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Another Tunnel

WHILE preparations are being made to celebrate the completion of the 925-foot, electrically lighted Salt Creek tunnel on the Willamette highway, word is awaited to start construction on another tunnel of vast economic importance to the Klamath basin—the 7000-foot Tule lake sump project tunnel.

Water, not motorcars, will move through the Tule-Lower Klamath lakes bore when it is completed and pumps are installed on the Tule lake side, possibly (and we hope) by the first of 1942. The two tunnels—Salt Creek and Tule-Lower Klamath—have little in common in physical characteristics and use, but both will be of great benefit to this community and both represent objectives toward which civic endeavor has been directed for many years.

The Tule lake tunnel, for which congressional appropriations have been made, will transfer surplus water from Tule lake to Lower Klamath, where it will be used for a great bird sanctuary and for limited irrigation. This will relieve the water pressure on the rich farm land in the Tule lake basin and will make possible the permanent cultivation of 20,000 or more acres in the Tule lake sump area.

This is familiar information to most readers, who will be more interested at this time in knowing when dirt will begin to fly on the big project.

Green lights for tunnel construction await only the determination of wages and conditions by the U. S. labor department. As soon as that is done, bids will be invited for the tunnel contract.

Out of the first appropriation of \$200,000, already authorized, it is hoped to let the tunnel contract and to construct the outlet on the Lower Klamath side. If another \$200,000 is authorized, as expected, next winter, there should be sufficient funds to complete the outlet canal and install pumps. January 1, 1942, is the date tentatively forecast for the completion of this phase of the project.

Pumping, of course, is the great objective, for the removal of water from the Tule lake basin, must begin in order to realize benefits from the project. Meanwhile, we can only hope that the forthcoming winter and spring are not so wet as to force the relinquishment of more sump farm land to the spreading water in the Tule lake basin.

Police Capture Man Carrying Nude Body in Trunk of Auto

LOS ANGELES, July 26 (UP)—Police last night captured a 45-year-old man with the decaying body of his asserted common-law wife, whom he said he slew two weeks ago with an axe and stuffed in the back of his automobile.

The man taken in custody gave his name as Ralph W. Griggs.

He had asked a passerby to drive his car for him because, police said, he was too drunk to drive. The obliging passerby found the body in the rear of the car when he investigated an odor that apparently was following the car.

Ecke Hedin told police Griggs had asked him to drive the car to a designated street corner where he wanted to find a man who would give him some money. Hedin drove the car, he said, but was unable to find the man. He then drove into a service station where he said Griggs attempted to borrow some money on a credit card.

Finds Nude Body
 Hedin, suspicious of a strong smell, opened the turtle-back of the car and found the partly nude body of a woman identified as Laura Long, 35. Officers said it was reported she had been living with Griggs as man and wife.

Griggs was taken to the police homicide bureau for questioning. He was said to have admitted killing the woman because "she was going to leave me," but refused to say where he had slain her.

In the back of his automobile, beside the body, two bags of lime were found, presumably to be used as an aid in getting rid of the corpse.

Unable to Tell
 At his home, however, Griggs was unable to tell a coherent account of what happened.

He did admit that he had slain the woman with one blow of a single-edged axe while they were riding in the automobile two weeks ago, although he did not know the exact day.

"It might have been on Wilshire boulevard (one of Los Angeles' busiest streets). It might have been 3 o'clock in the morn-

ing," he muttered. "It was terrible."
 Griggs told police he had driven around with the body in his car for the entire two weeks and had stayed drunk most of the time.
 "We just got in an argument," he was quoted as saying.

Courthouse Records (THURSDAY)

Decree Granted
 Betty Frances Morrison versus Willis Nathaniel Morrison. By default. Thomas W. Chaburn, attorney for plaintiff.

Justice Court
 Carl David Williams. No red light. Case continued.

In the days of Queen Elizabeth, Englishmen had to wear woolen caps on Sundays or be subjected to a fine.

PINE TREE NOW
 Another TRIUMPH... FROM THE PRODUCERS OF "KENTUCKY"

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NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, July 26—The money changers are supposed to have been permanently driven from the temple. Lo! these past seven years, and their sins along with the public utilities practices of the Insull era, are supposed to have been wholly decided and corrected by law. The government has announced it. But the preliminary skirmishes of this political campaign so far indicate the democrats who corrected the abuses irrevocably are reaching for these old dishes to re-cook them for the current re-edification of the public or otherwise.

Senator Norris has sarcastically called Mr. Willkie, the republican nominee, "a second Insull" and the democratic national convention has taken steps to further bring up the question of what kind of a utilities man Mr. Willkie was. A reportorial effort to collect and contribute non-partisan evidence on the subject develops the following results:

"CRAZY PERIOD"
 Mr. Willkie bared his theories on practically all phases of utility practice in testifying before the house interstate commerce committee five years ago, March 14, 1935, long before he considered entering a political career. Strangely he was against most of them, that is the old practices that prevailed before 1929. He referred to that era as "a crazy period."

Basically he favored abolition of intermediate holding companies, that is those beyond the second degree (his own Common-wealth and Southern had no intermediate holding companies then except a small one, he testified), which is about 99 per cent against what Insull stood for. In fact, he hewed not far from the line of the new dealers that the straight operation of a legitimate holding company made for efficiency in operation and development. This is practically the same thing the reforming TVA director, David Lilienthal, said when a public utility commissioner of Wisconsin, attributing "the spread of rural electrification, the amazing advances of telephony, the rise of super power systems—these and many other technological developments so intimately related to the public welfare" to the holding company. Willkie cited that evidence.

TOO MUCH PROFIT
 Willkie then charged his utility predecessors with having taken too much profit on engineering and supervision. (He said no profit was justified on supervision.) He said their old write-up policy was likewise unjustified. These he mentioned as "some practices that they engaged in that were wrong, but these practices were common to all business prior to 1929." He thought the indictment that had been made against the utilities was really "the indictment of a period and a general system of doing business."

The present republican nominee even advocated "some national commission" to prevent abuses such as the acquisition of common stock by a holding company in companies in which it had no operating interest. He also recommended publication of the costs of advertising and

similar expenses by local public utility companies. He was against upstream loans (that is loan from operating companies up to holding companies for no utilitarian, but only a financial purpose). "If that had been the law ten years ago, it would have saved us a lot of trouble," he said.

ASKS FOR RULES
 Attributing the bad name of the utilities to their failure to answer political charges for fear of punitive persecution by politicians, he concluded:
 "I ask with all the earnestness I know how, whatever you gentlemen decide to do with us, establish the rules; do not leave wide discretion in such matters with the federal commission, because there is nothing so tyrannical as a commission with wide discretion about such matters. If you determine it should be done, why establish the rules for us."

This evidence, which is wholly in keeping with the business practices which Willkie put into operation in his own company, drew for him a reputation among his colleagues in the utilities business as being something of a new dealer, a fact which the new dealers noted. They respected him greatly for it and considered him no more like the Insull type of utility executive than Mr. Roosevelt was like his predecessor Mr. Hoover.

SMART MAN
 A TVA attorney of sternest reform inclinations was talking among a group of friendly congressmen about the experience of his organization in dealing with Willkie. He said the ex-Hoosier attorney was the smartest man with whom TVA had come in contact, and complained that Willkie had run up the price of Commonwealth and Southern properties which he sold to the government.

Lilienthal had worked out what he thought was the bargain rate at which he intended to take the property, but Willkie forced him up \$20,000,000 by public addresses and protests which developed strong popular reaction against TVA. Lilienthal finally gave in, the attorney said, just to keep Willkie from going any higher.

SIDE GLANCES



"We couldn't help noticing that wonderful lemon meringue pie! We just had to stop and get your recipe!"

Former Envoy Predicts War Within 6 Months

BUTTE, Mont., July 26 (UP)—James W. Gerard, American ambassador to Germany prior to United States entry in the World War I, predicted today this country would be at war again within six months.

Gerard, vacationing in Montana, declined to say whether "it will be in the east, south or west." But he added that the most serious threat was from Nazi Germany.

"Americans are to be complacent," Gerard declared. "America is in real danger from Germany. The Nazis have a terrific military machine. Win or lose, they will make trouble for us."

He warned that the danger "is imminent and America has no time to prepare." He believed trouble would start with Nazi attempts at penetration of United States protected South America.

Two Die on Mountain Climb

VISALIA, Calif., July 26 (UP)—Two persons died and at least six others were overcome by exertion in the rugged Sierra mountains in eastern Tulare county, according to reports received today from a large party of hikers participating in the annual Sierra club trip to the vicinity of Mt. Whitney, highest peak in continental United States.

Coroner Roy Brooks said Dr. Harold E. Crow, Los Angeles physician and member of the party, believed to number almost 200, reported two men died from heart disease after crossing Forester pass, which is more than 13,000 feet high.

The dead, Crow said, were H. W. Mertensthal, 59-year-old Richmond Standard Oil company employee, and Vincent R. Smith, 30, of Los Angeles.

Loganberries first were discovered in the grounds of Judge Logan, Santa Cruz, Calif., in 1881.

JOB HOLDING CLAUSE PUT IN TRAINING BILL

WASHINGTON, July 26 (UP)—The senate military affairs committee yesterday wrote into the pending Burke-Wadsworth conscription bill a clause designed to protect the jobs of men drafted for compulsory military training.

The clause would make refusal of employers to re-hire those who have completed their training periods an "unfair labor practice" liable to prosecution under the Wagner labor relations act.

U. S. Jobs Cited
 The committee also adopted another proviso specifying that drafted government employees must be given back their jobs.

Committee Chairman Morris Sheppard said the "unfair labor practice" clause applies only to employers in interstate commerce. Another section, he pointed out, contains a specific declaration appealing to intra-state employers to re-employ trainees.

He said that only minor provisions of the measure remain to be acted on, and predicted the committee would approve the measure tomorrow. Other members, however, felt that final approval probably would go over until Monday.

Senate in Stormy Debate
 While the committee deliberated in secret session, the issue was stormily debated on the senate floor.

Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D-Mont.) charged that compulsory training is a "step toward totalitarianism" which is only stirring up war hysteria.

He was supported by Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg (R-Mich.) who asserted that peace-time conscription embodies the "collapse of 150-year-old tradition intimately connected with personal liberty."

Suggests Postponement
 Vandenberg suggested compulsory training be postponed until various voluntary enlistment proposals are tried. He contended shortening the enlistment period to one year probably would induce at least 1,000,000 young men to join the army voluntarily.

The present army enlistment period is three years. In the navy, the initial enlistment is for six years and subsequent reenlistments for four years. Debate was touched off by introduction of a bill to draft capital in event of war by Sen. Josh Lee (D-Okla.). Lee said it would be an "outrage" for the United States to commandeer the bodies and services of men in an armed conflict, and at the same time to "go begging" for funds with which to finance the war effort.

The house military affairs committee held a daylong hearing on the bill. Feature of the testimony was a statement by Maj. George B. Eberle of the war department general staff that the draft program—under which the army plans to call up 1,400,000 young men for training within the next 15 months—would add about \$1,100,000,000 to cost of maintaining the army during the current fiscal year.

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WEATHER

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA—

Fair tonight and Saturday but unsettled extreme north portion; fog on the coast; cooler in the interior; fresh northwest wind off the coast.

WASHINGTON AND OREGON—Showers tonight and Saturday; clearing Saturday; cooler east portion; moderate to fresh and northwest wind off the coast and over inland waters of Washington.

A 5-day-old arctic tern was banded in Labrador on July 22, 1927, and, within three months, was found in La Rochelle, France.

LAST DAY * SHIRLEY TEMPLE in "THE LITTLE PRINCESS"

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