

# Second coal-fired generating plant near Boardman eyed by P.G.E.

The Carty site near Boardman may have a second coal-fired plant, according to Portland General Electric President Bob Short.

Dave Eagon, PGE public information specialist, said in an effort to meet the continuing demand for power, the PGE board of directors is going to meet soon to decide if another coal-fired plant is needed.

If it is, Short said, the best location for it in the Pacific Northwest is next to the

present Boardman plant at the Carty site.

As to the size of another plant, that has yet to be determined.

"There really has been some discussion on that," Eagon said. "I would not anticipate a decision for six months—at least."

PGE has a shortage of power because of high power demand, low hydroelectric water levels and the shutdown of the Trojan nuclear plant.

The shortage is expected to

be relieved when the Carty plant opens in August but the power that the coal-fired plant puts out will not meet the demand for power by 1985.

Another coal-fired plant will probably be needed because of the problems associated with building nuclear plants. Short said coal-based electricity is more expensive than nuclear energy.

The coal-fired plant now being built at Carty is scheduled to be completed in June with the cost being about \$500

million. It will put out more than 500 megawatts of power.

When Carty was approved as a site for the coal-fired plant by the state, the Energy Facility Siting Council approved that two more could be built next to it. The three plants can be built to put out up to 2,500 megawatts. The two other plants can be built next to the one under construction now so they can share some of the coal-handling facilities.

A second plant at the Carty site would cost about \$750 million because of inflation and added anti-pollution equipment.

In addition to building another coal-fired plant, PGE may move its Harborton natural gas or oil generating plant to the Carty area. The six-year-old plant in the Portland area has been criticized for its noise and air pollution.

PGE has committed itself to moving the plant by March of 1981 but the Boardman site is only one of the areas it has in mind.

The plant, if moved, would only be used during energy shortages because its cost is five to seven cents per kilowatt hour of power while PGE customers are used to paying three cents per kilowatt hour.

PGE is doing what it can to

keep alive the proposed nuclear plant at Pohole Springs, 15 miles west of the Carty

coal-fired plant. PGE and Pacific Power and Light have invested \$200 million in that

nuclear facility. A legislative moratorium now in effect states that

approval of any nuclear site is at a standstill until Nov. 15, 1980.

## Heppner picks option for reservoir....

(Continued from page 1) system designed to a bond issue can be voted on in March.

In other council action at the special meeting, Dick Bigelow and Larry Bowman were named to the city planning commission. John Shaw is replacing Terry Hauer, who resigned, as the chairman and Bowman is the new secretary.

The council also declared an emergency so it will not have to send out for bids on a new police car. An August bid by Fullerton Chevrolet has not been fulfilled by that company and a new car is needed.

Two 1979 models can be purchased from area dealers for about \$5,500 but the council only wants to spend \$4,800. The city can take up to \$4,000 out of an emergency contingency fund. The city is looking into buying a state car but the state does not take trade ins. Marshall Lovgren, city administrator, and Dean Gilman, chief of police, will keep looking for another car.

## Eastern Oregon may hold its own in redistricting, Jernstedt says

Eastern Oregon, for the first time in a century, could hold its own in legislative redistricting in 1981.

The rosy outlook for eastern Oregon, says Assistant Senate Minority Leader Ken Jernstedt, Hood River, is the result of population gains in central Oregon and population shifts in the Portland metropolitan area.

Jernstedt's District 28 includes Morrow County.

Jernstedt says that Oregon's reapportionment expert, State Treasurer Clay Myers, projects that the City of Portland will lose three legislative seats—and that eastern Oregon will see little change.

Myers has been involved in reapportionment studies for more than 30 years, Jernstedt said, and, as Secretary of State in 1971, Myers drew the present district lines.

Because of more rapid population growth in western Oregon, the last redistrict plan cost eastern Oregon one Senate seat and two House seats. All of them went to the metropolitan area.

It has been the same in each reapportionment for more than 100 years—with rural areas losing and urban areas gaining, Jernstedt said.

The Supreme Court's one man, one vote edict helped shift representation away from rural areas.

In addition to the loss of eastern Oregon seats eight years ago, several other seats, including Jernstedt's district, were stretched west of the Cascades into counties such as Clackamas, Marion and Linn.

One of the Senate districts, Jernstedt's Number 28, is little more than one-fourth the size of the entire state (26 percent).

The only way eastern Oregon could be shortchanged, Jernstedt said, is if the "liberal element" dominates the legislature as in recent sessions, and devises a scheme to dilute as much as possible the legislative voice of rural Oregonians.

The only way this could be done, Jernstedt said, is to create districts that look like fingers, stretching from west to east.

But Jernstedt said there is little danger this will happen.

"If the legislature did adopt such a far-fetched contrivance, Gov. Atiyeh would veto the plan," Jernstedt said.

While eastern Oregon is expected to experience little change in the redistricting program, the City of Portland will lose with gains going to Washington, Clackamas and east Multnomah counties.

## Bellamy tells rural area problems....

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"Some people (on the west side of the state) do not like agriculture taking water from the Columbia (River) because it takes water from the dams so they do not have as much power. They forget that they may save some money on their electrical bills but they won't be able to eat."

"When the demand for power increases, we will hear from the environmentalist even less," Bellamy said. "When the price gets high enough, we will have an abundance of power."

Bellamy warned the livestock growers that they are going to be challenged on the use of the agriculture chemicals 2-4-D and 2-4-5-T.

"Make sure you know who you are electing to office and where they stand on the use of chemicals," he said. "Make sure they keep an open mind on pesticides."

"There are two groups of people on this issue. One group has a legitimate concern about what the chemicals might be doing to some people. The other group is concerned only that the chemical has destroyed some marijuana plants on federal land."

"It is good to be challenged. It might be on the ballot and if it is, it will be up to the forestry and agriculture people to educate the public but just getting it on the ballot makes me nervous but I still think we can beat it."

## Editor's Notebook

Owners of the Kinzua Mill met last night with union leaders at the mill to discuss the possibility of closing down the plywood plant at the mill for an indefinite period of time.

"There is every possibility that could happen and we will have to work out a tentative schedule because market conditions are just rotten," said Harry Kennison, general manager at the mill.

That part of the mill is operating now but the union members must be notified in advance if part of the mill is going to be closed.

If the mill, or any part of it, is closed down for any period of time it will definitely hurt the other businesses in Heppner.

But the townspeople must

realize Kinzua is a private corporation that is in business to make money just as other firms are. When the market is so bad Kinzua cannot make a profit, it has to change or else "go under."

It is much better for Heppner if Kinzua closes part of the mill temporarily than to have the mill operate in the red for awhile and then have to decide to close down for good.

With the people of Heppner working together as they have so many times in the past, the town can overcome this minor crisis—if it indeed comes—and continue to prosper financially in the future.

Kennison said he will get in touch with the Gazette-Times if anything certain will occur because of last night's meeting.

## Justice Court

Violations from the office of Charlotte Gray, Morrow County justice of the peace, for the week ending Dec. 10 are:

Ralph Tony Marlatt, Rt. 1 Box 3047 in Heppner—no vehicle license—\$6 fine.

Bonnie Diane Palmateer, P.O. Box 227 in Heppner—careless driving—\$22 fine.

Keith R. Papineau, Box 541 in Lexington—inadequate log binders—\$12 fine.

Mark Whitman Wright, Water St. in Lexington—speeding—\$14 fine.

John Harold Belknap, P.O. Box 1107 in Heppner—driving while license suspended—dismissed.

Frederic Glenn Roy, 540 S. Main in Heppner—defective vehicle equipment—\$19 fine.

John Gregory Piening, Box 312 in Ione—defective equipment—\$6 fine.

Philip Eugene Thompson, Rt. 1 Box 73-A in Boardman—speeding—\$19 fine.

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