



Pollution is so bad that it immediately killed fish dumped into the Willamette in an investigation Tuesday aboard a harbor patrol boat by city, county and state officials and representatives of Oregon Stream Purification and Izaak Walton leagues. *Journal Sept 22-37*

Teleman Sept. 22-37 Fish Testings Show River Water Poison

Willamette river water is poison to salmon fingerlings and mature trout.

This was demonstrated in tests conducted this week under the supervision of State Treasurer Rufus C. Holman, president of the Stream Purification league, and William L. Finley, Oregon naturalist.

Within seven minutes the fish used in the experiment were dead. Two tests were made, one opposite the big Ross island sewer and the other in midstream opposite the mooring place of the battleship Oregon.

The fish were lowered into a wire cage submerged in the water.

Sen. F. M. Franciscovich of Astoria, president of the senate, watched the experiments and observed that fish probably would live longer in the frying pan or on dry land than in "this oxygen-depleted filth."

Finley pointed out that the December runs of silverside and Chinook have disappeared. He says salmon could not live in the stretch of river between Sellwood and Swan Island airport.

Journal Sept. 22 Interstate Plans '37 To Protect Fishing Urged at Chehalis

Co-operation of Oregon with Washington in regulating fishing on the Columbia river is sought in a resolution passed Sunday at a meeting in Chehalis of the Washington State Sportsmen's council and members of the United States biological survey from Portland.

The resolution calls upon Oregon to do as Washington has done by prohibiting seining operations, banning fish traps and establishing a one-mile area in the river directly below Bonneville dam in which no fishing will be permitted.

According to William L. Finley, who represented the Wild Life federation at the meeting, Washington has eliminated traps and seining nets with the result that Oregon fishermen are making much larger hauls than Washington fishermen.

"In all fairness to the salmon industry and in all fairness to Washington's efforts to protect the industry, Oregon should do the same," he said. The two states no longer work jointly in this regard as they did formerly, he explained.

In Earlier Days

From The Journal's Files *Sept 30 1937*

September 30, 1927—10 Years Ago

St. Louis—The death list from yesterday's cyclone now stands at 84. Three hundred persons were seriously injured. Several hundred more sustained minor injuries. The property damage is between \$50,000,000 and \$100,000,000.

September 30, 1922—15 Years Ago

The dual election board system, which provides for the counting of ballots while the polls are open, is condemned in the final report of the Multnomah county grand jury.

September 30, 1917—20 Years Ago

London—Despite two big offensive drives, British army casualties for September show a total of only 105,430 officers and men killed, wounded and missing. The total killed is 19,306.

September 30, 1912—25 Years Ago

There is a shortage of more than \$10,000 in moneys that should have been paid by county officials to the state treasurer to be applied to the game protection fund, according to W. L. Finley, state game warden.

September 30, 1907—30 Years Ago

Canton, Ohio—The final resting place of the late President McKinley was dedicated today in an impressive ceremony in which President Roosevelt and other government and state officials participated.

September 30, 1902—35 Years Ago

Daniel M. Buehner, the pioneer barber of Portland, died yesterday of apoplexy.