

Healdsburg, Calif.

March 25, 1964

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Dr Glenn Seaborg

Dear Dr Seaborg,

I am appealing to you again
Re the atomic plant at Bodega
Head.

It has become apparent that it
is a settled fact that regardless
of the wishes of the people the
P.G & E. will get their way.

It is a shame that officials
of the P.G & E. - P.U.C + A.E.C.
cannot understand the re-
vulsion of the people to having
all the natural beauty of our
state marred by power poles
& plants.

We can never recover them
once they are ruined.

The P.G & E + their paid mixers
try to say we are, idiots, foreigners,
communis + many other names.

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but for myself I am a native
Daughter born in Fresno in 1894
raised in Santa Cruz lived
in Los Angeles for 27 years
where my first husband was
an executive with Swift & Co.

I love California & Sonoma Co
& have lived here since 1939.

I have always enjoyed going
to Bodega for picking dinners
& picnics & planned to get a
home there some day.

I also have been in all major
Earthquakes since 1906 & have
great respect for them.

Our Supervisors have refused
to give us a hearing & have
pulled every crooked trick in
the bag for P.G. & C. for what
ever they got.

Please Mr. Dealtry consider
the wishes of the People a little
bit.

Sincerely Yours

Rewina Connor

814 Benjamin St., Healdsburg

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Mr. Glenn Seaborg
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Action by Board Of Supervisors

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Sonoma County Supervisors yesterday:

BURNING LAW — Were briefed on a proposed new outdoor burning law by Deputy County Counsel Robert Rehberg, who prepared it and who said he's going to meet this week with fire district representatives. Supervisorial reaction to the proposed law generally was a fear that some provisions would not be enforceable.

FLOOD PLAIN ZONE — Approved a statement to be made Wednesday to the state Senate Factfinding Committee on Water Resources on a proposed flood plain zoning law. Drafted by Gordon W. Miller, chief engineer of the county-wide flood and water district, the statement suggests softening of some of the provisions as well as a semantic change from "zoning" to the "development" of "regulation."

LIBRARY — Approved 4) establishment of the North Bay Library System as a separate agency in a program that will pull many elements of the system from the operations of the co-operating libraries into a separate building as a "whole-sale" library. Supervisor Leigh Shoemaker, who said he wanted more time to study the proposal, declined to vote on the question.

PG&E—Got Supervisor E. J. (Nin) Guidotti's appraisal that the Supreme Court decision turning down an appeal by opponents of the Bodega Bay nuclear-fueled power plant proposal contained language that makes it more certain Pacific Gas & electric Co. will get permission from the Atomic Energy Commission to build the plant.

istrator Smith's posing of a "two-bit problem" of the sheriff's office—the desire to buy coffee or meals for skindivers working with officers on the river and the inability to charge them as county expenses since they're in-county meals. Conclusion: No change.

FLOOD CONDEMNATION — Authorized condemnation actions on a dozen parcels of land on Santa Rosa Creek upstream for about two miles from Fulton rd. in an attempt to meet federal deadlines for federal money for channel improvement project there. The U.S. Conservation Service has set April 20 as the deadline for receiving certification from the county-wide district that rights of way have been secured.

UNLAME DUCK — Were told by Supervisor Guidotti that although he's retiring at the end of this term, he doesn't intend to behave (or be treated like) a "lame duck" supervisor. Supervisor Shoemaker expressed appreciation of Mr. Guidotti's inclusion of his fellow supervisors and county staff members in a statement last week that said the county is in good shape; that wasn't "idle talk," said Supervisor Guidotti, who went on to describe himself as a "more or less controversial figure" and to speculate that his leaving will "enable the board to gain a greater respect . . . and be looked at in a different light and create a better image . . ."

WILLIAMS DE RD. BRIDGE—Called for bids at 2 p.m. April 20 for construction of a bridge over Santa Rosa Creek at Williams rd. as a preliminary to the upcoming channel improvement project on the creek.

Jan 24-64
SF Supervisors

To Vote On Bodega A-Plant

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — The San Francisco Board of Supervisors today was studying a motion by board member Jack Morrison opposing the construction of the proposed nuclear power plant at Bodega Bay.

Morrison submitted the resolution at the board's regular meeting yesterday.

The proposal was sent to committee with hearings to be held in the near future.

The motion, which needs a simply majority to pass the 11-man board, would put the city officially against the controversial project.

"I think it is vital that San Francisco make known its position to the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission," Morrison explained.

He added that he thought "sufficient doubts have been raised on conservation and safety grounds" to warrant hearings.

Morrison indicated that the hearings would not be held for at least a month, and that he was asking three weeks' notice so all interested parties could attend.

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Earthquake Dangers Told

EDITOR: In the 1906 earthquake Bodega Head at Bodega Bay was the worst shock area along the entire fault. In Santa Rosa the earthquake was worse than in San Francisco. There have been earth shocks since then, and an earthquake could come at any time. But the PG&E has to have its own way about everything.

At S Iron Creek at the edge of the sand dunes the cracks go right down toward Bodega Head. Some of the cracks are 14 feet wide. I measured them. A fearful shock that it took to crack the earth like that.

That would move the electric wires on the tower and twist the steel towers. The PG&E would change their minds if they were there when a quake took place.

There is a crack down at the bottom of the 75 feet deep reactor hole. You would be surprised how a quake can bounce things around. They would be surprised to see a

10-ton concrete block jump 10 feet straight up into the air and tear steel buildings down.

When the U. S. Geological Society says something, you better take their word for it. They know and they tell the truth. In war it will be a prime target for a 100-megaton bomb to dig a crater 100 feet deep and a mile across. Concrete will crumble like soft, dry earth.

DR-708 JOHN G. COX
Fort Bragg

Doubts Expressed On A-Plant Site

EDITOR: Reading in the paper the different views on the Bodega Head atomic plant, the PG&E says that it is a safe and ideal spot for the plant and the government says that it isn't the best spot for it. I think the public in general should think twice before encouraging the go-ahead with the plant. If there is a fault there—and it has been admitted by the PG&E. Not in that exact spot, but how far from that spot is it?

Let's remember this: that the plant at Bodega Head is an atomic plant and if there is an earthquake through that reactor and the fault gives—then what? Aren't there just as good spots along the coast?

When it is known that there is a fault in that section, it sure would be great to see the Bodega Head developed, as there are some beautiful scenery after you get around the head and get next to the ocean. But an atomic plant there?

Well, there's one thing for sure: If there is a fault and an earthquake comes and the big ball of fire goes boom, let's hope the wind is blowing west.

DR-708 ROY RUSSE
Santa Rosa

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B...ERS are not only making Americans aware of the beauties through such shows as "American Spectacular," but of the dangers as well through an interesting new avenue of public enlightenment, the broadcast editorial. The leaders in this have been KPIX, KCBS and more recently KGO-TV. Opposing viewpoints are welcomed and, indeed, guaranteed by the FCC. Spokesmen for both sides are given equal time. It is a good arrangement.

Many years ago Americans rose in a mass to renounce the arrogance of the powerful. Now we have the new Goliaths—the State highway engineers with their "let's-em-eat-concrete" boastfulness; the all-powerful PG&E and the newly-rich Atomic Energy Commission.

In a radio editorial of March 23, Jules Dundes, CBS vice president and general manager of KCBS, deplored the "blind ultimatum" delivered to the residents of Woodside by the AEC wherein an agent of the Federal Government and a powerful private utility can force ugliness upon a community in the form of above-ground towers.

Said Dundes: "This threat to run rough-shod over the public doesn't reflect credit on the judgment of a powerful agency or its director, Dr. Glenn T. Seaborg, a former chancellor of the University of California who should know better."

The AEC is making an answering statement next Monday on KCBS at 9:45 a. m. & 3:10 p. m.

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OTHER STATIONS have been equally outspoken against the detestable attitude of the outdoor advertising companies and the vendors who display their products in such a vulgar fashion on their billboards which march across the land proclaiming to all San Franciscans that the pocket-book rules the spirit.

Power lines can be put underground, signs can be controlled, freeways can be depressed, parks can be tunneled and nobody in his right mind would place an atomic plant over an earthquake fault.

The time has come for all good men to decide between Beauty and The Beastly. It is nice that radio and television are helping us to tell which is which. Let your representatives and supervisors know what side you are on.

Television and Radio Logs on Page 12
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

Det. S.F. Chronicle 3-28-68

Thought you might like to see this article.

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FROM: Rowena B. Conner 814 Benjamin Way Healdsburg, California		DATE OF DOCUMENT: 3-25-64	DATE RECEIVED 3-30-64	NO.: DR-708
TO: Mr. Seaborg (Directed by Chairman's Office to Mr. Price for preparation of draft reply for Chairman's sign.)		LTR. MEMO: REPORT: OTHER:	X w/news clippings (5)	
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5 News clippings on P&M's proposed plant. (NOTE: Large clipping not reproduced for distribution).		Mr. L. Price	3-30	
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		(1 copy to Edwards for draft reply for Chairman's sig by advisory Mr. & Mrs. <i>[Signature]</i> 4/3)		
		(OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR) Draft reply sent 4/3/62		
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Edward
in draft reply to
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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

3/27
(Date)

TO: H. L. Price

- _____ For Information
- _____ For appropriate handling
- _____ For preparation of ^{draft} /reply for Chairman's signature (Refer to Manual Chapter 0240)
- _____ For discussion at Commissioners' Information Meeting
- _____ For distribution to other Commissioners
- _____ Daily Log

REMARKS: The Chairman asked that a very considerate reply be prepared

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Howard C. Brown, Jr.
For the Chairman

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