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FISHERMAN'S LAMENT

Charles V. Stanton

Oregon's sports fishery is changing. Whether it is a change for the better or the worse will depend largely upon the personal likes and dislikes of the individual fisherman. But change is here, and here to stay. There will be still more change in future years.

Our anadromous, or migratory, fish runs are being depleted rapidly. Industrialization, with its requirement for power dams, is growing. While recreation may demand compromise in dam construction, to obtain the least possible damage to streams, it cannot, and should not, expect to halt industrial progress. It is entirely probable that many more of our streams, now famed for recreation, will be seriously impaired in coming years.

Migratory species also are suffering from other factors. Commercial fishing has critically depleted population of coastal rivers. Offshore vessels work on salmon schools outside the mouths of streams, while gillnets take the migratory fish. This situation could be improved by restricting either the gillnet fishery or the offshore fishery, or both, but we permit an excessive intensity of the commercial fishery to continue, leaving totally inadequate escapement.

Coupled with excessive commercial take, are such factors as pollution, irrigation, watershed damage, impaired passage, and many others, all acting to reduce migratory species.

Impoundments Considered

Unless drastic action is taken in the comparatively near future, we soon will have virtually no migratory fish left. Our streams will be so badly depleted that there will be neither sports nor commercial fishing on salmon and steelhead.

One of the major changes taking place in the state may partially replace that loss, however, insofar as the sports fishery is concerned. The change results from the impoundments behind the dams responsible in part for loss of migratory fish.

In this connection, the *Oregon Statesman*, published at Salem, says editorially:

Sports fishermen have been among the most vociferous foes of dams in streams, with cause too, for dams do block fish runs. But we wonder if they will temper their opposition in view of the great popularity of reservoirs among fishermen. The big pool behind Detroit Dam drew an estimated 3,000 anglers on the opening day of the fishing season. Over at McKay reservoir near Pendleton the number was reported at 3,500. We question whether that many fishermen frequented the stretch of water now swallowed up in each reservoir during a whole season previous to the dam construction.

Presumably the game commission has done a lot of planting in these big pools, but they planted the streams before, too. Lake fishing is different from stream casting, but it is the catch that counts, and fishermen appear to be taking more fish out of these pools than they did out of the streams.

May Be Less Costly

The angler who loves his salmon trolling and his fly-casting for steelhead naturally will mourn the passing of his favored sport. But unless something is done, and soon, to save salmon and steelhead we may as well reconcile ourselves to their loss.

Trout fishing in our coastal streams, in my opinion, is regulated by the volume of migratory salmon. Salmon furnish the fertilization necessary to production of food for all species.

In late years trout fishing in coastal streams has been supported in very large measure by hatchery planting. This is a costly operation. For some reason, as yet unexplained, a large percentage of planted fish is lost. Few fish remain over from one year to the next. Whether they die or migrate to the ocean has not yet been learned. Anglers take less than one-half according to creel estimates. There is little evidence of any gain or return from the remainder.

Perhaps, if we are forced to change to fishing in natural and artificial lakes, where there is less opportunity for planted fish to escape, the change will prove to be a substantial economy to the game fund. But those of us who prefer to pursue our sport on running water will never cease to mourn for the good old days.

Hal Boyle

By STANLEY GODFREY
For HAL BOYLE

LONDON (AP)—Captain Robert Ryder, story book hero of World War II, is quitting the House of Commons. He cannot afford to be a member.

Ryder is one of many British MPs who, for financial reasons, could not run again for the May 26 general election. "I just can't live on the salary," he said in announcing he would not try to succeed himself.

Instead, the 47-year-old hero — he commanded naval forces in the 1942 commando raid on St. Nazaire — plans to go into private business where employers are more generous.

Ryder, who won the Victoria Cross, Britain's highest military award, is a Conservative, but money worries nibble at members from all parties.

Tom Bribert, a popular Socialist broadcaster and freelance journalist, also confessed openly that financial considerations kept him from running again.

Britain's MPs earn 1,000 pounds (\$2,800) a year, with an expenses allowance of 2 pounds (\$5.60) for each full day they attend the House of Commons.

This works out to roughly 24 pounds (\$72.20) a week for full time attendance.

Out of that, an MP has to keep himself in London when the House is in session, hire secretarial help, entertain the constituents who "look in" at the House and generally live up to being a member of her majesty's Parliament.

Most look longingly toward the

Christian Science Lecturer Speaks To Roseburg Group

Lela May Aultman of Denver, Colo., spoke to an audience at the Central Junior High School here on a subject entitled "Christian Science Reveals Man's Sonship with God."

She was introduced by Harry Wallen, who explained Mary Baker Eddy's answer to the question, "What is Christian Science?" He quoted her as saying "Christian Science is the law of God, the law of good, interpreting and demonstrating the divine principle and rule of universal harmony."

He then introduced the lecturer, who spoke substantially as follows: How strong is our courage as we face the days ahead of us? Can we say as did David, "My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation is from him" (Ps. 62:5). The degree of confidence we feel that good is in store for us and our fellow man depends upon the source to which we look for our expectation of things to come. Is our view colored by the alarming reports of the speed with which mortals are devising weapons for their own destruction? Or are we obeying God's command recorded in Isaiah, "Ask me of things to come concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me?" (45:11) We need to understand the nature of

God in order to comprehend what He would outline as "things to come" concerning His beloved sons.

Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, gives us in her writings many pages elucidating the nature of God. In the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," she has written this definition of God: "The great I am; the all-knowing, all-seeing, all-acting, all-wise, all-loving, and eternal: Principle; Mind; Soul; Spirit; Life; Truth; Love; all substance; intelligence" (p. 587).

Jesus' teaching re-emphasized Moses' oft-repeated admonition that we must prove our love for God by obeying His commandments. I remember many years ago feeling that the Ten Commandments were very severe, and that their effectiveness lay in the threat of the heavy penalties incurred if they were disobeyed. How gloriously Christian Science elevates our view of the Commandments by revealing to us their expression of God's love. Tenderly protecting and guiding His children, not threatening them with penalties but teaching them how to avoid wrongdoing, and thus spare themselves the suffering which always goes hand in hand with evil.

Peter Edson

WASHINGTON — (NEA) — As of May 1, President Eisenhower has made 145 requests for new legislation to the 84th Congress.

Action has been completed on just 20 of these requests. The list includes 12 general legislative proposals and the ratification of eight international agreements by the Senate.

The list does not include appropriation bills to finance government operations during the fiscal year beginning next July 1. And it does not include legislative proposals originating in the Congress, or in the executive departments of government.

But only 12 such measures have thus far been cleared by the Congress and signed into law by the President. In one Congress raised its own pay, but for what?

With four months of this session of Congress down and only three months to go — if the desire to adjourn by Aug. 1 is carried out — it can be seen that an awful lot of steam will have to be put on if President Eisenhower's program is to get any place this year.

THE LETHARGY IS A LITTLE difficult to account for. It can be explained in part by the fact that the Democratic-controlled Congress isn't any too anxious to help a Republican President make a good record. On the other hand, some of the President's strongest support on the trade agreements renewal and international affairs has come from the Democratic side of the aisles.

Sen. Walter George (D-Ga), chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, has been a tower of strength to the administration. He has pushed through ratification of mutual defense treaty with China, the Southeast Asia treaty, German rearmament agreement, foreign service reorganization and several minor agreements with foreign countries. The grant of authority to the President to determine what action should be taken to defend Formosa was passed in big time.

POSTAL PAY RAISES HAVE BEEN approved but at a higher scale than the President recommended. General government employees' pay and allowance increases have cleared the Senate only.

Three-year extension of the reciprocal trade agreements program has passed the House.

Nearly all the other proposals are hung up in committee. Signs of revolt and slowdown against the President's program are many.

The House Agriculture Committee has approved a return to high, rigid price supports. The Senate has appropriated 11 million dollars more for Department of Agriculture than the President requested. This is seven million dollars more than the House approved.

There is serious questioning in both Houses of Congress on the administration's cutback of military manpower and its defense policies in general.

DEMOCRATIC OPPOSITION TO THE Dixon-Yates electric power suit contract for the Tennessee Valley seems to have slowed down all administration public power proposals. Only the Upper Colorado River development has passed the Senate.

There seems to be little congressional enthusiasm for the President's health insurance, education, highway, housing and postal rate increase proposals.

The Trade Agreements Act expires June 12. The 281 billion-dollar debt limit returns to 275 billion unless extended by June 30. Foreign Aid and Small Business Administrations are scheduled

to go out of business by June 30. Selective Service and various Housing Act authorities expire July 1. There's an awful lot of work to be done around here in the next 90 days if Congress is to justify that \$7500 a year pay raise.

In The Day's News

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a lot of talking — which is all to the good. Talking is cheaper than shooting.

The invitation sent to Russia set no specific time and place. "Informants" in Paris (meaning members of the upper international brass who decline to permit use of their names) suggest that the time of the meeting is likely to be mid-July and the place somewhere in Switzerland.

The news of the invitation to the meeting of the chiefs of state was made public in Washington this morning when President Eisenhower was addressing a conference of Republican women. He recalled to them that he has said he is ready to do ANYTHING, to meet with ANYONE, anywhere, in the interests of peace.

He said that if such a meeting is held "we will not stand on minor points of protocol if there is the slightest chance to bring about a better world." He added that the only condition for such a meeting would be that the United States would have to maintain its self-respect in connection with the whole proceeding.

It sounds wonderful. Coming on the heels of red Chinese Premier Chou En-Lai's recent statement that he is willing to negotiate directly with the United States in an effort to ease the tensions in the Far East, it sounds even more wonderful.

It all suggests the rosy thought that maybe the war clouds are going to blow away after all, so that the world may enter upon another Golden Age of peace and progress and good will among nations.

But wait a minute. AMERICAN SABREJETS TUESDAY MORNING SHOT DOWN TWO RUSSIAN — BUILT MIGS AND PROBABLY DESTROYED ANOTHER OVER INTERNATIONAL WATERS OF THE YELLOW SEA, WHICH LIES BETWEEN RED CHINA AND THE KORAN PENINSULA.

The Air Force announces in Tokyo that the U.S. planes were downed by the communist planes in an area about 30 miles southwest of the Yalu river boundary between North Korea and red China.

The announcement says 12 to 16 communist planes attacked the Sabres, which numbered eight. The identity of the communist planes was not given. MIGs are used by the Russian, North Korean and red Chinese air forces.

All of our Sabres, after returning the fire of the attackers and shooting down two or more of them, returned safely to their base.

What does it all mean? It means that you can't trust a communist.

A communist will make gestures of peace and good will with one hand and stab you in the back with the other.

But — Talk is cheaper than war. So we must never refuse to talk — hoping that the talking may be prolonged to the inevitable time when communism will fall under the weight of its own foolishness.

Meanwhile, of course, keeping our guns loose in their holsters.

Khrushchev Ducks Quiz On His Power In Russia

MOSCOW — Soviet Communist Party chief Nikita Khrushchev ducked a direct question Monday night whether he is the real power behind the scenes in Russia. The query didn't even raise his blood pressure.

"I don't have a drink and ask me another time," he said with a smile to an Associated Press correspondent who posed the question during a Czech embassy party. Khrushchev is generally regarded in the West as the top man in Soviet Russia.

Reader Opinions

OTI Is Administered By Education Dept.

EUGENE — (To the Editor) — Belatedly our attention has been called to an editorial of April 21 entitled "Educational Expansion." We would merely like to correct an error. It occurs in the sentence concerning Oregon Technical Institute in which that institution is described as follows: "It is the orphan of the higher education system."

Administration of OTI is frequently thought to be lodged with the state system of higher education. Such is not the case. Oregon Technical Institute is administered by the State Department of Education whereas the system of higher education is administered by the Board of Higher Education.

TRAVIS CROSS
Assistant to the Chancellor
Eugene, Ore.

Television At County Home Much Appreciated

ROSEBURG — We should like to take this occasion to say a long delayed but very sincere thank you for the two lovely television sets delivered at the Douglas County Home and Hospital shortly before Christmas. There were some corrections to be made and finally connection with the cable established in the interest of better reception.

Mrs. Bessie (Hagen) Smith persisted in her efforts to have each set working as nearly perfectly as possible after having instituted the

plan for buying them. She worked long and tirelessly to raise money for their purchase. We wish to thank her, especially, again for her kindness and persistence in thus honoring her mother, who found so much pleasure in her own television set.

Also to all who contributed, whether much or little, to the purchase price, we extend our earnest thanks for their generosity.

The patients who take much pleasure in the television programs each day also say a hearty "Thank You."

Occasionally, when an extra good program is to be shown, some bed patients are wheeled in to see it. A great diversity of interest is thus discovered.

CARRIE TISON
PHA-NICHOLS
Roseburg, Ore.

Japan Reports H Bomb Exploded In Siberia

SAPPORO, Japan (AP) — A report by a panel of Japanese scientists Tuesday indicated Russia set off a hydrogen bomb in Siberia last month.

The scientists have been studying the origin of radioactive ashes which showered the northern home island of Hokkaido from April 9 to April 13.

Their report said an analysis showed the ashes resembled those blown to Japan from the U. S. hydrogen bomb blast at Bikini March 1, 1954.

The scientists said that westerly and northwesterly winds prevailed when the ashes fell on Hokkaido, making it strongly probable they came from Siberia.

Television Forcing Radio Networks Program Changes

By WAYNE OLIVER

NEW YORK (AP) — The radio networks, much harder hit than individual radio stations by television's inroads, plan strong measures to try to halt the decline in their fortunes and audiences.

NBC radio, starting June 12, will toss out its entire weekend schedule to inaugurate what it calls a new concept in radio programming. Entitled Monitor, it will be a continuous integrated schedule of news, music, discussion and entertainment from 8 a.m. Saturday to midnight Sunday.

CBS radio is breaking with tradition to keep most of its major shows on the air right through the summer, traditionally the time for lightweight replacements. Bing Crosby, Amos 'n' Andy, Rudy Vallee, Art Linkletter and others will continue this summer.

ABC radio is putting heavy emphasis on frequent newscasts over weekends and revising its sales pitch to sponsors.

Mutual, only one of the nationwide radio chains that never got into TV network operations, has notified affiliated stations of an

announcement May 22 of an entirely new approach to radio network service.

Total broadcast time sales for radio in 1954, including both stations and networks, were estimated by Broadcasting-Television Magazine at 433 million dollars, down only 5 per cent from the record high of 477 million dollars in 1953. But national radio networks accounted for only 76 million dollars, the total compared with nearly \$2 million in 1953 and nearly 134 million in 1948.

The answer is that individual radio stations are relying less on network programs and sponsors and more on local programs and sponsors. The networks hope to reverse the trend.

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