

### Cordon Tells Audience Of Early Hells Canyon Stand

HEPPNER—"The National Hells Canyon Association is just 4 years late." Senator Guy Cordon told a Gilliam County audience here.

Speaking to some 75 persons in the county courthouse, Senator Guy Cordon explained how he introduced an amendment in the spring of 1950 to authorize construction of the Hells Canyon Dam.

"That was the time when they should have had a Hells Canyon Association," he said.

The senator told how his amendment was killed on a motion of Senator Dennis Chavez of New Mexico "with every left-winger in the Senate except one voting to kill it: Senator Morse." To his credit—voted with his colleagues at that time.

Senator Cordon said, "after that, on two different occasions they tried to get a Hells Canyon authorization in the House... and failed. I tried to get that dam when we had a chance to get it. We could have done it; we should have done it. It does not make any difference to me who builds the dam. I want it built. I just don't see how you could get the federal money for it today; it'd never get through the House. But I'd vote again for the building of Hells Canyon by the Bureau of Reclamation."

Taking a suggestion from his wife, who is accompanying him on this leg of the campaign tour, Senator Cordon built an "off-the-cuff" speech around suggestions asked earlier by his audience. He explained how a special title in the Farm Act passed by the 83rd congress provides incentive payments to increase the production of wool to a hoped-for 300 million pounds annually.

Answering the question "Why are we getting so much lumber from Canada?"—Senator Cordon drew laughter from his audience when he said, "That's simple. It's because the price of lumber in the United States is higher than that



THE AMERICAN LEGION POST at Merrill was recent host to Lakeview Post, No. 53 when district vice commander William Meisner, Lakeview, spoke on communism. Above — (l to r) M. W. Howard, commander Merrill Post, No. 80; Elmer Jarrett, Lakeview; Deele Smith, Commander, Bly Post, No. 13; Gus Reiss, commander, Lakeview Post; Wally Chapman, adjutant, Lakeview Post and William Meisner.

by Jesse Turner, Heppner attorney, former member of the Oregon legislature. The speech at the courthouse followed an informal dinner meeting in Heppner.

Earlier Senator Cordon spoke briefly at Fossil and addressed high school bodies at Arlington and Condon. At Condon, the senator also addressed a noon meeting of some 100 persons in the legion hall.

After a week-end rest, the senator will resume campaigning in Union, Wallowa and Umatilla counties.

(Cordon for U.S. Senator committee, W. H. Steiner, Chairman, 234 Imperial Hotel, Portland 5, Oregon.)

### Navy Recruit Policies Told

The local Navy recruiter, Donald N. Graham, ENI of Klamath Falls, announced today that the U.S. Navy is now accepting qualified men for immediate enlistment. Applicants for the Navy may specify the date they desire to be enlisted.

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Graham also announced that those men who make application for the Navy within the next few weeks will be able to come home on leave for the Christmas holidays.

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President Eisenhower must be congratulated for his courage in coming to Oregon to dedicate McNary Dam—a dam which is the symbol of a federal river development program that the Eisenhower administration, thru McKay and his cohorts, are doing their very best to wreck.

Many people will wonder why the Republicans are holding a celebration at a dam fostered, started, and practically completed by a Democratic administration.

For the past 19 months, Eisenhower administration spokesmen in Eastern Oregon—McKay and Coon—have been preaching for "partnership" dams, but people of the Northwest now know that it was a label for an empty box.

"Partnership" has brought no new power projects—only confusion, disillusionment, and prospects for a severe power shortage. "Partnership" means the end of dams like McNary.

McNary Dam, like Hells Canyon and John Day, is a key structure in the plan for comprehensive development of the Columbia and Snake Rivers started nearly 20 years ago with the construction of Bonneville Dam. No amount of political smoke-screen can obscure the fact that McNary is NOT a phony "partnership" dam, but a sound federal, multi-purpose project.

People of Eastern Oregon will be interested in what the President has to say. Will he make a political pitch for the so-called "partnership" to pull Coon and Cordon off the hook or will he announce that McNary Dam is a cornerstone of one of the soundest federal programs for regional development and for national security ever conceived, or will he admit to the truth of the prediction made at Hungry Horse Dam in 1951, "Look closely at this dam. If the Republicans get in, it will be the last one you will see."

It's high time that we had representation in Washington to fight for more McNary Dams to bring the power and the payrolls we need so badly in Eastern Oregon. I pledge myself to that fight.

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