

## FISHING AT CAMP SAPPHIRE

Fishing at Camp Sapphire is open every day to all employees of Ecusta, their families and guests. The use of Camp Sapphire and its facilities is made possible by our company, and it is our company's desire that you and yours take advantage of the camp and enjoy it to the fullest extent.

No organization would be successful without operating according to a set of rules, and as you know rules are kept to a minimum at Camp Sapphire. Therefore, we would like to call to your attention a few of these, especially the rules on bait fishing at Camp Sapphire.

The limit of catches per day on each permit is the same as last year: Two bass and five bream. Fishermen will check in and out with the caretaker at our camp.

We wish to point out that any type of artificial bait is permissible, and also any type of live bait you might wish to use except GOLD FISH or BALTIMORE MINNOWS. The reason for the ban on gold fish or Baltimore minnows is because these fish multiply so rapidly that should any of these types be released from a hook they would become a menace to our fishing at Sapphire. These fish would soon rob our game fish of the natural foods in the lake. They would hinder the growth and increase in numbers of bream and crappie that are now there. Let's all remember this when we go fishing at Camp Sapphire.

The other rules we wish to call to your attention are the rules of *safety*, *cleanliness* and *courtesy*. Play safe and enjoy yourself. Don't take unnecessary chances. Be clean and don't leave a mess for someone else to clean up. Treat the facilities as you would your home. Its yours to enjoy; take care of it.

The men who work at Sapphire are there to help you enjoy yourself. When in doubt about something, or when in need call on them. They will be glad to assist you when possible.

Camp Sapphire is a medium furnished by our company to make our play life enjoyable during our off-hours from work. Let's all take advantage of it, use it, and enjoy it with pride to express the gratitude that we work for a company so thoughtful as ours.

### PING-PONG

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N. L. Ponder almost took the part of the tourney dark horse by upsetting Pete Little of Asheville in the quarter finals. The match between Bob Anders and John Shaver proved to be the most exciting battle of the tournament.

Trophies were awarded to the champions and runner-ups of both divisions.



Shown above is William A. "Bill" Lyday of the Meter Department with the 43 inch Muskellunge which he recently caught in the French Broad River, about one mile below where the Davidson flows into the French Broad. The Muskellunge is known as the king of the Pike family, and is one of our largest fresh-water fish. This fish is known by many other names, but to us, in Western North Carolina, it is commonly known as Jack. The Muskellunge (*Esox masquinongy*) is also known as Barred Muskellunge, Blue Pike, Great Pike, Musky, and many, many others. Of all the Pike family, the Muskellunge is the only member that has no scales on the lower halves of the gill cover and cheek. The range of these fish are the St. Lawrence River, Great Lakes Basin, West through Southern Canada to Minnesota, from Northwestern Georgia and Tennessee to New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

The World's record for the Muskellunge is 64½ pounds, caught by Alois Hanser at Lak du Flambeau, Wisconsin on May 17th, 1947. Bill's fish weighed 18½ pounds.

The flavor of the Jack is considered good, since its natural foods consist of small fish and animals. Bill caught this fish on a Rose Special plug.