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2 INTERIOR DEPT. EDUCATIONAL FILMS CHOSEN FOR
INTERNATIONAL CINEMATOGRAPHIC ART EXHIBITION

Two Department of the Interior educational films, It's the Maine Sardine and California and Its Natural Resources, have been selected for showings at the 10th International Exhibition of Cinematographic Art, it was announced today.

It's the Maine Sardine, a U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service production, depicts the catching of sardines off the Maine coast and the packing processes used in local canneries. California and Its Natural Resources is one of a series of films produced by the U. S. Bureau of Mines in cooperation with industry describing the great mineral and other natural resources of various states.

The selections were among the 13 made by the Department of State's Motion Picture Review Committee from more than 500 Government educational films. Motion pictures produced by the Federal Works Agency, the Public Health Service and the Departments of Agriculture, State, Navy, Army, and Air Force were also chosen.

Sponsored by the Italian Government, the 10th International Exhibition of Cinematographic Art will be held in Venice, August 11 - September 1. About 20 countries and the U. S. will be represented.

In naming the two Interior Department films, the State Department announced: "These films were selected...by a joint committee of officers designated by the heads of the motion picture producing agencies of the Government...because of their excellence in continuity and color and their general effectiveness in presentation.. It is felt that they will advance the best interests of this country by their fine picturization."

Both films are in 16 mm. color and sound, and were produced in 1948.