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Water, a Vital Resource

Deschutes county has taken official cognizance of the important role of water in its economy and has set up a special water resource committee.

This committee will function through seven different divisions, each with its own leader.

Heading the group is a man well acquainted with water problems of the county. He is Fred Shepard, Deschutes county commissioner who in earlier years directed the county's important agricultural planning committee.

Only recently appointed, the committee has already moved into action. And as the groundwork takes shape, it becomes apparent that the committee faces one of the most important tasks ever assigned to a group in the county.

That task will be to study all phases of the county's water resources — domestic and municipal, irrigation, power and industry, pollution abatement, recreation, watershed management and ground water.

Primarily its duty will not only be to work for the best use of water, but to salvage some of the water that is now being "lost", at least for local uses.

The committee will have the guidance of the newly created state water board. That board's secretary, Don Lane, was here for the Deschutes organization meeting. Also here was the board's state field man, Quentin Bowman.

One of the studies of the board certainly will be concerned with water lost from reservoirs, the Deschutes river channel and irrigation ditches.

A. E. Perry, Deschutes watermaster, has estimated that from 8 to 10 percent of the water released from upriver reservoirs is lost in the lava area south of Bend.

And, of course, there is a heavy loss of water from the upriver reservoirs, especially from Crane prairie when that basin is filled. It has been estimated the irrigation system loss ranges from 20 to 40 per cent.

Obviously such loss is a serious blow to all communities of the area which are so dependent on the flow of the Deschutes.

Through the years, the demand for water will increase. All the Deschutes flow has been adjudicated. New industries may be forced to seek new sources. This has already occurred in Bend.

Water has been an important factor in the continued development of Central Oregon since pioneer times. That water has not always been put to the best use. Nor has any great attempt been made to salvage costly losses.

The new Deschutes water committee can provide guidance that has long been needed.

Off the Cuff

A successful executive is one who can return home from his office refreshed by the fact that all who work for him went home dead tired.

Much of today's child psychology is responsible for adult troubles.

One way to insure the success of an after dinner speech is to pick a beautiful woman as the speaker.

Most young girls sport an engagement ring like a young boy coming home with a straight A report card.

Change the Pitch

Most everyone knows by now that Wayne Morse doesn't like Doug McKay. And it's no secret that McKay doesn't think much of Morse.

Both candidates for U. S. Senator, and the hangers-on who are making speeches around the state in their behalf, have been operating largely in the personality field since the campaigns started.

It's about time a halt was called. There are lots of Oregon voters who would be interested in a few of the larger issues in this campaign, and who wouldn't mind hearing fewer personal slanders.

It's about time to change pitch in the political battle-ry.

Quotable Quotes

We can't even tell you what our favorite name is, because it may not be our favorite next week.—Princess Grace of Monaco on name for expected heir to throne.

I deeply regret violence and am glad that the local authorities and state authorities in Tennessee have shown such a firm determination to continue this government of laws rather than of men.—Sen. Estes Kefauver on Clinton, Tenn., school segregation dispute.

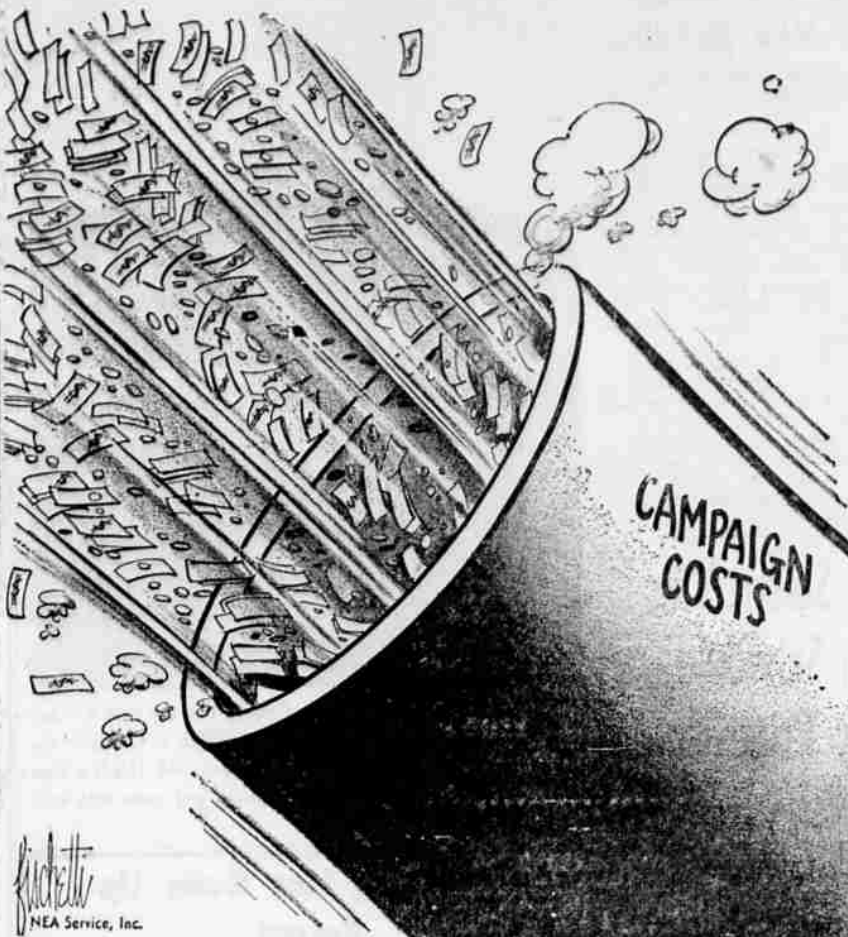
Under the Czaars, 80 per cent of the Russians were illiterate. Today, Russia's illiteracy is no higher than in the United States.—Carl J. Meigel, president American Federation of Teachers.

With dictators you always have to pay a higher price later on, for their appetite grows.—Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden of England on making any deals, with Egypt's Nasser.

We are not concerned with who attends school but with keeping law and order.—Adj. Gen. Joe Henry of the Tennessee National Guard.

Rioting anywhere and the use of violence to obstruct the law of the land is to be deplored, and it is a reflection on the Democratic party and the Republican party and all Americans.—Adlai Stevenson on school integration riots.

Opening Gun



Korean Orphans Arrive in U. S.

SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—Twenty-five Korean war orphans ranging in age from one to seven years arrived on the West Coast today to begin new lives as the adopted children of American families.

Ten of the children landed at Portland, Ore., (at 9:25 a.m. PST) aboard a Pan American World Airways plane. The other 15 arrived in San Francisco.

Arrangements for the orphans' trip to the United States were handled by Harry Holt, a Portland, Ore., rancher who has previously adopted eight other Korean war waifs. Three of Holt's daughters, Wanda, Barbara and Molly, accompanied the children who arrived today.

All the orphans left Tokyo together but the party was split at Honolulu for more direct flights to the new homes of the children.

Of the 10 arriving in Portland, one is being adopted by a family in Hot Springs, Ark. The others are being adopted by Oregon families.

Six of the orphans landing in San Francisco will be adopted by families in Los Angeles. The others will go to families in Compton, Covina, Long Beach, Pacoima, San Diego and Hawthorne.

Pap American said it put an extra stewardess on each flight as well as extra supplies of baby foods and clothes to take care of the orphans.

World War I Group Selects Portland Man

PORTLAND (UP)—Harlan W. Barnes of Portland is the new national commander of the Veterans of World War I.

He was elected at the closing business session of the organization's four-day convention here yesterday to succeed Harry J. Miller of Watertown, N.Y.

Barnes, 60, has been an employee of the Portland Traction Co. (now Rose City Traction) for 34 years and now is a claims adjuster.

Lewis Blake, Mount Vernon, Ill., was chosen national senior vice commander.

FOOTBALL'S ANCESTOR

Athenians, Corinthians and Spartans played a ball-kicking game about 2,500 years ago, probably the forerunner of modern football. The Greeks called it "episkuros."

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Letters —

To the Editor:

Now that the election is approaching, it is to be hoped that all eligible will register so that they can exercise their right to vote. Always there are those of my acquaintance who, when it is too late, say to me that they wish they had registered.

Some say they see no use in voting as both parties are corrupt and politicians are crooked. This seems strange to me. For if our Democracy is to endure we must all work at it.

I first voted in 1908 in Mahanomen, Minnesota, and have voted in every election since, so that I never have to register. I have always had a keen interest in politics. Our country is what we individual voters make it.

Many people are so busy they just haven't time to keep up with events and the men who make events; but we just can't afford to be so busy that we can't take time out to study these things.

Some times we find it hard to decide who is the best man; and, when this is so, we need to study the records of opposing candidates.

This time I am studying the records of ex-Governor McKay and Senator Morse. We must vote right on these two.

Sincerely yours,
Perit Huntington
Sisters, Oregon,
Sept. 17, 1956.

GONZALES WINS

MILAN, Italy (UP) — Pancho Gonzales of Los Angeles drubbed Frank Sedgman of Australia, 6-4, 6-4, 6-3, Thursday to win the singles title in the "Trophy of Champions" professional tennis tournament. Gonzales and Tony Trabert of Cincinnati, Ohio, teamed up to beat Sedgman and Rex Hartwig, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, in the doubles final.

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