

week of the death of David C. Will of Great Neck, L. I. Mrs. Will was formerly Miss Jessie Richmond of North Ticonderoga.

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# Public Opinion

February 17, 1944

Editor, Sentinel,  
Dear Sir:

Some time ago the matter of stocking Eagle Lake and Putnam Pond with pan-fish was brought up in a meeting of the Ticonderoga Fish and Game Club, and the writer was authorized to write to the New York State Conservation Department requesting that this either be taken care of by them or to allow us, as a club, to obtain small perch, bull head and like varieties, and place in the bodies of water mentioned.

Immediately we received a letter from the Department telling us that this was inadvisable and giving in detail their reasons.

To relieve the minds of those who are again agitating such a procedure and also to refresh the recollection of those who attended the meeting where the letter was read, we ask that you kindly print the letter from the Department in full.

Thanking you for your cooperation and for past favors, we are,

Very truly yours,  
Ticonderoga Fish and Game Club,  
A. D. Spring, Secretary.

STATE OF NEW YORK  
CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT  
ALBANY

November 27, 1942.

Mr. Arthur D. Spring,  
Secretary, Ticonderoga Fish and Game Club,  
Ticonderoga, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Spring:  
Your letter concerning Eagle Lake and Putnam Pond, addressed to Mr. Cowden, has been turned over to me for reply.

In the case of Eagle Lake, we find that this particular body of water has an abundance of whitefish present. In fact, the pond has nearly a pure culture of whitefish as its population. We have taken spawn there for the past three years, and find that most of the fish that we handle are in the eight and nine years of life. This indicates that there is not much fishing for whitefish in this particular lake.

It would be beneficial for the lake if more people would fish for whitefish, using buoys. This type of fishing would not necessitate expensive tackle, and the fish obtained by fishing in this manner would be far more suitable for edible purposes than yellow perch.

We do not wish to introduce any yellow perch in this particular lake, fearing that they would have a detrimental effect on the existing whitefish population. We have studied the fish population in Eagle Lake the last two falls, when we were taking whitefish spawn, very carefully, and from all reports gathered there are very few people who fish in Eagle Lake. Perhaps this is due to the fact that they do not fish in the proper manner for whitefish, and therefore become discouraged. I can assure you that anyone who went to Eagle Lake and used the proper technique in fishing for whitefish would be greatly pleased with his catch.

In the case of Putnam Pond, we stock this body of water each year with largemouth bass. Calico bass are present in this pond, and we have hoped that the largemouth bass would forage somewhat on the calico bass population in order to keep it in control. The lake only has an area of 75 acres, which is rather small if two competing species are present. If yellow perch and bullheads were introduced in any quantity with the present calico bass population, the competition that would be created among the population would become stunted to such an extent that the fish would not be desirable to fishermen. Therefore, the condition would only be aggravated by further stocking of these species of fish. We have hoped that the largemouth bass would create the proper balance, as they would forage somewhat on these other species of fish and keep them under control.

I quite agree with you that we have

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The Postmaster-General is directed also to cancel any contracts held by any person who gives undue preference to any particular person, corporation or locality or any particular description of traffic.  
The total expenditure in any one year under the bill is not to exceed \$1,000,000, and shall not in any case exceed the amount of revenue received from the tax.

## Elect Clautice To Head County Fish, Game Unit

LEWIS — William B. Clautice of Paradox was re-elected president of the Essex County Fish and Game League at the annual meeting of the sportsmen's organization held Monday evening at the club house of the Mt. Fay Forest Fish and Game Club.

Other officers were named as follows for the ensuing year: Friend Smith of Lewis, vice president; Payson Hatch of Willsboro, 2nd vice president, and George H. Spring of Ticonderoga, secretary and treasurer. Directors for three years were elected as follows: D. A. L. Hayes of Willsboro, C. B. Reynolds of Willsboro, James Rogers, II, of Ausable Forks, Joseph Snow of Ausable Forks, and Hugh Moore of Ticonderoga.

The following directors were also named for two year terms: Mr. Clautice, Mr. Smith and Ferris Nichols of Lewis. All other directors remain in office until next year.  
Between the dates of June 7th and 15th, it was announced, the State Game Farm will ship 1,500 day-old pheasants for rearing at the County Game Farm at Ticonderoga, representing an increase of 300 chicks over the number received last year.  
The League voted to join the Conservation Council through one of its member clubs. Discussion was held relative to more feed for starving deer in winter and a more liberal trapping season on foxes. Perch planting for Eagle Lake was advocated at the session and the League will take steps to secure the species from the Conservation Department upon petition of the Ticonderoga Fish and Game Club.

In compliance with Solid Fuels Administration for War Regulation No. 17, it will be necessary for each customer to make and sign a declaration of the amount of coal and coke required for the 1944-1945 heating season before any fuel may be delivered.

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