

Saturday Night in Japan



"Come on in, the water's fine." Bathing in Japan is on a different plane from ours as these two American gentlemen can tell you. Tubs are perpendicular there, instead of horizontal, and you stand in the water up to your neck. But we shouldn't laugh at this somewhat primitive scene, according to Consumers Information, which points out that only a hundred years ago, there were only 1,500 bathtubs in the United States, all of them in Philadelphia, where they had a city water system and taxed each tub \$3.00. President Fillmore installed

the first tub in the White House in 1850. Advertising of the advantages of convenient and sanitary bathing started 31 years later, has continued increasingly ever since, and has made the United States the cleanest nation on earth. Even the most advanced European nations are far behind us in this respect, and the possession of a bathtub in most countries is a sign not only of opulence but ostentation. The United States is among the few countries generally educated to the knowledge that health and cleanliness go together.

Equipment Arrives for U. P. Project

Morrison-Knudsen, contractors on the Union Pacific's \$1,500,000 relocation project, are amassing equipment preparatory to the start of ac-

tual construction.

Although it had been hoped the contractors would begin work the first of this week, they were not able to, but it is believed that actual work on the relocation would start sometime during the week.

Morrison-Knudsen Company is bringing dump cars into Hood River, to be used on this project, but they had not arrived yesterday. The cars, necessary for the actual construction work, are expected today or tomorrow. Work cannot start in full force until they arrive.

The construction firm has bought a new two and one-half yard Northwest gas shovel, and has unloaded it below the Columbia Gorge Hotel, where, with another shovel, it is awaiting the arrival of the dump cars.

Two caterpillar carry-alls have been unloaded at Lindsay, and are awaiting the start of construction there. The company has also brought in five speeders, three of which arrived yesterday and two are expected today.

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FISHWAYS

The Columbia River and its tributaries provide the spawning grounds for salmon, trout, and other migratory fish. An extensive fishing industry in the Pacific Northwest with an estimated annual product worth \$10,000,000 is dependent on the Columbia River salmon for its livelihood. The small salmon, called fingerlings, hatched from eggs laid in the gravel stream beds, descend the river and enter the ocean. After maturing in the sea from three to four years the salmon enter fresh water to spawn, ascending the same stream in which they originated. It is while at sea and while on the upstream migration that they are caught for market and sport.

To provide for migration of fish over the dam three constructed. On Bradford Island a ladder with branches sets of ladders and three double fish locks have been leading to the dam and to the powerhouse, and a set of fish locks at the south end of the dam have been built. A third set of fish locks is located south of the powerhouse, and there is also provided an entrance from the powerhouse fishway into the ship lock. The ladders have pools 40 feet wide, and the drop between pools is one foot.

The fish locks, which are the same for either end of the dam and the powerhouse, have two vertical hydraulic chambers, 20 feet by 30 feet in dimensions, each with vertical sliding gates at the top and bottom and with filling and emptying systems. In operation, the fish enter the lower gate while the water is at the elevation of the lower pool, the lower gate closes, additional water is admitted to rise its elevation to that of the upper pool, the upper gate opens and the fish leave the lock. A submerged wooden platform with a sloping surface rises beneath the fish to assure their exit. The upper gate closes, the chamber is emptied and the lower gate opens for commencement of a second cycle. With the locks in pairs, the upstream movement of fish is practically continuous.

All of the fish ladders and the large fish passage in the powerhouse are provided with supplemental water so that the flow at any point may be increased by addition of water through gratings in the floors. The additional water is considered desirable to create a large flow to attract fish to the lower entrances of the fishways.

Downstream migrants pass through the facilities described above, through the ice chute at the powerhouse, or in special fingerling passes at each end of the dam and at the south end of the powerhouse. The fingerling passes are similar in construction to the ladders, but the individual pools are much smaller, being only 5 feet wide by 10 feet long, and a drop between pools of 4 feet. A fingerling bypass will also extend from the upper pool near the east end of the navigation lock to Tanner Creek, through the grounds on the Oregon shore.

done, preparatory to actual construction, and the job is ready to open up, although negotiations for right-of-way have not been completed in some instances.

At the present time, the contractors are employing a small force at Viento, opening the gravel pit there, although work there has virtually ceased. Another small crew is working out of the camp at Wyeth, while a small force is employed in the Hood River warehouse and office. Additional men will of course be employed when work begins in full swing.

Morrison-Knudsen is at the present time contemplating the construction of a camp at Mosier in the near future, according to officials. That

camp will house the men working east of Hood River.

On the Union Pacific front, a large crew of Western Union and Union Pacific men continued relocating the signal system and telegraph wires last week. The wires are being relocated in a temporary cable, until final and permanent change is made.

The chief difficulty facing both Union Pacific and Morrison-Knudsen forces is the raising and relocating of tracks without interfering with traffic over the line. The Columbia Gorge route is one of the Union Pacific's most heavily traveled lines, and contractors must change and raise the line for about 48 miles

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