



By Don Harger



Harold Elbert of Route 8, Box 903, Salem, and the big bass he took from Humbug lake.

Who says the black bass don't grow big in the Willamette valley? Harold Elbert, Route 8, Box 903, Salem, one of the area's most ardent bass anglers thinks otherwise. Plug caster Elbert spends a lot of his evenings tossing plugs at the wily bass and uses a light spinning outfit to toss them with. One of his favorite spots is Humbug lake near Independence where the bass grow big and plentiful. The 6 lb. scrapper pictured above is one of Elbert's largest bass, but he says there are plenty of them in the area that will top the 6 lb. mark.

So—bass anglers who may not think much of this area had better change their tunes (and their lures) and go out and give the Willamette river area a going over.

According to a goodly number of anglers who favor the Santiam river for their piscatorial efforts, they swear that this season is by far the best they have seen for years. Insect life seems quite abundant and the fish are fat and in excellent condition. Too, the fish are running larger than in seasons gone by. There have been numerous rainbow trout hitting the 14 to 16 inch mark and most of them have fallen to a dry fly.

Just what the reason is for this phenomenal comeback that is almost overnight, no one can rightfully say. It may be because of the lack of a series of flash floods last winter that enabled the insect life to stay put and not be swept away except in certain stretches.

### Fishing Good Between Detroit and Stayton

From Detroit all the way down to Stayton the fishing has been very good during the past few weeks. The ventral fly fishing seems to be the best with that last couple of hours before dark producing most of the larger fish. Small gray hackle flies with palmered bodies are one of the best with a blue dun and small caddis buck doing their share. There are those who swear by the old Royal Coachman dry fly and it would seem that size more than pattern is the deciding factor.

From Stayton on down to the mouth of the Santiam above Buena Vista the rainbow sort of disappear and the cutthroat lake over. In the lower river trolling and spinning seem to be the best method to lure the cutthroat into the creel. Some mighty fine catches have been made in the lower river and it is pleasing to note the increased interest being shown in the Santiam as a trout stream. It can stand a lot of fishing pressure if the old river is really making a comeback. Perhaps the new dam at Niagara will permanently check the flash floods and make the Santiam one of the best trout streams in the state. Without any doubt it is one of the most scenic of Oregon's rivers and it is a lot wilder and faster than a lot of folks would think. It is no easy stream to navigate in a boat unless one knows what he is doing. Even then the going can get mighty rough at times.

### Comeback of Santiam Causing Excitement

Whether or not the Santiam is making a permanent comeback, it is wonderful to learn that at least for this season the fishing is something to cause a lot of excitement in certain angling circles.

Nice to see that there will be an extended deer season for those poor souls who do not get their deer during the regular season. Now we can go out for the regular season and if we fail to connect before the deadline we don't have to cry about it. Some one is right handy to pat us on the back and say we're certainly sorry you had no luck Joe, just go right back on out there for the next two days and shoot anything that moves. Never mind being a sportsman and looking for horns. Just be sure it has four legs and then mow it down.

Perhaps if enough anglers get together we can invade the Game commission to extend next winter's steelhead season a few extra days just in case some of us didn't get our steelies during the regular winter season. Too, maybe the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service can come up with a few extra days for the unfortunate duck hunters who fall to shoot their limit of birds.

As a matter of fact, why have any season at all? Why not ring the bell and declare all seasons open on everything. It will hurry the end of all wildlife and then we won't have any to worry about.

### What a Lake This One Must Be

Heard this week about a lake near Kamloops, B.C., where the fish run from 5 to 8 lbs. and are as wild as Brooklyn Dodger fans. Party who related the tale tells us that the fish jump 6 feet into the air (all in one jump) before deciding they are not birds. The accommodations in that area are not yet beyond the reach of we mortals and the best month, September, is yet to come.

More letters from Bill McNeill and Dave Kowitz in Alaska have caused Bill's dad to arrange to fly up there. A fish on every cast.

## Williams Leaves Hospital With Prize Wing in Sling

BOSTON, July 20—(AP)—Ted Williams, his injured left elbow supported in a sling, left the hospital today hopeful of returning to the Red Sox lineup sooner than his doctors expect. "I hope to be back much sooner than they think, but I'm not going to take any chances and rush things," the American league slugger told newsmen before going home.

Williams said his elbow still is partially covered by a plaster cast, but that the stitches will be removed Saturday and he will sit on the bench with his teammates during the weekend games with the St. Louis Browns.

As soon as the incision heals, the lanky slugger plans to take exercises consisting of moving the hand and raising the elbow in a whirlpool bath.

"I think I'll have good movement in the arm and will be able to play in six weeks," Williams said hopefully.

But his doctors, Orthopedic Surgeon Joseph Shortell and Joseph McCarthy, club physician, are doubtful if Ted can return again this season. They said that only a piece of the radius bone in the elbow was taken out in the operation last Thursday, and "we'll have to wait and see how it heals."

## Double Mainer Next, Armory

A twin-headed main event will be the next major attraction at the armory for Matchmaker Elton Owen's Tuesday night matinee. Leo (Fife Driver) Wallick and the muscular Jap-American star Mr. Sakata will occupy the roles in one of the features, and Irish Jack O'Reilly and newcomer Nasty Mad Man Mel Peters will do the chores in the other.

Both matches will be 2-of-3 falls limited to 45 minutes. A pair of single fall prelims, to be announced later, will fill out the Tuesday billing.

The National Geographic Society says the first New Year's day caller in an English home is called the "first foot."

## College Stars Open Training

DELAFIELD, Wis., July 20—(AP)—

The college all-star football squad numbering 51 players today began assembling to practice at St. Johns military academy for their game in Chicago's Soldier field August 11 with the Philadelphia Eagles, champions of the National football league.

Practice will be started tomorrow, under the direction of Dr. Eddie Anderson, Holy Cross, head coach. Jim Harris, one time star guard at Notre Dame and now assistant coach at Holy Cross, joined the group of assistant coaches.

Arrivals included Ed Bagdon, Michigan State, one of the nation's finest guards; Charlie Justice, fleet halfback from North Carolina; Emery Mitchell, Stanford fullback; Larry Courtre and Jim Martin, Notre Dame; Bob McChesney, Hardin - Simmons; Forster Payne, Georgia; Don Winslow, Iowa; George Hughes and Lou Creekmur, Williams and Mary; Ken Carpenter, Oregon State; John Sandusky, Villanova, and Dick Kempthorn, Michigan.

## Oregon Fishing Prospects Generally Good for Week End; Valley Trout Few

PORTLAND, July 20—(AP)—Generally good fishing conditions were reported today in the state game commission's weekly report.

The detailed report: Portland and vicinity: Sturgeon fishing continues good on the Columbia dam. Mt. Hood Area — Fly fishing in Lost, Wahtum, Rainy, and other Hood River county lakes good. Streams are clear, fishing improving. Olallie lake good, and Monon lake excellent. Russ, Berry and Jude good. Upper Sandy milky, and fishing on its tributaries just fair. Clackamas River — Fly fishing in late evening fair to good on both lower and upper reaches of Clackamas. Upper fork of the Oak Grove fork especially good.

Willamette Valley: Bass fishing good on rivers and sloughs using surface lures. Trout fishing on Yamhill river dropped off. All smaller valley streams now

poor for trout fishing. Abiqua, Butte, Silver and Drift creeks in Pudding river drainage closed due to low water. The Willamette river between Harrisburg and Corvallis has produced the best trout fishing. Good catches of cutthroat being taken on Sp-

ner, worm and flat fish. Santiam River — Fly fishing on main Santiam between Stayton and Niagara using grayhackle and bucktail caddis good. Below Stayton, trolling best. High lakes in the Santiam drainage good. McKenzie River — Catches on

McKenzie and its tributaries good to excellent. Trout averaging ten inches.

Upper Willamette — Fly fishing reaching peak in north and middle forks of Willamette. Standard patterns, especially bucktail caddis, best. Marilyn and

Rosary lakes on Willamette Pass fair. Large Mackinaws still being taken on troll at Odell lake. Gold lake closed. North fork Willamette road open to Box Canyon. Summit, Opal, and Timpanogas lakes roads open. Good catches reported.

Coastal Section: In Tillamook county blueback being caught in tide waters. On central coast, several catches of sea run cutthroat or blueback taken - from lower Umpqua. Salmon being caught off Umpqua bar, but only a few in the bay. Fair trout angling reported on Alsea above tide water. Striped bass fishing on Coos river fair, few being caught in lower bay. Filchards best bait. Salmon being taken at mouth of the Rogue river.

Southern Oregon: Upper Umpqua — Water conditions perfect and many trout and steelhead reported. Feeding activity decreasing, but evening fly fishing good. Fish lake catches continue good. Upper Rogue — Trout angling very good, few small steelhead being taken below Grants Pass. Gray and brown hackle flies best. Trout taken in the middle section small, but some large fish reported from the Trail-Laurelhurst area. Good catches coming out of high lakes. Diamond Lake — Fishing poor. Few fish taken on flies, but lures seem best. Lake of the Woods poor.

Deschutes River — The upper Deschutes in the Cow Camp and Snow Creek areas offers good fly fishing. Fly fishing good in early morning and late evening on lower Deschutes. River reported clear. Good catches last week end above Maupin on flies, eggs and worms.

## Records Fall; Portlander Qualifies

# Aussie, Hawaiian Crack Swim Mark at Seattle

SEATTLE, July 20—(AP)—John Marshall of Yale and Australia, and Ford Konno of Hawaii, both bettered the world record for the mile swim today in preliminary races opening the 1950 AAU men's outdoor swimming championships.

Marshall won the first heat in 20:09.6 to smash by nearly 20 seconds the 20:29 mark set in 1942 by Ken Nakama of Hawaii. Along the route Marshall wrecked four American records and his mile time also bettered the American standard.

Konno, much smaller than Yale's Australian import, went the mile in 20:22.3. He was not timed at intermediate distances. The surprise performance by Konno pointed toward a terrific battle tomorrow evening in the mile finale.

Along the way, Marshall reset the 550-yard American record at 6:05.1, the 1,000-yard at 11:18.3, the 1,000-meter at 12:46.6 and the 1320-yard at 15:04.

Other qualifiers and their times were Ralph Samala, Lodi, Calif., 21:19.5; Peter Cole, Santa Monica, Calif., 21:45.5; Jim Portenance, Ocean Falls, B. C., 22:41.0; Gilbert Westwell, Portland, Ore., 22:56.0; Gordon Edwards, Portland, Ore., 22:46.8.

## Satch Paige May Be Back

NEW YORK, July 20—(AP)—Satchel Paige, the rubber armed pitching veteran, might become a major league ballplayer again — and sooner than anyone thinks.

Both Mel Ott and Carl Hubbell of the New York Giants front office were on hand when the ageless hurler went three innings in an exhibition game last night.

Neither Ott nor Hubbell would comment on whether the Giants are interested in signing Paige. "They just 'came to see the game,'" However, when Paige was lifted after his three inning stint, both made a quick exit.

Paige was equally non-committal. "I've had offers from two clubs, but I'd rather not say which two," he said.

## Ponder Packs Top Weight At Chicago

CHICAGO, July 20—(AP)—Calumet Marm's Ponder was top-weighted at 128 pounds today, two pounds more than stable-mate Citation, for the \$75,000 Arlington handicap at Arlington park July 29. Citation is the world's money-winning champ with \$938,650.

Most of the best handicap horses in the country with the exception of Mrs. Charley Howard's Noor, will run in the 1 1/4-mile event.

## WIL Big Six

(By Associated Press) (Includes games of Wednesday, July 19):

G	A	B	R	H	Av.	
Greco, Tac.	91	342	124	90	20	261
Tornay, Yak.	86	172	62	30	1	269
Sietter, Spok.	82	282	104	63	8	356
Thompson, Vic.	90	326	119	70	14	364
Rossi, Spok.	88	315	108	67	15	337
Fanni, Spok.	89	271	91	33	2	326

Runs batted in: Greco, Tacoma, 90; Westlake, Yakima, 75; Quinn, Tacoma, 75; Thompson, Victoria, 70; Warner, Tri-City, 68; Mead, Vancouver, 66. Home runs (top five): Greco, Tacoma, 20; Rossi, Spokane, 15; Thompson, Victoria, 14; Warner, Tri-City, 10; Mead, Vancouver, 9.

Pitching (top five): Robertson, Vancouver, 3.0; Roenspie, Tri-City, 9.3; Marshall, Victoria, 11.4; Kerrigan, Tacoma, 14.6; Ragni, Wenatchee, 13.4.

Coal, bread and salt, symbols of warmth and prosperity, are traditional English New Year's day gifts, says the National Geographic Society.

## Baseball's BIG SIX

G	A	B	R	H	Av.
Robinson, Dodgers	79	294	82	104	204
Kell, Tigers	85	346	89	122	333
Drops, Red Sox	82	312	116	110	323
Musial, Cardinals	80	299	87	104	248
Doby, Indians	81	288	64	98	243
Peffer, Cubs	71	284	84	88	252

Runs batted in: American league — Seoburn, Red Sox, 82; Drops, Red Sox, 84; Wertz, Tigers, 84. National league — Kiner, Pirates, 74; Bauer, Cubs, 67; Bonds, Phillies, 61.

Home runs: American league — Rosen, Indians, 27; Williams, Red Sox, 25; Drops, Red Sox, 24. National league — Kiner, Pirates, 27; Snider, Dodgers, 19; Jones, Phillies, 18.

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