

### Out-of-Doors Stuff

by LANE LENEVE

Willis Van Leuven, of Bear Creek, who has fished the Sixes, Rogue and other coastal streams for many years during the Chinook runs, has hung up his fishing rod the past two seasons and has made a statement that is noteworthy of record.

Mr. Van Leuven states that during the period that commercial fishermen string their nets in streams that the angling for salmon is far better than when the net fishermen are not in evidence. He contends that the salmon strike a spinner in anger, that the disturbance created by the net fishermen serves to anger the fish and puts them in a striking mood. He says that his catches, especially on Sixes river and the lower Coquille and even on the Rogue, were far greater when the commercial fishermen ply their trade.

The above statement is in direct contradiction to the theory advanced by sportsmen who wish the different streams closed to commercial fishing, stating that the net fishermen are spoiling the sport for the angler.

It is a known fact that the lumber industry has thinned the ranks of both salmon and trout more than any other factor, by the use of splash dams which washed away spawning beds, as well as blocking the progress of salmon during their pilgrimages up coastal streams to their spawning grounds. The cutting of timber along the smaller streams have choked the streams in many areas where salmon were wont to spawn in the past.

Commercial fishermen and especially the ones that net the Coquille river, have co-operated with the sportsman angler even to the extent of not netting fish over the week-ends, but the operation of the timber industry has ruined the beauty of wilderness retreats, of campsites and have laid waste the beauty of Nature.

The sportsmen are forever harping upon the subject of stopping commercial fishing but we have failed to record any instance to date where there has ever been any concentrated move made by any group of sportsmen to preserve or hinder the destruction of beauty spots along our highways, the destruction of campsites and the blocking and stoppage of beautiful streams.

Beauty spots have been erased in a ruthless manner by the logging industry, spots that are, or rather were, one of Southwestern Oregon's greatest assets in coming years; spots that would have proved an attraction for tourists and visitors from outside points, as well as robbing the natives of Nature's most rare gifts.

The logging industry, it is true, is the backbone of Coos county but, it appears to us, that some judgment should be shown, some consideration given to the future and that, instead of erasing all spots of beauty that they should be preserved, not only for the welfare and pleasure of the present but for coming generations.

Clogged and blocked streams, masses of fallen logs, young timber and a scene of utter desolation is hardly a fitting monument to be left behind, no matter how important an industry may be.

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### Timely Topics

By R. T. Moore

An address entitled, "While Free Men Slept," was delivered before the North Carolina Bar Association last Fall by Mr. Malcolm McDermott, prominent lawyer and a Democratic leader.

Mr. McDermott spent two years in Germany studying the methods used by the Nazi party in gaining control of the German government. He divides their campaign for power into twelve consecutive steps, which I will outline briefly:

1. The people were taught to feel helpless and unable to solve their own problems. When this state of mind was well established, a popular leader was put forth, to whom they could look for cure of all their ills.

2. The principle of local self-government was gradually overcome and destroyed so that the leader and his group could have all political power readily in their grasp.

3. A centralized government was set up in form appearing to represent the people, but in reality obedient only to the leader and his group.

4. Through ridicule and subtle propaganda, constitutional guarantees were swept aside as outmoded and as obstructing progress.

5. Faith in the courts and the legal profession was gradually destroyed through suppression of promising lawyers and subordination of the courts to the Central National Socialist group.

6. The Reichstag, or German Congress, was intimidated and repeatedly rebuked to overcome public confidence in it.

7. High taxes brought people to a common economic level and destroyed individual independence; capital and credit were completely within the control of the leader and his group, forcing the citizens to rely entirely upon the central government.

8. A huge public debt was quickly built up to make the people perpetual debtors and to make the government a virtual receiver for the entire nation.

9. A distrust of private industry was created to prevent the public from relying upon their own resources.

10. Government bureaus were set up to control every phase of the citizen's life. These bureaus were empowered to issue directives without number and were under the sole authority of the leader and his group.

11. The education of the youth was taken under control so that a "spirit of submission" to the system and of reverence for the leader could be inculcated at an early age.

12. To supplement and fortify all of the foregoing a steady stream of propaganda was issued through the office of Herr Goebbels so that all would make obeisance to the leader and none would dare raise a dissenting voice.

The information and data used as basis for the foregoing conclusions were gathered from conversations with prominent Germans in every walk of life. For obvious reasons, Mr. McDermott was obliged to keep the document secret for many months in order to protect those furnishing information.

In summing up his speech, Mr. McDermott points out that the sweetest freedom known to man is the freedom to come and go as one pleases, to work when, where and for whom one pleases, to make mistakes and thus learn to stand on one's own. He calls attention to the fact that this freedom of individual action is not mentioned in the Atlantic Charter. The four freedoms hereunder are readily obtainable under any dictatorial government.

He points out that in securing the four freedoms of the Atlantic Charter one must sacrifice the most precious freedom of all, just ordinary personal freedoms.

Do you notice anything familiar in the twelve steps listed above?

A subtle change has come over the Russian government during the past two years, if the meagre news dispatches from Moscow are reliable. Heretofore, a modified form of pure Communism was being used. Collectivist enterprise was the rule for both industry and agriculture. Lately, this collectivism seems to have been superseded by a system of incentive capitalism giving full sway to opportunity for personal accumulation of wealth in return for greater personal effort. It is virtually a capitalistic form of government but is under the firm personal control of Joseph Stalin. It probably resembles the old English system more than it does the American. But it stresses individual incentive methods of production common to both British and American enterprise.

Premier Stalin is evidently much impressed with American accomplishment in making war goods under the free capitalistic system. He was never a fanatical advocate of Communism as were Lenin and Trotsky. He is a much more realistic and practical temperament that does not hesitate to adopt measures which

seem favorable to Russia even though they run contrary to Communistic thought or do not coincide with the idea of other Allied Powers.

The American public should give serious thought to the fact that Mr. Stalin has abandoned the collectivist bureaucratic form of government in favor of the profit-incentive capitalistic system of the early 20th Century in America. His government remains a stern distatorship and is the opposite of a Democracy. But he recognizes the importance of encouraging private enterprise and has adopted it as the basis of Russian economy.

The intensely practical Mr. Stalin has brushed aside all of the camouflage of social legislation and state socialism which has adorned our economy for the past decade and has reached unerringly for the real key to American accomplishment, personal freedom and private enterprise. Our social planners and advocates of government in business may be able to fool large sections of the American public into believing that they have the panacea for all ills. But they can't fool their Uncle Joseph. He knows all of the answers.

### To Plan Home-Makers' Program

The problems that face homemakers next year, particularly in home food production and preservation, keeping the family healthy and happy, conservation of clothing, household equipment, time and energy, will be given serious consideration by the delegates of the nineteen extension units in the county when they meet for their annual Program Planning Day in Coquille at the Lincoln Junior High School on Friday, April 28, beginning promptly at 10:30 a. m. The meeting is being arranged by the County Home Economics Advisory Committee, Mrs. Harland Montgomery, Millington, chairman, and Mrs. Dorothy Dunn, County Home Demonstration Agent.

Mrs. Azalea Sager, State Home Demonstration Leader, Oregon State College, will open the one-day conference with a discussion of the considerations the delegates must keep in mind when making their selection for the demonstrations for the coming year, following which the delegates will present the requests of their units. Voting on all projects suggested follows with the ones receiving the highest number of votes being adopted as the demonstrations to be presented in units and communities the coming year. The communities that request food preservation meetings will be given them during the early summer months.

Election of three new members of the County Extension Advisory Committee will complete the day's activities. Members whose terms expire are: Mrs. L. L. I. d. of Coos River, Mrs. Ralph Mason of Arago, and Mrs. Myrtle Holverstott of Fairview. Other members of the committee are Mrs. Lloyd Davenport, Broadbent; Mrs. George Hoffman, Myrtle Point; Mrs. Faye Scholeratt, Green Acres, and Mrs. Harland Montgomery, Millington. Mrs. Alton McCue, of Bullards Route, Coquille, is an honorary member of the committee. The committee acts in an advisory capacity

to the home demonstration agent. Home Extension Units, which are expected to send official delegates are: Empire, Bullards, Millington, Riverton, Coos River, Catching Inlet, Sumner, Marshfield, Norway, Englewood, Broadbent, Glasgow, Randon, Eastside, Fairview, Coquille, Green Acres, Charleston and Pony Slough.

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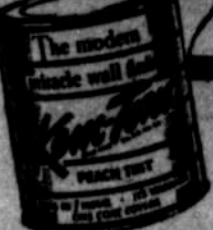


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away and fight this war don't want to come back and find that prohibition has been put over on them while they were away...either nationally or locally. They have heard about the attempts being made and they resent it bitterly."

"I agree with them, Judge, even though I don't happen to drink myself. Furthermore, I don't think it's fair for us at home to be making any major changes while 10,000,000 of our fighting men are away and have no chance to express their opinions."