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the sheriff of the county or his chief deputy that any person known to have gone upon a hunting or fishing trip, or a trip for any other purpose, within his county has not returned within a reasonable time after his departure, such sheriff or such chief deputy, with such aids as he deems necessary, shall search for such person and shall be entitled to reasonable fees and expenses for his services and of his aids, to be paid by the treasurer of his county. Before the said sheriff or his chief deputy shall incur additional expense at the end of the first 24 hours' search, he shall obtain the consent of a majority of the county commissioners of the said county. Whenever it shall come to the attention of the commissioner of inland fisheries and game, or his deputy commissioner, that any person or persons known to have gone upon a hunting or fishing trip, or a trip for any other purpose, in the woodlands of the state, and have not returned within a reasonable time after his or their departure, the commissioner of inland fisheries and game is hereby authorized to summon any person found within the state to assist in finding the lost person or persons, and each person so summoned shall be paid at a rate set by the said commissioner, with the approval of the governor and council, and be provided with subsistence during such service. The expenses of the commissioner in attempting to find lost persons shall be charged to the general funds.'

Effective July 9, 1943

Chapter 256

AN ACT to Simplify the Inland Fishing Laws.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 38, § 4, amended. The last sentence of section 4 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Whoever violates any provision of this section or any rule and regulation issued under the provisions of this chapter or under the direction of the legislature shall be subject to the penalty of section 107.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 38, new § 21-A. Chapter 38 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 21-A and to read as follows:

'Sec. 21-A. Open seasons for fishing. Except as provided for by rules and regulations, the following shall be the open seasons for fishing in the state; opening and closing dates in all instances are inclusive:

- 1. In lakes and ponds for salmon, trout, togue and white perch from the time the ice is out until September 30 and for black bass from June 21 to September 30;
- 2. In rivers above tide-waters for salmon, trout, togue and white perch from the time the ice is out until September 14 and for black bass from June 21 to September 14;
- 3. In brooks and streams for salmon, trout, togue and white perch from the time the ice is out until August 15 and for black bass from June 21 to August 15;

provided, however, that 3 black bass per day may be taken by fly fishing only from June 1 to June 20 of any year and provided further that no person shall fish with more than 2 lines at any one time.'

- Sec. 3. R. S., c. 38, § 22, amended. Section 22 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 22. Size of fish and weight of catch limited; special provisions in various localities. During the respective closed seasons on the below named fish no person shall fish for, take, catch, or kill, or have any of them in possession; provided that no person shall in any one day during the respective open season herein provided, take, catch or kill, in or from any or all of the rivers, streams and brooks of the state, or have in possession taken therefrom at any time, more than 25 fish or more than 7½ pounds in all of salmon, trout, togue, white perch and black bass unless one individual fish caught shall weigh more than 7½ pounds or unless the last fish caught increases the combined weight thereof to more than 71/2 pounds; provided, further, that no salmon or togue less than 14 inches, no trout less than 6 inches, no white perch less than 6 inches, and no black bass less than 10 inches in length shall be caught and killed or had in possession by any person at any time; provided, further, that no person shall in any one day take, catch or kill in or from any or all of the lakes and ponds and rivers of the state or have in possession at any time more than 25 fish or 10 pounds in all of salmon, trout, togue, white perch and black bass even though the 25th fish, caught and killed weighs less than 10 pounds; provided, further, that no salmon or togue less than 14 inches in length, nor trout less than 7 inches in length, no white perch less than 6 inches in length, and no black bass less than 10 inches in length shall be caught and killed or had in possession by any person at any time except as provided for by the rules and regulations of the department. It shall be lawful to fish for white perch in all pends and lakes of Androscoggin county after April 15 of each year. No person, who has fished in 2 or more counties, shall have in his possession, at any one time, more than the maximum number or weight of fish permitted in the county where the larger number

is allowed under rules and regulations of the commissioner of inland fisheries and game.'

- Sec. 4. Certain rules and regulations repealed. All the rules and regulations issued by the commissioner of inland fisheries and game, except those relating to ice fishing, are hereby voided and shall no longer be of any force and effect.
- Sec. 5. Commissioner of inland fisheries and game to issue certain rules and regulations. The commissioner of inland fisheries and game is hereby authorized and directed to issue rules and regulations relating to the opening and closing of certain lakes, ponds, rivers, streams and brooks to fishing and regulating the length of fish taken therefrom, as follows:

In Androscoggin County:

Opening the season in Androscoggin county on April 1st;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from any lake or pond;

Prohibiting the taking of smelts;

Closing Auburn lake to all fishing, beginning at the post set in the ground on the shore of Lake Auburn about 2500 feet westerly from the Auburn Water District intake; thence northerly about 300 feet to a point (buoy); thence northeasterly about 2400 feet to a point (buoy) about 3300 feet northerly from the intake of the Auburn Water District; thence easterly about 2500 feet to a point (buoy); thence southerly about 3000 feet to a post on the shore of Lake Auburn and on the line between the Lake Grove lot and the Morrell farm, so-called; thence westerly by the shore of Lake Auburn to the point of beginning; containing 340 acres more or less;

Opening Moose Hill pond to white perch fishing only;

Closing Pleasant pond, in Turner, south of row of stakes situated approximately 5 rods north of the outlet except to white perch fishing;

Establishing a bag limit of 4 fish in one day in the aggregate of trout, togue and salmon in Thompson pond, Poland (also Cumberland and Oxford counties);

Closing Townsend brook from the bridge on the discontinued road running from the Waterman road to Dillingham hill, downstream, to 2 red posts set at the mouth of the brook.

In Aroostook County:

Opening the season in Aroostook county on May 1st;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from ponds and lakes;

Permitting fly fishing only for salmon and trout in the Allagash river tributaries from August 15th to September 30th;

Providing the following for Chiputneticook chain of lakes. Thorough-fares connecting the different lakes shall be open to fly fishing only. Season May 19th to September 15th. It is unlawful to fish within 25 yards of the lower end of any fishway. Daily bag limit 20 fish or 10 pounds per day even though said number weigh less than 10 pounds. Gill nets for the taking of white fish in Grand lake may be used during the month of November. The length of each net shall not exceed 90 feet and the mesh thereof shall not exceed 2½ inches extension. Nets must be marked by a tag or float attached thereto with the full name and address of the owner and position of each net shall be marked by a surface buoy. Nets shall be placed not less than 100 yards apart. Nets shall not be set or fished within ½ mile above the dam at Forest City;

Closing Cross Lake thoroughfares from September 30th until May 1st;

Closing between Cross and Mud lakes June 30th, from highway bridge down to dam at Cross lake;

Closing Dickey brook and tributaries;

Closing Fish river June 15th from red posts set on either bank at the head of Fish River Falls to similar red posts set on either bank at a point 500 feet below the foot of said falls;

Closing Gilmore brook;

Providing the following for Hot Brook lake. Gill nets of not larger than 11/4 inch mesh may be used in the taking of white fish during November;

Closing Madore brook;

Providing the following for Mattawamkeag lake. Gill nets of not larger than 11/4 inch mesh may be used in the taking of white fish during November;

Closing Mosquito brook and all tributaries;

Closing Pinnette brook;

Closing Prestile stream at Mars Hill, between Community dam and highway bridge. Tributaries, see Palmer, Trueworthy, Allen and Marshall brooks;

Permitting fly fishing only in the St. John river tributaries down to West St. Francis line, from August 15th to September 30th.

In Cumberland County:

Opening the season in Cumberland county on April 1st;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from any lake or pond wholly or partly in Cumberland county;

Establishing a daily bag limit of 15 trout in all waters not having less limit established;

Closing Miller brook, Bridgton;

Providing the following for Panther pond and tributaries, Raymond. Smelts over 6 inches may not be taken except in the daytime with single hook and line, except Rolfe brook which is closed to the taking of smelts;

Providing the following for Sabbathday lake. Salmon and trout, 4 in all. Prohibiting the use of live bait. Prohibiting the taking of smelts. Closing the tributaries;

Closing Sebago lake, White's bridge, to all fishing 100 feet above and 100 feet below said bridge;

Closing and opening certain tributaries. Jordan river closed to the Hatchery dam. Northwest river closed to Fitches dam. Songo river, from the bar opposite Thompson's camps up to the red posts at former site of Oliver camp, so-called, open to fishing from May 1st to August 31st, both days inclusive. Songo river from red posts at former site of Oliver camp, so-called, to the dam at the head of Songo lock and Crooked river to the Casco town line, open to fishing from June 1st to August 31st, both days inclusive;

Establishing a bag limit. Sebago lake including Songo river to the dam at head of Songo lock and Crooked river to the Casco town line, 4 in the aggregate of salmon, trout or bass per person per day;

It is unlawful to take smelts in Sebago lake or its tributaries at any time, except that persons holding a bait dealer's license may take smelts under 6 inches in length to be kept alive for bait purposes, from Bachelder brook in North Sebago and from Songo river up to its junction with Crooked river, marked by red posts, and up to the first cement bridge on Crooked river, and large smelts (over 6 inches) may be taken with single hook and line in the day time. They may be sold within the state during January, February and March. Daily bag limit on large smelts 15 per person. It is unlawful to have in possession, transport or offer for sale more than one day's bag limit in any one day.

Establishing a daily limit of 4 fish in aggregate of salmon, trout and togue in Thompson pond, Casco and Otisfield (also Androscoggin and Oxford counties);

Closing Watchic pond tributaries.

In Franklin County:

Opening the season in Franklin county on April 15th;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from lakes and ponds;

Establishing a daily bag limit of no more than 10 trout from any lake or pond, or no more than 15 trout from any river, stream or brook unless otherwise restricted;

Permitting fly fishing and trolling only, with a bag limit of 4 trout, salmon or togue per person per day, except that bait fishing is permitted from a permanent wharf or shore after May 20th, in the following waters:

Arnold pond

Loon lake

Chain of ponds

Mooselucmeguntic lake

Clearwater pond Crosby pond Porter lake Rangeley lake Saddleback lake

Cupsuptic lake Long pond, Sandy River Plt.

Varnum pond

Long pond, Twp. D & E

Permitting fly fishing only, with a bag limit of 10 trout or salmon per person per day, in the following waters:

Alder stream

Beaver pond, Seven Ponds Twp.

Beaver pond, Twp. D

Big Island pond

Blanchard pond, Stetson Town and Lang Town Plt.

Dead river (north branch) Eustis dam to Chain of Ponds dam

Dodge pond Ell pond

Flatiron pond

Grant pond

Gull pond

Hathan bog

Horseshoe pond Jim pond, little

Johns pond

Kennebago lake, big, including Kennebago stream to the 1st dam

Kennebago lake, little Kennebago stream, little

Quimby pond Redington pond Round pond, Twp. E

Little Island pond
Little Northwest pond

Round Mt. lake
Round pond, Rangeley

Long pond

Rock pond

Massachusetts bog

Sabbathday pond

Northwest pond Moxie pond

Secret ponds, big and little

Mud pond

Snow Mt. pond

South Boundary pond Tim brook Spencer pond, T. D. R. 1 Trout pond

Tim pond

Permitting fly fishing only from October 1st to October 15th, with daily bag limit of 1 fish per day, in the following waters:

Cupsuptic lake Mooselucmeguntic lake

Dodge pond Quimby pond
Kennebago lake Rangeley lake
Kennebego lake, little Saddleback lake

Loon lake

Permitting fly fishing in Bemis stream from April 15th until September 14th from red posts on Mooselucmeguntic lake, north side of railroad bridge at summit, with bag limit of 4 fish;

Permitting fly fishing only in Carrabasset river, from where river crosses Route No. 27 at Bigelow station to Somerset county line with daily limit of 15 fish;

Permitting fly fishing only in Kennebago stream until September 30th, with daily limit of 1 fish;

Closing the tributaries of Kennebago lake (except Little Kennebago stream);

Permitting fly fishing only in Rangeley stream until September 30th, with daily limit of 1 fish;

Permitting fly fishing only in Rapid stream, with daily limit of 15 fish;

Permitting fly fishing only in South Bog stream until September 30th, with daily limit of 4 fish;

Permitting fly fishing only in Seven Ponds stream;

Closing Day Mountain pond;

Closing Long Pond stream and Dodge Pond stream, tributaries to Rangeley lake;

Providing, however, that no person shall have in their possession more than 15 trout, salmon or togue taken in the waters of Franklin county;

Providing a daily bag limit of 10 trout, salmon or togue from the north branch of the Dead river, including all of its tributaries, between Eustis dam and Chain of Ponds dam.

Closing Androscoggin watershed to taking of smelts, except that the persons holding a license under section 38-A of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, may catch smelts under the provisions of said section in the above waters.

In Hancock County:

Opening the season in Hancock county on April 1st;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from ponds and lakes:

Closing Birch Harbor pond, Winter Harbor;

Closing that portion of Eagle lake, between low water mark at the mouth of Bubble Pond brook and red posts set in said lake approximately 50 feet beyond said low water mark. Closing tributaries;

Closing Echo Lake inlet for a distance of 25 yards along the shore on each side of said brook. Closing area extending 50 feet into the lake;

Permitting fly fishing only in Hadlock pond, upper;

Closing Leighton brook;

Closing Mann brook from its source to red posts set on either side of said brook 239 feet toward Green lake from the Green Lake road;

Closing Mill stream above a large flat boulder marked with a red cross situated on the west bank of said stream at said lake. Closing tributaries;

Permitting the taking of 10 fish in Noyes pond;

Closing all ponds on Swans Island to all fishing;

Permitting fly fishing only in Tunk pond, little;

Closing Wincapaugh stream and tributaries;

Permitting fly fishing only in Youngs pond with a limit of 5 fish.

In Kennebec County:

Opening the season in Kennebec county on April 1st;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from any lake or pond;

Closing Carleton pond;

Permitting the taking of 25 smelts in China lake;

Closing Mill stream, Winthrop, (from mill on Main street to the Upper dam at foot of Lake Maranacook);

Closing Minnehonk lake tributaries and water connecting Minnehonk and Echo lakes to the taking of smelts;

Permitting fly fishing only in Tyler pond, Manchester;

Permitting the taking of 6 trout in Ward lake, Sidney; Closing tributaries;

Permitting the taking of 2 togue in one day from Echo lake; closing tributaries to taking of smelts.

In Knox County:

Opening the season in Knox county on April 1st;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from ponds and lakes.

In Lincoln County:

Opening the season in Lincoln county on April 1st;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from ponds and lakes:

Opening Damariscotta lake in Jefferson and Nobleboro, 5 bass;

Permitting fly fishing only in Hastings pond in Bristol, 5 fish;

Opening Peters pond in Waldoboro, 5 fish;

Opening Ross pond in Bristol, 5 fish.

In Oxford County:

Opening the season in Oxford county on April 15th;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from ponds and lakes;

Establishing a daily limit of 10 trout, salmon or togue of no more than 10 pounds in lakes and ponds; 15 trout, salmon or togue of no more than 7½ pounds in streams, brooks and rivers, unless otherwise restricted;

Providing the following for Allen pond: 2 bass per person per day;

Closing Anasagunticook lake tributaries to taking of smelts;

Permitting fly fishing and trolling in B pond;

Establishing the daily limit of Bryant pond (or Lake Christopher) of 4 trout, 4 bass; closing tributaries, except smelts may be taken from Mill cove and Pumping Station brook;

Permitting fly fishing and trolling in Lincoln pond;

Providing the following for Kewayden lake: 2 bass per person per day;

Providing the following for Kezar lake: Open season for black bass July 1st to September 30th, with daily limit of 3 bass and 4 salmon;

Permitting fly fishing and trolling in Long pond;

Providing the following for North pond: Open season on bass June 21st to September 30th; 4 bass per day; closing tribtuaries to taking of smelts;

Providing the following for Round pond: Bass season June 21st to September 30th with daily limit of 4 bass;

Providing the following for South pond: Bass season June 21st to September 30th with daily limit of 4 bass; closing of tributaries to taking of smelts;

Closing Great brook below Hilton McAllister's falls;

Establishing a daily bag limit of 4 in the aggregate of trout, salmon and togue in Thompson pond;

Providing the following for Twitchell pond: Open season on bass June 21st to September 30th with daily limit of 4 bass; closing of tributaries to taking of smelts;

Permitting fly fishing and trolling in Worthley pond; closing of tributaries;

Permitting fly fishing and trolling in York pond;

Closing Mt. Zircon reservoir;

Permitting fly fishing and trolling only with a daily bag limit of 10 pounds or 4 trout or salmon, except that bait fishing is permitted from permanent wharf or shore after May 20th, in the following waters:

Aziscohos lake

Cupsuptic lake

Howards pond

Mooselucmeguntic lake

Richardson lakes, upper and lower

Roxbury pond

Umbagog lake

Permitting fly fishing only in the following waters:

Beaver ponds, Magalloway Plt.;

Beaver ponds, Magalloway and Lincoln Plts.;

Cupsuptic river and tributaries with daily bag limit of 4 fish; from April 15th to September 14th; daily bag limit from September 15th to September 30th, I fish;

Cupsuptic lake, from October 1st to October 15th, daily bag limit of 1 fish;

Dead Cambridge river;

Permitting fly fishing only in Kennebago stream until September 30th; daily limit, I fish;

Magalloway river, big and little;

Metalluc brook, Mill brook, Mosquito brook, from markers on the shore of the lake near the mouths of said brooks to markers on the shore near the woods, with a daily bag limit of 4 fish;

Mooselucmeguntic lake, from October 1st to October 15th, daily limit of 1 fish;

Parmachenee lake;

Pond In The River with daily bag limit of 10 fish; trout, 8 inches; from September 15th to September 30th with daily bag limit 1 fish;

Rapid river between Lower Richardson and Umbagog lake with daily bag limit of 10 fish, trout 8 inches; September 15th to September 30th, 1 fish:

Richardson ponds, 2 east, 2 west, with daily bag limit of 10 fish;

Upper Dam pool with daily bag limit of 10 fish; from September 15th to September 30th, 1 fish;

Closing Androscoggin watershed to taking of smelts, except that the persons holding a license under section 38-A of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as revised, may catch smelts under the provisions of said section in the above waters;

Providing, however, that no person shall have in their possession more than 15 trout, salmon or togue taken in the waters of Oxford county.

In Penobscot County:

Opening the season in Penobscot county on April 15th;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from ponds and lakes;

Closing Corundel stream, tributary to Lake Sebasticook, within 100 feet of Corinna bridge;

Closing Sebasticook lake in Newport, within 100 feet of Durham bridge;

Closing Penobscot river and such of its tributaries as have fishways thereon, within 150 feet of any fishway, dam or millrace; opening East Branch tributaries down as far as Grindstone from time ice is out until September 30th; permitting fly fishing only from August 15th to September 30th;

Wassookeag lake, Dexter, closed for 200 feet both up the pond and down the stream from the railroad bridge nearest the fish screen, after September 1st.

In Piscataquis County:

Opening the season in Piscataquis county on April 25th;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from ponds and lakes;

Establishing a daily bag limit of 15 trout in all waters unless otherwise restricted;

Permitting fly fishing only with a daily bag limit of 15 trout, salmon or togue in the following waters:

Baker pond Daicey pond
Blood pond and brook Deer pond
Bluff pond Draper pond

Celia pond Duck pond, T. 2, R. 13

Duck pond, T. 4, R. 11

Fog pond

Foss pond
Horseshoe pond
Jackson pond
Jordan pond

Kidney pond Knowlton pond Lily Pad pond

Lost pond

Lyford pond, Big Lyford pond, Little

McKenna pond Mirror pond

Mountain Brook pond

Mountain pond

Notch ponds, big and little

Polly pond
Rocky pond, little
Rum pond
Slaughter pond

Sourdnahunk stream Sourdnahunk lake Sourdnahunk lake, little

Spencer pond

West Branch pond, 1, 2, 3, 4

Williams pond Windy Pitch pond

Permitting fly fishing and trolling only with a daily bag limit of 15 trout, salmon or togue in the following waters:

Alligator pond

Bear pond

Birch Ridge pond Boardway pond, big Boardway pond, little

Crawford pond

Fox pond

Johnson pond

Pleasant pond, big Pleasant pond, little

Rocky pond, big Rocky pond, little Rubberneck pond

Yoke pond

Closing Center brook to smelting;

Closing Glencoe pond tributary;

Closing Salmon pond, in Guilford;

Closing Squaw pond;

Wilsons pond, upper and lower, closing tributaries;

Opening Garland pond from June 1st to August 31st; closing tributaries;

Permitting fly fishing only from June 1st to September 15th in Kokadjo river with daily limit of 3 fish not to exceed 10 pounds;

Closing Monson pond tributaries, outlet from screen to red posts 1/4 mile upstream;

Closing Moosehead lake tributaries, except Moose river and Kokadjo river (or Roach river);

Opening Moosehead lake May 1st;

Closing Onawa lake, outlet between fish screen and dam;

Closing tributaries to First Roach pond, except North inlet which is open to fly fishing; closing Four Mile brook, tributary to North inlet;

Closing Ship Pond stream above Bucks falls; closing tributaries;

Establishing a daily bag limit of 6 salmon, trout or togue in the aggregate in any 1 day in Whetstone pond, trout 10 inches;

Providing the following for Earley Salmon pool: Fishing prohibited from an anchored or stationary boat or canoe from the head of the island opposite Earley's float to Greeley's falls.

In Sagadahoc County:

Opening the season in Sagadahoc county on April 1st;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from ponds and lakes.

In Somerset County:

Opening the season in Somerset county when the ice is out;

Establishing a daily bag limit of not more than 15 fish or 7½ pounds of trout, salmon or togue in any or all of the waters of Somerset county, excepting those listed in the first group below which shall have a daily limit of 10 pounds:

Moose river, from Brassua dam to Moosehead lake

Kennebec river, from Moosehead lake to Indian pond

Pierce pond Spencer lake

Permitting fly fishing only in the following waters:

Baker pond, Hobbstown and T. 5, R. 6

Baker stream, T. 4, R. 5, T. 5, R. 6 and Hobbstown

Beane pond

Berry pond, big and little

Big Fish pond

Big Turner pond

Blakesley lake

Carrabasset river, from Somerset county line to East New Portland falls

Clear pond

Coburn pond

Cold stream and tributaries, in Johnson Mountain Town

Cold Stream pond

Daymond pond

Ellis Pond, in Ten Thousand Acre tract

Everett pond

Fish pond, Pierce Pond Twp.

Fernald pond

Heald pond, in Caratunk Plt.

Horseshoe pond, in Ten Thousand Acre tract

Iron pond

Kennebec river, from Moosehead to Bingham, from September 15th to September 30th

Lang pond

Lang pond, little

Long pond, Ten Thousand Acre tract

Little Turner pond

Lost pond, Pleasant Ridge

Little Wilson pond

Lost pond, T. 5, R. 16

Lone Jack pond

Markham pond

Moose river, Brassua dam to Moosehead lake from September 15th to September 30th

Mose Holden pond

Rock pond

Round pond, in Ten Thousand Acre tract

Russell pond

Shaw pond (Upper)

Snake pond

Spencer stream and tributaries, direct and indirect

Split Rock pond

Tobey pond

Pierce pond, from dam to gull rock

Closing Big Fish Pond inlet, and Little Fish pond;

Closing Carrying Plane stream;

Closing Embden lake tributaries;

Closing Gander brook;

Closing George lake tributary;

Closing Heald pond tributaries, Moose River Plt.;

Closing Jackson pond;

Closing Johnson brook above Johnson bridge on county road;

Closing Misery stream, tributary to Brassua;

Closing Moosehead lake tributaries, except Moose river;

Closing Moose river at Brassua dam for a distance of 500 feet down stream measuring from the cement work of the dam and in the portion of said river above the dam between the upper side thereof and a line parallel therewith 300 feet upstream therefrom;

Opening Moose river from Brassua dam to Moosehead lake, May 1st; Closing Parlin pond tributaries;

Permitting fishing in Belgrade lakes and tributaries, to conform to Kennebec county law.

In Waldo County:

Opening the season in Waldo county on April 1st;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from ponds and lakes.

In Washington County:

Opening the season in Washington county on April 1st;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from ponds and lakes:

Providing that Baskahegan lake shall have gill nets not larger than 11/4 inch mesh in the taking of white fish during November:

Closing Chase's Mill stream to the taking of fish except by rod and line; Providing the following for Chiputneticook Chain of Lakes: Fishing

under the general law from the time the ice goes out until September 30th. Thoroughfares connecting the different lakes permitting fly fishing only. Season May 19th to September 15th. It is unlawful to fish within 25 yards of the lower end of any fishway. Establishing daily bag limit of 20 fish or 10 pounds per day even though said number weigh less than 10 pounds. Gill nets for the taking of white fish in Grand lake may be used during the month of November. The length of each net shall not exceed 90 feet and the mesh thereof shall not exceed 21/2 inches extension. Marking nets by a tag or float attached thereto with the full name and address of the owner and marking position of each net by a surface buoy. Placing nets not less than 100 yards apart. No setting or fishing with nets within 1/2 mile above the dam at Forest City.

Providing the following for Dennys river and tributaries: General law on game fish except on Atlantic salmon. Fishing season for Atlantic salmon from April 1st until September 30th with a bag limit of no more than 3 salmon or 15 pounds per person per day;

Closing Flood brook (tributary to East Musquash lake) from lake upstream to the first deadwater;

Closing the fishway and fishway stream in Gardner lake to the taking of alewives;

Grand Lake outlet, see Chiputneticook Chain of Lakes;

Closing Grand lake to all fishing 50 feet upstream from the fish screen. All fishing from pier, wharf or boathouse prohibited and no bait taken from Big lake, Long lake or any other bass waters shall be used in, or put into, said Grand lake waters;

Permitting fly fishing only in Grand lake stream, outlet of Grand lake from June 1st to September 14th. Closing Grand lake to a point 100 yards below the dam:

Providing the following for Hot Brook lake: Gill nets of not larger than 11/4 inch mesh may be used in the taking of white fish during No-

Providing the following for Narraguagus river: Permitting fly fishing for Atlantic salmon but prohibiting the taking of salmon from any fishway on said river;

Permitting fly fishing only, in Pineos ponds;

Providing the following for Pocumpus lake: Gill nets of not larger than 11/4 inch mesh may be used in the taking of white fish during November;

Providing the following for St. Croix river: Smelts may be taken above tide-water with a dipnet from April 15th to May 15th.

In York County:

Opening the season in York county on April 1st;

Establishing a daily bag limit of 15 trout in all waters not having a less limit already established;

Providing that trout less than 8 inches cannot be taken from ponds and lakes;

Providing that smelts cannot legally be taken in any manner in any waters above tide-water;

Closing Chase's pond;

Closing Littlefield pond;

Closing Little river above Trafton bridge; closing tributaries;

Permitting fly fishing only with daily limit of 5 fish in Lone pond;

Permitting fly fishing only with daily limit of 5 fish in Millikens Mill pond and tributaries;

Permitting fly fishing only with daily limit of 3 fish from shores or banks of Round pond;

Closing York river and Smelt brook and their tributaries in the towns of York and Eliot above the junction of York river and Smelt brook to the taking of smelts.

Effective July 9, 1943

Chapter 257

AN ACT Revising the Military Law.

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

- Sec. 1. R. S., c. 18, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 1. Composition of militia. The militia of the state of Maine shall consist of all able-bodied male citizens of the state and all other able-bodied males who have or shall have declared their intention to become citizens of the United States, who shall be more than 18 years of age and, except as hereinafter provided, not more than 45 years of age, and said