

Millions Sought By Roosevelt for Missouri Valley

Washington, March 20 (AP) — President Roosevelt asked congress today to appropriate \$4,480,000 for the preparation of plans by the interior department for development of the Missouri river valley.

The president explained that the estimate included funds "only for the work preliminary to actual construction of projects and must be performed irrespective of whether construction of the projects in the basin is accomplished by a valley authority or other agencies."

"In my judgment," he said, "the proposed work will not interfere with the conduct of the war."

Part of Program

The president's request was part of his long range program to divide the country into seven basic watersheds and have in each an operating authority along lines of the Tennessee valley authority.

The president said provisions were being made in the war department civil appropriation act to enable the army engineers to prepare detailed plans and specifications for its share of the project as authorized by the 1944 flood control act.

The act authorized carrying out the Pick plan of the army engineers and the Sloan plan of the bureau of reclamation as coordinated by the two agencies.

The president previously asked congress to give early consideration to the creation of a Missouri valley authority. Bills on the subject are pending in congress.

Estimate Submitted

Budget Director Harold D. Smith recommended the estimate to the president. He said mapping, stream gauging, and other field investigations must proceed and plans must be drawn "in order to prepare this region to be properly included in the postwar federal construction program."

The White House announcement said Smith felt that planning and preparation now for the Missouri valley development would facilitate rapid establishment of the MVA as a going concern if congress should decide to create the MVA.

DISEASE REPORT MADE

Communicable diseases contracted throughout Deschutes county during the past week as reported to the county health department are as follows: Whooping cough, 13; mumps, 2; pink eye, 1.

His Boys First Across Rhine



Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson points with pride in above photo to feats of his U. S. 9th Army. It was first to reach the Rhine, and two of its patrols crossed the river, only to retire just before Germans blew up the bridge at Dueseldorf.

Mark Up Prices Ordered Frozen

Washington, March 20 (AP)—The office of price administration moved ahead today in its program to cut living costs by changing drastically the method of fixing price ceilings in the retail clothing and furniture field.

Under the new OPA order, some 300,000 retail stores are required to "freeze" their mark-ups—the difference between what they pay for an article and what they sell it for—at where they were yesterday in each general class of goods. Heretofore, retail ceiling prices for furniture and clothing were frozen at the highest price charged by the seller in March, 1942.

Set-Up Explained

Price Administrator Chester Bowles explained that the new set-up was intended to pass along to consumers the lower prices expected to take effect under the government's new low-cost clothing program and under similar low-cost furniture and house furn-

ishings programs now being planned.

Bowles described the new system as "one of the most important events in retail price control since May, 1942, when the general maximum price regulation took effect."

U.T.E. Meeting Is Held in Bend

Members of the U.T.E. of O. joint group committee met on March 15, at the home of Bess Welshons, with the following members present: Charles Sweet, chairman; Mrs. Welshons, co-chairman; Mary Finley, secretary; Milton Sutherland, plant representative; Eva Susac, traffic representative; Noel Parker, Arthur Davis, R. C. Stennett, Harry West, Marvin Denton, Shirley Pratt, Patricia Kelleher, Eunice Lindley, Mae McCallum, Pauline Dunnam and Catherine Sullivan.

At the business meeting, an information letter from the president of the U.T.E. of O. was read. Following the meeting, refreshments were served.

Buy National War Bonds Now!



Tanda

Tanda, meaning love, honor and respect, is the name chosen by Mrs. W. G. Coleman's group. These girls were formerly the Sweet Pea Blue Birds. This group will meet at the home of their guardian Monday instead of Friday. The girls elected the following officers: Marilyn Waterman, president; Patsy Edinson, vice president; Barbara Ream, secretary; Ernestine Wise, treasurer; Violet Coleman, scribe. Other members of this group are Betty Gohrke, Janis Saunders, Janice St. Clair, Betty Malm, Barbara Coleman, Sarah George, Patricia Coleman, Yvonne Peck and Mary Emery.

Dakonya

Girls of the Dakonya group celebrated Birthday week with a pot-luck dinner and theater-party Thursday evening. The dinner was held at the home of their guardian, Mrs. Rella Henry, who presented each girl with a Camp Fire membership pin. The group held a business meeting this week and brought the record books up to date.

Tawanka

The Tawanka group of Shevlin held a Birthday week party at their meeting last Tuesday. A cake with 33 candles was served and the girls spent the rest of the afternoon playing games. New officers in this group are: Mierley Jean Fordham, president; Nancy Fuller, vice president; Joan Conklin, secretary; Jacqueline Armstrong, treasurer. Mrs. Wilfred Fordham is their guardian.

Wetomachick

The girls of the Wetomachick group had a social meeting, in observance of Birthday week, at the home of their guardian, Mrs. Don Primeau. She served refreshments before the meeting adjourned. The girls in this group have completed their Christmas card scrap books for children's hospitals.

Pine

All members of the Pine Blue Birds were present for their meeting Wednesday. Mrs. Blakley, their guardian, took the group down town to see the Camp Fire window display at Wetle's and treated the group to ice-cream cones.

Wahanka

The Wahanka group made posters at their meeting Wednesday to advertise the cookie sale that they held at Kenwood school Friday. The girls made the cookies for the sale and they realized \$5.80 from it.

Waditaka Wetomachick

The Waditaka Wetomachick group of Shevlin met at the Howard ranch Friday night. The girls hiked into the ranch and enjoyed horse back riding until dark. The girls roasted weiners and marshmallows and ate their dinner before the big indoor fireplace. The evening was spent in playing games and dancing. Mrs. Mike Chamberlin is the guardian of this group.

Unallyee

Members of the Unallyee group presented a Camp Fire skit over KBND during the Pal club program Saturday. The girls also

sang several Camp Fire songs. Members taking part in the program were: Betty Ann Simerville, Jackie Nystrom, Betty Lou Bonsell, Dolores Prater, Shirley Padgett, Nancy Ferguson, Nadine Gillis, Gwen Russel, Susanne Gillilan, Mary Posvar and Roberta Fredenhagen. Miss Jean Webster, the guardian, directed the girls. Next Tuesday the girls of this group will enjoy an all day hike with their guardian.

Group Meetings Monday

Katawasteya — Miss Harriet Harris, high school, 3:50 p. m.
Dakonya — Mrs. Rella Henry, 319 Sisemore, 3:50 p. m.

Tuesday

Unallyee — Miss Jean Webster, Reid school, 4 p. m.

Wednesday

Wahanka — Mrs. Gail Baker, Kenwood school, 3:45 p. m.
Wetomachick — Mrs. Don Primeau, Carroll Acres, 4 p. m.
Pine Bluebirds — Mrs. Gale Blakley, 1317 Harmon, 3:45 p. m.
Oregon Trail Bluebirds — Mrs. Carl Erickson, 211 Drake road, 3:45 p. m.

Juniper Jays — Mrs. Claude Cook, 214 Vine lane, 3:45 p. m.
Camp Fire — Mrs. Fred Spivey, 508 Hill, 3:45 p. m.

Thursday

Chesckhamay — Mrs. Clifford Brown, 1237 Cumberland, 3:45 p. m.
Bluebell Bluebirds — Rosella Knight, Reid school, 3:45 p. m.
Otawateca — Mrs. E. W. Williamson, 27 Glen road, 3:45 p. m.

Friday

Iyopta — Mrs. Rees Brooks, 814 Harmon, 3:45 p. m.
Sweet Pea Bluebirds — Mrs. W. G. Coleman, 1471 West Third, 3:45 p. m.
Happy Times Bluebirds — Miss Charlotte Mullins, Reid school, 3:30 p. m.

Hough Is Named Railroad Agent

R. P. Jeffrey, agent for the past three years for all three railroads serving this area, has been named station inspector for the S. P. & S. system and was to leave today for Portland, to take over his new duties. Succeeding Jeffrey as local agent is R. L. Hough, who has arrived from Camas, Wash., and today was in charge here.

Jeffrey, a British veteran of the first world war, came here from Albany three and a half years ago. He has been with the S. P. & S. for the past 25 years. His daughter, Betty, is to remain in Bend until school is out, then will join her parents in Portland.

Bend's new railroad agent has been with the S. P. & S. since 1940, and previous to that date was with the Great Northern for 13 years, stationed at Glacier national park, Choteau and in Sweet Grass, Montana, and Bonner's Ferry and Priest River, Idaho.
Hough's wife and their daughter, Barbara Jean, 15, will join him in Bend later. Barbara Jean is a student at Columbia academy, in Vancouver, Wash.

Mouse-sized short-tailed shrews, more or less common in the United States live on insects, and on field mice if insects are not plentiful; in a shortage of both they eat their companion shrews.

Brake Testing Campaign Due

In an effort to reduce traffic accidents and to preserve automobiles, police throughout the nation soon will conduct a brake-testing campaign, it was revealed here today with the return to Bend of local officials who attended a traffic safety meeting in Portland. Chief of Police Ken C. Gulick, Sheriff Claude L. McCauley, Justice of the Peace Wilson George and District Attorney A. J. Moore, Bend, and Chief of Police Jess Edgar of Redmond, attended the conference.

According to the officials, the brake-testing campaign will be conducted between April 15 and June 1. All cars suspected of faulty brakes will be tested, and citations will be issued where traffic regulations have been violated, Chief Gulick stated.

In an effort to induce motorists to have their brakes tested and adjusted before that date, the officials have adopted a slogan, "You're only a foot from trouble — check your brakes."

Wave Enlistment To Be Increased

Enlistment of Waves in Oregon will be nearly double what they have been for the past three months as the result of the assignment by the navy of increased quotas for the state, announces Chief Specialist Paul Connet of the Central Oregon navy recruiting station, Bend, which handles Wave application in this area.

After sharp curtailment of Wave recruiting in the past three months, during which only a small number was enlisted each week in the 13th naval district, enlistment programs have been stepped up here to meet the new demands for feminine blue-jackets.

Increased assignments to overseas duty for hundreds of Waves have brought a need for more trained young women to take their jobs in this country. A Wave must serve for six months in the U. S. with a perfect record before she is eligible for overseas duty.

New Gas Coupons Valid Wednesday

Motorists were advised today by E. W. Eggen, district OPA mileage rationing representative, that A-15 gasoline ration coupons will become valid March 22 and A-14 coupons will be invalid after March 21.

Each A-15 coupon will be worth four gallons until June 21 leaving present value of "A" coupons unchanged.
Dealers will have through March 31 to turn in A-14 coupons to their suppliers in exchange for gasoline or surrender them at their local boards for ration checks. Distributors will have through April 10 to deposit these coupons in their ration banking accounts.

Eggen again reminded motorists, dealers and distributors that coupons must be properly indorsed in order to stop illegal trade in coupons.

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