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way", in the sixth line of said fourth paragraph of said section the words 'and in all Androscoggin waters'; so that said fourth paragraph of said section as amended shall read as follows: .

'Provided, further, that it shall be unlawful to take smelts with a dip-net in Sebago Lake or its tributaries, or any lake or its tributaries in Androscoggin county, at any time, except that smelts under six inches in length, to be kept alive for bait purposes, may be taken in the Nason brook, so-called, at North Sebago and in that part of Crooked river in the towns of Naples and Casco, from its junction with Songo river up to the bridge on the Theodore Roosevelt highway, and in all Androscoggin waters.'

Sec. 62. Certain ponds in Oxford county opened to ice fishing. The following waters, in Oxford county, are hereby opened to ice fishing: South Pond and Lincoln Pond in Buckfield, and Swan Pond in Hartford.

Sec. 63. Upper Ebemee Pond opened to ice fishing. Upper Ebemee Pond, in township four, range nine, N. W. P., township B, range ten, W. E. L. S., in the county of Piscataquis, is hereby opened to ice fishing under the provisions of the general law.

Sec. 64. Penalties. Whoever violates any of the foregoing provisions, excepting only those for the violation of which specific penalties have been hereinbefore provided, may be punished by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars and costs, or by imprisonment for not more than ninety days, or by both said fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 65. Inconsistent acts repealed. All acts, or parts of acts, inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

Approved April 3, 1931.

Chapter 278.

AN ACT Relating to the Weight of Commercial Vehicles.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Weight of commercial vehicles limited. Section fifty-six of chapter twenty-nine of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting in the next to the last line of said section after the word "pounds" the following words: 'Provided further, however, that the gross weight of any such vehicle distributed on four wheels, equipped with pneumatic tires, may be increased to twenty-four thousand pounds if the weight upon any wheel concentrated upon the road surface does not exceed six hundred pounds to an inch width of tire, measured between the flanges of the rim, and if

the weight on any one axle imparted to the road surface does not exceed eighteen thousand pounds', so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Sec. 56. Weight of commercial vehicles limited. No truck, tractor on wheels, trailer, or other commercial vehicle having a gross weight of more than eighteen thousand pounds distributed by four wheels on a road surface or having a gross weight on any one axle exceeding thirteen thousand, five hundred pounds imparted to a road surface, shall be operated over any way or bridge; except that when the gross weight is distributed on the road surface upon six or more wheels by the combined use of a trailer, or otherwise, so that the imparted weight from any one axle shall not exceed thirteen thousand, five hundred pounds, the permissible gross weight of a vehicle or vehicles thus combined may be increased not exceeding fifty per cent. But no vehicle having a load of over seven hundred pounds per inch width of tire upon any wheel concentrated upon the road surface, said width to be measured between the flanges of the rim, shall be operated upon any way or bridge; except in special cases under special permit to be granted by the state highway commission for greater weights as elsewhere provided in this chapter. Provided, however, that the gross weight of any such vehicle distributed on four wheels may be increased to twenty thousand pounds if the weight upon any wheel concentrated upon the road surface does not exceed six hundred pounds to an inch width of tire, measured between the flanges of the rim, and if the weight on any one axle imparted to the road surface does not exceed sixteen thousand pounds. Provided further, however, that the gross weight of any such vehicle distributed on four wheels, equipped with pneumatic tires, may be increased to twenty-four thousand pounds if the weight upon any wheel concentrated upon the road surface does not exceed six hundred pounds to an inch width of tire, measured between the flanges of the rim, and if the weight of any one axle imparted to the road surface does not exceed eighteen thousand pounds. The term "gross weight" shall mean the actual weight of the vehicle and load.'

Approved April 3, 1931.

Chapter 279.

AN ACT Relating to the Support of Dependents of Soldiers, Sailors and Marines of the World War.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 159, sec. 1, amended. Section one of chapter one hundred fifty-nine of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking