

FOLLOW THE DOTS IN THE GIFT-SPOTTER



PRETTY MERRY CHRISTMAS, straight from the frosty regions of the North Pole uses every wile to coax beaming old St. Nick to fill the sock she's knitted. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hurd are a popular pair at this time of year and find time to entertain for both children and adults. On December 15 they will appear at the Ground Observer Corps party at the Pilot's Club at the airport which is being planned for families of all the members. Santa Claus will distribute the treats and Merry Christmas will present a reading. Colonel C. L. Aubrey, assistant western civilian air defense commander, is expected to attend.

Dixon-Yates Foes Question Cost Estimates Accuracy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Estimated engineering costs of supplying electricity under the Dixon-Yates private power contract were due for fresh attack today before the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Attorneys questioning whether the controversial agreement is a "prudent contract" summoned a representative of Ebasco Services, an engineering firm, for examination on the accuracy of cost estimates. Ebasco is engineering representative for Dixon-Yates.

SEC is hearing an application by the Dixon-Yates group for approval of a capital stock issue to launch financing of a proposed power plant at West Memphis, Ark., under contract with the Atomic Energy Commission.

Joseph Volpe Jr., attorney for the Tennessee and some 40 other groups opposing the contract, told the commission yesterday he "hoped" to prove the plant would cost more than the 104 million dollars set forth in engineering con-

struction estimates.

The projected plant would feed power into the Tennessee Valley Authority system to replace current need for AEC installations. Critics call it an attack on the public power principle in TVA territory. Proponents contend it would save taxpayers' money and say it's a worthy example of the working of free enterprise.

Attorneys fighting SEC clearance of the stock financing plan contend that Ebasco engineering estimates on a similar plant constructed to supply power for AEC were nearly 5 per cent under actual costs. This was in the Joppat, Ill. plant of Electric Energy, Inc.

The opposition lawyers said they would seek to prove that any such deviation between estimates and actual costs on the Dixon-Yates project would:

Church Sign Put Back Up

ROME (AP) — Rome's Church of Christ Friday replaced its stone lettered "Chiesa di Cristo" sign torn down by Italian police last February.

The action climaxed a 10-month legal battle. It was the second notable victory won by American supported evangelical churches in Italy in recent weeks.

The other came last month when the state council, Italy's highest magistracy, ordered the interior ministry to act upon a formal petition of the Assemblies of God in Italy for juridical recognition.

Cline R. Paden of Brownfield and Lubbock, Tex., one of the first organizers of the Church of Christ in Italy after the war, expressed pleasure with the latest development.

But he sharply criticized the decision which found a police commissioner guilty of having abused his powers in ordering the sign removed.

Paden said that objections to the sign were raised by priests of the nearby "Cristo Re"—Christ the King—Catholic Church.

Paden said "the guilty in this case are the untouchables. They operate from behind a privileged sanctuary." He described the decision in favor of the Church of Christ as a "new stone in the building of the democratic edifice in Italy."

Make the requested 54-million capital stock issue a poor bargain for stockholders and throw the burden of possible additional costs of the Dixon-Yates plant on customers of the TVA power system.

SEC requires a showing of reasonable profit to stockholders and "prudent" costs before approval of new stock issues.

Capital stock of the Dixon-Yates operating company, the Mississippi Valley Generating Co., would be owned jointly by Middle South Utilities Co. and the Southern Co., utility holding firms sponsoring the plant.

These are firms headed respectively by Edgar H. Dixon and Eugene A. Yates, from whom the new group gets its name. Dixon is president of Middle South. Yates heads the Southern Co.

Dixon testified at the start of the SEC hearings that if costs exceeded estimates by as much as 13 per cent, profit to stockholders "would be practically eliminated."

The contract, signed by AEC and in effect, approved by the Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee over Democratic opposition, came under renewed attack yesterday from Gov. Frank G. Clement of Tennessee.

"Nixon, Dixon and Yates," he said, are lowering "the American standard of public morals." The three-name phrase coined during this fall's congressional campaigning represents more than a catchy sound, he said.

Some Democrats have accused Vice President Nixon of unfair tactics on the Communist issue in pre-election speeches. Clement, a Democrat and public-power advocate, criticized Nixon at a National Press Club luncheon. And, speaking of "public morals," he said there was a parallel in methods "employed in the Dixon-Yates deal."

Railroaders Criticize Rate Cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Railroad officials said Friday proposed freight rate cuts in the Mountain-Pacific territory would indirectly hurt agriculture and other industries in the West.

V.P. Brown, assistant general freight traffic manager of the Great Northern Railway, testified at an Interstate Commerce Commission hearing on proposed reductions in rates on manufactured goods.

He estimated the proposal would cost railroads serving the Mountain-Pacific territory \$34,500,000 annually, and said this revenue loss would curtail their financial ability to contribute to the development of agriculture and other industries in the West.

The railroads, Brown said, have maintained "a great body of depressed commodity rates for the specific purpose of enabling Western producers to compete in the common markets (in the East) with other producers."

"In handling products of agriculture," he added, "the railroads have recognized the need for sound development of agriculture, not only in the interest of these producers themselves but in the development of the West, and they have established rates below maximum reasonable rates to the common end of moving the products of agriculture to markets."

"The carriers' ability to do this is necessarily based upon their financial ability from an overall standpoint. Curtailment of their ability to make this contribution to the development of agriculture in the West would seriously damage the public interest."

Brown said any "radical" reduction of general freight rates probably would affect the railroads' "judicious treatment" of rates on such products as fuels and minerals.

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INVITATION TO BID
The board of directors of Union High School District No. 2 of Klamath County, Oregon, will receive sealed bids at the office of the district clerk at room 209, High School Building, Klamath Falls, Oregon, until 5:00 o'clock p.m. on Friday, December 20, 1954, for the lease until January 1, 1956, according to stipulations on file at the above office, of the land and buildings located off Summers Lane, including the following listing from the records of the County Assessor:

Tax lot 250-1, of map 43-28, 20.81 acres; tax lot 25 of map 43-28, 2.00 acres; tax lot 24 of map 43-28, 21.00 acres; tax lot 35 of map 43-28, 1.00 acre.

ALTERNATE LEASE II: The board will consider bids for the lease of the above property, but withholding a 2 1/2 story frame house and outbuildings, and adjacent land amounting to approximately 5 acres; until January 1, 1956.

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BID TO PURCHASE: The board will consider bids for the purchase of a 2 1/2 story frame house and approximately 2 1/2 acres of adjacent land, located at 3228 Summers Lane, as bounded by survey markers.

The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Bid forms may be obtained by calling the telephone numbers listed below.

Further information may be obtained by calling 3219 or 3432.

No. 229.
Dec. 11, 13, 14, 15.

Demo Leader Found Guilty

ERIE, Pa. (AP) — Separate Erie County Criminal Court juries today found an Erie Democratic leader and a new stand operator guilty of bribery or conspiracy charges.

Stanley Schwartz, former chairman of the city's Democratic party, was found guilty of one charge of bribery yesterday. A short time later James Provenzano, the new stand operator, was convicted on two bribery charges and one count of conspiracy.

Schwartz and Provenzano are among 30 men indicted on charges ranging from accepting bribes to bribery and conspiracy in connection with what Dist. Atty. Damian McLaughlin calls a gambling syndicate which netted 20 million dollars annually.

The Republican prosecutor led the raids which resulted in arrest of 36 men Oct. 16.

Mayor Thomas W. Flatley, a Democratic leader, were among those arrested.

Flatley pleaded guilty to charges of accepting a bribe and violation of his oath of office. Socia has pleaded guilty to a gambling charge.

Eight men have been convicted on bribery or conspiracy charges. Nine others have pleaded guilty to similar charges. None have been sentenced.

Remaining trials are scheduled for February.

RAIDS
SEOUL (AP) — South Korean police have begun a series of raids against Communist guerrillas operating in the Chiri Mountain area in Southern Korea. National Police Chief Kim Chang Hui reported Friday.

C-FUNERAL HOMES
WARD'S Klamath Funeral Home 224 High Street Phone 3334.

1-MEETING NOTICES

STATED COMMUNICATION
Klamath Lodge No. 77, AP & AM, Monday, December 13, 1954, at 8 p.m. Election of officers. Visiting brethren invited. Elvin E. Phillips, W.M.

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