

# Power Probe 'Proves Dud' for States in Pacific Northwest

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Washington—Neither political side emerged looking very pure from the congressional investigation of the "partnership" power policy of the Eisenhower administration which was concluded this past week.

Neither the Democrats on the House Government Operations Subcommittee who promoted the probe and wrote their findings before it was over; nor the Republicans on the committee who collaborated with Interior Department officials in trying to defend the administration and discredit the investigation; nor Assistant Secretary of Interior Fred Aandahl, who was disclosed to promote a power contract involving Georgia co-ops after it was ruled illegal by the attorney general.

From start to finish, the dry subject of kilowatts was enlivened as best the participants could manage it by firing verbal volleys back and forth in the committee room. That these fiery exchanges might not be lost on the attending newsmen, their authors kept nearby mimeograph machines humming to provide copies for the press.

Rep. Earl Chudoff (D-Pa.) had grabbed the early headlines by announcing that administration officials would be called on to answer charges made against the power policy. The administration had its first innings when Aandahl took the witness stand the first day, as an aide passed out copies of his speech. He claimed the power shortage in the Northwest was due "to the threat of federal regional monopoly and absorption of local investments."

When the group took a weekend breather, Rep. Clair Hoffman (R-Mich.) charged that the staff attorneys who questioned the administration officials were biased in favor of public power, inasmuch as one formerly worked for Interior under the past administration and the other for a group of Colorado co-ops.

Witness followed witness, often after they had conferred just outside the hearing room in private with Rep. Charles R. Jonas (R-N.C.), who emerged as the administration's advocate in the proceedings.

The last witness, Bonneville Administration William A. Pearl, was hardly off the witness stand before Chairman Chudoff pulled out his concluding statement, mimeographed and ready for distribution.

"In the Northwest we have observed a policy of do-nothingism which can be explained only as being designed to wreck the federal power program in that area," said the statement that was written before all the evidence was in. "Development has been deliberately stopped in the Northwest."

Chudoff had scarcely leaped back to survey the wreckage when Jonas leaped in with his rebuttal, also written out in advance for this final moment. "Those directing the inquiry have prejudged the case," he averred. "It bears all the earmarks of an inquisition rather than an investigation" which he added was designed to "discredit the Interior Department."

charges. It simply sought to fit together a series of events to show that a pattern of favoritism to provide power companies to the disadvantage of public power preference groups had developed.

The principle complaint was that co-ops and PUDs were being compelled to agree to new power contracts with Bonneville in which they no longer were guaranteed their full power requirements but were limited to taking on new power loads no greater than 10,000 KW each per year.

Dr. Pearl seemed to cut the ground out from under this complaint when he told how two PUDs, at Wenatchee and Pasco, had tried to obtain large blocks of power for prospective aluminum plants who could not obtain the power directly from BPA due to the regional power shortage.

As far as the Northwest was concerned, the power probe proved to be a dud.

## 4-H Club News

**Plan Dinner**  
Prospect 4-H clubs plan a potluck dinner at Prospect Community hall at 7:30 p.m. Friday, October 28. Awards for this year will be presented.

Members eligible for awards are Norman Jantzer, Dicky Bean, Larry Bean, Roma Shafer, Kathleen Halley, Helen Jantzer, Janet Bean, Jill Hedgpeth, Sally McKillop, Ronelda Griffith, Eldonna Bean, Mary Ann Hubbard, Laura Bean, Linda Patton and Fay Jantzer.

Those attending are to take table service and a food dish. All are welcome.

## Plans Set Up for First Meeting of New 4-H Group

A new 4-H club is being organized for the Phoenix, Fern Valley, and Talent area, it was announced today by County 4-H agent Glenn Klein.

The first meeting of the new club will be early in November in Phoenix for signing up of projects. The date and exact place of the meeting will be announced later.

The new club will be made up of former members of Valley View, Fern Valley and Wagner Creek clubs who found the distance to the new consolidated club at Bellview too far to travel. Several former leaders of these clubs will help in the new one.

Projects in the new club for which leaders are already available for the coming year are cooking, sewing, pig and beef projects, and tractor maintenance. Other projects which can be taken are entomology, forestry, poultry, rabbits, home-making, child care, dairy, electricity, canning and freezing.

Anyone interested in becoming a 4-H club member or leader is welcome, Klein said. Boys and girls who will reach their ninth birthday by Jan. 1, 1956, are eligible to participate in the 4-H program this year, and can exhibit at the annual Jackson County 4-H Fair which will be held next August.

The 4-H program takes in a variety of interests and it is not necessary to live on a farm, as many projects can be carried on in the house or backyard, Klein stated.

Further information may be obtained from the county agent's office at the courthouse.

## New Packards To Go On Display Nov. 3

The new 1956 Packard models, featuring electric "push-button" motoring with a powerful V-8 engine, will go on display at the Cooksey Motor company, 134 South Riverside ave., Nov. 3. J. Orbin Cooksey, owner, has announced.

The newly styled Packards, available in hardtop, convertible and sedan models, have an all-aluminum encasement which eliminates 95 pounds of "dead weight." The vehicle's Ultra-matic is one of the lightest and most versatile automatic transmissions in the automobile field, Cooksey said.

The new Packards are powered by 310-horsepower and 290-horsepower V-8 engines, which have a 10 to one compression ratio. The engines develop 405 foot pounds of torque at 2,800 rpm, Cooksey said. Torque provides power for normal driving ranges where high performance is an important contribution to safety, Cooksey said.

## Grants Pass Man Raises Potato Crop

Grants Pass — Commercial growing of potatoes was conducted near here this season for the first time in many years. Melvin A. King raised 10 acres of netted gems on former hop-growing lands on Lower River rd.

King said his crop will total between 200 and 220 tons, and will scale about 50 per cent U.S. Extra No. 1, or good potatoes of six ounces or better. About half of these will be "bakers," 12 ounces or more.

Southern Oregon has never been a major commercial potato raising area, although several acres were raised during the war for use at Camp White. Klamath Falls is a major potato center.

## Court Records

**POLICE COURT**  
Kenneth Allen Babb, no Oregon operator's license, \$10; inadequate muffler, \$5.  
Josephine Elizabeth McGowan, violation of basic rule, \$10.  
Carl Ralph Spencer, violation of basic rule, \$10.  
Loretta Virginia Lehman, violation of basic rule, \$10.  
Joan E. Amidon, violation of basic rule, \$10.  
Robert Lexas Taylor, violation of basic rule, \$10.  
Kenneth Lyle Tucker, excessive noise (muffler) \$10.  
Elva Lola Neff, violation of basic rule, \$10.

**DISTRICT COURT**  
Robert S. Chase, no operator's license, \$6.  
Roger Roberts, overweight load, \$15. (bail forfeiture)  
John Paul Hartstook, failure to stop at a stop sign, \$10. (bail forfeiture)  
John Robert Cochran, no tail light, \$10. (bail forfeiture)  
Alvin Alan Alexander, truck speeding, \$15. (bail forfeiture)  
Robert William Varney, failure to legalize a load, \$15.  
Maurice Leo Hildenbrand, truck speeding, \$10.  
Virgil Lavelle Henry, failure to operate on the right side of the highway, \$6.  
Everett Deloss Epley, failure to operate on the right side of the highway, \$7.50.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS**  
Jack Lee Moad, 20, of 1012 East Main st., and Beverly Ann Newbry, 18, of 1089 West Main st.

Use Tribune Want Ads For Action.

## Grange

**Gold Hill Grange**  
Gold Hill Grange held its regular meeting Oct. 20 with 30 members present.

Nora Waite was substituting for our worthy secretary who is convalescing from surgery.

After the business meeting, the lecturer put on a program with readings and tableaux of the U.N. and of the gay nineties. The most important business at hand is the Anniversary dinner to be given Sunday, Oct. 30. This will be a ham dinner with all the trimmings. Serving will start at 12:30 p.m.

The next regular serving committee at the Grange will be the Holsts and Bob Cooks.

## Tillamook Burn Snag Sale Set for Nov. 18

Salem — (U.P.)—Sale of some 18,000,000 board feet of snags in the Tillamook burn will be conducted by oral bid Nov. 18, State Forester Dwight L. Phipps said here.

The snags are Douglas fir and Western red cedar and are located on 1680 acres of land in the Wilson river area. Foresters advised that an access road enters the area. The minimum price which will be considered is \$281,250.

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