this area.

The purpose of the service area designations is to prevent the possibility of uneconomic competition between the two municipal systems in the future. However, it is provided in the contract that in the event either city annexes territory lying within the fringe service area of the other city, the

city owning electric facilities in such area shall thereupon sell such facilities to the city annexing."

At Thursday night's meeting of the Springfield city council, William Trommershausen, district manager for the BPA, was asked to proceed with final arrangements for a contract between the federal agency and the City of Springfield. This contract is to provide for the delivery of BPA power until the fall of 1951 under the "interim plan" worked out with the Eugene Water and Electric Board. After that time, the BPA will provide, through the Goshen substation, power to meet the full requirements of the Springfield municipal system.

Also mentioned at the council meeting was the possibility of Springfield renting a transformer from the BPA to handle the delivery of power in the next two years. The contract with Eugene stipulates that Springfield will provide a transformer substation of not less than 5000 kilowatt capacity in the vicinity of 18th and Q Sts. in Springfield. This will be necessary to take power from the Eugene 666,000 kilovolt transmission system and reduce the voltage for the Springfield distribution system.

During the general course of discussion at the council meeting, Mayor Larson also said: "We expect to have an engineering report on our water system by August 1. As soon as we have that report, we plan to sit down with the Eugene Water and Electric Board to seek their counsel on our water problems."

Final Charter Meeting Called for Eagles

SPRINGFIELD—A final meeting of Eagle charter members will be held here at the VFW Hall Monday, 8 p.m. in connection with forming a new Fraternal Order of Eagles lodge.

All charter applicants who have not signed the charter are requested to be at the meeting. Webb Loy, Eagles worthy state president, of Bend, will assist in selection of Aerie officers.

Chairman of the meeting will be Howard G. Smith, worthy president of Eugene Aerie 273. Officers will be appointed at a July 31 meeting.

The average American ate 10.2 pounds of butter, 7.0 pounds of cheese, and approximately 17 quarts of ice cream last year.

Health Services for Children Provided by Helpful Eugeneans

Many Eugene doctors and dentists are playing a vital role in providing health services for needy children of School District No. 4, according to Dr. Madeline Marr, school health department head.

Several local clubs and lodges have also contributed to the program, Dr. Marr revealed in her

Bandits Busy: Rob, Tie Drivers

Two men, one of them armed, made two successive holdups Thursday night while stealing two cars.

George T. Fuller, Portland, was held up in his car at Jefferson Junction on Highway 99 north of Albany about 1 a.m. He was bound and gagged while the two thieves departed in his 1938 Buick Convertible. They also took Fuller's wrist watch and a gold ring.

Fuller untied himself and reported to the state police. Meanwhile the pair headed for Eugene.

On the outskirts, the stolen car ran out of gas and they came on into town carrying a gas can, city police reported. They approached Lynn M. Long, 214 N. 25th St., Corvallis, in a cafe near the Eugene Truck Terminal, at Garfield St. between Sixth and Seventh Avenues, and according to city police, Long agreed to drive them out to their car with the gas—sometime between 3 and 4 a.m.

Robbed Long

The thieves had left their car at the junction of Meadowview Rd. and Highway 99 North. When they arrived there with Long, they held him up, bound and gagged him and took his car and billfold. He was told that he would find both his car and his billfold in Eugene, but it has not yet been located. Long's car is a 1948 Plymouth Coupe.

Fuller's car was picked up by state police from Eugene.

The Hindu custom of a widow throwing herself on the funeral pile of her husband was outlawed 120 years ago by the British government but is not yet obsolete.

Goshen Station Gets Underway

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complete settlement and drainage of the ground, and provide storage space for materials that will arrive early in 1950.

Three major step-down transformers for the Goshen Substation, having a forced cooled rating of 83,333 KVA each, or a total combined rating for the substation of 250,000 KVA, have been ordered with the General Electric Co. and are due for delivery at Goshen late in 1951.

Last month an award was made to the A. M. Elliott Co. of Shennandoah, Penn., for a 50,000 KVA, synchronous condenser costing approximately \$475,000 for installation at Goshen, Trommershausen said.

This condenser will increase the efficiency of the Goldendale-Detroit-Goshen 230 KV transmission line and maintain uniform voltage for all deliveries on the transmission lines in this area.

During 1950, the 115 KV line will be completed between BPA's present Eugene Substation and the Goshen site, with the line routed through the Amazon area and north of Spencer Butte.

Also, during 1950, it is anticipated that the 230 KV line will be extended from its present terminus at Lebanon to the Goshen Substation site.

Completion of these two facilities will provide more dependable delivery to southwestern Oregon, even though the Lebanon-Goshen circuit will initially be operating at 115,000 volts, explained Trommershausen.

The close of 1947 saw more than three times as many annuity contracts in force in the United States as there were in 1935.

Groups Back New Legislation

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constitutional amendment. This is the plan that Davis said he and the Young Democrats favor.

A statute would be passed which would subject all laws passed by a non-reapportioned legislature to challenge in the courts. This is the plan favored by the A.F. of L., according to a letter from J. T. Marr, executive secretary of the Oregon State Federation of Labor.

Davis said it was definite that a re-apportionment initiative would be started, and that the differences were merely a matter of "which plan" to push.

The Young Democrats went on record favoring reapportionment at their state convention in Eugene in April. The Young Republicans followed suit in Salem in May, and the Oregon State Federation of Labor, meeting in Eugene in June, instructed its executive committee to start such a drive.

Other groups, he emphasized, would be invited to participate in the initiative drive. He said the Americans for Democratic Action and the Portland City Club would be approached on the idea. Wide geographical representation in the state will be sought on the committee, he said.

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Children Active In Swim Program

More than 70 children, most of them non-swimmers from the age of six and up, are taking part in the Red Cross swim program at Oakridge. Classes are under direction of Mrs. George Prescott and Don Ciochetti, and are being taught at McCredie Springs pool.

The school board has provided transportation, and P-TA members are assisting with supervising the children. Mrs. George Herbert is chairman of water safety for the Oakridge area.

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