

Power Leader Says GOP's Arrival Broke Public Trend

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. (AP) — A leader of the electric industry in the Pacific Northwest declares the arrival of the Republican administration has broken what he termed a trend toward public power in the region.

He spoke at a news conference here on the eve of the 21st annual convention of the Edison Electric Institute, which opened Monday and will continue through Thursday.

"While the trend toward public power has been checked in the northwest, we have no hopes of winning over to private operation the public projects already built," said James H. Polhemus, president and general manager of the Portland (Ore.) General Electric Co.

Polhemus said a shortage of power in the Northwest could be attributed to a federal government policy of urging industries to go into the area to consume low-cost government electricity.

Aluminum plants, one of the greatest users of electricity, have been encouraged to settle in that section, according to industry sources, and less expensive power at the government Bonneville Dam has been a lure.

Polhemus commented on a new survey by the Edison Institute, which forecasts an adequate supply of power throughout 1953 in all parts of the nation except possibly in the Pacific Northwest.

The margin between generating capacity and peak demand in that area, the survey said, will continue to be unsatisfactory at least until 1954.

Declaring that "things already have changed since the new administration took over," Polhemus said there is a possibility that under a new contract the federal government will absorb the excess steam costs of private companies in years when hydro conditions are unfavorable.

Under a new arrangement, he added, regular residential and rural customers will be put ahead of new industries in priority for electricity.

"This is a change of picture," said Polhemus, "for up to now new industries have been given a break in taxes and subsidized power, too."

J. E. E. Roper, vice president and general manager of the Washington Water Power Co., called attention to the proposed merger of his company and the Puget Sound Power and Light, expected to go before stockholders of the firms shortly.

Public utility districts in the state of Washington have been seeking to purchase Puget for a number of years.

Roper said: "If we get a chance to merge, we'll be able to swing a big hydro-electric plant which will help the power situation. Alone, each company is too small to add hydro plants."

Band Deadline Extended

LaMar Jensen, director of the All-Basin High School Band which is to be featured in this year's Roundup, has extended the deadline for applicants through this week.

Jensen had set the deadline for today but decided that many students busy with school closing activities last week had not had an opportunity to sign applications.

Application blanks are available at all county high schools, Tulelake and Dorris schools, at Herman's Men's Store, Klamath Falls, or from Jensen, at Klamath Union High School.

Roundup directors are planning a special fun-fee for the entire band. Details of this event are to be announced later.

The big band is to march in the Roundup parade and is to play at each of three rodeo performances from a special stand across the arena from the main grandstand.

Advancement ticket sales for the Roundup went on sale this morning from a booth at Coffey's Exchange, 619 Klamath. Ticket sales will continue there until regular Roundup headquarters can be located in the downtown area.

Seven Roundup queen candidates are now scheduled for a trip to Redding, Sunday, to appear in the Shasta Rodeo parade. Also in the parade are to be the Klamath Sheriff's Posse and Klamath Saddle Club, with the posse leading all Oregon participants.

All Roundup queen candidates who have signed their entries by Saturday will be invited to make the Redding trip.

224 DEGREES — PORTLAND (AP) — Graduate and bachelor degrees were conferred on 224 students by the University of Portland in Sunday's commencement exercises here.

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Honorary Degree Granted McKay

SALEM (AP) — Interior Secretary Douglas McKay, back in Oregon for a brief visit, Sunday received an honorary doctor of laws degree from Willamette University.

He was principal speaker at the university's commencement exercises.

In his talk, the former Oregon governor called for more interest in government and said everyone should invest a portion of his time in the duties of being a good citizen.

PAPER UPS PRICE — BAKER (AP) — The Baker Democrat-Herald has increased its price 25 cents to \$1.25 a month for home delivery.

Publisher Lucien P. Arant said higher newspaper costs were responsible.

Rotten Inside?

By Geo. N. Taylor

Does the Bible really say that God gives his God-nature to the smooth, slick, self-righteous sinner as well as to the down and outer? True, says the Bible, but such must receive Christ as being God's Son who died for their sins. The eternal God came to this world in the Person of His Son and He gives His God-nature to all who believe in Christ as the Lord who died for them. Says God—Set your heart on Christ as dying for your sins and I will indwell you with eternal life.



PVT. ALVA E. BUNCH, whose wife, Mrs. Barbara Bunch, lives at Tulelake, has been assigned to Battery C., 233d Field Artillery Battalion, of the 44th Infantry Division at Fort Lewis, for basic training.

Fewer Ducks Likely This Fall

WASHINGTON (AP) — Early findings of the annual surveys of water-fowl breeding grounds indicate there likely will be fewer ducks this fall, the Fish and Wildlife Service reported Monday.

Secretary of the Interior McKay made public the findings for the month of May of the cooperative aerial and ground surveys being conducted in Canada, Alaska and the Northern United States.

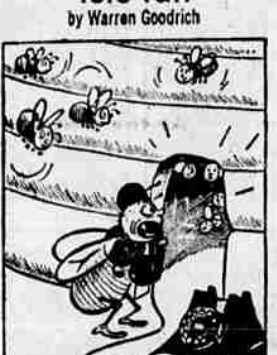
Field workers in Canada found the breeding season for ducks had been retarded by a week or ten days, as compared with the average season, by unusual weather conditions, April and May snowstorms and freezing weather broke up many early nesting attempts.

Purple Heart Auxiliary Head Dies

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Mrs. Bessie Eunice Hawkins, 52, of Portland, Ore., national president of the Military Order of the Purple Heart Auxiliary, died here Sunday.

Mrs. Hawkins and her husband, Lester, had been living here for the past five months. He is a World War I veteran who also saw service on the Mexican border. Hawkins is a national inspector of the Purple Heart.

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Scholarly - Looking, Tubercular Ex-Convict Arraigned in Robbery of Everett Bank

SEATTLE (AP) — A bespectacled, scholarly looking ex-convict faced arraignment before a U. S. Commissioner here Monday on an armed robbery charge for the \$50,000 holdup of the Lynnwood branch of the First National Bank of Everett Friday.

Tubercular Warren David Smith, 36, was arrested late Saturday night by Federal Bureau of Investigation agents who found "a considerable portion" of the loot in the rear of an automobile registered in the name of Smith's parent-in-law of Walla Walla.

Richard Auerbach, special agent in charge of the Seattle office of the FBI, declined to state the exact amount recovered. He said his agents were searching for the rest of the money, which Smith said in a confession was hid near Lynnwood.

Smith, a bespectacled Washington State Prison parolee, offered no resistance when FBI agents surprised him in a Seattle hotel room.

After intense questioning, Smith admitted he was the pistol-wielding bandit who robbed the bank of \$50,970.23 during the rush period Friday afternoon.

The bandit forced the manager of the bank, Ken Killien, to take him through the tellers' cages and stuff the money into a plastic shopping bag.

He had then herded Killien, seven other bank employees and eight customers into a back room while he made his escape.

Auerbach said Smith told of having planned the holdup for about a month. He said he started scheming while he was a patient in a Walla Walla County sanitarium after having been released from prison for treatment. He came to

King County on a transfer to another sanitarium.

The FBI chief said Smith made a couple of visits to the bank to familiarize himself with its operations.

Smith has a police record dating back 10 years, when he was sentenced to serve 20 years at the state prison in Walla Walla for nine armed robberies in the Seattle area. He escaped in July, 1947, but was recaptured four months later.

He was paroled from the state prison last Jan. 14 to Blue Mountain Sanitarium for treatment of tuberculosis contracted in prison.

Auerbach said Smith shortly thereafter applied for a transfer to a Seattle sanitarium and the transfer was approved, Smith arriving here last Wednesday.

Auerbach quoted Smith as saying he had "cased" the Lynnwood bank, 15 miles north of here, instead of going to the Seattle sanitarium. Smith said he learned the bank usually kept a large amount of money on hand on Fridays for

cashing payroll checks. Smith told Auerbach that on the drive back to Seattle he transferred some of the money to a fishing box in the rear of the car and hid the rest.

He has refused to tell where it was hidden.

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