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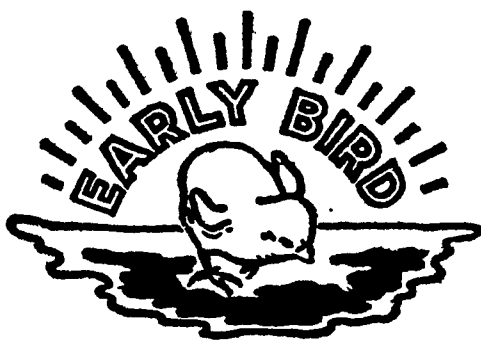
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● Stream Pollution

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dow and the summer before last all the fish were killed." He said he had counted as many as 50 dead fish of all sizes at one spot. He added that the newspapers had come out to get the story and take pictures, but had given the event only the barest coverage in the paper.

Horace Platt told the gathering that he has a cabin on the Black Creek, and that right at the headwaters of that creek all sorts of rubbish is regularly dumped, and not too far from there is a junkyard, he said.

Lester Martin who lives on the Muddy Creek said his family likes to swim, but "in July and August the water is not fit to go into."

And so the eyewitness testimony on contamination continued.

Although all of the industries bordering the Muddy Creek had been invited to attend this public meeting and explain to the community the actions taken by their respective firms to prevent stream pollution, only the largest company, Grace Mine, sent a representative.

James H Runyon of Grace Mine, which is a subsidiary of Bethlehem Steel Co., said that his company is so concerned with air and water pollution that it maintains an entire department for this purpose. He explained that the water used in the mining operation is pumped from underground sources. Since it is slightly alkaline, as opposed to the acid waste water from a coal mine, it

does not harm fish. Grace's waste water goes into the Conestoga from a branch stream at a constant rate of 252 gallons per minute, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. So in this sense, he pointed out, the company is adding new water to the watershed and aiding conservation. He said that Grace Mines also maintains a modern sewage treatment plant. Every bit of their sewage is aerated, settled, filtered, and chlorinated before being released to the creek at the rate of 80 gallons per minute.

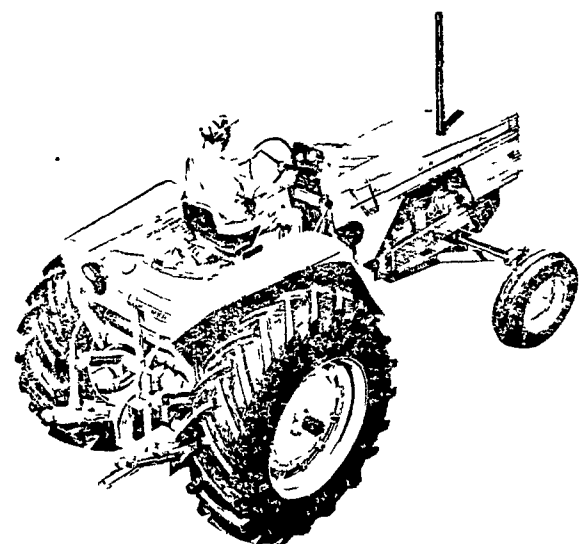
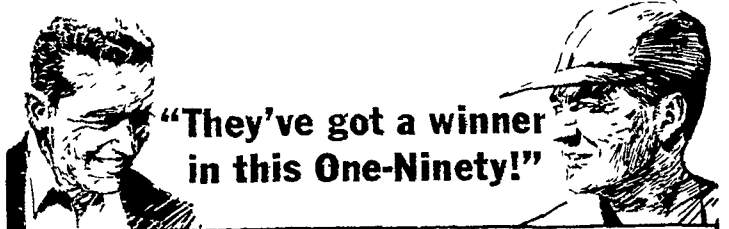
Runyon did point out that many of the farms bordering the creek use a lot of ammoniated fertilizers. "Sometimes with modern agricultural programs you can hurt your stream too. Rain carries the ammonia to the streams, and in hot weather when oxygen is normally less in the water that added ammonia can further tie it up so there's not sufficient oxygen to support fish life," he added.

Charles H Kuder assistant regional sanitary engineer at the West Reading Field Station of the Pennsylvania Board of Health, explained his organization's interest and activity in the area of stream pollution.

We have six men to cover 12 counties which is not enough personnel to police the streams and pinpoint pollution. We must rely on local groups to call the problems to our attention," the engineer said.

He denounced the Clean Streams Law, as further amended last August, as a

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