15th April 1920.

Mr R. E. Clanton,

Master Fish Warden,

Bonneville, Ore.

Dear Sir;-

One of the objections raised by our local fishery officials to the use of retaining ponds in rearing the sockeye species has been that the summer temperature of the water in retaining ponds would become too high to permit the young fish to remain in them. All their past experience has been that the ponds must possess a current of water; that the fry follow this current to the pond outlet; and that if the outlet was screened off to prevent the fish escaping they would crowd up and smother to death.

I have mentioned to some of them that you have retained young sockeyes for more than a year's time and then liberated them successfully. They enquired what temperature of water the ponds contained during the period from June to September, and I told them I would ask this information of you. I would like to be advised if it will not be troubling you too much, and I would also appreciate learning what your experience is as to fry trying to escape from the ponds, and what steps you have taken to successfully prevent such exodus.

Yours sincerely

HD/P.