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WHAT IS FORESEEABLE?

Lowell Stockman has continued to press Secretary Krug for more detailed information on the interior department plan to carry Columbia river water to thirsty California.

It will be remembered that last summer Secretary Krug wrote Representative Stockman to the effect that only those northwest waters that were not needed would be taken to California.

Krug's answer as to the time when the need was to be determined was given out by Stockman last week. Those who read it in the news must have been impressed by the emphasis placed by the secretary on the California water situation as related to the Columbia supply.

The first rung of the ladder, as the idea was presented last spring, was the Klamath river. When Stockman asked how the Klamath was to be replenished the answer was from the Rogue or the Umpqua.

All this is interesting enough but the Stockman question as to the final timing of the decision as to northwest water needs is avoided. There is only the suggestion of some uncertain date when a decision has been made as to "the maximum practicable within-basin use".

Who has the brains to make that decision for the northwest? Will the northwest be willing to base its future on what somebody in the department of the interior says is "foreseeable"? We think not.

That picture we had on Saturday of the salmon rearing pools on Marion fork above the Detroit dam shows what can be done to preserve a salmon run on a stream on which a high dam is built.

Bend's Yesterdays

(From The Bulletin Files)

THIRTY YEARS AGO (Oct. 18, 1919)

A feature of Revelle week to be observed in Bend by the American Legion, will be a popular girl contest.

A forest fire is burning in the Pringle falls area. N. G. Jacobson, Deschutes national forest supervisor, and his assistant, H. E. Vincent, are on the fire today.

Bend defeated Redmond 44 to 0 Saturday.

Eagles Will Hold Redmond Meeting

Loyal B. Rhodes, past president of the Bend Eagles, will hold his first in a series of organization meetings Wednesday at the Redmond grange hall, at 8 p.m.

Rhodes said he expects to sign at least 100 charter members in Redmond by Nov. 20, date tentatively set for institution of the new aeris.

W. M. Loy, Bend, state president of the Oregon Eagles, will be among lodge officers attending the Redmond meeting.

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Out on the Farm

By Ila S. Grant

Oct. 18 — Winter crept down from the mountains and closed in on Calico farm last night.

The Chief pumped the cistern dry and scrubbed the walls clean, then pumped in fresh water from the big ditch. He hooked up three lengths of pipe from the sprinkler system, to reach from the ditch to the cistern, and wheeled the big motor on its squat wheels to the bridge.

When the cistern was nearly full, light, feathery snow began to fall. It looked soft and downy and it took me back to my childhood. When it snowed like that, Mother used to say, "Old Dame Nature is picking her geese."

I put on a sweater and went out in the front yard, and stood for a few minutes looking at the little waterfall. The rocks showed through the thin stream, a pitiful drizzle compared to the full head of water that's turned into the ditch in the irrigation season.

so, when the farmers are supposed to fill their cisterns. That's why he was so anxious to get the cistern cleaned, before the water got roily.

This morning I sat by the window and watched the falls. The water was still tumbling over the rocks and bubbling up from each flat ledge as in a percolator.

I'm glad I won't be home when the trickle finally stops, and the happy little voice chokes and is no more.



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WASHINGTON COLUMN

By Douglas Larsen (NEA Staff Correspondent)

Washington (NEA) — Today's professional fighters for the rights of women have a far more modest goal than the vision of political equality with men, which inspired the early suffragette leaders to their noble efforts.

The great political purge, the great revitalizing of the whole American governmental process which giving the vote to women was supposed to produce, never materialized. It has turned out that women really don't give much of a hoot about voting.

The great social and economic liberation which political freedom was supposed to produce for the girls has been the other way around. What little political influence they exert today has largely been won through the social and economic liberation they got at first.

The exceptions such as Margaret Chase Smith and Helen Gahagan Douglas have been too rare over the years to prove anything except their rarity.

Proof of all this can be found in the big new program of the League of Women Voters which has just been launched here. A spokesman for the league calls it, "the most ambitious drive this organization has ever undertaken."

Miss Anna Lorl Strauss, national president of the league, sounds the following keynote:

FIRE DAMAGE HEAVY

Portland, Oct. 18 (AP)—The bureau of land management said today that 379 fires burned 161,835 acres of private, state and federal range and forest land this year in one of the most disastrous fire seasons in many years.

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