

SPECIES PROBED

Channel Catfish Spotted In Lower Umpqua River

Second in a series on the annual report of William E. Pitney and William O. Saltzman, Oregon Game Commission field biologist in charge of the continuing Umpqua River Studies).

By CHUCK GRELL
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The presence of channel catfish in the Umpqua River probably has been established.

First reports of the species in the lower Umpqua came in July 1953, when a channel cat was reported to have been taken. It was an 18-inch, a female heavy with roe. Identification was reported to have been made, but no Oregon Game Commission employee saw it.

Three more catfish were reported taken from the river in 1955, and Pitney and Saltzman now say that "it is concluded that probably a population of channel catfish exists in the Umpqua River."

One of the fish was caught near Hubbard Creek below Umpqua in September. It was about 19 inches long, weighed perhaps three pounds. The sex was not determined.

Game Officer Found 2

Two other channel cats were checked in the creels of anglers during the summer by a game officer of the state police. He said he became familiar with the species when living in the Mississippi Valley.

The story of their introduction into the river probably is this: They were privately imported without legal sanction several years ago and held in a pond for a time. The owner, worried about becoming involved with the law, flushed the pond and the fish escaped to the river in the Umpqua area.

The fish being caught, concluded the biologists, probably are survivors of that plant.

Farm Fish Ponds Built

Interest in farm fish ponds gained during the year, with three constructed and three others in the planning stage. In 1955, seven ponds were stocked with trout and another with catfish, which, incidentally, is the only species of warm-water fish which the Game Commission will allow to be introduced into the Umpqua watershed.

Regarding warm-water fish, one pond owner several years ago had introduced large-mouth bass, bluegills and black crappie from coastal lakes. The game biologists had attempted to talk the owner into doing away with the fish.

The Game Commission actually had no legal recourse, but their arguments finally bore fruit in 1955. The pond was poisoned with a gallon of liquid rotenone. The pond owner is planning to restock with rainbow trout.

Trout Plants Do Well

Planting of trout in the seven ponds last year did well, except

in one case, where the pond was overstocked.

Fall rainbow and eastern brooks were stocked in one pond. Both species did well, but the rainbow had the superior growth.

The single catfish plant was killed when a leakage developed in midsummer and the pond drained.

The farm fish pond has grown under the sponsorship of the county extension office. Game Commission agents cooperated in a field day in July in which about two dozen persons inspected a couple of the ponds.

The program for angler access was nearly static during the year. Only one land acquisition deal was made. That was a trade with a private land owner in which the Game Commission acquired about 1 1/2 miles of river frontage near Yellow Creek.

As it stands now, the commission owns the land between Highway 225 and the low-water mark of the Umpqua river from about one-fourth mile below the Yellow Creek mouth to Deep Gulch, a distance of about two miles.

Shad were "discovered" in the Umpqua during the year. Although the presence of the species was known and Game Commission agents knew they spawned in the South Umpqua, virtually no angling for them was done.

But the find was publicized well and a number of anglers initiated the quest for them.

They've been found to be temperamental and finicky about taking lures. But Pitney and Saltzman expect a flourishing fishery to develop in the next few years.

Sports In Brief

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GOLF

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Dr. Cary Middlecoff won a \$1,000 tournament record with a sparkling 202 for a repeat triumph in the 15th annual Bing Crosby Open.

SEA ISLAND, Ga. — Mrs. Marlene Bauer Hage of Asheville, N.C., defeated Mary Lena Faulk of Thomasville, Ga., and Joyce Ziske of Waterford, Wis., in a playoff to win the third annual Sea Island Women's Invitational Tournament.

PANAMA — Arnold Palmer of Latrobe, Pa., nipped Sammy Snead of White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., to win the \$7,500 Panama Open Tournament in a sudden death playoff after six extra holes.

TENNIS

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Eddie Maylan of Trenton, N.J., defeated Johann Kuperburger of South Africa, 6-2, 6-2, 6-3 to win the Florida West Coast championship.

BOXING

CHICAGO — The National Boxing Assn.'s executive committee voted full support of New York's ban against the Boxing Guild of New York.

YUNDT Duo On Top In Sunday Bowling

Sunday night's high mixed doubles bowling couple was the team of Paul and Lou Yundt with a 1,142 total. Corinne Stewart and Bob Edwards scored 1,136 and Chuck and Shirley Hopkins totaled 1,075.

Yundt hit high series of 570 and a game of 204. Ron Noel rolled high game of 221. For the ladies, Shirley Hopkins rolled high series of 499 and high game of 186. Lou Yundt scored 178 and Corinne Stewart totaled 174.

Earl Torgeson Hurt In Auto Accident

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Earl Torgeson, Detroit Tiger first baseman, suffered a seriously cut finger and head cuts when his car turned over Sunday and he was trapped beneath the steering wheel.

The lefthanded Torgeson, 32, suffered a cut on the right hand.

Patrolman Ray Stewart said Torgeson was charged with reckless driving while drinking and driving without a license in his possession.

Sports

Sports Calendar

MONDAY

BASKETBALL: Twin - City League: GRUVA vs. City Drive-In; Nordic Plywood vs. Oakland VFW; Washington Gym (Oakland) vs. YMCA Church YA League; Nazarene vs. Christian; Lookingglass vs. Baptist; Melrose vs. North Roseburg, Riverside Gym, 7 p.m.

BOWLING: Town League, 7. City League, 9.

RIFLE CLUB: Juniors, Winchester, 7:30.

TUESDAY

BASKETBALL: A-1: Roseburg at Myrtle Creek, A-2: Glendale at Douglas; Drain at Elmira; Siuslaw at Reedsport; B: Elkton at Oakland; Yoncalla at Glendale; Days Creek at Riddle; Canyonville at Camas Valley.

Sutherland Frosh at Roseburg Frosh, 7.

BOWLING: Ladies League, 7.

RIFLE CLUB: Juniors, Winchester, 7:30.

WRESTLING: Sutherland and Eugene at Roseburg, 8.

WEDNESDAY

BASKETBALL: Non-league: F & J Lumber at Glendale, 7:30.

Roseburg Intra-School League, Roseburg High gym.

BOWLING: Metropolitan League, 7. Industrial League, 9.

RIFLE CLUB: Winchester, 7:30.

WRESTLING: Myrtle Creek at Douglas.

THURSDAY

BASKETBALL: Twin - City League: F & J Lumber vs. Oakland VFW; Hansen's vs. City Drive-In; Washington Gym (Oakland) vs. YMCA Church Boys League; Christian vs. LDS; Methodist vs. Winston, Central JHS.

BOWLING: Merchants League 7. Commercial League, 9.

PISTOL CLUB: Winchester, 7.

FRIDAY

ARCHERY: Roseburg Archers, Benson gym, 6:30. Umpqua Bowmen, County Fairgrounds, 7:30.

BASKETBALL: A-1: Roseburg at Reedsport, A-2: Douglas at Sutherland; Glendale at Bandon; Canyonville at Yoncalla; Elkton at Riddle; Oakland at Days Creek; Glendale at Camas Valley.

Douglas Frosh at Roseburg Frosh; Douglas JHS at Central JHS.

BOWLING: Classic Junior League, 6:30. Classic League, 8:15.

WRESTLING: Grants Pass at Roseburg.

SATURDAY

BASKETBALL: Drain at Elkton; Myrtle Point at Myrtle Creek; Bandon at Glendale; Marshfield at Reedsport; Cottage Grove JHS at Joseph Lane JHS.

RACING: Micro-midgets, County Fairgrounds, 7.

WRESTLING: Pro: Armory, 8:30. JHS: Marshfield at Roseburg.

SUNDAY

BOWLING: Roseburg teams at State Tourney, Portland; Mixed doubles Roseburg Alleys, 7.

TRAPSHOOTING: Winchester.

STAR RESTING

SALZBURG, Austria — Katy Rodolph, American Olympic skier from Reno, Nev., who suffered a fractured neck vertebra Saturday in the Kitzbuehel tournament, spent a comfortable night Sunday in Salzburg Emergency Hospital.

The attending physician said her condition is "fairly good."

With her body in a plaster cast, she has been prescribed complete rest for at least one week and so far has received no visitors.

NCAA Makes Few Revisions In Grid Rule Book

By BOB MYERS

LONG BEACH, Calif. — College football fans won't have to digest a new rule book to understand the game in 1956.

The National Collegiate Athletic Assn. Rules Committee gave some 96 suggestions a thorough study and decided there wasn't much to revise.

Chairman Fritz Crisler said that aside from a few technical matters, the 1956 rules session was the leanest for changes in the 50-year history of the organization.

Here, in brief, is what the committee did:

The clock on free kickoffs will not start until the ball has touched the opponent team, instead of starting at the moment of the kick. This will give the receiving team valuable time to put the ball back in play, especially in the waning moments of a game.

Let It Rip

Users of light fabric tear-away jerseys, which are a boon to break-away runners, will pay for the privilege. Hereafter, timeout to replace will be charged to the team, not the officials.

Only when a piece of equipment is damaged to the extent that it might injure the opposing team — i.e., a dislocated shoulder pad, or an exposed cleat post, will the time out be charged to the officials.

Makers and proponents of the rubber football gained an important decision. If a coach wants to use the rubber ball on offense, he may. Heretofore, there had to be mutual agreement between the rival coaches for the ball to be used in any situation.

The old tackle-eligible play, discarded in 1955, was restored in good standing. The end man on the line of scrimmage, regardless of his designated position, will be eligible for a pass.

Players Watch Clock

Where the field, or scoreboard clock, is the official timepiece, officials do not need to advise the teams of the four-minute warning before a half ends. If field officials keep the time, the teams must be warned, but if it is inconvenient to action at the moment, time need not be stopped to so advise the teams.

In the matter of the kicking tee, the committee approved an interpretation already advanced by Crisler. If time is out, the tee can be tossed onto the field. If a player asks the official for permission to have the tee tossed in when time is in, there will be no penalty.

In the case of a deflected pass that is still in the air, hands may be used in a free-for-all to catch the ball and the pass interference rule is dead. This was another clarification of the present rule.

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Villanova Strong In Track, Saturday's KC Games Show

BOSTON (AP) — Olympic committeemen and college track coaches take note: The team to remember is Villanova.

The Wildcats from suburban Philadelphia awed the onlookers Saturday at an invitational Knights of Columbus Games which launched the indoor banded board season. They won five events and gained a tie for first in the sixth event in which its members competed.

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striding Olympic hope from near-by Cambridge and another of the Villanova crew, purred to a winning 1:11.4 effort in the 600, then anchored his team's winning mile relay unit which defeated Manhattan's crack foursome. The time was 3:20.0.

George Sydnor, still another Villanova sophomore, won the 50-yard dash in 5.4 seconds.

And Don Bragg of Villanova tied with the Rev. Bob Richards, Don Laz and Jerry Welbourn at 14 feet 6 inches in the pole vault.

In other phases of the meet Harrison Dillard won his 18th medal locally in the 45-yard high hurdles (5.7). Horace Ashenfelter won as advertised in the two mile 9:03.6 and Pvt. Tom Courtney, ex-Fordham, captured the 1,000 (2:14.6).

Pittsburgh's two-mile relay team got the only meet record with a 7:38.6 clocking. Previous best was Syracuse's 7:41.9 of a year ago.

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