

# SPORT HAPPENINGS

By **HYATT**



HELLO SPORT FANS! On the 15th of this month, long awaited and anticipated event will take place . . . FISHING SEASON will open!

Hundreds of faithful followers will be "streaming to the streams" . . . where they will either sit patiently and hope that the big fellows will bite or where they will wade up and down the streams all over the country and fight it out with their finny opponents . . . all depending on their respective natures . . . and perhaps some poor fellow who has been casting endlessly day after day trying to see how close he can come to a tin can in his own back yard will get his chance to cast his fly into some quiet pool . . . and maybe the granddaddy of all the rainbows will accept his challenge . . .

Fishing, I think, is the most restful of all sports . . . the fellow that said "Fishing is good for the soul" certainly knew what he was talking about . . . for what could be better than to take a day off . . . climb into your car or on your bike . . . drive out into the peaceful country to your favorite fishing hole . . . where you can sit and solve all the world's trials and tribulations . . . or just muse over what has been and will be . . . that's the life!

The most common fish which are found in our native streams are: rainbow trout, brook trout, brown trout, bass, carp, catfish, herring, and hony heads.

Of these the rainbow trout is the most numerous and widely found . . . there may be some controversy ever which is the tightest . . . but I don't think there would be over which fish makes the best eating.

I asked Cody Plott where he thought the best places for fishing were and he said Cataloochee or Big Creek . . . the largest fish that he can remember being caught around here was caught by Dock Boyd in 1940 out of Cataloochee . . . the fish was a rainbow trout and measured 27 inches!!

The honor of catching (and actually proving it) the largest fish last year went to Willie Messer for catching a 24 1/2 inch rainbow . . . I would like for any fisherman who thinks he has caught an extra special one to contact me and let me know . . .

Another very interesting item from Mr. Plott was the amount of money spent for fishing licenses in 1941 . . . In Haywood county alone the revenue from fishing licenses was \$111,500 . . . that shows about how popular fishing is around here . . . the total spent for hunting licenses was \$2,805.00 . . . in other words, fishing licenses out sold hunting licenses \$96.50 . . .

In talking to Mr. Plott about the opening of fishing season, he was able to give some information which should prove welcome and valuable to you . . .

Fishing is permitted according to state laws. A fishing license and a permit costing \$1.00 per day, which can

## Australians on Alert for Enemy



With the Japs concentrated on New Guinea bases, only 400 miles from the Australian mainland, the continent "down under" is making feverish preparations for the coming struggle with the enemy, particular attention being given to anti-aircraft defenses. Hundreds of posts, like this one outside Melbourne, are springing up everywhere. (Central Press)

be purchased at the designated checking stations on the streams, must be obtained. The catch of each fisherman must be recorded at the checking station before leaving the stream. The hours for fishing will be between 6:00 a. m. (local time) and sunset. The limit is 12 legal fish. All trout under seven inches in length must be returned to the water immediately. Treble or "gang" hooks are prohibited.

Fishing regulations are the same as those on the cooperative wildlife arrangement areas except that ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY ARE PERMITTED.

Mr. Plott stated that Richland Creek will be open from April 15th to August 31st from Junaluska to the head and from Junaluska down will be open from June 10th until April 15th.

### OPEN DATES

- Sherwood Cooperative Wildlife Management Areas**
- (1) West Fork Pigeon River—April 18, May 2, 17, 30; June 14, 27; July 12; August 1 and 15.
  - (2) Big East Fork Pigeon River—April 19; May 1, 16, 31; June 13, 28; July 11, 25; August 8 and 23.
  - (3) Little East Fork Pigeon River—April 20, 30 and May 15.
- Pisgah National Game Preserve**
- (1) Davidson River—April 20 to August 31, inclusive.
  - (2) Upper South Mills River—April 15, 24; May 22; June 5, 21; and July 5.
  - (3) Lower South Mills River—April 15, 19, 26; May 10, 23; June 12 and 19.
  - (4) North Mills River—April 17; May 8, 29; June 7; July 4, 18.
  - (5) North Fork French Broad River—May 3; June 20, June 26; July 10, 24; August 2, 9, 14, 21, 29.
  - (6) Bradley Creek—April 15, 17, 24; May 8. Closed above Hendersonville water intake after May 8. Open below the intake as a part of and on the same dates designated for Lower South Mills River.
- Mt. Mitchell Cooperative Wildlife Management Area**
- South Toe River, Neals, Set Rock, Camp, Lower, Upper, Right Hand Prong, Rock and Middle Creeks of the South Toe River drainage; Mackeys Creek; Curtis, Newberry, Big Camp Rock, and Licklog Creeks of the Curtis Creek drainage, which includes all waters on the area, will be open April 25, 26, May 9, 10, 23, 24; June 6, 7, 20, 21; July 4, 5, 11, 12, 25, 26; August 8, 9, 22, 23.
- Daniel Boone Cooperative Wildlife Management Area**
- Wilson, Laurel, Gragg Prong, Rockhouse, Upper, and South and North Harper Creeks; Big Lost Cove, Little Lost Cove and Sassafras Creeks of the Big Lost Cove Creek drainage; Steels, Buck and Gingercake Creeks of the Steels Creek drainage, which include all waters on the area, will be open May 2, 3, 16, 17, 30, 31; June 13, 14, 27, 28; July 4, 5, 18, 19, August 1, 2, 15, 16, 29, and 30.

## Political Announcements

**For Register of Deeds**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination as Register of Deeds in the May Primary, subject to the action of the Democratic party. I will appreciate your individual support.  
**BRYAN MEDFORD.**

**For State Senate**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for State Senate, in the May Primary, subject to the action of the Democratic party. I will deeply appreciate the support of all voters.  
**J. T. BAILEY**

**For Register of Deeds**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for re-election as register of deeds of Haywood County, subject to action of the voters in the Democratic primary on May 30. I will appreciate the support of all voters.  
**C. C. FRANCIS**

**FOR LEGISLATURE**  
I hereby announce my candidacy for re-election to the house of representatives of the North Carolina General Assembly, subject to the Democratic primary of May 30th. I have no special local legislation in mind. If nominated and elected, I will try to promote the general welfare of our county and state as a whole.  
**GLENN C. PALMER**

**FOR STATE SENATE**  
I am a candidate for the nomination for State Senate in the May primary subject to the action of the Democratic party. I will greatly appreciate the support and influence of all voters.  
**GROVER C. DAVIS**

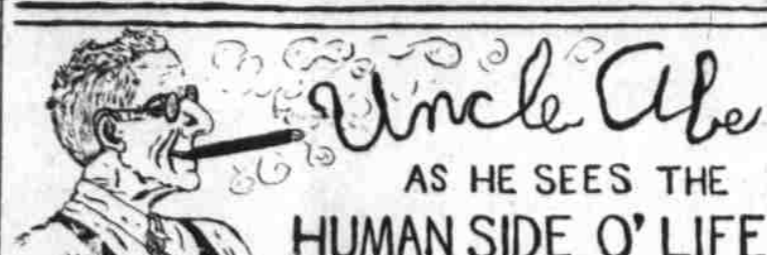
**FOR SOLICITOR**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination and re-election as solicitor of the 20th district, subject to the action of the voters in the Democratic primary on May 30th. It is upon my record of the past that I ask for your support.  
**JOHN M. QUEEN**

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Well they say that traffic is off half—and so it seems to us. And by the way, did you notice that fatalities in some cities and counties have dropped more than fifty per cent? And with more people at work and more men in the army, crime has also decreased. Strange isn't it—that good—much good, can come out of war, even before the peace?

The trouble with the American government is that the people expect too much for too little performance.



## WHAT'S THE USE

Man comes into this world without his consent and leaves it against his will. When he is little the big girls kiss him and when he is big the little girls kiss him. If he is active in politics, it is for graft; if he is not interested in politics, he is no good to his country. If he makes a lot of money, he is dishonest. If he is poor, he is a bad manager. If he needs credit he can't get it. If he is prosperous, everyone wants to do something for him. If he is religious, he is a hypocrite. If he doesn't go to temple, he is a hardened sinner. If he gives to charity, it is for show. If he doesn't, he is a stingy cuss. If he is affectionate, he is a soft specimen. If he doesn't care for anyone, he is cold-hearted. If he dies young, there was a great future before him. If he lives to a ripe old age, he missed his calling. If he saves money, he is a tight wad. If he spends it, he is a spendthrift. If he has money he is a grafter. If he hasn't got it, he's a bum. So, what's the use?

The above was slipped to us by "Shorty" Ketter, and it seemed good enough to pass on to our readers—don't you think so?

We might add: If he leads his associates in story-telling, he's a liar; if he just listens in he's dumb. If he quits work at old age, he's lazy; if he doesn't quit he's greedy. If he yields to his wife's wishes, he's heaped; if he doesn't he's domineering. If he freely greets people on the street he's fresh; if he doesn't he's got the big head. If he drives fast he's reckless; if he drives slow, he's a blocker. If he's elected for office he stole and bought in, and if he's not elected he's unpopular. If he's a teetotaler he's old fashioned and cranky; if he drinks he's talked about. So, again we ask what's the use—and what's the difference?

Mr. Editor: I saw a gal smoke a cigarette down to the cork t'other day; when she pressed it out on her dinner plate it was just a little pinkish tip—Save for defense!

You see, this war has created a situation wherein the population as between male and female is not properly balanced; since the number of males now left back in

civilian life doesn't nearly equal that of the female sex, and as the war goes on the difference will become greater.

The only excuse for writing is to be intelligent, rather than popular.

**"HIGHPOCKETS"**  
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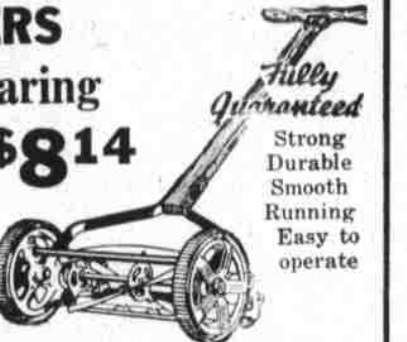
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