

Bethel District Set to Expand

New Pipe Lines for Water Answer to Growing Pains

By Don Brown
The Bethel Water District is set to expand its service area to include the city limits of Eugene. The district, which was formed in 1939, has been expanding its service area ever since. It now serves an area of 12,000 acres, including the city of Eugene and the surrounding areas. The district is planning to expand its service area to include the city limits of Eugene, which would increase its service area to 24,000 acres. The expansion is necessary because the city of Eugene is growing rapidly, and the district's current service area is not large enough to meet the city's needs. The district is planning to build new pipe lines to serve the city limits, and it is also planning to build new treatment plants to handle the increased volume of water. The expansion is expected to be completed by 1951.

Widows Want 'Marrying Kind'

WASHINGTON—(U.P.)—A group of California widows wants government to find husbands for them because all the available bachelors in their part of the country are not the marrying kind. The Interior Department said it would "help wanted" appeal from Whittier, Cal., widows, who said they are between the ages of 30 and 40 and interested in marrying. They complained that they have to wait on the men in their town.

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Hawaii to Get Food Shipment

TOKYO — (U.P.) — The first emergency food shipment from Japan to strike-bound Hawaii left this week from Yokohama aboard the SS President Cleveland. The Cleveland was held in Yokohama one day beyond its scheduled sailing date to permit the rush loading of the shipment. It sailed after striking CIO longshoremen in Hawaii agreed to unload its relief cargo. Consisting of canned and dried fish, vegetables, fruits, seaweed, tea, seasoning, vinegar, cooking fats and other oriental food. Shipping sources here said additional shipments will be made to Hawaii aboard the SS City of Alma and two days later aboard the SS President McKinley. The shipments will total \$1,000,000. Japanese foodstuffs, which play an important part in Hawaii's diet, have been piling up at Yokohama during the long maritime strike. It was cleared at the behest of Japanese residents of Hawaii.

Vicky's Pledge Means Money To Indians

THE PAS, Man.—(U.P.)—Thousands of Cree and Chipewyan Indians again left their trap lines and tepees in these north woods to reap the benefits of a promise made a century ago. Dressed in their beaded finery, and accompanied by red-coated Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers, the Indians gathered to receive the annual payment of treaty money. It is a holiday, pay day and a visit to the doctor all rolled into one. When the first Indian treaty was signed, Queen Victoria promised her Indian subjects always would be looked after. That promise is still being honored throughout the north. Between 4,000 and 5,000 Indians belonging to the bands scattered on northern reserves gathered to take part in the event. The treaty party was made up of the Indian agent and his staff, the medical officer of the Department of Indian Affairs, and a clinic complete with X-ray machine. Dress in Their Best The Indians dress in their very best to receive the \$5 a head treaty money. When the ceremony is ended the Indian agent sits in council with the chief and his councillors to discuss any matters or problems on which they may need advice or guidance. The doctor treats those who are ill or need medical attention. The tuberculosis clinic takes X-rays of the entire band to end the day's serious business. The Indians then take over. A sports show is held, including pack races—the big northern pack with the tump line over the forehead—canoe and pony races, and the children "dunk" for quarters in a tub of water similar to white children bobbing for apples on Halloween. Even a softball match is arranged between visitors and Indians. The day's festivities are concluded with a dance, a colorful affair native to the north alone. The music played are the jigs and reels which have come down from the days of the Selkirk settlers.

The General Electric Co. has developed a robot traffic cop, with several now being used in San Francisco on a trial basis.



INSPECTION—Burn, mascot of the Grand Crossing police station, Chicago, checks officers at inspection of summer uniforms.

'No Killer's Gonna Get Me,' Boasts Mobster Mickey Cohen

HOLLYWOOD — (U.P.) — Mickey Cohen, resplendent in baby blue silk pajamas, held "hoodlum court" from his luxurious hospital room Saturday and defied any hired killer to get him. "Some bunch of punks figgers they can shake a lotta people down if they get rid of this little Jew," Cohen growled. "Well, I'm a hard man to get rid of. "No hired killer's gonna get me." "Bunch of Lies" The plump-faced racketeer said anybody who claims he knows who plugged him on the Sunset "Strip" last Wednesday is a blanket-blank liar. "Those stories they been puttin' out," he complained. "All a bunch of lies. I dunno who did it. And I haven't given any names to nobody. "I don't think it was an eastern gang. And I don't think it was a cop. I think somebody hired a couple mugs to do it." Drinks Iced Coffee Cohen held a tinkling glass of iced coffee in his left hand (his right arm's in a sling, the shoulder shattered from that gangland shooting) and said too many people are trying to solve this shooting on too many "phony facts." "Hundreds and hundreds of 'em have barged in here in the past three days," Cohen said. "Cops, sheriffs, detectives, special investigators, newspaper reporters—all askin' questions, questions, questions..." "But they don't pay no attention to what I tell 'em. They go out and make up a lot of stuff right outta the air. Why the hell do they even bother to ask me?" Leads Pure Life "They want me to sit here and lie—just to make it look like they're getting somewhere. Well, I don't lie. I don't drink... I don't smoke... and I don't lie. I lead a real pure life." Cohen said rumors he stopped a slugfest of hot lead because he wouldn't cut eastern gang leader Frank Costello in on his rackets are just some more baloney. "I dunno this Costello," the dapper underworld czar shrugged. "I never met him, never seen him, never spoke to him in my life. So how could anybody say I been keeping him from muscling in on my territory?" Not After 'Neddie' He also shrugged off rumors it was his henchman, "Neddie" Herbert, the gunman, who was after him. "Everybody keeps askin' me if Neddie my pay-off man for the cops," Cohen said. "That's ridiculous. He's only been in town seven months—he hasn't even had

time to get acquainted with the cops—let alone pay 'em off." Cohen doesn't think a bookie gang did it, either. "Every bookie in this town," he said, "is a very close personal friend of mine. They wouldn't do a thing like that." Wasn't Associates It wasn't any of his "business associates," either. "People like us don't go around shooting into crowds," Cohen said. "Or cops. Why, if it'd been earlier, they might've even hit some of those autograph-collectin' kids out there."

Pregnancy Case To Be Retired

LONDON — (U.P.) — A British court will try again to decide whether a woman can be pregnant 360 days. The problem is the result of a divorce suit filed by Charles Jones. A soldier, Jones claimed he was overseas 360 days before his wife gave birth to a baby on Aug. 13, 1946. The wife, Mrs. Bertha Jones, denied adultery. Scientific evidence was given on cases in which babies had been declared legitimate although the gestation period was almost as long—345 days in one case. In the first trial the court ruled against the husband's suit. The court of appeals has ordered a new trial so that additional medical authorities may be consulted.

OLD TRADE Flint for the old-fashioned Ethiopian guns are supplied by the flint-knappers of Brandon, England, whose ancestors made arrowheads before the Romans invaded the British Isles.

Churchill Credits Policy to FDR

LONDON — (U.P.) — Winston Churchill placed on the late President Roosevelt Thursday the full responsibility for the "unconditional surrender" policy regarding Germany, and admitted that the British cabinet would have respected such a policy.

Mr. Roosevelt made the "unconditional surrender" statement at Casablanca without consulting him, the wartime prime minister told the House of Commons. Cabinet Not Asked

Churchill conceded that he had "not the slightest doubt" that the British government would have turned down the policy if the cabinet had been consulted in the matter.

The secrets of the Casablanca conference came out in Commons debate on foreign policy, marked by an angry exchange between Churchill and Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin.

Bevin sought to lodge a major share of blame for the sad state of affairs in Germany upon the "unconditional surrender" declaration of Churchill and Mr. Roosevelt. Churchill interrupted Bevin to say:

From FDR "The first time I heard that phrase used was from the lips of President Roosevelt."

"I never heard it until I saw it in the press," Bevin retorted. "If it had ever been put to me as a member of your cabinet I would never have agreed to such a thing."

Churchill explained that he was with Mr. Roosevelt when the latter made the statement and "I had very rapidly to consider whether the state of our position in the world was such as to justify me in not giving support to it." He said he agreed, although it was not his idea.

Then he acknowledged that if it had been put up to the British cabinet for discussion, the cabinet would have rejected it.

EVIDENCE ALMOST GONE

ST. LOUIS—(U.P.)—Police arrested Wesley Jackson for selling a pint bottle of liquor on the street on Sunday. Evidence in the case was almost lost, however, because the thirsty customer drank four-fifths of the bottle before officers could stop him.

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