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"THE PAPER THAT HAS NO ENEMIES HAS NO FRIENDS."
—George Putnam.

Res Ipsa Loquitur

Plainly the presence of "some 2000" dead salmon in the North Santiam canyon has made the "anti-federal dam" tribe's ceremonial fires glow in eerie patterns. Quaint warriors of this tribe, their foreheads gaudily painted with green dollar signs, read the "fire message" and in frenzy began hypnotic chants and primitive dances. Kinfolk of these warriors nodded and swayed.

Why "fish interests" should blister the air with threats of legal action is interesting. Had not the Gates fish racks been erected when they were and where they are "some 2000" salmon would be reasonably alive today. These same salmon would have spawned naturally up and down the North Santiam river banks and tributaries. So what—if some of the fingerling salmon were impounded in the Detroit dam reservoir? Why not a salmon industry in the North Santiam canyon as well as in the Pacific ocean near Astoria?

A hue and cry went up that the "salmon cycle" was ruined forever. This neat little package of confusion is based upon the habits of salmon which are not fully understood by anyone. It is said that "necessity is the mother of invention"—so "fish interests" created the interesting theory that "the salmon egg knows where it is spawned". Application of this theory brings amazing results. For instance, if a salmon egg were taken from a Snake river salmon, hatched at Marion Forks, the fingerling released in the North Santiam river, then the salmon when grown would return from the Pacific ocean and swim up the Snake river—not the North Santiam!

Fish have a wonderful sense of smell—could it be that they recognize the smell of "their" stream? There is certainly ample evidence that salmon do come back to the mountain streams they left behind when swimming towards the salt water of the ocean.

The "salmon egg knows where it is spawned" theory rules out the repopulation of a stream with salmon. Following this "egg" theory, if the salmon eggs were not taken from salmon in the stream where restocking is the goal, then no salmon hatched from these eggs would return to that particular stream once they reached the ocean. The "egg" theory fits hand-in-glove with the needs of the anti-federal dam tribe.

The anti-federal dam tribe do not rely entirely on the "egg" theory, however, should it fall short they had another weapon slammed together—the "pollution mask". This gem throws out nasty rumors that the sediment is killing the salmon and trout and is polluting Mill City and Salem's drinking water. True—the sediment may have hastened the death of the already dying salmon (which were dying naturally as they always do around spawning time). The trout, no doubt about it, do not like the sediment. Trout love clear, fresh water. Trout are not being killed by the sediment—instead they have sought out the clear water of the "feeder" streams of the North Santiam river. Fishermen report excellent catches in these feeder streams.

Local and state health authorities have announced repeatedly in newspaper and by radio that there is no health hazard as a result of the sediment or dead salmon. Mother Nature cares for dead fish by the smaller fish feeding upon their decaying flesh.

The forest fire currently blackening hundreds of acres of forest land in the Detroit area near Sardine and Tumble creeks is a tragedy far greater than the loss of "some 2000" salmon. That forest fire will kill plenty of fish in the North Santiam river. Who shall we sue for that?

Confusion mounts when we look upon some 2000 dead salmon as if they were some 2000 justice court fines. No one lay in wait in a hidden spot and wantonly killed 2000 salmon. The issue faced by the Engineers was: Possibly "some 2000 dead salmon" or a defective dam.

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Editorial Comments:

SOME FACTS ABOUT MCCARTHY

The Capital Times of Madison, the largest newspaper in Wisconsin outside the city of Milwaukee, in adherence "to the principle that representative government must depend on a fully informed electorate," has over the past five years been "uncovering facts" about the record of Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, and presents a summary of 20 charges against him.

As the Multnomah county republican club chosen McCarthy as principal speaker at their picnic Sunday and therefore practically endorsed "McCarthyism" as wholesale smearing of distinguished public officials on hearsay evidence under the cloak of congressional immunity has come to be known, anything regarding McCarthy is of timely interest to Oregonians.

Among the Capital Times disclosures are the following on his judicial record which are not generally known outside of Wisconsin:

"The Wisconsin supreme court in 1942 called McCarthy's veracity into public question when it reprimanded him for destroying records in his court when he was a circuit judge.

"The complete story of the recommendation of the Wisconsin state board of bar commissioners that McCarthy be disbarred as an attorney, including this statement from the bar commissioners: 'It is difficult to conceive of any conduct upon the part of a presiding judge which would bring judges and courts into greater disrepute and contempt than the conduct of the defendant (McCarthy) challenged in this proceeding. He, an officer of the court, knowingly and willfully, placed the gratification of his personal ambition above the interests of the public and the rights of litigants.'"

"The decision of the Wisconsin supreme court in which McCarthy was found guilty of violating the moral code of his profession and, in the words of the court, violating 'the forms of the constitution and laws of the state of Wisconsin and in so doing violated his oath as a circuit judge and as an attorney at law'."

Most of the Capital Times other charges have been widely published—his income tax evasions, his Lustron

MEHAMA

By JEAN ROBERTS

Excitement ran high in Mehama, Monday afternoon when a large barn on the edge of town caught fire and burned fiercely. Dwellings near by were threatened.

The barn, owned by Jack Alloway, was completely destroyed, as were were also some \$2000 in household furnishings and personal belongings stored inside it.

The newly-purchased fire truck of the Ercil Wilson Logging Co. arrived on the scene soon after the alarm and was closely followed by Keith Phillips, fire warden, with a fire truck. Mill City and Stayton fire departments arrived in record time and assisted in keeping the blaze from spreading.

Loss was not covered by insurance, but, luckily, a valuable set of Bavarian china had just been removed before the fire.

Getting in the last "licks" before the forest closure went into effect, Monday logging operators loaded logs on all available trucks, Sunday morning. Since log hauling Sundays is illegal, the trucks were parked until Monday.

Atop a high rocky bluff on the ridge above Mill City the Ercil Wilson logging co. loaded out nine trucks before closure. This stand of timber is known as the "Shaeffer side" and is so steep that many loggers scoffed at the idea of logging it a few years ago.

Three access roads for logging purposes have been built into this 160-acre patch.

Corp. payments, his connection with RFC scandals, his character assassinations, etc., etc.; his smearing of reputable newspapers printing the evidence against him as "communist."

Also the fact that McCarthy has failed to prove a single one of his charges that there are communists in the state department, and that he had nothing to do with the arrest and conviction of Alger Hiss, Judith Coplon, William Remington, etc., etc.

The Oregonian has been running a series of special articles on McCarthy by Robert H. Fleming of the Milwaukee Journal expressing other features of the senator's career, mentions him as a likely vice presidential nominee on the Taft ticket and quotes a republican senator as predicting:

"I think the 1952 convention will nominate Bob Taft and not be too happy about it. Previously, in the opening days of the convention, Joe McCarthy will take the platform for one of those flag-waving communist damning, cross my heart and hope to die expressions of what noble Americans we republicans are. And then the delegates, tired and ready to go home, will hear someone nominate McCarthy for vice presidential candidate. The convention will be off at a gallop and McCarthy will be on the ticket. And far from the least surprised man in the place will be Joe McCarthy."

If this prediction comes true, it will not only spell Taft's defeat but kill the republican party.—From Capital Journal, August 22, 1951.

Forest fires each year cost millions of dollars! Don't start one. KEEP OREGON GREEN.

SAVES TIME, MONEY



Oregon homemakers will be chalking up time and money saved as the result of recent legislation permitting sale of colored margarine throughout the state beginning in August.

Statistics obtained in a nationwide survey show the average margarine user has been spending approximately 10 minutes coloring each pound of the product used as a table spread. W. H. Brice, in charge of Swift & Company's All-sweet Margarine Sales in Oregon, pointed out this time saving on each pound of margarine will amount to hundreds of work-hours during the next year. He added that the Institute of Margarine Manufacturers has reported U. S. homemakers last year wasted approximately 8 million hours coloring white margarine alone.

An appreciable saving in money as well as time will be made by eliminating waste that occurs in the home coloring process. Brice added. Tests reveal that approximately four percent of each pound of margarine colored in the home sticks to sides of the coloring bowl and is generally not recovered by table or cooking use. It has been estimated that more than 35 million pounds of margarine were wasted in the country as a whole in this manner.

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