

Sports

U. S. Skier Injured In Practice Jump

CORTINA D'AMPEZZO, Italy—Ragnar Ulland, 33-year-old United States ski jumper, fell during an Olympic practice jump Tuesday and suffered a slight concussion.

Dr. Joseph Gasparini, U.S. team physician, said Ulland's injuries appeared minor and X-rays did not appear necessary. "He seems to have suffered a slight concussion and back bruises," the doctor added.

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Sideline

By JIM VANCE

Portrait of a fish: "Steelhead," of Northwest streams, a special breed of fisherman, can become better acquainted with their prey through the pages of a newly published manual called "Pacific Northwest Steelhead."

THE ISSUE, focusing 72 pages on the home and habits of what to some fishermen is "the world's greatest game fish," features detailed maps, photos, and feature stories on the 20 leading steelhead streams in the Northwest.

On perusal, the work will not set well with the local chambers of commerce. There is no mention of the Umpqua River from cover to cover.

TEN RIVERS have been selected as the "leading steelhead fishing rivers" in Oregon. Ten have been picked in Washington. The nearest locally is the Rogue.

Summer steelhead counts on the North Umpqua River were not encouraging. The winter count so far shows an increase over the 1955 total.

THUS FAR, 2,807 have been counted for the season and 911 in the first 15 days of January. The 2,807 is almost five times the total for the equivalent period in 1955. The years 1952 and 1954 were banner years in recent times with 10,635 and 9,124 crossing the board by respective years. Last year only 4,735 of the critters swam and swam all over the other side of the dam.

ACCORDING to the "Pacific Northwest Steelhead" it has been only in recent years that the steelhead fever has struck down so many anglers.

"Where there once were 20 steelheaders to a stream there are now 200. In all, the PNW numbers substantially over 200,000 wintertime steelhead 'nuts.' At the rate this

clan is growing it could soon surpass the vast number of salmon fishermen in the region."

FINAL DECISION on extending the present local winter deadlines on steelhead by two weeks will be made this week by the Oregon State Game Commission in Portland. The summer season has extended from May 1 until mid-October. The winter season has run from October until February. Bag limits will remain unchanged.

What is a steelhead? For the uninitiated the book calls it a sea-run rainbow trout.

The world-record steelhead caught, is 23 pounds 14 ounces bagged in Dec. 1954 in the Green River.

Oregon State Game Commission official Reino Koski, in a story written for "PNWSM" compares the steelhead with a woman for unpredictability.

"THE GREATEST fighter of all is just a rainbow that has been reared in the tumultuous snow-fed streams of the Pacific Coast and has developed a migratory tendency which takes him down the fresh-water streams to the ocean where he lights out for parts unknown. He returns instinctively to the stream of birth, some ten times larger than his fresh-water relatives of the same age whose instincts cause them to be residential."

"Physiologically, the rainbow and steelhead are the same, except for the migratory tendency."

THE DICTIONARY calls the steelhead a fish, but in fast fishing company he has been known as an ironhead—which may or may not be interpreted derogatorily by the schools of fish themselves.

William George Evans, Baseball Great, Dies

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—William George (Billy) Evans, one of the best known figures in baseball, though he never played the game as a professional, died in North Shore Hospital last night.

Evans, 71, was visiting his son in Miami when he suffered a stroke Saturday.

He made his home in Cleveland, Ohio. Funeral services and burial will be held there at a time to be announced.

Evans, a native of Chicago, was a \$15-a-week sports writer for the Youngstown (Ohio) Vindicator and was reporting a game in the Class D Ohio-Pennsylvania League when he was drafted as an umpire at \$15 a game.

He continued his work on the newspaper and in 1906 moved into the American League—the only umpire in baseball history to jump from the lowest classification to the highest. He served in the American League 22 years.

He was regarded as one of the most able arbiters in the business, substituting diplomacy for belligerency.

After his umpiring career, he held executive positions with the Cleveland Indians and Detroit Tigers. He directed Boston Red Sox minor league clubs for six years and served as president of the Southern Assn. from 1943 through 1946.

He became general manager of the Cleveland Rams of the National Football League in 1941 and served in that capacity until taking over as president of the Southern Assn.

He is survived by his wife and son Robert, sports director of radio station WKAT.

ASSISTANTS STAY
SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Frankie Albert, new head coach of the San Francisco 49ers, will keep all three assistants who worked with him under former Coach Norman (Red) Strader.

Albert said Monday he had not decided whether to bring in a fourth assistant to work with Phil Bengtson, Howard (Red) Hickey and Mark Duncan.

NETS CENTURY GOAL
BUFFALO, N. Y. (AP)—Chuck Blair, right wing for the Buffalo Bisons, scored the 100th goal of his American Hockey League career against the Springfield team.



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MIGRATION AIDED

South Umpqua Fishway Helps Fish Passing Falls

(Fourth and last in a series of articles on the annual report of William E. Pitney and William O. Staltsman, Oregon Game Commission field biologists in charge of the continuing Umpqua River Studies).

By CHUCK GRELL
Staff Writer, News-Review

There were strides forward in the efforts of the Game Commission to open new waters and clear barriers to migrating fish during 1955.

The biggest project of the year, said Pitney and Staltsman, was construction of a fishway over the South Umpqua falls. In about 200 feet, the concrete structure raises 20 feet and allows salmon access to upwater spawning beds.

Winter fish passed the falls with little difficulty. But in the summer, when water is low, migrating spring chinook were unable to freely pass the barrier. The work was contracted by the Game Commission, using Dingell-Johnson funds.

Cowboys Continue Protest Of Game

LARAMIE, Wyo. (AP)—The University of Wyoming still believes it won last Thanksgiving Day's controversial Denver-Wyoming football game, although the final count on the scoreboard read: Denver 6, Wyoming 3.

Dr. G. D. Humphrey, Wyoming president, said as much Monday night, and asserted he intends to pursue the matter further.

He issued a statement scoring E. L. (Dick) Romney, Skyline Conference commissioner, and declaring:

"Nothing in Mr. Romney's public statement, nor in the commissioner's detailed report of the Wyoming protest, has in the slightest changed our convictions that Wyoming was the rightful winner of the Thanksgiving Day football game with Denver."

Wyoming protested that a whistle was blown by an official on the last play of the game, a moment before Dick Gupion took a lateral and ran for Denver's winning touchdown—a play covering 97 yards. The loss cost the Cowboys a share of the Skyline Conference crown won by Colorado A&M.

A second major ladder was built over the water supply dam at Rock Creek hatchery. The dam had interfered "substantially" with fish migrations, the biologists said.

Other ladders built near the Smith River Lumber Co. pond and the E. K. Peterson Manufacturing Co. on North Myrtle Creek. Old structures were damaged by high water or were ineffective at low water stages.

Several obsolete splash dams also were removed during the year. They usually were parts of old log ponds.

Pollution problems also were met during the year. Logging operators removed, at Game Commission requests, debris along five stream sections.

The Bureau of Land Management, report the biologists, are stipulating safeguards against cluttering of streams in timber contracts in the Vincent-Weatherly-Big Creek sections of the 1951 Smith River burn. Principal success has been in the Big Creek area.

BPR To Cooperate
The Bureau of Public Roads also has agreed to keep stream beds cleared on forest access road projects in the Smith River area and along Steamboat Creek.

Construction companies operating rock crushers in several localities agreed to change operating methods so that roll in the streams wouldn't occur.

Some natural fish reproduction was feared lost in Cow Creek when a placer mining company flushed a large amount of red clay into the stream.

The California Oregon Power Co., it was noted, is in its last year of construction on the upper reaches of the North Umpqua River.

When construction is completed, it's anticipated, silt stirred into the river should be almost eliminated. Much of the roll from the construction has come from gravel workings and a rock crusher.

Water Flushes Mud
When Lemolo No. 1 went on the line, the surge of new water flow carried considerable mud downstream. A subsequent slide there also caused the river to muddy.

Fluctuations of water level weren't as serious last year as the past, the biologists stated.

Olympics Hopes Fade For U. S.

CORTINA D'AMPEZZO, Italy (AP)—High United States hopes for a strong showing in the Winter Olympics dwindled today to a point where two gold medals look good.

For a time, the Yanks had hoped to win as many as four first places in the carnival opening Thursday.

But the Russians have shown themselves to be invincible in speed skating. Even the Americans admit they can't beat them. Mrs. Andrea Mead Lawrence of Parashall, Colo., who won two women's skiing events in the '52 games, has not rounded into form after giving birth to her third child. And, finally, the Italians look unbeatable in the bobsleds.

Even one of the "certain" American winners appears to be in doubt. Tenley Albright of Newton Center, Mass., regarded as a sure gold medalist in figure skating, injured her ankle.

Miss Albright, however, is under the care of her physician-father and appears to be recovering fast. Her father's latest bulletin is that she'll be all set and today she tested her ankle with no ill effects.

If Miss Albright falters, Carol Heiss of Ozone Park, N.Y., could win.

Hayes Allen Jenkins of Colorado Springs, Colo., is the best men's figure skater on the scene and he should score impressively. His younger brother David probably is the second-best skater here.

The United States won four gold medals in the 1952 games in Oslo to pile up 89½ points in the unofficial team score. This was second to Norway, the "home" team, which came out on top with 125½ points. Russia did not compete in '52.

JVs, Wood Butchers Set 'Rubber' Contest

The "rubber" game of a basketball feud between the Roseburg High School junior varsity and the Wood Butchers will be scheduled in about two weeks.

The series started recently when the Jayvees stopped the Wood Butchers, 40-30. Then, late last week, the Wood Butchers evened the series at a game each by a tight 45-40. Tom Sanders was the big gun in the Wood Butchers' victory. He poured in 19 points. Tom Barrong of the Jayvees was high point man for his team with 12.

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TREE TOP HIGH—Horst Lasser has that forward look alight on the Rieglern Ski Jump, hard by Oberstdorf, East Germany. He will represent Germany in the Winter Olympic Games at Cortina, Italy, Jan. 26-Feb. 5. Divided Germany is unit here.

Oddfellows Encampment
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FAMILY NIGHT
Thursday - Jan. 26 - 6:30 P.M.
POTLUCK! ENTERTAINMENT!

DR. CHESTER P. GATES of Portland will be featured as speaker.

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