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CODORUS POLLUTION

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Thursday.

Barry told a reporter yesterday that the Codorus is so polluted that it is a fact that every recreation does not have the right to use it. Even people who wade through it are discouraged from recreation.

"The present point is," Barry said, "that 98 per cent use of the area is prevented because of pollution. The creek cannot be used because of the condition. This is why any proposal for a park in the Indian Rock area which would be suitable for supplying two-fifth acreds and two lakes."

Barry said the Water Conservation Board said, "There are not enough tributary streams to supply a reservoir and the Codorus creek is polluted. If it Glatfelter wants to use the water, we are willing to work with the pollution, but it may be 10 or 15 years before this is a reality."

Green said that he knew of no law that could stop the paper company from using the Codorus creek, but the Glatfelter company has spent a lot of money in an effort to reduce the pollution.

Rhoads, the state chief of stream pollution control, said that the amount of the pollution of the Codorus flows from Spring Grove to the Indian Rock area is due to the Glatfelter Paper Company.

"The problem is," Rhoads said, "that there is not sufficient water in the Codorus to handle the waste that is being put into it and the water has to deposit. There are other solutions to the pollution problem available to the paper company, but they are very costly.

Rhoads said, "Paper mill wastes are similar to sewage in that they decompose into humics, and this will be given off the green and white."

He said, "A shift in the area of the pollution from the paper company shows that from the point that the Codorus is piped into the paper mill to the point it comes out of the pipe, the stream bed is just about dead. This indicates that all the Codorus water available is being used by the company."

Solutions Proposed

The solutions include first, the piping of their waste to the Susquehanna river, second, the piping of additional water from the Susquehanna, third, filtering of the waste, or fourth, the buying of additional water, Rhoads said. All are very costly operations.

One long-time observer of the Codorus said that if the area of the Indian Rock dam site is used for a recreation area and park, Parks, playgrounds, picnic areas and other recreational facilities can be established on this land even without the use of the Codorus, but many more could be added if the Codorus were cleaned up.

The observer said that while the Glatfelter company has expanded its operations and increased its work forces, protective facilities also have increased considerably.

Rhoads said that the Glatfelter company has one of the better paper mill pollution control plants in the country in control pollution.

Deputy District Army Engineer Colonel Ralph Ott said, "If a park area was established on a flood control area, and because federal property is IRR by an act of the 77th Congress." There is a pollution problem in the Codorus creek and stream and the Codorus is an impoundment.

"It is not our place to ask outsiders or companies if they want the land or to ask for legislation giving them the land. It is up to them the municipalities to ask for the land. Congress would have to be convinced that the Secretary of the Army would make the recommendation. In Conshohocken, Pa., we have a park right in the middle of Plymouth and your state."

Ernest J. Dunn, executive director of the York County Planning Commission said, "It is true that we are interested in recreation and additional water supplies, among other things, but due to the time limit on the Project 70 land, we are interested in what we must move in this direction before the June 30 deadline for filing."

Dunn said he understood the Friends are twenty-acre size.

A reporter suggested to Dunn that the Friends could get a grant from the Federal Open Space program that would probably include 50 per cent of the cost of developing the Indian Rock dam area even if the Friends did not have the land.

Dunn replied, "I guess maybe some of us feel that we can gain this later on, but we are interested in what we can recover with the Project 70 funds, and they must be used to acquire land."

Dunn said that he understood the Glatfelter company was making some contribution to the creation of the new West Branch Codorus creek park in Spring Grove. The paper company would have access to an additional supply of water that may otherwise some of the pollution in the Codorus.

Dunn said that he has been convinced by some that that York area will have to look elsewhere than the Codorus creek for its supply of water. "When I hear of New York City, and Philadelphia and Baltimore and Washington, D. C. and are Baltimore already tapping it, this convinces me that we should start looking and protecting elsewhere for a supply."

Dr. Charles Herdman, who is in charge of the laboratory at the Glatfelter company, said last night that he would be willing to talk to a newspaper reporter time to explain the facts.

Herdman said, "I feel that you only have the superficial information. I want to be fair, but I don't want to be fair you should give the time to go into it right or it is a long and complicated story to be explained on the telephone or in a few words. You should contact J. H. Glatfelter III and let him look at your story before you print it. I'd like to have the opportunity to ask questions on such short notice."

Glatfelter, who is president of the company, could not be reached for comment.

Herdman could Glenn Mattlin, public relations director of the company.

OUSTED GENERAL

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The American officials have pulled behind the comandos and closed their ranks to protect the Dominican Republic. They then moved in an armed truck convoy to the ousted component of about 20 men and 20 trucks for safe-keep and military protection.

Additional weapons and cases of hand grenades, ammunition and boxes of rations were found in the rebel headquarters after the fight.

Rebs were told at an emergency meeting that the Dominican Air Force sections were being put into effect. Lieut. Col. Pitan Van Hinn, chief of Thimbuch provides, to which Ibe is attached, was reported to have resigned his post.

He was said he have told Reigne officials he had lost control of the rebels.

Thomas J. Dunnion, the U.S. consul here, said he had ordered the non-evacuation because he could "no longer guarantee the safety of American lives." He said he had told the Dominicans indicated who refused to interfere with the attack on the rebel center had been a factor in his decision.

CITY, WEST YORK

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Yesterday, evident rate here in York county.

Tappe said parcels over county roads will be doubled, with 15 to 20 policemen on duty throughout the county.

In addition to the closing of municipal offices, meat merchants will be closed and stores will be open down on Monday and garbage will not be collected. Schools and banks also will be closed.

Windows at the York post office will be open for business, but there will be no mail distribution except special delivery and mail directed to P.O. boxes.

Mail deposited at the post office will be distributed on schedule. Collections from street boxes will begin at 8 p.m.

Applications for unemployment benefits normally would appeal to the York office of the Pennsylvania Bureau of Employment, but offices, too, have been conscripted.

SHAPP AGREES

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Indications of Shapp that the merger of the Pennsylvania and New York Port Authorities, recommended by the Interstate Commerce commission, would be a bad thing for the economy of Pennsylvania.

Shapp was joint in firm in his conviction that it would create more jobs and be good for the economic development of the state.

Shapp said that he would finance some of the developments he had in mind for the state through the public education, through the application of the business method of investment and through the creation of a leading 15 million dollar bond for the natural resources development authority.

MOTHER CHARGED

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sister, Clarence Murray, Mechanicsburg, Pa., a brother, Charles, Dover "I" Block, Germantown, RD 2; maternal great grandfather, Jesse E. Ruth, Dover, RD 2, Box 1.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Monday from the Dodd Funeral home, 307 Well Mardin A. Hess, pastor of City Christian and Missionary Alliance church, officiating. Interment will be in Southlawn cemetery.

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