

Columbia Basin Water for Power To Be Abundant

Portland —UPI— Water for areas producing power will be abundant and areas requiring water for irrigation will face a possible shortage, the weather bureau's river forecast center said Friday in its water supply forecast for the Columbia Basin as of Feb. 1.

The weather bureau said that since last fall precipitation has been heavy in the power producing areas and extremely light in the heavily irrigated areas.

Abnormally High
Winter flows have been abnormally high in most areas in the Columbia Basin and some areas may not enjoy high summer flows. Above normal temperatures in January permitted runoff from much of the excessive precipitation, the weather bureau said.

Water content in the accumulated snow pack is reported to range above average in the northern half of the basin to below average in the southern portion.

Well Above Normal
The entire upper Columbia Basin above Grand Coulee, Wash., received well above normal precipitation during the month of January. Streamflow forecasts have been revised upward to 116 per cent of the 15-year average.

The Snake river basin above Clarkston, Wash., and the local area of the Columbia river below Grand Coulee have also been revised upward for the runoff, the weather bureau said.

Weyerhaeuser Talks Continued

Portland —UPI— Talks were held here Friday between representatives of Weyerhaeuser Timber company, the International Woodworkers of America union and federal mediators in an effort to settle a dispute which has resulted in spot picketing of a number of Weyerhaeuser plants in Oregon and Washington.

At the conclusion of Friday's session late in the afternoon, federal mediator LeRoy Smith said he was "not at liberty to say" what progress had been made, if any. The talks were scheduled to resume yesterday.

The dispute is over the firing of a Coos Bay area truck driver. Roving pickets from the IWA local at Coos Bay appeared at Weyerhaeuser operations at several points in both states. The Federal Mediation service called the meetings here.

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Army Engineer Discusses Future Power Projects

Portland —UPI— Construction projects costing an estimated \$1,800,000,000 to meet the maximum power demand of the Pacific Northwest will be needed in the next 15 years, according to Col. Allen F. Clark Jr., Division Engineer of the Army Corps of Engineers.

Col. Clark said that this is the cost estimate of new projects recommended in the revised Columbia River 308 report.

He said that by 1985, 33 million kilowatts of power will be needed and in 50 years, in 2010, the load would be about 55 million which is ten times the present power output of 5,600,000 kilowatts.

Barge Channels
On the navigation aspect of the report, Col. Clark said "... after careful study of the potential traffic of the area, we have recommended that the navigation barge channels be extended from the head of McNary pool near Pasco, Wash., to the vicinity of Rock Island dam involving construction of locks at Wapamum and Priest Rapids.

"For the Columbia river extension to Rock Island it is estimated that traffic on the order of 1,800,000 tons will move on that river at the midpoint between 1965 and 2015, representing an annual savings of about \$3,300,000," Col. Clark said.

Corps' Judgment
Col. Clark said that the plan presented by the Corps of Engineers is by no means the only possible plan, but based on the Corps' judgment it is the best plan.

"There must be an early resolution of differences and agreement so that federal, private or public construction agencies can get on with the job. It is essential to the future of the Northwest," Col. Clark declared.

Latin America's largest steel mill is Volta Redona, 60 miles from Rio de Janeiro. Its capacity is 600,000 tons a year.

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NLRB to Hear Lumber Cases

Portland —UPI— The National Relations board has scheduled two hearings here on unfair labor practice charges against the Clackamas Lumber company, Clackamas and Elk Creek Logging company, Estacada.

The charges were brought by locals of the AFL-CIO International Woodworkers of America.

The complaint accused the Clackamas firm of refusing to bargain with the union in good faith and of "interfering with, restraining and coercing employees."

The NLRB's general counsel complaint against the Elk Creek firm charged the company with refusing to bargain in regard to either seniority or truck rental in connection with log hauling.

The hearing on the Clackamas firm will be held Feb. 16. The Elk Creek case hearing is set for Feb. 24.

Morse Names Oregon Youths

Washington —UPI— Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.), has announced his nominations for appointment to the U. S. Military academy at West Point, and the U. S. Air Force academy, Colorado Springs.

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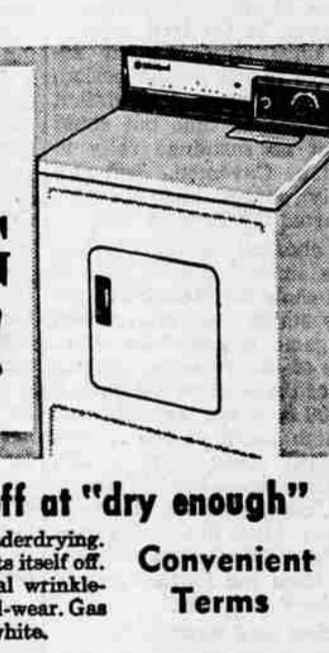
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