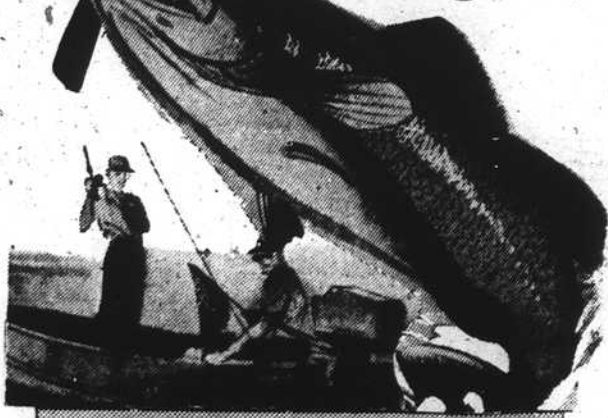


Fishing



INFORMATION

By

"The Crappie Catcher" Underwater Population on the Colorado

Perhaps no other river in the world changes character so often or so dynamically as the Colorado from its source to its delta. One of the most exciting stretches of the mighty river is the fish-laden length from Hoover Dam past Lake Mohave, Davis Dam, and Bullhead City to River Bend. **A Million a Year**

An amazing underwater population explosion is taking place here. Natural reproduction accounts for part of the increase, but most of it is planned. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the fish and game departments of three states have created a paradise for fishermen, stocking the river and the lake with rainbow trout, Kokanee salmon, and striped bass. The Willow Beach National Fish Hatchery has planted a million trout a year for three years now, and the young fish are thriving in the rich waters of the lake and the river. They grow an inch a month.

Right now you can hook fighting rainbows up to 18½ pounds, and how big they'll grow, nobody knows. Thirty pounds? "It's possible," says Wes Martin, regional manager for Arizona's Fish and Game Department. The salt water stripers run 60 to 70 pounds in their natural environment. Transplanted to fresh water only three years ago, stripers already caught in the river are over 20 inches long.

Better Every Year

Lake Mohave has long ranked among the top ten fishing spots in America, but the fishing's getting better every year. Official surveys show a 200% increase in the total catch on the lake over the past five years. Rainbows account for much of the harvest, of course, but you can also tangle with the fabulous fighting black bass, catfish, bluegills, and crappies.

You'll find prime trout and bass fishing on the lake where the warm water of the lower lake meets the cooler upper lake water. There's a revolving current here which creates a natural feeding place for fish. On the river, lunker rainbows lurk in the shallow waters near long sandbanks. They'll rise to flies after dusk, but they also bite on dough-balls, cheese or corn.

There's a lively controversy among expert fishermen over the merits of lake fishing versus river fishing. "You can't beat bass fishing on Mohave," says Jack Hokanson, who's known around Kingman as the world's greatest fisherman. "And they're good eating, better than trout, whether you barbecue, fry, or broil them." But Barney Bernard, the Bullhead City angler who took the first limit of striped bass ever caught on the river, prefers river fishing. "We've got great fish here on the river. They're hard and solid and lively."

SPORTS

Sunday's Sports Scene was one of great tragedy, great triumph AND great surprise...Three of the nation's top speedboat racers were killed in the 35th Annual President's Cup Regatta on the Potomoc River. . .The race was called off after the second fatal accident which brought instant death to two--one of whom was declared the winner. . . The DODGERS edged the GIANTS 2 to 1 with pitcher PHIL REGAN, who worked two-thirds of an inning getting the win making his season record, to date, 5-1--The loss was charged to JOE GIBBON who took over for the GIANTS in the 7th--DRYSDALE'S pinch-hitting single was the decisive blow. . . ARNOLD PALMER, of all golfers, blew a chance to break a tournament record and a comfortable lead allowing a charging BILLY CASPAR to force him into a play-off. CASPAR won the play-off by 4 strokes.

JOHN DAVIS, Nevada Test Site's Ace pitcher, still keeps on being a winner. . .JOHN says there are many times now he wishes he had accepted one of those Major League offers. . .He might have been another MARICHAL or a GIBSON. . .BUT how about the current claim being bandied about that football is becoming America's most popular sport, overtaking baseball as the nation's number one pastime.

On the International front--New Zealanders BRUCE MAC LAREN and CHRIS ANON drove American Fords to a sweeping victory in the Le Mans 24-hour Sports Car Race, Sunday, to give the USA its first triumph in the French automobile classic. . .AND an unidentified woman hit the jackpot at the Ascot Race Meet (England), Saturday, winning \$176,719 on a seventy cents

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By NEGRO PRESS INTERNATIONAL

A variety of developments competed for the headlines last week, but the one creating the most anxiety centers on a story in the June 6 issue of Sports Illustrated Magazine in which catcher John Bateman of the Houston Astros was alleged to have used the slur word 'n-----r.'

Bateman vehemently denied the charge and has threatened to sue the magazine. But a number of distinguished Texans, including Hobart Taylor, a high aide of President Johnson, reportedly have urged the trading of Bateman by the Astros if the statement proves true.

BASEBALL

Chicago: The White Sox brass got a big scare when their star southpaw Jaun Pizarro, a five-game winner, was hospitalized with a deep gash over his forehead. Juan, released from Jackson Park Hospital a few hours after the accident, suffered the mishap while driving back to Chicago from nearby Gary, Ind. . .

St. Louis: Recently acquired slugging first baseman Orlando Cepeda was knocked unconscious by a line drive off the bat of John Collison during batting practice prior to a game between the Redbirds and Philadelphia last week. He was sidelined a few hours with a cut over his right eye. . .

Maury Wills, the elflike base-stealing champion, is being touted as having "more managerial ability than anyone around by General Manager Buzzie Bavasi of the Los Angeles Dodgers. Does it mean that Wills, the Dodgers shortstop, is being groomed to succeed field boss Walt Alston?

BOXING

New York: Lippy heavyweight champion Cassius Clay is not tops but merely the third best fist fighter in the world, according to his chief contemporaries, Ernie Terrell and Doug Jones. After signing to fight for the World Boxing Association version of the title, June 28, each fighter said he considered the other as "a better fighter" than Clay. . .

Emile Griffith, who surprised the fistic world recently by dethroning former middleweight champion Dick Tiger, has signed to defend his new laurels against spoiler Joey Archer in Madison Square Garden, July 13. . .

And the Kentucky Selective Service Appeals

Chuck Harris

BOXING

ARMAND LAURENCO, decisioned McGRUDER after a hard-fought ten rounder at the Fremont, last Thursday night. . .EDDIE MACHEN hopes to get back into the limelight in his main go at Berkeley, California against up and coming JOE ORBILLO of Wilmington, Calif.

W. B. BUSH, boxman, and JOE LEE, dealer, at the Cove have taken over Heavyweight HENRY BASS who will soon be training at the All American Boys Club. . .BIG DENBY, Security Guard, who is training BASS, says that as soon as the fighter is ready, he will stage an exhibition bout with BIG BEN FLAMINGO, the EL RIO Club's Security Guard. BEN is managed by GENE JEW of the El Rio. . .Proceeds will go to the All American Boys Club. Weights? BEN - 265--BASS - 220. . .RED WILLIAMS' promising young protege, HENRY BANKS, will be seen in action at the Fremont and the Convention Center. . .He is a coming fighter's fighter.

The DESERT DRUGS Little League team keeps on winning, so Dr. FRANK HARP says he must keep on throwing parties for them. . . BILLY HERBERT of Herbert's Insurance Agency will help sponsor a Little Boys Boxer's League from the All American Boys Club. . .AND REMEMBER Saturday's party at SUGAR HILL to benefit the All American Boys Club--All receipts from 4:00 until 8 p.m. will be donated to the club. . .Let's make it a real "sporting event".

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Board in Louisville, last week turned Cassius Clay down flat on his request for deferment from the military draft on the grounds he is a conscientious objector. His case now goes to the Justice Department in Washington for recommendation to the board.

TENNIS

American Davis Cupper Arthur Ashe is currently rounding out a tennis tour of Australia and England that will be climaxed in his playing for the Wimbledon singles tennis championship. Not yet in peak form, Ashe, of Richmond, Va., played sub-par tennis last week but still managed to defeat Peter Curtis of England, 11-9, 4-6, 7-5, in the second round of the Kent Lawn Tennis championship.

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