

SMELT EXPECTED TO BEGIN RUNS LATE THIS MONTH IN STATE

Smelt spawning runs, expected in late March by early April, will attract thousands of persons to Michigan streams again this year. The exact time of the spawning runs varies from year to year and is influenced greatly by water temperatures.

Studies of spawning runs indicate the earliest begin in the northern watershed areas late in March, while the latest get under way about mid-April in the Huron and Superior watersheds of the upper peninsula.

The best spots to dip smelt are in streams that flow into the northern third of Lake Michigan, including Green Bay. The next best to catch are in streams and cuts that drain into the Saginaw Bay area.

Hand nets, not more than five feet in circumference, may be used to take smelt in designated waters from March 1 to May 31. Larger dip nets may be used in certain non-trout waters from April 1 to May 31.

A complete listing of designated smelt waters is available from the Conservation Department's fish division in Lansing.

Michigan manpower can handle more than 60 per cent of all the kinds of work recognized by the U. S. Census Bureau. Almost any industry can hire the right kind of labor within a moment's notice.

Township Water

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done to add further strength to the bond proposal and thus make it more saleable. Upon further questioning by Dr. Joseph Gadbad, chairman, and Mrs. Philip Newberg, secretary of the Water Development Association, Judge Moore and Vogt both agreed that the present petitioning of resident property owners in the "dry areas" should continue. It was also agreed that Pate and Hira should proceed immediately with the development of plans and cost estimates on the proposed extension in cooperation with Detroit Water Board engineers. At the same time, it was agreed that a study be made of the methods of financing the project.

Various members of the Detroit Water Board Association asked what assurance the Township had of actually securing Detroit Water Board funds. Pate stated that a verbal agreement has been made and that Detroit has definitely indicated its intention through the appropriation of funds for enlargement of the Springwells Pumping Station, which will serve the northwest metropolitan area. Pate stated that before any detailed engineering is started letters will be transmitted from their office to the Detroit Water Board.

The "typical" beaver colony consists of an individual family, its parents, yearlings born the previous year, and kits of the current year.

ANNUAL DETROIT MACHINERY WAGE SURVEY AVAILABLE

Increased average straight-time hourly earnings were reported for all occupations studied in the annual Detroit machinery industry wage survey according to Adolph O. Berger, director of the Central Region of the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics. Compared with a previous study made in January 1955, occupational rates as of November 1955 were from five to eighteen cents per hour higher.

In November 1955, straight-time hourly earnings for selected jobs studied ranged from an average of \$1.93 for janitors, porters and cleaners to \$3.15 for tool and die makers in tool and die jobbing shops. Class A machine tool operators averaged \$2.00 per hour, while Class B operators averaged \$2.21 and Class C machine tool operators averaged \$2.00 per hour.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics study for Detroit in January 1955 showed these same classifications had straight-time averages of \$2.74, \$2.08 and \$1.93 respectively. The comprehensive wage survey listed average straight-time hourly earnings for over twenty-five job classifications and shows distribution rates for each of the classifications as well as the average. In addition to the detailed wage rate information, related practices such as shift differentials, paid holidays, health, insurance, pension plans and vacation policies are tabulated.

Copies of the Detroit Machinery Industries wage survey for November 1955 are available from the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 105 West Adams Street, Chicago 3, Illinois.

Council Approves

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The City Manager and City Attorney were authorized to arrange for the preparation and issuance of bonds to finance the project. The Council also approved the signing of a contract with Pate and Hira for engineering services in connection with the interceptor.

Final adoption of the new Planning Commission ordinance was unanimously approved by the Council. The new ordinance, which becomes effective April 3, provides increased authority to the Planning Commission through incorporation under the State Enabling Act. The City Manager was authorized to advertise for bids on pick-up of garbage and rubbish in the City.

Following a detailed discussion on the problem of flooded basements on State Street between Wilmarth and Cass, the City Manager was instructed to make a study of the situation as soon as possible and to submit recommendations to the Council. In the meantime he was requested to take the necessary steps to provide temporary relief. A large delegation of property owners along the street appeared before the Council for the second, claiming that something be done.

A letter was read to the Council from property owners along Hawthorne Street asking that action be taken to eliminate the drainage problem in the area. L. N. Hayden, engineer, was instructed to complete the survey for drainage and street construction and to submit a report by April 2.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR of EVENTS

6:30 p.m.	Kiwanis Club	Salem Church
7:30 p.m.	Teen Town Club	Salem Church
7:30 p.m.	Oakland Lions Club	29021 Northwestern
7:30 p.m.	Edgewood Rebekahs	1. O. O. F. Hall (Inkster)
6:30 p.m.	Methodist Men's Club	Methodist Church
2:00 p.m.	Wolverine Trail Club	Town Hall
4:00 p.m.	Concert Discussion	Farmington H. S.
SCHOOL BOND ISSUE VOTE		
7:00 p.m.	Y. P. Fellowship	Farmington School Board
8:00 p.m.	Farmington Lions Township Board	
7:00 p.m.	Exchange Club	Lewis Inn
8:00 p.m.	Warner Farms Association	University Church
8:30 p.m.	V. F. W. Post 4033	High School Cafeteria
		Memorial Home

Vast Suburban Planning Needed, University Authority Asserts

The movement of population away from the central cities into the suburbs has exploded into an apparently insatiable demand for more space, according to Harlow O. Whittemore, professor of landscape architecture at the University of Michigan.

A nationally renowned city planning expert, Professor Whittemore points out that the competition for space requires careful planning for an organic whole so that every part of the city fits together with out waste of precious space.

Taking a long look into the future, Professor Whittemore predicts that residential subdivisions will be organized in neighborhoods or towns of 30,000 to 60,000, each with a central business district, industrial area, railway yards, large parks and parkways.

"Central business and industrial areas," the professor continues, "will be separated from each other and from residence districts by green belts or tree-planted parkways. The major parks will be located on hills or in valleys and along streams or lake fronts," he says.

He predicts that "the civic center of the future will attractively accommodate public buildings, including libraries and auditoriums, indoors and out, along with underground parking garages.

"A radiating system of major thoroughfares and expressways, highways, joined by circumferential thoroughfares, boulevards, parkways and railway belt lines will provide efficient and safe transportation," Professor Whittemore asserts.

Discussing the new demand for space, he points out that a ten per cent increase in population meant a demand for ten per cent more structures and ten per cent more space.

"This is no longer so," he says. "People used to be satisfied with small homes in one-eight to one-quarter acre lots. Now they want three-eighths to one-half of one-acre lots in the suburbs to accommodate the spreading ranch type home. Shopping districts must supply off-street parking lots starting with a minimum of twelve to fifteen spaces and going up to seven times the floor space.

"Factory owners once satisfied with two acres of ground for each acre of floor space now want eight acres of ground space," the city planner continues. "Highways once 66 feet wide now must be 120 to 200 feet wide. School grounds, once five acres, now are 15 acres for the same number (600) pupils.

"Lost of our Michigan cities are attractive and pleasant in whole or in part. With reasonable rate of growth, guided by sound planning, they will continue to be sources of pride and enjoyment for their citizens," he concludes.

State Warns City
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sources Commission, stated that action must be taken by the City either through the Authority or on its own initiative prior to the new deadline date. Officials emphasized that they want action regardless of the method followed.

A maximum fine of \$100 per day could be levied against the city under the contempt of court action.

Stuart Rague, representing Pate and Hira, Engineers, stated that plans for the sewer project have been filed with the State and have been tentatively approved. The plans include specifications for the city portion of the sewer up to Middlebelt and Shawwassee Street with alternate proposals for the interceptor line to the Detroit system. The alternates include specifications on mains for just city capacity and for larger capacity as used by the Authority.

LIGHTED FIELD PROJECT \$2,000 SHORT OF GOAL

According to an audit of the books of the Clarenceville, Lighted Athletic Field Fund, an additional \$2,000 is needed to meet the initial goal of the organization. The books were audited by Arthur B. Smith, financial secretary of the Optimist Club, as of March 2, 1955. Booth stated that the records were in excellent shape. He added that with some money going into the fund through planned projects and with a portion of the football season receipts going to the lighted field project, that the goal of \$13,200 should be realized within any difficulty.

Cost Of Living Gains 1 1/2 Per Cent In 4 Year Period

Consumer prices have undergone many important changes since 1951. The cost of living has increased about 1 1/2 per cent in four years. Some articles have gone up, others down, to maintain a reasonable balance, according to U. S. Government Statistics released by the National Association of Manufacturers.

Retail food prices, the largest item of family expenditure, have averaged 3 per cent lower than four years ago.

The chart indicates that while food prices went down, housing went up. Clothing prices generally declined while cost of transportation increased.

Important personal services, such as medical care, cost more now, but recreation activities are a bit less than in 1951.

What economists call "price stability" is the result of balancing underlying price changes. The buying power of today's consumer's dollar has been maintained for about four years.

Armed Robbery

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16178 Chatham: Thomas E. Kelly, 18, 17668 Westbrook, both of Detroit, and George Arnold, 20, 16579 Floral, Livonia, appeared before Justice Allen C. Ingle Monday on charges of armed robbery. Also appearing in court were their companions, Allen Ginter, 19, of 18974 Dale, Detroit, and Bernard King, 19, 19775 Neguence, Redford.

Pearlson, Kelly and Arnold, who are allegedly involved in the actual robbery, were taken to the Oakland County Jail under heavy bonds. Also placed in jail under heavy bond was Ginter, who, according to reports, did not actually take part in the robbery. He is alleged to have supplied the gun in the hold-up.

King, claimed by police to be intoxicated and absent without leave from the Air Force, was cleared of active participation. He was turned over to military authorities.

An examination and trial for the four youths will be held in the Justice Court on Tuesday, March 27.

Woman Injured In US-16 Accident

Lila E. Blakebrough of 13305 Westman Avenue, Livonia, was injured Friday night when her auto skidded out of control on US-16 east of Haggerty Road and ran into a ditch taken to Sessions Hospital in Northville with severe cuts over her right eye. Considerable damage was done to the car and a sign in front of the Revere Motel was knocked down. Several other property damage accidents were reported by state and local police over the week end but none were serious and no injuries resulted.

Record Tie Vote

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Prior to the closing of the hearing, Ed Schmidt was appointed Chairman of the Zoning Board, replacing Leo Kelly. Arthur Bass was named secretary, replacing Schmidt. Kelly stated that he was forced to resign as chairman because of new job duties as well as required attendance at a special school. He will remain as an active member of the Board.

Michigan communities have organized more than 50 industrial credit corporations. They groups have raised funds for the purpose of buying land or erecting buildings for industries seeking a plant location.

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