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ENCOURAGING RESULTS

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Discontinuance of commercial fishing for game fish in the Umpqua river already is showing encouraging results. Fall chinook salmon have been observed at the Winchester counting station. Silverside salmon tallied at the station have almost matched the heaviest recorded count of late years, despite the fact that the lower river run was extremely light.

If the theory of stream fertilization is correct, escapement of more salmon into the upper waters of the Umpqua system should promote better fishing in future years, in addition to restoring seasonal salmon runs.

The theory is that as salmon spawn and die their carcasses furnish feed for aquatic insects and promote growth of plankton, the microscopic animal and vegetable life which comprises the major part of a fish's diet. Water, like pasture, will support only as much life as its food-production capacity will permit. Thus by promoting aquatic food, a stream can be made to produce more and larger fish. In farm ponds, for instance, fish life is enormously increased through use of ordinary lawn or garden fertilizer on the water.

We are still far from having sufficient fertilization for the Umpqua system. Only a few years ago fall salmon were 100 or more times as numerous as at present. Through too heavy fishing intensity, pollution, damage to watersheds, siltation and other factors, we have reduced migration to the danger point. One of the most damaging practices was unrestricted commercial fishing on depleted species. This practice now has been virtually halted and already encouraging results are noted. Not only has upstream migration improved, but downstream migration of small salmon is reported the best to be seen in many years.

Perhaps it is not yet too late to restore the Umpqua river as one of the Pacific coast's finest recreational streams.

Those "Radical" Sportsmen

When conservationists in past years have urged steps to save natural resources they have been marked with the brand of "radical." In fact, an Oregon editor recently used that term in blasting a proposal to close all coastal streams except the Columbia to commercial fishing.

But it was "radical" sportsmen who aided commercial fishermen in forcing the federal government to install fish ladders around Bonneville dam when that structure was planned without provision for passage of migratory fish. "Radical" sportsmen were roundly abused for interference with the Willamette Valley Flood Control program when they protested high dams in recreational streams and insisted that better flood control would result from less expensive small dams high in the mountains. Now we find a representative of the U. S. Geological Survey advocating conservation of water before it is "dissipated on the valley floor" and declaring that the small mountain streams "offer a challenge and an opportunity to materially increase the water utilization of the state."

"Radical" sportsmen have long been deploring abuses to land and urging better soil conservation practices. But now we find the president of the National Association of Soil Conservation Districts, reporting that 500,000 acres of land are lost each year by erosion and waste, insisting that "farmers must change their thinking about the ownership of land. We should consider ourselves as trustees for future generations."

Eventually the American public will have reason to thank sportsmen and conservationists for their "radicalism."

Melrose

By NETTIE WOODRUFF
 Enos Handy is away on a hunting trip into Mexico accompanied by Mr. Jeffrey of the J-V Sporting Goods store in Roseburg.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Conn and family spent the Thanksgiving holiday at the coast and report the weather as being "fairly good."

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Goodburn visited Mrs. Goodburn's niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Doyle of N. Roseburg over the holiday. Also present for dinner were Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Busenbark, Mr. and Mrs. H. Fargeter and children.

Jim Young was home for the holiday from Oregon State college. Also home from school were Dick Bonebrake, Ted Reece, Joyce Morgan and Robert Holmquist. Miss Morgan is a member of the Lewis and Clark volleyball team and travels out of state for games.

Mr. and Mrs. Delco Graves were Thanksgiving day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Kettelman and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Rosenhall of Winchester Bay visited over the Thanksgiving holiday with Mrs. Rosenhall's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Showers.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Sanders and family were Thanksgiving day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Barker and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Cerenis Anderson and daughter Fern entertained Mr. and Mrs. Miller of West Melrose at dinner Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lundeen and Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Woodruff spent Thanksgiving day at

Sutherlin, where Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lundeen entertained with a turkey dinner.

Mrs. Beckie Chilwood and Mrs. Helen Weekly made a business trip to Eugene Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Matthews and son Michael returned to their home Friday at Hayward, Calif., after visiting for several days with relatives at Melrose. They are former Melrose residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cory and foster daughters Sandra and Valerie Rawell, Callahan Trail, were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Cory's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jacoby, Lookingglass.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wright recently moved from Callahan Trail to Roseburg where Mr. Wright has entered the Veterans hospital for medical care.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Matthews and twin daughters left Saturday for their home at Ione, following a week's visit at the home of Mr. Matthews' brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Matthews.

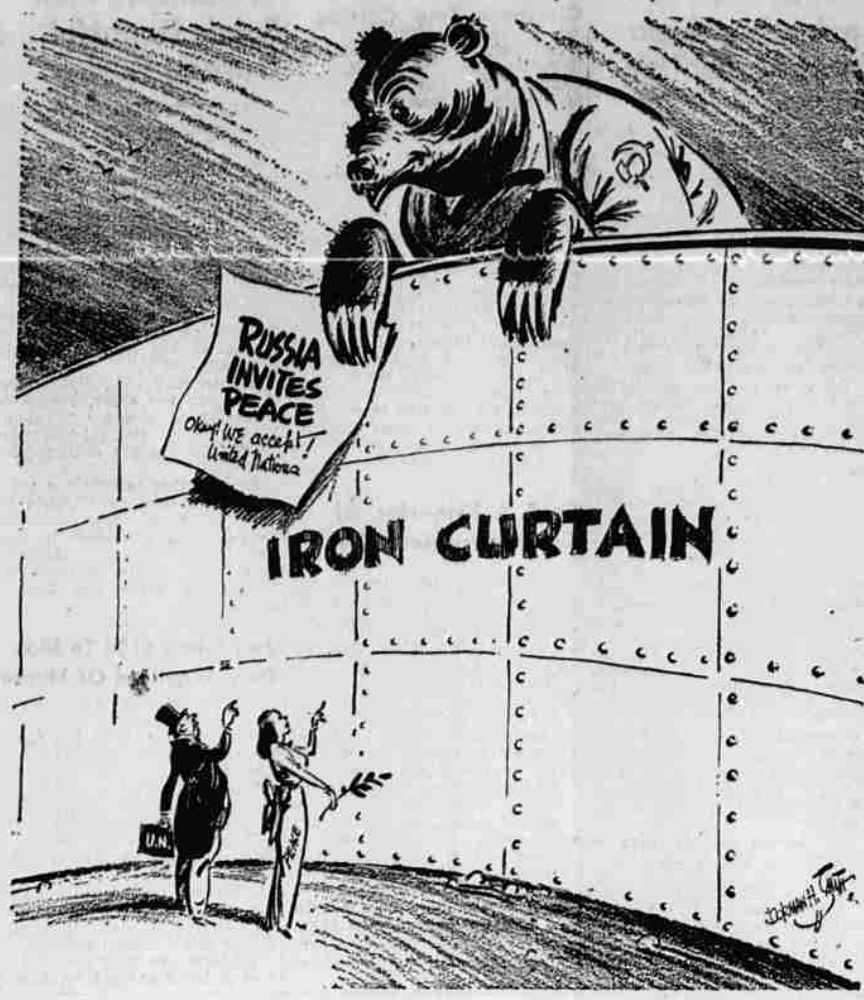
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keyes of Roseburg recently sold their thirty acre tract at Melrose to Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Stubblefield, who moved here to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Keyser visited over the Thanksgiving holiday with Mrs. Keyser's mother at Coos Bay.

Bill Matthews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matthews, was home for the holiday from Corvallis where he is attending Oregon State college. He and his parents went to Salem for Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mrs. Matthews' brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Perrin.

Mr. and Mrs. The Allen of Roseburg were dinner guests Thanksgiving day of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cory. Other guests

"Well, Here We Are. Open Up!"



Scrap from the MENDING BASKET

By Viahnett S. Martin

A pretty good test of a speaker's ability to speak interestingly is the way the younger generation pay attention. I was delighted to see so many little boys and girls at the recent James H. Bond pictures of Alaska, and to see small hands waving eagerly during the question period.

(To be sure, Mr. Bond did remark, quite pleasantly, once that he guessed he's have to "beat up on about four small boys right here in front by me," but after the laugh, said small boys gave no further trouble.)

Mr. Bond accompanied his two-hour show with a running commentary on the pictures which were indeed remarkable. Although we had read and heard so much about Alaska we were quite unprepared for the size of some of the animals! The first show was sold out so a second show, not announced in advance, was put on right after the first audience left the little theater. Mr. Bond has remarkable stamina and voice control to give a repeat lecture the same evening. I did wonder why some of

his remarks could not have been recorded and used to relieve him of the necessity of so long a talking-period without rest? Although the author of "From Out of These Mountains" has been giving the lecture with the film a great many times, one feels the thrill in his voice as he lives over in the telling the adventures he experienced in the "YUKON Wonderland." For four months he was in the Yukon wilderness without seeing a human being other than the two Indians who accompanied him.

Some idea of the area may be had when you hear him tell about the horses... grizzlies, mountain sheep, caribou and other animals, "unusual" to us, are a lot commoner than horses, it seems, thereabouts! Mr. Bond spent the past summer in the Yukon doing work for the Yukon Wild Life commission, making surveys of the game animals, and estimates of their numbers, and so on.

Arm-chair traveling with James H. Bond in Alaska is a very refreshing trip.

In the Day's News

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that have been flowing toward socialism (whose underlying theory is to leave everything to the state) may have begun to ebb.

New Zealand's voters this week reversed their thinking of the past 14 years and elected a majority of the members of their lower house of parliament from the National party, which opposes socialism and endorses free enterprise.

NEW Zealand, you will recall, was one of the first of what we might term the modern "socialist republics." Clear back in 1935 it endorsed the theories of the welfare state, and undertook to get for its people what they wanted by the process of PASSING A LAW.

It seems a logical inference from what has happened there that after a long and determined trial the people of New Zealand may be beginning to doubt that abundance for everybody may be obtained in that way.

NEW Zealand is a long way from us. It is close to Australia. Dispatches report that Australian political observers think the New Zealanders turned against the Social Labor party because they are tired of rules and regulations on what they buy and sell, how much they pay and what they can import and export.

The people of New Zealand, these Australian sources add, are tired of government spending, high taxes and increased living costs, and want to see LESS, NOT MORE, business run by a government which in New Zealand has nationalized transport, radio, coal, electricity, communications, hospitals and some housing.

We mustn't forget that these Australian "sources" may merely be indulging in wishful thinking. Still, the fact remains that New Zealand has (after 14 years of it) turned against the welfare state.

NEW Zealand led off the welfare state procession. It was followed not too long afterward by Australia — where the welfare state has been rather extremely established. New Zealand and Australia were followed into the welfare state fold in 1945 by Great Britain. Here in America we have been heading definitely TOWARD the welfare state.

The significance of the news from "down under" is that New Zealand, which was the first to go in, is the first to pull out. That reminds us that "the proof of the pudding is the eating thereof."

If, after 14 years of it, the New Zealanders don't like the pudding, it is at least plants in our minds the thought that after living on a heavy diet of it as long as the New Zealanders have WE may not like it.

OFFICIALS ITCH FOR DDT
 SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—When city health director Dr. J. C. Geller ordered the janitor at the city health center to spray the balconies every month with DDT, he posted this explanation:

"We have pigeons. The pigeons sometimes carry psittacosis. They also carry mites, and, I regret to say, lice. Once in a while I have an itch. Then I have to scratch. The spray, therefore, is for everybody's protection around here, but mostly for my own."

Commercial plywood as known today dates from 1905 when it was first made in St. Johns, Oregon.

Watch 1950 Elections In Three Largest States For 1952 Clues

By BRUCE BLOSSART

In 1950 New York, California and Pennsylvania, the three most populous states, will each elect a governor and a senator. These contests not only will furnish important clues to presidential 1952; they may furnish some of the candidates for the White House.

This year's election results were hardly cold when James Roosevelt, eldest son of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, announced his candidacy for the California governorship. He is bidding chiefly for the Democratic nomination, but under California's strange cross-filing system he will also put his name in on the Republican side.

If Gov. Earl Warren, the Republican incumbent, seeks a third term the West Coast battle may be hard fought. As the defeated GOP nominee for vice president in 1948, Warren suffered a setback in prestige. But he has rebuilt his strength in his home state and must be regarded as a presidential possibility unless he decides to leave politics.

Another Roosevelt, Franklin D., Jr., may figure in the New York governorship race. Now in Congress after a highly successful vote-getting campaign last spring, the younger Roosevelt being widely discussed as a likely Democratic choice for the berth now held by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey.

Dewey's plans are veiled in doubt. Most political observers viewed the defeat of Sen. John Foster Dulles in New York as a personal setback for Dewey. Dulles was Dewey's own choice and the governor campaigned for him vigorously. Had Dulles won, it was generally believed Dewey would have considered himself on the comeback trail toward a possible third straight nomination for the presidency. Now it is not even certain whether he will try again for the governorship.

As for Pennsylvania, Republican Gov. James Duff does not plan to seek re-election. Beyond that prospect, nothing much can be said about the contest there. Once a GOP bastion, Pennsylvania today is one of the hottest political battlegrounds in the country. It shifts allegiance with surprising suddenness. Whoever its 1950 gubernatorial candidates are, the race will be tough.

The senatorial races in these three states are shaping up slowly and little presidential timber is in sight. Reps. Russell M. Nixon, Republican, and Helen Gahagan Douglas, Democrat, have announced for the Senate in

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Balloon In Stomach Stops Hemorrhage

EPHRATA, Dec. 2.—(AP)—A C-47 from Moses Lake air force base landed at Boston airport Wednesday with an Ephrata doctor who was flown across the nation with a blown-up balloon in his stomach in a flight against death.

The doctor, Dr. G. M. Nesse, is contracted as a boy in China, contracted as a boy in China, where he was born. The illness is a cirrhosis in which enlarged veins in the esophagus cause bleeding into the stomach.

A year ago Dr. Linton of Massachusetts General hospital in Boston performed an operation on Dr. Nesse, in which the return blood supply to the liver was shut off to stop the bleeding.

Last Saturday the bleeding began again. Forty blood transfusions were given between Saturday and Monday to keep Dr. Nesse alive. Monday, Dr. Ward Ephrata and Dr. C. K. Miller of Wenatchee had Dr. Nesse swallow a balloon conceived by Dr. Ward. When the balloon was in the stomach it was inflated, and pulled up against the gullet where it connects with the stomach. It stopped the hemorrhage.

The homemade remedy was satisfactory, and Dr. Nesse was put aboard the C-47 for a direct flight to Boston.

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