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TECHNOLOGY

Sonic Tracer Used In Fish Research

➤ THE BEHAVIOR of the adult salmon is being laid bare through the use of an underwater ultrasonic detective.

By means of a sonic fish tag clipped to the fish, scientists with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Seattle, Wash., are learning about the behavior patterns of salmon at fishery entrances, exits, near spillways and powerhouse sections of dams.

The tag, a miniature ultrasonic source, operates like radar but uses bursts of high frequency sound waves instead of radio signals to probe the water. A radar-type screen picks up the fish "seen" by the in-strument. It is reported to be capable of tracing the movements of ten salmon simultaneously.

"Sea Scanar" is the name of the device, designed by the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co.

Science News Letter, September 14, 1957

Do You Know?

"Radar angels" are spots on a radar screen that are caused by something unknown in the atmosphere.

The U. S. will soon have planes in service carrying 100 to 150 passengers.

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