

STEEL NEGOTIATIONS COLLAPSE

Rogue River Basin

Copper Dam Site Large, Important

(Editor's note: This is the fourth in a series of articles describing the work of engineers' proposals for development of the Rogue Basin, based on a three-year study, and contained in preliminary fact sheets issued recently. A hearing on the proposals is tentatively scheduled for September. Previous articles have discussed the Lost Creek, Elk Creek and Meadows dam sites. This one explains proposals regarding the Copper site on the Applegate river.)

The Copper site on the Applegate river is a large and important dam in the engineers' findings. It would, if approved, provide many benefits—among them flood control, irrigation, power generation, recreation and fish life.

The Copper dam would be the earth and gravel fill type and would rise 222 feet above stream level. The total storage capacity would approximate 72,000 acre feet, with a usable capacity of 55,000 acre feet. The surface area of the lake or pool, at capacity, would be about 945 acres or roughly 1 1/2 square miles. Extreme minimum pool is estimated at 420 acres of surface area. The shore line of the Copper reservoir would be 16 miles at full pool and 8 miles at extreme minimum pool.

The operating plan calls for the Copper pool to be maintained at such an elevation between Nov. 15 and Jan. 31, as to provide 55,000 acre feet of storage for flood control.

Stream Flow Data
In respect to the fishery, releases would provide not less than the following minimum flows, even in low-water years:

1. At least 50 cubic feet per second at all times from the dam to the mouth of the Little Applegate.
2. At least 120 cubic feet per second during January and February and from July 1 through October at Applegate and Wilderiver gages.
3. At least 100 cubic feet per second from March 1 through June at the same gages.
4. Natural flows would be released during November and December, except as modified by flood control operation.

Reservoir draw-down would occur after June 1, as necessary, to provide above-minimum flows and irrigation requirements. It would be planned for the reservoir to be emptied by November 15 to provide storage space for flood control.

Copper reservoir would generally be operated in the interest of flood control on the Applegate, although it would also reduce flood stages on the Rogue. Evacuation of stored waters would be accomplished in not more than approximately two weeks following each flood peak. During these periods, regulated flows would exceed natural flows, but generally would be held below bank-full stage. For irrigation, Copper reservoir would provide water

for about 5,000 acres of new land, and supplemental water for 9,400 acres now having an inadequate supply.

The Copper power generating installation of about 4,320 kilowatts would be operated at an 80 per cent daily load factor and no re-regulation would be required. Average annual power generation would approximate 22,688,000 kilowatt-hours.

The recreational values of Copper Reservoir would perhaps be essentially of local significance. Because of rugged shoreline topography, and draw-down which normally would begin in June, extensive public use would be limited. There would be some opportunity for boat launching ramps, parking and day-use facilities, depending on grades and alignment of relocated roads. It is anticipated, however, that the reservoir would be utilized extensively for early season fishing.

Fish Storage Water
A total of 30,000 acre feet of storage space would be provided at Copper to maintain increased low-water flows for fish life. These flows would represent an increase of from 200 to 900 per cent over present minimums. Release temperatures would be held to a maximum of 60 degrees F. by use of multiple-level outlet facilities. In addition, permanent facilities would be provided downstream from the dam, to trap and transport upstream migrants, as necessary. The multiple-level outlets would permit downstream fingerlings to pass the dam. The bureau of sport fisheries and wildlife anticipates a considerable net annual fishery benefit on the Applegate should the Copper project be approved.

The next article will present the corps of engineers' tentative economic or financial data on the Copper structure.

Hoffa Threatens To Sue Kennedy

Washington—(UPI)—Teamster President James R. Hoffa threatened today to sue Rackets Committee counsel Robert F. Kennedy if he links him with accused Communist union leaders in future speeches.

He issued the threat as Kennedy fired questions about the Teamsters' alliance with left-wing leaders Harry Bridges and Louis Goldblatt of the International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's Union.

The issue arose after the committee clashed with Hoffa over a series of "I don't recall" answers he gave to charges that he approved a deal to have union monitor Godfrey P. Schmidt, his foe, resign in exchange for \$105,000 in legal fees.

Oregon Wagon Train At Hagerman, Idaho
Hagerman, Idaho—(UPI)—The Oregon covered wagon train, traveling at four miles per hour, clipped off a fast 21 miles to this southern Idaho town Monday.



SEN. HUBERT HUMPHREY His Hat in Ring

Sen. Humphrey Officially Enters Presidential Race

Washington—(UPI)—Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota formally but himself in the contest for the Democratic presidential nomination today.

His entry came in simultaneous news conferences by Gov. Orville F. Freeman of Minnesota at St. Paul and Sen. Eugene F. McCarthy (D-Minn.) here. They announced that a Humphrey-for-president campaign organization will be set up this week at St. Paul.

It was the first announced campaign for the presidency. Although Humphrey was not present, McCarthy told newsmen that "He knows we are making the announcement and, of course, approves it." Freeman and McCarthy will be co-chairmen of the campaign organization, which will be under the active direction of Lt. Gov. Karl F. Rolvaag of Minnesota.

McCarthy said Humphrey was ready to begin campaigning now to the extent that Senate duties permit and also was ready to compete in state primary elections.

Asked who appeared to be the toughest candidate to beat for the nomination, McCarthy said that now "the pace is undoubtedly being set" by Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.). He added that this situation would mean that Kennedy would still be in front in the home stretch of the campaign.

To a question about Humphrey's showing far back in public opinion polls, McCarthy conceded that his candidate has "got a long way to go" and said this was one of the reasons for the early start.

McCarthy said he thought there was a "good possibility" that Humphrey would be entered in the Oregon primary.

Defense Appropriation Nears Vote in Senate
Washington—(UPI)—The 86th Congress' largest money bill—a \$40 billion defense appropriation—nears a vote today in the Senate. Leaders called the Senate into an early session and expected final action before midnight.

Justice Douglas To Visit Portland
Portland—(UPI)—Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas will visit Portland briefly Friday en route to the annual Order of the Antelope trek to Hart mountain in southeast Oregon.

Western Germany Suggests Prompt Summit Meeting

Russia Accused of Attempting Freeze

Geneva—(UPI)—West Germany has suggested that the Big Four recess the Foreign Ministers Conference again and go straight to the summit on the broader issues of security and disarmament if Russia deadlocks the talks on Berlin, diplomatic sources disclosed today.

It was a surprise about face by Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, who previously had been adamantly opposed to a meeting of the Big Four chiefs of government without firm agreement on Berlin by the foreign ministers.

The United States accused Russia today of trying to freeze the East-West talks in deadlock by the sudden attempt to blackmail the West into recognizing Communist East Germany.

An American delegation spokesman labeled as "obstructive" the Soviet demand that the East Germans sit in on secret negotiating sessions of the Big Four foreign ministers.

New Soviet Demand
The diplomatic sources said West Germany suggested that details of the Berlin problem, in case of a stalemate here, should be "put over" to a third Big Four Foreign Ministers Conference to be convened after a meeting of the heads of state.

The Bonn government actually framed its informal recommendation before the East-West talks resumed Monday and were promptly plunged into a new impasse over the Soviet demand for Communist representation at the private talks.

The sources said the suggestion was made in a written memorandum delivered Monday morning to Secretary of State Christian A. Herter, British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd and French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville.

Alabama Men Held On Burglary Charge

Three Alabama men were scheduled to appear in district court this afternoon on charges of burglary not in a dwelling, according to District Attorney Thomas J. Reeder.

Complaints were being prepared this noon charging the three men with the burglary of O. K. Rubber Welders, Highway 99 north of Ashland, last night, Reeder said.

They are James Earl Quates, 23, and David Scott Quates, 26, Georgiana, Ala., and Lindell Worth Messer, 23, Oxford, Ala.

Officers reported today that the trio admitted in signed statements that they had taken tires, a speed wrench, fishing equipment and other items from the firm a short time before their arrest.

Central Point Man Held for Grand Jury

Robert Morris, 41, of Central Point, today is awaiting action by Jackson county grand jury on charges of assault with intent to commit rape. He is being held in the county jail on \$5,000 bail.

He was arraigned yesterday by District Court Judge E. Roy Bashaw. State police arrested the Central Point man Friday night near Ashland. Police said Morris admitted the assault of a woman, a California gynecologist, in a signed statement.

Police said the incident occurred Tuesday in the area near Blue Star Memorial park on Highway 99 south of Ashland.

The woman told police that a man came out of the nearby brush and grabbed her while she was resting in the park that day.

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Fish, Wildlife Opposed to Dams On Main Rogue

Travis Roberts of the U.S. fish and wildlife service told members of the Rogue River Basin Flood Control and Water Resources association here last night that the service is opposed to any dams on the main stem of the Rogue River.

Roberts said the service is opposed to main stem dams because it doesn't know of any way to maintain current fish runs under present plans.

About 125 persons attended the association meeting in the Jackson county courthouse last night. William Jess, Eagle Point, president of the association, presided.

Roberts said if the U.S. fish and wildlife service were to choose between the proposed Elk creek and Lost creek dams, it would choose Elk creek. With some diversion arrangement at Elk creek dam site it might be usable. However, the service doesn't know the requirements or facilities needed to protect fish at the Elk creek site, he pointed out.

Minimum Flow
Under questioning by Fay Bristol, Grants Pass, a state representative, Malcolm Karr of the state water resources board said the agency has established legally enforceable minimum flows at 600 cubic feet per second at south fork, and 1,000 cubic feet per second at Gold Ray and Savage creek dams. Karr pointed out, however, that the board has control only over water flowing down stream and not stored water.

Representing the fish and wildlife service were Roberts and George Black, fisheries biologist. Henry Stewart represented the U.S. Corps of Army Engineers and Lee McAllister, Boise, Ida., the bureau of reclamation.

Following a question and answer period, Jess invited those with further questions to write to him at route 1, box 346, Eagle Point. Questions will be compiled and referred to the Army Engineers' office in Portland, he said.

Plans are being made to hold a meeting in the upper Rogue river valley, and another meeting to discuss the feasibility of a dam at Copper on the Applegate area.

Likes Copper Site
Roberts said the fish and wildlife service is not opposed to dams at Lake creek or at Meadows on Evans creek, and "likes very much" the proposed site at Copper. The minimum stream flow requirements set there are more than the existing minimum flows the year around in the Applegate. A dam at Copper would increase the river flow and be beneficial to fish, he pointed out.

Roberts said the service is opposed to main stem dams on the Rogue because with fish passage, control and handling contemplated, it doesn't know enough about the possible effect on the fish to take a chance. It does know that 8 per cent of the spring and summer run of chinook salmon extends to near Prospect. A dam at Lost creek would cut off this 8 per cent of the fish population on the Rogue river, he explained.

The once-proposed Lewis creek site would affect more fish, Roberts said. Fish using the main stem of the Rogue river are not adaptable to other areas. They spawn in the main stem of the Rogue mostly, he explained.

Cole Rivers, Grants Pass, state game commission, pointed out that fewer numbers of fish in the Rogue did not mean they spread out over spawning pools. Rivers also backed up an argument by Col. Paul H. Weiland who was representing himself as a sports fisherman. He said the fish population in the Rogue river is not steadily declining.

Official Statistics
Rivers gave official statistics which showed that in 1942, when the count was first taken, 43,429 chinook were counted at Gold Ray dam. This dropped to 30,000 later, and in 1947 it increased to

Tennessee 'Cons' Continue To Hold Three Hostages

Prison Miners Seek Better Food, Pay

Petros, Tenn.—(UPI)—The two-day holdout of 95 rebellious convicts at Brushy Mountain State prison ended today. The convicts emerged from the coal mine where they held three prison employees as hostages and started returning to their prison cells. Prison officials said the hostages were unharmed.

Petros, Tenn.—(UPI)—Prison officials resumed negotiations today with 95 rebellious convicts armed with 200 sticks of dynamite who have threatened to blow up a prison mine, and perhaps themselves and three hostages, if their demands for better food and pay are not met.

The convicts are holed up 1,300 feet underground in the mine shaft. A. W. (Pat) Patterson, assistant state commissioner of correction, said.

Grievances Not Revealed
Patterson, who talked with the prisoners Monday night from a distance of 15 feet, would not reveal "general grievances" made by the striking convict miners. But he said they want better food and more pay for mining coal.

The rebellion, which began at 7 a.m. Monday, came close to ending Monday night when six convict spokesmen, three white and three Negro prisoners, agreed to give themselves up and promised to talk others into surrendering. But they later backed down.

Patterson said the convicts had promised not to harm the hostages, three men hired by the Brushy Mountain State prison to supervise mining operations. But Patterson said "a lot of men's lives and property are at stake."

Patterson said the convicts had threatened to "set fire to the mine or blow it up" with dynamite in the mile and a quarter deep mine which slopes underground from the top of a mountain here. He said the convicts told him they would do this if their demands were not met.

An explosion could kill anyone in the mine, officials said. The hostages, all married, were identified as Ben Davis, about 36; Earl Hensley, about 50, and Sherry Bunch, about 50. General mine foreman Tom Jones, about 60, was released early Monday with word that the convicts were holding the others hostage.

Carpenters to Convene In Medford Thursday
The annual convention of the Oregon State Council of Carpenters and the auxiliary will be held at the Medford Labor Temple starting at 1 p.m. Thursday, July 18.

Carpenters Local No. 2067 and the auxiliary are hosts for the three-day convention. This is the first time in many years that the state carpenters convention has been held here.

What's the Hurry—His Term Hasn't Expired Yet?



Hearing Held on Proposed Safety Code for Vehicles

Only a few representatives of the fruit and lumber industries attended a hearing held here this morning on proposed safety code for vehicles used to transport workers.

Vern L. Hill, director of the state department of motor vehicles, presided. The hearing is one of a series being held throughout the state.

Most of this morning's discussion included qualifications for drivers, load limits and seating arrangements and the need for first aid kit and fire extinguisher.

Some of those attending the meeting objected to the proposed regulation which specified "competent" drivers only are allowed to drive vehicles transporting workers. There is no basis to prove what driver is competent and which one is not, it was pointed out.

A chauffeur's license should be required, a member of the audience insisted.

However, Lt. E. W. Tichenor, local state police officer, noted that an employer can always make the driver qualifications more stringent. An employer can determine by a man's driving record and past experience if he is competent, it was agreed.

Lieutenant Tichenor insisted that every truck should have a fire extinguisher. Every vehicle transporting workers or used on the farm should carry a first aid kit equipped to take care of the number of persons it transports, it was pointed out.

The tailgate and sides of a flat-bed truck transporting workers should be high enough to support them, it was recommended. If standing, hand-rails should be provided. Pear lugs are strong enough for seats and heavy enough to prevent much shifting, it was agreed. Hill said the flat-bed truck was eliminated from the proposed code since it is hard to determine what is a safe number of passengers for it and it is hard to regulate.

Washington—(UPI)—Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore.) has asked the Civil Aeronautics Board to order hearings in Portland in the trans-Pacific route case.



S. T. (TENNY) MOORE Transferred to Denver

Tenny Moore Is Promoted to Post In Denver Office

S. T. (Tenny) Moore, fire control officer for the Rogue River National forest, has been promoted to regional fire control and information officer at Denver, Colo., effective Aug. 23.

The region administers national forests in Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming, according to C. E. Brown, supervisor of the Rogue River forest.

Moore, a native of Tennessee, received forestry training at Oregon State college and received his appointment in the forest service after graduating in 1945.

District Ranger
He was promoted to district ranger of the Detroit ranger district, Willamette National forest, after serving on the Wenatchee, Sitka, Malheur, Fremont and Willamette national forests as timber sale officer.

The forester was promoted to the Rogue job in 1955 and has been responsible for all fire control, range and wildlife management activities.

He has been a committeeman in Boy Scout work and is an elder in the Presbyterian church.

Moore will spend July 18-31 in the Colorado region participating in fire control inspection of the Black Hills forest in South Dakota. He is to return to Medford before the family moves to Denver about Aug. 23.

Blast Could Have Been Sonic Boom
A blast which could have been a sonic boom shook local residents about 12:30 o'clock this afternoon. Calls received at the state police office indicate the blast was felt most strongly in the Central Point area.

Control towers personnel at Medford airport said they definitely heard and felt the blast, which "shook the tower," but were unable positively to identify its nature. Skies were clear at the time, they said, except for one plane which they were unable to identify as a jet.

State police reported two calls, one of them from a resident about a mile east of Central Point, who said that the blast was "quite strong." A resident on Scenic ave. in Central Point said that she felt a severe jolt and that she was sure windows in her home would have been broken had they not been open.

Youth Conservation Bill Favored by Committee
Washington—(UPI)—The Senate Labor Committee today voted to report out a bill to authorize creation of a Youth Conservation Corps.

Aid to Preservation
Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) one of 21 co-sponsors, said the corps would provide healthy employment for young men and would also aid in preserving natural resources.

The measure provides for initial enrollment of 50,000 youths 16 through 21 years of age with eventual enrollment of 150,000. Enrollment would be for a period of six

Industry Rejects Union Move To Avert Walkout

Strike Slated For Midnight

Washington—(UPI)—President Eisenhower appealed to the steel companies and unions late today to invoke the services of the federal mediation and conciliation service in a last-ditch effort to settle their dispute.

New York—(UPI)—Steel wage negotiations collapsed today with less than 10 hours remaining before the midnight strike deadline.

R. Conrad Cooper, chief industry negotiator, turned down a last-minute union bid to avert a strike.

He said no further meetings had been scheduled for today. Cooper said it is "a mockery" for the union to pretend it wants to reach an agreement before the deadline while refusing to agree to a contract extension.

Strike Started
He told reporters the strike is already started. He said the steel furnaces will be shut down by midnight.

The new bid to break the contract deadlock had been made by David J. McDonald, president of the United Steelworkers Union.

McDonald said the union would agree to writing into the contract a statement that it was not opposed to technological progress in the plants. His offer was an effort to avert a major industry demand.

The industry had demanded contract language revision in connection with automation and other technological advances in line with an overall request for changes in the contract designed to eliminate "waste and inefficiency."

McDonald's dramatic bid to end the deadlock came during a one-hour morning negotiating session.

In Washington, President Eisenhower conferred with Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell about the steel crisis.

Asked about any new White House developments on the situation, Press Secretary James C. Hagerly said that Monday's presidential statement urging labor and management to continue efforts to reach agreement "is applicable today."

Oregon City Youth Sent To Hospital

Oregon City—(UPI)—Patric David Smith, 15, Portland, was pronounced mentally disturbed Monday by a panel of three psychiatrists who said he was not able to understand charges against him. The youth is accused of the slaying of Mrs. Minnie Sweetland, 75, in her Clackamas county variety shop at the southeast edge of Portland May 2.

The youth was committed to the Oregon State Hospital at Salem for an undetermined time or until he may have recovered to the point where he could face trial on a charge of first degree murder.

Nike-Asp Rocket Tests Solar Flares

Point Arguello, Calif.—(UPI)—A two-stage Nike-Asp rocket streaked 150 miles into the sky today to sample cosmic radiation spewed from solar flares on the sun.

Dubbed Project Sunflare by the Navy, the slender solid-fuel dart was the initial firing from this major missile launch site of the future. The rocket packed a 50-pound payload for its 8-minute flight.

Radio reports were received for five minutes of the flight.

Shakespearean Festival Rehearsals Will Close to Public on Wednesday

Ashland—Oregon Shakespearean Festival officials have announced that all rehearsal periods will be closed to the public starting Wednesday, July 15. The unusually early closure is an emergency measure designed to help solve the many special problems of opening both the season and a new theater.

"We are a little behind our regular schedule," Richard L. Hay, designer of the new stage and technical director for the festival, said today. "An audience at these final, crucial rehearsals would tend to delay us further. As it is, we are faced with a real problem in meeting our July 28 opening."

The phase of operations known as "technical rehearsals" starts Wednesday. During a four-day period, each of the four productions is worked separately and carefully with the emphasis on all technical details. Sound cues are set; lights are ad-

justed; musical timing is secured; and the mechanical problems of scene changes and curtain manipulation are solved.

"It's a slow process," Hay said. "We have to start and stop and repeat frequently. Several crew members and department heads are involved. Communication between those responsible is much easier without spectators."

Construction of the new theater and re-landscaping of the house area remain incomplete. Production crews and actors have had to share work hours with builders. Lighting crews, under lighting director Hugh Evans, have been using the hours from midnight until dawn to mount and focus lights.

On Monday, July 20, the first round of dress rehearsals starts. The four programs—"Twelfth Night" and "The Masque of the New World"

(played together), "King John," "Measure for Measure," and "Anthony and Cleopatra"—will each have an afternoon run-through and an evening dress.

On Friday, July 24, final dress begins. This four-day schedule will be open to those holding Festival memberships, as in the past. Special guests from an educators' conference and from press, radio, and TV will also be invited to view the final dress rehearsals. The 1959 season opens Tuesday, July 28, with the Feast of the Tribe of Will in Lithia park at 6 p.m. followed by "The Masque" and "Twelfth Night."

Advance ticket sales continue to exceed last year's totals. Festival officials, commenting on the rehearsal closure, assure patrons that the theater would be ready for the July 28 opening, but by a narrower margin than any in recent years.

WEATHER
FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday. Low night 52. High Wednesday 90.
Full Moon July 19
Highest Yesterday Temp. 91
Lowest This Morning 54
Our Skies Tonight
Sunset today 7:48 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:47 a.m.
Moonset tomorrow 12:51 a.m.
Full Moon July 19
Jupiter, the planet seen to the left of the Moon tonight, next week begins a slow eastward motion among the stars of the ecliptic that will continue until April, 1960.