

Mann Bill to Aim At Multipurpose Water Districts

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 son why the State of Oregon should not lend its credit to the end that this development and other long overdue irrigation and reclamation projects be forthcoming without any further unnecessary delay."
 He proposed that such credit could be managed through a Water Development Bank, financed by bonds of the State of Oregon, under control of the State Engineer, who would have the duty of carefully screening all proposed projects, large or small.

"This can be accomplished by the 1969 legislative session by offering the people a constitutional amendment authorizing bonds secured by a small fraction of the true cash value of the state," he said. "Three percent would provide a potential of \$400,000,000, which bonds could be sold at favorable interest rates to create a water development fund, similar to the Veterans Loan fund."
 "The Veterans fund has been a consistent money maker for the State of Oregon and nowhere near the authorized bond-

ing capacity has been utilized. There is no reason why a well managed water development fund should not be just as good a business venture for the State of Oregon."
 Rep. Mann said that he is having legislation prepared for introduction next year to "enable us to make that investment."

At the start of his talk, Mann declared, "The sleeping giant is irrigation. There are nearly six million acres irrigated in the Columbia drainage area, and of that six million, nearly half of it is in Idaho. Pitifully little of it is in Oregon. We need to find what we can do to correct this and do it."

Morrow, Sherman and Gilliam counties are in the midst of an "irrigation revolution" with wells being drilled in unprecedented numbers, he said.
 "One day, besides irrigating directly from the Columbia, we will find ourselves using its waters during periods of high runoff to recharge our ground water supplies that all these wells may continue to produce."

General Election Twelve Days Away

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 For state senator (18th district, which includes Morrow county) Kenneth Jernstedt, Republican and former state representative, is running unopposed, as is Irvin Mann, Republican, for representative (28th district). Both are assured of election.

Keen interest is being shown in the race for Morrow county sheriff in which C. J. D. Bauman, Republican, is challenged by John Mollahan of Heppner, Democrat, and Jim Barnett of Lone, Independent. Sheriff Bauman has been in office since January, 1929, serving continuously but for a leave of absence during World War II when he served with the Navy. He has probably had one of the longest tenures in office of any public office holder in the state.

Barnett and Mollahan are also both veterans of armed service. Barnett just recently resigned his position as mayor of the City of Lone, and Mollahan is a police officer for the City of Heppner.

Of the seven measures on the ballot, five were referred to the people by the legislature and two were proposed by initiative petition. All are included in the sample ballot, which is a true facsimile of the official ballot except for the necessity of breaking it over to another page in the paper. Some voters will find that the names of candidates will be in a different order on their official ballots because law requires that each candidate's name be at the top of his group of candidates on an equivalent number of ballots to that of each other candidate.

Attracting greatest interest among the measures is the 1 1/2% property tax limitation (Measure No. 7), which has been getting strong support in some quarters but perhaps even stronger opposition.

Another measure getting considerable attention is the "Beach Bill" (Measure No. 6) which would impose a 1c per gallon additional gasoline tax for the purpose of acquiring privately-owned beach properties by the state.

One nonpartisan contest is providing a keen race, that of superintendent of public instruction. Walter Blake opposes Dale Parnell, incumbent, for the office. All other positions on the nonpartisan ballot have candidates without opposition. Three—John R. Krebs, Lawrence Lindsay, and Oscar E. Peterson—are running for positions on the Morrow county port commission, and three are to be elected.

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Resolution Backs Nuclear Proposal

Resolution, proposed by Oscar Peterson, was passed at the convention of Inland Empire Waterways association in Vancouver, Wn., October 14-15 calling for a study of one or more nuclear plants in Morrow county and using coolant water for irrigation.

Peterson's resolution pointed out that Morrow county has some 180,000 acres of fertile lands suitable for irrigation, and that these lie low enough to be conducive to pumping water from the Columbia. It added that there is a good growing season which would produce early crops. The resolution said that some 20 nuclear plants will be necessary by 1987 to provide

necessary power for the Northwest and that potential reservoir sites are located close to a proposed site for a nuclear plant in the county.

The resolution concluded, "Since the natural resources of Morrow county provide excellent opportunity for one or more nuclear power plants in conjunction with a suitable block of lands susceptible to irrigation using nuclear plant cool-

ant water, the Inland Empire Waterways association does hereby urge the studies of north Morrow county irrigation projects, including the Columbia Southside Project authorized by Congress for study by the Bureau of Reclamation, be completed expeditiously, and does hereby direct that the appropriate Federal and State agencies be so advised."

Peterson, a member of the executive committee of IEWA,

received support from Glenn C. Lee, publisher of the Tri-City Herald, who addressed the convention and urged that sites for the nuclear plants be located along the Columbia in Eastern Oregon and Eastern Washington "where water could be poured out on the land for irrigation purposes."

Peterson sat in on a meeting of the hydro-electric committee at the convention.



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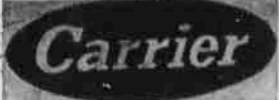


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