



HER PRAYERS ANSWERED—Mrs. Josephine Perez joyfully holds her three-week-old son James aloft after he was found, abandoned, in an apartment hall in New York. The child was found by a policeman on routine assignment. Baby was stolen by a young woman posing as a nurse who induced Mrs. Perez to accompany her to a hospital for a "check up" on James. Police found the kidnaper lost her own unborn baby about three months ago.

Farmers Oppose Measure To Create Ground Water Code

Salem (U.P.)—A delegation of The Dalles farmers yesterday appeared at a Commerce and Utilities Committee hearing here to oppose enactment of a bill to create a ground water code applicable to the entire state.

Paul Martin and E. C. Thompson, spokesman for the group, said the bill did not offer adequate protection for well owners who had made large investments in ground water systems. They said they feared they would be denied the water rights and priorities to which they felt they were entitled on the basis of their investments.

Need Seen for Code
 Martin said some 2000 to 3000 acres of land in The Dalles area are under irrigation from ground water. He agreed that there was a need for a code for conservation of the water but he said it should not be enacted without first protecting the prior rights of those already on the water scene.

There has been no noticeable diminishing of flows from artesian wells around The Dalles where two of the state's largest artesian wells are located, Martin told the committee.

Favored by Granges
 Elmer McClure, master of the Oregon State Grange, said the majority of local Granges favored a ground water code for western as well as eastern Oregon. The people of Oregon realize the time has come to face the problem of short water supplies, he said. He urged the committee not to delay or postpone action on the water resources bill, claiming deferment would only complicate the problem.

McMinnville (U.P.)—The 5th annual Oregon high school science conference will be held on the Linfield College campus here Saturday, March 26.

Plan Made To Scatter Government In Event of Attack on Capital

Washington (U.P.)—The federal government will be run from about 30 scattered centers if nuclear warfare threatens or hits the capital.

Defense experts have selected locations over a wide area—north of Pennsylvania, west to Ohio and south to North Carolina.

Nearly 30 executive agencies which would have essential wartime functions have been assigned these "emergency relocation sectors" in which they would continue to operate. They range from 80 miles north and west of Washington to 200 miles south.

No Congressional 'Hideout'
 Congressional leaders have not yet accepted an invitation from the Office of Defense Mobilization to assign a hideout where the lawmakers would meet in emergency session.

A small scale test of the outlying posts is scheduled this spring. About six persons from each agency will be dispatched to their emergency posts May 1 for a two-week tour of duty. Another "dry run" is scheduled June 15-16-17 in connection with a nationwide Civil Defense exercise.

The ultimate goal of the defense planners is to have specially-trained staffs, which could

take over in an emergency, permanently stationed at the outlying posts.

If there were advance warning of an attack, top officials and regular Washington em-

ployees would start at once for the emergency locations. If the attack came before Washington could be evacuated, survivors would re-assemble in those locations as rapidly as they could.

Centers Are Secret
 Most of the "relocation" centers are secret so far. An exception is the huge underground "pentagon" in the mountains of the Maryland-Pennsylvania border which could accommodate the President and top military command.

Others are in outlying government installations and in colleges and universities. Defense planners consider colleges and universities particularly good sites because their dormitories and dining facilities.

"The 'emergency relocation centers' are one part of the defense planning for carrying on essential functions of government in case of attack.

Another is a plan to "disperse" any new government building to prevent making the capital any more attractive a target than it already is.

Taipei, Fomosa (U.P.)—Military sources said that there had been an "absolute lull" along the China coast for the past 48 hours.

Reader's Digest Takes Advertising

New York (U.P.)—The Reader's Digest appeared on newsstands today with advertisements for the first time in its 34-year history.

Thirty full page ads and one two-pager, many in color at rates believed the highest for any magazine in circulation, are included in the April issue, grouped together in the front of the magazine and spaced through the book condensation in the back. Advertising will be limited to 32 pages during the first year.

The magazine polled subscribers before deciding to include advertising rather than raise the 25-cent-a-copy, \$3-a-year subscription price in effect since its founding.

Advertising contracted for the coming year will gross about \$11,000,000, the magazine said.

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Ten Plants Schedule Use of Steam Power

Portland (U.P.)—Ten of the 14 plants affected by Bonneville Power administration's 35 per cent slash in interruptible power have scheduled additional higher-cost power from steam plants to maintain full production, a Bonneville spokesman said today.

The power cut went into effect at 7 a.m. Monday because of low reservoir reserves and continued cold weather conditions.

The four industries which did not buy any new power are Electro Metallurgical company and Pennsylvania Salt company, Portland; Rayonier, Inc., Port Angeles, Wash., and the Victor Chemical Works, Silver Bow, Mont.

Ample steam power exists in the area to make up for the cut, the BPA said, but it is more expensive.

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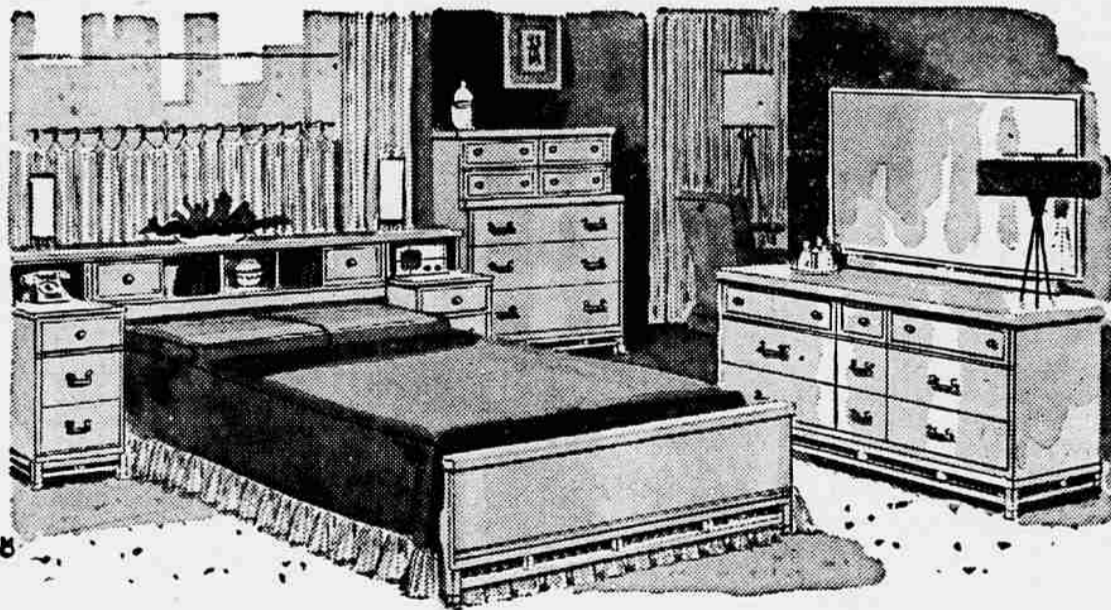
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