

**Washington Dams to Provide Power For Local Consumption**

Pacific Power & Light company will receive 55,000 kilowatts of the initial generating capacity of the Rocky Beach dam which Chelan county, Wash. PUD is now building on the Columbia river, it was announced Wednesday by George T. Bragg, vice president and general manager of the utility which serves the local area.

The company also has an option to purchase an estimated 32,000 kilowatts of future generator installations, Bragg reported, further assuring adequate and dependable power supplies for local area customers.

The Rocky Beach project on the main-stem of the Columbia was begun last year and is scheduled to begin delivering power in 1961, a year following the delivery of hydroelectricity from other projects PP&L is either building or has under contract.

Pacific has contracted for 87,000 kilowatts of the initial output of the Priest Rapids project being built by the Grant county, Wash. PUD and also has an option on 79,000 kilowatts from the companion Wanapum development when it is built.

The PP&L official reported the latest purchase agreement reserves a total of 253,000 kilowatts of new hydroelectric power from Columbia river projects under way in east-central Washington. In addition the company has new generating plants under construction on the Lewis River which will have a total capacity of 300,000 kilowatts when placed in service late in 1958. The Lewis developments are a part of a program which will more than double PP&L's generating capacity by the end of next year, Bragg said.

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**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**

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**Audie Joe Privett Enlists In Navy**

Chief Lillard, petty officer in charge of the Pendleton navy recruiting station announced the enlistment of Audie Joe Privett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chalmer H. Privett, route 1, Heppner.

Young Privett, who enlisted through the high school training program, has chosen the electronic field and will go to one of the electronic schools after he completes his basic training. A traveling recruiter will be at the Heppner post office the third Tuesday of each month to meet anyone interested in the Navy.



**McKays Visit In Salem**

Douglas McKay and Mrs. McKay arrived in Salem from Washington, D.C. Tuesday to enjoy the holidays visiting their two daughters and their families.

The long biographical paragraphs of Mr. McKay include: his present position, U. S. Chairman of the U.S.-Canadian International Joint Commission; ex-secretary of the interior, former governor of Oregon, state senator, mayor of Salem, Governor Snell's campaign manager, purple heart in World War I, major in World War II and president of some 20 local and state organizations.

One of the present objectives of the U.S.-Canadian commission is augmenting the Columbia River water-for-power, flood control and (eventually) transportation with the Libby Dam on the Kootenai River in Montana. "This project, with 55 million acre feet of water, will increase potentialities of all dams in the gigantic watershed, including the Grand Coulee and Bonneville," says McKay, who added that he has never heard of any organized opposition to this project.

**Some Sub Teachers Lax**

Too many teachers holding emergency teaching certificates are making no effort to qualify themselves for permanent certificates.

Joy Hill Gubser, assistant superintendent of public instruction, reported at a meeting of the State Board of Education, in Salem Wednesday, that the privilege has been seemingly abused in some quarters. In one instance a teacher has been employed on an emergency certificate for 14 years while never taking a summer course or any other action to qualify herself as a permanent teacher.

**"Speed Production"**

There has been no organized response to a plea made by Governor Holmes to Oregon Wheat Growers League Members two weeks ago to come forward with ideas about a livestock program to stimulate raising and feeding of meat animals in Oregon.

"It still bothers me," the governor said, "that 70 percent of the pork we buy here in Oregon is imported." He assured the members they will have the cooperation of the new Department of Planning and Development, the

Department of Agriculture and the Oregon State college, in speeding the production dream to a reality.

**Wheat Movement Slower**

Following the normal trend at this season, wheat movement both in and out of Oregon decreased in November according to figures just released by the state department of agriculture's division of grain inspection.

In October 4.6 million bushels of incoming wheat were inspected at Portland, Pendleton and Astoria; last month inspection officers at these points reported 3,667,085 bushels inspected.

About 3.2 million bushels of wheat were exported in November as compared with 4.4 million bushels in October.

Over 190 carloads of grain were shipped into Oregon from east of the Rocky Mountains. This was mostly wheat from Montana, other grains came from Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota, Kansas and Iowa.

**Capitol Short Shorts**

The success of the 1957 Oregon State Fair may result in a 10-day fair next year.

Korean War bonus deadlines for filing of soldiers here from other states are: Dec. 31 for Connecticut, Washington and Rhode Island; Jan. 1, Delaware; March 7, Michigan; World War II bonus, Dec. 31 Montana; Jan. 31, Delaware.

Oregon State Library will close at noon on Saturdays after Jan. 1, Miss Eleanor Stephens announced Wednesday. The move is to prevent hampering mail order services to libraries and individuals who have no other library service.

Shipments of cut greenery, including holly, may be sent from Oregon and delivered anywhere in the United States without certification by local officials or authorities in the state of destination.

Pre-Christmas turkey raids are getting the roving eye from law enforcement officials since the pre-Thanksgiving raids reported by turkey growers who said their losses were 1800. After a check of markets and other sources of "escape" the reported losses shrank some 1500.

Stanley Grove, Salem Chamber of Commerce manager, has been selected to head the admissions committee of the Western Institute for Chamber Organization Management. The institute will be held in June at Stanford University. The announcement was made by J. B. Edwards, manager of the Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce.

**'Briefhand' Writing Introduced at OSC; Ntrstg Dtlas Gvn Blo**

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—A new system for abbreviating longhand and increasing writing speed will be introduced on an experimental basis for the first time in a college classroom next quarter at Oregon State college.

Called "Briefhand", the new system has been found to speed up longhand writing from the usual 30 to 40 words a minute to 80 or 100 with a little practice and training, according to the OSC professor who helped perfect the system.

It differs from shorthand and other short-cut writing systems in that no special symbols are used for words—only letters and abbreviations that cut down the writing load.

Under the Briefhand system, speed-up is achieved by such things as dropping the silent vowels and using word abbreviations. Number becomes nmr, service is srvc, address adrs, a is abbreviation for an, and, at, about.

"The system look interesting" is written "e stsm loks nstrg."

Dr. Theodore Yerian, head of the department of business education and secretarial science at OSC, worked on the Briefhand method and is one of the four authors of the new book that outlines the system.

He is convinced that Briefhand has great possibilities not only for students and clerical workers who spend a good part of their time taking notes, but also for "anyone interested in writing more rapidly — businessmen, housewives, salesmen, reporters, lawyers, etc."

Yerian emphasizes that Briefhand is not a replacement for high-speed shorthand that enables stenographers to take dictation or notes at 125-200 words a minute. For the really skilled worker, shorthand is faster and better, he says.

For the average person, however, who is not interested in shorthand training, Briefhand can streamline writing, Yerian believes. It is easily self-learned, he said, and has already brought favorable comment from students, business teachers and school administrators who have heard about the system.

The Rev. George R. S. Little visited Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Baker in Kennewick and also the Rev. Charles W. May, rector of St. Peal's Episcopal church in Kennewick.

**Chemical Solution Protects Christmas Trees From Flames**

To fireproof your Christmas tree which is still a hazard even with electric lights, select your tree four to six days before you intend to decorate it. Then weigh the tree and buy one-fourth as many lbs. of ammonium sulfate as the tree weighs. This chemical is available in most stores that sell seeds and fertilizers.

For each pound of ammonium sulfate use 1½ pints of water to make the fireproofing solution. Mix the solution in something tall and narrow that will hold the tree upright. Then saw off the tree diagonally so as to give a large cut surface. Set the tree in the solution in a cool place, away from the direct sunlight and leave it there until most of the solution be absorbed.

Mrs. Mabel Yackley returned to her home in Hillsboro Friday after spending two weeks at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Anderson. She accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Smith of Corvallis who had been here in connection with the OSC extension service.

**HERE TO ATTEND FUNERAL**

Out of town relatives and friends here for the funeral of George McDuffee on Thursday were Mrs. George McDuffee, Mrs. Margaret McDuffee, Bert Mason and Jack Brink of Portland; Mrs. Doris Mason of Hines, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Buhman, Sandra and David of Burns; Col. Ray McDuffee of London, England; Paul McDuffee of Medford; Mr. and Mrs. George Capon, Rho Bleakman and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Boyer of Monument; Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hynd of Cecll.

**Farm Building Plan List Issued by OSC**

An index to farm building and farm equipment construction plans available from Oregon State college has been published by the OSC extension service.

Listed are more than 200 construction plans and booklets on building that may be obtained free or at low cost from the OSC farm building plan service. The index covers a list of plans ranging from salt boxes and water wheels to barns and community halls.

Copies of the booklet "Farm

Buildings and Equipment", may be obtained from local county extension service offices or the OSC bulletin clerk, Corvallis.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bowden, former Heppner residents, are spending the winter in California visiting with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Davenport and daughter.

NO SHOW at the Star Theater, Christmas Eve, Tuesday, Dec. 24. Merry Christmas to All.

**My Neighbors**



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