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### Introduction to upper Deschutes area of Atlantic salmon attracts interest

Visitors to the Wizard Falls hatchery on the Metolius River have been captivated by the beauty of the Atlantic salmon of various ages resting in those man-made pools.

Many anglers have wondered where the salmon would be released, and when they would be eligible for the lure of a trout fly.

Now comes the word from Oregon State Game Commission personnel in Bend that some of the big fellows may be legal in 1961, in an unfortunately named body of water. This is Mud Lake, a short distance to the southeast of Elk Lake.

That lake, it will be recalled, was treated in September, 1957, to rid the water of trash fish. In 1958, some 15,000 Atlantic salmon from Wizard Falls were planted there. Many of those were of good size at that time, and they have grown since.

This year, about 50,000 fingerlings were planted in Mud Lake. All of these were also Atlantic salmon, fine, big game fish somewhat similar to steelhead or trout.

Before the Atlantic salmon were released in Mud Lake several years ago, that long, rather shallow body of water was carefully studied by fish biologists. It was found that the upper neck of the lake is cool, fed by chilly Quinn Creek. The lower part of the lake is a bit warm, especially in mid-summer. Deepest part of the lake is only about 12 feet. It was decided that the Atlantic salmon, which apparently like to cruise in water of changing temperatures, would do well in Mud Lake.

The aquatic biologists were right. The Atlantic salmon apparently are doing well, and biologists are hoping that the lake will in time be augmented with a natural population.

### Winter flirts with Indian summer

There was snow on the Cascade peaks the other morning.

The old, gray volcanoes, snow-blanketed to the timber line, served to remind Central Oregonians that winter is in the offing.

But before winter chokes mountain passes with snow and smooths the slopes of Bachelor Butte for skiing, there will be a period of belated Indian summer weather.

This has happened through the years, and there is no reason to believe that the first snow on the Sisters means

Long Mud Lake apparently is to serve as the "ocean" for the Atlantic salmon, and it is expected that they will spawn in cold Quinn River. They have not yet spawned, but those planted in 1958, after gaining tempting size at Wizard Falls, are expected to spawn this year.

Incidentally, Atlantic salmon, unlike the Pacific salmon, do not spawn and die. In eastern Canada and the New England region, the salmon go back to the ocean after spawning, then return.

Atlantic salmon have been planted in some other Cascade lakes, but without success. One of the unsuccessful plantings was in Lucky Lake. Some Atlantic salmon of fair size were planted there but could not be located in later years.

There was also a small planting in Davis Lake. Some anglers reported salmon there later, but the report could not be verified.

Not until January will the Oregon State Game Commission and its biologists decide whether Mud Lake can be opened to anglers in 1961. If the lake can't be opened next year, certainly it will be available for salmon anglers in 1962.

But those anglers need not have rosy dreams of taking out an oversized creel packed with those fighting fish, flesh of which becomes appetizingly pink when cooked.

Atlantic salmon anglers will face a most drastic limit at Mud Lake. That limit may be as low as one legal fish.

But one big troutlike salmon out of Mud Lake should be enough, if anglers only realize that underway there is an important experiment, the introduction of Atlantic salmon to the eastern Cascades of the Deschutes country.

that winter has arrived.

But Central Oregon irrigationists sincerely hope that Indian summer weather will not linger long this late fall. There is need for snow in the hills, to fill lakes and reservoirs with melt water next spring and increase the flow of the Deschutes.

If the moisture deficiency of the past two years is to be made up, heavy snow is needed in the hills.

Winter, flirting with Indian summer, should not dally too long this autumn.

### Humor from others

A committee of celebrities has been organized to support Richard Nixon in the presidential election. Asked who was to qualify for membership, Herbert Klein, Nixon's press agent, said:

"Anyone who thinks they are a celebrity, we will welcome to join." Though the language of this state-

ment is muddled, the sense is clear. It would appear to encompass all baseball players who have ever demonstrated razor blades on television. If Mr. Nixon can collect about 35 million celebrities, his worries are over. — Chicago Tribune.

### WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

## Secret state department letter may be political

By Drew Pearson

WASHINGTON — The State Department is sitting on a letter to Sen. Kenneth Keating, New York Republican, which would cause some real fireworks if ever released. So far no one has been able to pry it loose — for understandable political reasons.

The letter admits that the State Department "saw very definite advantages" in going ahead with the present session of the UN General Assembly despite the fact that the United States would be engaged in an election campaign.

The political dynamite behind the letter is twofold:

1. In the two previous presidential elections, 1952 and 1956, the State Department recommended postponing the UN assembly for fear foreign policy would get mixed up in the presidential campaign. It wanted to preserve the bipartisan foreign policy.

2. Vice President Nixon was consulted before the decision was made to proceed with the current UN session simultaneous with the election. He concurred.

This cuts the ground out from under his demand that Kennedy cut out his attacks on Eisenhower and U.S. policy while Khrushchev is also criticizing the United States at the United Nations.

Nixon Relished Mr. K's Visit

The State Department's carefully guarded letter has another possible significance. Dated August 16, it was written one week after President Eisenhower surprised the world by indicating at a press conference that he might meet and talk with Premier Khrushchev if Mr. K came to New York in September.

The statement flabbergasted almost everyone, especially Secretary of State Herter who had writ-

ten the President a memo in advance of the press conference advising that if he did meet Khrushchev on top of all the recent Moscow criticism, it would be interpreted around the world as a sign of weakness.

However, Ike had also received word from Nixon suggesting that he not close the door to Khrushchev. Nixon had in mind the possibility that he personally might participate in the UN debate and stage another encounter with Khrushchev. This he knew would win votes. So, acting on Nixon's suggestion the President surprisingly did not discourage Khrushchev's visit.

In other words, instead of keeping foreign affairs out of politics, in order to preserve the bipartisan policy, a deliberate effort was made to inject foreign affairs into politics.

It was one week later that Assistant Secretary of State William Macomber, Jr., wrote the letter to Senator Keating. Sen. Lyndon Johnson, having got wind of the letter, asked the State Department for a copy. He was turned down cold.

However, this column has learned that the Assistant Secretary of State informed Senator Keating:

"The possibility of postponement (of the UN session) was carefully considered early this summer by the Department in consultation with Ambassador Lodge (now Nixon's running mate). Neither the Department nor Ambassador Lodge saw any serious risks to the United States interests in proceeding on schedule."

The State Department further stated that it saw "very definite advantages" for going ahead with the meeting, but did not explain what these advantages were.

Note — Upon Johnson's insist-

ence, Macomber sent him a similar but watered-down letter, admitting that the United States had postponed the two 1952-1956 sessions of the UN assembly during the 1952 and 1956 elections.

Rep. Iris Blitch, Democrat, the gentlewoman from Georgia, is not so gentle when it comes to cutting the budget on appropriations for the Women's Bureau. But she has a unique record for using the taxpayers' money for herself.

Some time ago it was discovered that the congresswoman from Georgia had paid herself \$100 a month rent, for office space that didn't even list the address of her office. As far as anyone could find out it didn't exist.

About that time Mrs. Blitch, an alleged Democrat, was selected by the Republicans to knock \$50,000 out of the Women's Bureau appropriation to study the increasingly acute problem of older women.

On top of this it now develops that the congresswoman has been a user of Air Force planes to fly back to Georgia. Mrs. Blitch is not on the Armed Services Committee. She has nothing to do with national defense. But she likes to ride in military planes anyway. It doesn't cost her anything. So, when she wants an Air Force plane, she has an interesting way of getting one.

She has Congressman Charles Buckley, New York Tammany leader and No. 1 adviser to Carmine De Sapio, call up the Air Force and get her a plane. In this way it doesn't appear on Mrs. Blitch's record.

For instance, Air Force records note that on August 24 Chairman Buckley of the Public Works Committee arranged for a special plane to fly Mrs. Blitch to Georgia on "official business."

The official business was election problems in Georgia.

So the taxpayers paid for an exclusive de luxe airplane trip to take the gentle lady home in solitary, expensive splendor. She was the only passenger.

## Letters--

to the Editor

The Bulletin welcomes contributions to this column from its readers. Letters must contain the correct name and address of the sender, which may be withheld at the newspaper's discretion. Letters may be edited to conform to the dictates of taste and style.

To the Editor:

May I reply to points that you have raised concerning the record of the Attorney General's office. The record of wins and losses of the Attorney General's office is actually slightly better than that of the circuit judges of Oregon in cases appealed to the Supreme Court. During the period since I have been Attorney General the Supreme Court has affirmed approximately 69 per cent of our cases and modified or reversed 31 per cent of them. During this same period the Supreme Court has affirmed the circuit courts in approximately 63 per cent of the cases and modified or reversed 37 per cent of their cases.

You referred to the Portland vice probe. The results cannot be judged only in terms of the number of convictions.

Over a dozen bootleg and gambling joints and bawdy houses were closed. A vicious call-girl racket was smashed; a police payoff system was exposed. The district attorney was convicted and removed from office.

I am glad to have had a part in the state-wide drive in 1954-1955 that cleaned out a network of wide-open bootlegs in 13 Oregon communities, along with the invariable narcotics traffic, venereal disease and hoodlums that are associated with red - light practices. The City of Bend is to be congratulated for taking the step that it did during this same clean-up.

The important thing is that vice conditions of long standing were eliminated in the above instances

and that organized vice, gambling and racketeering were driven out of our state.

A public official can always defend his position if he at least tries to do his public duty as he sees it, even though he suffers occasional setbacks in the process. In the words of George Washington, "If to please people we allow what we ourselves disapprove, how can we afterward defend our work?"

Very sincerely yours,  
Robert Y. Thornton  
Attorney General  
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