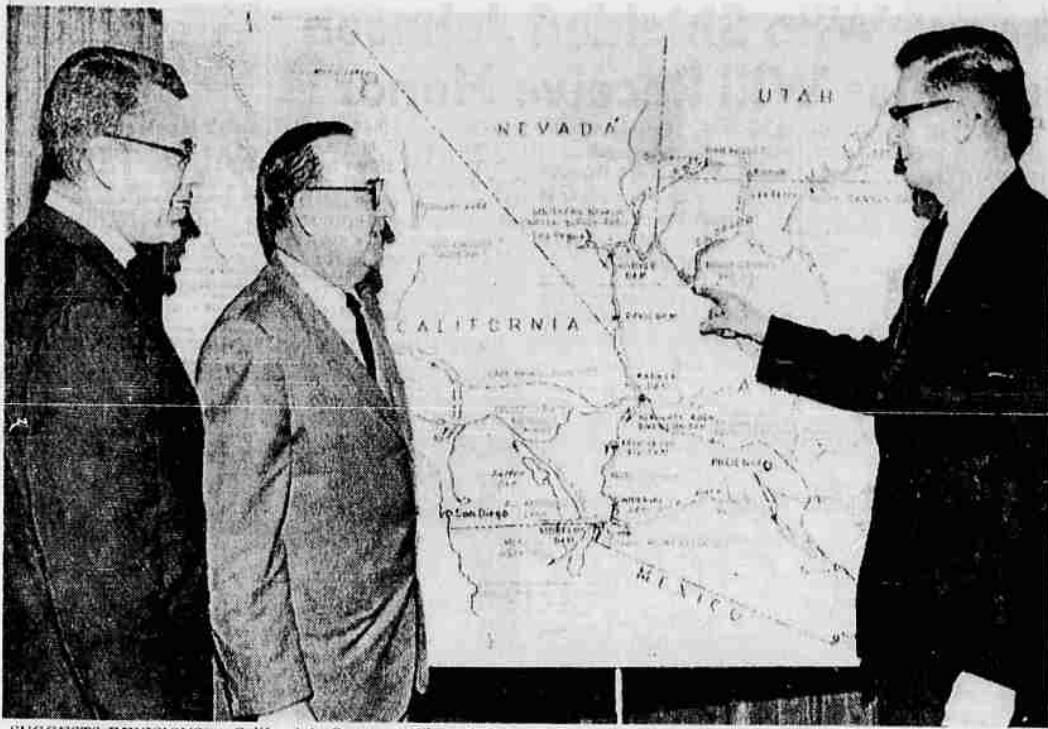




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He said that if the federal government approved his revisions, Californians "would have much to gain and nothing to lose by supporting the modified plan in congress."

The original plan, as proposed last August by Interior Secretary Stewart Udall, was aimed at ending water shortages in the rapidly growing desert areas of the Pacific Southwest, mainly by taking water from Northern California.

In all, Udall proposed spending more than \$4 billion on a unified system of dams, reservoirs, aqueducts and powerhouses in California, Nevada, Arizona, Utah and New Mexico. Brown's revisions opened the possibility of bringing in Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

Both the Udall plan and Brown's revisions resulted from a Supreme Court decision last June that could ultimately deprive California of nearly half the water it now takes from the Lower Colorado River. The loss could go up to two-million acre-feet annually, an amount equal to 10 per cent of all the water now being used in the state. (An acre-foot will cover one acre to a depth of one foot.)

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Floyd Baker, of Reter Fruit Company, Medford, was appointed to fill Culbertson's unexpired term until the board election in November, 1964, when Director Gene Cameron will also be up for election.

In his letter Culbertson wrote, "I do not agree with present board policy and cannot agree in good conscience."

Culbertson's resignation is the third this year from the MID office. Philip B. Lowry resigned earlier as attorney.

Mrs. Jack Peterson also resigned recently, and urged that an audit be made of the district's books.

John A. Graff Jr., certified public accountant, made an audit and said everything was in order. At the insistence of Culbertson and a water-users' committee, John Niedermeyer, district water-user, farmer and

Water Plan Said Not In Best Interests

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Sen. Len B. Jordan said today that a Southern California proposal to tap the Snake River in Idaho is not in the best interests of national water conservation.

Water, the Idaho Republican said, is the life blood of the United States and every effort must be made to get full potential use from our water resources.

He said that carrying of water through an aqueduct to supply water for a coastal state which admittedly has not developed nearly all of its own water resources that are presently wasting to the sea cannot be termed a wise use of that resource in the national interest.

In Idaho, he said, that water can be used to make thousands of acres productive agricultural land as well as provide water for new industrial plants and for increased domestic use without large, expensive aqueducts being necessary.

Jacksonville Sewer Nears Completion

JACKSONVILLE — This city's sewer system has virtually been completed and may be put into service next week.

Members of the Jacksonville City Council learned at last night's regular council meeting that the system is now complete except for a few minor details.

Dean Parsons of Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield, Corvallis engineering firm which acted as consultant on the project, will inspect the system tomorrow, it was learned.

If the system is judged to be ready, it will be placed into operation sometime next week.

Results of Parsons' inspection are scheduled to be made known Friday.

Coupons Admitted As Evidence in Mail Fraud Trial

PENDLETON (UPI) — A number of reply coupons from prospective buyers of land in arid Harney County were admitted as evidence today over defense objections at the mail fraud trial of seven men.

Notations on the coupons indicated many persons who responded to advertising thought lakes and trees were on or near the tract, government attorneys claimed.

The trial was in its third day. Federal Judge John F. Kennedy took under advisement arguments over admission of three certified surveyors' maps of tracts at the Lake Valley subdivision. The government argued for their admission and the defense opposed it.

Mrs. Betty Bardwell of Burns, former secretary - treasurer of the Harney County Escrow Co., testified today she helped mail brochures to persons who replied to newspaper advertisements. She testified the Burns office was set up by one of the defendants, Richard Dale Walker and one of his employees from California.

More than 15 government witnesses testified Tuesday of their dissatisfaction with land in the area.

The defendants, all from the Los Angeles and Chicago areas, are officials of Harney County Land Development Corp., which sold lots in arid Lake Valley, 22 miles south of Burns.

Acting U.S. Attorney Sidney I. Lezak, in his opening statement, said the land was classified as class 7 grazing land, which is the next class above "cliffs and complete wasteland."

The tracts were purchased for \$24 an acre and were being resold at \$395 an acre with \$5 down and \$5 a month payment, according to testimony.

The defendants are Abraham Koolish, 70, and his son, David, 42, both of Winnetka, Ill.; John Phillips, 38, Evanston, Ill.; Jack Cherbo, 37, Chicago; Richard Dale Walker, 40, Los Angeles; George Isaacs, 30, Glendale, Calif.; and Maurice Hall, 39, Beverly Hills, Calif.

Jury Views Site in Condemnation Suit

A state highway commission condemnation suit got under way yesterday in Jackson County Circuit Court with the jurors viewing the property of Marian Nye Bean Bossler near Prospect.

The highway commission is seeking 3.7 acres to be taken for realigning Highway 62. Mrs. Bossler contends the land taken and resulting damages to her property is worth \$142,000 in compensation. No access would be provided.

Train Robbery Suspect Is Held

LONDON (UPI) — An Irish-born, bearded antique dealer was ordered held without bail at Linslade today for a pre-trial hearing Dec. 10 as a key suspect in Britain's \$7.3 million "great train robbery," the largest in history.

The suspect, John T. Daly, 31, was remanded in custody on a charge of conspiracy and robbery in connection with last August's crime. He said the charges against him were "all lies."

Daly had been under close and heavy police guard throughout the night in his cell at Aylesbury, a village north of London, a few miles from where the mail train was hijacked.

He was arrested Tuesday in his \$84-a-week apartment in a swanky section of London.

Part of Plans for Boardman Park Will Be Announced Early in Year, Hatfield Says

Senate Passes One Year Extension to Mexican Labor Bill

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Senate agreed today to a simple one-year extension of the Mexican farm labor program and sent the controversial measure to President Johnson.

The program brings thousands of Mexican workers—the so-called braceros—into the United States to help harvest crops, especially in California, Texas and Arizona.

The Senate agreed to a House-passed bill by a roll call vote of 50 to 36.

The Senate acted on the House bill at the urging of Agriculture Committee Chairman Allen J. Ellender, D-La.

The vote came after the Senate heard Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy, D-Minn., and Assistant Majority Leader Hubert H. Humphrey, D-Minn., plead for the Senate to hold fast to its earlier stand.

They asked that the Senate insist on a conference with the House on McCarthy's amendment which would have required farmers to offer domestic workers transportation, housing, workmen's compensation, and a minimum work period guarantee. Such benefits are extended to Mexican workers.

McCarthy and Humphrey said they were seeking to protect American workers and not to kill the bracero program. Humphrey said inclusion of the McCarthy amendment in the program would not hurt Mexico, but that failure to include it would hurt domestic migrant workers.

The House passed legislation calling for a simple one-year extension after sidetracking a Senate bill including the McCarthy amendment.

To agree to the House measure, McCarthy said, would be a "surrender" to the other body. He said it would set a bad precedent for other legislation on

which the House and Senate differed sharply.

The bracero program was begun in 1951 under an agreement with Mexico. It is administered by the Labor Department, which also has called for its amendment to give great protection to domestic workers.

Opponents of the program have contended for years that the wages and working conditions of domestic farm workers are hurt by the use of Mexican labor. However, supporters of the program argue that Americans will not do the "stoop" labor performed by the braceros.

County Court to Decide About Public Hearing

The county court will decide Thursday or Friday whether another public hearing should be called for the residents of the South Talent interim zoned area.

This would determine feasibility of holding an election on zoning before the ordinance expires Nov. 1, 1964.

Ten people from the area asked the county court this morning not to hold an election before Nov. 1. They agreed to another public hearing and promised to have a delegation of people attend representing their views.

They also said they would circulate petitions so people who signed earlier petitions calling for an election may withdraw their names if they so desire. The south Talent group this morning said a number of people signed the petitions thinking calling for such an election was a normal procedure.

Donald Grimes, spokesman for the group, said Jameson Sellick, Ashland, was their only representative at Monday night's hearing on the proposed election due to the fog. That group voted 18-0 to hold the election at the earliest date.

George Brenner, Jackson County planning director, explained the new state law does not require the county court to hold an election at the expiration of an interim zoning ordinance although Judge Miller indicated the court would. A hearing on permanent zoning for the land use study for the area is completed, he said.

Miller said the court would direct the planning commission not to expend further time and money on a land use study if an election should be called now and until the election results are in.

Dry Ice Causes Snow To Fall

George Milligan of the Federal Aviation Agency and Mercy Flights was up in the air again today attacking the fog which blanketed the Medford Municipal airport for the fifth consecutive day.

Snow flakes fell on Medford streets as a result of his dry ice sowing of the atmosphere, but fog was still in evidence. Milligan had returned at noon to report on the extent of the project. He went up at about 10 a.m., according to the FAA tower staff.

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Eighteen other persons are awaiting trial on charges stemming from the robbery.

Charges of receiving some of the proceeds of the theft were dropped against another person, a woman, last Monday. Only a fraction of the stolen money has been recovered so far.

Four other major suspects are wanted for questioning in connection with the robbery. They are Bruce Edwards, Daly's brother-in-law and also an antique dealer; Ronald "Buster" Edwards, a nightclub owner; Roy J. "Weasel" James, a racing car driver; and James E. White, a cafe proprietor.



CLOSES COUNCIL — Pope Paul VI stands in front of his throne in St. Peter's Basilica during closing ceremonies of Ecumenical Council session in the Vatican City. As he closed the session, he announced he will make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in January. (UPI Radioteletype photo)

Pope Paul VI Tells Of Holy Land Visit As Council Closes

VATICAN CITY (UPI) — Pope Paul VI closed the second session of the Ecumenical Council today with a surprise announcement that he will make an historic visit to the Holy Land in January.

The visit to the Middle East, the birthplace of Christianity, will be the first by a Pope since the time of St. Peter 1,900 years ago.

Pope Paul will be the first pontiff to leave Italy in 151 years. Vatican sources said he will make the trip by air which will be the first flight by a Pope.

The birthplace of Christ and the holy places identified with his life now lie in Israel and Jordan, and sources said the Pope will visit both countries.

The announcement of his forthcoming journey was made by the Pope at the end of a half-hour speech closing the second session of the council, Vatican II. A third session is scheduled for next September.

Shortening of Decrees — In his Latin language discourse, the Pope ordered a simplifying and shortening of proposed decrees still to be considered by the council in hopes of completing its work next year.

The council fathers took final votes approving decrees on the form of public worship for Catholics and on modern communications media. The Pope then promulgated the decrees, and they became binding as law on the world's half billion Roman Catholics.

The decrees were the only two of 17 documents up for consideration by the council that have been completed, although three more are close to being finished.

Following the promulgation, the Pope addressed the 2,150 prelates present in the great Basilica of St. Peter's and told them the "practical implications" of the council's work will be decided by commissions after it has drawn to a close.

Symbolizes Theme — In deciding to visit the Holy Land in Palestine, the Pope dramatically symbolized the theme of the present council

called by his predecessor Pope John XXIII. Pope John signified his desire to bring the church up to date with the times.

By visiting the Holy Land, presumably by chartered jetliner, Pope Paul will be going back to the origins of Christianity.

Not since St. Peter, one of Christ's 12 apostles and the first Pope who left Palestine and established the papacy in Rome, has a pontiff returned to the Holy Land. St. Peter died a martyr's death by crucifixion in Rome in 64 A.D.

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Firemen said that Huckaba was cleaning a pair of coveralls in the bathtub with gasoline. An electric heater nearby ignited vapors from the gasoline. The resulting explosion blew the door off the bathroom.

Both fire and explosion damage occurred to the bathroom and all of the apartment was damaged by smoke, according to firemen, who were summoned about 4 p.m.

Huckaba was treated at the scene. George Cox, Fern Valley Road, is owner of the apartment house.

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Governor Praises Legislature for Handling Crisis

Legal Action Could Slow Park Progress

SALEM (UPI) — Some of Boeing Company's plans for the proposed 100,000-acre Boardman space area industrial park will be announced by the first of the year, Gov. Mark Hatfield said Tuesday.

The governor told a news conference that while the project remains to be completed, "we have made tremendous yardage."

He voiced praise for the legislature's quick handling of the fiscal and Boardman crises during the special session.

"The legislature has redeemed itself in the eyes of the people to some extent by minimizing the bickering that characterized the regular session," he said.

The Governor has scheduled a meeting with Veterans' Affairs Director H. C. Saalfeld to work out details of the agency's take-over of the Boardman project.

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At least one legislator is reported to be considering a suit to challenge the legality of the Boardman bill adopted at the special session which ended Monday.

Hatfield said Boeing already was on the site, and he expected the fact that Boeing had the land would improve its competitive position in the battle for space-age contracts.

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But Bolling, a member of the rules committee, indicated that not enough civil rights sympathizers could be kept in Washington during the Christmas holidays.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Fog in most of valley through Thursday. Occasional high clouds above fog. Low tonight 25-30. High Thursday 32-37, except 40-43 above fog.

Highest Yesterday 32
Lowest This Morning 28
Prev. to 10 a.m. Today, Trace

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today 4:23 p.m.
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The planet, Saturn, setting earlier each night, will leave the evening sky in January and will return as a morning planet in March.