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Farms to Get Big Spring Water Flow

'Generous' Irrigation Promised

Directors Meet Friday to Place Okay on Allotment

Valley water officials today prepared to grant a "generous" spring planting allotment of irrigation water, despite a new and slightly less favorable forecast of Rio Grande flow.

Officials of El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1 and the Elephant Butte Irrigation District will meet Friday with W. F. Resch, Rio Grande Reclamation Project manager, to decide on the allotment.

They also will decide when Cabello Dam gates will be opened to start the irrigation season. Last year's opening date was March 20.

Farmers are certain to get their biggest initial allotment in eight years.

Last year they started the season with a tiny allotment of 1.2 inches, and received only 14 inches of water an acre for the whole year. In 1956, as a result of the drought, they got the lowest yearly allotment on record — only 4.7 inches.

Officials declined to say just how generous this year's first allotment may be. In normal years it was six to eight inches, and normal usage for a whole season was 3.2 feet of water an acre.

Some farmers, desiring to leach out accumulated salt, want as much as 10 or 12 inches of water to start with this season.

Expectations of a normal or above normal runoff from melting snow and rain on the Rio Grande watershed were reduced in the U. S. Weather Bureau report issued today by Chief Meteorologist L. A. Warren of Albuquerque. The forecast was based on snow reports as of Feb. 1.

Inflow at Elephant Butte reservoir for the water year ending Sept. 30 is now forecast at 800,000 acre feet, compared with the Jan. 1 forecast of 900,000 acre feet, or 91 per cent of the 15-year average instead of 102 per cent.

Meteorologist Warren said the decrease in expectations is due to below normal precipitation in January.

At Otowi on the upper Rio Grande the forecast now is for a runoff of 1,100,000 acre feet instead of 1,200,000 acre feet forecast a month ago. This is still only one per cent below the normal runoff.

At the farthest north station, Del Norte, Colo., the new forecast is for a runoff of 690,000 acre feet, compared with 710,000 acre feet Jan. 1.

At Lobatos Bridge near the Colorado state line the forecast is for (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

French Blow Endangers World Peace

Anger Swells Over Air Raid on Tunisia; U. S. Expresses Shock

A wave of anger against France for the bombing of a Tunisian village rolled across the Arab world with fresh momentum today and imperiled the Western—and American—position in North Africa.

Tunisia appeared ready to sever diplomatic relations with France and expel the 25,000 French troops stationed there for defense purposes.

Allies Concerned The United States was shocked and indignant at the bombing which killed 75 persons and injured 84. Other Allies of France were deeply concerned because friendship with Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba has been the anchor of Western policy in North Africa.

Nations friendly to the United States expressed fear the bombing could turn into a major propaganda victory for the Soviet Union. Most of the 25 planes used against the Tunisian village of Sakiet Sidi Youssef were of American make and the dead included 12 children and 9 women.

Egypt and Syria moved swiftly to capitalize on the anti-French feelings which erupted today into a general strike in the French protectorate which won its independence in 1955. President Gamal Abdel Nasser promised immediate military aid to Tunisia. Syrian President Shukri el Kuwailiy promised aid and accused France of a "savage act of criminal aggression."

Summons Envoy The Saturday bombing attack brought these rapid fire developments:

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles summoned French Ambassador Herve Alphand to his Washington home late yesterday and told him the United States was "profoundly disturbed" at the action.

The State Department issued a statement expressing concern at future Tunisian-French relations and pointing out that both countries were friends of the United States.

Tunisian Ambassador Mongi (Continued on Page 4, Col. 2)

Prober Links White House To FCC Charge

Claims 'Influence' Came From Ike's Brother-in-Law

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—House investigators looking into Government regulatory agencies today defeated a move to fire their controversial chief counsel, Bernard Schwartz. The vote was 6-5.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Investigator Bernard Schwartz, apparently on the point of being fired by a House subcommittee, today leveled charges of "influence" reaching to the White House and President Eisenhower's brother-in-law.

Schwartz told the United Press he had planned to hold hearings on the role of Presidential Assistant Sherman Adams, Commerce Secretary Sinclair Weeks, former Commerce Undersecretary Robert B. Murray Jr. and Col. George Gordon Moore in "specific cases" before the Federal Communications Commission.

He said "we have evidence" that Adams "has influenced decisions" and that Moore, the President's brother-in-law, "figured in many cases." He did not elaborate.

Other subcommittee sources said the group's staff investigations also have involved Representative Robert Hale, Maine Republican, a subcommittee member, and "possibly" Vice President Richard M. Nixon. They did not elaborate on the reference to Nixon.

The subcommittee, headed by Representative Morgan M. Moulder, Missouri Democrat, scheduled a closed-door session today ostensibly to hear Schwartz give members a secret briefing on evidence of alleged wrongdoing in the FCC and other Federal regulatory agencies.

Ready to Quit But the prospects were the group would vote instead to fire Schwartz on charges of padding his own expense account. There were predictions the vote to oust the controversial chief counsel would be 8-3. Schwartz' top aides were prepared to resign if he is fired.

Schwartz, labeling the charges against him "sheerest nonsense," said they were inspired to kill the investigation and rejected suggestions that he resign.

Moulder, one of two members ready to vote against firing Schwartz, told the United Press before today's session he was prepared to make a House speech later in the day defending Schwartz if he is ousted. This could touch off a bitter House debate on the controversial investigation.

3000 Register ALBUQUERQUE, Feb. 10.—More than 3000 students have registered for second semester courses at the University of New Mexico, said J. C. MacGregor, director of admissions.

Mother Hears Son's Story: They Got the Wrong Man

He Stumbled Into Death Sentence

By JANEL ARCHIBALD Is Jimmy Shaver a murderer?

Or is he victim of grim circumstances which will force him to pay for a crime he did not commit?

Shaver was to have been executed Tuesday in Huntsville for the murder of Chere Jo Horton, raped and killed July 4, 1954, outside a San Antonio tavern. A few minutes before the electric chair, another man admitted he was guilty of the child's death.

Three El Pasoans believe Shaver is innocent.

Asked for Someone to Speak They are his mother, Mrs. E. E. McGhee, a slender woman with quiet eyes, whose faith in the justice of God is unquenchable: her pastor, the Rev. Seth A. Williams, pastor of Lakeside Baptist Church, and Mrs. Williams.

"I did not ask God to spare Jimmy's life," his mother said. "I only asked that if he were innocent, someone speak up."

Donald Summers spoke up. Summers told officials he did not want to see an innocent man pay for what he had done.

Officials scoffed at his confession. But they listened.

A man's life hung in the balance.

Man in the Car Jimmy told me he had been at the tavern the night of the murder," Mrs. McGhee said in a quiet voice. "He said he had been drinking and that he pulled his car to the side of the road to sleep."

"He said he was awakened by a man climbing into the car. The man struck him. The next thing he remembers is stumbling over unfamiliar ground."

Shaver, wearing blood-stained clothing and wandering in a drunken daze, was picked up by police near the scene.

The evidence seemed damning. Two juries agreed that it was.

In his story to prison officials, Summers said he was in the San Antonio tavern. Chere Jo's parents also were there.

As he left, the tavern door struck a little girl and hurt her, Summers said.

The little girl was Chere Jo. He claims he picked the child up to hush her crying. He carried her away from the tavern and raped and killed her, according to his confession.

Time Runs Out He claims he took a car that was parked near the tavern. As he got into the car, a man rose up from the back seat. He claims he struck the man, knocking him out. He said he drove the car a short distance, then abandoned it.

The grand jury is meeting to consider Summers' confession.

But time is running out for Jimmy Shaver. He was granted 15 days to live. Fifteen days can go like 15 minutes.

If Shaver is not guilty, death will be a high price to pay for having been in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Meeting Planned On Dyer Rezoning

Members of the Skyline Assn. and other residents of North El Paso meet tonight to consider a proposal for rezoning property on North Dyer street.

A. W. McKay, president of the association, said a petition to rezone property near Mt. Arago Hills belonging to A. P. Coles was presented to city officials last week.

The property will be sold for commercial use, Mr. McKay said. Proposed purchaser of the Coles property is the corporation which previously had sought 33 acres of a quarter of a mile to the northwest of the Coles property, according to Mr. McKay.

Request to rezone the 33 acres was withdrawn after residents of Mt. Arago Hills and Grace Addition protested the move.

Residents of Mt. Arago Hills, Grace Addition, Tobin Park, Mountain View and Bellevue are invited to attend the meeting, which will be held at Recreation Ranch at 7:30 p. m.



READ BIBLE—Mrs. E. E. McGhee and the Rev. S.-A. Williams reads a Bible passage.

Request Overruled Start Picking Jury For Fred Ellis Trial

Selection of a jury to try Fred Ellis, former City license clerk, on a charge of misapplying City funds, was under way today after District Judge William E. Ward denied defense attorneys' request to delay the hearing again.

Defense attorneys sought to delay the trial because of the absence of David Wilson, a former employe of the license office, and J. E. Johnston.

District Attorney William E. Johnston opposed the delay on the grounds that much of Johnston's purported testimony was ruled out by the court at a previous trial of Ellis. He also proposed that Wilson and Johnston's testimony could be taken from the record of the previous hearing.

The jury will be picked from a panel from the regular weekly venire for the district courts. Another 52 qualified jurors are on hand for service if the Ellis panel is exhausted. Each side has 10 challenges for cause and many of the remaining members of the panel are expected to be excused because of their knowledge of the much-publicized case.

Ellis was acquitted at his first trial in January, 1956, on a charge of misapplication of funds in his custody. The present case was set originally for the summer of 1956 but delayed when Attorney Millstead suffered a heart attack.

In the case on trial Ellis is charged with accepting a check in September, 1954 for \$125 for a license, depositing the check and then withdrawing all but \$5 which was used as payment for a license issued to a man who has never been located. The State contends Ellis pocketed the \$120 difference.

She added that the Credit Union makes loans to employees who are not even eligible to join the Labor Union.

The Credit Union has negotiated loans for sums exceeding \$300 for persons not members of the Labor Union, she said.

If a note is half paid off when the borrower dies, the \$300 death benefit provides for the unpaid balance of the note and the remainder is for the survivors.

"But employes do not have to join the Labor Union to get a loan," she said.

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Incumbent Wins Paraguay Election

ASUNCION, Paraguay, Feb. 10.—An official announcement today that strong man Gen. Alfredo Stroessner polled "90 per cent" of the votes yesterday in his unopposed re-election as president.

Sixty members of the president's Colorado Party also were elected without opposition. The government said there were no incidents.

Officers Burglarized

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COURT FIGHT AHEAD—Mrs. Pat Francione, business manager of the D. L. Cady Animal Hospital, holds Margaret Patterson's cat, Tommy, and a copy of a letter from the Pattersons' business manager refusing to pay for Tommy's keep. The issue is heading for court settlement.

Witnesses Named

Missing Pattersons' Cat Heads to Court In Board Bill Suit

The first promise of a break in evidence involving the mysterious disappearance of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Patterson developed today. Tommy, the Patterson cat, is headed to court in a suit to seek payment of \$154 for his care, food and lodging.

Herbert Roth, receiver for Patterson Photo Supplies, refused to pay the bill for Tommy's care at the D. L. Cady Animal Hospital at 2101 Texas street. He did so on advice of the Patterson firm's attorney.

Dr. Cady, owner of the animal hospital, turned the matter over to his attorney, Abner S. Lipscomb. The attorney said today, "If the bill is not paid, I'll proceed with court action on instructions of Dr. Cady."

Name Witnesses Such court action is certain to require appearance under oath of the persons who are in a position to identify Tommy as Tommy, or to swear that the cat in question is not Tommy.

Among the witnesses who can give such testimony are Mr. Roth, D. G. Kirkland and Art Moreno, all of the Patterson firm. They have declined to discuss details of the Patterson mystery except to say they have no knowledge of the whereabouts of Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, who vanished without trace last March 6.

Mr. Kirkland is the last person who is known to have seen the Pattersons, on the night of March 5. A telegram sent from a Dallas telephone pay station on March 15 to have him observed for rabies and signed "Pat" gave instructions:

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Falsify Records

Nab Eight El Paso Men In U. S. Jobs Inquiry

Federal Bureau of Investigation arrested eight El Pasoans today on charges they failed to disclose arrest records when they filed applications for part time employment at the Post Office during the Christmas season.

Edward L. Boyle, agent in charge of the FBI here, said other arrests are expected.

The men were arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Henry C. Clifton and released on their own recognizance.

Falsifying applications for Federal employment is punishable by a maximum fine of \$10,000, five years imprisonment or both.

Mr. Boyle said that if an applicant does disclose an arrest this does not necessarily prevent him from obtaining employment, but failure to disclose it is a violation of the Federal law.

Arrested, together with their previous arrest records, were: Arturo Aguirre Almeraz, 26, of 3120 Findley street, driving while intoxicated.

Salvador Galaviz Madrid, 24, of 514 East Eighth street, carrying a concealed weapon.

Lauro Granados, 34, of 2219 Yandell boulevard, theft under \$5 and loitering.

LITTLE LIZ



It's beginning to look as if taxes will reach the moon before we do.

N. M. Commander Silent on Waste

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS The commanding officer of the Air Force Missile Development Center at Alamogordo has declined to comment on charges by Senator Clinton P. Anderson that \$16.5 million was wasted on missile test stands.

Anderson said Saturday he was trying to find out what was behind the halt in construction on the four stands at Holloman Base, which, he said, he was told could be completed for another \$4 million.

Maj. Gen. Leighton I. Davis, commanding officer at Holloman AFB, told the Associated Press, "We have no comment to make at this time. Any statement would have to be issued by higher headquarters."

Headquarters of the Air Research and Development Command is Andrews Air Force Base, near Washington.

Anderson said the Holloman missile test stands were a waste of money. The Pentagon decided that instead of using Holloman for the tests the missiles should be tested at plants of the contractors who built them. The duplication resulted in an additional expenditure of about \$20 million, Anderson said. The test stands thus ended up costing \$38.5 million instead of \$20 million.

Is Tax Burden Too Big?

Las Cruces Lawyers Study Track Legality

An independent legal study will help Dona Ana County fight the proposed Anapra, N. M., track, four miles from El Paso.

Attorney W. A. Sutherland of Las Cruces, leader of race track opponents, said the study is being made by a committee of lawyers.

It may be possible to show that cost of policing and regulating the proposed track would create a tax burden that could not be offset by revenues.

If court action is not advisable and the only recourse of opponents would be to elect legislators next year who would pass laws abolishing pari-mutual gambling or a lottery option law enabling each county to vote on whether to permit operation of a track.

He said it is possible that an objection against undue taxation might provide a basis for seeking fall court injunction to block the race meets recently assigned the Fortuna Corp. Officials of Fortuna have announced plans to build a

Our Woman Reporter Rides In Jet Plane

Virginia Turner, our reporter, rode in a Biggs Base jet speed plane. Her experience is described on Page 15.

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