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Giles French On The John Day Dam—

It is possible that the hearing held at Arlington Wednesday may decide the question of a high dam or a low dam at the John Day site and, if so, the evidence favored a low dam.

It may be presumed that either dam would permit slack water up to the McNary so that transportation would not be affected either way. Sole purpose, we understand, of the high dam would be to provide storage of water for the benefit of the three dams on the Columbia below the John Day pool. Oddly enough many of those opposing the storage at John Day favor storage at Hells Canyon.

News reports indicate that the greater part of the opposition came from cities along the river. Arlington would be entirely flooded by a high dam and from a half to two-thirds by a low dam. We were a resident of Arlington we would prefer to have it all flooded for the valuation of property left would be small without either rail or highway.

Storage in the John Day pool would be some 2,000,000 acre feet because of the width of the pool. That would have eliminated a good part of the necessity of Hells Canyon and would have made that controversy partly a moot question and it doesn't seem to be on the road to settlement anyway.

Morrow county opposed the high dam because more land would be flooded by it. Yet the land along the Columbia in that county does not appear to be very valuable nor able to pay much in the way of taxes. It is planned to irrigate the bench land above the river from the John Day pool and the higher water would make that easier, especially as the pool would probably be filled in the summer when irrigation would be needed.

Therefore, despite the apparent uselessness of disagreement with a majority, we believe a high dam would be of more value to this area for power security and would give better value for the money expended than would a low dam.

The foregoing, reprinted from last week's Sherman County Journal, gives editor Giles French's opinion that when a dam is built at the John Day site on the Columbia, it should be a high dam. He says, however, that evidence at the hearing seemed to favor a low dam. Our understanding of the many presentations given indicates to us also that the low dam is favored.

We have to disagree with him though, that the high dam would be more valuable. We can understand the feeling of Arlington residents who were somewhat "on the fence" in their opinions, in that they might as well be all drowned as just half drowned. We can't go along with French's idea, though, that the Morrow county land along the river would be better off under water. Maybe it isn't the most valuable in the world, but it is, to our way of thinking, worth a lot more the way it is than the way it would be if it were under water once every 10 years or so (in time of big floods, for the extra height of the dam would be for flood control) and the rest of the time lie practically idle and semi-useless. Also, the wide variance of the shoreline between high (flood) and normal water level would make it nearly impossible, or at least impractical, for dock or other industry uses. We have hopes that some day the river banks in north Morrow county will sport many such businesses.

There are other reasons too, why we believe the low dam more practical: the high dam would flood out most of the presently irrigated land in Morrow county; the additional cost of relocating highways, towns and railroads would pay a big part of the cost of a flood-control dam further up the Columbia river system, which we believe is the proper place for a flood control dam because it would also help "firm up" water flow for all the power dams below it.

We're not against a dam at the John Day—far from it, but we do feel that the low one is best in that it will accomplish the most good for the least cost and at the same time, disrupt the fewest people.

Several farmers have reported patches of sandbars along highway right-of-ways encroaching into their fields this past spring and summer. Many are quite concerned with the possibility of sandbar infestations and rightly so. They are a pest in many areas if left to become established.

Tuesday morning Morrow county's weed control sprayer operator, in cooperation with the state highway department, started burning small infestations of sandbars on state highway right-of-ways. Farmers between Heppner and Cecil are cooperating in watching and controlling sandbars as they encroach on their private land. We would appreciate having any reports of Sandbar infestations here at the office in order that we might get them under control before they become a pest in South Morrow county.

The new Gandy chlorate spreader was received last week and is set up now ready for use by ranchers. Gar Swanson, Ione, is the first to use the spreader on some small scattered patches of morning glory. Sodium chlorate is available locally and the spreader may be used by contacting this office.

The recent retiring of Roger W. Morse, Extension Dairy Specialist at Oregon State College, recalls to some of our Morrow county ranchers his work in Morrow county. Coming to Morrow county from Wyoming, he was agent here from 1923 to 1927. Roger was a key figure in combating Bangs disease in Oregon dairy herds, now rated among the top in the nation for percentage cleanup. He is credited as largely responsible for the Fed-

eral program of indemnity payments that started in 1935 for animals condemned under the Bangs campaign.

Meeting last week, the executive committee of the Morrow County Livestock Growers Association made plans for the annual meeting which will be held on December 11 and 12 if speakers can be arranged for those dates. Included on the program were plans for a report on the outlook of livestock prices and problems of marketing. Beef breeding problems will be discussed and a demonstration using a dissected heifer will be used as part of the illustration. The executive committee, this year, felt that for a good discussion of committee action and main speakers that two days were necessary for the annual meeting. Appointed to the nominating committee who will make their report on officers for the new year, are Herb Hynd, Cecil, New O'Harra, Lexington, and W. W. Weatherford, Heppner. Plans were also made for selecting the "Cattleman of the Year", this being the third year that this program has been carried by our Association. W. E. Hughes, Heppner, is chairman of the committee, assisted by Paul Hisler, John Graves, Herb Ekstrom, and Bob Penland.

While barley seems to be the most popular crop for seeding diverted wheat acres, there are a few ranchers who are going in for a more permanent type of seeding that will not only help the wheat and feed situation but at the same time help them in the conservation of their land. Ray Dolven is seeding out all of his steep areas and draws to crested wheat grass, Whitmar beardless wheatgrass, using hard fescue as the understorey grass. Ray will seed crested wheatgrass and hard fescue in some areas which are separated from Whitmar beardless wheatgrass and hard fescue, the two having a different grazing period. By doing this Mr. Dolven will not only be conserving soil but will be taking care of the acres that would otherwise be growing crops that will be a drug on the market next harvest time. Others that we know of that are seeding grass are Harley Anderson, Heppner, Raymond Lundell, Charles Carlson, Ione, George Griffith, Morgan, and Orville Cutsforth, Lexington. E. R. Jackman, extension farm crops specialist, suggests that slopes, roughland, thin land and odd corners be seeded to crested wheatgrass. Another suggestion is strip cropping the worst slopes. Strips of grass should be alternated with fall seeded wheat, making the grass strips just wide enough to use the extra acres. The wheat strips should be regular to conform to the slope of the land. The grass strips can be any old shape. Sod waterways, and there are many gullies that need to be sodded throughout the entire county, is another way of using up diverted acres to the greatest advantage for rancher and our country.

Next week, National Fire Prevention Week will be observed. There are many things that can be done by all of our people to hold down fires. One thing that is in everyone's mind with the approach of winter and chilly nights that call for heat, would be a thorough examination of the heating unit and the chimney. A check of these two items may save your house.

Some interesting figures are given in a recent weekly price cost and weather review prepared by Oregon State College. Figures compiled by the U. S. Department of Commerce shows that wage people have more money to spend this year, and they are spending a good share of it. Disposable personal income reached a record rate during the second quarter of 1953, increasing 16 billion dollars over the same quarter last year. People are saving just a little more

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THIRTY YEARS AGO

From files of the Gazette Times October 4, 1923

At the home of the bride's parents in this city, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mahoney, occurred the marriage at 8 o'clock on Sunday morning last of their daughter, Miss Doris May to Mr. Archie C. Ball of Ione.

A committee at Heppner high school consisting of Austin Smith, Elaine Sigsbee and Mary Crawford has been appointed to consider the organization of literary societies.

Cohn Auto Company of this city, report the following car sales in the last ten days: Dodges: E. G. Noble, J. W. Hiatt, W. H. Cleveland; Overlands—G. M. Anderson, Ed Gonty, F. S. Parker and Frank W. Turner. They report the car market to be improving greatly with many sales in view.

CHURCHES

WORLD WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY OCTOBER 4

This Sunday, October 4, is world wide communion Sunday for all churches. Appropriate services will be held in most all the churches.

HEPPNER ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Willis W. Geyer, Pastor
Phone 669240

Services:—
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Christ's Ambassadors 6:45 p. m.
Evangelistic Services 7:45 p. m.
Thursday evening Prayer and Bible study 7:45 p. m.

HEPPNER METHODIST CHURCH

L. D. Bouden, Minister
Church School 9:45
Morning Worship 11:00
This is World Wide Communion Sunday.
Youth Choir Wednesday 4 p. m.
Senior Choir Thursday 8 p. m.
Youth Fellowship Sunday at 7 p. m.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Episcopal
John R. Reeves, Rector
8:00 a. m. Holy Communion
9:45 a. m. Church School
11:00 a. m. Morning Prayer
7:00 p. m. Young People's Fellowship

FIRST SUNDAY OF MONTH—CHORAL

Holy Communion
Wed. 10 a. m. Holy Communion
Wed. 4:00 p. m. Junior Choir
Thurs. 8:00 p. m. Choir practice

IONE NAZARENE CHURCH

W. McKay, Minister
Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.
We have classes for all ages.
Morning service at 11:00 a. m.
Evening service is at 8:00 p. m.
Prayer will be held Thursday evening at 8 p. m. We are having wonderful meetings; join with us and receive spiritual blessings.

MARCIANO-LA STARZA fight pictures will be shown at the Star Theater, Oct. 8-9-10.

ARTHRITIS?

I have been wonderfully blessed in being restored to active life after being crippled in nearly every joint in my body and with muscular soreness from head to foot. I had Rheumatoid Arthritis and other forms of Rheumatism, hands deformed and my ankles were set.

Limited space prohibits telling you more here but if you will write me I will reply at once and tell you how I received this wonderful relief.

Mrs. Lela S. Wier

2805 Arbor Hills Drive
P. O. Box 2695
Jackson 7, Mississippi

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Earl L. Soward, Pastor
Bible school services begin at 9:45. Mrs. Kathryn Hoskins, assistant superintendent will be in charge as general superintendent. Classes for all ages and grades.

Morning worship at 11:00 and evening services at 7:30. The pastor will be giving a series of sermons on "Church and Home

United", during most of the next seven weeks. Sunday is Rally Day for the Bible School. All the children will be in new classes next Sunday.

Monday evening there will be a potluck for the whole church so that every one can meet the state and national workers who will be here at that time.

Thursday, choir practice at 8 o'clock.



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From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

It appears as though the seeding of barley on wheat diverted acres is well under way. While there appeared for a time to be a shortage of barley seed, it now looks as if there will be plenty even though some undesirable varieties will be seeded. A lot of Canadian barley is being shipped into the country, whether it is being used for seed or not. I do

not know. During the week ending September 17 a total of 682,000 bushels were shipped across the border. This brings the total since July 1 to 8.8 million bushels. During the same period last year, only two million bushels of barley were imported from Canada. If all of this is seeded everyone will be swimming in barley a year from now.

WILLOWS LODGE NO. 66 I. O. O. F.

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AND SANS SOUCI REBEKAH LODGE
WILL HOLD

Open House Friday, Oct. 2, 8 p.m.

Sally Palmer will speak on
United Nations Tour—Other
Entertainment
PUBLIC INVITED

STAR THEATER, Heppner

Week-day shows start at 7:30 p. m. Sunday shows continuous from 2 p. m. Boxoffice open until 9 p. m. Admission prices 70c, 50c and 20c including Federal Tax. News-reel every Sunday and Monday.

Thursday-Friday-Saturday, October 1-2-3

SOUTH OF CALIENTE

Roy Rogers, Dale Evans, Douglas Fowley, Pinky Lee, Trigger. Fights and chases, skullduggery, music and comedy measure up on all counts into good western entertainment.

I LOVE MELVIN

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Sunday-Monday, October 4-5

SALOME

Rita Hayworth as Salome, Stewart Granger as Commander Claudius, Judith Anderson as Queen Herodias, Charles Laughton as King Herod, Alan Badel as John the Baptist, Sir Cedric Hardwicke as Caesar Tiberius, Basil Sydney as Pontius Pilate and a cast of thousands.

An opulent spectacle concerning the early teachings of Christ and the beginnings of the Christian religion. A dramatic story of real power superbly photographed in Technicolor.

Sunday shows at 2 p. m., 4:20, 6:40 and 9

Tuesday-Wednesday, October 6-7

CITY BENEATH THE SEA

Robert Ryan, Mala Powers, Anthony Quinn, Suzan Ball. Fast-paced and exciting adventure yarn sparkplugged with Technicolor photography. ALSO, "LOOKING AT LIFE" a featurette presenting varied and sundry scenes of interest throughout the world.

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