THE PRESENT JAUNT TO LAKE CHARLES WON'T BE THE LAST TRIP SOUTH FOR SOME OF OUR A'S GET THIS, ANGLERS CATFISH ARE WAKING

It's Early for Them, But They Can Be Caught With Hook and Line, and Neshaminy Creek Affords Good Sport

By W. E. MEEHAN
Superintendent of the Fairmount Park
Aquarium.

CATFISH are moving and feeding.
This means that anglers may now go after this blood thirsty and bullying water conditions on record at the Fairmout Park American Construction of the catfish. race of fresh-water rangers with good chances of catching some with baited hook and line. It also means that in all likelihood another and a favorite fish has been added to the late winter fisher-

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could bardly be a more surcould bardly be a more surcould bardly be a more sur-There could partity be a more sur-prising and welcome announcement than this concerning the catfish. It may be received by a large proportion of fisher-men with some incredulity, for there a g well-founded belief among then. men with some incredulity. For there is a well-founded belief among them, shared even by scientific men, that cathsh in these northern regions betake themselves to the mud in the bottom of rivers and ponds, thus allowing a greater amount of oxygenation of the water, somewhater arrives, where they remain semidormant and not feeding until spring.

That belief has been supported by the That belief has been supported by the fact that there was little if any more ice during the winter of 1918-19 them this

That belief has been supported by the conduct of the fresh-water white and yellow catfish on exhibition in the aquarium in Fairmount Park, with the exception of this winter. There, from about the middle of November until about the first week in April, the cathebout the first week in April, the cathebout the first week in April, the cathebout the first week in the support of the sandy hottom, sleeping almost contin-nously, sometimes not moving more than a few inches for days at a time, and taking no food whatever with the exception of this winter, when there bas been no cessation of feeding.

The news that the cattish were upsetting all previous records came the latter part of last week from three of the many which surround fish life.

different sources.

Further, in two instances it was given casually and in one instance only in connection with another bit of news that was considered remarkable.

Further, in two instances it was without bothering much about the problems of why. Their chief concern will be places where they will be most likely to inveigle a mess. this instance E. D. Benson stated In this instance E. D. Benson stated that a sea fisherman had exhibited and given him two sunfish, which, he said.

One of the near-by locations where catfish about during the summer months and which should yield results

he had taken from a seine net in the now. upper part of Great Egg Harbor bay. Took Five Catfish

Onestions put to Mr. Benson devel-Questions put to Mr. Benson devel-oped the fact that the fisherman had also taken five fresh-water catfish and seven most and the largest fish, is Salem

Brinkman brothers, Fred and Richard, after the season has advanced a bit members of the Philadelphia County Weather conditions are such that worms ish and Game Protective Association, can be had for the digging, and perhaps had caught three large yellow catfish in some of the fish bait stores, with a rod and line from Cooper's creek.

Ordinarily catfish bite better at night with a rod and line from Cooper s creek.

using worms for bait. Only one rod
was used and the fish were all caught
than in the day time, but under the
abnormal circumstances the chances are
within an hour. These same anglers this
week fished a favorite catfish hole in good if not a little better.

SWARTHMORE SWIMMERS OUTCLASSED BY RUTGERS Princeton Matmen Meet Penn at

New Jersey Mermen Swamp Opponents With 44 Points to 9

New Brunswick, N. J., Feb. 19. giate match in Weightman Hall this Regers' swimmers completely swamped afternoon. Captain Ashby, in the 158the Swarthmore mermen in a dum pound class and intercollegiate chaming meet here. Rutgers piled up otal of 44 points against 9 for the last week to see action. Ashby will may be summer that the last week to see action. Ashby will wrestle in the 175-pound class because of the lack of material in that class. Bien will take Ashby's place in the last week to see action. Ashby will all record in the 220-yard swim.

the distance in 2 minutes 158-pound class. seconds. This was the only The Tigers 1 158-pound class.

The Tigers have an exceptionally strong team this year, having defeated Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute. Columbia and West Point. Penn hidds a win over Cornell and West Virginia and was defeated by the Navy. Bill Ward, the big football tackle, is suffering from a had case of boils on both wrists, and will be unable to compete in event Giebel was permitted to enter. Rangers took first place in every event, winning the plunge for distance for the first time this year. The local men have not been defeated this seaclassed throughout.

Boots and Saddle

The Shreveport race meeting of thiris days opens this afternoon in the
isanus border town. The card conis of six purse races of \$500 value
is there being no claiming events. The Shreveport race meeting of thirof six purse races of \$500 value the remainder of the season because the remainder of the season because size of the fields is limited, because the narrow track, having been used winner in the championships, and his of the narrow track, having been used beretofore as a fair grounds course only. The first race is three and a half fur-longs and the last is a mile and seventy yards. The others are five and a half

If the horses keep up their New Orof the horses keep up their New Orleans form those appearing well placed
are: First race, Baby Evelyn, St. Mautire, Malsavena: second, Echoland,
Lady Mildred, St. Just: third, Back
Bay Mornon, Mickey More; fourth,
Sir Grafton, Flibberty Gibbett, Grayson: lifth, First Pullet, Ablaze, Sandy
H.: sixvh, Bar One, Kohinoor, Sundaria

The track is supposed to be fast, but it is seen at least and unreliable. The admission will be \$2, including war fax 8ud 25 sells of safe ticket for local charity. James Wilcory will preside at the barrier.

Pasne Whitney's Broomstick has not fees of any stallion in the world. Gay Crusader's fee of \$2000 was set in Europe last year. Whitney's a sends for \$2000, Pair Phy sire of War has a fee of \$1500 as has a sendal and Whish Broom H. The Sweep, Hourless and Ultimus are

El Quatro purse for \$1000 is the field race at Havana today. The field roll little of high class, of which the same Faculta. Atta Boy II and Penste are Faculta. Atta Boy II and Penste are Faculta.

Whitey Allen Finishes Sweeney Tork, Peb 19 — Whitey Allett of the inoched out Bob Sweensy, Boston of the first result Homer Smith Kalabase led out Wild Bill Reld of Calling the third result of the third result. Pinkey Lewis, was distributed for holding in the form of his bout with Kid North America.

Street Coaching Columbia Nork, I'ch, 19 - "Galdey" Street Best Johnson Street battety, of Street framt, has been at Columbia

It was suggested that the unusually

remarkably early movement and feeding

naturally in rivers and ponds under the most favorable conditions, yet hereto-fore the fish have slumbered until April.

now, is Neshaming creek between Croyton and the mouth of the stream.

The Rancocas is also a favorite haunt for catfish, and so are Big and Little

TIGER WRESTLERS HERE

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toss will be keenly felt.

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Bamford.

fth street and Queen mar.

Samford,

Furitan V. M. L. vs. A. M. O., Second and Clearfield streets. Referee, D. Scott,

Hardwick & Magee vs. Vietrix, Broad street and Allegheny avenue. Referer, A. Watson, Albion vs. Audubon, Sixty-second and Walnut streets, Referce, J. Steele. ALLIED LEAGUE

Second Division Kaywood vs. Kensington, Thirty-first od Dickerson streets, Referce, James Third Division Northeast Bridesburg vs. Disston, Richmond and Prihodox streets. Referee, J. Jackson, Collingswood vs. Palethorp, Mascher street and Adams road, Referee, G.

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EXHIBITION GAMES Belmont vs. Victory, Fiftleth street and Kingsessing avenue. Referee, Wendell. Cohocksink vs. Starr Garden, Cedar and Ann streets. Referee, J. Schuler, Starr Garden vs. Funfield Junior, Sixth and Lombard streets. Referee, G. Schmidt.

SUNDAY GAMES Kaywood vs. West Philadelphia All-stars, benefit game, Thirty-first and Dickerson streets. Referee, Priestler, Wolfenden-Shore vs. Andubob, Card-ington, Pa. Referee, Donohue, Hauting Social vs. Atlantic Steel, Nineteenth street and Hunting Park avenue. avenue.

All-Pennsylvania vs. New Jersey, New-ark N. J.

PRINCETON FIVE WINS

Brawner's Basket in Extra Period Wins Over Swarthmore

Swarthmore. Pa., Feb. 19, -The league. Princeton busketball five defeated clubs in the Eastern League to defeat stend, 4; Kenrus, 3; and Barlow, 8 eped the fact that the nanorman had also taken five fresh-water catish and seven white suckers, besides a quantity of estuary fish. This catch was made, as matter of fact, in the Tuckahoe river and not in Great Egg Harbor bay. The white eattish predominates in these character of the fish was sufficient to the control of the control of the fish was sufficient to the control of the fish was sufficient to the control of the control of the fish was sufficient to the control of the fish was sufficient to the control of th Swarthmore by the score of on the home floor. Each week they have Contesville had ten baskets to its credit 33 to 31. It took an extra five-min- been turning back the best clubs, and going to Powell, 2: Fossett, 2: 16-)

that accompanied them. Tought they demonstrate that.

The same day A. E. Ford gave information that the cattish in a pond he gave in power in Delaware county were plainly visible swimming freely over the bottoms.

The best bait are big fat earth worms, after each team had tallied a one-pointer. The final forty minutes of play ended in a tie at 30, while Princeton led at the end of the first half 17 to 10.

RAYMOND CROSS BACK IN PHILLIES' LINE-UP

Locals Play Trenton at Muand Camden Meets Reading in Important Clash on

first place and the Jerseymen are anxious to score another win over the Phillies when they play here tonight at Musical Fund Hall, Eighth and Locust

While the Potters are meeting the Phils, Camden will be at Reading, Phils, Cameen will be playing the Pretzels in a game that will give the champions a chance to advance on even terms with Germantown. The locals now hold a half-game lead. A victory for the Skeeters will cause a victory for Reading means will a victory for Reading means but if he says "No" he will be unable to come.

as keenly fought as the scrap between the Skeeters and Germs for the second half honors, not that these teams are out of the running, but the present lenders have the best chance of winning. Reading and Trenton are fighting hard for places, as the one that finishes highest meets the winner of the burg, will no doubt come up for dissecond half for the season's title.

Raymond Cross Back

The Phils will place the best team on he floor tonight that Musical Fund fans have seen this season. At forward will be Willie Miller and "Chicky" Pas son; at center, "Skeets" Wright, and the guards, Raymond Cross and Tom

Cross has returned from a trip to Chicago and will pair off with Tom Dan-leavy for the first time since they were members of the North Phillies.

niany years.

It was Brawner's speciacular one- that accompanied them. Tonight they

EASTERN LEAGUE STANDING sical Fund Hall Tonight

| W. L. P.C. | W. L. P.C. | Shoots are concerned. The Clearwise Sical Fund Hall Tonight | Germant'n 9 | 3 | 256 | Trenton | 6 | 5 | 545 | Gun Club will stage its regular monthly shoot over the traps at Seventy-second TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE Camden at Reading. Trenton at Philadelphia.

Latter's Court

Hotel Windsor, at which time President Scheffer will discuss the player question with the managers. Earlier in the week he notified the various lenders that regardless of what has been done carlier in the season regarding the players under contract not appearing, advanced to a tie with Reading for first place and the Jerseymen are any.

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In the upper bracker of the draw to the various events on the program.

What action would be taken in a The fight between Reading and Tren-case of this character is hard to say ton for the highest place promises to be That is no doubt one of the reasons why the president has called the meet ing, so that all the teams will have an understanding and no complaint can be ortheoming when any one is suspended.

Potters Pile Up Score

The Trenton Potters, with Oscar Grimstead at center in place of Maurice Tome, handed Coatesville a facing on the former's floor last evening. The final score was 52 to 28, and the home talent dropped in twenty-four field goals, one-third of which went to the credit of Tommy Barlow.

eredit of Tommy Barlow.
Little interest was displayed by the players on either side. Contesville showed good form in the initial period are expected to form one of the best defensive and offensive backfields in the the net.

Pace and Quaker City Clubs Local and nearby marksmen will have another busy time today, although it is an "off-Saturday" so far as big shoots are concerned. The Clearview

street and Powers lane. There will us one trophy for high visitor, with five One trophy for high visitor, with five

ATHLETICS OFF FOR CAMP

Connie Mack Leads Small Party for Lake Charles

future greats left North Philadelphia vesterday on the 5.35 train for Lake Charles, La. The crowd expects to or the season. The subject of Bernie Dunn, who has will go via Atlanta New Orleans and

hence to the training camp. Aside from the Mack family in the herriers including Pitchers Eckert, Hei-minek, Barrett, Dave Keefe and Catcher Perkins. At Baltimore the above will

HOCKEY GAME TONIGHT

Powerful Boston A.A. Meets Quaker City at Ice Palace

right wing Boston V. V. Queker City Percy Hatchinson Ingulis O'Sollivan Stubbs Wylde left wing Reference I. Lewis Brown. Three 15-min ute periods.

debut here tonight when the powe ful Boston A. A. team meets Quaker City in a United States Amateur Hockey Association game at the Je-Palace, Boston A. A. has won all four

Target Tests Listed by Clearview. PEARSON BROTHERS

Clash in Semifinals Today for State Title-Wallace Johnson Plays Harrity

In the upper bracket of the draw Stanley W. Pearson, of the Germanthat he intended to enforce the rules in the final month.

Any team that has more than one man absent on any one night will lose the services of one of the players, and if any particular player is to be absent his name must be forwarded twenty-four hours in advance. Germantown will be without Art Powers at Coatesville on Monday as he cannot leave his employment in New York in time, and Natholman is making every effort to get.

clashes with W. F. Harrity, of the Overbrook Golf Club. Harrity has been runner up in the state tournament, but thus far has never been able to annex the title. Harrity is a golfer. He plays on the Overbrook team and is rated as a very good man. He carried the correspondent of the carried the rated as a very good man. He car-ried George Hoffner nineteen holes last season in the Suburban tournament, his best performance of the year. Wallace Johnson is one of America's "first ten" in lawn tennis. His squash racquets game has improved greatly during the last season and he is expected to

In case Johnson and Stanley Pearson meet in the finals, a great battle is pre-dicted. The final event will be staged Monday afterneon at the Racquet Club.

Ward Returns Yankee Contract Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 18.—Aaron Ward, hird baseman for the New York Americans, as inturned his contract to the management of the cub unsigned. Ward and he would be a holdout until his salary demand.

Lafayette Battery Candidates Out Easton, Feb. 19 — Battery candidates re-ported at Lafayette College yearerday and calc is light workout in the chapel hall. As feach Hill Coughin will not report until forch I the battery men will work under the direction of Captain Welbach and Man-ner Laubach.

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Shall Germany or France Pay the War Bill?

If Germany doesn't pay, France must In effect, this is the reply of a large section of the press of the United States to those economists who insist that the war bill presented to Germany by the Allies-226,000,000,000 gold marks payable in forty-two years. plus a 12 per cent, export tax—is more than that nation can pay, "The astonishing fact is that it does not seem to have occurred to these British and American pleaders for Germany that if she does not pay for the devastation she methodically wrought, her victims must." exclaims the Philadelphia North American, which points out that "when it is argued that the sum demanded in reparations should be reduced, this means precisely that sufferers from her aggression shall be penalized to the extent of the remission."

On the other hand, some editors are convinced that the Allies are demanding more than Germany can pay, "France wants Germany's blood, and it deserves Germany's blood, but it must get it by transfusion, not by murder," remarksthe Louisville Courier-Journal. "Germany can never pay the 226,000,000,000 gold marks indemnity," exclaims the Seattle Times, and the New York Evening World characterizes the reparations program as "amazing and impossible."

The leading article in THE LITERARY DIGEST this week, February 19th, covers this subject very comprehensively, and shows public opinion of every shade as reflected in the newspaper press.

Other important news-articles in this number are:

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