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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
In a radio-TV talk in Portland the other night, hard-hitting Douglas McKay (now secretary of the interior in President Eisenhower's cabinet) sprung a hot one.
From 1945 to 1952, he said, Democratic Senators Lister Hill and John Sparkman of Alabama (Sparkman became the Democratic nominee for vice-president in 1952) did their damndest to get a \$100,000,000 appropriation for a series of big federal dams on the Coosa river in Alabama. The Democratic congresses of those years persistently "TURNED THEM DOWN."
So DEMOCRATIC Alabama lost out.

McKay then added:
"During those identical years (1945 to 1952) Guy Cordon — a REPUBLICAN from the REPUBLICAN state of Oregon — got \$286,039,000 for McNary dam, \$108,846,000 for Chief Joseph dam and \$93,676,000 for The Dalles dam and some additional money which may be used for the planning of sound partnership project."

This is the point:
In those seven years, under a Democratic administration supported by Democratic congresses, two powerful Democratic senators couldn't get even a measly hundred million dollars for federal power dams in the Democratic state of Alabama, whereas in these same years a REPUBLICAN senator from the REPUBLICAN state of Oregon was able to get nearly 500 MILLION DOLLARS for federal power dams in the Columbia river!

That raised the hair on the back of the neck of Democratic Senator Magnuson of the state of Washington, and in a red hot telegram to Oregon newspapers last night he says:
"We strenuously object to this blatant effort to grab credit for the good things done for the people of the Northwest by past Democratic administrations . . . The three dams in question were started under Democratic administrations, the money was requested by Democratic officials and appropriated by Democratic congresses."

Senator Magnuson says the half billion dollars for federal power dams on the Columbia was provided EXCLUSIVELY by Democrats.
Secretary McKay says that Republican Guy Cordon, who during most of these years was an influential member of the powerful senate appropriations committee, which OK'd the money) was decisively helpful in getting the cash.
Whom shall we believe?
Personally, I prefer to believe Secretary McKay.

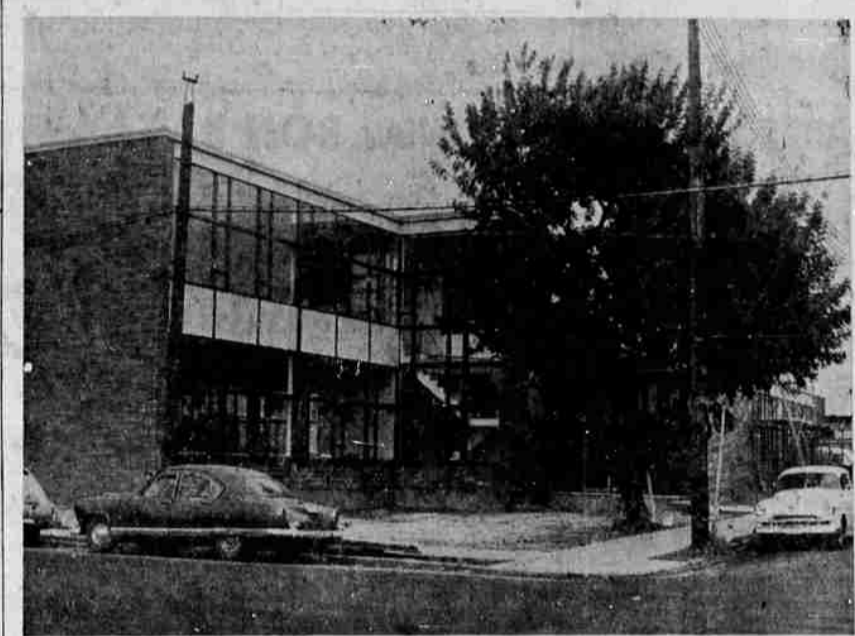
I'd have more faith in Senator Magnuson if he and his New Democrat cohorts had been more active in behalf of federal power back in 1951 when the Bonneville-Shasta intertie was going down to defeat under the disapproval of state of Washington Democrats who wanted ALL the Columbia river power for their state and feared that the Shasta intertie would drain some of it down into Southern Oregon.

On April 20, 1951, the appropriations committee of the house of representatives, according to an AP dispatch from Washington, "turned thumbs down on a proposed transmission line to connect the Bonneville and the California Central Valley federal power systems and verbally spanked the bureau of reclamation for doing preliminary work on the line without authorization of the funds by Congress."

The 1951 house appropriations committee was composed of 30 Democrats — including then Representative (now senator) Jackson of Washington, and only 20 Republicans.
This Bonneville-Shasta intertie story is a long one, with many ramifications, and I haven't space to go into it now. I'll try to tell it in greater detail later. Neuberger charged early in the campaign that the spiking of it was a wicked Republican conspiracy in which, he intimated, Senator Cordon had a finger — but he dropped that charge like a hot potato when the facts about it began to come out, and hasn't referred to it since.
At any rate, Southern Oregon wanted the Shasta intertie, and might have had it if Senator Magnuson and his fellow Democrats had been more willing to share the benefits of Columbia river power with Southern Oregon and far Northern California.

HOPE
BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Yugoslav President Tito has expressed hope that the Trieste agreement "will be followed by normalization of relations between Italy and us—and this has always been our wish." Tito's statement was made in a speech Wednesday at Sarajevo.

Hurricane Hazel Grows



NEARING COMPLETION HERE is the new County Library and Museum on the corner of Third and Klamath. The big structure is slated for completion sometime late this month.

Ullman Warns Indian Tribe

Al Ullman, Democratic candidate to Congress, urged members of the Klamath Indian Tribe to keep a close watch on their share of the reservation assets at a potluck dinner-meeting at Beatty recreation hall Wednesday evening.
Ullman urged vigilance on the part of the Indians to see that administration of the new law liquidating assets of the reservation gives them their fair share. He stated that revisions of the law will be necessary to close the loopholes.
The political candidate criticized the sale of Klamath Falls transmission line "because it closed the faucet on a potential supply of 20,000,000 kilowatts of power from the Columbia River system."
The Beatty stop was one of a series of visits to communities throughout the county and was arranged by Jesse L. Kirk Sr. Thursday noon Ullman spoke at Fort Klamath; in the evening he was scheduled for a visit to Gilchrist.
Friday's agenda will include stops at Malin at noon; Merrill in the afternoon and a potluck dinner in Klamath Falls that evening. The evening meeting, sponsored by Democrats of the South Suburban District, will be held at the county fairgrounds at 6:30 p.m.

SENTENCED

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — A Turkish military court sentenced 131 Communists Thursday to prison sentences ranging from 5 months to 10 years in the biggest mass Red trial in Turkish history.



MICHAEL BELDRINE, one example of the success of employing the right man for the right job, being emphasized this week, National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week. Beldraine, an amputee, has a lookout on Hogback for the KPPA during the summers; in the winter he maintains a radio and appliance repair shop on South Sixth.

Museum Workers Busy With Classification Of Relics And Material For Display

Material for the Klamath County Museum, to be opened this fall, is gradually being assembled and catalogued.
Among the acquisitions which have gone in recently are a collection of about 100 minerals and polished agate pieces from the Klamath Mineral Club; two old, hand-woven coverlets from Mrs. Helen Mueller; some items from the Mr. and Mrs. Bert C. Thomas collection; a herbarium of native plants donated by the Klamath Nature Society; World War I material and other items — including an old flag which flew over Fort Klamath — presented by Klamath Post No. 8, American Legion; the French Gratitude Train gifts which have been on display at the city library; and a few fossils and odd items which were on display at the chamber of commerce a few years ago.
Work has been completed on the collection of items accumulated over the past years which were stored in the vault of the courthouse. Many of them are of great historical interest in reconstructing the early history of Linkville.
More material is needed, however, and it is hoped that Klamath County residents will respond generously and promptly. Even a single old-time photograph or clipping, is appreciated along with the larger collections. Each helps build the story of our region.
A deed of gift will be presented to each donor, and the donor's name will appear on the placard accompanying the object when on exhibition. The latter applies also to long-term and short-term loan material.
It is desirable that as much of the material as possible can be prepared and catalogued before the job of moving into the new building starts. Phone the curator, Mrs. Edith R. McLeod, 4290, and articles will be called for; or they may be left at 413 High Street.

Texas Proves Real Deadly

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — The State Health Department said yesterday that the July 1, 1953, population of Texas was 8,397,000 with 66,493 deaths that year.
But in 1910, the department noted, the population was 3,896,542 — less than half what it was last year — and deaths were almost the same, 66,210.
In Dallas, the police had no explanation. The first law against carrying a six-shooter, they said, was passed in 1867.

Construction Record Up

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's construction industry assembled a record 10 1/2 billion dollars worth of new buildings, highways, water systems and other construction in the third quarter of this year.
Announcing this Thursday, the Commerce and Labor Department said building outlays in the first nine months of this year came to a new record level of nearly 27 1/2 billion dollars, 4 per cent higher than in the first three quarters of 1953.
Private outlays in the first nine months of this year rose by 6 per cent to more than 18 1/2 billion dollars. Public expenditures through September, at just over 8 1/2 billion, were about the same as a year before. Increased state and local spending offset a decline in federal construction.
The record 10 1/2 billion dollars of new construction put in place during July, August and September was 7 per cent ahead of the total for the third quarter of 1953.

Women Drivers Win Supporter

BOSTON (AP) — Rudolph F. King, Massachusetts registrar of motor vehicles, has gone to bat for women motorists.
He said yesterday it would be "ridiculous" to compel women drivers to have higher compulsory auto insurance than men, based on the safety records.
"No one woman has had to appear before me personally this year," he said. "My four hearing officers all say women drivers are definitely in the minority in the cases handled."
His statement followed a hint by one state legislator that women drivers should pay higher auto insurance rates than men.

Sea Islands By-Passed By Big Wind

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Hurricane Hazel, small but violent, brushed by the Dutch West Indies islands off the coast of Venezuela Thursday and pointed westward in the Caribbean Sea.
Continuing its forward movement at 19 miles an hour, the season's eighth tropical storm was expected to increase slightly in intensity and size during the next few hours.
It packed winds of 100 miles an hour over a small area near the center. Gale winds extended 100 to 150 miles to the north and east.
Northwest storm warnings were displayed in the Netherlands islands of Bonaire, Curacao and Aruba. All vessels in the path of the hurricane were advised to use caution.

Storm warnings were ordered hauled down in the Netherlands West Indies and along the Venezuela coast and its coastal islands.
No immediate land areas lay in the path of the storm, which was still more than 1,000 miles south-east of Florida.
Grady Norton, chief storm forecaster at Miami, said another 24 hours of watchful waiting would be needed before forecasters could tell "much about where this hurricane is going."
Norton said the hurricane probably will continue to move to the west northwest until it reached the longitude of Jamaica and Eastern Cuba.

"From here, it might curve to the north, he added.
Hurricane Hazel spawned from an easterly wave near the island of Grenada, at the southern end of the Windward Islands, Tuesday and moved steadily toward the west some distance off the Venezuelan coast.

New York Sea Activity On

NEW YORK (AP) — Normal waterfront activities resumed Thursday in the port of New York as first work gangs returned to the piers after the paralyzing two-day strike of 25,000 longshoremen.
Several of the great transatlantic liners, including the American and Mauretania, were in port and required hundreds of workers. Piles of cargo heaped on shipless docks elsewhere along the north river front gave employment to other gangs.
The 48-hour strike was the second to hit the world's busiest port within six months.
The International Longshoremen's Assn. won its demand for immediate wage retroactivity but in turn agreed to a 45-day-no-strike pledge pending contract negotiations with the employers, represented by one New York Shipping Assn.
With but slight warning, the ILA pulled dockers off the piers at midnight Monday, insisting the employers grant an eight-cent-an-hour pay raise retroactive to Oct. 1, 1953, before anything was done about a new contract. The old pact expired on the 1953 date.

Anything Can Rain Down Here

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — The expression "rain' cats and dogs" has almost passed from use since the great drought hit Texas. But Mrs. W. M. Reynolds here has a substitution:
"After that hard rain yesterday," she said, "I found two jellyfish in my front yard. I mean just that old jellyfish from the coast."
The jellyfish, Mrs. Reynolds reported, were about as big as baseballs.

Texas Chief Leaps Rails

ARDMORE, Okla. (AP) — The Santa Fe Railway's crack streamliner, the Texas Chief, was derailed Thursday at Gene Autry 19 miles north of here, when it collided with a truck.
The Oklahoma Highway Patrol reported all occupants of the truck leaped clear.
Patrolmen also said that no passengers on the train were reported injured, although most of them were shaken up when seven cars left the tracks.
The railway cars, however, remained upright but tore up seven car lengths of track.

9 O'clock Special



AIR FORCE recruiter Don Adams was in the lens this morning for the 9 o'clock photographer.

US Troops Quit Trieste

TRIESTE (AP) — The first Allied contingent left Trieste territory Thursday as British and American military officers shifted their departure plans into high gear.
An advance American party pulled out in a 12-truck convoy for Leghorn, Italy. All 5,000 Allied troops are expected to be gone by at least Oct. 26, in accordance with the Italian-Yugoslav agreement Tuesday to return the present British-American occupied Zone A to Italy.
Although a few occupation personnel left by private automobiles Wednesday, the departure of the U.S. convoy Thursday morning was the first sizable Allied movement. The advance party will prepare Leghorn, a port on Italy's west coast, as a starting area for the 3,000 American troops now in Trieste.

Police Seek Escaped Man

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Elmer H. Belcher, who was sentenced to life in prison two years ago when he was 15, was sought Thursday after his escape from the prison farm. He was first missed at the dinner count at 5 p.m. Wednesday.
Warden Clarence Gladden called him an "excellent prisoner, perhaps the best kid we had in the institution."
The boy was convicted at Eugene of first degree murder in the April, 1952, gunshot death of Mary Ellen Campbell, 18, a deaf mute who lived on a Cottage Grove farm. At the trial, Dist. Atty. C.E. Luckey — now U. S. attorney for Oregon — said school friends had taunted young Belcher about the girl's pregnancy.
There were no stolen car reports after the escape but Gladden said Belcher had just been learning to drive when arrested and presumably made his way from the prison farm on foot.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Partly cloudy with a few showers Thursday, fairly cloudy Friday. High both days 60. Low tonight 40.
High yesterday — 69
Low last night — 42
Precip. last 24 hours — 0
Since Oct. 1 — 0
Same period last year — 6.93
Normal for period — .21

Roswell, Other Pecos Valley Towns Awash As Rains Cause Flash Floods

ROSWELL, N. M. (AP) — Six persons were reported missing and "presumed drowned" Thursday as savage floods from the heaviest rains in years pounded five southwestern New Mexico cities and towns.
Gov. Edwin Mechem has declared a state of emergency and the National Guard has been ordered out.
Mayor Carl Carruthers of Dexter, 19 miles south of here, said he is heading immediately for a flooded area south of here where he has been told six people are believed to have drowned.

The flood has hit at Roswell, Dexter, Hagerman, Artesia and Carlsbad, and possibly at Lake Arthur, also on the Pecos River.
It is still raining on the east slopes of the Sacramento Mountains whose watershed feeds the streams which have left their banks.
A wall of water seven feet high at times has roared into the western part of this city of 28,000 persons, center of a rich irrigated valley farming area.

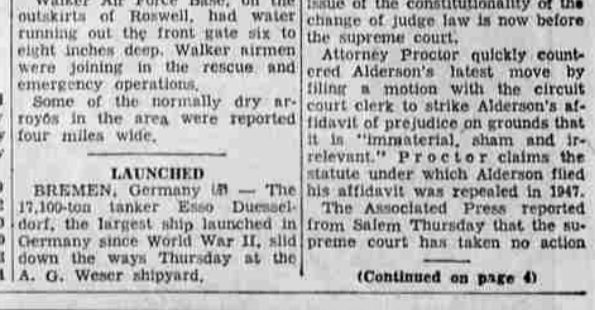
Alderson Charge Says 'Prejudice'

District Attorney Frank Alderson for the first time Thursday stated publicly that he believes Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg is prejudiced against him and, therefore, it is the district attorney's opinion a fair trial could not be obtained in the Klamath Falls jurist's court.
Alderson made this statement in an affidavit supplementing a motion for a change of judge in the Andrew J. Bushman morals case. The affidavit was filed with Circuit Court Clerk Charles DeLap to be forwarded to the State Supreme Court.
The affidavit states:
"That the Honorable David R. Vandenberg of the circuit court is prejudiced against me and as a result of said prejudice, I do not believe the State of Oregon, in the above entitled case can have an impartial trial before said judge and therefore another circuit judge other than the said David R. Vandenberg should be assigned to preside over any further trial or proceedings in said case."
Alderson added that the affidavit was filed in good faith and not for the purpose of delay.
The Bushman case has been status quo for almost seven months and the defendant, who has an impeccable trial record, has indicted three times on a morals charge has never gotten beyond an arraignment. He is held in the county jail. The first indictment was dismissed because it was defective. The second indictment was dismissed on a motion of the district attorney.
Last week after Bushman was arraigned before Judge Vandenberg on the third indictment, District Attorney Alderson filed a motion for a change of judge. Attorney George Proctor, who was appointed by Judge Vandenberg to defend Bushman against the latest charge, filed a motion opposing a change of judge. He contends the statute providing for a change of judge is unconstitutional. The issue of the constitutionality of the change of judge law is now before the supreme court.
Attorney Proctor quickly countered Alderson's latest move by filing a motion with the circuit court clerk to strike Alderson's affidavit of prejudice on grounds that it is "immaterial, sham and irrelevant." Proctor claims the statute under which Alderson filed his affidavit was repealed in 1947. The Associated Press reported from Salem Thursday that the supreme court has taken no action

Water was reported nine feet deep in some low places on U.S. Highway 283 which threads through this rich irrigated valley leading to the oilfield and potato sections further southeast.
The Rio Hondo, which, with the Spring River last May sent thousands from their homes and caused one death and three quarters of a million dollars damage in a flash flood here at Roswell, was still on the rise.
DAM HOLDS
Engineers said a main diversion 12 miles west of here had gone completely out but a dam holding a 10-mile square reservoir of 47,000 acre feet presently was holding.

The airport here was awash and continental airlines has closed all operations, incoming and outgoing.
Walker Air Force Base, on the outskirts of Roswell, had water running out the front gate six to eight inches deep. Walker airmen were joining in the rescue and emergency operations.
Some of the normally dry arroyos in the area were reported four miles wide.

LAUNCHED
BREMEN, Germany (AP) — The 17,100-ton tanker Esso Duesseldorf, the largest ship launched in Germany since World War II, slid down the ways Thursday at the A. G. Weser shipyard.



SKIDDING MILK TANKER

smashed into the corner of Calhoun's floor covering store at the Mills School curve on East Main this morning and did considerable damage. J. L. Calhoun is shown looking over the cracked corner. The truck, a bulker hauling milk from the farms to the creamery, was not badly damaged.