JAIL TERM METED

Stephen Stanley Tanski, Reedsport, conviced on a concealed weapons charge, was sentenced to 90 days in the Douglas County jail and fined $10 and costs by Justice of the Peace Fred M. Wright at Reedsport this week.

FINED FOR ASSAULT

Paul John Snyder, 1038 Corey Ave., Roseburg, was fined $25 on the charge of assault and battery, by Justice of the Peace Ward C. Watson at Sutherlin this week.

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Salmon vs. Dams Dispute Will Be Aired at Meeting

By MATT R. KRAMER

PORTLAND, Ore., June 12—(AP)—The perennial salmon vs. dams argument in the Pacific Northwest is nearly over—so far as the Interior Department is concerned.

The department's officials in their revised plan for dam construction in the Northwest announced that:

1. If dams do not "kill" fish runs, they at least impair them, even with full use of fish ladders and all protective devices.

2. The fishing industry "should not be allowed indefinitely to block the full development of the other resources of the river."

As a result their revised plan—one that is up for discussion by fishing, agriculture and power interests of the Northwest at Walla Walla, June 25—proposes a 10-20 year lease on life for the Columbia River salmon, while experts attempt to establish salmon runs downstream.. Then the big dams will go in.

Some in the fishing industry say this is the death knell for the big Chinook and Silverside runs in the Columbia.

Interior Department officials take the view that this unhappy result may be inescapable and that "the government's effort should be directed toward ameliorating the impact of this development upon the injured interests and not toward a vain attempt to hold still the hands of the clock."

Fish Values "Outweighed"

What this entails was told in the department's conclusions as summarized by Col. Theron D. Weaver, North Pacific Division Army engineer and chairman of the Columbia Basin Inter-Agency committee in inviting interested groups to the Walla Walla meeting.

"The annual wholesale value of river-caught salmon ranges from 6 to 10 million dollars," the summary said. "Capitalized value of the resource may be said to be 125 million dollars.

"Some five Indian tribes will be dispossessed of fishing sites reserved to them under treaty. An arbitrary capitalized value of 15 to 20 million dollars might be placed on these rights.

"An arbitrary capitalized value of 20 million dollars might be assigned to the sport fishing of salmon on the river . . .

"If (the fisheries) were to be preserved at any cost, eight potential projects on the Columbia and five on the Snake would have to be abandoned. The costs would be about 5,000,000 kw of low-cost power capacity (80 per cent on the Columbia), the acceptance of only shallow-draft navigation above The Dalles and none on the Snake, and the ultimate sacrifice of about 1,000,000 acres of irrigation. It is difficult precisely to equate these potential benefits against the value of the present Columbia River salmon, but all concerned within the department are agreed that they are the foundation of the ultimate development of the Pacific Northwest and that they considerably outweigh the resulting cost to the commercial fisheries, the Indians and the sportsmen."

Alternate Plan Offered

The department next outlined its plan for transplanting the salmon to lower river and coastal streams. The Fish and Wildlife Service said five steps could be taken: (1) removal of obstructions; (2) abatement of pollution; (3) construction of fishways an screening of all diversions; (4) actual transplanting of up-river fish, and (5) extension of artificial propagation.

Army engineers are not in full accord with the department's plan, for they maintain they can build dams without curtailing fish runs. As an example they cite the record Chinook run over Bonneville dam this spring.

Fishermen remain skeptical of all these assertions, and now are totaling up figures in preparation for their biggest—and perhaps most important—argument in the fish vs. dams controversy.

Tax Bill Veto Will be Upheld, Barkley Says

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controlled congress.

Foreign Policy Intact

His bipartisan program on foreign policy remains generally intact despite some cracks in its structure. That also may face a test if the president is persuaded later that a European rehabilitation program requires the attention of a special session before Congress meets regularly again in January.

First on the list of pressing presidential decisions apparently will be the $4,000,000,000 tax reduction bill. Democratic leaders generally expect a veto message on it Monday, although some of them say there is a possibility the president may let it become law. The deadline for a veto message is Monday midnight.

Senator Taft of Ohio, chairman of the Senate GOP policy committee, told a reporter there is "almost no chance" that Congress would override a tax veto. That would mean continuation of present levies at least until early next year.

Labor Bill Questioned

Whether the president signs it or not, the labor bill appears likely to become law. There is a clear margin for overriding a veto in the House, and Democratic strategists privately dispair of mustering the required one third plus one vote to sustain in the Senate.

Government labor experts who have been analyzing the Taft-Hartley bill will advise President Truman that the measure is "unworkable" and will not stop a coal strike.

This was learned today from officials who have seen the analysis but who asked that their names not be used.

There have been equally reliable reports, however, that some other presidential advisers are urging Mr. Truman to sign the measure.

This group is said to contend (A) that the bill does give the government some means of dealing with the threat of a new coal strike next month and (B) that Congress is virtually certain to enact it into law in any event.

The labor experts are reported to have concluded, among other things, that the measure awaiting Mr. Truman's decision follows more nearly the original version introduced by Rep. Hartley than what they called the less restrictive measure sponsored by Senator Taft.

County Farm Appraisers Authorized by Budgeteers

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for employes retiring this year who were employed before the Public Employes Retirement System was created.

Fees Are Reduced

Downward revisions of the $1,301,055.35 budget included trimming in several departments. Fees for the four constables in Douglas County were cut out, due to a new state law which places constables on an appointive basis.

In the absence of a legal opinion, the budget committee decided to eliminate the fees allowed for the serving of civil papers and to assign the duties to the sheriff's office.

The new law—Senate Bill 383—which places all constables on an appointive basis, excepting those receiving a stated salary, also limits the number of justice courts in each county to six. As there are now seven in Douglas County, Judge Busenbark said that the justice courts at Gardiner and Reedsport would probably be combined.

The new law also gives justices of the peace a fixed salary—their average monthly fees collected during the first six months of 1947, plus 20 per cent. Salaries will be paid effective August 1. This has resulted in an increase in the county's justice court budget.

The revised budget figures were given by the Budget Committee to County Clerk Roy Agee, who will prepare the budget for publication.

Nagy, Ousted Hungarian Premier, on Way to U. S.

(By the Associated Press.)

Ference Nagy, deposed by the Communists as premier of Hungary, was en route to the United States today in what diplomats said apparently was an effort to draw attention of the U. S. public to events in that Central European republic.

The United States accused Russia earlier this week of "a most flagrant interference in Hungarian affairs" in the alignment which placed the Communists, who polled 17 per cent of the last free vote, in charge.

Deszo Sulyok, who denounced the Communists yesterday in the Hungarian parliament, said today his Freedom party would refuse to take part in national elections scheduled for September, unless they were supervised by an international board.

Lack of Farm Work May Send Mexicans Home

PORTLAND, Ore., June 13.—(AP)—Some of the 15,000 Mexican nationals in the Pacific Northwest may be sent home because there is not enough farm work for them.

This was the report from Western State Farm Labor supervisors yesterday at the close of a two-day session here.

They said more migrant farm laborers showed up in the Northwest this year than in the past few years, and recent storms cut harvest work.

They added, however, that the Mexicans probably will be needed this fall for the sugar beet harvest.

Marjorie Zeller to Broadcast Friday A. M.

Marjorie Zeller of Brockway, who is attending the national 4-H Club convention at Washington, D. C., this week, will appear on the broadcast of the National Farm and Home Hour over the NBC network Friday morning, Kenneth C. Minnick, county club agent, announced today. The two NBC stations in Oregon are KGW, Portland, and KMED, Medford.

ACCUSED OF FORGERY

Jack Bruce, Canyonville, was committed to the Douglas County jail on a forgery charge with bail set at $500, by Justice of the Peace Nina W. Pietzold this week.

House Group Wields Axe On Truman's Budget

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munication Commission, trimmed 17 per cent; the Federal Power Commsision, cut 12 per cent; the Federal Trade Commission, reduced almost one third; the Federal Works Agency, cut 12 per cent, and the Interstate Commerce Commission, trimmed 10 per cent.

Even the president's own budget bureau was cut, receiving $93,392 less than the $3,470,000 it had asked.

The maritime commission drew a stern rebuke from the committee for its accounting and general administrative practices.

Of the total approved, $25,000,000 was earmarked for research in cancer control.

The Senate Appropriation committee meanwhile approved a $215,530,353 appropriation for the Interior Department, adding $54,116,840 to the amount voted by the house.

Principal increases are $36,837,932 for the reclamation bureau and $9,314,600 for the Bonneville power administration.

The appropriation for national park operation was increased by the committee from $3,350,000 to $3,587,000. The amount would include an addition of $63,400, or a total of $260,000, for recreational areas.

For the fish and wild life service the committee recommended an increase of $480,440, to $6,110,320, including $799,040 instead of $725,000 for investigations of food fisheries and $280,700 instead of $200,000 for commercial fisheries. The biological investigations of this agency were allowed $280,000 instead of $241,000 and the predatory animal control work $900,000 instead of $750,000.

Transportation Strike Grips St. Louis

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basis of a decision made last Tuesday by an arbitration board.

The Missouri legislature recently enacted a bill which prohibits strikes against public utilities and authorizes the governor to seize and operate utilities in cases of actual or threatened strikes. The governor has signed the bill but it does not become effective until September.

No End in Sight for Key System Transit Paralysis

OAKLAND, Calif., June 13.—(AP)—Drivers' pools, population in wartime, increased today as the strike of 3,000 AFL transit employes of the Key system went into its third day.

Automobiles were virtually the only means of transportation left for nearly half a million East Bay resident, many of whom commute to work in San Francisco. Southern Pacific ferryboats, used mainly to meet tarins, can take but a small part of the load. Bridge traffic was near record proportions.

The unions involved called a membership meetnig for tomorrow morning but there was nothing to indicate an early end to the strike. No negotiating meetings were held yesterday but the unions sought new conferences today with the management.

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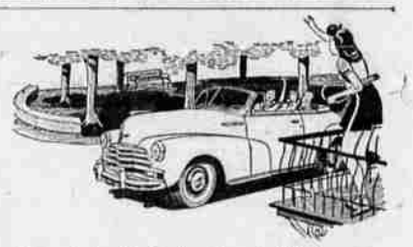

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