

MICHIGAN OUTDOORS

MICHIGAN TROUT FISHING IMPROVES

Try to tell an "old-timer" in Michigan that trout fishing is better today than it was 20 years ago and he'll probably tell you to stop kidding. He sees fishing Michigan streams twenty years ago. Limit catches came fast day after day, any day in the season. "Today," he'll tearfully tell you, "I'm lucky if I get my ten trout limit one day out of every five I fish." So by his standards trout fishing is "way off!"

But it's all in the point of view.

Creel Census Proof

The truth is that there are more fish taken from our streams today than there were 20 years ago, but the increased quantity must be spread among many times more fishermen! So the individual may not seem to profit by the numerical increase. Nevertheless the thousands of additional trout anglers are sufficiently well satisfied with their catch to come back time after time. And reports from Conservation Officers who check creels along Michigan streams definitely confirm the increase in the total annual catch of trout.

Effect of Planting

While the planting of more than one million legal-sized trout each year undoubtedly makes good copy for tourist resort folders, its actual effect on year-round trout fishing success in Michigan is a subject that

A former Birmingham resident, Mort Neff's "Michigan Outdoors" television show appears every Thursday at 10 p.m. over station WJ-TV.

Culver Military Academy Promotes Local Youth

CULVER, IND., May 23 (AP)—Kenneth F. Cernani, from Birmingham, Mich., was a candidate for promotion from the eighth grade (fifth class) at Culver Military academy.

Promotion exercises were held on the Culver campus Tuesday and Wednesday, May 20-21. On Wednesday the 40 members of the class participated in final athletic games and military exhibitions. In the afternoon a tea was presented for parents, guests, members of the

can be argued inconclusively for days at a time. Maybe three hundred thousand of the hatchery-raised fish are caught while the remainder mysteriously disappear. Even so, 400,000 trout is too small a fraction of the total catch to justify the high cost of the planting, according to a large group of sportsmen.

Others argue that the biggest upsurge of trout fishermen takes place on a heavy planting splash week taken place. The newly planted fish are easily caught. Everybody goes home happy, and Michigan trout fishing gets off to a wonderful start. It's a kind of psychological victory even, when you recognize the green-hued species as fugitives from the local hatchery.

1953 Off to Good Start

First reports of trout catches this year reflect one of two things: Either this year's crop of anglers is a lot more skillful, or the brooks, rivers and rainbows are not as wary as they were a few years ago. This writer finds more large fish being taken in early season efforts than in many a year—and many of these tackle-busters rise to a fly in broad daylight, whereas one might expect to find them feeding only at night.

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DOWN TO EARTH Beauty, Service Can Grow in Your Garden

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These are the days in the gardens for "eager beavers." You will remember that in the romantic dreaming days, you were always going to create a lovely home and a colorful garden around it. This was an important part of a promise to yourselves.

All right, let's start with that premise: a garden made for you. Be sure and not design so many flower beds that you do not allow yourself a chance to sit down at dusk and enjoy the peace of it all.

If you plan to spend a part of the summer out of town don't stuff the flower beds with lots of annuals. You will be interested in chrysanthemums, fall asters, huddlers and the rose of Sharon to provide your late summer color.

If you want to raise some vegetables for your table select a piece of ground in full sun. Plan as far as possible from a tree due to root competition for the moisture. Good drainage is important.

YOU MAY LIKE to start a border of lettuce. Plant some additional seed every two weeks to insure constant fresh crops.

Swiss chard is a vegetable you cook like spinach and is very good. Both green and wax beans mature early and pay real dividends in the kitchen. Don't overlook green peppers as they will become an important part of your summer salads.

Grow parsley for garnishing and cooking. Don't forget to harvest it. Tie it in bundles hung upside down to dry and use to flavor savory winter stews.

In this same category grow sage to dry by the above method. The dried sage from your garden can be packaged attractively and given to visitors of the tree at Christmas time for their holiday food.

SWEET CORN likes take a great deal of space for the city garden, so investigate the dwarf corn seed. The compact ears fit a slender planter and the stalks are only about three feet high.



Mrs. Burlingame

I. D. Hall, of Golfview road has enjoyed using tree tomatoes. They will grow six feet tall and will need a very firm stake to hold the tree erect. They are heavy bearers and three plants will give a generous crop for a large family. He places a paper cup around the base when they are planted to prevent an attack from cutworms. Plants should be spaced 24 inches apart. If you once see this type of tomato in production you will be spoiled for any other type of tomato plant.

If you plant radishes you might like to try planting them in an area where they have placed sawdust three inches deep. As the roots develop they will penetrate down into the humus beneath, allowing the "balls" to develop well shaped in the pliable sawdust.

BY THE WAY, if you use sawdust for the radishes, is a way to break up your clay, or in a summer mulch, be sure and add one cup of nitrogen fertilizer for each bushel used, due to the habit of sawdust grabbing all the nitrogen it possibly can. It will rob the food of all plants unless you appease the sawdust with one cup of fertilizer before spreading it.

Springtime gives garden lovers a treat as they are all invited to visit outstanding gardens each Sunday, for the benefit of our metropolitan garden center on Belle Isle. This center draws inquiries all day from gardeners with problems.

HERE ARE some highlights I saw in Grosse Pointe which you might like to keep in mind for your own plot.

Ray Whyte's garden is outstanding. There I saw a large tree with a circular bed around it, the border of sweet alyssum and inside of this

circle, a mass of impatiens with its coral pink flowers. If you repeat the idea, remember impatiens needs lots of water.

Every view in the rear garden focused the eye down a pathway lined with trees, each placed in a measured location to give rhythm, and a feeling of mastery. This is known in landscape architecture as an "allee."

One allee was made of European hornbeams, trimmed as a pillar while another was made up of Elyxii crabs planted 15 feet apart.

I noticed a strawberry barrel filled with portulacas which was good because it doesn't need too much watering.

THERE WAS an 18 inch hedge made up of the dwarf cranberry which had a fine texture.

Taxus intermedius had been trimmed into balls as an interesting accent at the entrance of a garden. They were kept at three feet high.

I. D. Harris loves vegetables and he didn't care who knew it. There we saw a well planned vegetable garden enclosed by a varnished coral fence with a large recreation house of logs at the end of the property all set up for lots of company and outdoor living.

As an extreme, the other side of the property has a large rose bed of the choicest roses, well labeled and I could just visualize Mom in her garden, waiting to flip in his vegetable patch.

Selling your home? Advertising it in the "For Sale-Houses" columns of The Eccentric.

Appoint Mrs. Parnie To Fire Committee

School Board Member Mrs. Alec Parnie will represent the Birmingham public school system at the mayor's advisory fire department expansion committee meeting, Wednesday, June 10.

Mrs. Parnie will discuss the value of school buildings and report the location of all schools within the city when the committee studies the advisability of enlarging the present fire department.

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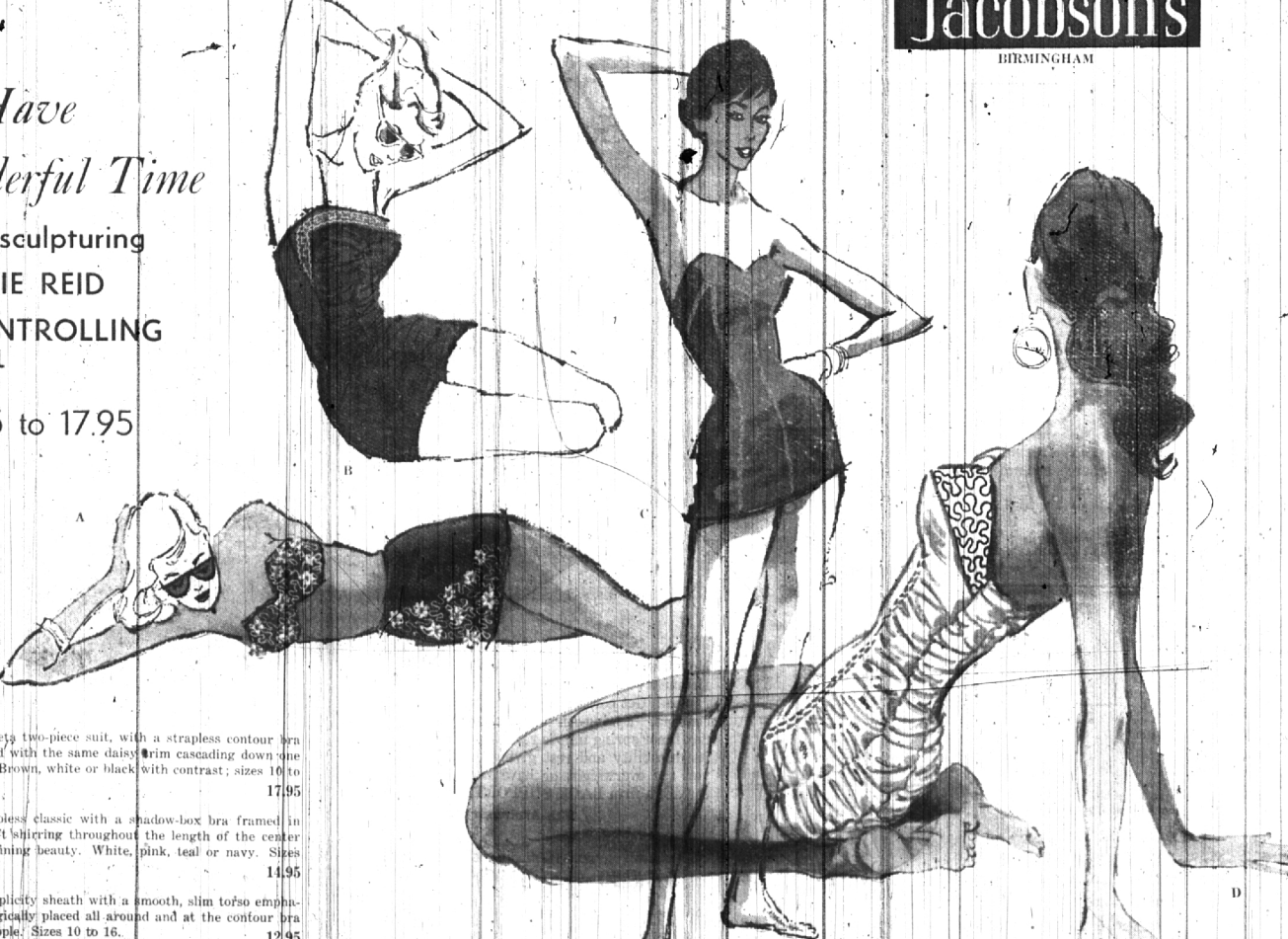
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