



"THE PAPER THAT HAS NO ENEMIES HAS NO FRIENDS."
—George Putnam.

North Santiam Spotlited

Detroit dam has been followed carefully in each and every step of its construction on the North Santiam river a few miles from Mill City. Now the dramatic moment approaches when Detroit dam will start producing power. The great event will be marked down in history by special dedication ceremonies.

Fortunate is the North Santiam Canyon in having a ready-made organization, the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce, active and alert for just such an occasion as the dedication of Detroit dam. The Army Engineers under the leadership of Harry Rutherford, resident engineer on Detroit dam, recognize this fact and are co-operating whole-heartedly with the canyon group.

North Santiam Canyon citizens are stacking up a fine record in civic activities that really count and bode well for the future. On projects that stand high in the public good citizens of the North Santiam have been right there with the goods. Many friends were greeted and acquaintances made during open house at Detroit dam. The June 10 dedication ceremonies should be and no doubt will be star-studded with a similar display of typical North Santiam friendliness.

The remainder of the nation will be given a glimpse of us because of the dedication ceremonies, June 10. We are confident that our brothers everywhere will be truly interested in how we conduct ourselves here in the great west. Our citizens need not be reminded that their genuine good will can not help but generate friendship in far away places. Modern means of communication will carry to the world a view of the Detroit dam and the people who live in the beautiful area around it.

SENATOR MORSE AND THE G.O.P.

Editorial from The Daily Home News, New Brunswick, N.J.

Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon is in bad repute with the national Republican leadership, he having jumped off the Eisenhower bandwagon in the middle of all the campaign excitement last year.

He returned to the Senate as an Independent, and found himself stripped of committee seniority earned by his eight years service as a Republican. Calling himself an Independent now, he demanded his committee positions and suggested that committee size be increased to give the Republican majority an extra man, since he no longer is a Republican. He got no action.

The wisdom of the Republican choice to demote Senator Morse is now open to some question. Senator Morse has been a thorn in the G.O.P.'s side ever since he lost his seniority. One day, he objected to omitting reading of the previous day's journal (a routine procedure in the Senate and many other legislative bodies) and the clerk had to read the journal. Now during the tidelands debates he is enforcing a rule that Senate committees shall not meet while the Senate is meeting. It requires unanimous consent, which has almost always been given, for these committees to meet while the Senate is meeting. Senator Morse is objecting. One day when he went out to lunch, his colleagues gave a lot of these unanimous consents in his absence, despite the fact that senatorial courtesy usually requires a quorum call to notify a senator that something is coming up on which he usually acts.

We do not know where this will end. Senator Morse is not a crank. He has some mighty fine progressive ideas. And while his obstructionism may waste a good deal of time, he often cites sound truths which the other senators should heed. On Tuesday he told the Senate, "I say . . . that is a bad practice for the senate, supposedly carrying on the parliamentary business of the people of the United States, to be meeting in assembly with a half dozen, eight or 10 senators on the floor of the Senate, supposedly participating in debate, which, if we are free men, ought to make possible a change in the votes to be cast."

We think Senator Morse is 100 per cent sound on that. Senate debates should not take place in an almost empty hall. We have seen many Americans who visited Washington return sadly disillusioned after watching the Senate in "action", one senator declaiming to a bored audience of 10 or 15 senators, most of them not even listening.

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By Ed Nofziger



Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture

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Editorial Comments

QUESTIONS FOR BROWNELL

Last January, the senate rules committee on privileges and elections transmitted a report regarding Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R, Wis.), to the Department of Justice, now headed by Attorney General Herbert Brownell, Jr.

The report indicated that McCarthy diverted to his own use money contributed to him for other purposes in apparent violation of federal law. Does the justice department intend to take action on this matter before the statute of limitations expires?

The subcommittee raised the question of whether McCarthy used inside information, obtained as a member of the U. S. Senate, to make money in the soybean market. Is Brownell investigating this?

Figures in the report show that the senator and his administrative assist-

ant and landlord, R. Kiermas, received more than \$144,000 from undisclosed sources between Jan. 1, 1946, and Nov. 12, 1952. Since the subcommittee had McCarthy's and Kiermas' federal and state income tax returns available, the inference is clear that the source of these funds was not disclosed for income tax purposes in apparent violation of federal Wisconsin laws. What action is the Department of Justice taking on this matter?

The report noted the probable violation of Wisconsin laws limiting bank loans and investments in connection with money lent McCarthy by the Appleton State Bank. Is Brownell investigating this matter? If so, what action is contemplated?

How about it, Mr. Brownell?—From AFL News Reporter.

WHEN POLITICS AND SCIENCE CLASH

Secretary of Agriculture Benson, who has been in hot water cooked up by the cattlemen and dairy interests, is probably thankful that Secretary of Commerce Weeks has inadvertently diverted attention to another field.

Weeks got himself into hot water by summarily firing Dr. Allen V. Astin, director of the U. S. bureau of standards. He charged that the bureau had not been sufficiently "objective" in testing the pep-giving merits of a battery chemical known as AD-X2.

The Washington Academy of Sciences and the American Association for the Advancement of Science demanded Dr. Astin's re-instatement pending an impartial investigation. And senators, headed by Senator Thyre, chairman of the senate small business committee, got busy in an effort to head off the mass resignation of bureau of standards scientists in protest over Astin's dismissal. Hearings on the battery additive controversy are being speeded.

The protest became so loud inside and outside the congress, that Secretary Weeks backed down to the extent of announcing that Dr. Astin would remain on the job for several months and will then be offered another job.

Secretary Weeks probably would not have made so many scientists angry had he not charged that AD-X2 had been branded worthless without adequate tests and if he had not indicated his belief that such products should be tested only "in the market place." This was interpreted by bu-

FRANK EDWARDS Says:

(Heard over KPOJ, Portland, at 10:15 p.m., Monday through Friday)

The Department of Agriculture in the near future, plans to examine the farmers' qualifications to see which ones are "fit to farm." When the farmers hear about this, a lot of them are going to be "fit to be tied." John Davis of the Agriculture Department and head of CCC, says that there are too many "inefficient farmers." Davis says it would be better to get them off the farms and use the farms to grow grass and trees. This is the latest piece of business from the Business Administration.

When opponents of the oil giveaway bill offered to postpone their discussion while the senate took action on rent controls, which were scheduled to expire the end of April, Sen. Robert Taft refused, saying: "I don't care if rent controls expire or not."

Commenting on President Eisenhower's widespread acclaim for his recent peace address, Taft said: "That's fine, but it's a long way off."

Perhaps Senator Taft's attitude becomes more understandable if we stop to consider that for 12 years he has been in a state of suspended nomination.

In the course of his battle with the G.O.P. (which he will very likely win), Senator Morse may improve Senate operation immensely.

As the lone Independent in the Senate, Senator Morse is in a curious position. He can accomplish little in the way of legislation, or in committee work, because he stands alone. This has a balancing advantage in that he thus owes nothing to anybody and can speak his mind freely. His very real independence thus gives him the opportunity to turn the pitiless light of publicity on Senate failings which a regular affiliated party man often is under pressure to overlook. Senator Morse can, if he so decides, make himself a real watch-dog over his colleagues.

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rean and academy scientists not only as a reflection upon their scientific integrity but also as an avowal of the doctrine of caveat emptor—let the buyer beware.

The bureau, smarting under congressional pressure for a favorable verdict on the battery product, said it had tested the battery additive repeatedly, always with negative results.

The scientists resent what they term "political tampering" with scientific research. They want to know whether Secretary Weeks means to say that freedom of the market place means freedom to sell a fraud.

Naturally, Secretary Weeks meant to say nothing of the kind. But he did lay himself wide open to the wrath of American scientists who are very touchy indeed about scientific integrity and political pressure.

In any event, Secretary Weeks has stirred up a hornet's nest. And he can certainly say to the harassed Secretary Benson: "Move over, brother, you've got company."—From Oregon Journal.

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