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Rogue River Basin Engineers Finish Study of Projects

The Portland district, U.S. Army corps of engineers, has completed studies of potential projects in the Rogue River Basin - projects which include such factors as irrigation, flood control, power generation, fish and wild life, recreation, and municipal and industrial water supply.

The studies were made as suggestions to the people of the Rogue Basin. No recommendations will be made by the corps until a public hearing is held here, when the opinions of the people of the Basin will be added to the corps' report. After recommendations are formulated, the report will be presented to Congress.

In arriving at the five suggested multiple-purpose projects in the Rogue Basin, the corps has studied 39 potential sites. The five projects finally selected represent the corps' opinion as to the best over-all plan to accomplish what the people of the Basin wish to accomplish.

The corps' plan includes four multiple-purpose reservoirs in the Upper Rogue area and one multiple-purpose reservoir on the Upper Applegate. These reservoirs collectively would include provision for flood control, irrigation, power generation, water supply, fish and wild life benefits and recreation.

This article and five others to follow, are drawn from the corps' study sheets, and give the physical data pertaining to each reservoir and the benefits to be derived.

Lost Creek Dam

The major structure proposed is the Lost Creek site on the Rogue, in the vicinity of Uncanny Canyon. This dam, as proposed, would rise 365 feet above stream level, constructed of earth and gravel fill. The reservoir would store 238,000 acre feet of water, of which 164,000 acre feet would be usable. The surface area of the lake or pool, at maximum capacity, would be 2,150 acres or 3 1/3 square miles, with a shoreline of 19.2 miles. The normal annual minimum pool would contain 1,540 acres of surface area with a shore line of 14.2 miles.

This dam and a similar proposed structure for Elk Creek - to be described later - would be operated as an integral unit.

Under the corps' proposed operating plan, reservoir filling at Lost Creek would take place gradually between Feb. 1 and June 1 of each year, depending on water supply conditions in the up-stream tributary area. The corps estimates minimum releases would be about 500 cubic feet per second. Beginning about Sept. 1 of each year the draw-down would begin to make space available for flood control.

Lost Creek and Elk Creek reservoirs, by the corps' estimates, together would provide irrigation water for 23,040 acres of new land and supple-

Follow-Up Phase Of Project Starts

The follow-up phase of the "Keep Pace With Tomorrow" campaign starts tomorrow, according to Bob Taylor, general chairman of the program. The campaign is designed to "revitalize, rejuvenate, and refinance the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce."

Taylor said that "the preparation and educational work has been completed, the chips are now down, and it is up to local business leaders to determine the kind of chamber of commerce they want and the extent to which they want to finance it."

A "coffee and rolls" meeting of the classified business groups division will be held at 7:30 a.m. tomorrow at the Jackson hotel. Some 120 selected members of the seven groups, under the chairmanship of Manville Heisel and Dick Woodcock, will receive their assignments.

Taylor said the members will contact all of those who are being invited to share in the new chamber program designed "not to make Medford just bigger, but better."

WEATHER

FORECAST: Fair and warm tonight and Friday. Low humidity. Low temperature tonight 57. High Friday near 100.

Highest Yesterday	Temp.
Lowest this Morning	53

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today	7:50 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow	4:43 a.m.
Moonset tonight	9:55 p.m.
First Quarter	July 13

To the right of the Moon tonight is the brilliant planet, Venus, and to the right of Venus is the star, Regulus. Venus is now less than 54 million miles away.

Death Toll in Boat Explosion Mounts To 53

Other Bodies May Be Found in Lake

Haderslev, Denmark - (UPI) - The death toll in the explosion and sinking of an overcrowded sightseeing boat rose to 53 today. Police feared frogmen would bring up even more bodies from the bottom of the artificial lake on which the tragedy occurred.

At least 30 of the dead had been identified and it was established six were foreigners. Police said "It was believed" there were 45 or "perhaps more" survivors of the sinking Wednesday. At least 35 persons were injured.

Raked by Flames

The sightseeing boat Dam Ende was raked by flames following an explosion below decks. Men, women and children fell into screaming panic and the crew was unable to get to life preservers stored under seats.

Some were hit by the explosion and flaming gasoline; others were burned when the gaily striped canvas awnings covering the decks burst into flames and collapsed on them.

Leaking Gasoline Blamed

The boat blew up Wednesday afternoon while cruising on the artificial lake formed by Haderslev dam in South Jutland near the German border. Crew members said the blast was caused by gasoline from a leaking fuel line dripping onto the hot engine.

Authorities said the boat was slightly overcrowded. They said its capacity was 85 but that it had at least 90 persons aboard. Capt. Hans Rilstofte, the boat's owner, tried to head it to shore but it sank less than 15 yards from shallow water.

Ruling Leaves Tour by School Official in Doubt

The planned tour of Russia by Medford School Superintendent Leonard Mayfield appeared to be "off" today following a ruling by Oregon Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton that public funds cannot be used for such travel.

Thornton's ruling was announced early this week. His decision was made at the request of the Multnomah County Tax Supervising and Conservation commission after a pair of Multnomah county school districts had proposed paying expenses of their superintendents on the tour of Russian education facilities.

Outlook Dim

Frank Bash, chairman of the Medford district school board, said today that the local board had authorized \$1,725 to help finance Dr. Mayfield's trip, but that the present outlook for the tour was "dim."

Official action awaits the July 14 meeting of the school board, Bash said.

Dr. Mayfield was one of 30 United States school administrators selected to visit Russia to become better acquainted with the Soviet educational system. Sponsors are the National Education association, the American Association of School Administrators and the travel committee of the National Association of Secretaries of State Teachers associations.

Salem - (UPI) - Mechanization of Oregon's Motor Vehicle Department will start Oct. 1 when all applications for titles and car license plates will start being processed with punched cards, the department said today.

Hatfield Seeking More Information On Dunes Park

Wide Variety of Sources Contacted

Salem - (UPI) - Gov. Mark Hatfield said today he is seeking information from a wide variety of sources in connection with the proposed Oregon Dunes National Seashore Recreation area on the coast near Florence.

"A proposal of this type, which can affect the lives and economy of many citizens of the area, as well as throughout the state, is deserving of complete investigation," Hatfield said.

Information Needed

The study will be made by the Committee on Natural Resources and its executive secretary, Dan Allen, who has visited the area many times.

The governor said more information was needed on plans of the National Park Service for administration and development of the area.

"Unfortunately, such plans have not been formally presented to the state; thus we are unable at this time to assess the full import of this measure," the governor said.

A deluge of letters have arrived on the governor's desk regarding the area.

The study was prompted by introduction of a bill in Congress which would authorize creation of a National Seashore in the area of some 35,000 acres between the Siuslaw and Umpqua rivers. It would be administered by the National Park Service.

Includes Lakes

The 23-mile long area would include Honeyman State Park, the coastal sand dunes, Washink lake, Siltcoos lake, Tahkenitch lake and the Sea Lions coves.

The 1959 legislature suggested that the State Parks Commission investigate acquisition of Sea Lion coves, now privately operated, for use as a state park. The governor said this possibility is still being studied.

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, (D-Ore.) introduced the bill to make the dunes area a national park.

Hearing Set Tonight On County Budget

Jackson county's proposed budget for the new fiscal year comes up for a public hearing tonight at 8 o'clock in the county courthouse auditorium. County Judge Earl Miller has indicated that it will be approved as it unless there is strong factual opposition to parts of it.

The 1959-60 budget has been set at \$3,633,536.32. This amount is \$197,648.23 more than the budget for 1958-59.

The hearing tonight will be before the county court and the budget committee.

Two new items in the budget this year are a \$65,000 capital improvements sinking fund and a cash working fund of \$90,838.41.

"They're Not Good Enough For You, Dear. I'm Waiting Till They Invent One That Does Everything"



Herter Believes Russians Serious

Secretary Not Optimistic of Any Agreement

Conference Held With Eisenhower

Washington - (UPI) - Secretary of State Christian A. Herter said today he believes the Russians are seriously trying to negotiate on Berlin and Germany at Geneva. But he said he was not optimistic of achieving any worthwhile agreement.

Herter, holding his first news conference since becoming secretary April 22, said there is some possibility of making a temporary deal on Berlin if the Russians are willing to withdraw their deadline for evacuation of allied forces from the western part of the city.

First Thing

He said the first thing the western powers must do when the Big Four foreign ministers conference resumes at Geneva Monday is to find out whether recent Russian statements mean that the Kremlin now is willing to enter an interim agreement on Berlin's status that would not set any time limit on allied occupation rights.

Herter said the U. S. officials have been carefully studying a June 29 statement by Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko in which he declared that the western powers had misinterpreted the Russian position and there was no Communist demand that allied occupation rights be forfeited at the end of any specific period.

Statement Conflicts

Herter said this Gromyko statement conflicted with the final proposal, the Russian foreign minister made at Geneva just before the conference recessed June 20. It also was at variance, he said, with public statements by Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev.

Prior to his news conference Herter conferred with President Eisenhower on U.S. strategy for next week's resumption of the Geneva conference.

Their White House talks, the second in two days, followed the weekly session of the National Security Council of which Herter is a member. Eisenhower has taken a direct hand in planning strategy for the second Geneva meeting.

Aides said the President and Herter were discussing policy and tactics to be employed when the deadlocked Big Four talks resume Monday.

Portland - (UPI) - James Taylor, Portland, was fatally injured Wednesday afternoon while he was assembling a home-made bomb in the basement of his home.



ONE OF MANY

Members of the James Butler family were aided by neighbors and the Central Point Rural and city fire departments Wednesday afternoon in extinguishing a grass fire which burned over 10 acres at Tolo. The pasture, which adjoined the Butler residence, was once the site of the town of Tolo, and is leased from the Tom Parker ranch by Donald E. Faber, Central Point. The blaze was one of five grass fires extinguished in the county yesterday. A half-acre of grain on the Everett Corey farm, 4580 Crater Lake highway, was destroyed about 3 p.m., before the Medford Fire department put out the blaze with its rural pumper. State forest patrol crews extinguished an acre brush and grass fire on property owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ted Goodman, Mud Springs rd., about 3 p.m. Medford firemen also doused a grass fire in the rear of the 1100 block on Reddy ave. The fifth blaze, which occurred on a small area on Highway 62 near Eagle Point, was stopped by the state forest patrol. All the fires were believed started with matches. A sixth fire destroyed a truck owned by Southern Oregon Moulding, Inc., after it became stuck in a scrap dump at White City and caught fire. Central Point Rural Fire department called a truck from the Tolo blaze to the White City fire. Runs outside city limits were made by Central Point and Medford departments under terms of mutual aid agreements.



DOCTOR HONORED

Dr. A. Erin Merkel, right, who has served as Jackson County health officer for 21 years, was honored at a commemorative dinner last night at Ping's Garden, attended by more than 50 area physicians. Presenting Dr. Merkel with a gift from the Jackson County Medical Association, above, is Dr. Florian Shasky, president of the organization. Dr. Merkel is leaving Medford to accept a position with the San Diego Health department.

Dr. Merkel Honored For Service Here

Dr. A. Erin Merkel last night was presented an ornate desk clock in commemoration of his 21 years' service as a public health officer for this county.

The presentation was made by Dr. Florian Shasky, Medford physician, and president of the Jackson County Medical society, at a special dinner of the physicians attended the steak dinner at Ping's Garden restaurant north of Medford. Dr. Merkel was also voted a life member of the society.

Dr. C. I. Drummond, who had preceded Dr. Merkel as health officer, spoke on the background and accomplishments of the public health officer, who will leave soon to take a position with the San Diego health department. Dr. Drummond was health officer for five years before Dr. Merkel became health officer on Oct. 6, 1937.

"Dr. Merkel got along well with the county courts for 21 years and that takes a h— of a good man," Dr. Drummond said. "It's too bad that somebody has to die or leave town before we say something nice about him. But sometimes it is awfully hard."

Dr. Drummond noted that both the quantity and quality of the public health service in Jackson county had improved under Dr. Merkel. He remarked that when he came to Jackson county in 1932 it had a population of 33,000. When Dr. Merkel arrived the county population was 37,000.

Governor Long's Condition Said To Be Worsening

Baton Rouge, La. - (UPI) - A high state official reported Wednesday night Gov. Earl K. Long was "falling rapidly." A team of six doctors said the Louisiana governor "seems more fatigued than he has been prior to this time."

On the other hand, a state legislator said "he's not as bad off as reports say."

The conflicting reports on the 63-year-old governor's condition were made at the executive mansion in the capital.

Plans Vacation

Long, who stayed up past midnight before an aide dimmed lights in his room, announced through his office Wednesday he plans to take a vacation beginning Friday. It will last for several weeks.

The high state official, who asked not to be identified, told United Press International he believed Long was "at a point of no return."

The official said the governor's sister, Mrs. Wilma Hunt, has called several members of the family to Baton Rouge and that more were expected today.

Continued Concern

In the latest medical advisory on Long, issued at 6:45 p.m. (e.d.t.) Wednesday, the doctors said they "unanimously agreed that his physical condition is a matter of continued concern."

The governor, whose reelection bid and activity in the executive mansion have been frowned on by the doctors, planned to fly to the west coast or Canada Friday.

Virginia City, Nev. - (UPI) - The Consolidated Virginia Mine, once claimed to have the largest deposit of precious metals ever found on earth, will reopen, officials of the company announced.

Harriman Says Red Boss Emotional and Arrogant

New York - (UPI) - Averill Harriman, back from a Russian tour and talks with Nikita S. Khrushchev, today characterized the Russian Premier as "emotional, very proud, very boastful, flamboyant and arrogant," but at the same time a man who is relaxed and likes to have a good time.

The danger, Harriman said in a news conference, "is that he might overplay his hand - we need to keep him informed about this country."

Harriman advocated that Khrushchev get together with the allied heads of states in a summit meeting in New York City which would give the Soviet Premier a chance "to see the great strength and vitality of this country."

Stalin More Ruthless

Harriman, former governor of New York, was U.S. ambassador to the Soviet Union in 1943-46. During that time, he held many blunt-talking conferences with Josef Stalin.

Asked to compare the two men, Harriman said that Stalin was "more cold and calculating and ruthless." He also said Stalin was cautious as compared with Khrushchev.

President's Hope Of More Rests With Conference

Eisenhower Dealt Sharp Setback

Washington - (UPI) - Congress apparently settled today on a bill authorizing about \$3,500,000,000 in foreign aid, for the next 12 months.

Any hope President Eisenhower has of getting more now rests with a House-Senate conference committee. He originally asked for \$3,909,400,000.

The Senate dealt the President a sharp setback Wednesday night by passing a \$3,543,320,000 aid measure, only \$720,000 more than the House voted. The Senate vote was 65-26.

Must Appropriate Cash

Even after Congress authorizes the expenditure, it still must appropriate the actual cash. Foreign aid funds voted during the last fiscal year totaled \$3,298,092,500.

The Senate action came only hours after the President raised the threat of a special session of Congress next fall to get the funds he wants for economic and military assistance to free world allies.

The Senate bill was \$621,500,000 below the \$4,164,820,000 recommended by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Senate Democratic Whip Mike Mansfield (Mont.), a committee member, told newsmen today that the foreign aid program still means long-range, dependable financing for its development loan fund. Most economic aid is channeled through this fund.

He also complained that "there still is too much emphasis on military aid and outright grants." The biggest Senate cut was a \$300 million slash in the President's \$1,800,000,000 military aid program, an \$83,500,000 reduction in "defense support" aid.

Eisenhower Blamed

Sharpest feelings in the Senate centered around financing of the development loan fund.

Chairman J. William Fulbright (D-Ark.) of the foreign relations committee bluntly blamed Eisenhower for the bill's difficulties. He said the President abandoned his original support of long term financing for the fund through Treasury borrowing.

Two Men Held For Grand Jury

Bail of \$2,500 each was set yesterday in district court for Raney Roy Newcomb and Cecil Harvey Allen, arrested by city police Tuesday in connection with 14 recent local burglaries.

Newcomb and Allen waived preliminary hearing and were bound over to the grand jury. They are being held in the county jail.

An information issued by the district attorney charges them specifically with burglary not in a dwelling, and mentions the Medford Coca Cola Bottling company and Industrial Air Products company.

More than \$1,100 was taken from the Coca Cola company on June 23, and on July 7 a \$4 theft occurred at the air products company.

City police Tuesday obtained signed statements from the two men, both from New Mexico, in which they admitted entering more than a dozen local business establishments since June 23.

Four burglary attempts were made in Grants Pass, two in Klamath Falls, and the remainder in the Medford and Central Point area, according to the statements.

Portland - (UPI) - Friday will be Oregon Centennial Sports Day at the Centennial Exposition.

'Bard's Heyday' Sunday With Tours of New Shakespearean Theater Planned

"The Bard's Heyday," an annual Shakespearean festival event sponsored by the Tudor Guild, is scheduled for Sunday afternoon and evening, July 12. The festivities will take place at the new Shakespearean Theater in Ashland and will be combined this year with an open house of the new building.

Tudor Guild members will be in costumes in the theme of "Tudor Fair." A variety of booths, both inside and outside the theater walls, will be in operation beginning at 1 p.m. Proceeds will go to bene-

fit the Shakespearean Festival.

One booth will be set up for selling food, always a favorite of Heyday. Hot pasties, turnovers containing meat, potato, and onions, as well as the yellow saffron bread will be sold. Different types of sandwiches, cole slaw, tarts, ice-cream, cold punch, and hot coffee—prepared again this year by Clarence Lane—will be featured.

Souvenir articles will be vended such as Shakespearean stationery and cocktail napkins, post cards, Shakespearean

character figurines, jewelry and many more.

A national competition among the Shakespearean actors with cash prizes will be seen again this year on the stage. Actors draw a topic, usually slanted along the humorous vein, receive a few seconds to prepare, and present their interpretation. This entertainment is to be free and will take place after guided tours through the new theater are ended around 6:30 p.m. Tours will begin at 1 p.m. and run throughout the afternoon.

No admission fee will be charged and the general public is invited to attend.