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EDITORIALS

A STATE "MUTINIES"

An editoritl in Fortune magazine describes how Federal bureaus and officials are trying to force socialism down the throats of people who don't want it—and do want to develop local resources through local enterprise. Fortune says:

"The Governor of Idaho, all four of its Congressmen, the state Chamber of Commerce, and well over a hundred other organizations in Idaho have now gone on record against the proposed dam at Hell's Canyon. Since the dam's construction would throw over $350 million of Federal funds into the state, it seems reasonable to inquire what has brought about this recalcitrance. Considering the past relationships between the Mountian States and the Bureau of Reclamation, we have here what looks like, if not treason, at least mutiny.

"The recalcitrance looks a lot less unnatural when you get a good whill of what Oscar Chapman's bureau is up to. No one questions the desirability of raising the region's power potential. But Idahoans apparently feel no objection to allowing the privately operated Idaho Power Co. to do the job. As a matter of fact, Idaho Power wants to. It has more than tripled is generating capacity since 1945, is now up to 375,000 kilowatts, and has never been caught short yet. Until the Bureau of Reclamation came along, the company had planned to build five lowhead dams on the Snake River, which, it says, would develop just about as much power as the big Hell's Canyon project, and which, moreover, would pay taxes. (Ferderal dams, of course, do not.) Idaho Power could finish is five-dam project in less than three years; the Federal government plans to take about ten years to get its one mammoth completed. The Federal power would mostly be exported to the West Coast, which Idahoans naturally find rather galling. But what really has them enraged is the fact that, if it gets its way, Interior will not only build at a site that would squeeze out Idaho Power from its planned expansion but ultimately force the state to lean much more heavily on public power."

In other words, the Hell's Canyon scheme is part of the drive to create a political electric-power monopoly in this country, regardless of the cost to the groaning taxpayers—and regardless of the fact that it would be a prelude to national socialism on the bankrupt British model.

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Economic Highlights—

The shooting down of an unarmed Swedish plane by Russian fighters may have far-reaching implications.

The story, as told by the Swedish government, is clear-cut. The plane, a Catalina, was searching for another Swedish aircraft which had disappeared (and it is now thought that the Russians disposed of that ont too). It was well away from Russian territory, and was over international waters. The attack was entirely unprovoked. The Russians, a was to b expected, said that the Catalina had fired first, but few outside of the Iron Curtain give this any credence.

Two very different theories have been advanced as to why the Russians should have done this. One is that Soviet pilots, who have been propagandized into a white heat of anger against the non-communist world, are trigger happy and can't resist a sitting duck like a defenseless plane belonging to a free nation. The other—which is more widely held—is that the attack was deliberate and planned, as part of the Kremlin's strategy of seeking to inspire fear and confusion in neighbors who are not part of the Soviet orbit.

If this was the idea, it certainly didn't work with the Swedes. The government and the people alike were enraged. The stiffest kind of a protest was handed to the Russian ambassador. Swedish air force planes were ordered to shoot to kill if interfered with by Soviet craft. Denmark backed Sweden to the hilt, and her military forces were given similar orders. This, incidentally, was a denmonstration of rare courage and fortitude on the part of these two peace-loving little countries which are within cannon shot of the Russian colossus.

At any rate, the whole Western world is watching Russia's current moves with intense interest. The recent shift of Soviet ambassadors has been the cause of a great deal of hard thinking in all the Western chancelleries. Panyushkin, Russia's foremost expert on American affairs, was switched from Washington to Red China. Zarubin, a diplomat of no particular distinction, was transferred from London to Washington. And to London went Gromyko, a top man in the Kremlin hierarchy. This last even is regarded as the most significant. For there is every probability that Gromyko's mission is to try to wean Britain away from her close ties with the United States. In this work, he will have, to some extent at least, the support of a segment of the Labor Party which holds to the view that Russia isn't really such a menace, and that the U.S. may be the real warmonger.

The biggest question of all is whether Russia is getting ready to promote some more Koreas, in the hope of spreading Western power even thinner, and drawing Western blood at almost no cost to herself. This could well be the major problem the Western world will have to face in the near future. For Korea has served communism well. It has caused us heavy casualties, and has created tremendous conflicts and dissensions in this country. The Administration has no convincing plan for ending it. Nor have any of the Republican leaders, including presidential hopeful Taft and Eisenhower.

Oregon Farm Post Use Estimated at 4,500,000

It's a lot of fence posts any way you look at it.

Charles R. Ross, Oregon State college extension farm forestry specialist, says the U.S. Forest service has come up with a figure that Oregon farmers use 4,500,000 new wood fence posts annually. The figure does not include a sizable amount of small timbers used for corrals, bridges and other on-the-farm uses.

Here's a breakdown of tree varieties which furnish the posts. In addition to split red or incense cedar which provide approximately one-half the total, Juniper yields 750,000; ponderosa pine, 450,000;lodgepole pine, 330,000; larch, 360,000; Douglas fir, 240,000; and Oregon white oak, 100,000.

Ross estimates that half the fence posts produced are grown in farm and small woodlands. Almost 9 of 10 posts that go into ground are untreated wood. A principal reason for lack of treaement is the fact that split cedar does not lend itself well to home treatment and will usually last 10 to 12 years without it.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

To: P. GORMAN:

You are hereby notified that J. R. WILLIAMS, C. M. WILLIAMS, WILLIAM G. WILLIAMS and F. T. WILLIAMS being the co-owners with you of those certain mining claims situate in Section 30, Township 33 South Range 4 West in Jackson County, Oregon; the name and volume and page of the record of said claims in the mining records of said County being as follows, to-wit:

NAME	VOLUME	PAGE
Gold Note No. 1	49	42
Gold Note No. 2	49	47
Gold Note No. 3	49	46
Gold Note No. 4	49	49
Gold Note Extension	49	43
The Little Oregon	49	44

have performed the assessment work on said claims for the year ending July 1, 1951; that the amount of said work is $600.00; that said work was performed between the first day of May, 1951, and the 25th day of June, 1951; that there is due from you to the undersigned co-owners the sum of $200.00 for your proportion of said work and you are hereby required, within 90 days from the date of the last publication of this notice, to pay the undersigned co-owners the said sum of $200.00; and you are further notified that, if you shall fail or refuse to contribute your said proportion due for said assessment work, your interest in said mines will become the property of the undersigned co-owners.

Dated and first published this 8th day of May, 1952; the date of the last publication of this notice is the 7th day of August, 1952.

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"Look at those whiskers! Feel them! I'll be late for work if you don't hurry. Why do you have to spend half your life in this bathroom?"

"Now you listen to me, Charlie. If you have to shave, why don't you get up on time? If it wasn't for me, you'd—" *And so forth, far, far into the morning.* (You can fill in the rest of the argument from memory.) There's *only* one way to win. Shave in bed with an electric shaver. (He's using the quiet Norelco shaver with the round head.) Now you can let the shaver's head go 'round in circles instead of your own head! And she can *have* the bathroom!