

Hunting & Fishing Southern Oregon

By MEL REES

To a Medford angler goes the honor of landing the first chinook of the season at Savage Rapids. Ralph Newman, 1716 East Main st., took a fresh run fish that pulled the scales down to 28 pounds. This fish, the largest of the season was entered in the salmon derby at Milo's Sporting goods in Grants Pass.

Only a couple of other fish have been reported and these were taken in the Robertson bridge section of the Rogue. However, another fish was hooked but lost at We-Ask-U-Inn just below the dam. There are a number of salmon boards in now and space is available for rent by the day.

Two of the best spots to fish are at We-Ask-U-Inn on Savage Rapids and at Hansen's board near Rand ranger station below Galice.

FINE RAINBOWS

Some fine rainbows, up to 30 inches have been reported from Klamath lake. Most of these fish are taken either near Rocky point or at Barclay springs on the east shore of the lake. Best method for this time of the year at these places is to thread several minnows onto a fresh caught or the canned variety on a 1-0 hook, cast them out and let them lie on the bottom. The minnows must be dead according to law.

Most of the fishermen run the line through a "running weight," a lead sinker with a hole through the middle.

When the fish picks up the minnows there is no drag on the line.

This is necessary for they will let go if they feel a tightening of the line. After they travel 10-12 feet, the hook is set and the battle is on. Rarely do the fish run under 18 inches. In weight they will go from 2 1/2 to 4 pounds and are prime at this time of year.

ANSWER TO ENIGMA

Among the many new items which appear from time to time in new tackle are two which it might be well to mention.

South Bend has produced the answer to a fisherman's enigma, the split shot problem. Their Redi-Shot is a pier-like tool to which may be attached small discs containing the split shot. The split shot are held in place by a plastic shield. When the angler wishes to attach a split shot to the line he only has to place the line in the slice of the lead, squeeze the handle and the shot is pinched on. Other shot may be placed on by turning the shot holding disc to the front position. Removing split shot from the line, which has always been a difficult procedure is also easy with this new Redi-Shot tool.

GLASS RODS TAKE OVER Fishing rods have become such a major part of fishing that there are but few who remember what the old bamboo rods were like.

In 1945 the "constant taper" blank was developed for these glass rods. This means that from the butt section to the tip of the rod the walls of the rod became progressively thinner and the taper diminished on a graduated scale. The fault here was that the rod had a willowy feel when playing a fish as the action was transmitted too far down into the butt of the rod.

In 1950 the "reinforced type" blank was developed in which there was extra weight and strength in the butt section to give more strength for playing large fish and to keep the lighter tip action for feeling the strike or "pick up" of the bait. The trouble here has been that the arc of the rod under pressure had an unnatural feel.

PROGRESSIVE TAPER Just recently the Sila-flex company has developed what they call the "progressive taper" blank in which the wall thicknesses and rod diameters are progressively tapered to produce a more powerful and smoother action than the sudden transitions and stress points found in the constant taper or reinforced types of blanks.

To the fisherman this means that with the delicate tip action he will be able to cast ultra light lures with ease. With a heavier lure the action progresses down the rod to the power point needed for this extra weight. In bait fishing he will have the delicate tip action for the "light feel" of the fish pick-up and the power to battle picture-taking size fish.

WEIGHT FACTOR One of the greatest features of this new Magnum rod is the weight factor. With this type of action it is possible to reduce the overall weight of the rod because of the fact that the power can be built into the places it is needed and reduced at other points. Anyone who has fished all day with our older models of rods where heavier weight meant more strength for big fish will appreciate this.

Another and large advantage is the fact that with this new type of design, one rod will handle almost everything in your tackle box.

PLAYOFF SOLD OUT St. Louis — All 10,500 seats for Saturday night's sixth game of the National Basketball Association final playoff series between the St. Louis Hawks and Boston Celtics at Kiel Auditorium have been sold.



SKIN DIVERS AT FAIR—Demonstrations of skin and SCUBA diving and the equipment used will be a center of attraction at the first annual Sportsfair of Crater Lions club at the Medford Armory Saturday and Sunday, April 12 and 13. Pictured here are four of the dozens or so men who will put on exhibitions through the afternoon and evening of each day. From left are Lon Skinner, of the Crater Lions, who arranged the demonstration, Don Bowling, Dennis Owen and Bob Watkins. Participants are from the Oregon Skin Divers Association and from the YMCA. A glass tank, six feet in diameter and 7 1/2 feet deep will be set up in the center of the Armory. It was obtained from Foster's Sporting Goods, Portland, and was used in the recent Portland boat show. The skin divers association was formed about a year ago. Three of the members, including Watkins, have had their equipment in Lake of the Woods, Klamath, Fish, Willow and Lamola lakes and Rogue river. They have recovered tools and fishing equipment and at Lamola did some clearing for gates. It is planned to have a diver in the tank at all times during the show.

Salmon Fishing Improved in Mid-Blue Area

Portland — The weekly fishing report prepared by the state game commission:

Southwest: Salmon angling in the Umpqua river poor above Winchester and from the forks to Tyee; angling is poor to fair from forks to Winchester; few fish are moving over the dam; on the lower Umpqua water is still high and muddy but clearing.

Salmon fishing in middle section of the Rogue is improving; few fish have been consistently taken in the Galice area and the first ones are being taken at We-Ask-U-Inn. Waters are low, clear and ideal for salmon.

Lower Rogue poor for salmon; recent rains have caused the river to become high and muddy but it was dropping at midweek.

Kansas Stater Has Breakdown

Topeka, Kan. — Kansas State basketball star Jack Parr was admitted to Topeka State hospital Wednesday night after slashing his wrists in a fit of violence during a nervous breakdown.

The 6-9 center, a powerful factor in K-State's grabbing the Big Eight cage crown this season, was taken to Riley County hospital at Manhattan, Kan. Tuesday night after he became distressed and showed signs of violence.

Wednesday he slashed his wrists with an unidentified sharp object, broke up hospital furniture, and knocked out windows in two rooms. "Basketball is not to blame," a physician at Riley hospital said. "In fact there seemed to be some therapeutic effect in basketball for the boy."

Ed Machen, Folley Mix Ends in Draw

San Francisco — Denny Moyer, 151, Portland, scored a third-round knockout over Al Barbaro, 152, San Francisco, Wednesday night in a scheduled six-rounder on the Eddie Machen-Zora Folley fight card.

San Francisco — "Draw one!" — but if it's another stalemate between Eddie Machen and Zora Folley you are talking about, the fans are not interested.

The two heavyweights ground to a 12-round draw Wednesday night at the Cow Palace which only proved several minor points. Machen, who went into the ring weighing 191 1/2 and was undefeated as a professional in 24 bouts, can't beat everybody.

Gun Club Bills Handicap Event This Sunday

Medford Gun club will have a special handicap event this Sunday in addition to 16-year trapshooting and skeet practice.

Members will fire in the Oregon Journal telegraphic shoot against Canby, Corvallis, Cottage Grove and Eugene.

A number of members are expected to travel to Roseburg for a Saturday and Sunday registered shoot.

A party to climax the spring league trapshoot of the local scattergunners will be held on Monday, April 14, at 7 p.m. at Mon Desir. A dinner and dance will be preceded by a social hour. Trophies will be presented at the dinner to members of the winning team, Coleman's Nail Drivers.

The Drivers scored 86 1/2 points to the 57 1/2 of Jennings' Tire Changers in the five team meet which was held over five Sundays. Coleman's also had the high target tabulation for its five top shooters of each week. The number was 1192 and Biden's Loggers followed with 1086.

A total of 56 shooters took part in the tourney. In last Sunday's Journal contention Ray Coleman and Paul Culbertson each had 25 straight and George Jantzer 24 for a 74 total.

INDIANS VICTORS Palo Alto — Stanford's tennis team defeated University of Portland 6-1 Wednesday. Australian Jack Surville scored the only Pilot win by defeating Brooks Rawlins 6-4, 6-8, 6-4.

Golfers Asked To Sign Up for Two-Ball Tussle

Rogue Valley Country club golfers are asked to sign up at the pro shop for two competitions.

One is the annual two-ball partnership tournament for which partners will be drawn on Friday, April 18. The other is a team match at Redding, Calif., on April 26 and 27.

Prospective participants in the partnership rivalry are asked by Club Pro Ron Caperna to have their names into the shop by Wednesday, April 15. High handicappers will be paired with low handicappers in the drawing.

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Brown Appears For Third Day

New York — Billy Brown, matchmaker for the International Boxing club, was slated to testify for the third straight day today before the New York County grand jury which is investigating crime and bribery in boxing.

Brown testified briefly last week to identify IBC records which had been subpoenaed, then was on the stand for two hours Tuesday and two hours Wednesday.

SPORTS

Eagle Point, Phoenix in Haywards

Phoenix high, winner of the Little Rogue relays last weekend, will have a full team and Eagle Point will enter nine events Friday in the Class B division of the Hayward relays at Eugene.

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PHOENIX ROSTER: Distance medley — Mike Reese, Bob Taylor, Gary Simmons, David McClure, 440 — Terry Hamilton, Fred Fayinger, Dan Lumley, Charles Swingle, Two-mile — Mike Campbell, McClure, Rodney Fowler, Simmons, Sprint medley — Dennis James, Glenn Thompson, Lumley, Swingle with Fayinger alternate, Shuttle hurdles — Bill Dilke, Gary Chris, Terry Hamilton, Shot put — Ron Baker, Terry Hamilton, Discus — Don Korth, Baker, Javelin — Korth and James or Fayinger, Broad jump — Fayinger, High jump — Terry Hamilton and Jim Stout or Dave Hamilton.

EAGLE POINT ROSTER: Javelin — Wayne Christian, Discus — Christian, Shot put — David Huttman, Broad jump — Bill McClure and Bob Berryman or Bill Turner, High jump — Stu Finna, Pole vault — Huttman, Nolan Greenwood, Sprint medley and 440 — Frank Ross, McClure, Turner, Berryman, Two-mile — Steve Charters, Roy Moore, Green Wood, Ken Williams.

Rally on Sunday For Sports Cars

Siskiyou Sports Car club will have another of its monthly rallies this Sunday. All interested are asked to meet at radio station KMED at 11 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Couch are in charge of the April event. Cars are required to have a navigator in addition to a driver.

San Francisco — Middleweight contenders Joey Giardello of Philadelphia and Rory Calhoun of White Plains, N. Y., have signed to meet in a non-televized 10-round fight at the Cow Palace, May 5.

Bowling

SENIOR LEAGUE Rainbow Cafe (Gary Williams 408, Linda Eccleston 435) 2535; Laurine's Carpet House 3 (Dow Smith 402, Delores Williams 431) 2726.

Medford Paint 2 (Jerolyn Burroughs 422, Inger Palmquist 381) 2521; W.O.T.M. 2 (Roberta Miller 396, Butch Tompkins 436) 2849.

Results: Team Five 4 (Bob Champion 562) 2311; Team Six 0 (Gene Brooks 477) 2109; Eagles 3 (Stan Parish 520) 2248; Prospect 1 (Bill Houghton 495) 2170.

LADIES CLASSIC LEAGUE Standings: W. L. Union Club 29 15; Silver Dollar Stamps 25 19; Jorgensen's 24 19 1/2; Paulsen's Thrift 22 22; Ross Lumber 21 23; Lillie's Health Salon 21 23; Trail Creek Lumber 21 23; Woden Shoe 20 24; Jack's Drive Up 20 24; Motor Haven Motel 19 25; Crater Inn Motel 18 25 1/2.

Results: Union Club 3 (V. Cummings 578) 2388; Wooden Shoe 1 (L. Learning 528) 2272; Silver Dollar 4 (H. Paulson 513) 2508; Hawkinton's 0 (V. Wilson 489) 2274; Crater Inn 2 (H. Clark 488) 2228; Lillie's Health Salon 2 (Sis Beck 454) 2169; Jorgensen's 2 (J. Ingle 450) 2113; Motor Haven 2 (R. Barr 495) 2120; Paulsen's Thrift 3 (S. Kessler 479) 2789; Ross Lumber 0 (H. Calk 478) 2208; Trail Creek 3 (V. Blunt 510) 2263; Jack's Drive Up 1 (D. Wolff 469) 2195; High series: V. Cummings 578, N. Cummings 222, H. Clark 210, H. Paulson 200; Split conversion D. Wolff 5-6-10, V. Corby 6-7.

EMPIRE LEAGUE Standings: W. L. Western Thrift Drug 30 18; Jewel House 29 19; Virginia's Big Y Beauty 27 21; Winnie's Style Salon 26 22; Stinner's Butch 26 22; The Village Dairy Smith 24 24; Nu Way Cleaners 22 25 1/2; Alexander & Brown Ins. 22 26; West Main Rent All 22 28; Hoppe's Florist 11 36 1/2.

Results: Nu Way 4 (Virginia Wilson 161-476) 1305; Hillyer 0 (Dorothy Edwards 165-422) 1185; Hoppe's 2 (Shirley Daigle 166-483) 1339; Western Thrift 2 (Helen Paulson 171-473) 1316; West Main 3 (Marge Epps 162-457) 1312; Skinner's 1 (Wanda Booth 167-473) 1305; Virginia's 0 (Jackie Wilson 145-401) 1167; Dairy Smith 4 (Louise Doran 159-452) 1400; Virginia's 0 (Bernice Hazlett 158-441) 1350; Jewel House 0 (Lucy Turner 146-386) 1098; High game Paulsen's Bennett 181; High series: Virginia Wilson 478; high series with handicap, Marge Epps 582; Split conversions: Bonnie Wilson 5-7, 5-6-10, Ruby Edmonds 3-9-10; Edith Rickman 6-7-10, Marge Epps 3-9-10, 5-10; Irene Karras 3-8-10.

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE Standings: Patterson's Bakery 34 18; Cubby's Drive In 34 18; Quality Market 30 22; Morning Fresh Bread 28 24; Mail Tribune 26 25 1/2; Bates Candy 26 26; Alexander & Brown Ins. 22 30; Davis Transfer & Storage 21 30 1/2; Star Body Works 20 32; Clave Construction 18 34.

Results: M F Bread 1 (Spain 521) 2419; Star Body 3 (Vesley 574) 2576; Bates & Jack Weber 533) 2311; A & B 1 (Speer 523) 2341; Davis 3 (Bronson 615) 2655; Tribune 1 (Anderson 582) 2385; Clave 1 (Schroeder 549) 2523; Cubby's 3 (Ramsby 588) 2591; Quality 3 (Huston 603) 2888; Patterson's 1 (Dyer 575) 2674.

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PEAR BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

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— and —

The SPORTSFAIR

BOAT AND SPORTS SHOW

There's lots to see and lots to do at the first big Southern Oregon SPORTSFAIR! See 50 big booth displays organized by sports clubs and merchants --- skin diving tank, casting pools, live trout fishing, helicopter rides, pony rides, contests and prizes. Bring the whole family!

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