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INTERIOR TO FILM TWO HISTORIC FISHERIES AREAS

Two of America's finest fishing areas, each a great contributor to American history, will be subjects of motion pictures to be produced by the Department of the Interior.

One of these areas is Chesapeake Bay, between Maryland and Virginia. The other is the Columbia River, in the Pacific Northwest. Both pictures will feature the historic and present importance of the fishery resources of the areas, together with other activities and events of special interest.

The Chesapeake Bay picture will be made by ACI Productions, New York City. It will be a 16 mm. sound-color film approximately 28 minutes long. The States of Maryland and Virginia are cooperating with the Department in sponsoring the film. Production will be under the direction of the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, Fish and Wildlife Service. Since fishery activities are to be shown for all seasons, the picture will be about a year in the making.

The Columbia River picture will be made by the Motion Picture Division of Walter J. Klein Company, Charlotte, N. C. It also will be a 28-minute, 16 mm. sound-color film. It will be an educational and documentary picture of the commercial fisheries of the Columbia River, featuring the salmon fishery, dams, spillways, electric generators, fishways, and modern hatcheries and laboratories. This film likewise will be a year in production in order to depict the ever-changing salmon activities in the river.

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