

Fishing Licenses Ready for Public

LANSING—For the more than a million fishermen who will enjoy angling in Michigan waters in 1940 there will be distributed during December to 2,200 dealers, along with the new fishing licenses, 1,400,000 copies of the 1940 non-commercial fishing digest.

A convenient, pocket-size, 12-page folder, the digest lists open seasons on all species of game fish, designated pike and trout lakes and rainbow trout streams, and major regulations governing fishing, in synopsis form. Detailed regulations affecting specific localities, which are too extensive for inclusion in the digest, may be obtained upon application to the local conservation officer, or the conservation department in Lansing.

Chief change in the sport fishing regulations for 1940 is the one dollar resident rod licenses that will be good for all kinds of fishing, including trout, and will be required of every person over 17 years of age who fishes, except wives of license holders. Forty cents of each dollar of this income will be earmarked for purchase of lake and stream frontage to insure continued public access to fishing grounds and for lake and

stream improvement and research. Dealers (but not employees of the state) may retain five cents of each license fee.

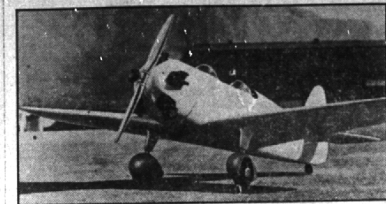
Innovations in the regulations respecting fish are prohibition of bluegill fishing through the ice at night, from 6 p. m. to 6 a. m.; setting creel limits of seven whitefish and five lake trout per day, where the catch previously was unlimited; and classing great northern or grass pike as a game fish. Though great northern pike may not be taken from Michigan waters commercially, it may be imported and sold here if it meets game size measurements. Whitefish and lake trout creel limits will not apply to commercial fishing.

Bus Fare Cut Between B'ham and Detroit

Bus fares between Birmingham and Detroit took another drop this week, the second reduction this year. The new rate to downtown Detroit is 25 cents from the Vine-wood, Maple and Lincoln avenue stops, and only 20 cents from 14-mile road.

"Increased volume of passenger traffic along the route makes possible the reductions," P. L. Radcliffe, general manager of Eastern Michigan Motorbuses, points out. "It is the policy of our company to lower fares and increase service whenever possible. The increase in

Make Plastic Planes Like Cakes



It's getting so airplane manufacture is as simple as baking a cake. Here's the first of the new plastic planes, made from a material resembling bakelite that is mixed up in a bowl and baked in a huge oven. If tests are successful, these planes will sell at half the price of metal planes and can be repaired with a pot of glue.

traffic along the North Woodward route has been surprisingly rapid and we are happy to return to the riding public a dividend through lower fares.

"The company also has found it possible to add a new late coach from Birmingham north to Pontiac. Formerly the bus operated only as far as Birmingham from Detroit. The new schedule makes it possible for those whose work or other engagements keep them in Detroit until a late hour to leave the Detroit terminal at 1:15

a. m., arriving in Birmingham at 2:10, Bloomfield Hills at 2:20 and the Pontiac waiting room at 2:29 a. m."

No Foolin'

A freshman at Indiana University taking out a permit to use his car while in residence, found himself confronted by the following question: "Purpose for which car is to be used?" In the blank he wrote: "To ride in."

Chief Gives Advice On Winter Driving

With severe winter storms and more dangerous driving conditions resulting from snow and ice "just around the corner," Chief of Police John P. Hackett today warned motorists to be prepared for safer winter driving.

While the city will do everything practicable to keep streets open, motorists should cooperate with decreased speed and logical methods for prevention of accidents caused by "Old Man Winter," Chief Hackett declared. He named "O. M. W." as Public Enemy No. 1, citing the 35 to 45 per cent increase of accidents during cold months when there is less travel.

"National Safety Council research proved inadequate traction and obscured vision are the primary dangers," he said. "Every driver should test brakes for simultaneous gripping and have tire chains ready for use when needed; check condition of windshield wiper and defroster; make sure lights are in good condition, even during day, if needed, to penetrate falling snow."

Chief Hackett's "other winter driving instructions, based on tests by the Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards, fol-

low: "On slippery surfaces keep speed down and car in gear. Avoid situations requiring quick stops and sudden changes in direction. Speeds on ice should not be excessive even with tire chains or cinders on the ice."

Stimulate Children's Interest in Wildlife

LANSING—Awards for completion of conservation projects in elementary schools of the state, arranged by the Michigan division of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association and Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan, are expected to stimulate interest of children in wildlife.

Attractive lithographed picture-cards, 8 1/2 by 11 inches, on which pupils' names will appear and which can be framed, are to be presented by conservation officers during school assembly periods when projects are completed.

Typical project: Providing bird feeding trays outside schoolroom windows or at home, listing birds visiting them during one-month period.

Faithful Jimmy

Burglar (to belated assistant)—"You're late. I told you 'arf past one."

Young Burglar—"I forgot the number of the 'ouse. I've had to break into every 'ouse in the street."

I'll Leave It to You

By JOHN DENLER

While I am not a bridge fiend, by any means, I do enjoy playing now and then. Why, I don't know, because I am one of those guys who never get any cards. On second thought, I'll

take that back. I can remember being dealt perhaps a half dozen good hands during the last three or four years. However, they didn't do me much good because I was so unnerved at seeing a few face cards staring me in the face that I lost all sense of balance, overbid each time and went down.

They say that cards are inclined to go one way during the course of an evening, but, although I'll admit that they consistently miss me (the good ones, I mean), I can't see how, in the cold light of logic, it is possible for them to do this. When you consider that one simple shuffle will entirely rearrange the order of a deck of 52 cards, how in thunder is it possible for them to end up so that North

and South, or East and West, always get the ringers? Besides, I've tried changing seats during a bridge game and it hasn't helped me a bit. The honor tricks continue to elude me. It would seem, then, that it all boils down to a matter of luck—some people are just naturally lucky, others unlucky. But this theory, too, is surely incompatible with common sense.

I'll leave it to you. What's the answer? Do you, over a period of time, unfailingly draw the duds in a bridge game? If you do—or if, on the other hand, you're one of those lucky birds who sit on the other side of the fence—I'd like to know how you explain it. Are you like a friend of mine who imports a psychic flavor in card-playing and insists that if you concentrate on getting good cards you'll get them?

Let's conduct a little survey on this "all-important" matter. Just write me your opinion on this question: Do you, or do you not, believe that, in a bridge game, the cards have a tendency to go one way for an entire evening or more? And how, if you do not believe they do, do you explain the fact that it is common practice for one team to play for hours without getting a decent hand?

Please address your letter to me, c/o The Birmingham Eccentric. I'll announce the results of what I believe to be the first serious study of this contemporary problem in an early column. Be sure to let me have your views.

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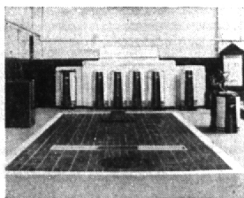
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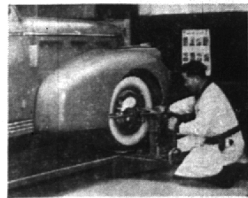
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