

# March, April Snows Wipe Out Threat Of Water Lack For Southern Oregon Area

MEDFORD, April 8 (AP)—Late snows have saved Southern Oregon's oncoming crops, a water forecast committee said here today.

The prediction of a critical water shortage has been wiped out by late March and early April snows. Good supplies now are forecast for the Klamath, Umpqua and Rogue basins.

W. T. Frost, in charge of cooperative snow surveys and irrigation water forecasts for Oregon, said most storage reservoirs in Southern Oregon have less water on hand than usual at this time, but considerable greater inflows from melting snow are expected later.

The good water year of 1946. He added, however, that if any shortage did develop, they would be on irrigated lands served by shortage reservoirs.

The Upper Klamath lake reservoirs are expected to get excellent water flows from melting snow. The Klamath lake inflow was forecast at 330,000-acre feet in the next six months, only slightly less than the 10-year average.

Clear lake reservoir will get only about 14,000-acre feet, but will have a sufficient supply for lands served. The Gerber reservoir will supply enough water if water users operate with great care.

Officials of the bureau of reclamation, local irrigation districts and power companies said in the meeting here that they are optimistic.

Frost said most reservoirs will have even better supplies than in

# McGrath Hits Truman Aims

PORTLAND, April 8 (AP)—The democratic party's national chairman declared last night that he believes Russia wants "the fruits of war" by use of terrorism in Europe.

In a Jefferson-Jackson centennial speech to a small Oregon audience here, Senator J. Howard McGrath, of Rhode Island, said he did not believe Russia wants war in the near future.

He linked the aims of Henry A. Wallace and Communist Earl Browder as "equally foreign" to Americans.

Earl Browder, as a communist, doesn't mind terror. He believes in the doctrine of enforced dictatorship. Then referring to Wallace, the democratic chairman said "Wallace talks the same language—in the same words, with the same reasoning."

He said Wallace's sole aim appears to be to help deliver the presidency to the republicans. He was sarcastic in reference to Senator Taft of Ohio. He said "Senator Taft says he has no information of any Russian intention for military aggression."

The speaker said both Taft and Wallace speak of peace, but neither "offers anything toward achieving that peace."

The party chairman called for a continued strong bi-partisan foreign policy. He said "President Truman sees the truth of the entire problem—it is better to take action. Hesitancy is danger."

Less than 350 persons appeared at the large auditorium to hear the speech.

# Anonymous Giver Aids Church Fund

READING, Pa., April 8 (AP)—The debt of the Bethany Lutheran church of West Reading was reduced \$5000 without the pastor or any of the church officials knowing of it.

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