



Plans to merge the California Oregon Power Company with Pacific Power and Light Company of Portland are to be voted on at a special meeting of Copco stockholders scheduled for Tuesday, March 14. Proposed plans for the merger on a stock exchange basis have been submitted to all stockholders. The merger would give Pacific Power and Light a utility system that extends over a five-state area.	er and develop a water system for the town of Linkville. From there the intricate power system of Copco was built, step by step over the intervening years. In 1951, a 40 year old dream of the company became a reality when Big Bend became an operational unit. Dedicated on Oct. 2, 1958, this unit added 80,000 kw to the capacity of the system. This project, a long time in coming, was actually the first of a projected series of eight projects which will	biners, then flows back to the river. One of the guiding forces behind this tremendous construction effort has been John C. Boyle, vice president and general manager of Copco. He said then, "It was our guess then that the Klamath River was one of the greatest potential power sources in this section. We guessed it would eventually provide some 250,000 kw of power, and I for one, hoped to live to see the day when it would be	Bend project cost approximately \$12,400,000. Power generated by the Big Bend plant is fed into the company's system at Klamath Falls and Medford over a 230,000 volt transmission line 69.9 miles long. This project also opened up various recreational possibilities in the area. About 10 miles of gravel roads are now open for public use and stretches of the Klamath that have been almost inaccessible in the past are now open to fishermen.
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From a small beginning around the turn of the century with a power plant located on Link River to a multi-million dollar company with giant dams deep into the reaches of the Klamath River, briefly describes the history of the development of the California Oregon Power Company.

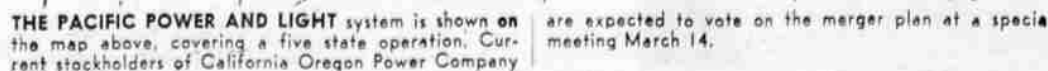
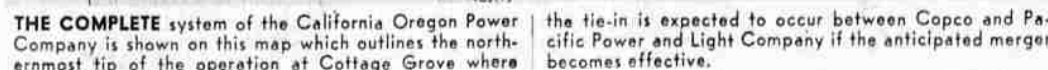
It began before 1900 with the H. V. Gzies Power and Water Company with a franchise to construct a power plant on Link River. Big Bend represents a masterpiece in engineering, with the waters of Klamath River being partially diverted by a huge earth and concrete dam just below the Klamath River bridge on the Ashland-Klamath Falls highway.

The water then flows through an 11,000 foot concrete flume which carries it through a 1,615 foot long tunnel, then down 819 feet through penstocks to the generating plant where it spins the power turbine.

Reviewing the developments of Copco, Buyle listed them as construction of the Bureau of Reclamation facilities on Upper Klamath Lake in 1917, Keno dam 1920; Lost River dam 1921; Copco Dam No. 1 in 1922, east side plant to Klamath Falls 1924; Copco Dam No. 2, 1925; regulatory dam at Keno in 1931.

The overall projects will have cost in the vicinity of \$70 million dollars when completed. The Big Bend project has been completed. Aerial protective facilities have also been provided for fish, including facilities for upstream and downstream migration, in cooperation with the State Game Commission and the Fish and Wildlife Service.

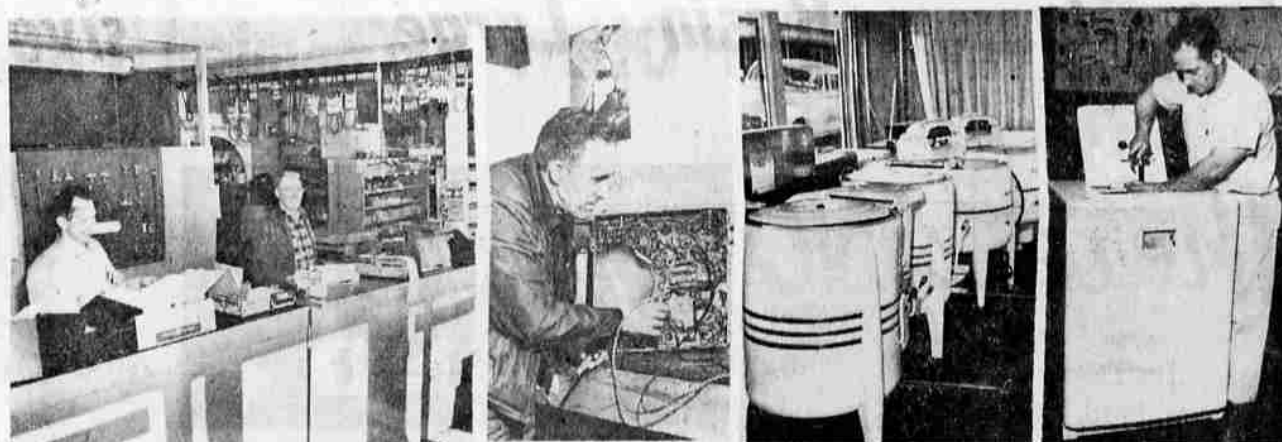
The California Oregon Power Company moves steadily forward in its long range program which will provide power to the Basin area to support the needs of its potential industrial growth over the coming years.



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