

ABOUT TROUT CULTURE

Hints From a Man Who Learned by Experience—What He Recommends for its Propagation.

John P. Creveling, who is the superintendent of Col. Trexler's hatchery, in Saltsburg, near Allentown, knows more about trout culture than any other man in the state.

The Allentown Leader recently contained an interesting story on the propagation of trout, which should be read by all who take an interest in the stocking of streams.

If it is true that ninety-nine per cent. of the trout fry planted by the state perishes in the streams, why go to the great trouble of planting them?

Every year we hear of millions of fry placed in the streams of the state and when the season opens the cry comes from every section that trout are scarce.

The state should hold the trout until they attain the length of three or four inches before shipping them out. The quantity, of course, would not be so great, but those that were shipped would be able to take care of themselves and better results would be obtained.

What The Leader Says.

To those who love trout as a thing beautiful in nature this is the most interesting period of the year at Col. Trexler's Saltsburg hatchery, where Superintendent John P. Creveling is now his busiest, with the spawning and incubating season at its height.

"Some people are interested in trout only to catch them, but those who study them from the standpoint of a naturalist, are deeply interested in the hatching process.

"From the stock of 225,000 parent fish in the ponds, Mr. Creveling and his assistants are stripping about 1,200,000 eggs. They could get 10,000,000 if they wanted them, but from 1,200,000 that will be secured he expects to hatch a million fry.

The eggs are placed in little wire trays and placed in long troughs, about 15,000 eggs to a tray. For forty days the water, just above the freezing point, runs over them. Half the eggs, very small when spawned, swell to the size of a large pea toward the end of the period of incubation, and then, during the blizzards of January and February in the coldest water known, just above the freezing point, the tiny trout are born.

An Efficient Hatchery.

"Prospects for the coming season are excellent, and it is believed results will be more satisfactory. Under the skillful care of Superintendent Creveling, who is credited with being a descendant of Isaac Walton, this hatchery has been developed into the most efficient in existence.

"Until the last few years it was the practice of trout breeders to hatch fry and get rid of them when they were three-quarters of an inch long, planting them in streams where they are a prey to innumerable natural enemies, including bigger trout, eels, pike and floods. Ninety-nine per cent. and more of these trout fry perished and not one per cent. ever grew to catchable size. It is a complaint voiced by all anglers that millions of fry are planted, but no one ever hears of a thousand being caught.

Raises Catchable Fish.

"Full of fish wisdom from years of experience, Mr. Creveling decided the thing to do was to take care of the trout at the hatchery until they were of such size that they could take care of themselves when planting in trout streams. This theory struck Col. Trexler as being based on profound common sense, so much so that he spent lots of money in the construction of ponds where the fry might grow into fish. They are kept until absolutely able to look out for themselves when given free range in a stream. Some go away at three inches long, but in every single fish that goes away from this hatchery there is the potentiality of a catch by an angler. The chances are not that one of two in a thousand may grow to be catchable, as is the case when the fry are planted, but there is a certainty that 100 per cent. either are or will be catchable fish when they leave the hatchery.

A Wise Fish Man.

"A native of New Jersey, Mr. Creveling has been a fish man practically the 65 years of his life and he has associated with the leading trout breeders of their day during the last two generations. His teacher was Tad Norris, the greatest fisherman New Jersey ever produced, and Tad learned from Seth Green, of Rochester, and Seth was taught by Stephen A. Ainsworth, of Caledonia, N. Y., who is credited with having made the first attempt in America to propagate trout artificially. The hatcheries of these old pioneers were not to be compared with those of today, and generally consisted not of a series of ponds, but of a stream. Fry had only had the freedom of the stream the minute they were hatched, but actually were hatched in the streams and the percentage of destruction was frightful.

"The artificial breeding of trout was in fact looked upon as a wild dream until Dr. Slack, the great Philadelphia enthusiast of forty years ago, bought out the hatchery of Tad Norris in North Jersey and installed Mr. Creveling as the man in charge. After several years he attained such a reputation that the farseeing trout enthusiasts of Pennsylvania of that day began to look upon trout culture as a good thing. Although in those days there were still so many trout in the streams of Pennsylvania that a present-day angler would have considered them a paradise, the trout fishermen of that day began to be alarmed, nobody more so than old Senator Simon Cameron. After some discussion Mr. Cameron and a few other trout lovers began to advocate the establishing of a fisheries department for Pennsylvania in 1870.

First Fish Commission.

"The legislature ridiculed the idea and declined to make any appropriate

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FOR REPRESENTATIVE



FRED C. REICHENBACKER

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He is in favor of the initiative, referendum and recall, the election of United States Senators by direct vote, more legislation in the interest of the wage worker and the farmer, also wise legislation impartially enforced against criminal trusts and corporations. He also favors free bridges on the Delaware, provided that the cost of acquisition and all future expense of such bridges be borne by the states of Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey.

He was placed in nomination for state senator of the Fourteenth district (Wayne, Pike, Monroe and Carbon) by the conference of Wayne at Stroudsburg in 1908 and during the deadlock had the highest vote of any candidate; but, notwithstanding the nomination belonged to Wayne, his name was withdrawn on the fifty-second ballot and the nomination went to Carbon county.

Mr. Reichenbacker was born in Honesdale, Pa., in 1864, and was educated in the Honesdale schools and learned the druggist's business and has followed the business for 27 consecutive years. His father and grandfather were Wayne county farmers, having settled here about the middle of the last century. He has always been an active and consistent Republican, but never held office and asks your support at the Primary Election Saturday, April 13, 1912, from 2 to 8 p. m.

Two years later, however, a start was made, and the first Pennsylvania Fisheries commission was appointed, consisting of Col. James M. Guffey, of Pittsburg, the late Judge Howard Reeder, of Easton, and Ben Hewitt, of Hollidaysburg. They established the first hatchery in Pennsylvania at the home of Simon Cameron, Donegal Springs, Lancaster county, and Mr. Creveling was put in charge. Here is where it came about that the present Pennsylvania fisheries department is the apostolic child of Isaac Walton, since the four Buller boys, who are to-day superintendents of four big state hatcheries in Pennsylvania, were taught to propagate trout by Mr. Creveling—William Buller, superintendent at Corry; Howard Buller, superintendent at Bellefonte; Nathan R. Buller, late superintendent at Pleasant Mount, now State Fish Commissioner, and Abraham G. Buller, superintendent at Union City.

His Theories Spreading.

"The theory of Mr. Creveling to care for trout and protect them from enemies until they can care for themselves, has met with the approbation of no less an authority than United States Fish Commissioner George M. Bowers, and the United States government now sends out only fingerlings. The state of New Jersey has abandoned the Jersey hatcheries, which planted only fry and spends its money securing catchable fish. The results have been a wonderful stimulation to the sport of trout fishing in New Jersey where within the past year or two, in free public streams, trout have been as plentiful as in many a preserve. Mr. Creveling's theory of trout propagation has spread beyond the seas, and interested the governments of Peru and Sweden."

INGLEHART.

(Special to The Citizen.)

Inglehart, April 4.

Frank Decker had Wm. McIntire's wood saw Friday and saved up a nice pile of wood. Frank Branning had the saw Saturday.

Mrs. Thomas Cassidy, of New York is visiting at Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Cases', as her brother, Mr. Case, is very poorly and does not improve rapidly.

Mrs. S. Sherman returned to her home in Lava Friday. Charles Case took her home.

Mrs. H. S. Whitmore spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. L. Brown, of Beachlake.

Howard Hill and wife and also Charles Wood made a business trip to Honesdale Tuesday, April 2.

Harry Wood, Frank Decker, Frank Branning and Marsell assisted William McIntire in sawing wood on Monday.

M. Pallehorn returned to Middletown Sunday after spending a few days with his family at this place.

The school of Pike county closed Wednesday forenoon, April 3.

The school of East Berlin will close on Friday, Apr. 5. They are going to have recitations, songs and dialogues.

Charles Wood has bargained for Howard Hill's house and lot.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wood and daughter Violet visited Harry Wood and wife Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Branning and daughter visited Mrs. M. Brinkman on Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Branning spent a few days of last week with her daughter, Mrs. Willis Hector of Narrowsburg.

LAKEVILLE.

(Special to The Citizen.)

Lakeville, April 3.

Many friends of Rev. and Mrs. H. T. Purkiss are grieved to know the fact that Mr. Purkiss' health has failed to such an extent that it is feared he will never be able to endure another voyage. At least he is unable to return to America just now. On Tuesday, March 26, the trustees of the M. E. church here, by order of Mrs. Purkiss, sold the household good and paid all debts, the remainder being sent to the pastor. Rev. Purkiss was an ambitious old gentleman and a good minister. He left many friends in America who pray that he may be restored to health. Much sympathy is extended to his wife and children.

Rev. Stephen Treat occupied the pulpit at this place on Sunday morning last and delivered to his congregation an excellent sermon taken from the Epistle of Paul to the Philippians, 3rd Chapter, 13-14 verses. Mr. Treat will move his family from Thornhurst this week. We welcome them to Lakeville.

W. D. Sheeley and family, who have lived in Hawley for the past year, so as to remodel their home, returned April 1.

Miss Lucy and Richard Sheeley are confined to their bed with measles.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Miller are entertaining their children this week, also Scranton friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan R. Locklin attended a reception in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John Attemier at the groom's home at Arlington on Saturday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Locklin entertained Rev. S. Treat over Sunday.

Mrs. D. A. Smith was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. A. Goble on Sunday.

Miss Melvia Hoshier from Pittston, is with her aunt, Mrs. Peter Daniels, for a time.

Miss Elizabeth Alpha returned on Wednesday after spending ten days with friends in Carbondale, Scranton and Taylor.

Peter Daniels, we regret, is not improving very rapidly.

Miss Cora Locklin, of Ariel, passed Sunday last at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Deacon, Paupac, were callers in this place March 31.

Mrs. Walter Walker and daughter Olive, returned to White Mills on Saturday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Cross, also Mrs. A. M. Sandrock were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. James on Sunday of this week.

Wm. Alpha passed Sunday at Hub.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Richter, born Monday, March 25, a son.

Preaching services will be conducted in the M. E. church here on Sunday evening, April 7.

TYLER HILL.

(Special to The Citizen.)

Alma Gries, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Gries, died Saturday at 5 p. m. of an unknown disease. Funeral was held Tuesday at the Baptist church, Rev. R. D. Minch officiating.

Bernice Gregg, of Abrahamsville, spent the week-end with friends in town.

W. D. Orr, of Calkins, was the guest of Thomas Griffith on Sunday last.

Lawrence Rooney is working for Howard Welsh.

Salah Oliver is spending some time in West Damascus.

F. E. Brown recently exchanged steeds with Lee Mitchell.

A brother of Mrs. Philip Bishop, Luther by name, died some recently in New York city.

The St. Tammany district school, Sadie Welsh teacher, closed on Monday with appropriate exercises and a school picnic.

Friday was the last day of school at Galilee. Miss Maude Noble has presided there the past winter.

Bephah Dutton is staying with Mrs. John Gries.

Abrahamsville and Tyler Hill schools closed Wednesday.

A daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Boucher, of Elmira, N. Y. Mr. Boucher is a Tyler Hill lad and learned the glass cutting trade at Honesdale. He is now foreman in an Elmira shop.

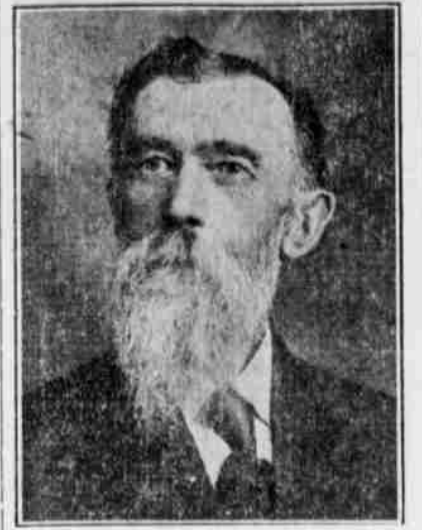
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stalker spent Thursday in Honesdale.

Messrs. Greene, Coddling, Manzer and Sturdevant stand for sane policies administered in a progressive manner and will go to the National convention pledged only on that question. The question of candidates is a secondary matter and the delegates assembled here can be trusted to pick out the man who has the best chance of winning. Give them your hearty support and they will not betray the confidence you have placed in them or allowed themselves to be stamped from a safe and sane course.—Susquehanna Ledger.

Others, with the interests of the Republican party only at heart, are not willing that the delegates go pledged to a certain individual. History has shown the unwisdom of pledged delegates time and again in national presidential conventions, and with conscientious men as delegates such as Messrs. Homer Greene and John W. Coddling, who are pledged to work only for the interests of the party unhampered by a binding agreement, then only can those interests best be served.—Montrose Republican.

Unless all signs fail, according to Chairman McKinley of the Taft National committee, the primaries in Pennsylvania will settle the presidential nomination. If this state goes strongly for Taft the fight is practically at an end. If results favorable to Roosevelt it may eliminate Mr. Taft from the contest. It is up to the friends of the President to leave no stone unturned to make his victory an emphatic one. The Fourteenth district can do its share by electing Messrs. Homer Greene and J. W. Coddling who while not pledged to the president cannot be counted as supporters of Colonel Roosevelt. They will go to the convention pledged only to name the candidate who looks to be the man who can unite the party and make victory sure.—Susquehanna Ledger.

WHERE HON. H. C. JACKSON STANDS



HON. H. C. JACKSON.

Several have asked me personally and others by letter how I stand on the following questions and have requested me to publish a statement of my views. I assume that the public at this time has a right to know.

I favor the election of U. S. Senators by direct vote of the people.

There seems to be a question of a misunderstanding as to how I stand on the above question, some of my friends throughout the country being under the impression that I voted against the proposed resolution at the last session of the legislature. The fact is that it did not come to a vote at all but was in a very unfair and underhanded way ruled out until too late to present to Congress before the adjournment of that body last winter. I did, however, have the pleasure of signing a petition to Congress with, I think, about eighty-five others who would have voted for it setting forth our position on the above question.

I am a farmer and as such am interested in all that the farmer and the farmers' organization, the Grange, are interested in and if elected will favor any and all legislation in their behalf.

Any legislation in favor of the wage-earner upon whom the farmer is to a great extent dependent, will also receive my support.

I am in favor of free bridges on the Delaware and will use all honorable means to obtain them.

I am in favor of the people having a voice in the making of our laws and am, therefore, in favor of local option and all other measures which give the voters a chance to say how and by what laws we shall be governed; and shall favor such legislation as will offer the freest and fullest expression of citizens on questions concerning the government of the State.

H. C. JACKSON.

Tyler Hill, April 4, 1912.

STERLING.

(Special to The Citizen.)

Sterling, April 3.

During the month of March we have had several very unpleasant days and but few bright ones. So far but little sugar or syrup has been produced and the price of that is rather low as the market is filled up with old stock.

S. Hineline has moved into the old vacant building that William Stevens formerly occupied. Charles Yates has moved into one of C. M. Smith's houses and Charles Williams expects to soon move into the vacated G. D. Stevens' house.

For some time George Robacker has lived in Connecticut but is now at his father's.

Susan Cross, a teacher at Moscow, is spending a couple of days at home.

Ray Robacker was recently struck on the nose with a ball and last week he and his mother went to Scranton. Mrs. Robacker returned last Saturday but Ray is still at a hospital. An abscess has formed in his nostrils.

As we expected, Rev. Mr. Webster was returned for another year. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Mesargie and Effie Cliff took in a few days of the conference.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson does not improve and an only daughter, Mrs. Taylor, of Philadelphia, is now with her.

Flossie Bortree and Ethel Simons, students at East Stroudsburg State Normal school, are spending their Easter vacation at home.

The supervisors have levied a 9 mill cost road tax which is one mill higher than last year. Comment is useless.

On the 27th ult. Rev. W. E. Webster united in marriage, Howard B. Butler and Bebel C. Musgrave at the residence of the bride. The boys fairly ached for a "racket" but a box of cigars had a very soothing effect.

On March 20 a son came to bless the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Gilpin. Again we say congratulations.

Philadelphia Men Endorse Mr. Wright.

Philadelphia.—The State Delegates representing the Sixth Congressional district of Philadelphia, comprising the 24th, 27th, 34th, 40th, 44th and 46th wards, known as the "West Philadelphia Wards," have caucused and pledged themselves to the candidacy of C. F. Wright for State Treasurer and sent a representative to Harrisburg to inform him in person that they irrevocably pledged themselves to work for his nomination as State Treasurer. These wards are STRONG INDEPENDENT WARDS, and this assurance coming from them is very gratifying to our townsman, for the reason that it comes from a source where he has made no canvass and solicited no support, and their action is based entirely on his record under appointment.—Susquehanna Ledger.

—Are you reading the war story now being run in The Citizen? It is very interesting.

CARDINAL'S STINGING REBUKE.

O'Connell of Boston Points to Danger of Handicapping the Judiciary.

Boston.—At a recent dinner Cardinal O'Connell, replying to the toast "Civil and Religious Liberty," said in part:

"Justice is not founded upon votes but upon principles. The fact that the form of government is popular franchise can no more change the origin and foundation of law than a plebescite can banish God.

"But the very life of the people's liberties, religious and civil, is always in danger when the foundations of law and the independence of judges, be they civil or ecclesiastical, is imperilled.

"The law is not the people—the people are not the law. The law is the principle of justice governing the people, and its application to individuals, to associations, to business, to every relationship of civil life must be so hedged around with reverence and security that the civil courts may in moments of popular passion save the whole people from the tyranny of lawless majorities.

"Liberty, founded upon the eternal principles of divine justice, interpreted and applied in civil life by God fearing Magistrates, untrammelled and unfettered and unafraid of passing popular passion, that, in a word, is the guarantee of what alone has made this country great—perfect security of civil and religious liberty to all. While that lasts, while the people themselves realize its value beyond price, this land is safe.

"My words are the clear expressions of the unbiased principles of all those patriots who have lived and died for the glory and permanency of this great republic, and among all these no one has voiced these sacred principles so clearly, so fearlessly, so uncompromisingly, whatever the results, as the great, judicial, impartial, big hearted and cool headed statesman who now presides over the destinies of the United States of America—our President."

BETHANY.

(Special to The Citizen.)

Bethany, April 9.

Mrs. Cott visited her sister, Mrs. J. B. Fantz last week. Mr. Cott spent Sunday here and they returned to their home in Miner's Mills Sunday evening.

Horace Hoyle moved his household goods here from Carbondale the first of the week and took possession of Woodside Inn.

In the death of Charles Avery another of our older citizens has passed away. He helped many with his counsel, and will be greatly missed by his many friends.

Rev. and Mrs. John E. Pritchard and family of Wilkes-Barre arrived on Tuesday and took possession of the manse.

Mrs. Judson Noble and baby daughter, of Scranton, are expected Saturday to visit at the Many home.

Mrs. Harry Many spent Easter in Honesdale.

Mrs. William Gustin, of Whites Valley, spent last Sunday with her sister, Mrs. M. L. Slayton.

William Hauser recently consulted with Dr. Corson, Rileyville, who found two small bones broken in his foot. He has been using crutches.

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