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Those Subterranean Trout

This story is just too good to be checked, so we will pass it on for what it is worth, with a few private comments.

It concerns some fine catches of fish reportedly being made in the Christmas Lake region where, out in the far southeast, dunes drift before the winds of late spring.

Oh yes, Christmas Lake, once flush with valley rims, long ago disappeared from the Mid-Oregon scene, leaving terraces to mark its old shores under the rimrocks. But the lack of water must not spoil this fish story.

Ranchers in the Fort Rock valley and in that part of Christmas Lake just east of Thorne Lake have drilled holes into the sage-covered beds of the vanished lakes, and have tapped a buried lake. From this subterranean saucer, water is being pumped, through use of diesel power, to the long-thirsty lands.

From Fort Rock comes word that some fine trout, long and dark, have been taken from one of the Christmas Lake deep holes. In fact, these trout reportedly have been displayed in Fort Rock.

Persons who have hunted jack rabbits and arrowheads in the Christmas Lake basin will scoff. But the writer of this piece does not crack a smile, or even bite a tongue in cheek.

He has fished in the very basin where trout reportedly are being hauled out of deep holes. He has returned with some fine specimens not only of kin of the Rainbow, but first cousins of Columbia-running salmon.

But The Bulletin's angler did not require a license to get his desert fish. The creatures were fossilized. They were past the revenue-producing stage by some 10,000 years.

Presumably the ocean-going salmon got into the lake of old at the time that ancestral Christmas lake and its watery arms, Silver and Fort Rock Lakes, overflowed over a low pass, possibly westward to the Deschutes. Sturdy salmon battled their way up that lost stream, and came to the end of their run in the great basin dominated by a smoking volcano, Newberry.

Fishing in the old lake were the original Americans, tribesmen who lived in the Fort Rock caves around 9,300 years ago, as dated by the atomic calendar.

In time the big lake disappeared. Birds, such as the flamingo, migrated to damper lands, and ponderous elephants that once trumpeted on the shores of Christmas Lake of the Pleistocene died and left their sand-piled bones in the wake of drifting dunes.

As the huge lake shrunk into puddles, even the fish gave way to juniper and sagebrush.

And now, state reports from Fort Rock, huge trout, as sleek as those that nibble on aquatic food and leap into the crisp mountain air after insects, are being brought out of the depths.

Definitely this story needs investigating. But we dare not send our desert angler into that broad valley that once cradled a large lake.

We know he would come back with the proof—black, sand-blasted bones of salmon and trout that made their way overland to Christmas Lake long ago, then went underground when their canteens were drained.

Child Behavior

If parents were punished for every miscue their youngsters make we suspect there would be a rapid improvement in the behavior patterns of both parents and children.

The Condon Story

We've always suspected post office buildings, or the lack of them, were the bane of the existence of every member of Congress. For until the federal government started expanding so greatly about 18-20 years ago, the post office building was in many cases the only link many communities had with Washington.

Bigger and better post offices was the cry, and it came to every member of Congress from every city and town in the country. Numbers of otherwise undistinguished members of Congress have been re-elected in past years almost solely on their ability to promote new post office buildings in their home districts.

But recently the government decided to put a new post office building over in Condon, and some people over there don't like it. It's too fancy they say, Condon doesn't need a post office building that costs \$215,000.

This move in Condon, to keep the government from putting up a post office building in that town, may be highly significant. That millennium—the one everyone believes never will come—may be just around the corner now.

Learning Still More

The unexplored regions of the earth grow fewer. One of the latest to be revealed is the Ballem Valley in New Guinea. An impenetrable jungle makes access to it by land impossible, and the rivers leading into it have dangerous rapids. It came to notice during World War II when an American military plane crashed there and had to be rescued by gliders. Now Christian missionaries have made their way in and set up a station.

The inhabitants are the woolly-haired primitive savages already found in other parts of New Guinea. Their culture is particularly backward because of their isolation, so that they seem to be still in the Stone Age. On this account ethnologists and students of comparative religion will be much interested in any information they can get about them.

The world's unexplored areas are chiefly other jungle-hid regions in South America. Some parts of the Arabian Desert have not been crossed, but there is little reason to believe that they differ at all from the parts that are known. Man's study of his environment goes on.

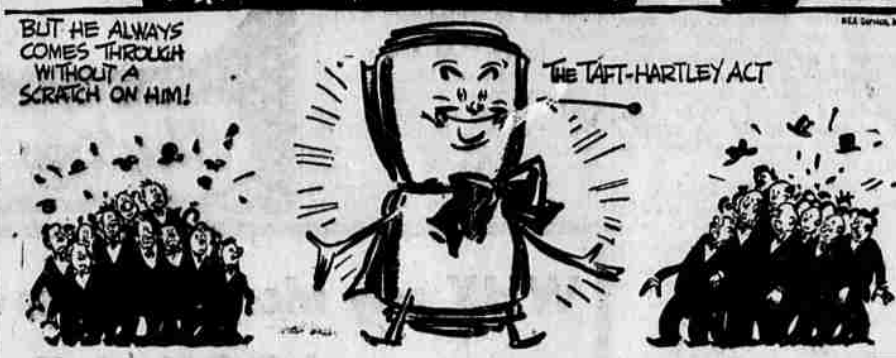
Quotable Quotes

There is no question of capitulation (in Indo-China). If by any chance the (French National) Assembly should ask the government to do it, it would be another government than mine which would apply this decision.—French Premier Joseph Laniel.

It is our fervent hope that in our atomic strength there is also an approach to the kind of peace which is our ultimate objective—a peace based on good deeds and mutual trust.—Adm. Lewis Strauss, AEC chairman.

Communism is a fanatical, hell-born religion and the only way to conquer a false face is by a true one.—Episcopalian Rev. E. P. Dandridge.

Present-Day Houdini



Past Cases Closely Parallel Army-McCarthy Row Issues

By PETER EDSON, NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON—The Army-McCarthy case went into its week's recess with the original fight over Pvt. G. David Schine almost forgotten. A couple of other issues had substituted:

1. What right has Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, or any other congressman, to receive classified information from the executive departments without revealing his source?

2. What right has the President of the United States to prevent his subordinate officials in the executive departments from testifying before Congress on anything it may want to know?

Lawyers can argue on these questions for a longer period of time than even the Army-McCarthy hearings will last. But there are a few parallel cases in recent years which may throw some light on the present stalemate.

Take President Eisenhower's order that Department of Defense officials shall not testify before the Senate's special investigating committee on their conferences with White House and Department of Justice officials on the Schine case.

While other Presidents have defended the independence of the executive department from encroachments by the Congress, this may be the time for a real showdown on this point.

In a somewhat similar case in 1944, the executive department finally had to retreat. The case involved Jonathan Daniels, then an administrative assistant to President Roosevelt.

Harry Slattery, Rural Electrification Administrator, had revealed that Daniels, acting for the President, had demanded Slattery's resignation. Slattery refused to resign.

The Senate Agriculture Committee under chairmanship of the late "Cotton Ed" Smith of South Carolina, took up the case. It asked Daniels to come in and tell what he knew about it. Daniels refused to discuss the case before Congress.

His reason was that as a confidential assistant to the President, it was "not in the public interest" for him to discuss it. This is the same phrase now used by President Eisenhower.

Four days later Daniels changed his mind. He wrote Senator Smith that after conference with the President, it had been decided that on this particular matter the public interest would not be affected.

Three days later Daniels testified in full. He said that he had twice asked Slattery for his resignation to end a feud within the REA organization.

This satisfied the Smith committee. They had voted to cite Daniels for contempt of Congress. That would have made him liable

to fine and imprisonment. When he testified, the charge was dropped. And Senator Smith declared that this case proved Congress had the right to protect its own business.

A demand by Agriculture Committee Counsel Carroll Beedy that Daniels produce all of President Roosevelt's files on REA was refused. Daniels said he had examined the files and they contained nothing that Congress did not already know. They took his word for it.

Counsel Beedy suggested that at some future date a congressional investigation might be blocked by putting pertinent matter into a presidential file, if such files were immune from congressional demand.

This is almost what has happened in the present Army-McCarthy case. President Eisenhower's decision not to disclose confidential records gives Senator McCarthy something of an out in refusing to reveal the source of his excerpts from the FBI report to Army Intelligence on Communist activities at Fort Monmouth.

One of the points being debated here is whether the mere possession of this paper would not make the holder an accessory to the crime—under Army regulations—of having transmitted it.

Members of Congress are of course exempt from arrest during sessions of Congress, except for treason, felony and breach of the peace. But the celebrated Amerasia case of 1945 is recalled now as something of a parallel.

In this case a Federal Grand Jury indicted six persons on charges of receiving stolen public property—State Department records—and transmitting them to an unauthorized person. This was Jacob Jaffe, editor of Amerasia magazine. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$2500. Emanuel Larsen, another defendant, was fined \$500.

The more recent Miriam DeHaas case presents another angle. She was a Loyalty Board review examiner who was suspended by the Civil Service Commission in September, 1952, for leaking records to Senator McCarthy.

Two months later she resigned, after refusing to testify on this matter. But she was never indicted or tried on any charges.

POPULATION NOTE: NEW BRITAIN, Conn.—Dr. John J. LaCava, delivered 352 babies last year, an average of nearly one a day.

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Sage Brushings

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Every year, about picnic time, some enterprising writer or other will do a piece about the origin of the sandwich. The first time I explored this subject I was in grade school, and I've spent the intervening years doing laboratory work, you might say. Which leads to the observation that the "sandwich spread" isn't always something used for sticking slices of bread together.

One of the most popular and colorful of the stories about the origin of the sandwich concerns a romantic figure of 18th century England. He was the Earl of Sandwich, whose name, at least, the food combination bears. The Earl was a man of many parts (arms, legs, ulcers and only one head) and his consuming passion was gambling. He would sit at the gaming table for 24 hours at a time, refusing even to take time out to eat.

During one of these prolonged wooings of Lack Luck, the British nobleman got an inspiration. In order to satisfy his growing hunger and at the same time not miss a hand, he ordered his servants to encase pieces of meat and cheese between two slices of bread. He could eat with one hand and continue his playing, and the bread protected his fingers from soil.

Other gamblers were quick to follow the lead, and it became quite common for them to order the "same as Sandwich." And thus the sandwich spread.

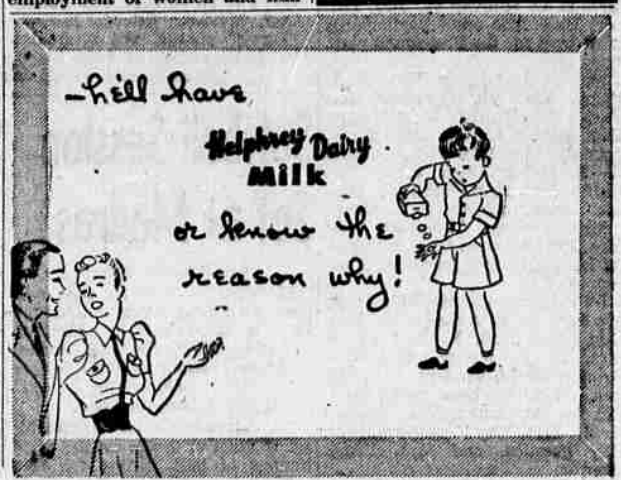
BREATHLESS EXPECTORATION: Lady tobacco chewers no longer will be socially acceptable in the business world, according to the new order from the Wage and Hour Commission covering employment of women and min-

ors. "Signs shall be placed in all rooms forbidding expectoration on the walls or floors," the order states, "and suitable and sanitary receptacles shall be provided." If we have to have a spittoon in the news room, I want a brass bar rail, too.

If you knock yourself out trying to make people happy, you're apt to end up just making them laugh.

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