

# Morse Cites Flood Conditions To Oppose Hells Canyon Delay

Washington D.C.—(Special)—Pointing to the flood conditions of early March on the Snake river, Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) has declared that "it is irresponsible and inexcusable to delay a high dam at Hells Canyon which is indispensable to adequate flood control on the Snake."

Testifying before the Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee of the Senate Interior and Federal Affairs Committee, Morse quoted a recent letter to the Federal Power Commission from Secretary of Interior Fred A. Seaton citing "the need for about 4 million acre-feet of flood control storage on the Snake river above Lewiston," and stating that "the Oxbow and Hells Canyon developments of the Idaho Power company will provide significant quantities of such capacity."

Morse said "Seaton admits that the advocates of high Hells Canyon dam have said all along that it is imperative to obtain maximum flood-control storage in the Middle Snake and the Idaho Power company plan for the Hells Canyon stretch fails to provide adequate storage."

The Oregon Senator branded as "a patch on a flat tire of a program" the recent administration move for another study of a co-called high dam at Pleasant Valley. "Secretary Seaton hasn't even put the jack under the car," Morse said. "All he is saying, in effect is that partnership has had a blowout."

Morse labeled as "a desperate attempt to somehow, somewhere make up for the loss of high Hells Canyon storage," the administration's championing of the proposed Bruce Eddy dam on the Clearwater river. "That project would block fish runs, flood elk feeding grounds and invade a magnificent wilderness area," Morse said. "Until and unless the conservation problems are licked, I oppose Bruce's Eddy—as do the major conservation groups of the country."

**Unemployment Emphasized**  
The Senator emphasized the seasonal unemployment problem which confronts the Pacific Northwest, and listed low cost power as the main attraction to industry, desperately needed to overcome such unemployment in winter months.

He cited Department of Labor figures showing that Oregon and Idaho in mid-February had the highest rates of unemployment in the country, with Montana and Washington not far behind. Oregon's rate was a staggering 19.8%.

"The power to be generated at site and which Hells Canyon would make possible downstream will make possible new private enterprise with new plants and the business which spring up to serve new industrial communities," Morse said.

"What the supporters of high Hells Canyon dam want is a transfusion of low-cost power for a more vigorous private enterprise economy," he pointed out.

## More Swimming Pools Said Planned in 1957

Chicago—(U.P.)—If you built a swimming pool in 1956, you were one of 33,000 people that did so, according to Robert Hoffman, publisher of Swimming Pool Age.

Figuring on a retail cost level, you and the other 32,999 persons spent some \$325,000,000 for your back yard beaches, but it's only a drop in the bucket.

Hoffman said some 45,000 pools will be constructed in 1957, or about a third more than in 1956, and the cost will exceed \$400,000,000... "possibly closer to a half billion."

"Not only is the pool industry growing in numbers," Hoffman said, "but also in volume, business methods and operation."

Pool-builders at the start of 1955 numbered about 400. Today Hoffman estimated more than 1,500 firms are contracting and building them.

"Today's swimming pool is more nearly a complete package than it has been before," Hoffman said, "with underwater lights, ladders, and diving boards almost always included."



**NO FANFARE**—President Eisenhower is shown signing his Middle East Doctrine pledging the use of American troops, if necessary, to defend the oil-rich area from Communist aggression. There was no elaborate ceremony for the historic occasion.



**BOUND FOR MIDDLE EAST**—Former Rep. James P. Richards (above), President Eisenhower's special assistant for Middle East affairs, will visit the Middle East on a survey to lay the groundwork for the President's Middle East Doctrine.

# Ike Has High Rank as Bridge Player; Delights in Getting Foes Out On Limb

Washington—(U.P.)—The four men sat around a small table in the second floor study of the White House, their demeanor solemn, their concentration absolute.

Finally one broke the silence. "Pass," said the President of the United States.

Then the slightest of grins passed over the face of Mr. Eisenhower for he had succeeded again in his favorite tactics of getting his bridge opponents out on a limb. The hand was played in one no trump and the President's opponents went down six tricks—which is about as bad a shellacking as you can take in a bridge hand.

It happened not many nights ago at one of the frequent bridge sessions that the President enjoys with his close friends.

Mr. Eisenhower is so well known as a golfer that it is seldom realized he is not only a far better bridge player than a golfer but that he comes close to the championship class in the card game.

A friend and fellow player of the President was asked by the United Press what kind of game Mr. Eisenhower plays. He told about the no trump hand as an illustration and then went on:

**One of the Best**  
"The President plays one of the best games I've ever seen. He has the three qualities essential for bridge—a mathematical mind, an excellent memory

and a complete gift of concentration. I would say he and General Gruenther (who is one of the nation's top players) are of about the same caliber."

Is he an aggressive or defensive bridge player?  
"Well, like everybody he delights in getting a big hand and going to game or slam. But he is the kind of player who gets even a bigger kick out of making the most of poor cards and setting his opponents."

"Some of the people he plays with have the common failing of overconfidence and reading more value into hands than they have—and he is quick to take advantage of it."

Is he a Goren or a Culbertson man?  
"Oh, he knows all the widely played systems. But he usually plays Goren because that is what most of us play. He is certainly not a reckless bidder and seldom a psychic bidder."

The President's most frequent bridge cronies are Gruenther; George Allen, William E. Robinson, president of Coca Cola; Treasury Secretary George M. Humphrey and Clifford Roberts, New York investment banker. They interchange as partners.

They play for small point stakes and occasionally make side bets when a rubber gets close. A great deal of good-natured banter is exchanged between hands but the playing is serious. The games in the even-

# Tanker Jackknives Near Cave Junction

Cave Junction—Traffic was slowed for about a half an hour Monday afternoon near Cave Junction when an Asbury truck and tanker jackknifed on the southern approach to the West-fork bridge. The tanker partially went into a ditch.

According to the driver, Hoyt Ross of Crescent City, the tanker skidded on the wet pavement as he attempted to stop when the bridge light changed.

A road guard was set up so spilled gas would not be ignited.

Salem—(U.P.)—Appointment of Mrs. Louis Heriza to the Baker County Public Welfare commission has been announced by Gov. Robert D. Holmes.

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# Ike Tells Congress He Wants No Cuts In School Program

Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower has informed Congress he wants no cuts in his multi-million-dollar school construction program, it was learned today.

This word was relayed to key House members considering the President's \$1.3 billion school bill. It calls for spending \$325 million a year for four years to build classrooms.

The President's stand knifed into the economy wave that

broke on the White House doorstep today.

**A 'Must' Resolution**  
House Democrats, by a thumping 219 to 178 majority, pushed through a resolution late Tuesday declaring substantial cuts "must" be made in Mr. Eisenhower's \$72 billion budget and calling on him to say where they can be made.

The resolution does not have to be acted on by the Senate and has no legal standing. Its effect is to put the House on record.

Despite Republican cries of "buck-passing," Democrats expected the President to come through with an answer soon.

But the Democrats did not plan to wait. The House took up an appropriation bill for the White House and several small federal agencies with Democrats set to slash—\$4.9 million—recommended by the appropriations committee.

**Cutting Fever Spreads**  
As budget-cutting fever spread over the capital, there were these other developments:

The administration warned it may cut back public works projects because of rising construction costs. The warning came from Reclamation Commissioner W. A. Dexeimer, who told contractors to "sharpen your pencils" or "you may kill the goose that lays the golden egg."

A House subcommittee opened an investigation of administration plans to add 73,000 employees to the federal payroll. Agriculture Department officials were called to "justify" a proposed increase of 20,000 employees in their department.

"The 'conference' of all Republican senators adopted a resolution Tuesday night calling on Congress to 'reduce the budget wherever possible consistent with the security of the national defense and the essential functioning of the government.'" No figure was mentioned.

# Girl Burned When Gown Catches Fire

Cave Junction—When nine-year old Paulette Brading's nightgown caught fire Saturday morning, she escaped death only through the resourcefulness of her Girl Scout leader mother, Mrs. Paul Brading, who caught the little girl and smothered the flames in blankets from her bed.

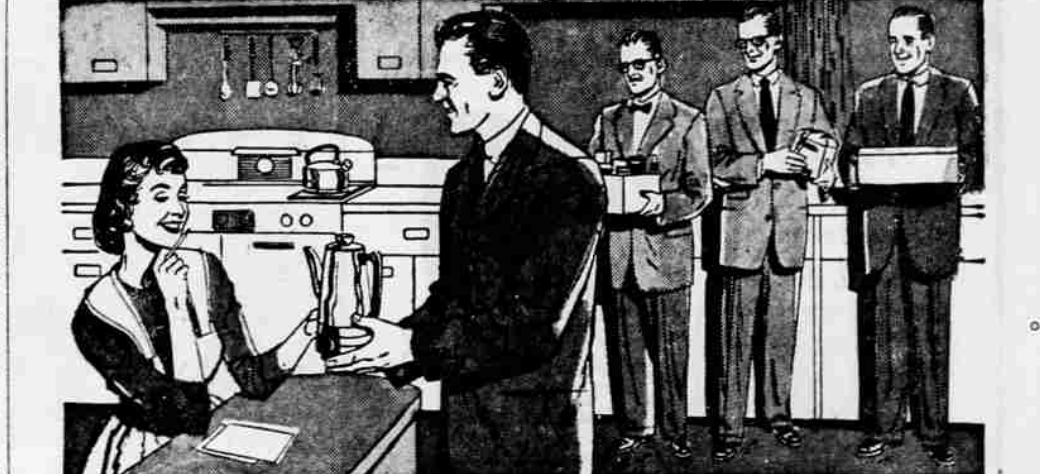
Paulette is being treated at her home in Cave Junction for second and third degree burns on her back and legs, and is recovering from shock. She will be out of school for at least three weeks, her doctor said.

The accident occurred around 8:30 a.m. as Paulette stood with her back toward the open fireplace. After her flannel jersey gown ignited she ran screaming to her mother in the bedroom, allowing the flames to spread.

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