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From the Duster
By The Over-time Editor

IT'S NICE TO have a decision out right. Especially when it is your consciences and does destroy your hopes for maintaining a semblance of rugged masculinity. We chickened out on our first day of trout season Sunday the first time in years. It is exactly that, of course, the reports were bad, long and weird problems in the lake had been giving us meemies we were tired. Too tired to get out the boat, haul it somewhere and put on that happy first fishing face.

Without a word to anyone we went up to a favorite hidey-hole in Canada. A quiet place with no radio or TV—just five fishing pools, a warm two gourmet dining rooms and evening entertainment by a band that never played a note we didn't know the words to. At past breakfast times, at least five times a day anyway, didn't it at a clock for information even casual confirmation. In fact, we were just plain lazy.

Returning home to find first fishing had not been sensational, weather had been worse than expected and most of our friends had also skipped customary fish initiation, the sense of cowardice was lifted. Our described retreat can now be boasted of as a display of guts in the face of adversity. This time we, instead of the boat, hid out. And may it serve us right.

HAVING A CAMERA handy is sometimes an invitation for anything to suddenly strike you. The world is full of the "hans" who enjoy getting



movies, stills or on any kind of camera. In wandering over the week we had a walk with a sociable camera, who conducted us to the pond where ducks, geese and swan all posed and prettied after spying camera lens. Top ham was this little swan who waddled up on a little statue's island to downspout her with a display of wing spreading.

As usual we did the kind and customary thing, and took this picture. Camera fan or camera person—we never give up trying.

BOY SCOUTS SERVE BREAKFAST
Concrete Boy Scout Troop-74 served around 200 breakfasts on opening day of fishing season last Sunday. A shortage of chefs kept parents and friends at the breakfast griddle most of the morning. Scoutmaster Don Ross said that net proceeds may be used after expenses are paid. Money will go into the troop treasury for supplies.

AT TOKYO FAIR



Wright Arnold, staff member of the Office of Foreign Trade of the State Department of Commerce and Economic Development, shows a visitor at the Japan International Trade Fair in Tokyo a trophy won by the Glacier View Ranch of Rockport. The Hamilton Meadows and Glacier View Ranches are among 46 Washington State companies with exhibits at the trade fair which opened April 17 and runs through May 6. The fair, which will attract more than 2 million visitors from 9 countries, is co-sponsored by the Washington State International Trade Fair and the State Department of Commerce and Economic Development.

"Battle Of Bands" Set For Entertainment Of Western-Country Music Fans Sunday At Gym

Country music enthusiasts will have another banquet of their favorite stompin' rhythms this coming Sunday, April 27, at the second Country-Western Music Jamboree set for 2 to 6 p.m. in the Concrete High School gymnasium.

The Jamboree drew a crowd of some 400 people from as far as Everett and Bellingham at last year's musical event. Moe Schaffer, KARI radio announcer who emceed last year's Jamboree, will be on hand to do the honors this year.

Bands appearing on the program are Jim Benfield's Melody Mountain Boys; Lloyd Hooper's Cascade Ramblers; Fred McFall's Carolina Mountain Boys from Marysville; Denny Goodfellow and the Orchard Foursome of Burlington; Gary DeMeyer's group, also of Burlington; Ernie Tyree and the Road Runners, Sedro-Woolley; and Wayne Estes and the Rebel Rousers, also of Sedro-Woolley.

A concession will be operated

on the grounds by one of the high school classes.

The Jamborees are sponsored by the Upper Skagit Community Council for the benefit of Concrete youth service groups, including Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Campfire Girls, and Bluebirds.

Action Committee Will Meet Tonight

Concrete Action Committee will meet tonight, Wednesday, April 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall to hear a report from the Clean-In committee and to consider future action in the town's renewal campaign.

All business people and interested residents of Concrete and surrounding area are urged to attend.

Former Minister Heads Large Boston Church

The Rev. Paul E. Toms, whose first pastorate was the Mt. Baker Presbyterian church of Concrete, has been chosen to serve as minister of the historic Park Street Congregation Church, Boston, Mass. He had been assistant minister of the church since early 1965.

Rev. Toms, a native of Bellingham, had filled church posts in Hilo, Hawaii, and Sydney, Australia, after leaving Concrete in 1949.

Trout Opening Cool, Cautious

Cold weather and low water levels put the damper on opening of the fishing season in the Upper Valley area. Very few fishermen reported a full catch, and few braved the chill to stay out the entire day.

According to most reports, Everett Lake gave up the best catches with 21 anglers checked with 182 rainbows. Grandy Lake had 48 fishermen taking 138 cut throats.

Baker Lake was not too productive, being nearly 20 feet below normal level. According to Game Department checks, 35 fishermen caught 171 silvers. Puget Power officials say that, based on the rate of flow into the lake and projected need of water, the lake will be full by the middle of next month, May 15 to 20.

Diablo Lake had 93 fishermen with 92 rainbow, and four dollys. Lower lakes in the county attracted the crowds this year with better success.

Federal Funds Return To Local School District

Payment of \$6,770 in federal impact school aid to the Concrete school district will be received soon. The federal funds pay part of the cost of educating children whose parents live or work on federal property.

The funds had been pre-empted by the state school department until the current biennium when federal funds were returned to the districts, and pro-rated among schools within the area involved. Recovery of past federal funds is now in litigation.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME WILL START

The country will swing back onto Daylight Saving Time this coming Sunday, April 27, with all clocks to be put ahead one hour.

Lions Drop Games To Lynden Christian

Concrete Lions bowed to a strong Lynden Christian team in two baseball games last week, losing the close April 15 tilt at Lynden by a 3 to 1 score. The scheduled game on last Friday was rained out. The make-up game this Monday on the Concrete home field went to the Lynden Christian team, 7-1.

In the April 15 game Concrete had one run, 4 hits, 5 errors, 14 strikeouts, one base on balls. Mike Pulice, Larry Comstock, Frank Seaman, Robin Buller hit singles with Buller scoring the only run on a steal to second after his single. He was hit in by Pulice's single in the sixth.

Concrete had one run, 2 hits, 4 errors, 7 strikeouts, 3 base balls in the Monday game. The lone run came in the first inning when Larry Comstock walked, stole second with two away and came home on a line drive by Charlie Messer.

Hank Roorda of Lynden was winning pitcher of both games. Mike Kelly pitched for Concrete in the first game and Larry Comstock the second. Both Kelly and Comstock pitched outstanding games.

The Lions traveled to Mt. Baker yesterday and will meet the Mountaineers again this Friday on the Lion's home field. All home games start at 3:15 p.m. and are open to the public.

Surfacing Job Under Way At Airport



The Snelson Co. of Sedro-Woolley began work Saturday on the paving of the Concrete Municipal Airport. The field will be officially closed during construction work, although an emergency strip will be retained. Paving will be done by the soil-mix process and will require about a month to complete. The work is being done by Puget Power and Lone Star Cement Corp. with approval of the town council.