

Pre Of Wire Loops Hold That Fish

By PETE HARDESTY

you ever been so tired of not catching fish that do just about anything to see the cork go under? try this. Take a four foot piece of strong wire (an tring is about right), put a small loop in both ends, ion the whole length so it looks like the loop at the ariat. Before closing the loop, bait the bottom of with a large minnow or a small fish. Tie the end p to your line, use a large cork, and a rather heavy about two to five feet deep. Chances are good, if in one of the larger lakes or rivers, of your catching e roughest and toughest of our fresh water fishes. of course, the Alligator Gar.

Gar is difficult to catch on the standard hook. Alatching one in this fashion is not impossible, the fisherman will become discouraged before he is suc-

the loop method, average catches are good. Apthe gar opens his bill to take the bait, the lower below the wire, the upper jaw goes through the cenloop. As the fish slowly moves away with the bait ght, the loop tightening around his upper jaw.

Good to Eat?

gator Gar is not thought good to eat. However, n Arkansas is trying its ve otherwise by canning The skin and scales are , and tales are told of s farmers using the skin material for their play

ars attain a huge size. have been reported as r 8 feet and weighing up unds. They are a very fish and will eat any sh, including game fish. scavengers to some ex-

Gar Will Dive

oked the gar will react making long bull-like will jump and shake like

ver or a shot gun will andy after the fish has the fight. Never pull a ningly whipped gar into even if you are sure he

w of a professional guide Lake in East Texas who

Gay Back From Colorado

Gay returned from Colora story about albino said he saw three. That ove that fish are color-

Gray returned from Wyellowstone National Park ice trout for us and storleeping under blankets. Long reported that he

Kyle Field Made Ready For 1953

The Texas Aggies will open the 1953 season in a somewhat larger and more modernistic Kyle Field.

By scrapping the old press box and expanding the stadium an additional 2,500 new seats will be added. This includes 178 box seats which will be in the area of the old press box.

Some 2,500 option rights have been made available for these new seats. According to Pat Dial, business director of athletics, only about 1,500 of these had been sold up to the drawing held recently.

After completion the stadium's seating capacity will be 41,594 seats including 2,400 temporary seats. However these temporary seats are usually only put up for the Thanksgiving Day game.

Razorback Troubled When Boys Just Don't Want to Play

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF Associated Press

Just what Arkansas will have in football this season is hidden by pessimistic statements both from Coach Bowden Wyatt and the Arkansas publicity department.

You actually feel sorry for the Razorbacks after reading these laments. The football booklet that has gone out says it will be a year of change and that it must be devoted to player-experimentation, a situation not conducive to winning football with the advent of the single platoon.

It quotes Wyatt as saying there are not enough top-flight boys to win in the Southwest Conference. Spring training, comments the

coach, was too short for the job demanded. He spent most of the time, he says, in seeing "which men really wanted to play football, and not where they could play."

Otis Douglas, when he resigned as coach at Arkansas last winter, declared the main trouble he had run into was finding boys who actually wanted to play football. It's a strange situation and causes you to wonder just why boys in Arkansas are so different from those in Texas as far as football is concerned.

Since Wyatt has gone to Arkansas, 13 boys have been lost to the squad, most of them because of scholastic difficulties. But quarterback Bob St. Pierre signed a

baseball contract with the St. Louis Cardinals. Little was heard about St. Pierre, and 1952 season statistics don't indicate he did very much for the ball club, but now that he has gone, his loss becomes as acute as if he had been All America. Football is like this: a boy is most valuable indeed when he leaves.

"The morale of the squad was very low, and I assume that this will account for several of our good boys failing to pass the required number of hours for eligibility," Wyatt says.

The record of two victories and eight losses in 1952 undoubtedly accounted for the drop in morale. Anyway, there appears nothing that a few victories won't cure—

that is, if Arkansas can get a full complement on the field this fall. The way the folks at Fayetteville talk it would appear that a return to one-platoon football is the best thing that could have happened. Arkansas ought to be able to get 11 boys out there who do want to play.

23 Lettermen Return

A glance at the squad roster indicates that Arkansas isn't anywhere as bad off as anticipated. Surprisingly, Arkansas has 23 lettermen, which is as many as any other team in the conference. There are four ends, five tackles, three guards, two center and nine backs. In this group are 15 seniors.

If all of these fellows want to play football they should be able to make a respectable showing.

There are no more talented players in the conference than Lamar McHan, the quarterback. He was great as a sophomore, didn't do very well last year, mostly because he was injured much of the time, but he's sound now.

McHan Leaves Wyatt Cold

They say Wyatt doesn't think too much of McHan as yet. That is understandable in view of what he accomplished last season. But McHan can play top-flight football. Obviously Wyatt won't take any other kind from his boys. He moves on the theory that boys in the peak of condition will play consistent football and he's going to drive the Razorbacks hard.

John Barnhill tied for the conference title in 1946, his first year as coach at Arkansas, because he had the team in top condition. The boys didn't like so much hard work — there were reports that some rebelled—but when it was all over, they probably thought it had been worth it.

Arkansas will be the only team in the conference using the single-wing this season. Southern Methodist and Texas Christian gave it up for the T. If Arkansas could make a good showing it would return the single wing to favor. Certainly it ought to be a real test—one team against six.

Arizona State on Probation

Notre Dame and Michigan State Receive Stiff Warnings From NCAA

CHICAGO — (AP) — Notre Dame and Michigan State received a sharp slap for violations of the athletic code Monday night and little Arizona State at Tempe was placed on two year's probation by the powerful policy-making group of the nation's colleges.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association's 17-man council meted out no specific punishment to the two larger universities but, in effect, warned them to be good henceforth—or else.

Notre Dame was "severely censured and reprimanded" for permitting tryouts of prospective football and basketball players. This is a violation of the NCAA constitution.

As for Michigan State, the council said it supported the action of the Big Ten Conference, which placed the Spartans on Probation. MSC had the nation's Number 1 football team last fall.

The Spartans, also charged with giving tryouts to three basketball players not named, were given until next Feb. 22 to explain operations of the so-called Spartan Foundation, which the council charges has been giving aid to athletes.

The NCAA constitution states that athletic aid must be administered by the college.

If Michigan State fails to meet these demands before the deadline, the college then would be subject to more severe punishment. The council can forbid other colleges to play a member not in good standing, as in the recent case of the University of Kentucky's basketball team.

Arizona State on Probation

Arizona State got the roughest treatment, being placed on probation for the two years, beginning Sept. 1. Also Arizona State's athletes were ruled ineligible for NCAA championship events for the college year of 1953-54. The Arizona State can continue to play football.

The Arizona institution was charged with permitting pay to athletes and transporting prospective players to the campus for tryouts. The NCAA's amateur code forbids payment to athletes above tuition and reasonable board.

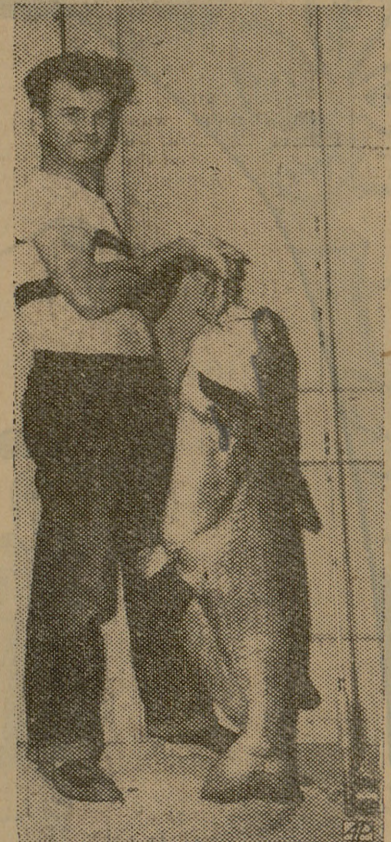
The council said Notre Dame, one of the nation's football powers, conducted tryouts for prospective athletes in both football and basketball over an extended period of time.

These tryouts, the council added, consisted of wind sprints, calisthenics, reflex tests, running and passing in football, and basket shooting in basketball. The action by the council failed to mention the case of Charlie Sticka, a stand-out Trinity College freshman, who showed up on the Irish campus but later left when Trinity officials raised a furor. Trinity is in Hartford, Conn.

Commenting on the NCAA action, a Notre Dame official said coaches had used a "modified type of try-out" but that the university stopped the practice on learning of it last January and invoked "disciplinary measures" against the coaches.

Added a statement by the Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, CSC, executive vice president:

"It is ironic to be subjected to



CATCHES BIG FISH ON FLY ROD—Jack Means of Denison, proudly holds up this 54-pound catfish that he caught August 9 below the Denison dam on Lake Texoma. He caught the big fish on the fly rod shown beside him, on a worm-baited No. 2 hook and 25 yards of line. After fighting the fish for an hour and ten minutes, he maneuvered him into a rock shelf and when another angler tried to gaff him he missed and the cat snapped the leader. Means dropped his rod and dived for the fish. With the help of two other nearby fishermen he managed to wrestle him on to the bank. Affidavits of the catch are being rushed to various national sources to check the record, believed to have broken existing fly rod marks.

Swimmers Win Honors

NOW in the big Southern States Junior Division of Olympic Swimming the Grady Pool in Houston the younger group of age Station Swimming many individual honors 4th in team standing in and under, 2nd in Girl's 1st and 6th in Boy's 12 r divisions.

500 children were com this Swimming Meet, of the local children are fine.

Individual winners were: 2 and under, 50 yd free- place, Jimmy Potts; 50 stroke, 3rd place, Jimmy 0 yd breaststroke, 6th Armistead; 150 yd indy- edley, 3rd place, Jimmy 5th place, Howard Mitch- d medley relay, 6th place,

Armistead, Jud Rogers, and Fred Brison.

Girl's 12 and under, 50 yd backstroke, 5th place, Sue Simpson; 50 yd breaststroke, 2nd place, Gail Schlesselman; 150 yd individual medley, 2nd place, Judy Litton; 150 yd medley relay, 2nd place, Litton, Schlesselman, and Mary Varvel; 200 yd freestyle relay, 1st place, Varvel, Simpson, Schlesselman, and Litton.

Boy's 10 and under, 75 yd individual medley, 5th place, Tom Ferguson, 75 yd medley relay, 2nd place, Jack George, Bob White, and Ferguson.

Girl's 10 and under, 25 yd breaststroke, 2nd place, Linda Chalk; 75 yd medley relay, 3rd place, Mary Ann Kirkham, Chalk, and Sally Lehr; 200 yd freestyle relay, 3rd place, Lehr, Sandra Covey, Sue Howell, and Chalk.

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