

TROUT ATTRACTING OREGON FISHERMEN

Indications Point to Good Season With Rod and Line in Streams of State.

SALMON BECOMING SCARCE

Advent of Net Fishing Ends King Fish Sport and Anglers Turn to Mountain Streams and Lakes for Recreation Jaunts.

Although the nets were let loose only last week, salmon are getting as scarce as \$20 gold pieces. A few of the old-timers still had hopes that there were a few left for them at Jennings Lodge, but most of them were disappointed.

Cliff Spooner and W. G. Gordon took a trip to the McKenzie River and both had good luck. W. A. Hovey and C. Ladd are going to try their luck at the McKenzie River today.

The Deschutes River is also good for trout fishing. Anglers usually meet with a great deal of trouble in trying to reach that spot, but once they get to the river banks they find trout.

The Yaquina River, on the coast, is also reported to be very good for trout. Several fishermen caught the limit last Sunday in less than three hours, and the fish are said to be between 10 and 14 inches long.

In the Willamette River, near Albany, cascades and bass are being taken with bait. The water is very clear and bass fishing is improving steadily.

The Nantuxus and Trask rivers are producing great quantities of trout. The water is in good condition and a number of fishermen have caught the limit in less than a half day.

Tillamook River is probably the best for trout fishing. Although anglers have encountered considerable trouble in reaching that river, they usually return with broad smiles on their faces.

All the rivers near the Coast are exceptionally good for trout fishing. Never before in the history of the fishing game in this state has so much interest been shown in the water sports.

Ray C. Withers, secretary of the Anglers' Club, is spending the week-end at Oswego Lake.

Trap Shoot Notes. The Columbus cup, given by the Chamber of Commerce of Columbus, Ga., will be an additional trophy at the Grand American Handicap this year.

More than 100,000 men who have learned to shoot at the traps—many of them classed among the experts—are now members of Uncle Sam's All-American shooting team.

The American Amateur Trappers' Association is showing new signs of life. The National Sport Club has a National organization of its devotees is trapperotheping. There is a place for the A. T. A. if the officers show the proper zeal.

It isn't likely that there will be a shoot for the championship of the Atlantic fleet, U. S. A., this year—unless it is held in Berlin. In June in Berlin the winner could get home in time to shoot in the amateur championship race at the Grand American Handicap.

At all of the trapperotheping tournaments in which the National Sport Club is participating, the idea of Mr. Squier's is an excellent one and trappers will be glad to aid the cause.

Try guns are now carried by nearly all of the professional shooters and no one has to purchase a gun in these days unless in the mountains. In Georgia, Mo., recently measured 19 men for guns in two days.

The National Association of Shotgun Owners now has units in 75 cities and is co-operating with the city, county and state governments in every instance.

O. A. C. ATHLETES ARE ELECTED. Carl Lodell Named President of College "O" Association.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, May 11.—(Special.)—At a recent meeting of the college "O" Association, the organization of letter men at O. A. C., Carl Lodell, of Portland, was elected president for the following year.

CLATSkanie, Or., May 10.—(Sporting Editor.)—Will you please give me information as to whether Supelveda pitched for the Portland team last season. A SPORT FIEND.

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It has been many seasons since the Portland baseball club has boasted possession of such a classy outfielder as Lyman Smith, known to Portland fans as the "Little Giant." Smith has just passed his 21st birthday and hails from Los Angeles. He played last season with Dallas in the Texas League and this winter was one of the stars in the Los Angeles Winter League, where he played outfield for San Pedro. Smith is a fast man getting down to first base and covers a wide territory in the outfield. He bats and throws left-handed, stands five feet seven inches in height, weighs 150 pounds and is single. Outside of that he is all right.

After spending a year in a Milwaukee sanitarium, Ad Wolgast is planning a grand "comeback" according to a letter received from none other than Ad himself. It is not the need of money that is stirring Wolgast to his present plans, since his sock is well lined with something like \$200,000. The stout heart and sturdy frame that carried him to victory in many bitter battles longs again for the excitement of the ring.

Now barely past 30 years of age, Wolgast announces that he will clear up a number of legal tangles, endeavor to get a divorce and then crawl over the ropes again. Several years ago the Willy German claims to have staked Manager Mike Collins, of Fred Fulton's outfit, with \$200,000 for a contract allowing him 25 per cent of Fulton's earnings. Wolgast has already realized handsomely on this investment and states that he will receive something like \$20,000 if Willard and Fulton get together.

At present Wolgast is dickering for a bout with Frankie Whitney at Atlanta, in the latter part of May. Although fully restored, physically and mentally, his backers fear that the stress of a hard ring engagement may cause a return to his former condition. Wolgast lays claim to the discovery of Jess Willard while the latter was enjoying the bill of fare of friendly taverns in Chicago and leading a hard-to-moan existence. According to Wolgast's version, he happened into a training gymnasium on day when Willard was working out with a pork-and-bean and was greatly impressed with the wallop carried by the big Westerner. Wolgast rang up his manager, Tom Jones, and gave instructions to carry favor with Willard and try to tie the big boy up with contract.

At that time Charley L. Trotter, the wrestler, was managing Willard. Trotter named a prohibitive offer, so negotiations for the first time.

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At first blush the Olympians were inclined to blame Fulton. Then they saw the injustice of such an attitude and quickly the spectators burst into applause. They realized they had been unfair to Fulton in inviting him into the house and then trying to make him the "goat." And they redeemed themselves so far as was possible.

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Willie Meehan, who came north to box Knokout Krovsky in place of Fulton, also has been on the warpath. He avers that the reason Fulton sided-stopped the issue was because he was afraid of him and that he had a good notion to step up to Fulton on the street and pull his nose.

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Had a clipping this week from Milwaukee, Wis., with some interesting news. It was to the effect that Ad Wolgast, after being confined in a hospital for a year with physical and mental disorders has been discharged as cured, and is able to look after his own business affairs. The writer said that Ad is talking of going back to the fighting game. He admits that is the worst thing Wolgast can do, but hints that persuasion will not be able to stop him.

It is said Ad wants to secure a divorce from his wife and further will ask an accounting from the syndicate that is handling the affairs of Fred Fulton. Wolgast, a couple of years ago, advanced some money to Manager Mike Collins and wants to ascertain just where he stands.

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SPEEDSTERS EAGER FOR ANNUAL RACES

Decoration Day Motorcycle Events Promise to Be of Extra High Class.

FEATURES TO BE ADDED

Balloon Ascension and Bicycle Races to Be Included in Programme. Champions Hope to Break Speed Records.

This year's annual motorcycle races at the Rose City Speedway on Decoration day, May 30, promise to be some of the greatest speed events of the kind ever staged in Portland. An exceptionally good programme of races has been lined up by Fred J. Wyatt, chairman of the racing committee of the Rose City Motorcycle Club, under whose auspices the Decoration day meet is being staged.

Another feature which Wyatt is figuring on is a balloon ascension with a triple parachute drop and probably an airplane exhibition. A number of the best riders in the West have sent in their entry blanks and the speed fans will witness a formidable array of racing talent in action on May 30.

The local speed demons are burning up the Rose City Speedway several nights a week and every Sunday afternoon. The circular mile track has been scraped, rolled and oiled several times within the last few weeks and is in fine condition. Otto Walker holds the mile record on the speedway, traveling that distance in a race against time in 64 2-5 seconds two years ago.

Rony Crestwell made a mile in 45 seconds in one lap of a five-mile race. Monty Graves went the distance in 43 seconds last year. All of the above three famous speedsters are now serving Uncle Sam.

"Dusty" Farnum, present Far Western champion, in a letter to Wyatt, says that he will do the mile against time in "seconds or bust." Farnum is one of the greatest riders in the country and cleaned up everything in the Northwest and West last year. "Dusty" will be here Decoration day with bells. He was the star of last year's contest and is confident that he will repeat again this year.

There will be three bicycle races between 1 and 2 o'clock—half mile, mile and five miles. The motorcycle races will be 5, 10 and 15-mile professional events, and between 10 and 11 professional 15-mile races will be waiting for the gun.

There will be a one-mile novice race for fully equipped machines with high handlebars, the machines to be equipped with three-inch tires and three speeds. The 15-mile event of the day will be a 20-mile stock race, open to all. The machines must be 61 cubic inches or less.

The racing committee is also trying to arrange a race for oversize motors, such as the big valve Indian, Excelsior, Reading-Standard and Thor, which have as high as 72 cubic inch displacement. The shipyard will have their inning and will go in for the speed races the same as usual and every other line of sport. There will be two special races for the shipyard only—an Australian pursuit race and a relay race.

That started something. Bill Parham started and said we didn't want the whole town to join, we just wanted some of em. Commodore Boost was afraid it would mean the end of the entire population of Portland needing a bath and offend some of the I. W. W. George Kelly immediately resigned and put in his application as a new member. Bill Jamison said the rush would sink the floats and put us to a lot of expense.

After a great deal of discussion it was finally decided to accept Lou's offer, as he is an old member and we didn't want to hurt his feelings. As a precaution, however, we limited the membership to 10,000.

On May 30 a genuine old-fashioned regatta is going to be held on the river in front of the clubhouse. All the new members are going to be there and show the glad hand just as if Oregon wasn't dry. The Ladies' Auxiliary will dispense loganberry juice and Hoover cakes to the crowd.

Captain Jim Smith, of "Keno II," has replaced his old one-lunger with a brand new two-cylinder engine that is expected to capture all the cups at the coming regatta. Captain Jim says those long cruises got awful monotonous chugging along at four knots an hour, but that the new motor will be just an afternoon jaunt.

Frank Mathis had bid farewell to the Volger fleet and signed as chief on Milton Henderson's yacht, Sheppard Point. Mitt is soon to start on a trip to Cordova, Alaska, and wants to know that there is someone in the engine room he can depend upon. Frank was formerly in charge of the engine of the packet Jack Burnham, but after the Burnham was wrecked a few times on some of the bars at the mouth of several mountain streams they tried to navigate, gave up in disgust and remained inside. While in the north Mr. Henderson expects to do some fishing. He says the fish are so thick where he is going that one has no use for a line, just throw out a net and get all the fish necessary. If more than can be used are caught there is a cannery close that will take them. As Mitt owns the cannery, he knows.

For hurrying a slow fire without danger to the user a paste made of kerosene and wood ashes has been found effective.

SAN FRANCISCO FANS ENJOY SENSATION OF WATCHING REAL LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPION

Benny Leonard, Who Is in California for First Time in His Life, Making Many Friends While Preparing for Bout With Johnny McCarthy on Benefit Bill.

BY HARRY B. SMITH. SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—(Special.)—San Francisco boxing fans have been enjoying rather a peculiar sensation the last few days. They have been rubbering at a live, all-wool and a yard wide champion, Benny Leonard, in his name and he is the lightweight king who came all the way to San Francisco to take part in a big patriotic show and box four rounds in a real fight with Johnny McCarthy.

In the good old days when the fight game was going the rounds in the routine sort of way lightweight champions were the rule rather than the exception. We paid mighty little attention to them as they passed up and down Market street.

Take recent years and the modern batch of fans will go back to Joe Gans. Joe was a champion of champions. He boxed a number of times in San Francisco and in California and was well known here. In fact it was at Jimmy Coffroth's Mission-street arena that he lost his title finally to Battling Nelson.

Nelson struck to California. Nelson also boxed most of his important matches in California. The reason is plain to understand. The battles were primarily a long-distance scrap. He had to take many a punch for the sake of handling his opponent a few. In four or 10 rounds the battles never would have counted. Consequently he stuck close to the Golden West.

After Nelson there came Ad Wolgast. Wolgast did fight in the Middle West and on the Atlantic seaboard, but he was partial to this state and had many friends. Willie Ritchie, as a San Francisco product, naturally needed no introduction to Californians or particularly to San Franciscans.

Fred Welsh, the next chap, hardly was as well known as the others, but he had boxed in Los Angeles and San Francisco, so it could be said he was a more or less familiar figure. Leonard stranger to State.

But Benny Leonard, who took the crown from Welsh, never touched foot on California soil until this last week. We had seen pictures of the lad and had heard of his fame, but never did see what he looked like. Benny appears to be able to deliver the goods. Those who have seen him in his workouts at the Olympic Club are satisfied he is a clever lad, a good puncher and withal a boy who is entitled to the championship.

He is a pleasant appearing youngster as well as made many friends here. Naturally, as he is out here for benefit matches, he comes rather on a different footing than for a championship fight. Manager Billy Gibson explained that Benny was out of condition; that for six months he has done nothing but drill soldiers and hasn't been able to fit himself for a fight. That was his last the first day he worked. His

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