

Norblad Denounces CVA as 'Grand, Glorious Super-state'

In his first statement concerning the CVA as proposed by President Truman, Congressman Walter Norblad, came out in opposition to the bill. His position was given to Young Republicans of Clackamas county, meeting in West Linn Wednesday night. Norblad contended that the administration's CVA proposal is an admission of their own bad practices. He agreed that merger and consolidation of efforts in the valley are needed but said that CVA is not the answer as it goes far beyond any purported intent of merging and consolidating for sake of efficiency "and imposes itself upon us a grand and glorious super-state."

His statement in full follows: "To date I have not made any statement of my position on the CVA proposal but wish to do so here tonight."

"The administration's proposals for a Columbia Valley Authority are, in my opinion, admissions of their own bad practices."

"Had they not allowed this careless growth of sprawling, conflicting, and overlapping governmental agencies there would not now be any need for consolidation of effort and programs."

"The proposal is certainly nothing for them to brag about. Rather it is an admission of guilt. Guilt in failing to follow the sane and economical methods of private enterprise in the Columbia Valley developments."

"Dozens of agencies have their hands in this work and more often than not several are attempting to accomplish the same thing by marching in totally different directions with the taxpayers' funds."

"Certainly we will agree that merger and consolidation of efforts is needed but CVA is not the answer to the governmental maze in which we find ourselves. If it were to cure this condition alone, it could be made workable. But that is not the case."

"It goes way beyond any purported intent of merely merging and consolidating for the sake of efficiency and imposes itself upon us as a grand and glorious super-state."

"Its powers are far in excess of those of all the 5 individual states in the area. The combined rights and powers of all legislatures and governors of these states would not equal those of this three man board."

"Specifically here are a few things it could accomplish; it could condemn, at its own discretion, any real or personal property in the Columbia Basin; tell the farmers in the area what crops they could or could not raise; build any form of industrial plant it pleased and sell its products at any price it pleased in competition with existing industry; control the unexpended balance of the existing projects such as Grand Coulee and Bonneville; take over all private power properties in the area, and have many other powers of this calibre."

"That is certainly not a simple merger for the sake of sweet economy. It is hoped that local groups within our area can formulate a plan or program to harmonize the operations of the existing conflicting agencies. Such a program should come from the area affected and be locally controlled. It should not have the powers proposed and should be governed by ourselves and from home rather than by a group sitting behind a mahogany desk in far-off Washington."

Crashes on New Highway Studied

Portland, Ore., Nov. 10 (AP)—highway engineer, yesterday said a study would be conducted to determine the cause of traffic accidents on the new Columbia river highway.

He said a traffic engineer would be assigned the job. Baldock said he believed most

Pennsylvania in Vet Bonus List

(By The Associated Press) Approval of a state bonus for World War II veterans in Pennsylvania raises to at least 18 the number of state granting such payments.

The proposal carried by an overwhelming margin in Tuesday's election in the Keystone state.

It calls for an outlay of a half billion dollars, with a maximum bonus of \$500 for an ex-serviceman. The payment would be made on the basis of \$15 for each month spent overseas and \$10 for each month in the U.S.

A similar proposal apparently lost in New Jersey. New York voters decided to

broaden the bonus plan which they approved in 1948. By a two to one count, they approved an amendment to allow payments to former New York states who moved elsewhere after release from service.

The total amount payable to veterans in the 18 states which have okayed bonuses approaches \$2,500,000,000. Five states have flatly rejected bonuses. They are Maine, Nebraska, Oregon, Wisconsin and Missouri. Several other states are still considering bonus proposals.

Washington state's bonus was approved by the state supreme court last Saturday after having once been invalidated in its original form.

When the supreme court was moved from the Capitol in 1937 to its own building, each justice had his individual chair moved with him.

Jap Peace Treaty Far from Ready

Washington, Nov. 10 (AP)—Acting Secretary of State James E. Webb said today he thinks it will be quite some time before the United States has even a preliminary draft to propose as a basis for a Japanese peace treaty.

Commenting on reports that the unveiling of such a draft is imminent, Webb said there are only working papers on various aspects on the Japanese situation and there is not even interdepartmental agreement on those.

He said he definitely did not expect any preliminary drafts to emerge by the end of this month, as had been rumored.



Held—Nicholas Meyers, 40, (above), sits in county jail at Los Angeles, Calif., after his arrest for questioning in the 1946 kidnaping and slaying of Rochelle Gluskoter, 6. The sheriff's office said he will be booked on suspicion of kidnaping and suspicion of murder, the first such booking in the history of the case. (AP Wirephoto.)

of the accidents were due to drivers turning off the highway at any and all points without warning or to sightseers who jam their brakes on suddenly for a second look at the scenery.

Eight persons were injured Sunday in a head-on collision two miles east of Bridal Veil and there were many more minor accidents.

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