

PUD Backers Meet PP&L Officials in Review of Proposal

Grants Pass — Backers of a proposed Peoples Utility district in Josephine county met opponents of the measure met head-on for the first time in their election campaign here Monday night.

About 150 people attended the public forum at North Junior High school to hear each side present its case and answer questions. The issue is on the Nov. 6 ballot.

Questions asked by members of the audience indicated that each side had supporters present, although the audience in general seemed to favor the PUD opponents a little more than its backers. Each side supported its case with figures.

The PUD proponents leaned heavily on a comparison of electric rates in Josephine county with those in other parts of the northwest, showing the local rates to be among the highest in the area. The PUD side claimed it would be able to reduce these rates.

Can Not Be Compared

The opposition charged that sparsely populated Josephine county could not be fairly compared with more densely populated areas, because it costs more to serve an area where electric customers are scattered over a wide, hilly area.

Jack Frisbee, manager of the Salem, Ore., Electric cooperative, and Robert Stumbo of Wolf Creek, one of the candidates for member of the board if the PUD is approved by the voters, spoke for the PUD backers, along with Robert Dale, Grants Pass businessman.

The opposition was represented by Ray Salisbury, Grants Pass attorney speaking in behalf of the "Committee Against PUD Debt and Taxes," a citizens group, and Frank Bash, PP&L vice president and general manager of its Copco division.

The opposition charged that the creation of a PUD would be an expensive process, involving additional property taxes for county residents to pay.

Get District Started

The PUD proponents replied that the small millage rate it would be able to charge would be "negligible" and would merely be used to get the district started.

The opposition pointed to the fact that PP&L crews were called in from other areas after the recent storm to help restore service. Asked what they would have done in such an emergency, the PUD proponents said they would have brought in extra crews from other PUD's and public power agencies in the Northwest.

Both sides were to meet again this noon when they appear before the Grants Pass city school board for another presentation.

Oceanlake Police Officer Wounded

Oceanlake — (UPI) — Rodney Rosenbaum, 45, a local police officer, was in critical condition at a McMinnville hospital today after being shot while patrolling in search of a prowler at the home of a woman in Delake.

No charge was placed against the woman, Mrs. Irene Lou Schrock, 34, mother of three children.

Rosenbaum was struck by a .32 caliber bullet fired through a door from inside the woman's home. The bullet was deflected by papers in his pocket. It hit him in the chest and finally lodged in a kidney.

Salem — (UPI) — The State Board of Control has authorized creation of an isolation ward at the State Tuberculosis hospital here.

Portland Hunters Trapped in Snow For 11 Days

Portland — (UPI) — Two Portland hunters told Tuesday of how they were trapped in their jeep for 11 days on Strawberry mountain near John Day because of snow.

Donald Burtis and Wayne Johnson were located by state officer Douglas G. Bunch of John Day, and relatives. They returned home this week.

The two men said they "lived" in sleeping bags in the Jeep and subsisted on cold canned goods, including frozen sauerkraut.

Snow Becomes Deep
Burtis said they had shot a deer and began to dress it when snow started to fall. Soon it was deep and they were stalled.

Relatives became concerned, especially after the Oct. 12 storm. Two of Burtis' brothers and their sons left here to start the search and were met at John Day by officer Bunch. The brothers had hunted in the area and Bunch flew over it, spotting the Jeep in the snow. A ground party struggled through the snow to them and found them in good condition despite their ordeal.

Burtis said the deer was buried beneath snow and it is believed the Jeep cannot be moved until next spring.

80 Americans To Study Pole's Warm Waters

Washington — (UPI) — Some 80 American scientists will soon head south to spend the Antarctic summer studying such polar puzzles as lakes that apparently won't freeze.

Investigators of the United States Antarctic Research Program, sponsored by the National Science Foundation here, will search for the source of curiously warm layers of water in two Antarctic lakes that, though covered with ice 10 to 14 feet thick, have fresh water layers with 70-degree temperatures.

'Suggestion' as Drunkenness Force Tested at Hospital

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New York — (UPI) — Could it be more "suggestion" than the accumulative alcoholic force of three mar-



tinis which converts imbibing human beings into silly asses?

This question has been in the minds of some psychologists for a long time. Alcohol has power of its own, and no one would deny it. But "suggestion" is an enormously powerful psychological force.

People who drink martinis or anything alcoholic know full well they'll go "under the influence" in strict relation to the amount they drink. That is "suggestion."

The question is which contributes the most to drunkenness, "suggestion" or alcohol? Dr. Peter Hartocollis of the C. F. Menninger Memorial hospital, Topeka, Kan., made a scientific stab at answering it.

He persuaded 15 young physicians to be guinea pigs. They permitted a substance of a nature unknown to them to be infused into an arm vein by the now well-known drip method employed for intravenous feedings in hospitals.

Blood Level Raised
This substance was diluted alcohol. In an hour's time, enough of it was infused into each young man to raise his blood alcohol level to the point of intoxication.

Since they didn't know what was going into them, there could have been no specific "suggestion" that the result would be drunkenness—according to the experimental design. Therefore if they did not act drunk with the required amount of alcohol in their blood, "suggestion" would be proved a powerful contributor to drunkenness.

Hartocollis kept them under close observation for an hour after they had been loaded,

and he informed Rutgers University Center of Alcohol Studies, New Brunswick, N.J., that "contrary to the hypothesis that would attribute a major part of alcohol effect to suggestion, it was found the subjects could look and feel drunk whether or not they knew or thought they knew they were under the influence of alcohol."

Evaluation Proves Difficult

His guinea pig physicians were all aware that what had been put into them, whatever it was, was producing changes in them, both emotionally and physically. Their behavior changed, too. The changes were not uniform but they

were present in every man. "It proved difficult to record and evaluate the behavior, which in most cases changed toward elation and excitement, subsequently quieting down to a state of relaxation, sleep or stupor," Hartocollis reported.

These changes were not different in type and variety than would have been expected if they had known they were taking on alcohol. But Hartocollis noted that the element of "suggestion" was not entirely absent, and he deplored of science being able to eliminate it in experiments. The subjects knew there

was no point in infusing anything into them unless some reaction was anticipated. All of them tried to guess what the substance might be, and some guessed correctly. The others guessed it was a new hallucinating drug which if they had believed firmly in the guess would have "suggested" behavior not too different from standard alcoholic behavior.

BROODER HOUSE BURNS

Newberg — (UPI) — A \$50,000 fire at Walker Farms in the West Chehalis area west of here late Monday destroyed a brooder house, killing 3,000 young turkeys.

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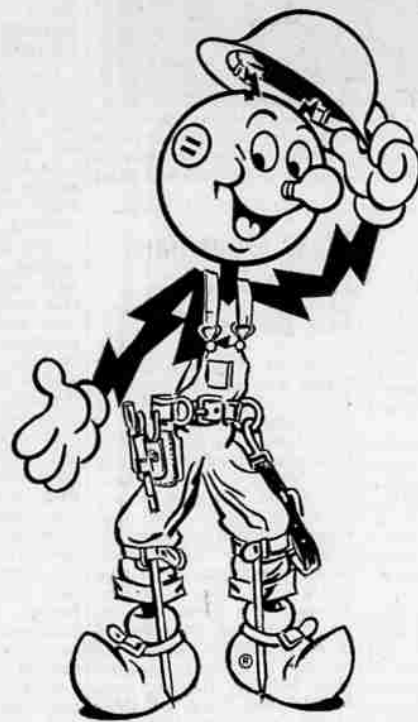
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