

UMATILLA NEWS

By Mrs. Glenn Ostrom
2nd Lt. Donald Lane, son of Herbert Lane Sr. and brother of Herb Lane Jr., who is now stationed in China, has now completed 36 missions and has been awarded the air medal. Lt. Lane is a graduate of the local high school in '42.

Don Alstott of the navy is here spending a short furlough with his wife and daughters, who make their home here.

H. M. Schultz of Grandview was a business visitor here last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Stephens received word from their grandson, Alva Stephens, that he is now stationed with the merchant marines in Santa Cataline Islands.

Leland Smith of Portland is visiting friends here.

Patty Rice and Edithanne Spencer spent from Thursday till Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Rice, who recently moved to that city.

Mrs. Charles Shonnon and daughter Mary spent a few days in Spokane.

Many Umatilla people motored to Pendleton Friday morning to see the Round Up parade. Several remained to seed the Round Up that afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Eller returned Sunday from Colfax, Wn., Lewiston and Kendrick, Idaho, where they had spent a week on business. His mother of Kendrick returned with them. Monday they received word that "Chuck" Nelson, their brother-in-law had been killed in action and they left that evening for White Bird, Idaho. Mr. Nelson and wife lived here just before going into the service.

Mrs. M. B. Eller and her mother-in-law spent Monday in Pendleton.

Mrs. John Blair, Mrs. Delea Cornett spent Saturday in Walla Walla shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Moberly of Spokane arrived Thursday and spent until Saturday at the John Mustard home. They attended the Round Up Friday.

Mrs. Dale Montgomery and infant son returned from the Pendleton hospital Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Brownell of Seaside is attending to business here at the home of his brother, Lew Brownell.

Mrs. L. Myers and daughter Ruth of Poplar Grove spent Friday and Saturday with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Al Vieg. They attended the Round Up Saturday.

Miss Ann Mary Sherlock left Sunday for St. Angels College which she will attend this winter. Her aunt, Mrs. Deed Switzler, and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Minnie Sharpstein of Walla Walla, took her down.

Dorn and daughter Marylyn. Mrs. Dorn will return to Echo next week for a short time and then go to Redmond to reside for the duration.

Mrs. Harold Laird has charge of the George & Miller store during Mrs. George's absence in Portland.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Schmidt Monday morning, September 18, at the Pendleton hospital. Mr. Schmidt is now stationed at Camp Polk in Louisiana.

Capt. Peter D. Mitchell, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell and former Echo schoolboy, is now an armament officer of the 12th air force P-47 Thunderbolt fighter

outfit. He has been overseas two years.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell left for their home at Nyssa Tuesday after spending three days in Echo. While here they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Esselstyn.

Mrs. Ed Acton, who spent two weeks at her home in Echo, left Tuesday for Klamath Falls where Mr. Acton is employed.

Averill Meyers has received an honorable discharge from the armed service.

Rene Meyers is spending two weeks leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Meyers. He will leave again for California Friday.

Petty officer 2/c Don Grossmil-

ler and Mrs. Grossmiller, and friends of the naval air base at Pasco spent the week end at the home of Mrs. Grossmiller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Esselstyn, and attended the Round Up.

Rodney Esselstyn spent a three day leave with his wife and children at Pendleton and called on friends in Echo Sunday.

Yeoman 2/c Bernice Mudge of the Waves spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Antone Cunha this week on leave from her station in the navy postal department at Seattle.

A belated announcement is made of the marriage of Dolly Correa, daughter of Joe Correa of Echo, and Emery Ashbeck of Taco-

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ma on July 22.
Mr. and Mrs. D. Z. Penney have received word from their son Louis that he is now in Australia. Louis is a fireman 1/c in the navy.

One Echo man, Welland M. Dorn, drawn on the circuit court jury to report Oct. 9, will not be present for a very good reason. He is in the army.

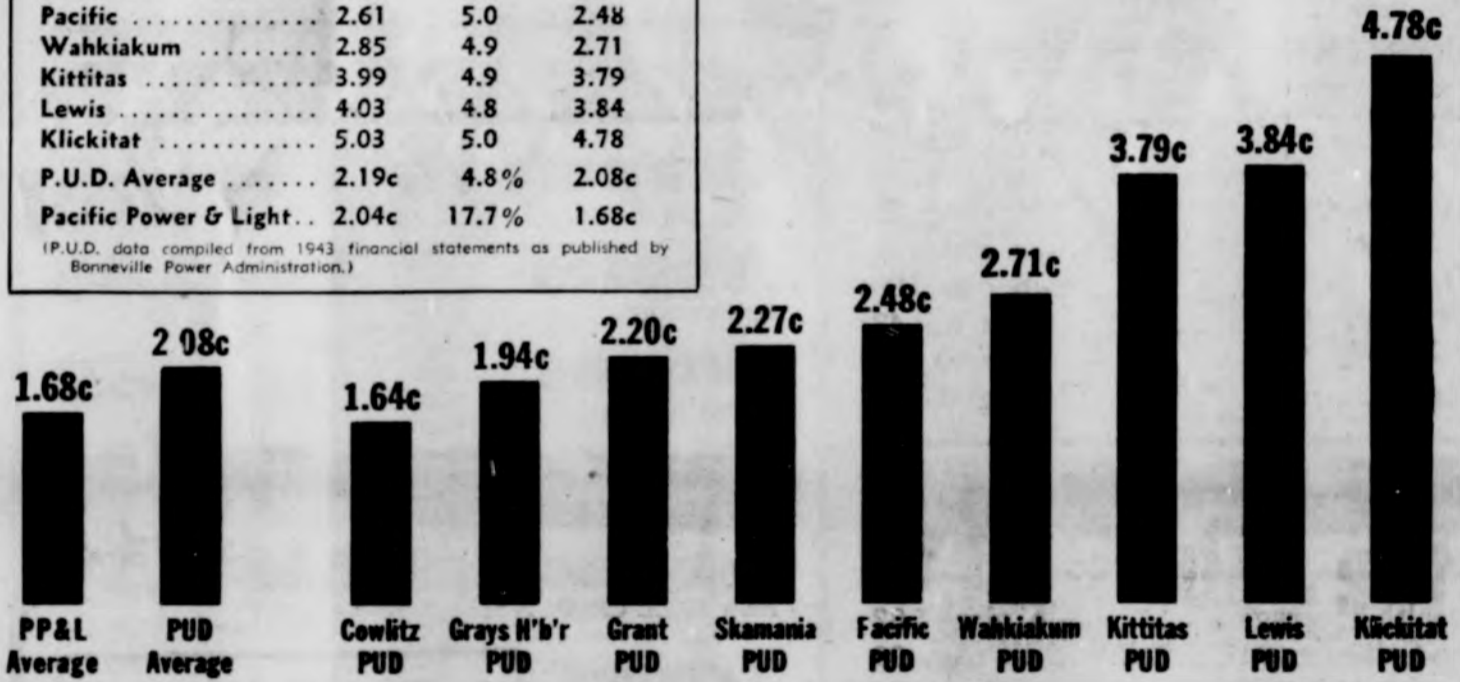
**THIS CHART GIVES YOU
THE FACTS ABOUT
PUD ELECTRIC RATES!**

COMPARISON OF AVERAGE PRICE PER KILOWATT HOUR—RESIDENTIAL AND RURAL SERVICE

**PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
and
ALL WASHINGTON PUDs DISTRIBUTING BONNEVILLE POWER
(Adjusted for taxes in each case)**

RESIDENTIAL AND RURAL SERVICE			
P.U.D.	AVERAGE KWH PRICE	TAXES (%)	KWH PRICE LESS TAXES
Cowlitz	1.75c	6.1%	1.64c
Grays Harbor	2.00	3.0	1.94
Grant	2.33	5.6	2.20
Skamania	2.39	5.0	2.27
Pacific	2.61	5.0	2.48
Wahkiakum	2.85	4.9	2.71
Kittitas	3.99	4.9	3.79
Lewis	4.03	4.8	3.84
Klickitat	5.03	5.0	4.78
P.U.D. Average	2.19c	4.8%	2.08c
Pacific Power & Light	2.04c	17.7%	1.68c

(P.U.D. data compiled from 1943 financial statements as published by Bonneville Power Administration.)



Now that PUDs have had four years' time to try to make good on their promises to give the public lower rates than the business-managed electric systems, it is fair for you to demand the figures so you can judge them by their record!

Here it is. The average cost of electricity on all Washington homes and farms getting Bonneville power through PUDs is 24% higher than on the PP&L system!

Both the PUDs and the business-managed companies pay taxes out of their electric rates. But PP&L pays 17.7 cents in taxes out of every dollar of revenue, while PUD taxes average only 4.8 cents per dollar.

PUD customers pay electric rates out of one pocket, and the missing taxes out of the other.

You want a fair and true comparison—the cost of electricity alone as shown by this chart. If you want to add taxes to the cost of electricity on an equal basis, the result is just the same—PUD rates are still just as much higher.

**PUDs HAVE COST ANOTHER \$2,000,000
IN SPECIAL PUD TAXES**

PUDs also have the right under the PUD law to collect special PUD taxes. They promised in every election campaign that they wouldn't do it—or maybe only a little!

Again, let's look at the record. They have already collected from the people of Washington TWO MILLION DOLLARS in these special PUD tax levies.

A big chunk of this money has gone to a favored little group of lawyers and engineers.

SUPER-DISTRICTS NEWEST TRICK IN THE PUD BAG

On the Washington ballot in November will be a bill—Referendum 25—which would completely wipe out all of the business-managed electric systems in the state that are actually delivering electricity so much cheaper than the PUDs. It would set up a giant Super-PUD and put an end forever to competition from efficient business-managed companies.

To grubstake this Super-PUD monopoly would cost the electricity users of Washington \$200,000,000 in bonds issued and sold without a vote of the people. It would cost millions in so-called "commissions" to the professional promoters who have bored into the public power movement—and still more millions in electric rates in all the future years.

If the promoters can put this scheme over on the electricity users and taxpayers of Washington, they plan to move into Oregon next! So look again at the chart above. Fix the facts in your mind for future reference, if the need comes. The figures prove that taxpaying, American business management gives you the biggest real value for your money—political bureaucracy can never be a substitute for it!

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ECHO NEWS ITEMS

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Mr. and Mrs. K. Shopshire and little son left for their home in Redmond Sunday after a visit with relatives in Echo. They were accompanied by Mrs. Welland



When you are through with that match or cigarette, break it up!... That is another thoughtful way to prevent forest fires.

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7:15 P.M.

DON LEE-MUTUAL

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Standard of California