

Tuna Fish Industry Charged With Conspiracy to Fix Price

Washington—U.P.—The Federal Trade Commission charged today that most of the West Coast tuna fish industry is engaged in a conspiracy to fix tuna prices and prevent competition in the industry.

The FTC complaint named the California Fish Cannery Association, Inc., and 13 of its members; one nonmember, Columbia River Packers Association; three fishermen's unions and seven boat owner associations.

The complaint named California Fish Cannery Association, Inc., Terminal Island, Calif., and the following members:

Members Listed

F. E. Booth Company, Inc., San Francisco.
California Marine Island & Packing Co., Terminal Island.
Franco-Italian Packing Co., Inc., Terminal Island.

High Seas Tuna Packing Co., Inc., San Diego.

Pan-Pacific Fisheries, Inc., Terminal Island.

The Quaker Oats Company, Chicago, which operates Coast Fisheries Division of Quaker Oats Company at Wilmington, Calif.

South Coast Fisheries, Inc., Terminal Island.

South Pacific Canning Co., Inc., West Shore Company, and Carleton E. Byrne, Esther J. Byrne, Robert C. Jackson, Lloyd Melvin Smith, and Edith Lloyd Smith, all partners trading as South Pacific Canning Co., Long Beach, Calif.

Star-Kist Foods, Inc., Terminal Island.

Sun Harbor Packing Co., Terminal Island.

Van Camp Sea Foods Co., Inc., Terminal Island.

Walter M. Longmoor, Jerrold E. Spangler, and Thomas A. Thomas, trading as Western Cannery Co., Newport Beach, Calif.

Westgate-California Tuna Packing Co., San Diego.

Non Member

The one nonmember, Columbia River Packers Association, Inc., has headquarters at Astoria, Ore.

The following boat owners associations were named in the complaint:

American Tunaboat Association, San Diego.

Fishermen's Cooperative Association of San Pedro.

Federated Fishermen's Association, Inc., Terminal Island, a cooperative association of four

other associations of boat owners as follows:

California Commercial Fishermen's Association, Inc., Terminal Island.

Five Star Fish and Cold Storage, San Diego.

Fishermen's Cooperative Association, Seattle.

Salmon Trainers Marketing Association, Inc., Fort Bragg, Calif.

Unions Listed

The unions listed were:

Cannery Workers & Fishermen's Union of the Pacific, an affiliate of the AFL Seafarers International Union of North America, San Diego.

Local No. 33, Fishermen & Allied Workers Division, International Longshoremen & Warehousemen's Union, San Pedro.

Seine and Line Fishermen's Union of San Pedro, an affiliate of Seafarers International Union of North America.

The complaint alleged that the boat owners associations "each year in an unauthorized manner negotiate with the cannery to fix the prices paid to their members for raw tuna." It said that the unions "then enter into working agreements with the boat owners on the basis of the illegally fixed prices, with the unions retaining the right to approve or disapprove such prices."

Cannery Charged

The cannery was charged separately with "conspiring among themselves to maintain fixed prices which they charge for canned and frozen tuna and to suppress competition among themselves and with others."

Some of the cannery and boat owners also were charged with conspiring to prevent competi-

tion from the Japanese tuna industry.

"The result of these activities," the FTC said, "is to hinder catching tuna in Pacific waters and in Japan and to restrain competition in the purchase of raw, canned and frozen tuna. The ultimate result . . . is that the public must pay more for tuna."

Those named in the complaint are given 30 days to file an answer. The FTC said it has scheduled an examiner's hearing at Long Beach Nov. 19.

Rain, Cool Weather Hits European Crops

London—U.P.—Rain and summer-long cool weather has damaged farm crops throughout most of Western Europe, agricultural experts said today.

British farmers predicted the worst harvest since 1912, and some said it might be as bad as the worst on record, that of 1879.

British minister of agriculture, Heathcoat Amory, said conditions in Yorkshire may soon become "disastrous" while the Surrey National Farmers Union said that country was "desperate" and that "many farmers are talking of plowing up their corn, not even attempting to gather it."

Similar gloomy reports came from Bedfordshire, Huntingdonshire, Essex, Lancashire and Wales.

In France, heavy summer rain came too late to do either good or harm. French crops suffered irreparable damage during the coldest spring months in history, and the rains came too late to help new plantings.

Discoverer of Drug Dies in Hospital

Hamden, Conn.—U.P.—Dr. Benjamin M. Duggar, 84, discoverer of the drug aureomycin, died Monday in Grace-New Haven hospital.

Duggar died about five hours after he was admitted to the hospital. He had been living here with his daughter, Mrs. John Adams.

He retired from college teaching at 70 and went on to discover the drug which was made available to doctors in 1948, three years after he began his research. Aureomycin has been found effective against some infections which fail to respond to penicillin and other drugs.

Duggar was a research consultant at the Lederle Laboratories of Pearl River, N.Y., for the past 13 years. Lederle credited Duggar with discovering aureomycin, but Duggar always insisted it was the work of a team of scientists and that "no one man does it."

Boston—U.P.—Arriving here from Quebec with friends in his 1904 Reo, Robert Harrison observed: "Next time we come to Boston we'll come in our 1918 Dodge. We got a terrible windshield burn in the Rio. No windshield, you know."



WANTA LICK?—Judy Ridfjerger, 7, gets her nickel's worth in with a unique welcoming gift as she offers a taste of her lollipop to Adlai Stevenson as the Democratic standard bearer arrives in San Francisco.

Jan Murray Ditches Established Show In Favor of 'Treasure Hunt' Program

By WILLIAM EWALD

New York—U.P.—What makes a TV star ditch an established show and start from scratch again?

Jan Murray did it last Friday with his "Dollar a Second" on ABC-TV. He junked it in favor of "Treasure Hunt," despite the comfortable ratings that have been notched by "Dollar a Second" (the latest Nielsen gave it a 12, quite adequate for a summer effort).

"It's something I've been working on since last winter," explained Murray today. "And I guess the primary reason was the feeling that we would be in for much stiffer competition on Friday nights this season."

Faced Stiff Competition

"We heard that NBC was going to put on big Friday spectacles and that CBS was going to put on a 90-minute drama show on Friday nights. Well, it turns out now that isn't exactly so, but it was the talk at the time."

"We tried to get a different time slot, but no dice. So we had this thing confronting us and we decided to lick it with a new show."

Murray had some definite ideas about what he wanted. For one thing, he had a hankering for another audience participation show like "Dollar a Second."

"It's the type of show I like to do best," said Murray. "People all by themselves can be wonderfully funny."

For another thing, Murray wanted a quiz show that would be unlike some of the other new ones.

"This quiz business has been getting fantastic lately," said Murray. "You know, it just

doesn't make any sense to go on with a new program and try to top everybody else with cash. You can give away \$200,000, \$500,000, sure. But it's rapidly becoming a matter of how high is up."

Keep Them Guessing

The gimmick Murray figured that had been neglected in TV quiz shows was the old grab-bag idea.

"It's been successful since the beginning of time," said Mur-

Portland Man Killed In Air Force Base

Scott Air Force Base, Ill.—U.P.—1st Lt. Dennis Kidd, 27, Portland, was killed yesterday when an Air Force F-3B jet trainer crashed in a field about a mile from here while on a routine training flight.

Another officer, whose name was withheld pending notification of next of kin, also was killed.

Kidd was a graduate of Washington high school and Portland university and also attended the University of Oregon.

Ten Communicable Diseases Reported

Ten communicable diseases were reported to the Jackson county department of health for the week ending Sept. 7, 1956, according to A. Erin Merkel, public health physician.

Cases reported were pneumonia, Jacksonville one; strep throat, Gold Hill and Ashland two one; polio, Medford one; measles, Medford two and Ashland and Trail both one; and chicken pox, Medford two.

Court Records

POLICE COURT
Fred L. Lentz, no operator's license, \$5.
Henry Alonzo Wilson, failure to stop at stop sign, \$5.
Theodore Roosevelt Klein, failure to stop at stop sign, \$5.
Willie Delmer Brown, no operator's license, \$5.
Barney E. Bursler, impeding traffic, \$5.

DISTRICT COURT
Maxine G. Huvines, overwidth, \$15; failure to stop at red light, \$15.
Max Dale Smith, passing with insufficient clearance, \$15.
Arthur Jeff Kendrick, failing to stop at stop sign, \$10.
George Thomas Stout, overload, \$143; no operator's permit, \$10.
Leslie Howard Morton, failing to stop at stop sign, \$10.
Dennis James Walker, no operator's license, \$10.
Leslie Irwin Kellow, failing to stop at stop sign, \$10.
Kenneth C. Sutherland, shooting from public highway, \$30.
Leroy Vernon Fellows, failing to operate in right side of highway, \$15.
Claude William Deard Jr., overload, \$67.
August Aldon Zundel, truck speeding, \$12.50.

CITY COURT
Dorine Virginia Rock vs. Frederick Jackson Rock, divorce complaint.
Sarah Alvira Moffett vs. C. Floyd Moffett, divorce complaint.
Bertha M. Johnson vs. Herman Johnson, divorce complaint.
Kenneth R. Wilkinson vs. Bonnie Lou Wilkinson, divorce complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION
Maurice Lee Carlson, 803 West Eleventh, and Betty Carolyn Duncan, 417 Oak, Apt. 1, Medford.

Gov. Smith Says Mental Illness Is Top Problem

Portland—U.P.—Putting an end to the rapid population growth of Oregon's mental hospitals will require several bold steps, Gov. Elmo Smith told today.

Gov. Smith told a northwest industrial health conference luncheon here that mental illness is Oregon's as well as the nation's number one health problem. He said more than one-half of the total hospital beds in Oregon are occupied by mental patients whose treatment costs the state nearly \$1,000 an hour.

Suggestions Made

The 5,000 patients in Oregon's two mental hospitals plus the 1,900 in the home for the mentally retarded cost the state about \$21,000 every day, the governor said.

He suggested making additional medical staff available through a residency training program, additional facilities to eliminate overcrowding, cooperative research with other states and the federal government, a stepped-up social worker program for discharged patients

and an increased number of occupational and industrial therapists.

"We are still short of the goal we must reach," the governor

said. "Each year the population of our mental institutions increases by about 100 patients. Admissions exceed discharges," the governor explained.



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giving enthusiastically. "Keep 'em knowing — don't let 'em know how much they're going to win."

"When a contestant goes high enough," Murray said, "he can pick any one of the locked chests as his prize. And it can represent anything — a milk coat, an airplane, a cabin cruiser, a trip around the world, \$25,000."

"Or it might contain a head of cabbage, an ashtray, 1500 yards of dental floss or an invitation to a pizza festival in Hoboken."

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