

—Let's Go Fishing—
**STATE ANGLERS
READY TO OPEN
1934 CAMPAIGN**

Season Starts Tomorrow;
Good 'Take' Predicted
for First Week.

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Times Fishing Editor
The fishing season starts tomorrow. Thousands of Indiana anglers have checked and double checked their tackle, paid their dollar for a license, contracted for a supply of minnows or other live bait, picked the lake or stream and await the dawn of the biggest day of their year.

Signs point to a good "take" in the first week or two of the season, at least. Streams, at mid-summer levels two weeks ago, have been refreshed by general rains and while low in most parts of the state, are uniformly clear.

Reports from all sections tell of an early and successful spawning season for bass and other game fish. The low water has not been as detrimental as was feared for a time. Certainly it is better than the floods last season which delayed spawning so that many fish were taken from nests after the middle of June.

The low, clear water at this time will present angling problems usually not faced until later in the season. If you are fishing a small stream, approach the pools with a light tread. Vibrations of heavy footfalls on the bank will scare the good fish from his shallow water lair into the deep pools and it will take him a while to forget you.

Leaders Are Recommended

Likewise a tackle box carelessly dropped to the bottom of a boat can not fail to be heard by every fish within ten yards, and while it may make little difference in the capture of the smaller specimens, remember that the big one gets that way (in heavily fished waters, at least) by being the smartest of the crop, and it's not to be taken by bungling methods.

Twenty years ago only trout fishermen used leaders. Now even the cane pole angler after blue gills knows the advantage of a few feet of the translucent gut. The combination of clear and well-fished water that you will see tomorrow will call for every legitimate advantage that you can muster.

No less an authority than Ray Bergman in an article on "Surface Fly Fishing for Bass" in a current sporting magazine, tells of a large bass that was enticed from his hole under a stump only after the floating lure was affixed to a nine-foot leader.

Capsule report on the fishing editor's trout trip to Michigan last week. First the alibi. Streams (Pere Marquette, Baldwin, Little South, Middle Branch and Weldon) very low and clear. Few flies on the water. Not a single honest rise in the whole week, even at dusk.

Unorthodox Method Used

In spite of all this the three of us had a great time, caught enough trout to eat and learned lots. Largest fish taken was fifteen inches. The poor, deluded brownie was snared from his hole under the bank by a most unorthodox method.

Caught leaping at large black alder flies. He was fooled by a huge and ragged bass bug dangling a few inches above the water by a deceptive angler who violated all fly casting rules and crawled out on the bank to do the dangling.

We learned the value of long, fine leaders on those clear Michigan streams. More details later.

A few lines on the bag limits and legal lengths might be appropriate at this time.

Black Bass—Large and small mouth—Limit six of each or six in the aggregate; length, eleven inches.

Silver Bass—Limit six, or six in the aggregate of black and silver bass combined; length, ten inches.

Blue Gill Limit Set

Blue Gills, Rock Bass, Goggle-eye or Red-eye, Red-Eared Sunfish—Limit twenty-five of each, or the aggregate of all combined; length, five inches.

Carp—Limit twenty-five, or twenty-five in the aggregate of crappies, blue gills, rock bass, goggle-eye or red-eye and red-eared sunfish combined; length, six inches.

Yellow or Ring Perch—No bag or length limit.

Pike-Perch (wall-eyed pike or jack salmon)—Limit six; length, fifteen inches.

Pike or Pickerel—Length, fifteen inches; no bag limit.

TROUT (all varieties)—Length, seven inches; limit, twenty.

You owe it to your own chances



Tanned and happy as they do a little wading and fishing in White river below the Emrichsville bridge, these three boys make pleasant use of their summer vacation. Left to right they are Norman Lines, 915 North Alabama street; Bud Mayfield, 212 East Tenth street, and Cleat Helms, 811 North East street.

Young Helms triumphantly waves the fishing pole with a "wee" sunfish on it.

for good fishing to observe these limits.

Prizes Are Offered

Deep in the heart of every fisherman there lurks the hope that some day he may be lucky enough to snag into a prize big enough to enter in one of the fishing contests conducted each year by sporting magazines and local sporting goods companies.

Part of the thrill of the game is the fact that the big one may be anywhere and may be hooked by anybody. Did you know, for instance, that the world record wall eye, weighing seventeen pounds, was taken from White river in 1919, and it was not until last year that a larger one was entered in the Field and Stream contest?

You may not be well enough to win a Field and Stream prize, but the Hoffman Sporting Goods Company, with stores on East Washington street and Massachusetts avenue, announce a contest of interest to every Indiana angler. The competition opens tomorrow and will end Oct. 31. It is open to every man, woman and child in the state with the exception of those connected with the manufacture or sale of fishing tackle, and employees of the company.

Even the bent pin fisherman has a chance for valuable merchandise as the classes include the red eye, crappie, blue gill, channel catfish and sunfish as well as large and small-mouth and silver bass.

The prizes are:

Small-Mouth Bass—First, Pfeifer supreme reel; second, fly rod; third, casting reel.

Large-Mouth Bass—First, Heddon fly rod; second, Bronson casting reel; third, fly rod.

There's just one prize in the following classes:

Silver Bass—Shakespeare casting reel.

Rock Bass or Red Eye—Special rod and reel outfit.

Crappie—Shakespeare reel.

Channel Catfish—Steel rod.

Blue Gill—Special fine casting line.

Sunfish—Shakespeare reel.

Bring your big ones to either of the Hoffman stores for weighing, and if possible get proof that it was caught in Indiana waters. In a previous contest, a very mediocre panfish won a prize, so take a chance.

This column will have warden's reports on the water condition and how the fish are biting each Friday from now on, but for the bretheren who can get away on Thursday evening or early Friday, the Eric-Ross Sporting Goods Company offers a chart showing the state of the principal lakes and rivers. It will be ready each Thursday noon. The Wending Bait Company goes the credit for accumulating the weekly data.

U.S.S.R. Citizenship Are Offered Former Russians

HUEY LONG SOCIETY TO ASSEMBLE HERE

"Share Our Wealth" Advocates to Gather at Lockport.

A meeting of Senator Huey P. Long's "Share Our Wealth" society will be a feature of a rally of the National party July 4 at Somerset grove, 3300 South Keystone avenue.

The convention, which will have downtown headquarters at the Lockport, will select a candidate for the United States senate, while the Marion county delegation will select candidates for local offices.

PLANT INSPECTION SET

Electrical Delegates to Visit Light Company Today.

Delegates to the annual meeting of the Indiana chapter, Western section, International Association of Electrical Inspectors, which opened in the Severin yesterday, were to visit the Harding street plant of the Indianapolis Power and Light Company today.

Speakers at today's session were to be E. J. Newton, Chicago, and W. A. Canade, Canada, New York.

DEMAND TRUCKS DETOUR

Police May Stop Heavy Traffic on Meridian Street.

Police have been requested by the park board to aid in keeping trucks from Meridian street and State Road 31 north of Thirty-eighth street.

Complaints that trucks are creating traffic difficulties along the street prompted the board to ask that trucks be forced to follow some other route and use old State Road 31 through Broad Ripple.

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Regulations on Procedure Outlined by Soviet Leader in U.S.

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Former Russians now may take formal steps to establish their citizenship in the Union of Soviet Socialist republics, according to an announcement made today by G. Gokhman, chief of the Soviet consular division in this country.

Former Russians were unable to obtain citizenship in their native country until the United States recognized the Soviet government.

The announcement states:

"Former Russian subjects living uninterruptedly in the United States, who left Russia previous to Nov. 7, 1917, and persons who have gone abroad from the Soviet republic with the permission of the Soviet government previous to June 1, 1922, but who have not registered as citizens of the U. S. S. R. during the time of their residence abroad, may present to the embassies or consulates of the U. S. S. R. in the United States, regular application for recognition."

"The period for the presentation of such application is established as six months, that is, until Dec. 15, 1934. Former common soldiers of the white armies and rank-and-file participants of armed revolts against the Soviet government, may present to the embassy regular application to be recognized as am-

bitized."

"Former Russian prisoners of the World war and of the Civil war may present application for their registration as prisoners of war."

Former Russians living in Indiana and wishing further information may communicate with the Soviet consulate-general, 7 East Sixty-first street, New York.

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