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HIGH DAM ANALYSIS

Background Series Continued

(Editor's note: This is the second article on an analysis by the Southern Oregon News Review on the opposition of fish, wildlife and recreation interests to high dams on the main stem of the Rogue river (Plan A) as it existed in 1948 when the plan was published, and still exists. Continuing below is the second story on the background material compiled by this newspaper as quoted from the report by the bureau of reclamation.)

It is considered impracticable by the Oregon game commission and the fish and wildlife service to attempt to pass fish over obstacles of the magnitude which would be presented by the Lewis creek dam.

Preliminary consideration of a program comparable to those undertaken in the case of Grand Coulee and Shasta dams, involving hatcheries and the transplanting of runs to unaffected streams, has led the commission and service to question whether such measures could be made effective in the case of the Lewis creek dam. Rough, preliminary estimates by these agencies of the costs for such a program, based upon experience at Grand Coulee and Shasta dams, and predicted on facilities to handle the average number of fish now spawning annually above Reese creek, indicate a possible capital expenditure of 4 million dollars and operation and maintenance costs of \$200,000 to \$300,000 annually.

Alternatives Given

Two means might be employed to minimize prospectively adverse effects of the plan. First, the amount and scheduled release of storage now contemplated might be altered in some projects so as to improve existing conditions for salmon and steelhead in streams which would remain accessible for

spawning. Second, by modification of the plans described previously for the Rogue River Unit, it would be possible to make available for spawning the eight-mile reach of the Rogue between the sites of the Trail diversion dam and the Reese creek power plant which the commission and service indicate would be unusable under the current plan. If the resulting water conditions, which have not been studied in detail, were satisfactory for spawning, these measures would have the effect both of facilitating any program of transplanting found feasible, and of reducing the needed size of such a program.

Improvement Necessary

Improvement of existing conditions will probably be required to increase runs in any streams of the basin from present levels to the much higher, maximum, levels established by

the total available spawning area, and may be necessary even to maintain runs at existing levels. The important run above Raygold, for example, has not increased, but instead has suffered a general decrease over the period of record.

Improvement of existing conditions could be made by increasing present stream flows during critical periods. This would require the storage of flood season waters and their release during such critical periods. Capacity adequate to permit storage for this purpose has not been included in reservoirs as previously described, but such additional capacity could be provided if adequate water is available for storage and if the cost of providing the storage would be justified by benefits created.

Estimates Form Basis

The Oregon state game commission and the fish and wildlife service have made preliminary estimates of the flows required at critical points and during critical periods to establish the optimum conditions for fish life. These preliminary estimates, which involve substantially larger flows than now exist during some seasons, will provide the basis for further

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Seal Response Is 'Fairly Good'

Christmas Seal sale contributions have totalled \$609.80 in the third week of the campaign, according to Mrs. Ernel Stearns, chairman.

She described the returns as coming in "fairly well."

The National Tuberculosis association emphasizes the continuing need for funds for its program. Rapid progress is being made in saving people from death due to TB, but slower progress is being made in saving people from the disease itself.

There is continued need in the years ahead, Mrs. Stearns says, to establish and maintain better local health departments, organize more TB associations, educate more people in the basic facts about TB for protection and prevention.

"Our own very active County TB and Health association," the chairman said, "will receive aid from the Seal sale for the county-wide X-ray survey to take place in January and February."

Drug Store Theft Nets Over \$3000

Short's East Side pharmacy was robbed of over \$3000 in merchandise and narcotics last Tuesday evening.

Investigation by local police has revealed that the robbery took place after entrance was gained through the ceiling from the apartment above. The thieves entered via ropes and carried the stolen goods out through a steel back door.

According to Stuart H. Short, a number of the store's show-cases had been stripped clean, drug and medicine cabinets rifled, papers and reports messed up, and the safe opened.

Local and state police are investigating the crime.

George Nichols Re-elected 4-H Leaders' President

George Nichols of Bellview was re-elected president of the Jackson county 4-H Leaders association last week at the annual banquet held at the Roxy Ann Grange hall with 120 persons in attendance.

All other officers were re-elected. They were Mrs. John Bohnert, Central Point, secretary; Leonard Freeman, Central Point, treasurer and Bernie Engel, Bellview, vice president.

Certificates and pins were awarded to the various leaders.

Rufus Cate, county 4-H agent, and Bill Littlefield of Shady Cove, told of the 4-H club national congress held in Chicago late in November. Littlefield and Miss Nadine Davies of Eagle Point were the 4-H delegates to the congress and Cate accompanied them.



CHRISTMAS CAROLERS... The Chorists, Southern Oregon college vocal group, will appear with the 56-voice choir Sunday afternoon when the annual Christmas concert is presented in Churchill hall. Members of the group being led by Oscar C. Bjorlie, right, are, front row, left to right, Faye Peugh and Barbara Dickson, Klamath Falls; second row, Janet Russell, Klamath Falls; Ardith Myers, Canyonville; Pat Powell, Ashland; top row, Bill Hansen, Junction City; Jim Baker, Medford; Lloyd Bunnell, Ashland; and George Kekuna, Hilo, T. H.

Timber Tracts Are Up For Sale

Medford — The bureau of land management will offer about 14 million board feet of timber for sale in Jackson county during January and December.

The timber, located on BLM and public domain lands, is valued at \$325,502.

Nine million board feet of timber on a full O and C section of 640 acres between Butte Falls and Prospect on a county road were sold by sealed bid December 11. Included are eight million board feet of Douglas fir, and a million feet of white fir. The Douglas fir is valued at \$23.25 a thousand and the appraised value of the tract is \$215,477.

Two sales will be held January 8 for O and C and public domain land on Lost creek drainage near McLeod. An oral sale will include four million feet composed mostly of ponderosa pine and Douglas fir. It is appraised at \$88,525. A million feet of Douglas fir and ponderosa pine, appraised at \$21,500, will be offered for sealed bids.

Annual Choral Concert Sunday

The annual Christmas choral concert presented by the Southern Oregon college choir will be heard Sunday, December 16, in Churchill hall, reports Oscar C. Bjorlie, assistant professor of music and choir director.

The 53-voice group has been practicing for more than a month in anticipation of the public appearance. The program will include new Christmas numbers in addition to familiar selections and the Chorists, nine singers, will offer four numbers.

The program was also presented at the weekly assembly on Wednesday morning.

Goal: 40,000 Adults

CHEST X-RAY ORGANIZATION BEGUN

The first organizational meeting for the coming county-wide chest X-ray survey for lung diseases was held last Monday in the county court house with an overflowing crowd in the circuit court chambers.

The goal set for the drive is 100 per cent adult participation over the age of 15 which means 40,000 adults X-rayed. Ashland's goal, including the surrounding trade area, is 7,554. Mrs. Harvey Woods and Miss Frances Kling are heading the local campaign.

Survey Facts Given

Mrs. J. D. Tobin, chairman of the meeting, reported on the results of the only comprehensive survey in the county last year which took place in the

Dorm Annex Construction Due After Jan. 1

Construction of an annex to Susanne Homes hall dormitory at Southern Oregon college is expected to begin shortly after the first of the year, according to President Elmo Stevenson.

Ausland and Dodson Construction company, Grants Pass, was the lowest of 10 bidders who submitted cost estimates Tuesday at the Portland meeting of the Oregon State Board of Higher Education. The mechanical contract was awarded to the Big Butte Plumbing company, Medford, and the electrical work will be done by Steel Electric company, Roseburg.

Accommodates 62

The building will be constructed to the west of the hall and will accommodate 62 women students. The present dining room and kitchen at the dormitory will be expanded next summer to meet the growing needs of the college.

The board also heard a plan presented by Dr. Roben J. Maaske, president of Oregon College of Education and director of elementary education, who requested that the three teacher colleges inaugurate a graduate study program leading to master of science degrees in elementary education. It was proposed that the three institutions have facilities and adequate faculties to offer such courses during their summer terms.

U. of O. Opposes

Further discussion of the matter was postponed until January 8 when the board will hold a special meeting to continue.

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Consultant Cites School Needs

Ashland's Junior high school was declared the "critical spot" in school district No. 5 by J. L. Turnbull, state building consultant last week.

The consultant's observation came after looking over local enrollment figures and building needs while in Ashland in an advisory capacity to the district's school board. School Supt. Leland P. Linn noted that from all indications there would be over 500 enrolled at the Junior High next fall.

AHS Gym Cramped

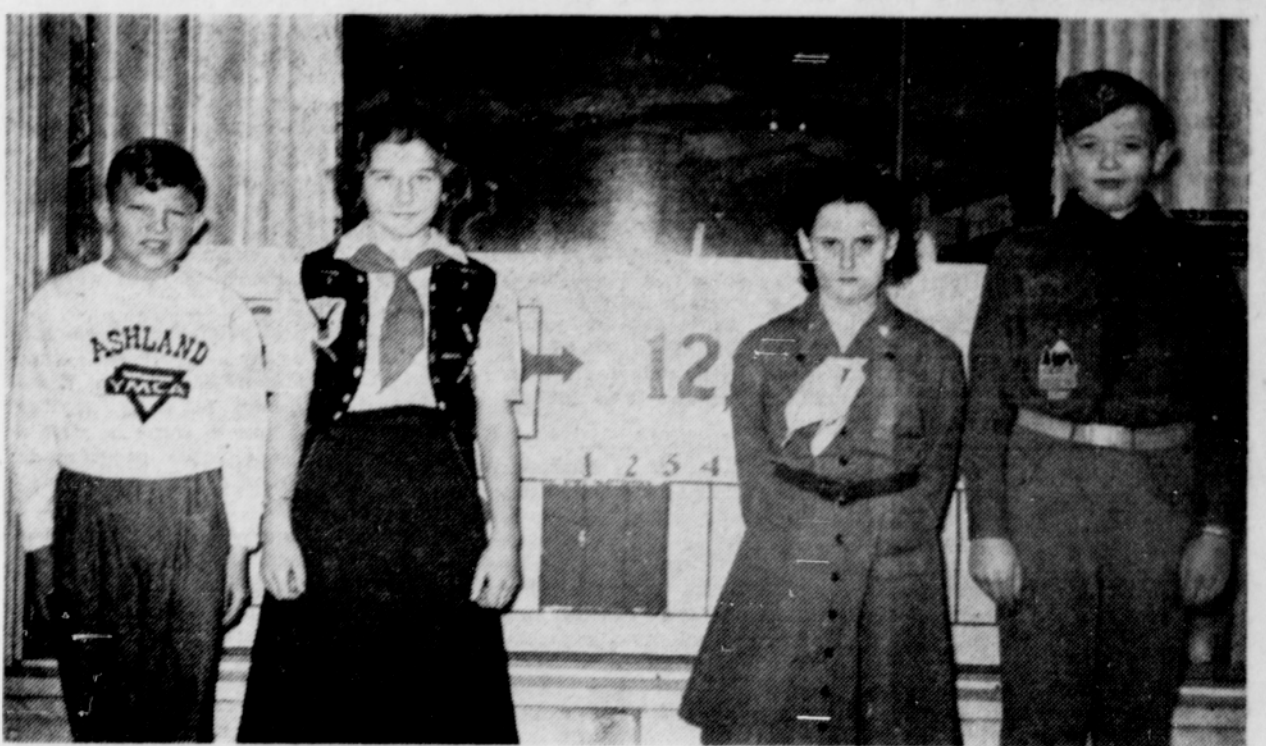
After an inspection of the Senior high plant, Turnbull stated that the gym facilities were cramped and that the homemaking department along with certain other areas needed remodeling.

A week ago, board representation met with Architects, Stokes and Allyn, Portland, to consider the building program. The research department of the school of education at the University of Oregon has also been working with the board in its effort to formulate the best possible long range building program for the district's schools.

Preliminary estimates of the school census show a substantial increase over last year.

Board members include Marshall E. Woodell, chairman; G. Edwin Dunn, vice-chairman; Ben T. Lombard, Harold A. Thomas and Mrs. Jim Busch.

Mrs. Pat Roach is clerk of the board.



"THANK YOU, ASHLAND" say these four representatives of local youth activities which will benefit from the annual Community Chest drive which is nearing completion. Pictured here are, left to right, Dwight Smith, Ashland YMCA; Ida Marie Barker, Campfire Girl; Mary Kelso, Girl Scout; and Kermit Thomas, Boy Scout.

\$12,700 GOAL

Chest Drive Reaches \$5215

Community Chest contributions and pledges totalled \$5215 yesterday, according to Robert A. McFarlane, treasurer.

The goal sought by the end of the week is \$12,700.

McFarlane said that "teams are beginning to turn in completed worker kits rapidly now, and we hope that the drive can be finished as soon as possible. Only incomplete returns have been received from major divisions so far and we expect them to make final reports in the next few days."

Roland Parks, drive chairman, said that he is pleased with the progress made to date and asked that all volunteer workers make special efforts in the next few days to complete the canvass.

222 Drivers Lose Licenses For Drinking

Two hundred twenty-two Oregon drivers lost their driving licenses last month after court convictions of driving while intoxicated, and another 180 persons had licenses suspended for other traffic misdeeds, Secretary of State Earl T. Newbury said today.

Newbury said the suspensions were handed out in line with state law and department policy requiring the calling-in of licenses of drivers who demonstrate by their actions that they are potential accident makers behind the wheel.

Forty-two suspensions resulted from convictions on reckless driving charges, and 25 persons lost driving privileges for violation of Oregon's basic rule.

Program Noted

The state's driver improvement program, which attempts to make "believers" out of highway cut-ups, suspended the licenses of seven drivers during November after letters and personal interviews failed to make them see the error of their ways behind the wheel.

PLANNING BODY DISCUSSES TWO NEW PROBLEMS

Two new items were added to those under consideration by Ashland's planning commission at their regular meeting last Monday.

These were use of a business license tax on out-of-town businesses operating in the city and an addition to the public library.

It was pointed out during the discussion that other cities make Ashland businesses pay for the right to do business in their towns. Mayor Phil Stansbury told the commission members that the license matter might come before the council at a later date.

Library Cramped

The library matter was brought up after a letter from Miss Cora Mason, librarian, was read, telling of past plans for library enlargement and the cramped facilities that now exist due to increased population.

There was some disagreement as to the importance of the addition in view of other projects of more importance. The matter of lack of funds was a prime consideration in the library discussion.

Continued discussion was made over the proposed widening of N. Main and Siskiyou boulevard to take care of the increased highway travel until a by-pass is made in future years.

It was again pointed out that a state highway representative should be contacted to meet with the commission to go over plans for future development of the local highway problem.

Impartial Data On Cloud-Seeding Now Available

Results of an impartial evaluation of cloud-seeding operations in Sherman, Gilliam and Morrow counties have been published by the Oregon State college experiment station in circular of information No. 503.

The study was made at the request of the Oregon Wheat commission in an effort to determine whether rain-making attempts in the three counties produced significant added precipitation.

R. T. Beaumont, assistant meteorologist for the experiment station, indicates in his report that the studies produced little evidence to indicate that cloud-seeding brought much unscheduled rainfall between September 1950 and June 1951.

1 SHOPPING WEEK LEFT



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NATIONAL SPEAKER

Demos Plan Sunday Party

A Jackson County Democratic potluck dinner and Christmas party will be held next Sunday at Carpenters hall, 123 W. Main street, Medford, at 2:30 p.m.

Guest speaker for the occasion, according to Mrs. Edward C. Kelly, county chairman, will be Mrs. India Edwards, democratic national vice-chairman and director of the Democratic Women's division in Washington, D.C.

Former Reporter

Mrs. Edwards, a Chicago Tribune reporter for 22 years, was the only woman U.S. delegate to the World Health Organization assembly in Geneva held in



MRS. INDIA EDWARDS
National Democratic Officer

May of this year.

"She is a forceful and well-informed speaker and will bring an important message from official Washington," declared Mrs. Kelly, who urged all democrats and their friends to attend the dinner. Mrs. Edwards will fly here from Portland where she will be guest speaker at a state-wide democratic meeting held at the Multnomah hotel.

National Committeeman Monroe Sweetland, State Chairman Les Jossin, Nan Wood Honeyman, collector of customs, and other prominent members of the democratic party will be present.

Christmas Program

A decorated Christmas tree with candy for children attending, a basket to receive good used toys for needy children to be distributed at Christmas time, and a program of Christmas music will be added features of the program, Mrs. Kelly said.

Heading the committee in charge of the arrangements are Mrs. W. G. Werner, president of the Medford Democratic Women's club and L. Peers Wilmet, county vice-chairman of Ashland. They will be assisted by Hugh Friel, Clair Gilberson, Delroy Aldershot, Albert Johnson, Frank DeSouza, James Sweeney and the Mesdames Moore Hamilton, Jess Ragsdale, Ed Dameron, George A. Watson, Albert Johnson, Delroy Aldershot, Marie Ulrich, Harold Bosworth, Jr., Max Wimmer, Ernest Rippon and Miss Judith MacInnis.

Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish in line with the menu. For information call Mrs. Ragsdale, 2-2814 or Mrs. Werner, 2-7203.