





By VERN SANFORD

Those of us who fish for sport often overlook the importance of our commercial fisheries.

In fact, we bitterly resent some of the tactics of commercial fishermen.

It must be remembered, however, there are millions who do not fish who can only have fish by buying them.

The Bureau of Commercial Fisheries of the U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service, has established four new regional offices and a new southern California program office. The purpose of these new regional offices will be to implement the expanded commercial fishery program.

Texas is very much interested in any advancement of the commercial fishery industry. Water of the Gulf of Mexico are worked daily, particularly by shrimpers.

Some protective legislation has been passed to keep commercial netting out of Laguna Madre, and to control shrimping and oyster gathering in other Gulf areas. This is very necessary to protect this wildlife resource. The Texas Game & Fish Commission has a marine laboratory at Rockport, and sub-offices at other places along the Texas coast where daily studies are made. These offices work very closely with the Fish & Wildlife Service in protecting our supply of marine fish. They are important both to commercial and sport fishing.

**Weed Control—Good and Bad.**  
For those who live in the coastal areas it might be well to keep in mind this spring that some weed control can be harmful to wildlife.

The Game & Fish Commission recently completed purchase of additional marsh land in the Beaumont-Fort Arthur area to provide refuge for water fowl. Careful studies are being made of seed-producing weeds that ducks and geese like to feed on. Biologists directing this program have had long experience and training in providing such foods. You might want to contact them about some of your acreage.

Also a rather intensive weed control program now is under way by the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife and the U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service. The purpose is to find ways of eliminating undesirable marsh plants and to substitute plants which will produce food for migratory waterfowl.

One phase of this project is the testing of various herbicides to find which will eliminate noxious weeds without injuring wildlife values. Your county agricultural agent also can be most helpful in this work.

**For Spin Fishing Enthusiasts.**  
Spin fishermen always have had the problem of knowing just how much line to play out when they hook a big one. Now comes the E. P. Gladding Co., with a color-metered Platyl line that indicates at a glance. With each package of line there is a rod decal corresponding to 10-yard markings. This will prove a popular feature.

Speaking of spin fishing, it's getting light enough now to put in a few minutes dry casting in your back yard each evening when you get home from work.

Get a casting practice plug or remove the hooks from a spin size plug. Set up a marker; an old bicycle tire is excellent. Then practice for accuracy.

The beginner has little trouble getting distance with spinning equipment. Many times, however, accuracy is impaired because your spinning rod is longer than the average bait casting rod. It also has a lighter action, requiring only a flick of the wrist.

With a little practice for a few evenings you'll find you can hit the target every time. Accuracy in casting is very important if you are fishing in good bass water, which has plenty of stumps, rocks and tree tops. A lot of time can be wasted freeing lures that hang on overhanging branches. However, it is a well known fact that big bass usually are found in some of these difficult spots.

Incidentally, this backyard practice is good for the whole family.

Take a couple of Junior's old bicycle tires. Set up your casting distance and then start to work. Do it systematically and properly, however, don't just go out for a few hit or miss licks. This practice will pay off well before the season is over.

Of course on Sunday afternoons you might put on a real lure and stand on the lake bank. It's fun to catch a bass when you are just practicing.

**Gun Digest Expanded.**  
If you haven't seen a copy of the new 1958 edition of the Gun Digest, better look it over. The book has been greatly expanded this year to cover both new and modern arms and ammunition. It has information on ballistics, scopes, choke devices, loading tools, metallic sights and custom and foreign guns.

It also contains many interesting how-to articles by noted writers. So it furnishes mighty good reading, as well as ready information.

**New Stamps.**  
A black and white wash drawing of Canada geese feeding in a cornfield has been chosen as a design for the 1958-59 migratory bird hunting stamp. Leslie C. Kouba, a Minneapolis artist, was the designer. This will be the 25th stamp issued in the Federal duck stamp series. This stamp is required of all persons who hunt migratory waterfowl.

Speaking of stamps, have you bought any of those whooping crane stamps? First sale of these stamps began at Corpus Christi recently. Corpus is only a short distance from the Aransas Wildlife Refuge at Austwell, where 31 of these whoopers wintered.

The stamps are beautiful and effective reminders that there are so few of these beautiful birds in existence.

Garland Reed of Sweetwater spent the week end with Sammy Renfro.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Carter spent New Year's in Dallas where they visited their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carter.

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### Rowden News

By MRS. BERNARD CROW

Mr. and Mrs. Odie Smedley visited Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Dale Brown and Jerry and Mrs. Alma Chatham, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Payne spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Elliott and Pauline and attended the wedding of their niece, Bertha Marie Elliott, at the Baptist Church in Wylie.

Mrs. Vonelle Gibbs and Judy, Mrs. Sterling Odom and girls and Mrs. Leila Gibbs visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hazle, Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price visited her father, Noah Smedley at Merkel, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sikes of New Mexico, spent the week end with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sikes.

Those visiting the Gene Mauldin family New Year's Day were Mr. and Mrs. Donny Brown and Cynthia and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Glaser of Abilene, George Hopkins, Glen Ray Lawrence, Walter Jones, Mrs. Bobbie Campbell, Irene and Kathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Odom and children spent last Sunday in Irving visiting his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Odom.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sikes and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sikes visited Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Smedley at Baird last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Gary spent the week end at Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow spent the week end at Snyder with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stephens and Debra.

Eddie Compton of Fort Worth spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. John Adair.

### Sabanno News

By Mrs. Edwin Erwin

Jerry Erwin has returned to Tarleton State College, Stephenville, after spending the Christmas holidays with his parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Wordis Erwin and Peggy.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Lusk and daughter of California are visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Lusk and children of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Lusk and children were all with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lusk, Sunday. Jimmie left for Mississippi Monday where he will be in school for two weeks and his wife and daughter remained with the Lusk family while he is gone.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hicks and sons spent Christmas Day in Abilene in the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Rody and baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Holcomb spent Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Junior Livingston at Gustine.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Durham and daughter of Dallas visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Durham during Christmas.

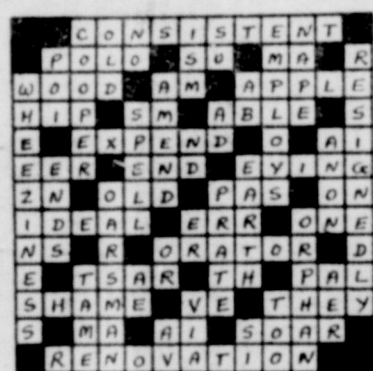
Mr. and Mrs. T. Notgrass of Odessa, visited his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Notgrass last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morris and daughter visited in the home of their sisters, Misses Josie and Alma Morris during Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pritchett of Anson and Edd Holcomb of Bloomville, Calif., visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Holcomb, last week.

Clifton Lusk and daughter, Vesta, visited in the home of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lusk, last Wednesday.

Mrs. Bertha McKinney, Mrs. T. C. Larkin and Mr. and Mrs. Hulan Erwin and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Elliott visited in the home of Mr. and



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Mrs. Wordis Erwin, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wood, Jr., and daughter, of Brownwood, visited their sister, Mrs. Joe Lilley, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arthur and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Arthur of Albany spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Casey.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lusk, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Erwin and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King, attended the funeral of Sal Gattis at Scranton last Friday afternoon.

The Busy Bee Club met in the home of Mrs. Wordis Erwin last Wednesday with most all of the members present. One quilt was finished and delicious refreshments were served. The next meeting of the club will be in the home of Mrs. O. B. Switzer, Jan. 15.

Mrs. Edwin Erwin entertained the Busy Bee Club members and their families with a "42" and domino party last Friday night. Mr. Casey and Edwin Erwin were honored on their birthdays and each received many useful gifts. Birthday cake and coffee and hot chocolate were served to 31 guests. Everyone had an enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cox and children of Carlsbad, New Mexico, Miss Jesse Christian of Jonesbury, Ark., and Mr. and Mrs. Truett Dawkins spent Christmas Day in the H. N. Lawson home. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Swafford and Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Brooks and children visited them in the afternoon.

Jimmie Laminack of Imperial spent Christmas with his father, Moody Laminack.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McCann and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Erwin visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cumba, Sunday afternoon.

Gerald Green of Crane and Floyd Green of Big Spring spent Tuesday night with Arza Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Dawkins returned to their home in Fort Worth Friday after spending the holidays here with her mother, Mrs. J. C. Graham, and Mrs. Ruby Copeland.

College students leaving the past week for various colleges after visiting here during the holidays are: Clark Baum, Texas University; Weldon Newton and Carl McCord, Texas A&M; Pat Moore, Del Mar College, Corpus Christi; Benny Glover, Max Watson, Jerry Erwin, Charles McCord, Bill Sipes and Rodney Joy, Tarleton State College; Cynthia McCann and Harold Gary, Hardin-Simmons University; Terry Watkins, NTSTC, Denton; Billie Helen McMillan, Howard Payne College, and Betty Montgomery and Martha Barnard, Abilene Christian College.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dill and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Dill and children, all of Abilene, spent Sunday of last week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Dill.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Redland Springs, N. C., recently in the home of Mrs. Merritt Dill and they hadn't seen each other years.

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December 31, 1957

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1957 \$ 133.00  
 Total receipts for 1957 1,337.75  
 TOTAL \$1,470.75

Expenses:

Salaries and wages \$ 947.37  
 FICA Tax, 1957 57.75  
 FICA Tax, 1952 to 1957 216.33  
 Returned Check 5.00  
 Sundry Expense 1.14

Total Expense 1,227.59

Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1957 \$ 243.20

EDWIN BAUM,  
 Secretary-Treasurer.

# Food Buys

**Coffee** WHITE SWAN Lb. Can 89c

WHITNEY Salmon Tall can 53c Fresh Frozen, Orange Juice 6 oz can, 5 for

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