

# FARMERS ASK INCREASE IN WATER LIMIT

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service, it was stated, has always given all districts all the water they have asked for so long as it is available.

**Careful Use**  
The commissioners indicated they would seek to devise some way to determine beneficial use in order that it may be established as a ruling principle in the supply of water to the farmers. They expressed a belief in the need for careful use of water in the basin, despite the abundant supply about which they talked in glowing terms.

**Waits Forced**  
First witness of the Tuesday afternoon session was Warner Carr, ditchrider in the heavily settled section of the EID. He testified that it has been necessary to provide more water for small tracts than the larger units, "at least three or four times as much." He said there was some complaint in his district due to the fact some users were forced to wait for water. He said further that pipe distribution, now partially installed in the district, would save about 30 per cent of the water.

Next witness was County Agent Charles A. Henderson who, in answer to queries from Dr. Peterson, said he believes farmers of the project are maintaining sufficient organic matter on the soil to provide efficient irrigation. To show the sustained productivity of the soil, he pointed out federal figures which show that in 1925, average potato production here was 101.1 bushels per acre, whereas in 1940 it was 420 bushels per acre.

**"Enclosed Basin"**  
Henderson said the project has never had an adequate study of the duty of water and that he feels one should be made for the benefit of farmers.

Dr. Peterson said that the Klamath is an "enclosed basin" and danger of water-logging in such districts is great. He urged careful use of water. He also expressed concern about noxious weeds, and the need for control of soil worm, ring rot and other potato diseases. Henderson told him the county appropriates \$7800 a year to fight weeds.

Layton Stephens, office engineer of the reclamation bureau, described ditch mileage in the project and various bureau procedures in providing water and determining charges.

He said the net inflow into Upper Klamath lake is 1,100,000 acre feet, with a minimum of 685,000 and a maximum of 2,000,000. He said the government recognizes two power rights of 355 second feet, but pointed out it is possible to "recapture" a part of the water taken down the river through the diversion canal. He said there is ample water to irrigate the project, and also pointed out that the Tule lake tunnel changes the character of drainage in the basin, which is no longer "enclosed" because of that bore.

Discussing excess charges, he said the money so collected is used to effect operation and maintenance costs on the main division. The KID gets most of the offset, he said, although most other districts share to some extent. The EID, which pays O. and M. on the main division only on the main canal to the point of diversion, gets a small share for that reason, he said.

Stephens said he believed it would be advantageous to the project to have a determination of beneficial use. He said the bureau had always provided water "on demand."

Several Warren act pump contractors appeared, all objecting to excess water charges. These included John Goldworthy, William Jinet, Jim Lacey and C. O. Prentiss. Testifying also at the afternoon session was W. J. Carsley, ditchrider on the Malin district.

The special commissioners making the study are Dr. Peterson, extension director of the University of Utah; Clifford E. Fix, assistant chief counsel of the bureau of reclamation, and W. D. Burt, special agent of the interior department's bureau of investigation.

Charles E. Stricklin, state engineer, attended all of the hearings and gave information on state irrigation laws and other matters.

# STRIKE HALTS WORK ON LOCAL AIRPORT

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Union men said that the union feels that inasmuch as it fought to have the airport work done by private contract rather than the WPA there should be no hesitancy at union recognition.

# BOAT BAN ON CRATER LAKE GIVEN STUDY

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Recent announcement by Crater lake park authorities that private boats will not be permitted on Crater lake was discussed by chamber of commerce directors Wednesday, and they referred it to the national parks committee with a suggestion the ruling be protested.

It was brought out that local fishermen have taken boats to the lake at times when contract boats are not available. It was agreed that no one but the National Park company, however, should have the right to rent boats.

Correspondence was read from the offices of Senators McNary and Holman relative to proposals that the Upper Klamath lake bird refuge be discontinued. They indicated that the fish and wildlife service do not look favorably upon this proposal. The last legislature adopted a memorial in favor of discontinuance.

There was some discussion of log-hauling restrictions to 40 hours a week, and their effect on operations in this territory where attempts are being made to build up log supplies against seasons when hauling for 40 hours a week will not be possible or a supply will not be available. The problem was submitted to the industrial development committee, with the suggestion it be taken to the state highway commission.

# HOPKINS REACHES RUSSIAN CAPITAL

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States by way of the British capital. He had been in London almost two weeks before making his flight to Moscow.

WASHINGTON, July 30 (AP)—Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state, announced today that Harry L. Hopkins had gone to Moscow to discuss questions of American aid with the highest officials of the soviet government.

Welles said that Hopkins' visit had nothing to do with his duties as lease-lend coordinator and asserted there had been no discussion of lease-lend aid to Russia.

Further, Welles said lease-lend aid was not contemplated in connection with any orders now being placed here by the soviet union.

To Eugene—Mr. and Mrs. Ted Case will travel to Eugene over the coming weekend to attend a conference of state selective service board clerks.

# Editorials On News

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voluntary co-operation of labor to prevent wages from rising abnormally.

"Labor has far more to gain from price stability than from abnormal wage increases, for these are likely to be illusory and quickly overtaken by sharp rises in living costs which fall with particular hardship on the least fortunate of our workers and our old people."

HIS statement that abnormal wage increases will result in sharp rises in living costs is an admission that a price ceiling won't work without a wage ceiling.

He thus places a big responsibility on labor, which will be judged in the years to come by the way it acts under this load of responsibility.

# NOTED ARTIST TO APPEAR AT CHURCH

Elmer Gandy, known throughout the United States and Canada as one of the top ranking pastel artists of the day, is being presented to residents of Klamath Falls by the Church of the Nazarene. This information was obtained from Mrs. Russell, wife of the local pastor, the Rev. Harry Russell, who recently left for Alaska. Mr. Russell is to spend about two months in the far north assisting in the establishment of a new Church of the Nazarene in Fairbanks. In his absence Mrs. Russell is ably directing the affairs of the local church.

Rev. Gandy is not only a capable artist, having painted in 28 national parks, but he is a singer and musician and a dramatic speaker. He will be assisted by Mrs. Gandy and their two daughters, who are accomplished musicians. They play piano, guitars, accordion and marimba. Mrs. Gandy has had a wide reputation as a concert soloist.

The Gandys were to begin their work Wednesday night at 7:45 and will continue each evening until August 10. They promise an entirely different program each night. Many local people will remember the Gandys, as they have appeared here on two occasions of the past. The Church of the Nazarene is located at Garden avenue and Martin street.

# Appeal Announced In Thomas Case

Oral notice of appeal to circuit court was given by U. S. Balentine, attorney for Glenn Arthur Thomas, after Thomas was sentenced in justice court Wednesday on a drunken driving charge.

The sentence was \$100 fine and 30 days in jail, plus costs. Thomas was convicted by a justice court jury.

# PROTEST SENT TO TOKYO BY AMBASSADOR

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been at anchor across the Yangtze river from the capital.

Several bombs were loosed by the raiders over the river patrol gunboat, a navy spokesman said, and the stern superstructure of the small vessel was damaged slightly.

The navy source stated his belief that the damage to the United States ship was incidental to the general raid on the Chinese capital city, although the vessel was in the so-called safety area across the river.

A small outboard motorboat belonging to the Tutulla was shattered, it was announced, and some other equipment on the dock nearby was reported damaged.

The Tutulla narrowly escaped bombs which fell in the American safety zone in Chungking on June 15, leading to a strong United States protest to Japan. At that time several bombs fell in the vicinity of the American embassy at Chungking and near the Tutulla.

Japanese naval officials said the June bombing in the American zone was unintentional. Reports to the naval operations bureau on the new incident did not state whether the gunboat, which accommodates a normal crew of 58 officers and men, returned fire upon the Japanese aircraft.

Another vessel of the river patrol, the Yansu, was sunk by Japanese action on December 12, 1937, with the loss of two lives.

WASHINGTON, July 30 (AP)—A belief that Japan was forced by limited land and air power to adopt a waiting, opportunistic course in the far east was expressed today in official government quarters.

On the basis of detailed information on rival forces lined up in the Orient, authoritative officials said the Japanese remain heavily outnumbered by the soviet armies in the north, and face considerable obstacles in any move southward from Indo-China.

These government officials, who refused to permit use of their names, outlined to newsmen this view of the far eastern situation:

Despite substantial recent withdrawals of soviet troops and planes to fight the nazi invasion in the west, Russian forces in the far east were estimated to include some 40 divisions, whereas Japan was believed to have available in Manchuria and Korea only about 14.

The Japanese air force was estimated altogether at about 3600 planes, largely outmoded. Russian far eastern air forces were put at about 2400, prior to withdrawals to the fighting front west of Moscow.

# Popeye Club to Have Aluminum Show Saturday

An aluminum matinee for Popeye club members is planned for Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the Pelican theatre, it was announced Wednesday by Mrs. Rose M. Poole.

Admission to the theatre will be one piece of aluminum, no matter how large or how small, Mrs. Poole stated.

"We are following the procedure of other theatres in the country and planning this aluminum matinee to swell the amount already now on hand," Mrs. Poole said. "Members of the Junior Police will stand by to assist and trucks from the defense committee will be on hand to take care of the aluminum. A good movie is promised the youngsters."

The program is planned in conjunction with the city recreation committee.

# TAFT RAPS POLICY OF ARMY COMMAND

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in the measure for any large scale turn over of selected.

"Apparently," he said, "the army is going to accumulate 1,730,000 men and there seems to be no disposition ever to release any of them except possibly 200,000 who may go out as 'hardship' cases or because they have reached 28 years old."

Senator Thomas (D-Utah), opening debate on legislation to retain citizen soldiers in uniform beyond the present limit of one year, told the senate today that the whole theory of American democracies was being challenged by "the greatest — the most successful — army the world has ever known."

"Since the German army entered Poland," Thomas said, "there has not been a single victory won by any nation or any army that represented constitutional government, save Japan and Japan is so different from our standpoint that it does not have a constitutional government."

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# CURB AGAINST INFLATION OF MONEY ASKED

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pire with the passing of the need, within a limited time after the end of the emergency.

The concept of a price ceiling, the president said, is "already familiar to us as a result of our own World War experience. Prices may fluctuate below this limit, but they cannot go above it." He added:

"To make ceiling prices effective it will often be necessary, among other things, for the government to increase the available supply of a commodity by purchases in this country or abroad. In other cases it will be essential to stabilize the market by buying and selling as the exigencies of price may require."

Regarding rent control, the chief executive said despite steps taken to assure adequate housing for defense the nation was already confronted with rent increases reminiscent of those prevailing in World War days. "This is a development that must be arrested," he said, "before rent profiteering can develop to increase the cost of living and to damage the civilian morale."

# Germans Say Leningrad in Pincer Grasp

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ably on the central front guarding Moscow.

A war bulletin from "the fuhrer's headquarters" conceded that soviet troops were pressing "relief attacks" to rescue trapped forces east of Smolensk, but it asserted that the red counter-offensive was being crushed with severe losses.

Elsewhere on the bloody 2000-mile battlefield, the German communique said, "operations" continued according to plan.

# Seizure of Jap Fishing Boats In Hawaii Told

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nated several years of work by agents investigating such reports.

The investigation was under direction of William Jennings Bryan, Jr., son of the great political figure of bygone years. Bryan is now collector of customs at Los Angeles.

The disclosure of the seizures was made in the annual report by Elmer L. Irey, coordinator of treasury law enforcement activities.

He explained that a 1703 law prohibits anyone but an American from owning an American flag ship. Investigation, he said, showed that the real owners of the boats were Japanese citizens.

# Girl Injured in Fall From Horse

Maxine Liskey, who observed her 15th birthday anniversary Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Liskey of Auburn street, is recovering at the family home from a fractured left arm she received Tuesday night in a fall from her horse.

Maxine was riding her horse at the Swan Lake ranch early in the evening when she experienced the fall. She was treated at Hillside hospital and later returned to her home. The young girl, outstanding Camp Fire work, hopes to be able to attend the summer camp at Lake of the Woods despite the fact her arm will be in a cast for six weeks.

From Malin — Fred Gordon and young son, Teddy, were visiting here Wednesday from their ranch home near Malin.

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