



# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

## INFORMATION SERVICE

### FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

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#### REPORT OF FEDERAL FISH HATCHERIES--OCTOBER 1941

During the month of October, more than 8,034,960 fry and fingerlings of 20 varieties were distributed in suitable waters by 57 Federal hatcheries located in 32 States. In addition approximately 69,000,000 eggs, fry, and fingerlings of 21 varieties were handled or ready for stocking.

Following is a breakdown summary of activities:

#### ARKANSAS

Mammoth Spring. - During the month 31,890 rock bass, 33,660 bream, and 1,225 largemouth black bass were distributed.

Through a cooperative arrangement, 6,870 largemouth black bass and 13,340 bream were secured from the State hatchery at Lonoke, Ark., for filling Service applications in the southern part of the State.

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#### COLORADO

Creede. - The hatchery distributed 120,000 rainbow and 213,000 black-spotted trout fingerlings, and 2,692 rainbow trout yearlings.

Leadville. - There were 166,000 rainbow and 27,000 blackspotted trout distributed.

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## FLORIDA

Welaka. - Beecher Lake was drained during the month and the fish distributed.

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## GEORGIA

Cohutta. - There have been distributed 46,400 bream, 300 smallmouth black bass, and 5,375 Kentucky bass.

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## IDAHO

Clark Fork. - Distributed during the month were 13,346 blackspotted and 28,796 rainbow trout fingerlings to the U. S. Forest Service, and 10,965 rainbow trout fingerlings to the State fish hatchery at Sandpoint, Idaho.

Hagerman. - Fish distribution during the month has been conducted on a large scale. Blackspotted trout were liberated in tributaries of the Snake River in Bonneville and Teton Counties of eastern Idaho and in the Payette River watershed in Valley County, in waters where cutthroats were originally the predominating game fish. Distribution of rainbow trout was limited to streams that produce best fishing of this species. Four thousand seven hundred mackinaw trout fingerlings were planted in the Payette River watershed.

Twenty thousand grayling were transferred from Warm River, Idaho, to this station.

Mullan. - Seventy-one rainbow trout, culled from the station brood stock, were marked with U. S. Forest Service tags. These fish will be liberated in the North Fork of the Coeur d'Alene River in the near future in a project, undertaken with the cooperation of the Forest Service, to determine the extent of migration of adult rainbow trout in the Coeur d'Alene watershed.

Warm River. - Plantings were made in Henry's Fork of the Snake River and the Buffalo River.

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#### INDIANA

Rochester. - A total of 229,653 fish was distributed.

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#### IOWA

Fairport. - There were 86,440 bluegill sunfish fingerlings delivered to Squaw Creek Wildlife Refuge at Forest City, Mo.; approximately 30,000 largemouth black bass fingerlings to the LaCrosse, Wis., station for future distribution; 75,000 bluegill sunfish fingerlings to the Illinois State Conservation Department for planting in Lake Springfield, near Springfield, Ill.; 87,000 bluegill sunfish to the Iowa State Conservation Commission for planting in Lake McBride, near Iowa City, Iowa; 43,075 largemouth black bass fingerlings planted in the Mississippi River, in cooperation with the Muscatine Club of Muscatine, Iowa, and the Scott County Sportsmen's Club of Davenport, Iowa.

Manchester. - The station crew seined the Hopkinton, Iowa, cooperative pond and recovered 2,900 largemouth black bass fingerlings. These bass, together with others from this station, were delivered to the Delaware County Fish and Game Club at the hatchery, and a wide distribution of the fish was made in open waters of Delaware County by the club.

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## MASSACHUSETTS

Hartsville. - Six thousand two hundred eighty-five catfish were trapped in a private pond, and then distributed to applicants or planted in local waters. In addition 69,500 brook and 21,000 rainbow trout fingerlings have been distributed.

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## MICHIGAN

Northville. - Distribution of 50,000 bluegill fingerlings was made from this station; while 223,550 brook trout were distributed from the Marquette National Forest Cooperative Nursery.

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## MINNESOTA

New London. - At the conclusion of its first season of operations, this station had distributed 35,624,560 fry and 2,044,087 fingerlings--northern and walleyed pike, largemouth black bass, sunfish, and crappie.

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## MONTANA

Bozeman. - This station distributed 454,000 blackspotted, 7,400 brook, and 213,780 rainbow trout. There remain 45,100 rainbow, 13,800 black-spotted, and 3,100 brook trout for distribution in local waters.

Creston. - Totals of 535,480 blackspotted trout fingerlings were delivered to the Glacier National Park tank truck for distribution in Park waters.

Miles City. - Approximately 80,000 black bass, 100,000 crappie, and 4,000 catfish were seined during this period. There are about 25,000 bass and 10,000 crappie awaiting distribution.

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## NEBRASKA

Crawford. - During the month there were distributed 31,040 black bass, 112,650 bluegill sunfish, 49,625 crappie, 33,290 catfish, 3,000 common sunfish, 30,260 yellow perch, 500 rock bass, and 3,700 rainbow trout.

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## NEW HAMPSHIRE

Berlin. - First brook trout eggs have been collected; a take of about 6,000,000 is expected this season.

Twenty-eight thousand brook trout fingerlings were planted by the States of Vermont and New Hampshire under the terms of the Cooperative Agreement.

Nashua. - Twenty-one loads of fingerlings were shipped during the month. The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department began planting of brown trout, which have attained legal size, in State waters.

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## NEW MEXICO

Dexter. - The State lake west of Dexter is now being drained and the fish removed. Approximately 90,000 crappie and bream have been taken out to date, and the operation is about half done.

Approximately 29,000 bass have been distributed, largely in local waters to put back what the flood waters may have washed away.

Twelve hundred channel catfish have been salvaged from the farmers' canal, and more will be secured if the water drops lower in the canal.

Santa Rosa. - Thirty-nine thousand fingerlings were distributed in De Baca, San Miguel, and Guadalupe Counties.

Sixty-six hundred twenty-five fingerlings produced by the Dexter station were distributed in Union County, New Mexico.

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NEW YORK

Cortland. - Fifteen thousand fingerling fish of three species were distributed to applicants.

Some 415,060 brook and 90,828 brown trout eggs have been collected.

Powder Mill Park. - Rainbow trout egg collections now total 28,514.

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NORTH CAROLINA

Edenton. - Station personnel assisted in shad tagging operations being carried on at this station by the Service's Division of Fishery Biology.

Hoffman. - Drawing of the ponds is being held up until completion of army maneuvers in this area.

Pisgah Forest. - During the past month 3,280 rainbow trout were distributed.

The fish were transported by the U. S. Forest Service to the Grandfather District of Pisgah National Forest.

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NORTH DAKOTA

Valley City. - The North Dakota Game and Fish Department has assisted in distribution of the largemouth black bass, crappie, and bluegill removed from station ponds.

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OHIO

Hebron. - Three thousand bluegill sunfish were delivered for planting in Delaware County, Ohio.

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OKLAHOMA

Lawton. - Nine thousand largemouth black bass fingerlings were received from the Tishomingo, Okla., station, to be used in filling applications.

Tishomingo. - A total of 27,525 largemouth black bass fingerlings was distributed to applicants within the state of Oklahoma.

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OREGON

Butte Falls. - There have been 1,581,000 chinook salmon eggs collected at the Trail egg collecting station.

Clackamas. - There were 39,600 Montana grayling fingerlings transferred to the Oak Springs hatchery of the Oregon Game Commission.

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RHODE ISLAND

Arcadia. - Totals of 6,100 smallmouth black bass and 3,400 yellow perch were distributed.

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SOUTH CAROLINA

Orangeburg. - Distribution of fish for the month included 47,630 bream, 5,340 spotted catfish, 900 redbreasted sunfish, and 240 yellow perch.

Walhalla. - Distribution of trout has been begun at this station.

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SOUTH DAKOTA

Spearfish. - Eighteen thousand fingerling and 2,500 yearling loch leven trout, and 2,500 yearling and 425 adult rainbow trout were distributed during the month.

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## TENNESSEE

Flintville. - Approximately 90,000 bream, crappie, rock bass, smallmouth and largemouth black bass have been distributed.

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## TEXAS

Burnet. - Four thousand eight hundred bass and 28,000 Rio Grande perch fingerlings were planted in local public waters.

Fort Worth. - During the month 1,295 crappie, 4,700 channel catfish, 3,925 largemouth bass, and 800 bream were delivered to applicants at the station.

San Angelo. - Distribution of fingerlings included 5,050 largemouth black bass, 29,900 Georgia bluegill sunfish, 3,850 channel catfish, and 4,150 crappie.

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## UTAH

Bear Lake. - Fifty-one thousand rainbow trout fingerlings and 74,480 Yellowstone Park blackspotted natives were planted, principally in the Cache and Caribou National Forest streams. Three thousand Bear Lake native trout fingerlings were planted in Fish Haven Creek, tributary to Bear Lake.

Springville. - There were delivered to applicants or planted in National Forest waters 272,500 blackspotted and 76,600 rainbow trout, 2,700 black bass, and 3,000 bream.

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## VIRGINIA

Wytheville. - Approximately a million rainbow trout eggs have been collected to date. Shipments of eggs have been made to La Crosse, Wis., Nashua, N.H., St. Johnsbury, Vt., and Bucksport, Maine.

The Virginia Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries is assisting with distribution of fingerling trout at New Castle.

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## WASHINGTON

Big White Salmon. - Collection of fall chinook salmon eggs in the Big White Salmon River and Spring Creek has been started. To date 21,824,000 eggs have been collected.

As this hatchery is nearly full, approximately 2,000,000 of the Big White Salmon eggs have been transferred to the Little White Salmon station for incubation.

Birdsview. - The first sockeye salmon eggs collected were taken from Grandy Creek, with 437,000 taken to date. Fifty-nine thousand humpback salmon eggs were collected. The water conditions in Grandy Creek, throughout the past month, were generally high and muddy, making it difficult to seine or trap the fish. Considerable eggs were lost by fish spawning in the Creek.

Seventy-three thousand blackspotted trout fingerlings were distributed to the Washington Game Department and 2,500 to the U. S. Forest Service.

Duckabush. - There were 58,398 silver salmon fingerlings planted.

The 1,793,816 chum salmon eggs on hand were collected from a temporary rack in the Duckabush River.

Leavenworth. - Collection of eggs from the chinook and blueback salmon in the Icicle Creek holding ponds is progressing slowly. It appears that the blueback salmon collection is about at an end, with only 15,000 eggs having been collected.

Little White Salmon. - Seining and spawning operations have been carried on, with a total collection of 7,490,000 chinook salmon eggs.

Quilcene. - There have been 63,018 fingerling steelhead trout planted.

Quinault. - Distribution of fish included 133,560 sockeye and 99,262 silver salmon fingerlings liberated in Falls Creek, tributary to Lake Quinault; 54,514 steelhead trout fingerlings planted in the West Fork Humptulips River, tributary to the Humptulips River; 13,985 blackspotted trout fingerlings planted in the Quinault River, tributary to Lake Quinault; 6,000 blackspotted trout fingerlings delivered to the National Park Service at Graves Creek for stocking Sundown Lake, tributary to Graves Creek, in Olympic National Park.

There were 39,950 chinook salmon eggs collected at the Humptulips trap.

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#### WEST VIRGINIA

White Sulphur Springs. - Seventy-five thousand rainbow trout eggs have been collected.

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#### WISCONSIN

Genoa. - Approximately 250,000 sunfish, crappie, and smallmouth and largemouth black bass have been distributed.

Lake Mills. - Forty-five hundred smallmouth black bass, 16,000 bluegill sunfish, and 2,000 largemouth black bass--all fingerlings--were delivered to applicants calling at the hatchery.

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#### WYOMING

Jackson. - Planting of 17,000 lake and 316,000 blackspotted trout during the month completed this season's distribution. Twenty thousand blackspotted trout will be held over the winter.

Saratoga. - Fifty-one hundred loch leven, 318,370 brook, 159,340 rainbow, and 286,380 blackspotted trout were distributed during the month.

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