

## —Let's Go Fishing— SPORTSMEN TO CAMPAIGN FOR CLEAN STREAMS

State Club Will Open War  
on Pollution as Part  
of Program.

Members of the United Sportsmen of Indiana, Inc., will meet Friday at 8 p. m. to complete plans to combat stream and lake pollution. At a preliminary meeting held at the Washington Monday it was decided that the second meeting, with all state officers present, would be the way to launch a state-wide campaign to correct this evil that is destroying some of the state's most historic streams.

The United Sportsmen organization was formed to improve hunting and fishing conditions for the sportsman who enjoys a day in the open under conditions as nature intended. Officers and members are going to battle to the last ditch to carry their ideals to victory.

Every person who ever has spent the day along any of our streams or lakes can do their part to help this cause by enrolling now. The dues for one year are 50 cents, and the full amount will be used to better conditions, the officers devoting their time and efforts, without pay.

Members of the Indianapolis Casting Club who attended the meet at the pool at College avenue and Fall Creek Sunday were treated to some of the greatest fly casting ever seen locally, by Captain Emil De Luse, who averaged 110 feet to take first place by a wide margin in the distance event. His casts were 107, 109 and 114 feet. Ed Nelson, who finished second, had an average of ninety feet. De Luse also tied for top honors in the five and three-quarter ounce fly rod accuracy contest with H. Hurst. J. Spear was next and Ed Nelson third. The five-ounce ounce plus event was won by Ben Bass with J. Spear, second, and H. Bradford, third.

Earl Simon, who pilots a P. & E. engine from Indianapolis to Springfield while on the job, and hunts bass when resting, enjoyed himself on Big Walnut creek the other day, his six bass reaching the stringer in less than two hours. Simon says they were hitting so fast that he did not have time to light his pipe.

Henry Moesch paid a flying visit to the conservation department from the state hatchery at Wawasee. Recently this hatchery planted 1,500 large mouth bass, in grades 4, 5 and 6. They are taking their time and allowing the fish to reach these sizes before planting.

John Stewart never will forget his battle with an eighteen-inch dog fish that weighed three and one-half pounds. Stewart also enjoyed taking the rock bass and goggle eye, while sparring.

Ed Miller of the Peoples Outfitting Company and his wife enjoyed Sunday at Miller's favorite spot on Sugar creek, and the result was five small mouth bass that averaged two pounds. Miller caught three of them on live minnows, and his wife the other two with night crawlers.

Walter Gordon from Engine House 6 gave us another call and told that he still had room for two anglers to make the trip to northern Minnesota. Gordon plans to leave Aug. 15 and return Sept. 1. Any angler interested in a vacation where the big ones strike, should get in touch with Gordon, at Riley 3329.

Eagle creek again produced a big one, this time a five and one-half pound large mouth. The lucky angler was Earl Conger, 2907 Clifton street. This is the second big one that Conger snagged this season.

Jack Waite never will be careless again. Waite was fly casting in one of the gravel pits close in. The line he was using had a break, but Waite figured it was o. k. to use, as the fish were not rising to his lure, but, as usual, a big one took him on for a battle, the bass winning when the line broke at the tie. A few days later, Waite returned for more fun, and the first thing he found was a dead bass that would run about five and one-half pounds, with his fly lodged in its throat.

Garry and Lee Winders are going to spend Tuesday and Wednesday at their favorite spot, Owen Park, on Mill creek. Garry Winders easily is the champ in this stream, his record for the last five years being near the three hundred mark, and they were all keepers.

Charlie Riden always wanted to tie into one of those kind that he could not handle, even as you and I. His ambition was realized Sunday with a bass that reminds one of a snake taking his lure. When Riden realized that the snake really was "grandpa bass," it was too late and the big boy escaped to give some other angler a thrill.

## SUICIDE VICTIM TO BE BURIED AT CROWN HILL

Last Rites for Charles W. Nicholas  
Will Be Held Wednesday.

Funeral services for Charles Walter Nicholas, 45, of 3057 Park avenue, who committed suicide in Crown Hill cemetery Monday by inhaling carbon monoxide fumes from his automobile, will be held at 2 Wednesday in the Flanner & Buchanan mortuary. Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery.

The body was discovered in the afternoon by a cemetery employee, Ora Athey, R. R. 3, Box 966, who said he had noticed Nicholas' car parked in the cemetery at 8 a. m. The car windows were closed, and the motor running, fumes from the exhaust pipe being conveyed through a rubber hose. Efforts by police to revive Nicholas failed. He was a former Indiana Bell Telephone Company employee. Ill health and a nervous breakdown were blamed for the act.

Surviving Mrs. Nicholas, and a sister, Mrs. Ida Summers, both of the Park avenue address. Nicholas was unmarried.

# Politician's Canning Plant Pours Refuse in Muscatatuck; Game Fish Die, Swimmers Menaced, Say Nearby Residents



Ivan C. Morgan at Last Is  
Working to Help in Con-  
servation Plans.

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its winding route, W. H. Christie, acclaims that several cattle he owned died and in his belief their death resulted from drinking from the ditch.

## Swimming in Stream Perilous

Opinion diverges on whether the river pollution is more serious when tomatoes are canned at the company's plant at Austin or when hominy and lye wastes enter.

Swimming within eight or ten miles of the cannery is distinctly a danger.

The ditch alone shows colon bacilli, sewage waste, to the extent of 1,000,000 at the mouth of the ditch where it empties into the river. One mile below the ditch entry to the river the colon bacilli count, made by the state laboratory at the request of The Indianapolis Times, shows 100,000 with a total of all bacteria at 200,000.

Presence of lye in the wastes from the ditch might be indicated from the state analysis, at the request of The Times, that showed the ditch water to have 460 parts alkalinity a million. Lye is alkaline in nature.

## Fish Move Downstream

Fermentation of other wastes of the ditch results not only in unpleasant odors but possible injury to fish life.

Game fish of the Muscatatuck have gone downstream and are supplanted by scavenger varieties.

Drop by the home of the aged squire of Little York, A. V. Criswell, and hell spin, by the hour, tales of the days of good fishing and swimming in the river.

"All you had to do was to go and get them. Bass, redhorse and big buffalo. Many's the time I've swam as a boy in the Muscatatuck. They don't swim there now," vouches the squire.

The river has been the scene of other raids besides that on its fish and, oddly enough, again the name of Morgan figures. On July 10, 1933, the vicinity near the stream was raided by the confederate general, Morgan.

## Draft Plans to End Pollution

Morgan's men took 500 horses, levied supplies from the surrounding farmers and forded the river with their stolen mounts.

The river and its bottomlands is legendary in the tales of long ago. An Indian massacre, known as the Pigeon Roost massacre, occurred in Washington county in 1812.

But that's in the long ago and where the historical commission is interested in the massacre of old settlers, the conservation department of 1933 is interested in the massacre of fish in streams of Indiana because of pollution.

## HORIZONTAL

1 The lady in the picture.

12 An emanation.

13 Bright constellation.

14 Feted.

16 Receptacle for carrying dishes.

17 Home state of the girl in the picture.

18 Bundle.

19 Possession.

20 Corded cloth.

22 Having more openwork.

26 To deposit.

30 Corroded.

31 Barters.

32 Covered with glazed clay blocks.

33 To give medical care.

34 Norse mythology.

37 Distinctive theories.

38 Falsehood.

40 Call for help at sea.

42 Venomous snake.

45 Male cat.

47 Type of Indian.

48 Form of moisture.

51 Black hawk.

53 To analyze a block.

55 Lacerated.

56 To vend.

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