

Western Salmon in the East

Following is from the pen of George H. Graham, Fish and Game Commissioner, Springfield, Mass., in the Oregon Sportsman.

No more interesting experiment has ever been carried on in the line of fish culture than what has been done in the past ten years with the Pacific salmon known as "Chinook" in some of our New England lakes. The splendid record that has come from Lake Sunapee, N. H. and more recently what has been the result of planting these fish in Lake Quinsigamond in the city of Worcester, Massachusetts, attracts the attention of fish culturists and anglers all over the country. Knowing what had been the results of planting these salmon in Lake Sunapee and believing that equally good results could be obtained in the old Bay State the Commissioners on Fisheries & Game began to look around to see where to try the experiment. They found in Lake Quinsigamond what they considered an ideal lake; it has a large area of deep water and is very cold in places. It has a large amount of food for the salmon to feed upon in the shape of landlocked smelts which seemed to be increasing at an enormous rate.

The lake was screened at the outlet so as to prevent the young fish from

going down stream and when the fish were planted they were good sized fish from four to six inches long. Ten thousand of these fish were planted during the fall of 1912 and during July of 1914 or within about twenty months from the time they were hatched, over 600 salmon were caught by the anglers, ranging from one and one half to five pounds each.

These fish were caught both trolling and still fishing with live bait, and as there has been no limit on salmon in Massachusetts one man caught over twenty fish in one day.

The salmon that were planted in Lake Quinsigamond were kept in the hatchery until they were from four to six inches long, and when they were planted they were well able to care for themselves. This lake, like so many others in our New England states, was well stocked with pickerel and perch and there were so many of these fish that doubt was freely expressed that the salmon would all be eaten up before they had a chance to grow.

The area of all fishing is salmon fishing and it is a sport that has been enjoyed by only a few people during the past fifty years. In recent years one in order to secure any sport of this kind had to have a fat pocket book, and lots of leisure time. In the early history of New England most of the

large rivers were noted as salmon rivers and the salmon ascended the river every year to lay their spawn in fresh water, but since the rivers have been dammed to make power, the fish have been unable to ascend and it was only a few years after the dams were built when our salmon were all gone.

Since the salmon stopped running up the rivers very few people have had a chance to get them and there are but a few lakes and streams in all New England where salmon can be taken to day. So scarce have these fish become that many men spend large sums of money each year to go to lakes in Maine, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. It is no wonder then that much interest has been displayed by sportsmen all over the country in the experiments that have been carried on with the Pacific salmon known as Chinook salmon, in our lakes of New England.

There has never been a fish introduced into our eastern waters that has appealed to our sportsmen as much as has this species of salmon and when it is known that the government is in a position to furnish millions of eggs from the fall run of Chinook salmon without injury to the commercial interests and by taking the eggs that will not be otherwise used it is no wonder that our people are interested in having the eggs sent to New England. No activity of the Bureau of Fisheries has been more successful from the angler's point of view than has the work done with these salmon.

WIN A FREE TRIP TO THE STATE FAIR

Industrial Field Worker L. P. Harrington from the state department of Education is spending the week in Coos county on the invitation of Superintendent Baker in the interests of the boys' and girls' club work for the county and state.

Coos county has a good liberal prize list for the work of the young people of the county. Awards will be made at the county fair at Myrtle Point Sept. 10th. There are several hundred boys and girls enrolled as members in Coos county. These young people are in correspondence with Prof. F. L. Griffith, club leader, of Corvallis and receive from time to time bulletins bearing on the projects in which they are interested, from the college.

Camp and School
The boys' camp and school which was such a success last year is offered again this year by the State Fair Board. They propose to have as their guests for the entire week of the state fair, Sept. 27 to Oct. 2nd, inclusive, two boys and two girls from each county of the state, Coos county has provided for the expense necessary to take care of two (2) boys to Salem and return as stated in the county premium list. Expense for the girls has not been provided. The expense of the boys after they reach Salem has been provided by the State Fair Board College Summer School Capital Prizes

This year the state offers as capital prizes for boys and girls in all the twelve (12) projects, trips to the Agricultural College at Corvallis and a stay of two weeks at the summer school, 1916 with all expenses paid by business men who believe in this practical educational movement.

The wide awake boys and girls of Coos county should be looking after these valuable educational trips and other good cash prizes. There is a cash prize of \$15 each to the two girls who get the highest score in their work.

Exhibits should be sent in and entries made with Mrs. Mabel A. Roberts, Sec. Coos C. School Fair Assn., Myrtle Point, Oregon.

Separate exhibits may be made for county and state fair. Help Coos Co. to have the best school exhibit in the history of the county and at the same time get the benefit of this practical work and win some prizes.

RAYMOND E. BAKER
James Griffin has leased a dance hall two and a half miles above Coquille. Good music, everybody welcome supper served right across the track.

Imperative need exists at the Oregon building in San Francisco for exhibits of fresh fruits, vegetables, grains and grasses and the communities of Oregon must be depended upon for a supply. The Oregon state commission will pay the forwarding expenses of these products but must depend upon local pride of the different sections of the state to have the stuff shipped. There is much interest manifested in the products of Oregon and a constant supply of the state's products is desired, it will not do to sport for a time and then follow it with a slack period when nothing is on display.

LOSS STATED AT \$1700
It is stated by many who know the facts that the estimate given last week of the loss to the Louvre restaurant in the fire which destroyed the Bledsoe building should be divided by about four. The figure given was obtained from one of the Moon brothers while the fire was burning at Coquille Herald.

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PORT ORFORD REPORT.

(From Port Orford Tribune.)

At a special election held at the school house yesterday the proposition of levying a half mill tax to install a heating plant in the school house was voted down 14 to 5, while the putting of a gravity water system to the school carried 14 to 3.

The steamer Phoenix from San Francisco landed the body of Miss Margaret McKenzie at Port Orford last Thursday. The Phoenix remained and took a load of ties before sailing.

The lighthouse tender Manzanita called at Port Orford last week and while in this vicinity she changed the buoy at Port Reef. The old buoy showed a white light for five seconds and then was dark for the same period while the one which replaces it will flash white every three seconds, or twenty flashes a minute, and is also equipped with a submarine bell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Miller are camping for a fortnight near the Arizona Inn at Corbin. It was reported several days ago that an officious game warden had caused John R. trouble but J. R. says that the report was incorrect and that the stains that were on his clothing a day or two before open season was from a cut finger, and he sticks to the story even though the finger tells another.

E. J. Loney, the Port Orford banker made a trip to Powers, the new Coos county town, recently looking over the situation there with a view of establishing a bank. He has been given much encouragement to engage in the business at that place, and it is quite possible that he will start a bank there this fall. However should Mr. Loney go to Powers, he will continue in the tie business here and contemplates making this place his head quarters.

These are the names of the nine men who were on Battle Rock June 9, 1851: J. H. Eagen, John T. Slater, George Ridoubs, T. D. Palmer, Joseph Hussey, Cyrus Hedden, James Carigan, Erastus Summers and J. M. Kirkpatrick.

Those who will represent these brave men on Wednesday night are Zumwalt, A. Johnston, George Forty, A. Marsh, Hill, H. McBride, Woodrock Wright and J. Zumwalt.

It might be of interest to publish the names of the tribes in and near Port Orford at that time that could help the tribe here and many was here and did help.

All these Indians spoke one language and were of one nation. They were divided into twelve hands. The Na so mah band was at the mouth of the Coquille. Quah tomahs, at the mouth of Floras creek. The second tribe by the same name at Sixes river and the third at Port Orford. The Cosutthentens were at what is now known as Corbin. At the Three Sisters were the Enquachees. The Yah-huts lived on both sides of Rogue river.

It saves a man many a dollar to live where one cannot go to the bakers every time one is out of bread. Yes its true we don't eat the bread baked at our house, but I can make playthings out of it and they will last the children a lifetime, they will never break or never wear out.

WAS IT INCENDIARY

Since the smoke of last week's fire has cleaned away the suspicions that were aroused during the conflagration itself have been spreading and increasing, and no matter what developments may ensue there will always be many to feel confident that the fire did not arise from natural causes. Mrs. Bledsoe, owner of the burned building feels so sure that the fire was of incendiary origin that she offers \$500 for information that will lead to the conviction of the guilty party or parties. It is practically certain that the insurance company which has issued a policy for thousand dollars on the restaurant and rooming outfit a short time ago will also investigate very thoroughly before paying the policy. While it is all circumstantial, there is enough evidence in the way of suspicious circumstances to warrant the strongest suspicions. What these circumstances are it is not advisable to publish at this time, but they all fit nicely together. As one of the heavy losers the editor of this paper is strongly in hopes that the whole matter will be thoroughly probed.

It appears from the stories of some who were on the spot at an early stage of the fire that it did not originate in the kitchen, but further back in the building—Coquille Herald.

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hurt. The three men were returning from Bandon where they had attended the Moose celebration. At a point about eight miles from this city a tire blew out and as the car was hugging the outside of the road at the time, it shot over the edge before Mintonye, who was steering, could straighten it up. The car rolled down to meadow, stopping bottom up and pining Mr. Barton down with his face in the dirt, from which dangerous position he was rescued by the other two. A passing Fordist loaned a new inner tube, and the car was righted and driven into town with its passengers, Mr. Barton assisting Mr. Mintonye in steering. Examination by Xray showed that Mr. Mintonye's arm was broken close to the shoulder and he will be laid up for some weeks—Coquille Herald.

INTERESTING FACTS TAKEN FROM THE OREGON ALMANAC

The Almanac also indicates that limestone is found in the Northern end of Curry County. It indicates that the Mountains between Curry and Josephine County contain limestone, gold, silver, coal; platinum; copper;

marble, mineral paint, asbestos, fire and brick clay.

Coos County expended for roads and bridges in 1910 \$172,720.03 and in 1913 \$199,036.80, and from 1903 to 1913 inclusive being a period of 11 years, a total of \$966,562.22. Only five Counties in the State have expended greater sums in the same length of time, namely Clackamas, Douglas, Lane, Marion and Multnomah. All the Counties in the state during that period of 11 years have expended a total of \$18,392,042.04, of which sum Coos alone has expended very nearly one eighteenth.

It states that Coos County, having 1628 square miles is about one third larger than the state of Rhode Island, and gives this County twenty one billion feet of standing merchantable timber, lists 82 percent of Curry's population as American born.

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