



—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Spicer left Sunday from the Buffalo Airport for Florida. Their address is: P.O. Box 212, Largo, Fla. 33540.

—Mrs. Bessie Mulconery and Gladys Bullock left December 28th from the Niagara Falls Airport for Innsbruck, Austria. They returned home Tuesday, January 6. While there they visited several other countries.

—Mrs. Glenn Covel spent from December 26th thru December 31st guest of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Zahradnick and family of Hoffman Estates, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Happ and family of Corfu assisted in the Covel home during her absence.

—Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Wylie and son, Kevin of Weston, Conn., and Mrs. Patricia Duggan were Christmas week guests of their parents and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. George Sackett and Edward. David remained for a few days vacation.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Sackett entertained at a family Christmas Day dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wylie and son of Weston, Conn., Mrs. Patricia Duggan and son, David of Rochester, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holmes.

The Allegany County Public Welfare Committee is sponsoring a tea in the Wellsville Nursing Home, Sunday, January 18th from 2-4 p. m. for the patients and their relatives and friends.

The Allegany County Association of Educational Secretaries will hold their first meeting of the new year on Monday, January 19 at 7:30 p. m. The B.O.C.E.S. secretaries will host the business meeting and tour of the new Allegany County Area Occupational Center. All Allegany County Educational Secretaries are invited to attend.

Andrew F. Haynes, who retires this month as superintendent of Allegany County schools, was guest of honor at a dinner in Olean Tuesday night given by the superintendents of the 15 schools in the county.

Charles Shine of Wellsville was elected president of the Allegany Chapter of the Association for Retarded Children at its reorganizational meeting held at the Brooklyn Elementary School.

Charles K. Purce, asistant director of admissions at Alfred University for the past six months has been appointed director of financial aid effective immediately.

Fire, Sunday afternoon destroyed the farm-shop of Roger Billings, Billings Hill Road off the Hallport Road. Most of the equipment and especially small tools were lost in the conflagration.

NOTICE

The Andover Central School Board certifies the ACS Teachers Association as their representative under the Taylor Law.

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Anne Elizabeth Nye

Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Otto B. Nye announce the engagement of their daughter, Anne Elizabeth to Kirk V. C. Katner, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Katner of Bath, New York.

Miss Nye is a graduate of Andover Central School and Corning Community College.

Mr. Katner is a graduate of Haverling Central School and Corning Community College, and is presently attending Geneseo State College.

Wedding plans are incomplete.

Notice To Harborers Or Owners Of Dogs

DOG LICENSES are due January 1st, 1970. They may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office.

The law requires that dogs be licensed by January 1. Failure to obtain a license subjects the owner to a penalty of \$10.00 and costs, and the dog is liable to seizure.

If license and tags are to be mailed, a self-addressed, stamped envelope should be included. Checks should be made payable to the Town Clerk.

GLADYS FOX,
Town Clerk

Good News For Coho Fishermen

Anxious anglers got some good news lately from the State Conservation Department. There is a limited run of coho salmon in Cattaraugus Creek, a tributary of Lake Erie. Fish biologists estimate that there are several hundred fish in the approximately two mile stretch of the creek from its mouth at Sunset Bay to the point where routes 5 and 20 cross it.

Some cohos have been taken by anglers using spinners, spoons or worms. Department biologists have also taken fish by electroshocking and report that the fish are about evenly divided between adult fish — representing last year's stocking — and "jacks" — representing stockings made this past spring.

More fish will be taken by electroshocking, some for purposes of collecting spawn to contribute toward raising more fish for stocking. Both these fish and others collected are needed for study because there are many questions which must be answered from this experimental coho program.

For example, nearly all the fish recovered have been determined from fin clips to have been fish NOT stocked by New York State. More than half the fish examined so far were stocked by Pennsylvania. Fisheries experts theorize that these fish are attracted to Cattaraugus Creek because it represents the best flow of water in the area at this time of year.

Approximately 10 percent of the coho salmon taken from Lake Erie waters have lamprey scars, a rate that biologists describe as "a condition that should not be critical to the establishment of a good sports fishery for cohos."

The results from the Lake Ontario stocking are much less optimistic, so far. Although only 25,000 fish were stocked originally in the spring of 1968, a fair number of these returned as jacks last fall. These returns affect successful imprinting which should enable the mature fish to "home in" on the stream. Unless some as yet unknown factors eliminated

a large percentage of the fish since last fall, adult fish should be moving into the fish trap or weir at the mouth of Spring Brook on the Salmon River at Pulaski.

Only two adult cohos have been taken thus far in the weir, along with a sizable number of jacks. These latter fish were stocked in the Pulaski Village Recreational Pond last winter and moved down into Lake Ontario this spring. Occasional adult cohos from the original 1968 stocking also have been taken in Canadian waters incidental to commercial fishing operations there. The Canadian commercial fishermen and Ontario Department of Lands & Forests officials have been of considerable assistance to New York's program by getting these fish turned over to State Conservation Department biologists for examination.

Research biologists and fish management personnel are exploring various factors to attempt to determine reasons for the limited return of adult cohos to date. One such factor is the possible effect of lamprey predation among adult fish. All fish entering the weir are examined and data recorded on the extent of lamprey scars and wounds, although the more numerous jacks are not as likely to have been attacked because of their smaller size and length of time spent in the lake.

The weir monitoring will con-

tinue until late winter when all possible spawning activity will have ended. It does not seem likely from this information that there will be any appreciable run of adult cohos in the Salmon River this season.

There have been no reported returns of jacks in either the Little Salmon River or Oak Orchard Creek, both Lake Ontario tributaries, which were stocked with coho salmon this spring.

Fishermen planning to try their luck for the elusive coho salmon are advised to be certain they can properly identify these fish. In both the Salmon River and Cattaraugus Creek there are rainbow trout which move up from the lakes. The season on rainbow trout closed September 30, so any of them taken must be promptly returned to the water unharmed.

Chinook or king salmon have also been stocked in modest numbers in Lake Ontario. They are slower maturing fish and the first jacks are not expected to show up in tributaries until next year. Adult fish might be expected to show up a year or two later.

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