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DIAMOND LAKE PROBLEM

By Charles V. Stanton

Diamond Lake once was the world's largest Rainbow trout egg-taking station. The lake teemed with trout. Millions of eggs were taken annually to supply other inland waters without damaging the lake's population.

A comparatively few years ago, fishermen from Klamath County began using minnows from Klamath Lakes to catch Rainbows in Diamond Lake. Having a few minnows left after completing their fishing, they dumped out the contents of their bait buckets.

The minnows are known as "roach." The roach is a member of the carp family. An adult roach will spawn as many as 24,000 eggs in one year. The largest trout will produce less than 4,000 eggs annually. Spawning at a rate of six to one as compared with trout, roach have taken over Diamond Lake. They have reduced the volume of bottom feed from 292 pounds per acre in 1946 to 2.3 pounds per acre in 1951. The few trout remaining in Diamond Lake are feeding on the roach. But, sadly outnumbered, they are losing out in competition for food. The fishery, which should be bringing a minimum of \$500,000 annually into Oregon, is critically depleted. Diamond Lake is losing its place as one of Oregon's most valuable tourist attractions.

Belongs To Douglas County

Diamond Lake belongs to Douglas County. Because we have not had ready access to it, the lake has been used principally by residents of Klamath Falls and Medford.

Diamond Lake lies near the source of the North Umpqua river. The river's actual source is in Maidu Lake, a few miles north and east of Diamond Lake.

Lake Creek, which drains Diamond Lake, and Kelsay Creek, the outlet for Maidu Lake, are the two principal tributaries of the upper river.

Thus Diamond Lake and the upper tributary system of the river provide a valuable recreational asset for Douglas County.

We expect that within a few years the North Umpqua Highway will furnish us direct and easy access to Diamond Lake. A road up the Umpqua also would permit the use of the area for winter sports. There is no reason that Diamond Lake should not become one of the finest winter playgrounds in the United States. If, at the same time, we can rehabilitate the fishery resource, we will have in eastern Douglas County an all-year attraction capable of producing more than a million dollars annually in recreational income.

Early Action Indicated

Before encroachment of trash fish, Diamond Lake was estimated to have an income value of \$300,000 annually. Measured in today's inflated dollars, that would mean \$500,000 or more. Since that time the number of anglers has greatly increased; more people are traveling.

The Game Commission is spending large sums of money annually in futile control experiments, fish plantings, etc., in an effort to retain a semblance of a sports fishery.

The cost of complete poisoning and replanting the lake is estimated at less than \$100,000. That much money already has been spent without any indication of successful control.

It would seem that if the drastic action of complete poisoning is the only feasible method of control — and game department biologists say they know of no alternate procedure — a decision to do the job should be reached as soon as assurance can be given by the engineering staff that every risk has been considered and safeguarded, insofar as possible.

The economic value of the lake warrants the earliest action consistent with cautious planning.



I have been intending to write about "Friends of the Library" movements, now about 200, which accomplish a wide variety of results, all centered around the library that is, or the library that isn't, as yet, visible. The State Library will send you a most interesting resume on the subject ("Friends of the Library Groups") upon request, collected and distributed by the American Library Association.

The opening article, by Zona Gale, is inspiring reading for anyone. "The friends," she says, "deepen and extend the work which these groups are doing and which we could not go on so well without. . . to deepen awareness, to teach us that life that landscape, if you like, that literature, that poetry, that libraries are more than that which we believe them to be. . . It is clear that some secret appearance of things, which was there all the time, abruptly has been revealed as a form of reality. A shining world. . .

"Now it is of this 'other' appearance of things about which all the books of the world have tried to tell. Rows upon rows of books upon a million shelves — and all the books that matter say that life is something 'other' than that which we suppose it to be." And then Miss Gale comments upon the first books she sees at random on the book shelves before her. . .

"All of science and sociology and philosophy are these peerings into essential life. And it is so of biography. . . a record of a man's or a woman's look through life as it essentially is, and his effort to reach through it. I liked particularly the paragraph about Jesse Stuart's appreciation of his parents in which he grew up, and his true gift of seeing the truth then, rather than waiting for later years. Remember how Jesse Stuart scratched his poems on leaves at the end of his plowed rows?"

And then Miss Gale symbolizes for her reader the value of the small town library — I wish there might be a small reprint that one might tuck in letters or share at clubs. I wish that everyone might see the value to the community and to one's self of a Friends of the Library group! Such a group works in harmony with the library board, if there is one, the librarian, if there is a library, or it begins with a half dozen neighbors. . . IT BEGINS!

Man Drowns In Heroic Attempt To Save Three
CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Jan. 5 — A 30-year-old man and three young sisters he tried to save drowned in the icy waters of nearby Hinkle Lake yesterday.

The children, who had been ice skating, were Taylor L. McCausland, 9, Eddie Merchant, 10, and John Carlin, 12, all residents of neighboring Bridgeport.

Oscar L. Jeffries was the passer-by who made the heroic attempt to rescue them when they fell through the ice. He had just been released from the hospital last week following surgery.

"Tell Him It's Just a Social Call"



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WASHINGTON — The Truman administration's tampering with the nation's courts, and its persistent political manipulation of federal grand juries, was stopped cold in the closing days of the 82nd Congress.

At the same time, two decades of battling against the Communist infiltration of the federal government reached a climax in the hearing room of a comparatively obscure sub-committee of Congress. Both events transpired as a result of a series of unrelated events which were seized upon by two members of the House of Representatives for a refreshing display of political integrity. They were Reps. Frank L. Chelf, Democrat of Kentucky, and Kenneth B. Keating, Republican of New York.

The sub-committee, of the House Judiciary Committee, was set up to investigate the Department of Justice. This it has been doing. In the final days of 1952, it also by accident became involved in a high pressure investigation of the State Department. It was in the phase of its probe that the arrogance of the administration in relation to the nation's courts was brought into sharp focus.

In almost every executive department of the government, but especially in the State Department, there has been operating for years a super-arrogant committee of legal experts that has ignored Congress, flouted the courts and attempted to collect power by slick legal interpretations and propaganda designed to crush opponents.

The Chelf sub-committee, however, served notice on the executive branch of the government — a notice that cannot fail to have an impact on the incoming administration — that tampering with federal grand juries and with federal judges no longer will be tolerated.

The State Department, and the Department of Justice to a lesser degree, were caught bare-handed by the sub-committee in a series of attempts to throttle the functions of a grand jury assigned to investigating infiltration of the United Nations by American Communists. There was nothing obscure or confusing about the interference. It was direct, specific, bald-faced political pressure on the basic arm of our system of legal justice. It has occurred many times in other cases, but this time it was open-and-shut, and impossible to misunderstand.

The executive departments of the government, under 20 years of Truman and the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, have steadily taken over more and more of the powers of Congress. The pattern was set during the first 100 days of the Roosevelt administration. It never changed, never faltered. The left-wingers and Communists gloated and helped promote the seizure. A prominent Communist tenet in the Russian pattern for revolution is that the executive must first seize power and then he perverts that. That's what has happened here.

The Chelf sub-committee had no intention of investigating the State Department or the United Nations. Its members are not among those in Congress who are best acquainted with the Communist issue. Yet when it had the facts before it, the sub-committee proceeded with a better understanding and greater speed to get at the roots of the pro-Communist protection that most Communist investigative bodies set up for this specific purpose.

The story is simple. A federal grand jury of 23 individuals in New York City listened to testimony linking State Department aides with Communists and suspected subversives in the United

Melrose Citizens Have Visitors During Christmas

By NETTIE A. WOODRUFF

K. L. Matthews spent Christmas with his wife and daughters, Miss Jackie and Margo of Prineville. The latter had been visiting her father and accompanied him home. The former returned to Roseburg Sunday.

Russell Stubblefield was slightly injured Friday when struck a glancing blow by a falling tree. He was treated at a hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Reece left Friday for Portland for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Churchill of Sheridan, Ore., visited friends and relatives at Melrose over Christmas. The former resided at Melrose.

Earl Pemberton of Ft. Bragg, Calif., recently visited at the S. C. Smith home.

Gene Cook went to Port Orford to spend Christmas with his children.

Miss Elza Smith left Sunday for her home at Coos Bay after visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. Smith.

Mrs. Mima Bicker and son Carl entertained at Christmas dinner at their home, for Mrs. Tressia Maine, Roseburg; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cason, Myrtle Creek, and Mr. and Mrs. George Dewey.

Mrs. and Mrs. William Christenson of North Bend, spent Christmas day with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kaiser and family. They returned home in the evening and took Billie Kaiser with them for a visit. Friday evening the Howard Kaiser family went to North Bend to visit their parents.

Mrs. Levena Stevens of California spent Christmas with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carson Chitwood and family, returning to California Saturday.

Wallace Murdock returned home Saturday after visiting at Portland with his sister, Mrs. Reynolds, a former resident of Melrose.

Visitors at the E. F. Lutan home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Nelson of Lakeview, and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Nelson of Roseburg. Visiting at the Lutan home Christmas evening were Mr. and Mrs. E. Webb of Coos Bay and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kyes of Roseburg.

Melrose Families View Ice Cycles In Portland

Three Melrose families attended the ice cycles in Portland recently.

They were Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Reece, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Reece and son and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nickens and Marilyn and Larry Burr.

The Nickens also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Alva Williams, former residents of Roseburg. The Ted Reeces visited with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Davis.

Grange To Meet
Melrose Grange will meet at the hall at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

Bert Lannquist and Bill Schrader spent the holidays in California visiting relatives.

Students Get Chance At College Scholarship

Local youths will have a chance at \$2,500 in college scholarships through the Knights of Pythias' eighth annual public speaking contest, C. A. Seales, chancellor commander, announced today.

Topic will be "Highway Safety and How To Attain It."

The Roseburg lodge will sponsor the local contest. Local winners will go on to district and state events. Seales said. Winners of six regional contests will participate in finals in St. Louis, Mo., in August.

In the Day's News

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impatient, it seems a useless relic from the horse and carriage days. Why waste the time of the house and the senate of the congress of the United States, in a joint session, to tell the people what the people already know—that Eisenhower has been elected President and Nixon vice-president?

Well, next spring our cousins, the British, will waste a lot of time and considerable money placing a crown on the head of an attractive young woman who is already queen, and practically all the Americans who can spare the necessary cash can spare the time to get a place to stay while they're there) will go to London to see the job done.

The British have lasted a long time and have survived many crises that seemed unsurvivable, and I'm inclined to think that tradition and pageantry have helped them to get away with the job.

So let's not get too impatient with tradition.

Up in Montreal yesterday, members of the Polar Bear club took their traditional dip in the ice-filled waters of Lake St. Louis. The temperature was ten above in the sun, and the water, according to the Polar Bears, was a COMFORTABLE 32.

This is the idea, as explained to the chilly and skeptical reporters.

First, you soak up heat and steam in a steam room. The heat thus soaked up will INSULATE you against the cold—at least long enough to get in and get out again. The Polar Bears pointed out that yesterday's affair isn't just an annual stunt. Members, they said, take their frigid dips several times a week, regardless of the weather.

Silly?

I suppose it is. I'd think it was WORSE than silly if I AD to do it. I'd think it was CRUEL AND INHUMAN.

But I don't have to do it if I don't want to. Neither do the members of the Polar Bears club. And if they do want to do it nobody can stop them.

That's democracy for you.

Democracy confers upon all of us the precious right to DO AS WE PLEASE, WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS. First, steaming yourself like a pudding and then going out and jumping into an ice-filled lake sounds crazier than a coot, but at least it doesn't infringe upon the rights of others.

If some brass hat possessed the right to say to you, YOU CAN'T DO THAT, you wouldn't be living in a democracy.

Sailor From Canyonville Serves In Korea Waters

Among the sailors who are part of the small logistic team supporting the American soldiers and Marines on the islands outlying Korea is Rolly E. Sullivan, commissaryman third class, USN of Box 23, Canyonville, Ore.

He serves aboard the USS IST 855, known affectionately to her crew members as the "Hachi Gogo," Japanese for "eight five five."

The "Hachi Gogo" reached Yokosuka, Japan in November, 1952, for her second tour of Korea duty and reported to Commander Task Force 90 for operational control.

She was designated as logistic support vessel, and since her arrival in Pusan on Nov. 25, has made many "runs" supplying the U.S. Forces on the islands off the mainland of Korea, enabling these islands to be held for use as strategically located air bases.

Congestion In Schools Offers Tough Problem

School administrators from all over the state "generally agreed" at a Salem meeting that the problem created by an overabundance of children pouring into already crowded schools is a great deal more imminent than the public realizes, M. C. Deller, school superintendent, reported.

Deller said the general problem was discussed by representatives from the administrators, State Department of Education, CIO, Grange, school boards and PTAs. No conclusions were reached, he said. It was the general consensus of opinion that schools "should give all the facts to the people all the time," Deller commented.

Lookingglass Airmen In Calif.

By HAZEL S. MARSH

Kenneth Swift, Lookingglass, who recently enlisted in the Air Force, is now stationed at Parks Air Base in California.

Back From California

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Kerr returned Sunday from a two-week trip to San Bernardino, Calif., where they were called by the death of Mr. Kerr's brother. They also visited with their son, Bert, and family who reside in San Bernardino. On their return trip they encountered heavy fog and freezing weather.

Miss Carolyn Storms, student at Pasadena College, Calif., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stafford Storms.

Miss Eloise Ollivant, who is attending beauty school in Portland, spent the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Ollivant.

Student Visits

Miss Mary Ellen Holbrook of Roseburg visited over the weekend with her former classmate, Miss Dixie Ray. Miss Holbrook is attending Southern Oregon College of Education.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Coti and children spent Christmas with relatives in Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Stillman returned from a trip to Arizona shortly before Christmas, where Mrs. Stillman received medical treatment.

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Riversdale Residents Hold Holiday Visits

By BEVERLY J. CHRISTIAN
Mr. and Mrs. S. K. McLaughlin and daughter, Marianne, of Arcata, Calif., have been visiting Mrs. McLaughlin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gulley for the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Burkhart spent last weekend in Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Don Gulley went to Portland for a Christmas get-together for the latter's relatives. Miss Marlene Emmitt left by plane last Monday to spend Christmas vacation in California.
Mr. and Mrs. James Jorgensen of Medford came to spend Christmas with the latter's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fay Holley and children, Karen and Marsha.

EXPLOSION KILLS TWO

MUNCIE, Ind. —An explosion demolished a wholesale fruit warehouse yesterday, killing two banana cutters and injuring eight others.
Deputy State Fire Marshal Paul Hannan said a spark probably touched off the blast of ethylene gas, used to ripen a huge stock of green bananas.

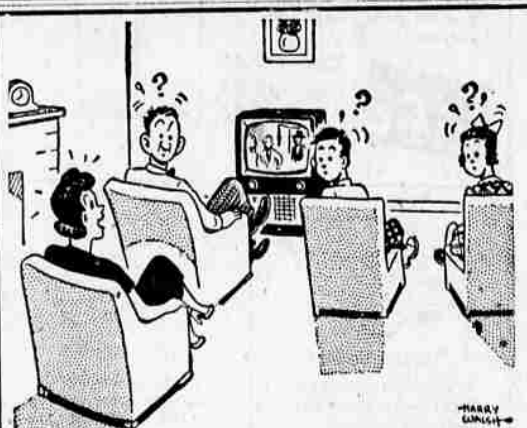
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