

### Seaton Thinks Water Use to Double by '80

#### We're Already Lapping It Up at Six Times 1900 Rate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government needs to prepare for doubled demands upon the nation's water supply 23 years hence, Congress has been told.

Secretary of Interior Seaton said in a report made public Wednesday that present water use in the United States amounts to 230 billion gallons a day—six times the 1900 rate.

"It has been estimated," he said, "that by 1980 use will be about double present day requirements," adding:

"There is a tremendous demand for water in our cities, in our industries and in the arid and semi-arid areas which are now under irrigation."

"Our problem is to explore both surface and subsurface resources throughout the nation, to encourage the development of processes to make usable our vast sources of brackish and saline waters, and to store for proper utilization the surface waters in the areas of the West."

Seaton's report was directed to a House Appropriations Subcommittee in support of stepped up budget requests for the Geological Survey and the Office of Saline Water.

The Geological Survey is mak-

### Judge Voids Shaw Plan to Use Fortune to Simplify Alphabet

LONDON (AP) — A British judge Wednesday threw out George Bernard Shaw's plan to bequeath his fortune to simplify the English alphabet.

High Court Justice Sir Charles Harman ruled that the Irish playwright's project would involve changes in the law of the land and was therefore impractical and invalid.

"It seems that their author suspected as much: Hence his jibe in his will about failure by judicial decision," the judge said.

Shaw's pet brain child outlived him by only six years. All his life he campaigned for a bigger alphabet on one-letter-one-sound lines that "would spell my name with two letters instead of four."

When Shaw died in 1950 at the age of 94, he directed that the income of his estate be used to finance inquiries into the possibilities of saving labor and money by adopting a more comprehensive alphabet.

The estate is now worth 716,000 pounds (\$2,094,800), and is growing all the time.

The playwright said in his will that if a court turned down the alphabet plan the money should be divided between the British Museum, the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art and the National Gallery of Ireland.

Wednesday's ruling was in a hearing studies of streamflow and the behavior of underground water stream systems.

The Office of Saline Water is contracting for research in methods for converting sea water into fresh water.

### Power Firms Buy Land for Atomic Plant

#### Nearly 14 Square Miles Between Hanford and Yakima Acquired

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP) — An area of nearly 14 square miles between the Hanford atomic reservation and the Army's Yakima Firing Range has been acquired for a future atomic power plant, officials of three Northwest private power groups announced Tuesday.

Paul B. McKee, president of the Pacific Power & Light Co., Portland, said his firm and the others of the group have been studying the atomic power situation for more than three years and have held discussions with the Atomic Energy Commission.

The others are Washington Water Power Co., Portland General Electric, and Montana Power Co. The site is 35 miles east of Yakima. Cost was not announced.

"The time is coming when the region will have to turn to thermal energy to keep up with its rapidly growing power requirements," McKee said.

"At present atomic power is much more expensive than available hydro, but we look for great progress to be made in reducing atomic costs in the foreseeable future, and we want to be ready to take action at the proper time."

In Washington, AEC Chairman Lewis L. Strauss said Tuesday Pacific Power & Light heads one

of three private industry groups who responded to a renewed AEC invitation for proposals which would qualify for government aid in constructing atomic plants.

### 3-Year Term For \$608,500 Embezzlement

COLUMBIA, S. C. (AP) — A former church elder who admitted embezzling \$608,500 from the bank he served as vice president and cashier faces a 3½-year prison term.

Clarence D. Cooper Jr. pleaded guilty in U. S. District Court here Tuesday. Judge George Bell Timmerman pronounced sentence, and fined him \$500.

Cooper was charged with making false entries over a two-year period to cover the shortage, which was disclosed by an audit last May.

Cooper was a veteran employee of the National Bank of South Carolina, Sumter, S. C. He gave officers a statement implicating a teller, O. B. Nettles, in the embezzlement. Nettles was killed in a plane crash in 1954.

A HAIR-RAISING JOB HOLLYWOOD (UP) — A youthful actor Jan. Merlin says his life lately has been a case of hair today and gone tomorrow. Last week he was cast as a cadet in a CBS-TV "West Point" story which required a nearly cue-ball-like haircut. This week he needed to have hair patches glued all over his nogging to play the part of a young gunman in a "Zane Grey Theater" teleplay.

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York and Alexander are charged with the Jan. 10 dynamiting of the home of the Rev. Ralph D. Abernathy. The minister's wife and young child were asleep in the house when the blast oc-

### Portland Talks Retaliation for Bus Line Drop

PORTLAND (AP) — Portland's top officials set out Wednesday to try to find some way to keep a mass transportation system going here after March 22.

On that day, the Rose City Transit Co. said, it will halt its buses and go out of business.

City officials indicated they would retaliate if the company carries out its threat, but in the meanwhile the officials had these choices in front of them:

1. To see if the Rose City Transit firm will change its mind and stay in business.

2. To sign up a new firm to go into business by March 22.

3. To take over and run a municipally owned service.

The retaliation against the transit company would be in two steps. First the city, if forced to operate a municipal system would not buy the transit company's equipment. This would force the company to unload its equipment at whatever price it could get elsewhere.

Second, City Commissioner Stanley Earl said he would move to put Rose City's allied company,

### Portland Tractor Co., out of business by denying it use of Portland streets. Mayor Terry Schruink said he would go along with this.

The traction company, which operates a profitable freight business on a line between Portland and Oregon City, is the parent firm of Rose City Transit.

### 67-Year-Old Stilt Walker Breaks a Leg

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (AP) — Mrs. Armeta Haddock, immobilized but cheerful, reflected Wednesday on the hazards of walking on stilts at the age of 67.

Mrs. Haddock, recovering from a broken leg at a Charleston hospital, could still proudly recall that as a girl of 17 she was the champion stilt-walker in her neighborhood of Roane County.

When some kids were playing on stilts in her driveway last Saturday, Mrs. Haddock said she couldn't resist the urge to try her skill.

After the fall, she said: "The embarrassment was worse than the pain."

"I'm not going to be old until I get old," she added.

She has four grandchildren.

## Expansion in 1956 creates nearly 600 new jobs

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Sales . . . . .	\$324,129,330
Wages and Salaries . . . . .	\$ 79,406,636
Taxes . . . . .	\$ 38,080,273
Additions to plants, equipment, roads, timber and timberlands . . . . .	\$ 70,617,009
Employees at Dec. 31 . . . . .	14,527
Taxes paid per employee . . . . .	\$ 2,621
Average annual wages, hourly employees . . . . .	\$ 4,968
Net income per share . . . . .	\$ 2.06
Dividends paid per share . . . . .	\$ 1.00

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