

# BIG DRIVE IS DUE APRIL 1ST

## ANGLERS READY FOR TROUT SEASON.

Fishermen See Good Fishing This Year in Streams and Lakes of Central Oregon—Travel to Interior Will Be Heavy.

A hejira, a drive, a mobilization, an evacuation, a campaign, or whatever else you may choose to call it is due next Sunday, April 1. April fool, or no April fool, that will make no difference. Whatever feeling of caution in conduct may attend the action of men on this day it matters not, for there is going to be some emigration from this village, the reason being the opening of the 1917 trout fishing season in this district.

Local houses carrying anglers' supplies are beginning to arrange their windows in a manner becoming to the coming of the fishing season. Protesges of the well known Isaac Walton are beginning to work over their last year's fishing tackle and make what repairs are needed. Reminiscences (some call them fish stories) are coming into vogue again. More skeptical devotees of the stream are looking askance at the weather and the presence of snow, but whether they catch a batch of trout or not, snow on the ground is not going to deter them on April 1.

There's a neat little song written by some inspired author of the four-barred art, which runs, "You called me when the moon was high," and ends, "I hear you calling me." In this case it happens to be a sly rainbow, a tricky steelhead, or an easy-going Dolly Vardon that is doing the calling to several hundred local fishermen who await March 31 at 12 o'clock, midnight.

Fishing should be the best in years, is the general opinion of local anglers who have made a study by experience of seasons in the past. This season, they say is quite normal. The water in the rivers and smaller streams is not abnormally high. The streams have been plentifully stocked in the last three years and should abound in trout of that size that thrill every strike at a hook.

Central Oregon promises to be the Mecca for lovers of trout fishing this season. Last year was the biggest year this locality has ever known for fishing, but with the roads improved, trails into remote spots cleared and widened, with a greater number of automobiles than ever, there is certain to be plenty of travel along the streams and to lakes of this locality.

Last year a greater number of people from outside points passed through Bend to fish on the lakes and streams of this section than in any previous year. More fish were taken from the Central Oregon water bodies than ever before. The pop-

ularity of this section is each year becoming more pronounced. Railroads companies, too, and recognizing this locality as a favored fishing ground in the state. They offered special rates to fishermen from Portland and way points into Central Oregon, and it is likely that they will offer these special accommodations to anglers this year, enabling them to leave Portland Friday evening, with return privileges upon a \$10.00 round trip Monday morning upon a \$10 round trip fare.

### CLYDE M'KAY HOLDS BIG TROUT RECORD

Local Walton Caught Second Largest Fish in North America in the Season of 1914.

Clyde M. McKay still holds the angling record for having caught the largest trout in Central Oregon with hook and line. In addition it was the second largest fish captured in North America in the year 1914. This particular rainbow was landed



Clyde McKay and 26 1/2 inch Rainbow which he landed.

after a terrific struggle, from the waters of Crane Prairie. The trout weighed seven pounds, measured 26 inches long and 13.5 inches at the girth. For this beauty Mr. McKay received a second prize certificate from the "Field and Stream" magazine.

### OLD JOHN BARLEY-CORN ABSENT FROM HIP POCKET NOW

Familiar Stimulant and Pacifier No Longer to Be Found Among the Ranks of Lovers of Fishing.

"The little old red flask is going to be greatly missed," say many of the anglers this season. That big "stimulant" that has occupied a sequestered place in the hip pocket, and kept Walton agoing when luck

## Deschutes River Will Lure Hundreds Away on April 1



No matter how disagreeable the weather may be, no matter how much snow there may be on the ground, and no matter how few trout Mr.

Fisherman believes he will catch, the Deschutes river and its many tributaries will be lined next Sunday, April 1, with hundreds of buoyant men and boys of all ages.

For beauty and good fishing, the Deschutes river has no peer in the Northwest. Fishermen believe that the trout will strike better than usual this year.

was tough will have to be substituted, for John Barleycorn is going to be a scarce article in this locality this year. There will be no more pacification with a swig from the little pint bottle of the irate farmers over whose grounds the fisherman travels. The fisherman will have to resort to a pill, a segar or maybe more temperate, but not delectable beverages.

When it gets cold, and when the traveler is tired he will not be able so readily to draw from a rear pocket that precious liquid that healed so many wounds of the disappointed embryo.

"But, 'tis all for the good," they acclaim. "We'll get something that will do the work, that the law won't prohibit."

### OH WHAT—THEY SWEAR THE TRUTH; FINGERS CROSSED?

Steidl and O'Kane Again vie for Honors(?) in Story Game—No Decision Given.

John Steidl can sit in his mahogany swivel-back chair, and without the slightest embarrassment, or deviation from his usual pleasant manner and tell this one:

"A few years ago I caught a trout and that fish seemed to be attached to me, and I took it home and fed it and it grew to be pretty good sized I left it outside and put it in a tub of water, but it kept splashing and the tub became dry, and it got so that it could live without water; and it used to follow me around. One day I was coming over town. I had to cross a log then. I heard something flapping behind me and looked back and there was that fish just jumping on the log. I tried to drive it back and it kept coming and when it got about half way across the log it fell in and was drowned."

But Hugh O'Kane says that he has a bigger one, only it's true. He tells it that Tom Triplett used to spend most of his time fishing and

that he knew all the fish in the stream, and had names for all of them. With the fly, Triplett, according to O'Kane, is a wonder. Triplett, says O'Kane, could go along the bank of the river and could just tease the fish right out of the water into the grass.

O'Kane also reminds the old-timers of the big fish barbecue held in Bend in August, 1915, on the occasion of the tour of Former Governor George E. Chamberlin to this section. He says that more than 2000 people were fed on fish and stories that day, and that all the fish were caught on line and hook by Chas. Cotter, Carlyle Triplett, Millard Triplett, Barney Lewis, Frank Hodson and John Bloss.

But before this, O'Kane further reminds, there was a big celebration in Bend in 1906, and that the gathered throng were fed on 3400 trout, which he avers were caught on line and hook. The catch was made between June 30 and July 3. The men sharing in the honor were John Bloss, J. N. Hunter, N. P. Smith, Tom Triplett, St Caudell and Whispering Sheldon. Of the 3400 trout landed, the first three mentioned men caught 2400.

### GAME BULLETIN

Fishermen and hunters may save 50 cents on each license by buying them before May 21st, as on that date the law passed at the recent session of the legislature goes into effect, increasing the price of hunting and angling licenses from \$1.00 to \$1.50, and a combination license from \$2.00 to \$3.00. State Game Warden Carl D. Shoemaker says that there has been quite a rush for licenses in many parts of the state, due in all probability to the fact that the raise in licenses will become effective soon. Other changes in the game code made at the session of the legislature just closed are as follows:

One-half of all fine moneys will hereafter be sent to the credit of the Game Protection fund.

Women are exempt from purchasing angling licenses, but must obtain a hunting license if they desire to hunt for any of the game birds and game animals of the state.

The open season on migratory birds throughout the state will be from October 1 to January 15, with the exception of Malheur and Harney counties, where the season will be from September 16 to December 31.

The Chinese pheasant hen has been protected and only male birds may hereafter be killed, the bag limit is five in any one day and not more than ten in any seven consecutive days.

open season on male Chinese pheasants has been provided, from October 1 to October 10, with a bag limit of three birds in any one day, or ten during the season.

All over the state the bag limit on trout has been reduced from 75 to 50 trout, or 35 pounds in any one day.

Winter fishing for trout in Game District No. 2 has been prohibited, with the exception that trout over 18 inches in length may be caught.

The open season on six inch trout begins April 1 and sportsmen are urged to purchase their licenses and carry them on their person, as strict orders have been given deputies to check up all anglers found fishing in the streams.

### DO'S AND DONT'S.

**DO—** Have plenty of hooks, See that your line is in good condition.

Have new leaders, Take matches in water-proof box, See that the gas tank is filled, Attend to putting out camp fires, Take salt and bacon.

Put an axe and shovel, Take an extra tip, Get your license.

Have plenty of wraps, Get a Thermos bottle, Have extra tires and tubes, Read signs, when in doubt, Put on chains when roads are safe.

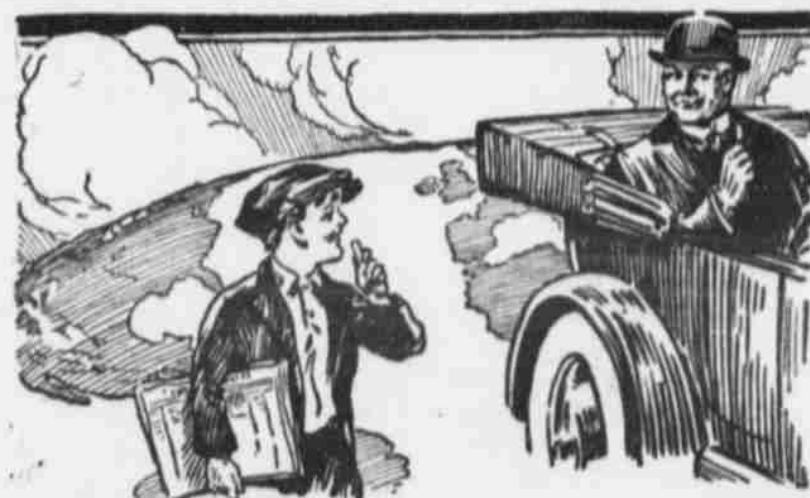
Get a bottle of iodine or collodian, Carry a sharp knife.

**DON'T—** Catch more than the limit, Let camp fires smoulder, Basket trout less than 6 inches long.

Take an untraveled road, if possible.

### Not Bothered Any More.

So-called rheumatic pains, grippe aches, lame back, sore muscles or stiff joints are the result of over-worked, weak or disordered kidneys. E. L. Turner, Homer, Ky., writes: "Since taking Foley Kidney Pills, I have not been bothered any more." Strengthen weak kidneys and help rid the blood of acids and poisons. Sold everywhere.—Adv.



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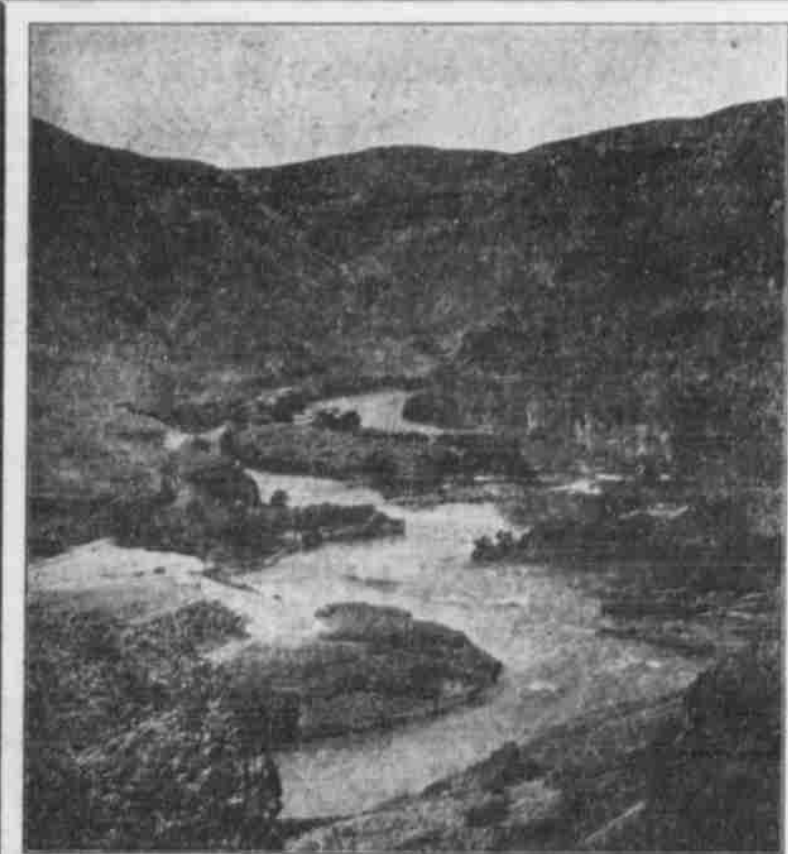
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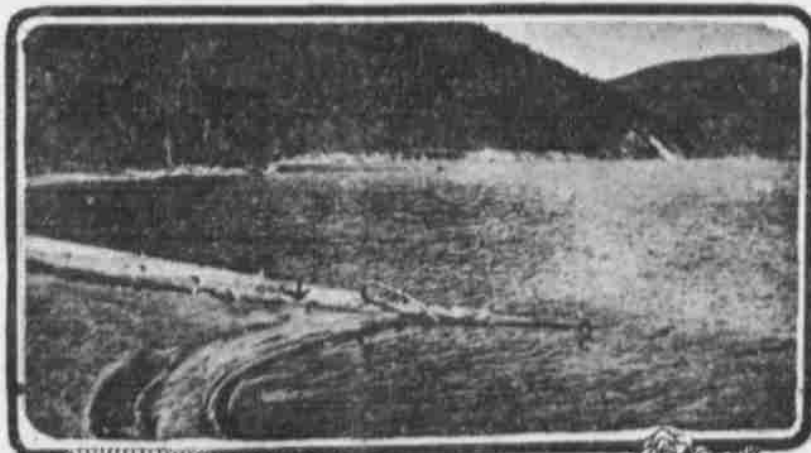
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Gorgeous scenery and splendid fishing make the Deschutes and its tributary streams one of the finest playgrounds in the west, and one of the beautiful spots of nature in the heart of the Cascades—an ideal fishing and camping place.

### East and Paulina Lakes Favori'e Haunts



East and Paulina Lakes, located east of La Pine are now accessible to the lovers of troll fishing. These two Central Oregon still water beauty spots can easily be reached by automobile with the extensive improvement on the road that was made last year by work done by persons in-

terested in the development of these two bodies of water as a summer resort.

During the early season snow is heavy, but later, during the months of June, July and August travel is heavy and trout fishing is usually good in these lakes.