

Chance of House Passing Bill on Hells Canyon Held Unfavorable

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Washington—Prospects of the House of Representatives passing the Hells Canyon dam bill before Congress adjourns look anything but favorable for the backers of the high dam who successfully put it through the Senate last week.

The House, however, is traditionally more conservative than the Senate, especially on large public works undertakings with a big federal price tag. Southwestern senators have twice put their Central Arizona project bill through the upper chamber only to see it stalled in the House, mostly due to opposition from California's big congressional delegation. The Senate has passed the Frypan-Arkansas project for Colorado in the past, but the House has refused. And the Upper Colorado storage project, which breezed through the Senate, squeaked through the House after a tough battle.

Adverse Reaction
Most observers agree that two factors influenced the favorable vote this year, as compared with its defeat last year of Hells Canyon. They were adverse reaction to the Idaho Power Co.'s fast tax write-off, and the reaction of southern senators over the civil

rights issue which the administration is pressing. Idaho Power's renunciation of its tax privileges the night before the Senate vote seemed to come too late to be most effective in eliminating that as a talking point against private development of Hells Canyon. It is doubtful that this will have as much influence on the House as it had on the Senate.

The big question in the House will be what will most conservative southern Democrats do? If Speaker Sam Rayburn cracks the whip and makes it a party issue, as seems likely, he will line up a good number of them, unless some unusual circumstances prevail at the moment.

Pleased with Support
Some contend that the main reason southern senators voted for Hells Canyon in greater numbers this year than last is that they were pleased with the support they had received the previous day from a group of western Democrats in their effort to send the civil rights bill to committee. Others think it was because the southern senators were at the administration for pressing the civil rights bill, and Hells Canyon was a good issue on which to embarrass the administration.

But assuming the southerners are passing out favors to their friends in the civil rights fight, the person who stands in the strongest position to gain in the House is the one western congressman who stood with the South against the civil rights

bill. He is Rep. Haim Budge, the Idaho Republican who is the hardest working foe of the Hells Canyon dam bill.

Understanding Claimed
Budge is among those who claim that Sen. Wayne Morse and Sen. Warren G. Magnuson and other western Democrats had some understanding with the southerners to trade votes on civil rights for Hells Canyon. But when asked whether he might now cash in on the same sort of trade, Budge denies any such motives in his vote against the civil rights bill.

"I'd never vote for a civil rights bill without a jury trial provision," he explained. "Why a jury trial is an American as the hot dog stand."

The Eisenhower administration opposed the jury trial amendment which southern segregationists had tried to insert in the bill.

In the end the Hells Canyon bill may be passed or defeated by some momentary current that is running through the more sensitive House, whose 435 members are harder to control by their party leaders than are the 96 senators.

Credit Available At Festival Class
Ashland—Those who wish to earn college credit while studying with the renaissance studies staff may do so through joint registration with Southern Oregon college, Mrs. C. D. Winston, registrar, has announced. Additional information concerning fees and details may be obtained from the Oregon Shakespearean Festival association, Ashland.

The three courses offered are three hours of advanced Shakespeare, two to six hours of reading and conference in Renaissance studies, and a two to six hour seminar in Renaissance studies.

The instructor for courses is Dr. Margery Bailey, institute director. Other members of the institute staff are Dr. Verne Blue, graduate from the Sorbonne, Paris; Angus Bowmer, actor-director of the Shakespearean Festival and dramatics professor at SOU; James Sandoe, play director of the Festival; and W. Bernard Windt, Festival music director, Ashland.

Hessian Fly Outbreak In Willamette Valley
Corvallis—If Oregon State College entomologists have reported the worst outbreak of the Hessian fly in the Willamette valley in 20 years. They said the fly had joined forces with serious grain diseases to plague wheat and barley growers in the valley.

Jennings Selected Speakers Bureau Chairman of UMC

Glenn Jennings, KBES-TV staff member, has been selected speakers bureau chairman for the



GLENN JENNINGS
Selected Chairman

1957-58 United Medford Crusade.

His appointment was announced today by Robert A. Johnson, UMC general chairman. Jennings and Col. William Bartlett (Army retired) are photographing projects and activities of the UMC agencies for use in promoting UMC organizations and training campaign workers. All agencies are participating in the film strip. Service clubs, lodges and other organizations in Medford will be contacted soon to determine dates for showing the narrated film strip to their members.

On Board of Directors
Jennings is a member of the UMC board of directors and the budget and quota committee. Last year he directed outside advertising for the campaign. He is executive vice-president of the Medford Toastmasters, youth counselor for the YMCA, and a member of the case finding committee for the Jackson County Public Health association.

At the new St. Luke's Methodist church he is on the finance committee and sings in the choir. Last year he was one of six finalists for the Junior Chamber of Commerce "Young Man of the Year" award.

After graduating from Oregon State college in 1955 in business administration, Jennings and his wife Marilyn came to Medford. They reside at 507 Haven st. and have one son, Michael, 13 months.

PICNIC PLANNED
Ashland—The summer session picnic at Southern Oregon college planned by Verne Spiera, principal of Lincoln school will be held June 27 at 6 p.m. at the lower camp grounds of Lithia park.

H. D. Christensen Elected President Of Medford Rotary

H. D. Christensen, prominent in Medford business and civic circles, will assume duties as president of the Medford Rotary club at the next meeting of the organization July 2.

Christensen succeeds C. Weldon Kline, Medford resident and forest engineer, who completed a year as head of the 135-member service club with the June 25 meeting at the Jackson hotel. Kline, who was presented with a past-president's pin by the immediate past president of the club, Joe Naumes, will serve as secretary of the Medford Rotary club during the ensuing year.

William Caldwell, retiring secretary and governor of district 154, Rotary International, lauded Kline for his outstanding record as president during the 1956-57 season and for his added service as acting secretary in recent weeks. District Governor Caldwell recently returned from a meeting of Rotary International, at Lucerne, Switzerland.

John Hansen, American Field Service exchange student, who has completed a year at Medford High school under the sponsorship of the Medford Rotary club, expressed thanks to Rotarians for making his year in the U.S. possible.

John, who leaves Friday for his home in Copenhagen, Denmark, will visit Oregon's capital at Salem, then join other AFS students on a tour of the U.S. climaxed by a stay in Washington, D.C. and a personal visit with President Eisenhower. He briefly described his "wonderful experience" in Medford, during which time he lived with the H. D. Christensen family.

In a short report of his administration, the retiring president pointed out that the Medford Rotary club financed an AFS student, sent a representative to the Beaver Boy State, sponsored a successful Boy Scout troop, assisted young people with scholarships and loan funds, and contributed to the mobile dental unit here.

Students, Parents Plan Trip to Coast

Ashland—Included in the summer schedule of week end events for the Southern Oregon college students and their families is a trip to the coast on June 29 with Irene Hollenbeck, assistant professor of science, in charge. Students will travel by car caravan to St. George's Reef, north of Crescent City, Calif. to observe and collect marine life.

The caravan will form behind Churchill hall Saturday at 3:30 a.m. Students departing at other hours may meet on the beach at 7:00 a.m. for breakfast.

Miss Hollenbeck said the following items would be needed: warm clothes including a rain jacket, old shoes, and wool socks for wading in the cold water; a gallon tin pail with a handle; a case knife; several small bottles; a large jar for collecting and preserving animals; newspapers, mounting paper, old clothes for covering algae; and dissecting probes for mounting them. Sack lunches should be prepared by those who wish to picnic in the Redwoods at Jedediah Smith State park.

Clinic to Close Over July Fourth

The chest x-ray clinic at Sacred Heart hospital will be closed July 3 and 4 because of the national holiday according to Mrs. Chester Gueches, case finding chairman for the Jackson County Public Health association which operates the clinic.

The clinic is usually open the first Wednesday evening of each month for the convenience of working people who are unable to attend on Thursday afternoons. In July 10, from 7 to 9 p.m., Mrs. Gueches stated.

Regular Thursday afternoon hours will be observed June 27, from 2 to 5 p.m. and will be resumed July 11.

The Museum of U. S. Patent Models at Plymouth, N. H. is the only one of its kind in the world. Several thousand original working models of inventions patented between 1836 and 1890 are on display, including the crude forerunners of many of our modern household gadgets. The museum is open from July 1 until Columbus Day, Oct. 12.

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