

PRIVATE POWER COMPANIES JOIN IN DAM CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

To help meet future growth requirements of the Pacific Northwest, five investor-owned power companies of the region today filed a joint application with the Federal Power Commission for a preliminary permit to investigate the possibility of developing 536,000 kilowatts of hydroelectric power at Brucos Eddy and Penny Cliffs on branches of the Clearwater river in Idaho.

Announcement of the proposal was made here by Paul B. McKee, president of Pacific Power & Light company, one of the group members. Other companies joining in the development program are the Portland General Electric, Mountain States Power, Washington Water Power and Montana Power. One or more additional companies may join the group at a later date.

The permit application followed closely an announcement made in Seattle on December 7 that the companies were cooperating on plans to construct the new power plants needed to meet their service responsibilities to customers under the announced "partnership" policy of the national administration.

Served by the group members are 800,000 electric customers, representing nearly 50 per cent of all power users in Oregon, Washington, northern Idaho and Montana. The companies together have a present installed generating capacity of 1,400,000 kilowatts and estimate a joint need for between 150,000 and 200,000 kilowatts of new plant capacity annually to meet the area's growth in power demand.

The two Clearwater projects have been estimated by Army engineers to cost approximately \$305,000,000 for all features, include provision for flood control.

The proposed dams would provide 3,750,000 acre feet of useful storage for power generation, flood control and other beneficial uses, according to the permit application.

The Brucos Eddy site is located on the north fork of the Clearwater river about 43 miles east of Lewiston, Idaho. Penny Cliffs is on the middle fork of the stream about 80 miles from Lewiston.

Tentative plans outlined in the application to the Federal Power Commission would call for a 576-foot rock fill dam at Brucos Eddy with a power installation of 224,000 kilowatts. The dam would provide 1,430,000 acre feet of useful storage for river control.

The Penny Cliffs dam would be 596 feet high, with 292,000 kilowatts of installed generating capacity and 2,300,000 acre feet of useful storage.

Both projects would provide substantial downstream benefits. Detailed engineering studies of the proposed sites will be necessary before final plans for the projects can be developed. It was pointed out. Purpose of seeking a preliminary permit is to enable survey work to go forward.

The present development proposal was worked out by the Army engineers to meet objections to earlier plans, which included a large dam on the main Clearwater below Kooskia. The new plan keeps open the south fork of the Clearwater for unobstructed fish migration and makes it unnecessary to relocate the town of Kooskia which was in the original reservoir area.

Strong local support for the present plan was expressed at a public hearing held in Orofino on November 20 by the Army engineers.

Rapid growth of the Pacific Northwest in population and industry makes it imperative that plans be matured promptly for the start of large new power projects. It was stated in the companies' announcement.

Operation for the proposed hydro projects would be coordinated with other river developments of the region through the Northwest Power Pool.

Concerning the proposal, Paul B. McKee, president of Pacific Power and Light company said,

"I am confident that joint enterprises of this character can go a long way toward providing the Pacific Northwest with the future power supply it must have to continue to grow."

"The two projects proposed on the Clearwater fit naturally into an orderly development plan for the Columbia river system and they would be built and operated as coordinated units in the river control program."

"Economic considerations alone make it necessary that each new project that may be undertaken in the region be designed to produce a maximum of benefits."

"We already have in the Northwest Power Pool a high degree of power system coordination, and the practical advantages are so great that all of our planning assumes a continuation and extension of the type of cooperation that has made the power pool such a great asset to the region."

"It is obvious, of course, that the more we can do in the way of non-federal financing of resource development, the more we can get done with whatever federal money may be available in the future. Certainly there will continue to be urgent need for every federal dollar that can be obtained for the region to keep present government projects on schedule and to carry forward the development of future multiple-purpose projects."

HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. Edgar H. Collison, Heppner, a 7 lb. 14 oz. boy born Dec. 24, named Marvin Kay. To Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Wilson, Heppner, a 6 lb. 13 oz. girl born Dec. 28, named Abbie Louise. To Mr. and Mrs. John Shannon, Condon, a 7 lb. 5 1/2 oz. boy born Dec. 30, named Patrick Walter.

Medical—Mrs. Pearl Steers, Heppner, Albert A. Williamson, Lonerock, dismissed; Hugh O'Rourke, Heppner, dismissed; Dave Van Heppner, Mrs. Helena Buschke, Morgan; Clayde Huston, Heppner; Henry W. Krebs, Arlington, dismissed; Ben Anderson, Heppner; Dennis Wayne Jensen, Spray, dismissed.

Minor Surgery—Frank L. McFadden, Lexington, dismissed; Tommy Schoolcraft, Kinzua, dismissed; Mrs. Emma Shaver, Spray, dismissed; Lawrence Maley, Kinzua; Jay Sumner, Heppner.

Major Surgery—Mary Woods, Kinzua; Mrs. Gehina Johnson, Heppner.

Out-Patients—Theresa O'Connor, lone; Marion Knapp, Condon; Mrs. Jackie Christian, Heppner; Rufus Piper, Lexington; Ralph W. Akers, lone.

Lone Navy Man Gets Advancement

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Bureau of Naval Personnel has announced that it is an advancement in rating for Joel H. Barnett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barnett of lone, Ore., and husband of the former Miss Marlene J. Duran of Heppner, to metalsmith third class, USN, while serving aboard the attack transport USS Noble.

The advancement came as a result of a world-wide competitive written test which consisted of questions testing military and professional skill.

To be eligible for the written quiz Naval personnel had to exhibit proficiency in the on-the-job phase of their ratings.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Elliot of Amarillo, Texas, spent the Christmas holiday with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Warren.

Mrs. Grace Nickerson returned Sunday evening from Eugene where she spent Christmas with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Nickerson, and visited her new grandson Francis Patrick.

Fulleton Named New Wrangler Head

At a recent meeting of the Wranglers Riding Club, Roice E. Fulleton was named president for the coming year, Howard Bryant vice president, Katherine M. Hager reelected secretary-treasurer and Ralph Beamer, Heppner rancher, was named director.

The first business meeting of the new year is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 5 at 8 p. m. and the new president will announce the tentative program for the year which was formulated by officers and directors early this week. Directors present were Howard Evans, Floyd Jones, Fred Mankin and retiring president, Cornett Green. Retiring directors are Jones, Harold Erwin and Bob Gammell. One more director is to be elected in January.

The club was organized March 31, 1947 and the first year membership was about 80. In 1953 the membership had grown to 152 family and individual members. Another indication of the growth of the organization is shown by the number of entries in its annual horse show, seven years ago there were five or six entries, the past two years there have been 160. The group was formed to promote family recreation and to develop better horsemanship and a better quality of horses.

The club meets monthly and some of the annual events it holds are the early spring ride to the Ralph Beamer ranch, The Ebea Creek Ride at Floyd Jones' ranch, the Butter Creek Ambush at the Randall Martin ranch, the Winchester mountain ride, the Hey Day at the rodeo grounds and the horse show during the fair and rodeo. Successful events of the past year were the Lexington supper and square dance, Buck Burger feed and pony and relay races and the local fair and the Pendleton Round-Up.

Reorganization of PMA Not to Affect Conservation Plans

The U. S. Department of Agriculture emphasized today that the recently announced reorganization of the Department has not changed the already announced 1954 Agricultural Conservation Program. Requests for carrying out cost-sharing practices under this program will still be submitted to and reviewed by local Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (formerly PMA) Committees.

The 1954 program is being adapted to local needs through the teamwork of representatives of the Soil Conservation Service, Extension Service, Forest Service, Farmers Home Administration, officials of soil conservation districts, county and community farmer-committees and others.

Under broad National and State authority, county programs are being developed and operated in line with the following general policies:

(1) The program is to help achieve additional conservation on the land. Funds are to be used to achieve this goal most effectively.

(2) County programs are to encourage maximum conservation with emphasis on practices on which Federal cost-sharing is most needed.

(3) They are to encourage those conservation practices that will result in the most enduring conservation benefits practicable.

(4) Conservation costs will be shared with a farmer or rancher only where he requests it before the conservation work is begun, and then only after he has satisfactorily performed the conservation practices.

(5) Conservation costs are to be shared only on practices which it is believed that farmers would not carry out to the needed extent otherwise. In general, practices which have become a part of regular farming operations on a particular farm or ranch are not eligible for cost-sharing.

(6) Rates of cost-sharing in a county or State are to be the minimum required for substantial increases of needed conservation.

(7) Farmers and ranchers are expected to assume responsibility for the upkeep and maintenance of conservation practices for which costs are shared under the 1954 program. Cost-sharing is for the initial establishment of such practices.

COUNTY FARM BUREAU RECEIVES FULL STATE CONVENTION REPORT

A full report of the state convention of the Farm Bureau which was held in Salem late in November was given by Orville Cutsforth at the last meeting of the Morrow County Farm Bureau, held at the Rhea Creek Grange Dec. 15.

The farm program came in for much discussion at the convention. Cutsforth reported, and numerous resolutions from the various counties were considered. All were not in agreement and a committee of four persons, one of which was Cutsforth, was chosen to coordinate them all into one from which came the present farm policy which was subsequently adopted by the convention. The complete text of the policy can be found in the last issue of Oregon Agriculture magazine.

4-H CLUB NEWS

Agricultural club leaders from the Sandhollow-Buttercreek, Lone Livestock, and the Buttercreek Junction Livestock Clubs met at the county agent's office last week to review new project literature and leader helps available for the first time this year. Attending the meeting were Dallas Craber, Bernard Doherty, Herbert Ekstrom, and Carl Rhea. Project material was distributed for each the club members of these clubs.

Seven new publications for Oregon 4-H Club members have been issued by the club department for use this new club year. They include revised requirements for 4-H saddle horse project, which includes two pamphlets on horsemanship and horse training. One is for beginners and one is for advanced riders.

New exhibits for 4-H Forestry Divisions I and II have been outlined for club members by Charles Ross, extension farm forestry specialist. A revised crops project outline and a new record book have been developed by W. G. Nibler, extension specialist in farm crops. The project includes such crops as corn, potatoes, small grains, forage seed crops, and others. A revised sheep project listing all the requirements and suggestions under one cover has also been published. One is being prepared for swine projects at this time. A new rabbit bulletin will also be published.

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It should not help the stock market.

WHAT WILL EISENHOWER DO? I Have Promised to Answer the Following Four Questions:

1. Is Eisenhower to take the advice of Assistant President Adams, representing certain Republican leaders, and turn to the left? Or will he stick to his conservative election platform?

ANSWER: He will stick to his election platform.

2. To put the question in a more practical way: Will 1954 be a year of reform and economic adjustment as promised by President Eisenhower, or will he give country more inflation, and further play Santa Claus to labor, farm, high tariff and other groups?

ANSWER: He is learning that "economic reforms" must be gradual.

3. Will he run the risk of losing Congress in 1954 and the election in 1956 FOR A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, AS DID HOOVER IN 1932? Or, will he succumb to the temptation of changing his policy with an attempt to "save his party"?

ANSWER: He will run the risk of losing Congress in 1954, and the chance to run again in 1956.

4. Is a "middle-of-the-road" policy practical? Will it serve both groups, or no group?

ANSWER: Yes, it is practical for working a gradual change, and it should serve both groups.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Fancher and children spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Fancher's parents in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Herlinger and children of Portland spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hamlin.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hill of Coos Bay, former Heppner residents, were here for the holidays.

National Speakers To Be Heard at Ontario Dairy Meet

National and state dairy leaders along with public relations, advertising, and radio representatives will get together with members of the Oregon Dairy-men's association at Ontario, on January 7 and 8.

Harold Ewalt, extension dairy specialist at Oregon State college, reports that the association's 60th annual meeting will stress ways of promoting Oregon's dairy products. The program will include discussions on problems of reducing production costs, disease control programs and the industry's future.

Lester J. Will, general manager of the American Dairy association, Washington, D. C., is scheduled to talk on the national association's answer to the surplus problem. Merrill Warnick, Logan, Utah, president of the American Dairy association, will discuss cooperation between states on dairy promotion.

The first day sessions will be highlighted by a panel devoted to a look at dairy promotion. Education, merchandising, research, public relations, advertising and radio are scheduled for discussion.

Fred Olsen, president of the Washington Dairy council, Seattle, will report on the Washington state dairy promotion program. It will be discussed by Dr. K. J. Peterson, state veterinarian, Salem. Oregon's milk marketing administrator, W. S. Weidell, Portland, is scheduled to explain how Oregon's milk is marketed under control, and the program of the Oregon Dairy Products commission will be discussed by Glenn Lay, commission secretary.

How a dairyman looks at the present dairy situation will be discussed by Henry Hagg, Hillsboro, Grace Workman, Portland, manager of the Oregon Dairy council, will outline activities of her organization.

Some guide posts for the dairy industry's future will be given by P. M. Brandt, head of the dairy husbandry department at Oregon State college and Don Anderson, extension dairy specialist at OSC will discuss Oregon's production testing program.

The director of Oregon's state department of agriculture, E. L. Peterson, is slated as principal speaker for the meeting's banquet January 7 at 6:30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Blake had as their guests over the Christmas holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Coxen of Portland.

Christmas weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Labhart were Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Labhart and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Labhart and children of Corvallis, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tetz and son of Monmouth.

Joyce Buschke spent the Christmas holidays in Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parrish spent the Christmas holidays in Portland with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parrish and family.

Mrs. Lucy Rodgers and Mrs. Sara McNamer were in Prescott, Washington during the Christmas holidays.

Orrin Bisbee of San Francisco, visited over the Christmas holiday with his parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Bisbee and Miss Kathryn Bisbee. He returned to his home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Troedson spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smouse.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Wightman, Jim, Marvin, Peggy and Janet spent Christmas in Portland visiting relatives. They returned to Heppner Saturday evening.

Miss Donna Neal has had as her guests for the holidays, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Neal of Kearney, Nebraska.

Mrs. Mary Carter of Portland arrived Tuesday for a visit with her daughter and family, Dr. and Mrs. E. K. Schaffitz.

Mrs. Luola Bengtson, Miss Donna Neal and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Neal of Kearney, Nebraska will leave Thursday to spend New Years in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ruggles and Miss Countie Ruggles of Portland spent Christmas with Mrs. Ruggles' brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Searcy in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scrivner and daughter Diane of Spokane, Wash., and Mr. and Mrs. William Scrivner and son Kevin were weekend visitors at the Lee Scrivner home.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Blake returned Wednesday from a two-day business and pleasure trip to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Kelly spent the Christmas holidays in Milton-Freewater.

Mr. and Mrs. Del Jordan were in La Grande over the Christmas vacation visiting with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wells and daughter Sandra spent Christmas with his parents in Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ferrell spent the Christmas weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Judy Morrison of lone. Mrs. Morrison's and Ferrell's father E. W. Ferrell of The Dalles joined the group on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mankin spent Christmas with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Al Bunch in Hood River.

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