

Cost, Benefit Lack, Cited By River Project Opponent

Saying that the irrigation phase alone of the proposed development of the Rogue River basin water resources would require at least \$60 million which could not come from any source other than the federal treasury and the taxpayer, D. H. Barber, Trill, spoke in opposition to the reclamation bureau plan at the Kiwanis luncheon yesterday noon at Rogue Valley Country club.

Barber brought out that his group, the Preserve the Rogue association, is not interested in the conservation and sports features of the proposal so much as the economic aspects.

He said that promoters locally have claimed that the project would be self-liquidating and that when "that myth was exploded," they said that it was only a \$100 million project, "a small amount," which the country wouldn't miss and that it would be a "great shot in the arm" for local business.

Barber, quoting Senator Paul Douglas, pointed to a "troublesome contradiction" wherein business groups have been urging that the budget be cut on the one hand and that money be appropriated for projects on another. The senator showed that, if he were to back a project for his constituents, he would have to support similar projects by other congressmen and "wink at a grossly padded . . . bill."

"Our own comment," Barber said, "is that if less than one-fifth of the members of congress asked for projects the size . . . of the one many of you support, the total cost would nearly equal the sum of the present deficit

and the one expected for next year. And we worry about them." Barber declared that his figures were based on reclamation estimates which he thought were greatly underestimated. He quoted a Hoover commissioner who charged that the reclamation bureau is guilty of apparently deliberately underestimating and then requesting supplemental appropriation.

Cites Proof
As proof of this underestimating Barber referred to a recent news release which read: "E. L. Gates, Medford, was second low bidder on a project to clear 27,000 acres of land between North Dam and Coulee City. Gates offered to do the work for \$424,850. Lowest bid was submitted by J. W. Harrison, Yakima, for \$348,962. Both bids were more than double the bureau of reclamation estimates."

The opposition to Rogue development has been accused of selfishness when the group has been trying only to defend its home, Barber said. In turn, he also stated, the opposition has considered the advocates selfish when they only have been following the great American trend—to clear, drain and irrigate to get more land under production.

"Now, in some places, the speaker declared, followers of the trend wish they had not cleared some of the fine forests, or they have spent money to make ponds again where they once drained them."

"Produce Too Much"
"Irrigation districts and farmers in them," Barber maintained, "have, time and again, gone through reorganizations

and bankruptcy before a stable economy was reached. . . . After we got all these acres ready and producing, we found they produced too much and we had to work up a system, costing billions, to keep that surplus from drastically lowering prices and ruining the producer."

Barber indicated that fruit-growers in this area are not unanimous in their support of the Rogue project. He interpreted a December article in "The American Fruitgrower" as evidence that fruit-growers nationally oppose such a program.

The article reports that department of agriculture experts have been grumbling concerning plans of the bureau of reclamation to bring new farm areas into production. Julius Krug's departure as secretary of the interior represents a tightening up policy by the Truman administration, according to the article. It concluded that the policy could mean fewer acres made available for potential fruit development in the northwest, and "a firmer long-range outlook for growers already in business."

Barber also stated that while local chambers of commerce have supported the basin development, the national organization, in its publication has pointed to the paradox of reclaiming more farm land and at the same time producing too much on present land. The publication, the speaker said, suggests that Oscar Chapman, secretary of the interior, and Charles Brannan, secretary of agriculture, ought to get together.

More farm land is not needed, particularly at a cost of \$653 per acre (\$527 of it to be borne by taxpayers), Barber said, when at the same time many of the present irreplaceable values of the area would be ruined. A number of proponents of the

Suspects In Cohen Bombing Released

Los Angeles, Feb. 16—(U.P.)—Six suspects in the bombing of Mickey Cohen's home were crossed off the list today, and police investigating an underworld war to the death were back where they started.

Officers released five henchmen of Jack Dragna, reputed "Capone of Los Angeles." The five had been held on suspicion of attempted murder.

One of them was re-booked for failing to register as a sex offender. A misdemeanor complaint was sought against Moe Shuman, brother of a hoodlum killed in 1945. Police have been holding him on suspicion of attempted murder but admitted they have little evidence other than that he once said he would "blow Mickey to hell."

Dragna, who dropped from sight when a California crime commission report said he was waging an underworld war with Cohen, still was sought for questioning in the attempt on Cohen's life.

Police Lieut. Grover Armstrong said he has information Dragna "may be across the border in Mexico."

Rogue development were at the meeting to hear the talk. Kiwanis President Frank Rowe explained that it is a club policy to hear both sides on controversial subjects. Proponents have previously addressed Kiwanians.

Oregon City, Ore., Feb. 16—(U.P.)—The school board has authorized construction of a \$400,000 grade school to replace the old Eastham unit of the Oregon City school system.

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British Election Campaign Swings Into Final Week

London, Feb. 16—(U.P.)—Spokesmen for the laborites, conservatives and liberals sent the election campaign into its final week today with the customary predictions of victory for each of the parties.

"I am extremely optimistic as to the results," Prime Minister Clement Attlee said at a Leicester labor party rally. "I am very, very confident that we are going to win."

Conservatives Confident
Sir Walter Womersley, chairman of the political committee of the Conservative club, an affiliate of the conservative party, said in London:

"I am dead sure we are going to win. I am quite confident that we shall have a good working majority, and Great Britain will be saved from disaster."

And just to make it unanimous, Clement Davies, head of the liberal party, which has been unable to muster a majority in commons for 40 years and had only 10 members in the last parliament, said at a London press conference:

Would Be Surprised
"Liberals would be surprised if the party was not returned victors at the election."

The election moved off the front pages of the big national newspapers. Two of London's three evening papers, one of them claiming the world's greatest evening paper circulation, carried only a single paragraph about it on the front page.

Central Point Man Hurt In Accident

Central Point, Feb. 16—Philip Goerish, GM 1/c, navyman from Central Point and son of Mrs. Walter Hawley, Central Point, was seriously injured in an automobile accident recently. Members of the family said today.

Goerish, who has served for eight months in French, Italian and Grecian water aboard the USS Hank, left Norfolk, Va., on leave late in January. He drove west with two other sailors in a new car. Seventeen miles east of Boise, Ida., the car hit a stretch of icy highway, skidded and turned over, rolling down an embankment.

Goerish was thrown clear, but landed on his head on a pile of rocks, breaking a vertebra. He also suffered from shock and multiple cuts on the head. He was not expected to live for a time.

His mother went to Boise to be with him. He will be moved to a west coast navy hospital for additional treatment next week. Goerish was all-service midweight boxing champion for the years 1948 and 1949.

Churchill Denies Report Of Death

London, Feb. 16—(U.P.)—Winston Churchill denied today that he had died this morning. He said a rumor to that effect was part of a deliberate election whispering campaign.

The conservative party leader issued the following statement from his home at Chartwell, Kent:

"I am informed from many quarters that a rumor has been put about that I died this morning. This is quite untrue."

"It is, however, a good sample of the whispering campaign which has been set on foot. It would have been more artistic to keep this one for polling day."

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United Press Conducts Disaster Exercise On Domestic Wire System

New York, Feb. 16—(U.P.)—The United Press conducted a disaster exercise on its domestic leased wire system today.

For one hour between 11 a.m. and noon EST, all afternoon newspaper clients in the country were tied together on one wire, which was controlled in mid-continent at Chicago.

Relays Eliminated
At a signal from New York, news relays across country were eliminated through the throwing of switches, and papers from Maine to California and from Florida to the state of Washington began receiving the same news stories—all at the same time.

The A. T. and T., which leases wires to the United Press for the transmission of news, said the hook-up was one of the longest leased wire systems ever put together. Even wires extending into Canada for papers in Montreal and Vancouver were included in the big hook-up.

For the period of the exercise the Chicago bureau of the U.P. took over the usual functions of the headquarters bureau in New York as the control point for the flow of news. Other bureaus began and halted the filing of copy

at signals given by the chief editor in Chicago. Thus, the exercise proved that a constant flow of news could be maintained to client papers from a point far inland if a disaster should disable the Washington or New York bureaus or any other large office in the east.

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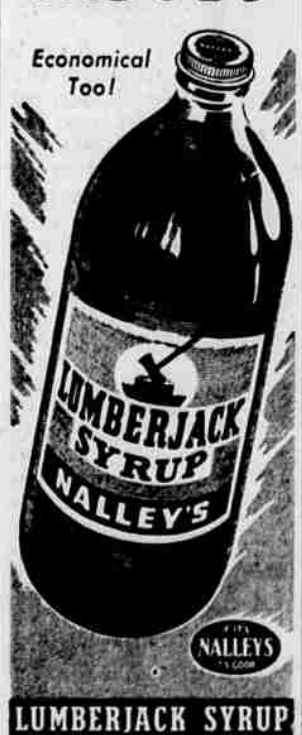
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