



STOREHOUSE FOR WATER . . . Snake River water that will spin Brownlee Dam's turbines is seen in this aerial view filling the reservoir behind the huge rock-filled embankment, center, of Idaho Power Company's new 360,000 kilowatt hydro project. To the right of nearly completed embankment, spectacular concrete spillway is discharging water through three low level gate openings. The powerhouse, left center, is expected to be ready for production by September. Extending 57 1/2 miles upstream, the reservoir will have a storage capacity of 1,500,000 acre-feet of water, with one million acre feet usable each year for power, flood control and navigation.

Satch Paige Keeps High Average At Taling If Not In Club's Batting Lineup

MIAMI (UPI)—Pitchin', fishin', or talkin', Leroy (Satchel) Paige is a hard man to pin down.

The hurling of baseball's showman phenom already is a legend. Past 40 when he broke into major league baseball, Paige worked more than five years for Bill Veeck's Cleveland Indians and St. Louis Browns. He still is going strong 10 years later for the Miami Marlins in the International League.

Satchel's "fishin'" is a legend too. That's generally where he is when Marlin officials or newsmen go looking for him.

When anyone appears to doubt a tale of his latest catch, Paige ushers the listener over to his car, lifts the trunk lid and displays a good-sized fish in a special ice box he had built for the car. There are some teammates who say the fish is almost as old as the big-footed pitcher.

But it is at "talkin'" that the self-made philosopher really shines. He has thrown more curves from the locker room on the subject of his age than he ever has from the mound.

At the start of the season, Satchel again told folks he is 49.

Pinned down, he grinned: "If you are going to force me into a direct answer, it's going to take a little research work. Ah'll study it. Maybe ah'd better move my age up a little bit this year."

Later, Paige says, "I was born September 21, 1908, in Mobile, Alabama, and ah's got records to prove it."

A magazine looked up the Mobile records in 1953. All it could find was a birth certificate for a "Leroy Page," dated July 7, 1906. The magazine said Paige's father changed the spelling to "Paige" a year later.

The Marlins staff reported Paige is as fit as a rookie. His face still shows no age wrinkles, he has a fine crop of non-grayed hair and his own teeth "plus a few that belong to somebody else."

Whether 50, 52 or more—Paige himself probably has forgotten—it has made little difference to batters who face his "mound psychiatrist."

"I put that rosin on my britches," said the venerable Satch. "I slap my thigh and those batters' legs begin to wobble. They figure my pitch is going to do the loop-de-loop. When it comes swishing down the middle, straight and fast, they're too surprised to swing and the umpire yells 'strike.'"

When accused of throwing a spitball or using some other trick, Paige retorts: "I've never thrown an illegal pitch."

"The trouble is some of my pitches were never seen by this generation until I came along."

Satchel thinks he is good for another 10 to 12 years of pitching.

"But I gotta have that warm weather," he specified. "That cold's the only reason I didn't take any of those major league offers the last couple years."

Paige fancies himself a batting threat. Confront him with the record—one hit in 40 tries last season and none for 17 by mid-summer this year—Satchel scoffs: "Somebody's lousing up mah batting average. I'm a clutch hitter."

Paige has an answer for anything, including a suggestion that he might be stretching the truth.

"My mother always taught me never to tell a lie," he says—(Long pause)—"Unless you'd rehearsed it with yourself first. She said if it don't sound good to you, then you couldn't expect anybody else to believe it."

Coyote Still The Leading Predator In Oregon As Hunters Bag 4838 In Year

Coyotes accounted for 60 per cent of all the predatory animals taken in Oregon during the last fiscal year, M. E. Knickerbocker, chief of the State Department of Agriculture's division of animal industry, and Melvin E. Smith, district U.S. Fish and Wildlife agent, report.

They point out that the fiscal year report of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and cooperating state agencies shows 7,951 predators were killed including 4,838 coyotes, 2,830 bobcats, 281 bears and two mountain lions.

In addition to these predators a secondary group of wild animals totaling 5,598 was taken by cooperative hunters working in 35 counties. This group included 627 foxes, 1,329 badgers, 547 skunks, 1,225 raccoons and 1,870 porcupines.

About 12 per cent of the total predators were taken in Malheur County. At the other end of the scale only two animals—both bears—were killed in Polk County.

Smith's annual summary points out that the coyote continues to be the most troublesome predator in the state and ranges from the Pacific Coast through the Cascades to the Wallowa and Blue mountains.

He adds that increasing human population and the coyote's ability to adapt to man's way of life makes control increasingly difficult.

Like the coyote, the bobcat ranges throughout the state. This animal was responsible for the loss of a considerable number of lambs in both eastern and western Oregon last year. Hunters trapped 500 more bobcats than the year earlier.

Principal damages caused by bears occurred on tree farms in western Oregon, though a limited amount of damages to sheep on summer ranges in the Blue Mountain counties are charged to this animal.

HAIR TODAY, NOT TOMORROW

NEW YORK (UPI)—Matthew's Hairdressers in suburban Jamaica sure wish the would-be blonde with no hair (if that's the answer) would move to another neighborhood. In the period of one year the shop has been robbed three times—with nothing taken except four blonde wigs.

The poultry population in the Willamette Valley is the greatest prey of the introduced red fox. The 627 foxes taken compares with 492 the previous year.

Besides the State Department of Agriculture, other agencies cooperating in the predatory control program are the State Game Commission, the county courts, the Bureau of Land Management, private timber companies and livestock associations.

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