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Political Poison

Our present steeply progressive federal income tax rates run up to 91 per cent A new slant on just who really pays this tax was given by economist Henry Hazlitt in Newsweek. He makes the biting criticism that "The workers of ths country are being cruelly deceived when they are led to think that 'the rich' are paying most of the taxes because of . . . confiscatory rates. Of the $31, million that the personal-income tax yields, only about $1 million comes from the rates above 5 per cent. Only $3 million or one tenth, comes from the rates above 30 per cent. In fact if there were no tax progression at all, and the income tax never rose higher than the twenty per cent rate that now applies only to the net-income-tax brackets below $2000, the total maximum revenue loss would amount to less than $5 400 million."

Mr. Hazlitt points out that a $100 increase in the personal income tax exemption would mean four million people would no longer have to pay an income tax. It would " . . . believe that many voters of any concern about governmental extravagance, and . . . . foster in them the illusion that 'the other fellow' is paying the bill. It would mean a $2 billion 4 hundred million loss in annual revenue and it wouldn't make financial sense—but it would be politically "smart". Although no office holder dare suggest such a thing the place to cut federal income taxes is in the higher brackets. Mr. Hazlitt believes that if the income tax were cut to a maximum of 50 per cent it "would within a few years . . . yield more revenue from net incomes above $18,000, not less."

Mr. Hazlitt clearly describes the greatest danger of confiscatory tax rates in these words: "The worst harm is that they discourage the most productive people from producing and earning what they would otherwise produce and earn. They deprive the nation of this production and of the new enterprises that would otherwise be launched.

Meat Supply Increasing

In many parts of the world, especially those where totalitarian systems exist, meat is a rare luxury so far as the masse of the people are concerned. The price is invariably sky high and the quality is frequently very poor.

It's another story entirely in this country, with our free competitive economy. This year, if weather expectations hold, our total meat production will be some 25 billion pounds, 160 million pounds over last year's figure ,and second in history only to the 25 billion, two hundred million pound record achieved in 1944. This works out to a per capita supply of 151 pounds.

So far as price is concerned, meat now is actually cheaper than in most past periods—if we measure the price with the barometer of consumer income and purchasing power. In other words, the average industrial workers can buy more meat with the pay he gets for an hour's labor than used to be the case. This simply means that increases in wages have outrun increases in meat prices.

As the years roll by, this country will need steadly rising meat production, for two reasons. One is our booming population. The other is that according to the dieticians, meat has an exremely beneficial effect on physical and mental vigor. The way to assure an abundant supply is maintain the free market system.

MARYLAND WILDLIFE

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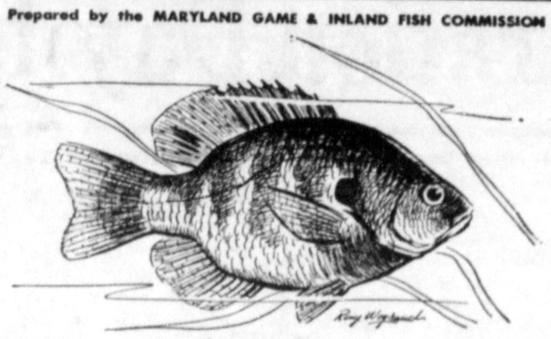

BLUEGILL

(Lepomis macrochirus)

RANGE: Probably our most popular panfish, and found in fresh waters in nearly every part of the State. Originally found in the Mississippi River Valley and Great Lakes Region, and most of the South Atlantic States; by transplanting it is now found in almost every State, and is well adapted to farm and other small fish ponds. Also found in rivers and lakes.

DESCRIPTION: While similar to other species of sunfishes it has several distinctive characteristics; it has a jet black ear flap with no margin showing; usually an indistinct black spot at the rear end of the back or dorsal fin; no spots on sides; most specimens under half pound although individuals over two pounds are occasionally reported.

BREEDING: Bluegills build nests in colonies in shallow water, and spawn several times a season; as with the black bass and crappies the male prepares the nest and guards the eggs, and also the young for a short period; increases rapidly and many waters become overstocked resulting in large numbers of stunted fish.

HABITS: Feeds on flies, worms, crustaceans, and small fish; will take artificials; furnishes excellent sport on light tackle; travel in schools and where one is caught there will be others.

MANAGEMENT: Food, cover and unpolluted waters are essential; little if any legal protection is necessary, as usually they multiply faster than the food supply will support; propagation and restocking necessary only in waters uninhabited by bluegills.

VALUE: Of little or no commercial value in Maryland although barrels of the various sunfishes are almost daily shipped to markets from Gulf States. Its esthetic value and for recreation in Maryland are inestimable; they provide a vast army of old and young anglers lots of sport, and while mostly small, the meat is firm, white and tasty, providing a large quantity of excellent food.

May Curtail Bombing at Bloodswrth Island

Congressman Edward T. Miller has receied a repor tfrom the Navy in connection with his efforts to curtai lbombing operations a tBloodsworth Island, particularly during the wild fowl season. In a letter from Admiral Jerauld Wright of the Atlantic Command and United States Atlantic Fleet, concerning bombing and shooting operations atBloodworth Island during the coming duck hunting season, the Admiral states:

"This letter is to assure you that every consideration is being given to this matter. At the present time no bombing or ship firing exercises are scheduled in that area from November 2 4through January 5, and only those exercises that are considered absolutely essential to Atlantic Fleet readiness for overseas commitments will be scheduled for other dates in November or January.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY
IN EQUITY
No. 3910

Richard E. Phillips, et al.,
Vs.
Ellwood Coursey and Eva Coursey, his wife.

ORDERED, this 1st day of June, 1954, that the sale of real estate made and reported in this cause by Richard T. Earle ,Trustee, be ratified and confirmed, on or after the 3rd day of July next, unless cause to the contrary thereof be previously shown; provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Queen Anne's County, Maryland, once a week for three successive weeks commencing on the 11th day of June 1954, and ending on the 25th day of June 1954.

The report states the amount of sales to be $1,100.00.

T. SORDEN PIPPIN,
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Filed June 1, 1954.
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