

**SUMMARY OF
LAKE TAHOE BASIN RESOURCES [1854 – 1976]¹**

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INTRODUCTION - The below listed references represent information gleaned from the following sources and stored in a Microsoft Word program:

1. Newspaper references for fisheries as completed through January 14, 2006.
2. References from the pollution resource file as updated April 26, 2005
3. References from the forest resource file as updated April 29, 2005.
4. References from the fire resource file as updated April 15, 2003
5. References from the wetland resource file as updated November 26, 2002
6. References from the rangeland resource files as updated February 27, 2003
7. References from the land action resource file updated August 8, 2003
8. References from the forest service resource file updated November 12, 2003

1854

April 29, 1854 - Mountain Democrat (Placerville)

LETTER FROM CARSON VALLEY - ...There is a large camp of Indians located on "Governor Smith's Territory [Lake Valley] for the purposes of fishing for trout, with which the waters of Lake Bigler abound.

1856

July 4, 1856 – Mountain Democrat (Placerville)

A.W. Hawley, Esq. Will please accept our thanks for the fine fish he sent us last Thursday. It was a speckled trout, twenty-eight inches in length, and was taken from lake Bigler.

1859

June 25, 1859 - Territorial Enterprise (Genoa)

Lake Bigler - ...It abounds in a variety of fish principally consisting of salmon and speckled trout...

¹ **AUTHOR'S NOTE:** Please find attached a summary of all the information collected to date describing historic resources at Lake Tahoe for your use and future reference. Although the records primarily delineate activities associated with fisheries, the information also shows the timeframes associated with many of the water quality issues. Of particular significance is the fact that the productivity of the lake was at it's peak when grazing, logging and other disturbances were also at their highest. Although the nutrient loading from runoff during the 1880s undoubtedly decreased water clarity, it was of direct benefit to the fisheries resource and as a result the commercial value of marketable fish was almost beyond comprehension. As efforts continue to keep the lake pure and clear from an environmental perspective, the fisheries in the basin will continue at levels far below potential, but such are the tradeoffs between resources.

1860

May 19, 1860 - Territorial Enterprise (Carson City)

WASHOS - Many of the Washo's...are at Lake Bigler attending to their usual spring hunting and fishing operations.

July 14, 1860 - Territorial Enterprise (Carson City)

On Sunday last, Major Dodge, the Indian Agent, had an interview with the Washoes at Lake Bigler, where most of this tribe are now collected for the purpose of fishing.

1861

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS TO THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR FOR THE YEAR 1861; WASHINGTON: GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE - REPORT NO. 40

**Carson City, Nevada Territory - James W. Nye, Governor
Acting Superintendent - July 19, 1861**

Lake Bigler, lying in the country of the Washoes, and from which they formerly obtained large quantities of the best kind of fish, is now taken possession of by the whites, and has become a watering place, to which large numbers from this Territory and California resort, and from which this poor Tribe are virtually excluded.

November 21, 1861 - An Act Relating To Wild Game and Fish.

SECTION 1. That it shall be unlawful to catch...fish, in any of the lakes...within the Territory of Nevada, by any means of any drag...net...fish basket, or pot, pond or weir, or by any poison, or by any deleterious substance whatsoever, or by obstructing, in any manner, the natural transit of fish in any of the waters of the Territory of Nevada.

1863

November 19, 1863 - Gold Hill News

A fine lot of Bigler trout were on sale at one of the markets on C Street, Virginia, this morning.

1864

January 15, 1864 - Virginia Daily Union

GAME - In front of a market on C Street there is a daily exhibition of fish, flesh and fowl that would make the heart of an epicure leap with delight. Delicious speckled mountain trout of enormous size, from the cold depths of Lake Tahoe...

February 18, 1864 - Gold Hill News

TROUT - Mr. Coldbath, of the Glenbrook House, Lake Tahoe, to-day presented this office with a splendid large trout from the Lake.

February 20, 1864 - An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act relating to Wild Game and Fish..."

Section 1. Any person or persons, who shall, between the first day of January and the first day of April, of each year, catch, buy or sell, or expose for sale, or have in his, her, or their possession...any...trout, shall be fined in the sum of...

March 18, 1864 - Gold Hill News

TROUT - The game law of this Territory went into operation on the first of March, since which time we have not seen a pound of the delicious trout which are usually brought over from Lake Tahoe.

April 30, 1864 - Gold Hill News

TROUT - Our thoughtful friend Justice, who is rustivating at Lake Tahoe, sent us by this morning's stage a magnificent trout...

April 30, 1864 - Virginia Daily Union

TROUT - There is an abundance of trout of enormous size in the market, from Lake Tahoe and...Although not equal to speckled brook trout, their flavor is superior to that of the fish generally sold in the markets of San Francisco...

June 11, 1864 - Virginia Daily Union

DESTROYING TROUT - We were requested by a gentleman to state that Lake Tahoe is being rapidly depleted of fish, by persons who are engaged in spearing them for this market. He says that it is only the trout which are spawning in shallow places, that are speared, and that they are unhealthy and unfit for eating. If the fish are not caught with a hook, and if they show the marks of a spear upon them, they should not be purchased or used. The game and fish law in this Territory is only in force, we believe, from the first day of January to the first day of April, and fishermen, the remainder of the year are at liberty to depopulate our streams of their inhabitants. There are fifteen or twenty boats now engaged in this business at Lake Tahoe, and at the rate they are at present being taken, the fine delicious trout, which throng its waters will become so scarce, that a sportsman may fish all day and not get a bite.

June 14, 1864 - Gold Hill News

BULLY - Dr. Gaston...extracted a large trout, weighing about ten pounds, out of Old Bigler...the lake of that name...

June 22, 1864 - Gold Hill News

WASHOE TROUT - Mr. Moses Korn, of Gold Hill, has been rustivating at the Glenbrook House for several days past...brought us in a splendid silver-sides trout (not quite as big as your leg)...

July 19, 1864 - Virginia Daily Union

TROUT - Yesterday we saw in market a fine lot of beautiful trout just received from Lake Tahoe. It is a dear luxury, however - the price being fifty cents per pound. The rate at which these fish are now being caught, will, it is feared, at no distant day, deplete the lake.

September 3, 1864 - Lyon County Sentinel (Dayton)

PISCATORIAL - Mr. J.E. Sabine has the thanks of this office for two nice Tahoe trout. Luxuries of this kind are always in order.

October 30, 1864 - Virginia Daily Union

FISH AND GAME - Our markets continue well supplied with fresh trout of the finest quality, from Lake Bigler...

November 16, 1864 - Virginia Daily Union

FISHY - ...We have at present a plentiful supply of fish that for quality cannot be excelled in the world. Trout from Lake Tahoe ...The trout fishing of Lake Tahoe is probably the finest on the Pacific Coast...all sizes, often weighing as much as thirty pounds...

December 24, 1864 - Gold Hill News

DROWNED - Edward Tone...who followed the business of fishing on Lake Tahoe, was accidently (sic) drowned several weeks ago, while attempting to cross the lake with a boat load of fish during a severe gale...

December 30, 1864 - Gold Hill News

TROUT - Monace and Taubles, opposite the Fashion Restaurant, have a fine lot of Lake Bigler trout...

1865

February 18, 1865 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

FRESH TROUT - The Fast Freight Line has just brought in a fine lot of trout, fresh from the waters of Lake Tahoe...

March 28, 1865 - Virginia Daily Union

EATABLES - Our markets...a fine lot of trout, fresh from Lake Tahoe; large, handsome fish, weighing from six to fifteen pounds each...

April 9, 1865 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Our markets are still well supplied with trout from Lake Tahoe. Some of these fish are so large that they might be taken for salmon.

April 14, 1865 - Virginia Daily Union

TROUT - Our markets are plentifully supplied with those delicious fish at present, and of a quality superior to any we have seen for a long time. They are principally from Lake Tahoe, and many of them of large size, weighing from fifteen to twenty pounds each.

April 30, 1865 - Virginia Daily Union

Lake Tahoe trout still continue plenty in our markets.

May 26, 1865 - Virginia Daily Union

FISH - Plenty of those delicious, Lake Bigler trout, as well as other varieties of fresh fish from the lakes and rivers...are for sale in market.

June 24, 1865 - Carson Daily Appeal

A SPLENDID FISH - We saw, yesterday...a Lake Bigler trout...weighed upwards of twelve pounds, and was captured by James Gray...

September 27, 1865 - Virginia Daily Union

TROUT - A goodly number of these luscious fish are to be found in our markets for sale, fresh from Lake Tahoe. They are large and in fine condition.

November 27, 1865 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

TROUT - The fast freight wagon, which arrived in town last evening, brought in a fine lot of trout from Lake Tahoe.

December 5, 1865 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

FRESH FISH - A wagon load of trout, fresh from Lake Tahoe, arrived in town this morning, and are offered at the very fancy price of seventy-five cents per pound. The fish are large and tempting, and cause one to regret not being a millionaire.

December 26, 1865 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

TROUT - W.B. Wilson, agent of the Lone Stage Company, has just received a good supply of large fat, delicious trout from Lake Tahoe...

1866

February 15, 1866 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

FRESH TROUT - Nat Small received per last night's stage from the west, over one hundred fresh and delicious trout of medium size, and plump as babies, from the waters of Lake Tahoe. He has made arrangements, while the cold weather lasts, for a constant supply of these luscious beauties...

February 28, 1866 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

FISH, GAME, AND FRUIT - It will be seen that Nat Small is in constant receipt per overland stage and fast freight, of Tahoe trout...

March 1, 1866 - An Act to amend an Act relating to Wild Game and Fish...

SECTION 1. That it shall be unlawful to catch...fish in any of the...waters within this State, from and after the first day of April...and up to the first day of July...by means of any drag...net...basket or pot, pond or weir, or by any poison, or by any deleterious substance whatsoever, or by obstructing, in any manner, the natural transit if fish in any of the waters of this State.

March 27, 1866 - Gold Hill News

TAHOE TROUT - Somebody...over at Tahoe, sent us a small box containing a quantity of delicious silver trout, by Express to-day, fresh from the blue and clear waters of the Tahoe...

April 1, 1866 - Carson Daily Appeal

AN IMMENSE TROUT - A Chinaman came into town yesterday with the largest specimen of a Lake Tahoe trout we have ever seen. It weighs a little more than thirty-eight pounds...

April 4, 1866 - Gold Hill News

OUR MARKETS - The meat markets of Gold Hill and Virginia...turkeys, chickens, ducks, and fine Tahoe and Truckee trout...

May 11, 1866 - Carson Daily Appeal

VERY FINE TROUT - Dr. Fonds...brought us a splendid specimen of a Lake Tahoe trout yesterday...five pounds...several other and larger ones...taken by the hook in deep water.

May 15, 1866 - Nevada State Journal (Carson City)

TROUT - Uncle Abe Beatty returned from Lake Bigler yesterday, with several hundred pounds of fine trout, which may be considered as very good grub.

May 17, 1866 - Carson Daily Appeal

FISH IN ABUNDANCE - We have never known our fish market to be so well supplied as at present. Lake Tahoe, the Carson and the Truckee, are made to yield up their piscatorial treasures in great abundance. Our hotels, the restaurants and private tables, serve up trout with painful regularity...

May 23, 1866 - Nevada State Journal (Carson City)

LAKE TAHOE - ...The fishing is superb, and game of all sorts are in abundance.

June 16, 1866 - Gold Hill News

FISH - The law prohibiting the catching of fish...expires on the first of July...The fish which are being brought into market, principally Tahoe trout, are caught with hook and line on the California side of Lake Tahoe.

June 17, 1866 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

FISH - The law prohibiting the catching of fish "by any drag or drags, or any kind of net, or any fish basket or pot, pond or weir," expires on the 1st of July - The prohibitory time having commenced on the first of April. The fish which are being brought into market, principally Tahoe trout, are caught with hook and line on the California side of Lake Tahoe.

June 19, 1866 - Virginia Daily Union

FISH - ...The fish which are being brought into market, principally Tahoe trout, are caught with hook and line on the California side of Lake Tahoe.

July 16, 1866 - Gold Hill News

TROUT - A.H. Saxton, of the Lake Tahoe saw-mills, west side of the lake, this morning sent us several delicious silver-side trout...

August 8, 1866 - Gold Hill News

FISH - Heaps [of] folks going fishing, now-a-days. Lake Tahoe is the place.

December 4, 1866 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

GAME - Game is very abundant in town, and nearly every restaurant displays a fine collection of...large, plump, and always enticing trout from the Humboldt and Lake Tahoe...

December 31, 1866 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

GOOD HOTEL IN THE MOUNTAINS - We learn that Mr. Stonebarger is about to erect immediately a commodious hotel in Clipper Canon...about to form a fish pond and stock it with trout from Lake Tahoe...

1867

February 3, 1867 - Carson Daily Appeal

LAKE BIGLER TROUT - We notice the market is well supplied with trout from Lake Tahoe. They are fine-looking fish, and are sold at twenty cents per pound. They are caught with hooks and brought directly to Carson.

March 30, 1867 – Virginia City Daily Trespass

TROUT – Large quantities of these delicious fish continue to arrive in our market daily. They come from the Truckee and Carson rivers and Lake Tahoe.

April 20, 1867 - Carson Daily Appeal

LIVE TROUT - Mr. W.W. Lapham, of Lake Valley, yesterday, brought to town two hundred and fifty pounds of trout, averaging in weight eight pounds each - the largest weighed eighteen. These trout are kept alive until the owner starts for market with them, consequently when they arrive here they are less than ten hours out of water. They are caught with a hook in Lake Bigler.

April 30, 1867 – Virginia City Daily Trespass

BIGLER TROUT – Hatch & Bro. have purchased the California portion of the Lake Bigler trout fishery, and agree to take daily 600 pounds of the delicious fish. Thursday at midnight the first invoice arrives, and each day a fresh lot will be received.

May 10, 1867 – Virginia City Daily Trespass

TROUT – Call at Hatch & Bro.'s, corner of C and Taylor streets, and obtain some of those excellent Lake Bigler trout which he receives every Thursday night...

May 17, 1867 - Gold Hill News

TROUT - Mr. Monaco, Maynard's block, Gold Hill, is in regular receipt every Friday morning of several champagne baskets full of Tahoe trout - the best fish brought to this market. They generally weigh from one to ten pounds.

May 21, 1867 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Fine Fish - The trout now being taken in Lake Tahoe are the finest we have yet seen. Thomas J. Clark received a lot yesterday in which there was scarcely a fish to be seen that was not a perfect beauty. They are not so large as those seen here during last winter, but they are round, plump, and firm.

June 7, 1867 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Fresh Trout - Alex McKay, No. 9 South C Street has just received a choice lot of lake trout. He is daily in receipt of all the delicacies of the season to be had in the Washoe and California markets, as his place of business shows, all of which he sells at living rates.

June 14, 1867 – Virginia City Daily Trespass

BROOK TROUT – W.W. Lapham, of Lake Valley, made us happy, last night, by a donation of a dozen brook trout, fresh, spotted and delicious. They weighed about one-fourth of a pound each, and have blood relations residing in the mountains of Maine and New Hampshire...

July 19, 1867 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Our markets...A fresh supply of trout comes in from Lake Tahoe every Thursday.

August 1, 1867 – Virginia City Daily Trespass

FRESH TROUT – Hatch Bros. have to-day received from Lake Bigler the first invoice of delicious trout. They have obtained the sole privilege of these trout for the balance of the season.

November 14, 1867 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Game and Fish -our markets...in the way of fish, we have salmon, sturgeon, rock-cod, etc., from the bay, and our own fine trout from Lake Bigler and the Truckee...

1868

February 3, 1868 - Gold Hill News

TROUT - The markets, both of Gold Hill and Virginia, are well supplied with an excellent article of trout from Lake Tahoe and the Truckee.

April 6, 1868 – Virginia City Daily Trespass

BILLY WILSON – We are under obligations to Billy Wilson, of the Carson stage, for a 11-pound Lake Bigler trout...

April 8, 1868 - Carson Daily Appeal

Lake Tahoe trout, a fine specimen, from four hundred pounds, direct from the lake, was presented us yesterday by Mr. A.B. Gardner of the saloon on King Street...

April 17, 1868 – Virginia City Daily Trespass

TROUT – Mr. W.W. Lapham arrived last night with a load of fresh Lake Bigler trout, consigned to Hatch Brothers. There was quite a raid on Hatch's store this morning. Mr. Lapham will be in with another load about Thursday next, or perhaps sooner.

May 21, 1868 – Virginia City Daily Trespass

FISH – A large quantity of delicious trout was brought in from Lake Bigler, last night, by Mr. W.W. Lapham... none of them weighing more than a pound, and many of them less than a quarter of a pound... [Based on observations of some of the fish in a restaurant]

May 23, 1868 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

TROUT - Our markets are at present supplied with delicious trout from Lake Tahoe. They reach us almost as fresh as when first scooped from the crystal waters of the lake.

May 29, 1868 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

FISH - Fine trout from Lake Bigler can now be obtained in all our markets...

July 31, 1868 – Virginia City Daily Tresspass

TWO TONS OF FRESH TROUT – Mr. John S. McCann... extensive tramp around Lake Bigler... while in the vicinity of Saxon's mill, at Sugar Pine Point, on the southwest side of the lake, he visited several of the fish-pens in that neighborhood, and saw from one and half to two tons of fresh Lake Bigler trout fattening in the fish corrals built in the creeks along the lake shore. Mr. McKinney, who lives at the Point, has one pen containing over one thousand pounds of trout, and there are a number of others with a similar quantity. These corrals consist of a wicker fence built across the mouth of a creek, to prevent the fish escaping into the lake, and a similar barrier some distance back to prevent their escape up the stream. The finny beauties are caught by means of a long snare-seine, and dragged out into the stream, when the fence is let down and the prisoners are turned loose in the corral... fed bounteously until such time as they can be sent to market, when they are scooped out by the wagon load with a dip-net. McKinney and others are now making arrangements to ship large quantities of the delicious fish to this market, and as soon as the weather and facilities will permit, it is their intention to furnish us with fresh trout twice a-week.

October 16, 1868 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

A LAKE TAHOE BEAUTY - Is anything prettier or richer to the happy possessor than a plump, full-sized, delicious trout, fresh from the depths of translucent Tahoe? The proprietor of this establishment was the recipient of such a lovely fish this morning from Miller & Wadleigh, of the Fast Freight store of this city...

1869

January 2, 1869 – Truckee Tribune

Lake Bigler trout are quite plenty in the market.

January 4, 1869 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

TROUT FROM LAKE TAHOE - Wilcox, of the San Francisco Branch Fruit Store, has received a fine lot of trout, plump and fresh from the limpid waters of lovely Tahoe. A choicer lot of fish was never brought into this market.

January 6, 1869 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

FRESH TROUT - Within the past two days trout have been brought into this city from Lake Tahoe, Walker River, and the Humboldt, as fresh and sweet as if they had been just taken from the water...The railroad will increase our supply of fish and lessen the price too.

May 1, 1869 - White Pine News (Treasure City)

MARKETS - Our markets are at the present pretty well stocked with most of the luxuries to be found in any of the older communities of this State. Lake Bigler and... are obtainable in our markets...

October 4, 1869 - Gold Hill News

LAKE TAHOE TROUT - We acknowledge the receipt of two, nice, large, fat silver-sides trout, caught in... Lake Tahoe yesterday afternoon...

October 16, 1869 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

FISH - Our markets were never better supplied with fish of all kinds than at present. We have trout from Tahoe and...

November 2, 1869 - Carson Daily Appeal

FISHING WITH GIANT POWDER - Parties go to the Carson River and throw in cartridges made of giant powder for the sake of the fish that can be caught after the explosion. This is an abominable practice and ought to be stopped. What fish there are in the Carson may not be worth preserving from such slaughter, but of this practice is not abated it may extend to Lake Bigler and the Truckee, greatly to the detriment of the trout fisheries.

November 7, 1869 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

A NEW MODE OF FISHING - ...blast trout out...with two cartridges he saw over fifty pounds of fish killed...most destructive mode of fishing we have ever heard of...Parties have already been talking of trying this blasting process in Lake Tahoe, where by using large cartridges they expect to bring up hundreds of trout at a single shot...[Long story suggesting that a law is needed to prevent this mode of fishing]

December 23, 1869 - Carson Daily Appeal

A BIG TROUT FROM LAKE BIGLER - They had at the Corbett House yesterday a trout which was caught with a hook and line by Thomas Rowland in Lake Bigler...twenty-six pounds...This is the largest trout from Lake Bigler of which we have any authentic account.

1870

January 4, 1870 - Carson Daily Appeal

THAT BIG TROUT - Capt. John McKinney of Tahoe City...says: That the largest fish ever taken from those waters prior to that which was sent as a present to General Grant was one which weighed twenty-seven (27) pounds and which was caught by a man named Tone who was drowned in Lake Tahoe in 1864...

January 4, 1870 - Gold Hill News

THE BIGGEST TROUT - The CARSON APPEAL, on the authority of Captain John McKinney, of Tahoe City, who has resided on Lake Tahoe since fishing first began there, and who has made fishing a profession, says that the largest fish ever taken from those waters prior to that which was sent as a present to General Grant, was one which weighed twenty-seven pounds, and which was caught by a man named Tone, who was drowned in the lake in 1864.

January 28, 1870 - Gold Hill News

TAHOE TROUT - Edward W. Harris...yesterday presented the editor of the News with a most delicious Tahoe silver-sides trout, weighing seven pounds, brought in with a few others from the fine trout fishery of John W. McKinney, on the west side of the lake, not far from Emerald Bay. This trout was one of the few silver beauties that are caught at this time of the year...

February 10, 1870 - White Pine News (Hamilton)

FISH STOLEN - Some thief who is evidently fond of good living, entered the kitchen of Moch's restaurant early yesterday morning, and stole a number of fine Lake Bigler trout.

March 2, 1871 - An Act to prevent the Destruction of Fish in the waters of the State of Nevada.

SECTION 1. It shall not be lawful for any person or persons, between the first day of January and the first day of September of each year to catch or kill any...trout in any of the...waters within this State, with any seine, gillnet, or any spear, weir, fence, baskets, trap, explosive material or other substances or implements, or in any manner except by hook and line; and it shall not be lawful at any time...to catch or kill such fish...by any poisonous, deleterious or stupifying drug, explosive material or other substance...

May 12, 1871 - Daily State Register (Carson City)

FRESH TROUT - Billy, at the Magnolia, last night received a lot of fresh trout, dripping from the limpid waters of Lake Bigler.

June 2, 1871 - Daily State Register (Carson City)

TROUT - Tom Rowland, of the old Lake House, brought in a fine load of fresh trout from Lake Bigler yesterday afternoon. He supplies Carson regularly every Thursday with trout taken from his traps an hour before starting.

June 8, 1871 - Gold Hill News

SILVER-SIDES TROUT - Mr. Edward Harris, of Gold Hill, returned from Lake Tahoe this morning where he has been on a hunting, fishing and pleasure excursion for the last week...presented the proprietor of the News with a large and delicious silver-sides trout, weighing six pounds...

June 15, 1871 - Daily State Register (Carson City)

TROUT - Tom Rowland, of the Lake House, may be expected in town this afternoon with a load of trout fresh from the waters of Lake Bigler. He brings in a load every Thursday. His fish are caught by hook and are kept fresh and fed in cars (?) buried in the lake until he is ready to start with them.

June 15, 1871 - Gold Hill News

A BIG TROUT - Dave McGowan...this morning sent us a large and luscious silver trout, fresh from the waters of Lake Tahoe. Its weight was exactly twenty pounds, and was of the silver-sides species, caught at a depth of four to five hundred feet..

July 1, 1871 - Daily State Register (Carson City)

LARGE TROUT - A trout captured in Lake Bigler and weighing 22 1/2 pounds, some put it at 75, was yesterday placed in the window of Frisbie's Restaurant...

July 26, 1871 - Gold Hill News

FIRE ON THE MOUNTAIN - We learn from the REGISTER that a great fire was raging yesterday afternoon and evening on the summit of the Sierra between Carson City and Delicone Bay of Lake Tahoe...

July 29, 1871 - Gold Hill News

CHAMPION TROUT CLUBBIST - John Buckmaster...gone over to Lake Tahoe...writes as follows:...the trout are not very plentiful in the lake, but in the brooks they just swarm. We don't use hooks at all, but go for them

with a big club. Yesterday, with the assistance of a boy to take care of the fish, I clubbed enough in an hour to last the house for a couple of days, and there are about ten of us with good appetites.

1872

January 19, 1872 - Daily State Register (Carson City)

TROUT - Lake Bigler trout are coming into our market in considerable quantities. Tom Rowland of the Lake House brought in a load yesterday, and W.W. Lapham of the Fish Market ditto...the day before. Fishing is not yet very good on the lake, but is improving rapidly.

January 26, 1872 - Daily State Register (Carson City)

TROUT - Tom Rowland, of the Lake House, was in town yesterday afternoon with a load of delicious Lake Bigler trout. As fishing is now good, Rowland will bring down a load every Wednesday evening hereafter...

March 22, 1872 - Daily State Register (Carson City)

FRESH TROUT - Tom Rowland is now making weekly trips from Lake Bigler to Carson. He brings in a load each time and disposes of them in less than no time...

April 4, 1872 - Daily State Register (Carson City)

FRESH TROUT - Tom Rowland was yesterday in town with a load of trout from Lake Bigler. One of the largest weighed seventeen pounds...

April 18, 1872 - Daily State Register (Carson City)

LAKE TROUT - On Thursday evening Tom Rowland brought a load of fish to Carson. L.P. Frisbie purchased two of the largest weighing forty two pounds...

April 27, 1872 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

TROUT - An abundance of fine trout are now being caught in Lake Tahoe, and our markets are well supplied with this delicious fish.

May 2, 1872 - Truckee Republican

FISH CULTURE - Messrs. Stewart & Kelly made a beginning last August in trout raising near Donner Lake. They have two ponds one-fourth of a mile from the lake. They have in their ponds 22,000 trout... intend to procure spawn for 100,000 more trout from Lake Tahoe this spring...

May 10, 1872 - Daily State Register (Carson City)

LARGE TROUT - Tom Rowland was yesterday in town with his weekly load of trout. He brought the largest trout ever seen in Carson; it weighed 23 1/2 pounds...

May 14, 1872 - Truckee Republican

TAHOE - ...Fish do not show very plenty on the north side of the lake, but are said to be quite plenty on the south...

May 25, 1872 - Truckee Republican

TROUT - A large number of trout are being caught in Tahoe and Donner lakes, and also in the Truckee

River. A 22-pounder was brought down from Tahoe yesterday...

June 26, 1872 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

PIUTE ENTERPRISE - Five or six Piute Indians yesterday morning arrived in this city from Lake Tahoe with a lot of trout, which they had speared. Some of the men had but two or three, but one ...a whole gunny sack...[Long article]

July 8, 1872 – Virginia Evening Chronicle

TROUT EXPRESS - We understand that the Piute Indians have established a trout express from Lake Bigler to this City, by which means they can transport fresh fish a distance of thirty-two miles in about four hours. A buck starts from the lake with a load of fish, runs four miles and delivers the load to the next, and so on...

July 18, 1872 – Truckee Republican

The Indians are bringing in large quantities of fish from Lake Tahoe, Truckee River and Donner Lake. The fish from the lakes are preferred to those caught in the river.

September 28, 1872 – Truckee Republican

SCARCE – Both river and lake trout are very scarce in this market. These fish do not bite well at this season of the year, and the Indians are able to spear but few, as the trout hide in deep water, and are neither running up or down the streams. What few are caught are excellent, but the supply will be short until sometime in February or March next.

November 27, 1872 - Carson Daily Appeal

GAME - ...The market...too, is kept constantly supplied with ...and trout from Lake Tahoe.

December 7, 1872 – Truckee Republican

FRESH TROUT – Fresh trout are scarce at our hotels just now. The reason is that they are shy at this time of the years and do not take kindly to the fisherman's hook...

1873

January 4, 1873 – Nevada State Journal (Reno)

PISCICULTURE - ... We learn from the Truckee Republican that "Spencer F. Baird, the United States Fish Commissioner, has notified the Fish Commissioners of California, that he has appropriated 50,000 eggs of the white fish of the Western lakes for that State. These eggs will soon be forwarded from the East and hatched at Comer Brother's Fishery on the Truckee River. After the eggs are hatched and the fish of sufficient size they will be placed in Tahoe and Donner Lakes and also in the Truckee River.

January 30, 1873 – Truckee Republican

Trout from Lake Tahoe and Donner are being shipped to Sacramento where they readily bring from 35 to 40 cents per pound.

April 10, 1873 – Truckee Republican

LARGE TROUT – A large trout was on exhibition yesterday at the store of John L. Robinson. It weighed 18 pounds, and was caught in Lake Tahoe. But few trout of that size are found in Tahoe, or anywhere else...

April 24, 1873 – Truckee Republican

LARGE TROUT – Two large trout were on exhibition Tuesday evening at Geo. Ford's variety store. The largest weighed 21 pounds and the smallest 16 pounds. They were caught in Lake Tahoe by Ben McCoy on Monday last...

April 26, 1873 – Truckee Republican

FRESH TAHOE TROUT – George Ford received at his fish market to-day 300 pounds of fresh trout from Lake Tahoe...

May 7, 1873 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

BIG TROUT - Chamberlain has been up to Tahoe for a few days and while there indulged in his favorite pastime of trout-fishing. He brought home with him as a trophy of his victories, a 14-pounder, a perfect beauty.

May 8, 1873 - Reno Crescent

BIG FISH - On Tuesday Chamberlain showed us a silver trout from Tahoe - a captive to his rod and line - weighing 12 pounds.

May 17, 1873 - Gold Hill News

LUMBER - Yesterday A.K. Potter, our local dealer in lumber, received...20,000 feet...brought in from Glenbrook by teams. At the present time orders for lumber are coming faster than they can be filled.

May 28, 1873 – Virginia Evening Chronicle

FISHY – John Williamson, Superintendent of the California Acclimatizing Society, is over at Lake Bigler planting fish eggs from eastern trout. He also proposes to “scatter the germs of the beautiful” in the headwaters of the American river... Williamson also intends to gather about 200,000 eggs and 6,000 young trout from Lake Bigler.

June 7, 1873 – Truckee Republican

FISH EGGS – Large quantities of fish eggs are being sent from Truckee to San Francisco and other portions of the State. These eggs are principally from Lake Tahoe trout. The business of propagating trout by artificial means seems to be popular and increasing rapidly.

July 15, 1873 – Truckee Republican

THE LARGEST TROUT – The largest trout ever taken in Lake Tahoe, by white people, was captured there yesterday. The fish was of the silver trout variety and weighed thirty pounds...

July 15, 1873 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

A MONSTER TROUT CAUGHT - We last night received a telegram from Tahoe City which informs us that the "biggest" trout has at last been caught. The dispatch says: The largest silver trout ever caught in Lake Tahoe was caught to-day by James Stanton, of San Francisco. Its weight is thirty pounds...

July 18, 1873 - Gold Hill News

LUMBER - Some idea can be formed of the immense amount of lumber turned out by the Glenbrook mills, from the fact that every day or two, rafts of logs containing 250,000 feet of lumber are towed across Lake Tahoe to the mills from Sugar Pine Point...

August 5, 1873 – Truckee Republican

DESTRUCTION OF FISH – We are informed that individuals at Tahoe City are capturing large quantities of trout by means of nets. These nets are spread across the inlet to the Truckee River and of some of the largest streams emptying into the lake...

October 14, 1873 – Truckee Republican

SALMON TROUT – Some very large and delicious salmon trout have been received here within the past few days from Lake Tahoe. Lest people abroad should think such fish are cheap, we will state for their benefit that they brought 25 cents a pound in this market.

October 23, 1873 – Reese River Reveille (Austin)

THOSE FISH - [Response to a TRUCKEE REPUBLICAN article about fish for Lander County]

October 30, 1873 – Truckee Republican

FISHING EXTRAORDINARY - ...Yank Hammond yesterday...caught no less than 208 white fish... average about half a pond each, and do not frequent Lake Tahoe or Donner...

October 31, 1873 – Humboldt Register (Winnemucca)

The effort to introduce Truckee trout into the mountain streams in the vicinity of Austin Nev., has not proved a great success. Out of 5,000 shipped a few days since from Cromer & Frazier's fishery, but few over 100 reached Austin alive. There should be some manner of safely transporting them, and it will doubtless soon be discovered.

November 17, 1873 - Gold Hill News

TROUT - We noticed in market to-day a splendid lot of trout from Lake Tahoe.

1874

February 26, 1874 – Nevada Tribune (Carson City)

FISH - A man was yesterday in town with a wagon load of fish, taken from Lake Tahoe, he said. They seemed to be frozen and swollen, and did not in any way resemble the beautiful trout generally brought into town...

March 5, 1874 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

LAKE TAHOE TROUT - Trout in considerable quantities are now being brought down from Lake Tahoe. They are taken with the hook and line, and some of them are of a very large size...minnows are used as bait. For this use the minnows are caught in the fall and kept in large cages placed in the edge of the lake...

March 21, 1874 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

FISH DAY - Yesterday, being Friday, was fish day in this city...The trout now being brought here are unusually large, particularly those that are brought from Lake Tahoe. Those who are experts in such matters say that the large trout are the only ones that will bite at this season of the year. They are principally caught far out in the deep water, live minnows...being used as bait...

March 24, 1874 - Gold Hill News

FROM THE LAKE - John McKinney, of Lake Tahoe, arrived in Gold Hill...yesterday...fishermen meet with excellent success and big trout...

May 26, 1874 – Truckee Republican

THE TROUT BUSINESS – [Long article about the California Acclimatizing Society of San Francisco shipping Tahoe trout throughout the country]

June 9, 1874 – Truckee Republican

FISH SPAWN – Spawn for half a million trout have been sent down from Lake Tahoe and are now at the Express office. The (the spawn) will be shipped to San Francisco to-morrow to the fish farm of the Acclimatization Society at San Pedro Point in San Mateo County.

June 11, 1874 – Truckee Republican

SHIPPING LIVE TROUT – The proprietors of the Tahoe fishery shipped to-day to Mr. Elsner, of Carson City, 1500 one year old trout. These trout are for Mr. E's private fish pond.

July 16, 1874 – Virginia Evening Chronicle

FISH – The markets are stocked with fine, large Sacramento salmon. There is also an abundance of Tahoe and Truckee trout.

August 18, 1874 – Truckee Republican

WON'T BITE – The fish in Lake Tahoe are very refractory just at this time. They refuse to bite or even to be coaxed within convenient spearing distance. Old fishermen at the lake say that they will take kindly to the hook about the middle of September.

November 14, 1874 – Virginia Evening Chronicle

LAKE TAHOE TROUT – A large quantity of salmon trout, from Lake Tahoe, and the Truckee river, was received by the fish dealers yesterday. They were of a very large size, some of them being nearly two feet in length. A number of them had been caught by Indians, for the marks of the spear... were visible upon their backs... [Long article describing the fishing methods of the Indians]

1875

January 1, 1875 – Carson Daily Appeal

A fine salmon trout was sent down from the Lake, yesterday, to the restaurant in Simpson & Smith's place. A sixteen pounder.

January 7, 1875 – Virginia Evening Chronicle

A considerable number of trout are at present being caught at Lake Tahoe, notwithstanding the lateness of the season. Most of them find their way to this city.

January 8, 1875 – Virginia Evening Chronicle

A larger quantity of fish than is usually received on Friday arrived by rail this morning. Most of them were from San Francisco, but there were several boxes of fine trout from Lake Tahoe.

March 9, 1875 – Virginia Evening Chronicle

Fish are beginning to bite, and several parties of excursionists are preparing to go to Lake Tahoe and the Truckee river to enjoy the sport.

March 12, 1875 - Gold Hill News

TROUT - A fine lot of silver trout, fresh from Lake Tahoe, arrived here this morning.

March 13, 1875 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Silver trout, from Lake Tahoe, are becoming plentiful in our markets.

March 19, 1875 – Carson Daily Appeal

The handsomest trout we have seen this many a day...Frisbies' show window...sixteen pounds...spring of 1869 Tom Rowland...presented to President Grant a trout weighing, when caught, 29 pounds...That was the largest fish ever taken from Lake Bigler, we believe.

March 20, 1875 - Carson Valley News (Genoa)

TROUT - Every Thursday O.D. Lang of Lake Valley runs to the Genoa and Carson markets a big load of delicious Tahoe trout. Day before yesterday he came to town with several hundred pounds of fine fresh fellows, weighing all along from one and a half to near twenty pounds, generously dropping at our door as he passed two most beautiful ones. Mr. L. finds ready sale for his fish at two bits per pound.

March 25, 1875 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

THE TOMB OF THE FORESTS - Timber is being buried in the Consolidated Virginia mine at the rate of 6,000,000 feet per annum, and in all the other mines in like proportion. The Comstock Lode may well be said to be the tomb of the forests of the Sierras.

April 8, 1875 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

LAKE TAHOE AND VICINITY - ...Mr. W.W. Morgan is getting along famously with the hatching and raising of trout at the outlet of the lake in the vicinity of Tahoe City. We paid a visit to his ponds...large number of trout in all stages of development...he is prepared to furnish young trout for transplanting to any persons who may desire them...

June 2, 1875 - Truckee Republican

RESOURCES OF TAHOE - The fishing interests are more extensive than might be supposed. Six varieties of trout are found in the lake... From twenty to twenty-five men are constantly employed in fishing for market. Fifteen cents per pound is the price received.

Another growing attraction of the place is the piscicultural establishment of Morgan, Pringle & Hurley. These men could easily hatch out from one to five million trout annually...

June 23, 1875 - Truckee Republican

Fishing at Lake Tahoe is said to be good, particularly in the vicinity of Hot Springs. It is said to be no trick at all to gather in fifty pounds before breakfast...

June 23, 1875 – Carson Tribune

THINGS AT LAKE TAHOE [Killing Trout] – Great complaints are made against people, Chinamen and others, for killing large numbers of trout that run up the stream to spawn. There is a law on the statute books of this state prohibiting such outrageous proceedings, and the lake people will do well to cause the arrest of the next person caught in this act of destruction. By killing off the very young fish and destroying those that go up to spawn, there will soon be an end to fish in the beautiful lake.

July 20, 1875 - Gold Hill News

THE LAKE FISHERY [TAHOE] - ...very eligibly situated near the outlet of the lake, or source of Truckee River, Pringle, Morgan & Early proprietors. Here, in the well-arranged hatching troughs, we saw myriads of little trout...Mr. Morgan informed us that they had turned over 200,000 of them into the lake this season...

July 28, 1875 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing is said to be very good in the Carson river this season. Parties go out from this city daily, bringing home beautiful specimens of the finny tribe. The trout caught in the Carson are far ahead of those of Lake Tahoe in point of flavor.

August 5, 1875 – Virginia Evening Chronicle

Mr. Sutro brought back a lot of live trout from Lake Bigler a day or two since, and put them in the lake at the mouth of the tunnel.

August 5, 1875 - Lyon County Times (Silver City)

Mr. Sutro brought back a lot of live trout from Lake Tahoe the other day, and has planted them in Sutro lake. They will be known as SutROUT.

December 7, 1875 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Trout now bite very diligently at Lake Tahoe, but it does not add to the enjoyment of the sport that the angler must stand in a depth of fifteen inches of snow while slaughtering the "speckled beauties", as the inventor of the "phoenix" and the "fire fiend" poetically calls these and all other trout.

1876

January 20, 1876 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

PLANTED - The half million young salmon which Charles Crocker procured last fall at the United States fishery on the McCloud and donated to California were a few days ago distributed, a portion being placed in Lake Tahoe and Donner...

January 21, 1876 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Yank, the fish dealer of Lake Valley, was in town yesterday with a load of trout, and found a ready sale for the speckled beauties...

January 22, 1876 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

PLANTED - The half million young salmon which Charles Crocker procured last fall at the U.S. Fishery on the McCloud and donated to California were a few days ago distributed, a portion being placed in Lake Tahoe and Donner...

April 19, 1876 – Truckee Republican

W.B. Campbell this afternoon brought down a lot of Tahoe trout. Anyone wishing to get a mess of them can do so by calling on Hamlet Davis.

May 25, 1876 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

FRESH TROUT – Our enterprising young merchants, Messrs. Flinn & Towle, are in the daily receipt of fresh trout from the pellucid (that's a good word) waters of Lake Tahoe. They are fine. Try 'em.

June 21, 1876 - Gold Hill News

TROUT - John Keene, Doc. Conwell and Bob Marshall are out at the lake having a jolly good time. The trout bite splendidly. This fact is attested to by a fine lot of these nice fish which they sent to their friends in Gold Hill this morning...

June 24, 1876 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

There is no trout in the River now, all having gone up to Lake Bigler. As a consequence we seldom have any.

July 9, 1876 – Silver City Mining Reporter

Ed Harris caught a fine seven-pound trout at Tahoe on Wednesday, and sent the finny trophy to superintendent Jno. Briggs for dissection.

July 13, 1876 – Carson Daily Appeal

LAKE TROUT – Some very handsome specimens of Lake Bigler trout were received yesterday by Messrs. Flem & Towle, grocers, corner Carson and Telegraph Streets. They were packed on ice and came in fine condition...

August 10, 1876 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

The cause of the fire near Lake Tahoe day before yesterday is said to be carelessness of the Washoes, who are there fishing and hunting.

August 11, 1876 - Carson Valley News (Genoa)

Fires raged extensively up in the region of the Lake the fore part of the week...

October 7, 1876 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Ten thousand cords of wood is to be towed from the other side of Lake Tahoe to Glenbrook during the winter and spring. Captain Todman has the contract.

December 7, 1876 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

FRESH TROUT FROM THE LAKE – Messrs. Flinn and Towle, of the family grocery store, Adams block, received this morning 500 pounds of spotted trout, right fresh from the waters of Lake Tahoe... intend keeping a constant supply of fresh trout all through the winter. Leave your orders at the store.

December 16, 1876 - Sutro Independent

Trout bite voraciously at Lake Tahoe now and the weather is fine...at present there is no snow about the lake.

December 27, 1876 - Reno Evening Gazette

SALMON - From J.G. Woodbury, who has been and is now under the employ of the California Fish Commission, we learn that 250,000 salmon which were hatched near Truckee, were placed in Lake Tahoe in October '75...

1877

February 24, 1877 - Elko Weekly Post

MORE FISH - ...From the SACRAMENTO BEE...large consignments of young white fish from the Eastern lakes...and 130,000 in Lake Tahoe. The white fish do not live in streams. They are found only in cold waters.

March 5, 1877 - An Act to provide for the preservation of fish in this State.

Sec. 4. It shall not be lawful for any person or persons, between the first days of January and June of each year, to catch or kill any...trout, in any of the...waters within this State, with any seine, gill-net, or any spear, grab-hook, wier, fence, basket, trap, explosive material, or other implements or substances, or in any manner except by hook and line; and it shall not be lawful at any time for any person or persons to catch or kill such fish...by the use of traps, gill-nets, grab-hooks, or any poisonous, deleterious, or stupifying drug, explosive material, or other substance, or catch or have in possession any fish so caught during the close season...

Sec. 9. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prohibit or prevent Indians from taking trout in any of the streams or lakes of this State, at any time, by the same means heretofore usually used and employed by them; provided, that the same are for their own use...

March 5, 1877 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

ROAD OPEN TO THE LAKE – Both roads are passable to Lake Tahoe... Fish is plenty at the lake and is daily brought to Carson during these Lenten times.

March 21, 1877 – Truckee Republican

FOOD FOR THE BRAIN – Billy Campbell, the general landlord of the Hot Springs Hotel, sent us a fine large trout weighing eight pounds last Saturday. It was the largest that has been caught in the neighborhood of the Spring's this season...

April 13, 1877 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

PISCICULTURE - We yesterday went with Captain Overton, Superintendent of the Virginia Water-Works...Two years ago, with infinite trouble, he brought some 500 Tahoe trout, a year old, from Tahoe City. With these he stocked the main reservoir...sent to Vermont for spawn of brook-trout...[Long and excellent article on trout hatching and raising]

May 2, 1877 – Truckee Republican

LARGE MESS – Saturday W.C. Queen brought down from Lake Tahoe a whole wagon load of trout. They were caught on the eastern side of the lake, near Glenbrook, and the large mess was gathered together in the short space of two hours. When brought to town they were fresh and fat, and retailed at one bit a pound. Taken on an average, they were larger than any fish ever brought to town.

June 13, 1877 - Lyon County Times (Silver City)

RETURNED - Ed Harris returned on Sunday from Tahoe. He reports trout fishing at the lake better than ever before known. Two of the party caught 116 pounds of fish in one day with a line. They brought into Gold Hill near 100 pounds.

June 19, 1877 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

ILLEGAL FISHING - The San Francisco ALTA reports...a terrible destruction of fish is going on at Lake Tahoe. Especially at or near Pigeon Point, where hundreds of pounds are daily caught in traps, and sent to Virginia City and Sacramento...A game and fish law was recently passed in Nevada which probably forbids trap-fishing...steps have, we learn, been taken or are about to be taken, to put a stop to this wholesale destruction of the trout in the lake...

June 22, 1877 - Gold Hill News

FROM THE LAKE - Eugene Markey got back from Lake Tahoe last evening...caught more fish than anybody. He brought a box full. The biggest trout weighed 12 1/2 pounds...

July 14, 1877 – Truckee Republican

BIG MESS – If skeptics think this isn't a good fishing country, just mark this: Nine hundred pounds of fine lake trout were yesterday brought down from Lake Tahoe, by James Cardwell. They were sent to Virginia City. There are a good number of men around the Lake who make their living exclusively by fishing, but this half ton haul is the richest yet.

July 15, 1877 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

ON THE WING - LAKE TAHOE - Fishing was never better at Tahoe and the guests catch more than are used at the hotels. Our luck was good and we caught quite a number...largest trout...weighed about eight pounds...

July 29, 1877 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

LAKE TAHOE - ...The fishing is good and great quantities of trout are being caught. A day or two since Tom Gallagher of Gold Hill caught a trout weighing ten pounds, the big fish of the season, it is said.

August 31, 1877 - Gold Hill News

LAKE TAHOE - Pleasure Seekers Coming Home, and Hunters Going In - ...The fishing is much better now than at any time during the summer...

September 5, 1877 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

LAKE TAHOE – Fishing is very poor at present on the lake. Captain Howland, who is considered the most successful fisherman on Lake Tahoe, yesterday fished all day, and caught but two of the speckled beauties.

December 20, 1877 – Carson Daily Appeal

WHITE FISH FROM LAKE BIGLER – Yesterday a considerable quantity of white fish was brought hither from Lake Bigler. These fish are not altogether foreign to those waters but their numbers are increased by the planting of the eastern (Lake Michigan) variety. They are caught in seines and are very abundant at this season of the year.

1878

January 19, 1878 - Gold Hill News

LAKE TAHOE ITEMS - The fishing for several weeks past has been excellent, especially on the west side of the lake, from here to away beyond Sugar Pine Point. John McKinney has been making his fortune at the business, the best fishing grounds being all along his place...

February 24, 1878 – Carson Daily Appeal

Yesterday a man bought a trout. It was a Lake Bigler trout. It weighed 14 pounds

February 25, 1878 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Captain Avery, of the steamer Niagra, Lake Tahoe, says the trout bite savagely at present...

March 7, 1878 – Carson Daily Appeal

Doc Benton received some splendid trout fresh from the Lake on the last regular trip. They were rapidly disposed of yesterday...

March 10, 1878 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Trout fishing is now good at Lake Tahoe, but we don't believe that old Izaak Walton himself would enjoy it with the seat of his trousers dragging in the snow.

March 16, 1878 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Tom Rowland of Lake Tahoe, caught a trout this week weighing 25 ½ pounds.

April 12, 1878 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

LAKE TAHOE MATTERS - ...Trout are still biting well. Last Monday morning Tom Rowland, of Rowland's Landing, caught one that weighed 23 1/2 pounds...The week before he caught one weighing 25 1/2 pounds...

April 13, 1878 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

Tom Rowland says he caught a trout weighing 25 1/8 pounds in Lake Tahoe on Monday. Whew!

May 10, 1878 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The fishing is now splendid at Lake Tahoe, and those who are fond of angling may find all the sport they desire...

June 7, 1878 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

A wagon load of trout arrived here yesterday from Lake Tahoe. They were caught with hook and line. The fishing is said to be very fine at the lake just now. The trout are sold to our dealers at twelve and a half cents per pound.

June 7, 1878 - Gold Hill News

Trout is now arriving from Lake Tahoe by the wagon load. Price 12 1/2 cents a pound.

June 12, 1878 – Truckee Republican

Trout are taken in wagon loads from Tahoe to Virginia City and sold for 12 1/2 cents per pound. That's cheaper than we can buy them at home.

June 13, 1878 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Trout fishing is said to be excellent at Lake Tahoe at present.

July 4, 1878 – Carson Daily Appeal

FROM THE LAKE - ...The fishing in this vicinity is the best I have seen on the Lake...Mr. Kaufman and Dr. Connell, of Gold Hill, have averaged twenty-five trout a day for the past week. Mr. Milo Knox, of this place, caught twenty-seven silver trout, on Tuesday last, averaging in weight from three to seven pounds...

August 22, 1878 – Reno Evening Gazette

Charlie Knust is up at Lake Tahoe and is sending down quantities of trout to his friends.

September 3, 1878 - Gold Hill News

LAKE TAHOE LETTER - ...Trout fishing is remarkably poor, nobody catching any...The result of the last four weeks' ...Chub fishing, on the contrary, is very good, at which I have been very successful, having caught a large number. They are excellent eating; I think equal to trout...

September 5, 1878 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

One hundred and twenty thousand sheep are pastured around Truckee, from which 300,000 pounds of wool are clipped and shipped away yearly...

September 6, 1878 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

OUR TRIP TO TAHOE - Four saw mills on the shores of the lake turn out millions of feet of timbers and lumber yearly...the dense forests that skirted the lake five years ago are rapidly becoming a thing of the past, and the time is not far distant when they will be as completely wiped out as have been those at the MacKay-Fair camps. It is too bad to have those beautiful groves cut away, but the Comstock must have timber and wood, and the trees must go...

November 30, 1878 - Elko Weekly Post

WHITE FISH - About two years ago a large number of young white fish were planted in Lake Tahoe. Their number has increased, they are plentiful in the Truckee river and easily taken with hook and line...

1879

January 20, 1879 – Reno Evening Gazette

WHITE FISH FOR NEVADA - F.H. Horton arrived in Reno yesterday morning with 150,000 white fish from the California state hatchery at Lake Chabot [for Eagle Lake]...same number at Truckee to go to Lake Tahoe... 150,000 into Donner.

January 21, 1879 – Nevada State Journal (Reno)

F.H. Horton arrived in Reno yesterday morning with 150,000 white fish from the California State hatchery at Lake Chabot, destined for Eagle Lake. He left the same number at Truckee to go to Lake Tahoe, 80,000 at Sereno Lake Summit valley a week ago and 150,000 into Donner.

January 31, 1879 - Carson Valley News (Genoa)

Lake Michigan white fish are being placed in Lake Tahoe...says the S.F. POST.

February 1, 1879 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Several monster trout have lately been caught in Tahoe. One weighing 27 pounds, another weighing 18 pounds, and numbers of them weighing from 10 to 12 pounds.

February 8, 1879 – Reno Evening Gazette

TRUCKEE REPUBLICAN - Large quantities of Tahoe trout are sent below daily. They vary from ten to twelve pounds each.

February 19, 1879 - An Act amendatory of...an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the preservation of fish..."

...and it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to expose for sale...or to catch or kill for salting...any of the...trout, in any...waters within this State, between the twentieth day of April and the first day of October in each year; and it shall not be lawful for any...common carriers, or private parties, to ship or transport for sale, any of the... trout...during the said season...

May 29, 1879 – Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

TROUT IN MARLETTE LAKE - There are now in Marlette Lake over 50,000 trout. Some 50,000 were planted in the lake last year, and previously there had been placed in its waters a considerable number of full-grown trout from Lake Tahoe...

May 29, 1879 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

There are now in Marlette Lake over 50,000 trout. Some 50,000 were planted in the lake last year, and previously there had been placed in its waters a considerable number of full grown trout from Lake Tahoe.

June 2, 1879 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

There are an abundance of sail boats and boats of all kinds on Lake Tahoe... The fishing is now excellent.

July 11, 1879 – Reno Evening Gazette

TRUCKEE SALMON - About three years ago, the Fish Commissioners of California caused many thousands of the young fry of Sacramento salmon to be turned loose into the waters of Lake Tahoe...One day last week, Charles Manns, while fishing in the Truckee river near Bronco, caught a salmon about two feet long, and weighing about seven pounds...

August 2, 1879 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Parties down from Lake Tahoe say the fishing is now excellent.

August 16, 1879 – Reno Evening Gazette

BACK FROM LAKE TAHOE - ...The fishing is not good now, as the trout are not biting well.

FIRES AT LAKE TAHOE - An extensive fire has been raging in the woods on the southeastern side of Lake Tahoe, between Glenbrook and Hot Springs, all this week...The fire is not doing much damage to the large trees, but is consuming the underbrush, fallen timber and young second growth...

August 18, 1879 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

FOREST FIRES – It is said an extensive fire was raging in the woods on the southeastern side of Lake Tahoe, between Glenbrook and Hot Springs, all last week. There are, besides, small scattered fires burning in the timber all around the lake. The fire is not doing much damage to the large trees, but is consuming the underbrush, fallen timber and young second growth. The smoke is so thick over the water that one cannot see across the lake. At night the spectacle of the blazing timber is most beautiful.

September 16, 1879 – Reno Evening Gazette

MORE TROUT FOR THE TRUCKEE - The California Fish Commissioners have agreed to furnish 500,000 young trout for the purpose of restocking the waters of the Truckee river. The fry will be placed in the water at Tahoe City on the lake shore. The Commissioners will... give the people of Truckee an admonition to keep sawdust out of the river...

October 7, 1879 – Eureka Daily Leader

E.R. Dodge & Co. are in receipt of some very fine Tahoe trout, and they will receive another consignment by Express this evening.

November 22, 1879 – Reno Evening Gazette

TRUCKEE REPUBLICAN - Some very fine trout and white fish are now being caught at Tahoe, and shipped to San Francisco.

December 10, 1879 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

FIRST TAHOE TROUT – Short, the storekeeper at Glenbrook, brought down a small lot of trout from the lake yesterday. Speckled beauties were they, and fresh... Trout begin to nibble at the lake about this time.

December 17, 1879 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TAHOE TROUT – The fishing at Lake Tahoe is now superb. Mr. W.S. Brooks... brought with him the two largest trout which have been caught in the lake for several weeks. One weighs twelve pounds, the other eight. He also has a number of smaller size... John Nonsucker, McKinney's right hand man... has within two

days past, caught 150 pounds of trout, and sent down a lot yesterday which are now on sale at Cheney's and Perasich's. At Tahoe City large quantities of white fish are being caught in nets as they come in towards shore to spawn...

1880

January 17, 1880 – Truckee Republican

It is said that the trout at Lake Tahoe bite better and faster than during the pleasure season. Large quantities are being shipped to Carson.

April 2, 1880 - Carson Morning Appeal

A WHALING BIG TROUT - Doc Benton returned from Lake Bigler yesterday with a seventeen pound trout. He put it on ice at the stables, and every man he met on Carson street was lugged up to see it. The fish was three feet long and something worth admiring...

April 7, 1880 – Truckee Republican

Fishing at Lake Tahoe is reported better than ever before. At Glenbrook, McKinney's and Tahoe City, they bite well, and large numbers are caught daily.

April 8, 1880 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing at Lake Tahoe is reported better than ever before. At Glenbrook, McKinney's and Tahoe City they bite well, and large numbers are caught daily.

May 5, 1880 – Truckee Republican

A correspondent at Tahoe City says: Fish are shy; but few are taken yet.

May 21, 1880 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Tahoe trout plentiful in the market.

June 2, 1880 – Truckee Republican

Griffs Creek, a small stream that empties into Lake Tahoe near Hot Springs, is said to be alive with trout. Parties in Truckee are going up there in a few days.

June 19, 1880 – Truckee Republican

Tahoe trout plenty, selling for 15 cts. per pound.

Truckee, Tahoe and Donner Lake trout are dished up very frequently at the Truckee Hotel now-a-days.

July 28, 1880 – Truckee Republican

Trout fishing in the streams near Lake Tahoe continues to be good, despite the multiplicity of grasshoppers.

August 6, 1880 - Gold Hill News

There are again big fires in the woodland up about Lake Tahoe.

August 11, 1880 – Reno Evening Gazette

The fishing is poor at Tahoe this season. An angler who spent several days there last week did not catch a fish.

August 24, 1880 – Reno Evening Gazette

WOOD FOR THE MINES - The Carson and Tahoe Lumber Company (Yerington and Bliss) will cut this year 20,000,000 feet of lumber on Tahoe. They will cut and run through their flumes 50,000 cords of wood. The Comstock is using over 200,000 cords of wood per year...A good deal of firewood is packed into Virginia on mules from the more inaccessible canyons and hills round about. This source is about exhausted, however. Even the stumps have been dug up and packed in for a distance of four or five miles, and often more, from town. With wood at \$11 a cord these pitchy roots can be readily sold at a profit. They are mostly dug by Chinamen.

September 11, 1880 – Truckee Republican

We saw four strings of trout brought into the Grand Central at Lake Tahoe, while there a few hours this week. One angler had eighteen, which he had caught in less than two hours. They were all beauties.

September 29, 1880 – Truckee Republican

TAHOE TROUT – Trolling is the method adopted to capture the spotted beauties of Lake Tahoe... about a mile or more from shore... The trout vary in weight from half a pound to twenty-six pounds. There are two kinds of trout in the lake, besides white fish...

September 29, 1880 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TAHOE TROUT – [Truckee Republican] – Trolling is the method adopted to capture the spotted beauties of Lake Tahoe. The best fishing grounds are about a mile or more from shore. Fish there bite best in deep water. The trout vary in weight from half a pound to twenty-six pounds. There are two kinds of trout in the lake, besides white fish...

October 2, 1880 – Truckee Republican

Mr. and Mrs. Perobert caught forty silver trout weighing 55 pounds in Lake Tahoe Wednesday morning. The ground fished was about a mile from Tahoe City. The fishing is better now at the lake than ever known before.

October 3, 1880 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Trout fishing is said to be very fine at present on Lake Tahoe. The trout are now caught by trolling.

October 21, 1880 - Gold Hill News

The weather is very fine up at Lake Tahoe at present. The fishing is good, the trout now being caught by trolling with spoon hooks.

October 22, 1880 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The weather is very find up at Lake Tahoe at present. The fishing is good, the trout now being caught by trolling with spoon hooks.

November 5, 1880 - Daily State (Virginia City)

Trout fishing is very fine at Lake Bigler.

November 6, 1880 – Truckee Republican

FINE TROUT – Wm. Campbell of the Hot Sulphur Springs House, Lake Tahoe, brought into town Friday, several trout, one of which weighed six pounds. These trout, we suppose, were caught on the Nevada side of the lake, hence their capture did not conflict with the statutes of this State forbidding catching trout after the 15th of October.

November 9, 1880 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

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December 17, 1880 - Gold Hill news

The Carson and Tahoe Wood, Lumber and Fluming Company have shipped to the terminus of the flume at Carson 20,000,000 feet of lumber and 70,000 cords of wood as the work of the past season. The Company have two large sawmills at Glenbrook. Mill No. 1, known as the Rigby Mill, sliced 12,000,000 feet of lumber this season, and the new mill, known as "No. 2", cut the balance of 8,000,000 feet.

December 25, 1880 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

A prominent Truckee lumber dealer says the outlook for the lumber trade the next season is better than ever before. The whole of eastern Nevada and the Salt Lake market will continue to be supplied from the Truckee mills.

[According to H.H. Bancroft in his History of Nevada publication printed in 1890, 70,000 pounds of trout were taken from Lake Tahoe during the month of October 1880]

[Review of Fish Commissioner's Reports complete through 1880 – No specific references to the resources of Lake Tahoe were found in either of the two biennial reports, and none of the fish raised or imported appear to have been planted directly into the waters of Lake Tahoe]

[No specific mention is made of the Lake Tahoe fisheries in the biennial reports for the period 1877 through 1884, nor were any fish planted into the Lake Tahoe Basin by H.G. Parker, the Nevada Fish Commissioner during this time period]

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January 7, 1881 – Carson Morning Appeal

The largest trout ever caught in Lake Bigler - a 25 pounder - is hanging in the window of Mitchell's restaurant. It is a beautiful fish, and attracts much attention.

January 8, 1881 – Reno Evening Gazette

BIG TROUT - A trout weighing 24 3/4 pounds was caught in Lake Tahoe last Tuesday, and is on exhibition in a Carson restaurant...

March 23, 1881 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The fish commissioners have been stocking Lakes Tahoe and Donner with eastern salmon during the last week.

April 18, 1881 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

FISH LAW VIOLATORS - ...received a letter from B.B. Redding, the California Fish Commissioner, in which the gentleman said: "I do not know what I can do about the spearing of fish in Lake Tahoe. We have no officers there... We have never put any trout in Lake Tahoe, but have put in a few land locked salmon and over a million whitefish..."

April 20, 1881 – Carson Morning Appeal

Indians at Lake Bigler are destroying many fish with spears. As the law does not appear to affect them, it would be a good thing to arrest the whites who purchase the speared fish...

April 28, 1881 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

FISH – Eaters say that the Walker Lake trout are not as good as the fish from Lake Tahoe.

April 28, 1881 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

A BIG TROUT - "Sailor Jack" (Jack Sullivan) yesterday morning sent to Dr. Kirby a trout weighing twelve pounds...up at the lake in charge of the Doctor's Emerald Bay property.

May 13, 1881 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing was never better than at present, and the guests at the hotels catch more than can be used at Tahoe.

June 3, 1881 – Carson Morning Appeal

LAKE TAHOE – The streams near Cascade and Falling Leaf Lakes are swarming with trout. In fact, anglers say that the fish never seemed so thick before. They fairly jostle each other in the water.

June 4, 1881 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

THE FISHING AT LAKE TAHOE - It is reported that the trout fishing is now excellent at Lake Tahoe and the streams and lakes in that vicinity. The streams near Cascade and Fallen Leaf lakes are said to be alive with trout and troutlets.

June 5, 1881 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

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June 20, 1881 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

LOTS OF FISH – For the benefit of visitors to Lake Tahoe we are enabled to state that trout fishing is very successful at this time...

In consequence of their being no agent in Carson for the sale of Lake Tahoe trout, all the fish caught at the present time are shipped to California. This ought not so to be.

June 21, 1881 – Reno Evening Gazette

It is said that trout of all kinds and sizes are more plentiful at Lake Tahoe and in the streams emptying therein than ever before known.

June 28, 1881 – Carson Morning Appeal

At the Lake travelers report excellent sport with the monsters, which run from twelve to thirty pounds. They are hooked in about a hundred feet of water.

June 29, 1881 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

Fine fishing is now reported at Hope Valley, Lake Tahoe, Pyramid, Fallen Leaf and Cascade Lakes, and pretty much everywhere.

June 29, 1881 - Gold Hill News

Fine fishing is now reported at...Lake Tahoe...and pretty much everywhere...

June 30, 1881 - Gold Hill News

Fine fresh brook trout was received from Lake Tahoe this morning by Comstock dealers. Customers for them were as thick as flies and bought the speckled beauties as rapidly as they were unpacked.

July 7, 1881 - Gold Hill News

A large supply of fish for use tomorrow was received by dealers today. Quite a lot of it came from Lake Tahoe.

July 8, 1881 - Gold Hill News

LAKE TAHOE - ...Fish are now biting splendidly. One man caught this morning, before breakfast, ten good-sized trout...

July 9, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Mrs. W.H. Dean caught three of the largest trout of the season, one weighing five pounds, the other two four and one-half and four and three-quarters pounds respectively.

Messrs. Stetsen and Dean caught 198 trout in six days fishing, aggregating 300 lbs.

July 11, 1881 - Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

...Today is warm and pleasant, and large numbers of fish are being caught.

THE LARGEST SILVER TROUT - It was Charles Johnson, now of Tallac, who caught the largest silver trout ever taken from Lake Tahoe, so far as known. It weighed twenty-nine and one-half pounds, and was sent to General Grant during the first year of his Presidential career.

July 12, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

An average of about 75 trout are daily being brought into Tahoe City. Out of the guests now here, probably not more than one-eighth of them participate in the sport.

Mrs. Ross Brown, caught three trout after dinner, at Tallac, weighing eleven pounds total.

Mr. Dean, just before leaving on Saturday evening, caught a silver trout two feet three inches in length, weighing seven and one-half pounds.

Hon. A.B. Dibble of Grass Valley... after three hours fishing, brought in a string of twenty-three trout, weighing 43 pounds.

July 13, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Judge Dibble caught 45 trout last evening in one hour. This is the largest catch we have heard of this season in the same length of time.

July 14, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Fred Pomine caught nine very beautiful trout this morning.

July 15, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Miss Jennie Knowles caught four trout this morning before breakfast.

Mr. Edmund Coleman, of Grass Valley, caught 27 trout yesterday afternoon, with Mayo pulling at the oars.

Al Snyder and Ed Farnsworth went out at quarter past six and came in fifteen minutes before nine with twenty-three fine trout, Morgan boatsman.

Mrs. Boegle of Virginia, caught 16 trout this morning.

July 16, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Mr. J. Ballard, of San Francisco, caught 33 silver trout weighing 45 lbs. in two hours this morning – the largest one a three and a half pounder – leaving the Grand Central at 6 a.m., and returning at 8 a.m. – Captain Mayo, boatman.

Wm. Pomine, landlord of the Tahoe House, caught 25 silver trout this morning.

Messrs. B.G. and F.M. Smith brought in the largest string of fish yet reported for a half-day" fishing. Fifty-two trout, on a single string..

July 17, 1881 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

AN EXPERT ANGLER - The TAHOE TATTLER says Mrs. Fred Boegle, of this city, caught sixteen trout last Friday morning.

July 17, 1881 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

An average of about 75 trout are daily being brought into Tahoe City. Out of the guests now there, probably not more than one-eight (sic) of them participate in the sport.

July 18, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

James Felter and H. Wilcox, of Sacramento, caught 29 trout in three hours yesterday evening.

Mrs. Captain Freeman caught three large silver trout this morning, and then a big fellow ran off with her tackle.

July 19, 1881 - Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

M.J. Doyle, P.M. of San Metao (sic), yesterday brought in a string of 26 trout...

Miss Lulu Campbell yesterday caught four fine trout while standing on the end of the wharf.

July 20, 1881 – Carson Morning Appeal

LARGE WOOD CONTRACT – Marlette and Folsom have a contract with the Sierra Nevada Wood and Lumber Company to cut 40,000 cords of wood at Lake Bigler, near Crystal Bay, at the northern end of the lake...hoisted up an incline and from there the wood is flumed to Virginia City, in one place the flume running through a tunnel 5,000 feet in length.

July 20, 1881 - Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Any person catching over 50 trout in one-half day will be entitled to the TATTLER for one month.

Fishing for silver trout has now been going on in Lake Tahoe for more than twenty years, but the old fishermen and residents of this vicinity say there never yet has been a season when more have been taken than in this, hence we may safely argue that they grow faster than they can be taken out, and the supply is practicably inexhaustible, so long as no other means than the hook is resorted to for taking them.

That string of fifty-two fish, caught by B.G. Smith, of Candelaria, and F.M. Smith, of Oakland, on the 16th, is supposed by old residents to be the largest catch ever made on the lake in the same length of time.

Mrs. Lamott and her son Howard caught ten silver trout this morning before breakfast.

J.I. Felter, of Sacramento, captured Mayo and his boat yesterday afternoon, and Mrs. Tozer went along to show them how to fish. The instructress pulled out 11 to Mr. Felter's 8, and Mayo caught 1 to make it an even 20 for the boat.

July 21, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

TROUTING CONTEST - ...[3] accompanied by James I. Felter... Mrs. Foye catching 8, Miss Stevenson 11 and Mr. Felter 1, while the other party managed to bring in ten between them...

July 21, 1881 - Eureka Sentinel

A Lake Tahoe tourist thinks nothing of going out of a morning and catching forty to fifty pounds of trout before breakfast.

July 22, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

STILL THEY COME – The largest and most exciting fishing match that has yet taken place this season came off last evening, the party bringing in a total of 112 trout, mostly all of which were silver... [12 total fishermen]

July 22, 1881 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

The TATTLER says fishing for silver trout has now been going on in Lake Tahoe for more than twenty years, but the old fishermen and residents of this vicinity say there never yet has been a season when more have been taken than in this hence we may safely argue that they grow faster than they can be taken out, and the supply is practicably inexhaustible, so long as no other means than the hook is resorted to for taking them.

July 23, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

C.M. Keeney caught 23 trout last evening, and declares Fred Pomine is the boatman for him.

...[2] caught 14 trout last evening.

Mr. Baunch caught a silver trout yesterday that turned the scales at the eight-pound figure.

July 25, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

A fine specimen of land-locked salmon was recently taken out of Lake Tahoe and sent to Headquarters, and the following letter received in reply:

A.J. Bayley, Sir: Fish duly received. It is a land-locked salmon (Salmo Sebago) from Sebago Lake, Maine, a species that lives in a few lakes of Maine and New Brunswick. It is a game and valuable fish. Several thousand have been places in Lake Tahoe. I have sent this to the Academy of Sciences to be preserved. You can readily tell them, they are so unlike any of the trout or salmon family of this coast. B.B. Redding.

Joe, Oliver, of Glenbrook, caught a silver trout recently weighing thirteen and one-half pounds. It measured two feet six and one-half inches in length, seven and one-half inches wide, and nineteen inches girth. Capt. Joe Pomin purchased and presented it to W.W. Lapman, of San Francisco. It was photographed by R.E. Wood, and the views are for sale.

Tim W. Hubbard, of Virginia, brought in 13 trout last evening.

...Mr. Wilcox brought in a string of thirteen trout.

Mrs. G.M. Pinkham and Miss Turner caught 15 trout this morning. Morgan, boatman.

Mr. Turner, accompanied by Fred Pomin, caught 11 trout this morning.

July 25, 1881 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing is better this year at Lake Tahoe than it has been in ten years.

July 26, 1881 - Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Miss Carrie Stevenson and Nelson Wilson, in a fishing contest on Saturday evening, defeated their opponents, Meisus. (sic) Russ and Smith, by catching 21 to their 20; Mayo boatman for the former, Horley for the latter party...

Mr. Smith brought in 14 fish last evening, one of which was the land locked salmon specie, and was as pretty a fish as ever taken out [of] the lake.

Mrs. Loomis and Mrs. Taylor caught 11 trout last evening. Pomin boatman.

Miss Stevenson and Mr. Wilcox caught 23 trout last evening. Mayo boatman.

Thomas Ross says he makes on an average five boxes per day on which to ship trout to different parts of the coast.

July 27, 1881 - Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Mr. Wilcox brought in 15 trout last evening.

Miss Carrie Stevenson caught 17 trout early this morning, before the wind came up.

July 29, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

...[2] caught 25 very handsome trout this morning.

...[2] caught nine trout this morning, some very large ones among them.

The fish being caught at present are picking up in size considerably, compared to those caught during the past three weeks.

July 30, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Mr. Ross brought in the largest trout last eve., three and one-half pounds.

July 30, 1881 - Candelaria True Fissure

TROUT FISHING - R.G. and F.M. Smith's recent piscatorial exploits at Tahoe - ...geniuses with the trolling spoon...successfully landed fifty-one splendid trout; the size averaging two pounds...accomplished in less than four hours...

August 1, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Parties at Tallac are catching quite a number of trout.

August 2, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Miss Carrie Stevenson... accompanied by W.R.S. Foye, of Sacramento, she caught 14 while Mr. Foye pulled in 12... an another boat... [2] brought in 13... largest of the evening... a 3 ½ ponder.

...Mr. Goode caught a 9 ¾ pounder; the two brought in seven.

Mrs. J.M. Driscoll, of Oakland, brought in eight trout of good size today.

August 3, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

I.V. Coleman took in a seven-pound trout in the afternoon...

August 4, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Mr. Kelley, of San Francisco, caught six trout yesterday evening in a short time.

Mrs. LaMott and son caught 15 very beautiful trout last evening...

August 5, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Ed. Tattler: About the 20th of June in four hour's fishing one forenoon, I brought in along side my boat alive 63 trout, and two dead ones in the boat. The 65 would probably weigh 80 pounds... The same morning before breakfast I caught 4 that weighed ten pounds. David Howland.

...[2] brought in a string of fifteen silvers, last evening.

August 6, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

...[2] took in fifteen trout last evening as the result of one and a half hours fishing at Sunny Side.

Sam'l Woodman caught nine trout this morning before breakfast, at Mr. Kinney's.

August 8, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

GLENBROOK ITEMS – Judge Felix caught a seven pound trout Saturday.

August 9, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Robt. S. Devlin caught 7 trout last night, one weighing 5 pounds.

Gov. Geo. L. Woods... can run trout into his boat; having taken nine early this morning.

*Mr. McGill while fishing off Idlewild wharf caught a fish weighing three and one half pounds of a different species ever before caught in the lake... probably a land-locked salmon, *Salmo Sebago*.*

August 10, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

...[2] came in with twelve trout last evening; more than any other boat.

...[2] took seven trout that weighed eight pounds... [2] came in at the same time with six that weighed eight and one half pounds.

August 12, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

MCKINNEY'S – H.H. McKinney caught nine beautiful trout before breakfast Tuesday morning and seven Wednesday morning. The fish were taking a rest about two weeks ago, but are now biting well again.

Mrs. Driscoll caught seven large trout last evening; Miss Carrie Stevens seven also...

J.P. LeCount came in this morning with five...

August 13, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

...[2] came in with five trout last evening... [2] only took three. The wind and waves are high today.

August 13, 1881 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

They are now catching trout up at Lake Tahoe that weigh twenty-eight pounds...

August 13, 1881 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The smoke that fills this valley today is said to come from a heavy fire raging in the timber west of Tallac, Lake Tahoe.

August 15, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

*...[2] brought in seven nice *Salmo Henshawis*.*

August 17, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

MORE TROUT - ...[3] caught twenty trout last evening.

W.H. Howard of San Mateo, went out with Morgan last evening and caught a nine pound trout...

August 18, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Judge Dunlap of Sacramento brought in seven trout this morning for his breakfast.

...[2] incarcerated seven trout yesterday.

Fish are biting well again... Her boat in company with four others out last evening, came in one ahead, having eight.

August 19, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

...[2] went out at four o'clock this morning for trout and succeeded in taking six.

...Miss Carrie Stevenson easily succeeded in taking 5...

August 20, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

...caught thirty-five Lake Tahoe ichthyological specimens in an hour yesterday morning at Idlewild...

August 23, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

The fish are off a little yet. Miss, Carrie Stevenson... only took two yesterday morning; and Mrs. R.B. Mitchell of Virginia City had similar experience in the afternoon; getting two nice ones only.

August 26, 1881 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

MOUNTAIN FIRES - Large fires are still raging up on the Sierra Nevada Mountains. These are principally in the brush left on the ground in places where the timber has been cut off, therefore few valuable trees are being destroyed.

August 27, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Frank Holt and Judge Mayo came in this morning with eight nice trout, showing that they have commenced to bite again.

August 29, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Mr. Osborne, editor of the Bodie Free Press caught two very large fine trout by troling (sic) yesterday morning.

Fish items – scarce.

August 30, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

W.H. Howard caught ten trout yesterday.

On Saturday last, George Carr and George McConnell went out to the Georgetown snag, and returned with nineteen fine specimens of silver trout, which were duly appreciated at Idlewild.

August 31, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Trout are decidedly scarce, from two to four make a good catch lately; but they are appreciated all the more.

Yesterday, Mr. Howard, trolling on the way to Carnelian bay, caught eight trout.

September 1, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

The trout have again commenced to bite, and now the sport in this line will probably be good during September.

...[2] had the good luck to take twelve nice trout yesterday forenoon...

W.H. Howard also had a good time, bringing in thirteen, one weighing four and another of the lot two and three-fourth's pounds, the lot weighing twenty pounds.

September 2, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Tuesday at Idlewild... [2] caught twenty-five silver trout at the Georgetown snag, and on Wednesday a party... [5] caught eighteen at the same place.

J. Branch brought in nineteen trout this morning, that he caught below Observatory Point yesterday. Two of them weighed four pounds each...

...[2] went down to the point yesterday... only four fish were brought in...

September 3, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

The trout have again commenced biting at the lake. Now is the time to visit this, the "Gem of the Sierras".

September 5, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

TAHOE FOOD FISH - [Long article captured in another paper describing the four fish species living in Lake Tahoe]

September 14, 1881 - Truckee Republican

*[TAHOE TATTLER] - TAHOE FISH - The edible fish of Tahoe consist of four principal varieties. The silver trout (*Salmo henshawii*) being first in quality and quantity. This noble trout is always at home in the lake, never being found in the streams, and can be taken in no other way than with the hook. The months of June, July and September are the only ones in which they will bite to any extent, hence no law is needed for their protection, nature having thoroughly provided for them in this respect. Next in importance is the red trout which can be taken with the hook during the same months; also goes up the streams in great numbers in May and June to spawn, when many are taken with nets, spears and traps. This fish spawns during the open season, hence special laws should be made for their protection. There are other trout, more or less resembling either of these, presumably hybrids. The white fish at certain seasons, fall and spring, are quite plentiful, and equal the trout for the table. They can be taken with the hook in a small way but the gill net is more effective. Lastly, we come to the despised sucker, despised simply because he is not game, and has fine bones in his tail...pretty good eating, and in the future when trout are scarce will be better appreciated. In the early spring, these can be taken by the ton if desired. The chub is another that will attract a hungry person, but is not game or interesting to the angler.*

September 17, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

At Idlewild... [2] caught fifty whitefish in a few hours. At this season they congregate about the mouths of the creeks when they can be taken quite plentifully with the hook.

...Thos. McConnell... captured a 7 pounder [trout].

...A.O. Porter, of the Truckee Republican... four trout answered to his invitation Wednesday morning.

October 1, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

The trout still bite. Mr. Bunch brought in six fine ones Thursday.

October 8, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Judge Dibble of Grass Valley... bring in a dozen nice trout.

October 15, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Trouting is good at the Georgetown snag. Mr. McKinney caught forty-nine there in one day last week and made good strings, two or three other days.

Sawdust is being put into the lake in large quantities at Crystal Bay... [Long article regarding pollution of the lake]

October 29, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

The lake has been so very rough that fishing has been almost impossible, but with the unfavorable weather, Master Eddie McGee caught 11 trout weighing 18 pounds.

November 5, 1881 - Truckee Republican

[TAHOE TATTLER] - The lake has been so very rough that fishing has been almost impossible, but notwithstanding the unfavorable weather, Master Eddie McGee caught 11 trout weighing 18 pounds.

November 5, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

An unexpected and unusual visit. A very large school of trout came into the shoal water between Tahoe and the island, fishing is now A No. 1. Every morning a half dozen boats may be seen on the fishing grounds, and all come in with from twelve to thirty-five trout, averaging one and a half pounds each.

The first of the week Fred Pomin, boatman, caught a trout that weighed seven pounds; and Mr. Branch, the fisherman, caught thirty-five in one day...

The number of trout taken from the lake has been immense this season.

November 12, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Mr. Branch, the fisherman, caught 300 trout in five days last week.

More than 600 trout were taken from the lake near Tahoe, during last week...

November 20, 1881 – Carson Morning Appeal

During the last season 30,000 cords of wood has been cut at Marlette Lake, the bulk of which is now lying at Lakeview.

November 26, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

White fish are now plentiful.

F.J. Muldoon caught a fine lot of white fish at Tahoe...

November 30, 1881 - Truckee Republican

A twenty-seven pound trout was caught in Tahoe last week.

[TAHOE TATTLER]- White fish are now plentiful.

December 2, 1881 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

A trout weighing 27 pounds was caught in Lake Tahoe last week.

December 2, 1881 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

A trout weighing 27 pounds was caught in Lake Tahoe last week.

December 3, 1881 - Truckee Republican

It is said that trout are still biting well at lake Tahoe - even more recklessly than in August and September.

A trout weighing 27 pounds was caught in Lake Tahoe last week. Trolling there at this season is rewarded with the catch of larger fish than summer tourists ever dreamed of. White fish are also being caught in considerable numbers.

December 10, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

A number of fish have been shipped from McKinney's of late.

December 11, 1881 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Unusual quantities of trout are now arriving in this city. One would think that in time there would be some let up in the supply at Lake Tahoe and Pyramid lake, but no sign of weakening has thus far been seen.

December 17, 1881 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

LUMBERING AT LAKE TAHOE - Smart & Co., whose logging camp is located two miles from Roland's, put 3,000,000 feet of logs in the lake during the season just past, which were towed to Glenbrook by the steamer Meteor, of the Carson and Tahoe Lumber and Fluming Company. Near Smart's camp is the Chinese firm of Ah Sim & Co., who have a contract for cutting 7,000 cords of wood for the same company.

December 17, 1881 - Truckee Republican

Some fine trout are being caught at lake Tahoe and...

December 23, 1881 – Carson Morning Appeal

Very large and handsome trout are now being brought here from Lake Tahoe by fish peddlers.

December 31, 1881 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

SOUTH END – Capt. D. Howland and the Wakeman Bros' are doing well fishing; they ship about 250 pounds weekly to the City of Carson.

January 7, 1882 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

The fishing at McKinney's is good. So much sport in winter is a new thing.

January 14, 1882 - Truckee Republican

The Pacific Wood and Lumber Company have seven teams at work putting in logs on the Little Truckee. They expect to have over three million feet in by the opening at spring.

January 17, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

I have on hand and will have regular fresh trout from the Lake. Hotels, restaurants and families supplied at the shortest notice. Pascal, Opera House Restaurant.

January 19, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

FRESH TROUT – Pascal, of the Opera Hall restaurant, has entered into the fish business in earnest. He has effected arrangements at the lake whereby he receives a fresh supply of trout every day or two...

January 21, 1882 - Truckee Republican

J.A. Richardson from the United States fishery at San Leandro, yesterday put a lot of Wisconsin white fish in Tahoe and...

January 26, 1882 - Gold Hill News

White fish are to be placed in Lake Tahoe and Donner lake. The Fish Commissioners of California have it in hand.

January 27, 1882 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

WHITE FISH - A dispatch from San Francisco states that the Fish Commissioners are having half of 100,000 white fish eggs, received a few days ago, distributed in Donner Lake and Lake Tahoe...should...thrive splendidly in Lake Tahoe...

January 27, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing at Lake Tahoe is reported to be excellent.

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January 28, 1882 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

FISH IN AND OUT OF TAHOE – James A. Richardson, of the fishery at San Leandro, Cal. Visited Tahoe on Friday of last week, and emptied thousands of white fish into the lake... Johnie Branch, the lucky fisherman, caught on Saturday, off Observatory Point, 18 trout weighing 52 pounds, and one of them weighed 22 pounds. Lake Tahoe is the place to fish.

January 28, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

There is unusually good fishing at Lake Tahoe this winter.

Fifty thousand whitefish eggs are to be deposited in Lake Tahoe.

February 1, 1882 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

It is said that trout fishing at Lake Tahoe is now very fine.

February 2, 1882 – Eureka Daily Leader

One man caught eighty-four fine trout in Lake Tahoe last week, and another caught nineteen, on of which weighed twenty-two pounds.

February 4, 1882 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

At present, no fishing off Tahoe, not a bite. Where have they gone and why?

Trout fishing is said to be “just splendid” at Hunter’s Home, and getting better all the time. They do a good deal of still fishing, using the white grubs found in decayed logs as bait. H.H. McKinney, fisherman at Hunter’s Home, on Sunday morning, in a short time, caught 25 weighing from one to two pounds.

February 4, 1882 - Truckee Republican

[TAHOE TATTLER] - Johnnie Branch, the lucky fisherman, caught on Saturday, off Observatory Point, 18 trout weighing 52 pounds, and one of them weighed 22 pounds. Lake Tahoe is the place to fish.

February 4, 1882 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

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February 10, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

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February 11, 1882 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

A score of years ago there was wonderful fishing at Lake Tahoe. The waters were alive with the spotted scaly shiners. In those days there was no law for the protection of the trout; and nets were cast into the deep, and fish taken out by the four horse wagon load and sold in Va. City, when that camp was more lively than at present. How many years will it take to again stock these waters with this moderate way of fishing with hook and line.

February 11, 1882 - Truckee Republican

[TAHOE TATTLER] - Trout fishing is said to be “just splendid” at Hunter’s Home, and getting better all the time, they do a good deal of still fishing, using the white grub found in decayed logs as bait. H.H. McKinney, fisherman at Hunter’s Home, on Sunday morning, in a short time, caught 25 weighing from one to two pounds each.

February 11, 1882 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Trout fishing is still very good at Lake Tahoe.

February 18, 1882 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Trout can always be found at Glenbrook, or at the head of the lake, when no where else, and it is thought the reason why is that there are so many large rocks in that part of the lake, around which schools of minnows cluster, on which the trout feed.

February 25, 1882 – Reno Evening Gazette

AN INCREASE OF GAME - The destruction of timber on the west side of the Sierra, and the immense growth of underbrush, and second growth, is proving favorable to wild animal life. Bear, deer, rabbits, grouse, quail, etc., are much more plentiful than they were ten years ago. They are frequently seen near the mountain towns now.

March 3, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

A member of the California fish commission will be here tomorrow en route for Lake Tahoe, to place white fish in that body of water.

March 7, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

FOR TAHOE – On Sunday, Mr. Richardson, of the California fish commission, arrived in Carson with 100,000 white fish, destined for Lake Tahoe, whence they were taken yesterday. About 50 of the infantile finnyites were left here in the aquarium of Fish Commissioner Parker.

March 7, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

WHITE FISH – Mr. Richardson, connected with the hatchery of the California Fish Commission, arrived in this city on Sunday morning with 100,000 white fish, destined for Lake Tahoe, whence they were taken yesterday. About fifty of them were left here in the aquarium of Fish Commissioner Parker.

March 14, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

YOUNG FISH – H.G. Parker... arrived here last night with 60,000 young salmon, and a quantity of young trout. The latter are to be placed in Donner Creek. It was the intention to put the salmon in Lake Tahoe, but as the roads between here and Tahoe are in bad condition... Mr. Parker concluded to put them in the Truckee river at this place... Monday last 45,000 white fish were received here from the government fishery at San Leandro. They were placed in Prosser Creek. [Truckee Republican]

April 12, 1882 - Truckee Republican

The Pacific Wood and Lumber Co. have commenced driving their logs down the Little Truckee river. They have in the neighborhood of a million and a half feet of logs.

April 12, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

OUR FISH IN NEW YORK – Carson river, Lake Tahoe and Humboldt river trout were on exhibition at Fulton Market, New York City, on the First of April.

April 14, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

FRESH TROUT – Doc Benton received last night from the Lake a lot of beauties in the way of trout. We

would advise all desiring to purchase to call early...

April 14, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

FRESH TROUT – Lake Tahoe trout can be purchased at Doc Benton's livery stable. They are packed in ice and as fresh a week after as the day they are caught.

April 19, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Doc Benton will receive an invoice of silver trout from Lake Tahoe this evening. Send in your orders.

April 21, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The trout fishing season in the mountains has fairly opened, and daily parties leave Truckee to enjoy the sport. Large quantities of trout are now being taken from Lakes Tahoe and Independence for the San Francisco and Sacramento markets.

April 21, 1882 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

TROUT FISHING - The trout fishing season in the mountains has fairly opened, and daily parties leave Truckee to enjoy the sport. Large quantities of trout are now being taken from Lakes Tahoe and Independence for the San Francisco and Sacramento markets.

April 21, 1882 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

TROUT FISHING AT LAKE TAHOE - The trout fishing season in the mountains has fairly opened, and daily parties leave Truckee to enjoy the sport. Large quantities of trout are now being taken from Lakes Tahoe and Independence for the San Francisco and Sacramento markets.

April 22, 1882 - Truckee Republican

Some very fine trout are brought from Lake Tahoe and shipped below. They command a big price there.

May 10, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

For fresh Lake Tahoe trout go to Doc. Benton's stable; he has a constant supply, and as they are kept in ice from the time they are caught, they will be found as hard and fresh as when they left the lake.

May 17, 1882 – Truckee Republican

FISHING AT TAHOE – Fishing at Tahoe at this time is splendid. Sunday last H.D. Burton, who carries the mail from Truckee to Tahoe, caught ninety-six trout in four hours time... Among the lot was a large salmon trout, which is the first that is known to have been taken from Lake Tahoe for several years past. The largest trout in Mr. Burton's catch weighed fifteen pounds, which was sent by express to Dr. Nelson in Sacramento. Mr. B. brought most of the trout to Truckee and shipped them below.

May 19, 1882 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

FISHING AT TAHOE - LABORIOUS SPORT - The TRUCKEE REPUBLICAN of day before yesterday says: [Good article]

May 25, 1882 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Lake Tahoe trout are again becoming plentiful in our markets.

May 26, 1882 - Lander Free Press (Battle Mountain)

BIG CATCH - On Sunday last H.D. Burton of Truckee caught ninety-six trout in four hours at Tahoe City. Among the lot was a large salmon trout, which is the first that is known to have been taken from Lake Tahoe in several years. The largest trout of the catch weighed fifteen pounds.

May 27, 1882 - Truckee Republican

Eli Church brings fine trout down from Tahoe every evening. After supplying the markets here the surplus is shipped below. Wednesday last fifteen hundred pounds were shipped to Sacramento and San Francisco.

Eighteen pounds of fish eggs from Lake Tahoe were sent to the U.S. fishery at San Leandro Wednesday evening last.

May 27, 1882 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

TAHOE TROUT - Now that the road between Lake Tahoe and Truckee is open trout are beginning to be shipped to California. Day before yesterday 1,500 pounds of these fish were sent below, mostly for the Sacramento and San Francisco market; at the same time eighteen pounds of fish eggs were sent below for planting.

May 31, 1882 - Truckee Republican

J.E. Vaughn and George Marsh have about completed their contract for driving logs down the Little Truckee river for the Pacific Lumber and Wood Company.

May 31, 1882 - Truckee Republican

Trout continue to arrive from Lake Tahoe in large quantities.

June 3, 1882 - Truckee Republican

Abner Weed has taken a contract from the Boca Mill Company to put in fifteen million feet of logs on the Little Truckee.

June 3, 1882 - Lyon County Times (Dayton)

Trout fishing is said to be excellent at Tahoe, and large numbers are caught daily.

June 5, 1882 - Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Grand Lake Tahoe trout bake at Cap. Avery's "Home in the Wall" opposite Savings Bank to-morrow from 11 to 3 o'clock...

June 9, 1882 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

HOW THE TROUT BITE AT TAHOE - Last Tuesday Judge A.B. Dibble, of Grass Valley, and Charles Mitchel, of the GRASS VALLEY UNION caught 260 fine large trout there to-day [?], aggregating about 300 pounds in weight, in about five hours and a half fishing...

June 9, 1882 - Reno Evening Gazette

TAHOE AND VICINITY - Smart & Sons, who last year cut and banked some 4,000,000 feet of logs near here...towed in rafts from Rowland's to Glenbrook by the company's steamer Meteor. One raft, on June 1st, contained over 500,000 feet of logs...Fishing is excellent, and a ready market is found for the catch.

June 9, 1882 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

FISHING IN TAHOE - Fishing at Lake Tahoe is better this spring than was ever known before. Judge A.B. Dibble, of Grass Valley, and Charles Mitchell, of the Grass Valley Union, caught 260 fine large trout there Tuesday, aggregating about 300 pounds in weight, in about five hours and a half fishing. It is the largest catch ever made in that length of time on the lake.

June 10, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

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June 10, 1882 - Truckee Republican

Judge Dibble and Chas. Mitchell returned from Tahoe City Thursday night, bringing with them 110 pounds of fine trout as the result of one day's fishing...

June 13, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TAHOE NEWS – Tickner and Kersey caught 25 fish yesterday. It is surprising what silver hooks will do at this lake.

June 14, 1882 - Truckee Republican

Unusually large quantities of trout are caught at Lake Tahoe at present, and large shipments are made below every evening by express.

Fishing at Tahoe is said to be better now than has been known for years. People who never caught a fish in their life have no difficulty in catching as many as they wish.

June 15, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TAHOE NEWS – Trout fishing is the rush, and never in the history of the lake have so many been caught as this season...

June 15, 1882 – Reno Evening Gazette

TRUCKEE - Unusually large quantities of trout are caught at Lake Tahoe at present, and large shipments are made below every evening by express.

June 16, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

BIG FISHING – On Wednesday...[3] went to Glenbrook on a fishing excursion, and in three hours and a half they caught eighty magnificent trout...

June 17, 1882 - Truckee Republican

Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Moody and Dr. Harkness caught one hundred and eighty trout in two hours at Tahoe Wednesday last.

Twelve hundred pounds of Tahoe trout were shipped below by express last night. Of this amount H.D. Burton caught four hundred pounds yesterday forenoon. For the past two weeks an average of about one thousand pounds have been shipped through Wells, Fargo & Co's express at this place daily.

June 17, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TAHOE NEWS – More fish! A boatman has just arrived with 150 pounds of beautiful trout, all caught this morning by himself...

June 19, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Over a ton of trout was sent from Tahoe City to Sacramento and other ports on Thursday evening last.

Mrs. R.M. Clarke, of Carson, caught yesterday over forty fine trout at Glenbrook in the space of three hours.

June 19, 1882 – Reno Evening Gazette

TRUCKEE - Twelve hundred pounds of trout were shipped below by express last night. Of this amount H.D. Burton caught four hundred pounds yesterday forenoon. For the past two weeks an average of about one thousand pounds have been shipped through Wells, Fargo & Co's express at this place daily.

June 19, 1882 – Eureka Daily Leader

DELIGHTFUL WEATHER AT TAHOE - ...Fishing was never known to be as good as this spring. Any person that can haul a line can catch all the way from 20 to 30 in an hour, and they average about half a pound... The fish now caught are about three years old, and nearly all silver trout.

June 20, 1882 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

LAKE TAHOE - ...Fishing was never known to be as good as this spring. Any person that can haul in a line can catch all the way from twenty to thirty in an hour and they average about half a pound. Four years ago Bailey, of the Grand Central Hotel, had a law passed, with a severe penalty attached, prohibiting any fishing with the exception of hook and line. The fish now caught are about three years old, and nearly all trout...

June 20, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

Mrs. General Clarke caught forty-eight splendid trout at Glenbrook a day or two ago.

SUCCESSFUL ANGLERS – On Saturday afternoon last...[5] went to Crystal Bay, Lake Tahoe, on a fishing excursion...returned Sunday afternoon, catching 152 fine silver trout...

June 21, 1882 - Truckee Republican

S.T. Burton caught over fourteen hundred trout in Lake Tahoe last week. They were all shipped to San Francisco and sold at good prices...

Seventeen hundred pounds of trout were shipped below Monday night. This is the largest single shipment that has been made this season.

Uncle Billy Campbell came down from Hot Springs, Lake Tahoe, yesterday...In a short time yesterday he caught forty large trout from the wharf.

June 22, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

At Tahoe on Monday a trout weighing thirty pounds was successfully landed...

June 23, 1882 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

A TAHOE WHALE - At Tahoe on Monday a trout weighing thirty pounds was successfully landed. The captor who was for a time in doubt whether he had caught a trout or a trout had caught him.

June 24, 1882 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

The ENTERPRISE asserts that a trout weighing thirty pounds was successfully landed at Lake Tahoe last Monday...

June 28, 1882 - Truckee Republican

Bill Bingham of Truckee on Tuesday drove to Tahoe in 4 1/2 hours, caught 116 trout weighing 201 pounds. A good day for fishing - according to Bill.

June 28, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

A party of Curry engine boys caught over 200 trout at the Lake on Sunday, which they generously distributed among their friends.

June 30, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

At Tahoe on Monday a trout weighing thirty pounds was successfully landed.

June 30, 1882 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

At Tahoe on Monday, a trout weighing thirty pounds was successfully landed. The captor thought he had a whale on the end of his line.

Seventeen hundred pounds of trout were shipped from Truckee to San Francisco and Sacramento on Monday night. This is the largest single shipment that has been made this season. A single individual caught over fourteen hundred of these fish in Tahoe last week.

July 1, 1882 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

SLAUGHTER OF TROUT - Seventeen hundred pounds of trout were shipped from Truckee to Sacramento and San Francisco last Monday night. This is the largest single shipment that has been made this season. A single individual caught over 1,400 of these fish in Lake Tahoe last week.

July 2, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

Trout are getting to be a regular drug in the Carson market. Cheap boarding houses are serving them in place of beef.

July 4, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

BIG FISHING TIMES - ...Fishing at Lake Tahoe appears to be growing better day by day. No one can recollect when the Tahoe trout were caught with so little trouble as at present. One can scarcely drop a line into the water without at once finding a trout at the submerged end. The success is alike in trowling (sic) and still fishing. It is no great feat for the merest novice to hook fifty splendid trout during one afternoon. At Tallac the fish are carted off by the wheelbarrowful...

July 8, 1882 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

Fishing at Lake Tahoe is magnificent. The trout bite freely and hundreds of them are being raked in.

July 14, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

Parties from Lake Tahoe say that the fish have ceased to bite as freely as they did a month ago. This will be good news to hotel boarders who have been subsisting on a fish diet for a long time.

July 14, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TAHOE NOTES – The fishing is very good now, and tourists are beginning to crowd in from all quarters. A thirteen pound trout was hauled out of the lake Monday.

July 15, 1882 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

A thirteen pound trout was caught near Tahoe, early this week; also another weighing eight and three-quarter pounds.

This year the trout in the lake appear to be ravenously hungry, and anyone can easily haul them in by the dozen.

July 15, 1882 - Truckee Republican

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July 31, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing continues good at some parts of the Lake still, notably at McKinney's.

August 4, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

Judge Leonard generously brought down a large lot of fish for his friends from the Lake.

August 24, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

Lake Tahoe trout are a very scarce article of diet in this city at present.

August 25, 1882 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

The fishing is very poor at Lake Tahoe just at present. It will be good again next month, however.

August 28, 1882 – Reno Evening Gazette

Fishing at Tahoe is poorer now than it has been at any time this season. Enough are being caught to supply the hotel tables, but scarcely any are being shipped below.

August 29, 1882 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Hardly enough trout are now being caught at Lake Tahoe to supply the tables of the hotels.

September 16, 1882 – Truckee Republican

...at Lake Tahoe...The trout are not biting well now, although a few are being caught.

September 20, 1882 – Reno Evening Gazette

GAME AT THE LAKE - ...The trout are not biting well now, although a few are being caught.

September 27, 1882 – Carson Morning Appeal

Trout are not coming down over the Glenbrook grade very lively just now.

November 25, 1882 – Truckee Republican

Large quantities of fine white fish are being brought from Tahoe to Truckee. They retail here at 15 cents a pound.

December 6, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Commodore Joe Todman was in town this morning peddling some very fine Lake Tahoe trout, and selling at 20 cents per pound. There were some in the wagon as large as small sized whales.

December 20, 1882 – Truckee Republican

R.D. Paschen receives Tahoe trout three times a week.

December 24, 1882 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Fishing and hunting are good at Lake Tahoe.

December 28, 1882 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TROUT FROM THE LAKE – Capt. Joe Todman, the Lake Tahoe steamboat man, has contracted for all the fish at Lake Tahoe, and will both have them delivered around town and keep a supply at his house at the head of Fifth street. Trout are in fine condition now.

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January 12, 1883 – Carson Morning Appeal

Capt. Avery now keeps a man constantly employed at the lake catching trout for him. To-day he will set out a lunch of baked trout at the Hole-in-the-wall...

February 9, 1883 – Reno Evening Gazette

MORE FOOD - Mr. Gifford, from the California State fishery, arrived in Truckee a few days ago with thirteen large fish cans filled with Michigan white fish from the State hatchery, which he proceeded to deposit in Lake Tahoe...

February 21, 1883 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

A large lot of whitefish were recently put into Lake Tahoe from San Lorenzo (Calif.) fish hatchery.

February 21, 1883 – Carson Morning Appeal

FRESH TROUT – Captain Todman is now bringing down several hundred pounds of trout from the lake daily, freshly caught and much more palatable than those caught in the summer...

February 22, 1883 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Many trout are now being caught in Lake Tahoe...

February 23, 1883 – Reno Evening Gazette

A FISH PALACE - ...United States Fish Commissioner...18,000 young fish...which have been distributed all over California and Nevada, quite a large number of German carp having been placed in Lake Tahoe...

February 27, 1883 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

"WHITE FISH" - Up about Truckee they are telling about catching "white fish" in the river, meaning a species of chub which is found in several of our lakes and streams. Now that real Lake Michigan white fish have been planted in Lake Tahoe, they alone should keep the name. Let the chubs be nothing but the chubs and scrubs they are.

March 8, 1883 – Carson Morning Appeal

Captain Todman is still supplying Carson with splendid trout [Tahoe]. Call at Doc. Benton's stable before they are all gone.

March 10, 1883 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

AT LAKE TAHOE - United State Marshal Corbett, who was up at Lake Tahoe a day or two since...small boy who was fishing off the wharf caught a genuine Lake Michigan whitefish (no chub) about eight inches in length...This indicates that the whitefish planted in the lake are doing finely...

March 15, 1883 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Captain Joe Todman continues to receive fresh caught trout from Lake Tahoe. Those desiring fish left at their homes will leave orders at Doc. Benton's livery stable.

March 17, 1883 - Candelaria True Fissure

Those silver trout from Lake Tahoe, are beauties in appearance and flavor. One of them was discussed on Thursday by a True Fissure representative in company with three others, and it was voted very palatable.

March 28, 1883 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Captain Joe Todman had another consignment of Lake Tahoe trout this morning, as fresh as when taken from the cold waters of the beautiful lake. The Captain controls the trout business in Carson, and attends thereto in person. Those desiring fish left at their residences can leave orders at Doc. Benton's stable or at Mr. Todman's residence.

April 14, 1883 - Candelaria True Fissure

Eddie Murphy...favored several of his friends here last week with a generous supply of Lake Tahoe trout...

April 17, 1883 – Carson Morning Appeal

Twelve and fifteen pound trout continue to come down from the lake.

April 26, 1883 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

TAHOE TROUT - The TRUCKEE REPUBLICAN says: Captain Todman, who owns the steamer Niagra on Lake Tahoe, makes a trip around the lake once a week, and for the past month he says an average of 1,000 pounds of trout a week have been shipped from Glenbrook to Carson and Virginia City.

May 8, 1883 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

A BIG FISH IN LAKE TAHOE - Mr. J.S. McKinney, of Lake Tahoe, has informed the VIRGINIA CHRONICLE that a strange fish, of a very large size, was seen in the lake last week. McKinney says that the fish was distinctly seen by a Mr. Anderson, a gentleman who would not say he had seen it unless it was so. Mr. Anderson says that it was fully fourteen feet long, and must have weighed in the neighborhood of 400 pounds.

May 10, 1883 – Carson Morning Appeal

BIG TROUT CATCH – Yesterday morning...Lake Tahoe flume...trout and suckers...about six inches long and alive. Nearly a ton of the fish fell under the flume and the workmen took them away in baskets...believed that they were crowded into the supply pond of the flume...They were mostly brook trout.

May 12, 1883 – Truckee Republican

Large quantities of trout are now being caught in Lake Tahoe and shipped below.

May 14, 1883 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

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May 14, 1883 – Reno Evening Gazette

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May 16, 1883 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

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May 17, 1883 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

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May 19, 1883 – Truckee Republican

R.D. Paschen, yesterday, received several hundred pounds of Tahoe trout.

May 21, 1883 – Eureka Daily Leader

Lake Tahoe trout at Berg's.

May 24, 1883 - Eureka Sentinel

San Franciscans are now enjoying the toothsome trout taken from Lake Bigler. Large quantities of them are being shipped below.

May 26, 1883 – Truckee Republican

An average of two hundred pounds of trout are brought from Lake Tahoe daily and shipped below.

May 27, 1883 – Reno Evening Gazette

TRUCKEE REPUBLICAN - An average of 200 pounds of trout are brought from Lake Tahoe daily and shipped below.

May 30, 1883 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

LAKE TAHOE - ...This is the place of all others for the lover of the rod and line, as those who indulge in that sport find no difficulty in catching large numbers of silver trout, ranging in weight from five to twelve pounds.

May 31, 1883 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The Lake Tahoe correspondent of the Truckee Republican says: "N. Smart and Sons have just made a drive of 12,000,000 feet of logs down the Little Truckee west of Rowlands..."

June 5, 1883 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

A trout hatchery has been established in Grass Valley. Trout spawn is to be procured from Lake Tahoe, and Pyramid Lakes and the McCloud River.

June 6, 1883 – Truckee Republican

Monday last, Charley Barton caught a land-locked salmon near Tahoe Hot Springs, that weighed a pound and three quarters. These fish are very scarce, this being only the second one seen in Truckee this year.

TRAPPING FISH – [Article about Lake Tahoe captured from another paper]

Johnny Branch, the Tahoe fisherman, has the thanks of this office for several fine trout left here last Monday. One of them weighed over six pounds.

The fish are biting splendidly at Tahoe. H.S. Crocker and his son, Arthur, Monday last, caught forty-four fine trout. Geo. H. Rice and party, also made a big haul the same day.

June 6, 1883 – Carson Morning Appeal

Lake Tahoe trout are becoming nauseating drug in this market. Our people are getting very tired of them.

June 7, 1883 – Reno Evening Gazette

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PROTECTING TROUT [REPUBLICAN] - ...Fish Commissioner Dibble and Judge Keiser made a trip to Lake Tahoe...Fish laws were constantly being violated...Sugar Pine Point...General Phipps had about nine hundred trout trapped in a little creek about three miles south of McKinney's. Mr. Dibble gave Phipps forty-eight hours time to liberate the fish...

June 7, 1883 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

HOW THEY FISH AT LAKE TAHOE - The GRASS VALLEY (Cal.) UNION of last Tuesday says: Fish Commissioner Dibble returned on Sunday from Lake Tahoe, where he ascertained there were some marked violations of the law by parties who catch trout in weirs in the inlets to the lake. By this mode of capture a great part of the spawn is lost, and a ruinous depletion of the finny tribe is made. Adequate measures will be taken for stopping this wholesale destruction.

June 8, 1883 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The fish are biting splendidly at Tahoe. H.S. Crocker and his son Arthur, one day this week caught forty-five fine trout.

FISH LAWS VIOLATED – Fish Commissioner Dibble, of California, while at Lake Tahoe recently ascertained there were some marked violations of the law by parties who catch trout in weirs in the inlets of the lake. By this mode of capture a great part of the spawn is lost and a ruinous depletion of the finny tribe is made. Adequate means will be taken for stopping this wholesale destruction.

June 9, 1883 – Truckee Republican

The fishing continues good at Tahoe. An average of 800 pounds of trout a day have been shipped to San Francisco during the past week.

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June 11, 1883 – Reno Evening Gazette

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The fishing continues good at Tahoe. An average of 800 pounds of trout a day have been shipped to San Francisco during the past week.

June 16, 1883 – Carson Morning Appeal

Judge Sabin yesterday made a trip to the Lake and brought down a big string of trout.

June 20, 1883 – Truckee Republican

Trout are becoming a drug in the market.

June 20, 1883 – Reno Evening Gazette

FISHING AT TAHOE - Assessor Stoddard says that fishing at Lake Tahoe this year is better than ever. The merest novice finds no difficulty in angling a dozen fine fish in an hour.

June 20, 1883 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

FISHING AT THE LAKE - ..."Yes, there are lots of 'em, its no trick at all to catch 'em; we took them by wholesale. The best place to fish, or the place where they seem to be most abundant, is over at McKinney's, seven miles around by boat from the Tallac settlement. We fished every afternoon until 5 o'clock."

June 21, 1883 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing at the lake this year is better than ever. The merest novice finds no difficulty in angling a dozen fine fish in an hour.

June 21, 1883 – Reno Evening Gazette

TAHOE TROUT - Lake Tahoe trout are so plentiful and bite so ravenously that it no longer requires an experienced fisherman to bring them to the surface.

June 22, 1883 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Small trout, apparently just the same as are often sold here as brook trout, are now being brought in from Lake Tahoe. They are said to be the young trout that are caught in the shallows.

June 22, 1883 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Mrs. Colonel Rosser is quite an expert at fishing. One day last week near McKinney's, Lake Tahoe, the lady caught sixty fine trout.

June 26, 1883 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

A twenty-pound trout was caught in Lake Tahoe a day or two since. It is supposed that this was the big fish seen by parties who represented it as being forty feet long.

June 27, 1883 – Truckee Republican

A large number of young trout are being caught in the shallows of Lake Tahoe.

Lake Tahoe trout are so plentiful and bite so ravenously that it no longer requires an experienced fisherman to bring them to the surface.

Trout shipments from Tahoe by Wells, Fargo & Co> have fallen off somewhat in the past week.

July 7, 1883 – Truckee Republican

Splendid fishing is reported at Von Schmidt's dam about three miles this side of Tahoe City. Harry Silvey caught seventeen large fine trout there the first of the week.

A gentleman who came down from the Tahoe Hot Springs yesterday afternoon says that the fishing at that point is better now than it has been at any time this season. Large catches are being made there daily.

July 11, 1883 – Truckee Republican

The fishing continues good at Tahoe.

July 14, 1883 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

A gentleman who came down from the Tahoe Hot Springs lately says that the fishing at that point is better now than it has been at any time this season. Large catches are being made daily.

August 1, 1883 – Truckee Republican

TAHOE ITEMS – Some large fish are being taken all around the lake, five and seven pounders are not uncommon, and the Grand Central boss reports one of ten pounds.

August 8, 1884 – Truckee Republican

The fishing at Lake Tahoe is not as good as usual, the trout seeking deep water on account of the heat. At the Hot Springs is probably the best fishing on the lake, a large number have been caught there within the last few days.

August 19, 1883 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Fish are still to be caught at Lake Tahoe, but they do not bite so venomously as formerly...

August 25, 1883 - Candelaria True Fissure

J.A. Moore returned from Lake Tahoe on Wednesday evening. He reports the lake nearly devoid of fish, the excursion boats having made an unusual number of trips during the present season and killed nearly all of them.

September 15, 1883 - Truckee Republican

Not much fishing is now being done at Lake Tahoe. Now that the frosty nights have set in...

October 24, 1883 - Truckee Republican

Trout are biting pretty well at Tahoe. E.W. Church brought down two large ones this week, one of which weighed 11 pounds.

December 12, 1883 - Truckee Republican

Fishing at Tahoe continues good. Johnny Burke caught a 15-ponder (sic) there a few days ago.

December 15, 1883 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The only industry at Lake Tahoe now is fishing. All the mills have shut down and the loggers have scattered to more populous settlements for the purpose of spending the winter months.

December 15, 1883 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

All the mills at Lake Tahoe are now shut down, and all the loggers have left for the season. The few persons still remaining at the lake are engaged in fishing.

1884

January 26, 1884 - Truckee Republican

Dick Paschen had yesterday a fine display of Tahoe trout, nice and fresh. Dick keeps 'em all the time, and finds a good market for all he can obtain, and says that they are cheaper than beef.

April 27, 1884 – Carson Morning Appeal

Lake Tahoe trout are now to be had here at 12 ½ cents a pound. Fresh invoices are sent down the flume every day.

May 23, 1884 - Genoa Weekly Courier

The fishing at Lake Tahoe, is now reported as fine. Quite a large number of Indians have left here during the past week to try their luck in the angling business.

May 24, 1884 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing is reported good at the Lake.

May 29, 1884 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

FISH TRANSPLANTED – Captain Hub Parker, fish commissioner, took up to Crystal Bay, situated at Marlette & Hobart's wood camp, near Lake Tahoe, this morning, about two thousand New England speckled trout. In a few years there will be fine fishing in this bay.

May 30, 1884 - Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

Fish Commissioner Parker has just planted in Crystal Bay, near Lake Tahoe, 2,000 Eastern trout.

June 5, 1884 - Tuscarora Times-Review

Fish Commissioner Parker has just planted in Crystal Bay, near Lake Bigler, 2,000 Eastern trout.

July 1, 1884 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing is not very good at Lake Tahoe at present.

July 1, 1884 – Carson Morning Appeal

Trout weighing as high as eight pounds are being taken at Fallen Leaf and Cascade Lakes, something never before heard of.

July 4, 1884 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Trout weighing as high as eight pounds are being taken at Fallen Leaf and Cascade Lakes, something never before heard of.

July 12, 1884 - Candelaria True Fissure

The fishing at Lake Tahoe is said to be excellent.

July 25, 1884 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

It is now very pleasant up at Lake Tahoe. The nights are cool but not cold. The fish are again biting well.

July 26, 1884 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

SALMON IN THE LAKES – Hon. A.B. Dibble deposited, on behalf of California, last week, 7,000 land locked salmon in Independence, 10,000 in Donner and 8,000 in Tahoe... The eggs came from Brockport, Maine... One hundred and thirty thousand more are now ready for delivery.

July 26, 1884 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

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August 9, 1884 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

Yesterday morning the hills west of Reno were enveloped in a dense smoke the result of a big forest fire which is raging in the timber between Mt. Rose and Tahoe.

September 5, 1884 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Mrs. M. Harris and Miss Celia Harris have our thanks for a fine supply of trout, which they caught, while visiting Lake Tahoe. It is very entertaining to hear the ladies tell of their ventures upon the great lake of the Sierras.

November 28, 1884 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The fish are biting splendidly in Tahoe. Smart fish those, they wait until the tourist season ends before they begin biting.

1885

February 20, 1885 - Genoa Weekly Courier

H.N. Chapman, of Incline near Lake Tahoe, has taken a 10,000 cord wood contract. There are now over one hundred wood choppers at work at Incline.

April 9, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Just received at Leslie Bell's – A fresh supply of Tahoe trout.

April 10, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Leslie Bell has two men specially engaged to do all his fishing at Lake Tahoe, and the trout caught are landed at his Carson store three hours after taken from the water.

April 13, 1885 - Carson City Free Lance

Leslie Bell has two men specially engaged to do his fishing at Lake Tahoe, and the trout caught are landed at his Carson store three hours after being taken from the water.

April 17, 1885 - Genoa Weekly Courier

The fishing season is just commencing at Lake Tahoe. It is against the law for white men to spear fish at this season of the year, but the Indians catch a great many in that way. The noble red man is a privileged character when it comes to catching fish...

April 18, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

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April 19, 1885 – Carson Morning Appeal

The fishing season is just commencing at Lake Tahoe. It is against the law for white men to spear fish at this season of the year but the Indians catch a great many in that way.

May 8, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The Truckee Republican reports that the fishing at Lake Tahoe is excellent, and that quantities of trout are sent below from there every day.

June 25, 1885 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

Lake Tahoe, as a piece of scenery, is being completely destroyed. The beautiful forests that clothed the mountains around it have been ruthlessly destroyed and there is now a scene of desolation...

July 21, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

NOTES FROM LAKE TAHOE - ...Fishing in the main lake is rather unsatisfactory, a good catch being made only occasionally. A few ten-pound trout have been forwarded to the city [San Francisco] by parties here. Several small lakes in the vicinity of Tallac have afforded excellent sport, strings of from ten to twenty-five pounds of trout being frequently caught. [Article from the Post]

July 26, 1885 – Carson Morning Appeal

Fishermen report that the trout at Lake Tahoe will not bite this season. The Lake is about fished out, and as long as greasy Indians are allowed to spear fish in the spawning season, the supply will gradually diminish.

August 8, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Parties just in from McKinney's Landing, at Lake Tahoe, report that the fishing at that point this season is excellent...

August 13, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

ENTHUSIASTIC ANGLERS - ...[2] have made several fishing trips to Lake Tahoe this year, and have always been very successful... The Tahoe trout are said to be the gamest fish found in western waters.

August 19, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Dr. Kirby, who is over at Emerald Bay, Lake Tahoe, claims to have caught a twenty-seven pound trout, the largest ever hooked in the lake.

August 22, 1885 - Candelaria True Fissure

The prevailing excitement at Lake Tahoe is the endeavor to capture a twenty-seven pound trout said to have been seen in Emerald Bay.

August 28, 1885 – Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

FROM LAKE TAHOE - Doctor P.T. Kirby returned last evening...with regard to our item of the twenty-seven pound trout he was said to have caught there was a mistake of ten pounds. The trout weighed just seventeen pounds...

August 31, 1885 - Carson City Free Lance

Dr. P.T. Kirby of Virginia City comes to the front with the modest claim of having caught a 27 pound trout in Lake Tahoe; so, at least, it is reported...

October 23, 1885 – Territorial Enterprise (Virginia City)

A FISHERMAN'S THEORY - John Branch, who has followed the occupation of a fisherman at Lake Tahoe for the past seven years, says the fishing has never been so poor as this year...He says that whenever a fish has been caught this summer it has been at a depth of at least 100 feet from the surface.

November 19, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Mr. Leslie Bell is daily in the receipt of fresh trout from Lake Tahoe. L.B. is the only one who sells the nice fish.

December 3, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Leslie Bell is receiving daily, from Lake Tahoe, white-fish all cleaned and ready for the frying pan.

December 5, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

You just ought to see the lot of Lake Tahoe trout Leslie Bell received this morning. Some of them are as large as sharks and lots as big as juvenile porpoises. Bell gets a daily supply, fresh from the lake.

December 15, 1885 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The large, fat trout brought from Lake Tahoe to Leslie Bell's store, would make the heart of a San Francisco gourmand throb with envy and wish he were in Nevada.

1886

January 9, 1886 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

At Leslie Bell's you can procure salt water fish of all kinds including crabs and fresh Lake Tahoe trout. Leave your orders.

January 19, 1886 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Leslie Bell has a constant supply of fresh Lake Tahoe trout always on hand.

February 10, 1886 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Leslie Bell received this morning his usual supply of fresh trout. Harry Martin will have some of the splendid fish in his vegetable wagon tomorrow and Friday morning.

May 11, 1886 – Reno Evening Gazette

FISH IN THE RIVER – The spring rise has tempted the trout to leave Pyramid Lake and they are now en route for their spawning beds. Many will climb the fish ladders and rapids to Tahoe, across which they will travel with unerring instinct to the mouth of little streams up which they will run to find their rests. A few will be caught along the way and eaten up, but only one in a thousand...

May 15, 1886 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

At Leslie Bell's store can be found fresh Lake Tahoe trout every day of the week. Family orders will be promptly attended to.

June 5, 1886 - Truckee Republican

A magnificent trout, weighing nearly ten pounds, was brought in from Tahoe, yesterday. It was a beauty, and the fishermen at the lake say they are catching lots of them there.

June 9, 1886 - Truckee Republican

Frank Meloche received from Tahoe, yesterday, a box of magnificent silver trout that would average four pounds apiece.

June 11, 1886 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Mr. Robinson, the landlord of the Lake Shore Hotel at Glenbrook, went out in a boat yesterday morning and caught a ten pound silver salmon but refused to donate it to this writer.

June 16, 1886 - Truckee Republican

The fishing at Hot Springs, Lake Tahoe, is excellent, the trout caught ranging from four to eight pounds each.

July 21, 1886 - Truckee Republican

TAHOE ITEMS - Fishing is now excellent. A ten pound trout was caught at Tahoe City last week.

August 7, 1886 – Truckee Republican

It is estimated that 200,000 sheep are pastured within forty miles of this place.

August 28, 1886 – Truckee Republican

John Branch caught a 12 lb trout at Tahoe yesterday.

September 11, 1886 – Truckee Republican

TAHOE ITEMS – The fishermen are averaging from twenty to thirty ten and twelve pound fish a day.

September 15, 1886 – Truckee Republican

Mr. Fick caught a 14-pound trout at Lake Tahoe a few days ago. This is the largest that has been caught this year.

September 15, 1886 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

At Lake Tahoe a fishing party of four persons recently caught 205 trout in one day...

October 12, 1886 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Leslie Bell has completed arrangements for a daily supply of trout from Pyramid Lake and Tahoe. Families needing fresh fish will do well to notify Mr. Bell of their wants.

October 16, 1886 – Truckee Republican

Lake Tahoe has been very rough the past week. One raft of logs was broken up and scattered a few days ago and some of the mills are nearly out of logs because it is impossible to tow them across the lake when the wind is blowing.

October 25, 1886 - Carson City Free Lance

TAHOE TROUT - Of late large quantities of very fine trout have been brought to our markets. They are not huge overgrown fish, but of that happy medium that finds most favor with the housekeeper. In this weather they arrive in excellent order.

November 27, 1886 – Truckee Republican

There is extra good fishing at Tahoe it is said.

December 1, 1886 – Truckee Republican

Some fish are occasionally brought down from Tahoe.

December 4, 1886 – Truckee Republican

E.W. Church brought down from lake Tahoe yesterday one hundred and fifty pounds of white fish.

**Biennial Report of the Fish Commissioner of the State of Nevada for the Years 1885 and 1886;
W.M. Cary, Fish Commissioner, typed copy dated January 1, 1887, 10 pages.**

TROUT FRY DISTRIBUTED

Lake Tahoe	Douglas County	10,000*
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*The species of fish planted by water are not delineated in the report and those referenced could be either eastern brook trout or lake trout from Michigan.

1887

January 12, 1887 – Truckee Republican

TRUCKEE TROUT – [Excerpts from the 1885-86 California Fish Commissioners Report] - ...Two kinds of trout are found in the streams of the Truckee basin. The silver trout is the finest... pull the scales to

twenty-five pounds... taken in large numbers in Bigler... The other kind is commonly known as the black trout... should be classed as a land-locked salmon. They grow to a large size often weighing ten to fifteen pounds... large numbers come to our market from the State of Nevada.

January 13, 1887 - News Reporter (Dayton)

Dixie Randall and Charlie Watson have returned from their Tahoe trip. They brought home quite a number of trout...

February 26, 1887 – Truckee Republican

NEWS FROM TAHOE - ...The lake has been very rough this month and no fish have been caught...

March 30, 1887 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Trout are very plentiful in Lake Tahoe this spring; several hundred pounds were brought to Carson yesterday and shipped to San Francisco.

March 31, 1887 – Reno Evening Gazette

Trout in Lake Tahoe are said to be unusually plentiful this spring.

April 2, 1887 – Truckee Republican

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April 5, 1887 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

PLANTING TROUT – Commodore Todman states that he intends planting a million and a half young trout at the Tahoe City end of the Lake during the present month. He has secured the young fish and made all the necessary arrangements.

April 7, 1887 - Nevada State Journal (Reno)

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April 7, 1887 - News Reporter (Dayton)

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April 19, 1887 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The State Fish Commissioners of California have granted Capt. Todman permission to conduct a fish hatchery at Lake Tahoe.

April 21, 1887 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fresh fish from the Lake and Bay are received at Bell's every day. Yesterday three salmon aggregating 120 pounds without their heads were disposed of in quick time.

May 14, 1887 – Truckee Republican

TAHOE MATTERS – The fishing season has now opened, and silver trout have commenced to bite.

May 22, 1887 – Nevada State Journal (Reno)

THE TAHOE FISH HATCHERY - At a meeting held in San Francisco last Tuesday by the California Fish Commissioners, the Board granted permission to Captain Todman to establish a private fish hatchery at Tahoe City...

May 25, 1887 – Truckee Republican

Two hundred thousand spawn have already been secured for the Tahoe fish hatchery, and it is calculated that 1,000,000 young fish will be put into Lake Tahoe this season.

FISHING AT THE LAKES - ...Two or three boxes daily are being brought down from Tahoe and shipped below. They are of the silver variety and the fishermen are making good wages...

June 3, 1887 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

About 2,000,000 young trout will be turned loose in Lake Tahoe this season.

June 8, 1887 – Truckee Republican

An eastern tourist Robt. N. Dorsett, caught an eight-pound trout at Lake Tahoe last week. This is the first big one of the season.

FISH PROSPECTS AT LAKE TAHOE – [Long article describing the history of the fisheries in the lake]

TAHOE NOTES – [Sierra Nevada Tourist] – Wells, Fargo & Co's office at Tahoe City, shipped 270 pounds of trout during the past week.

TAHOE NOTES – [Sierra Nevada Tourist] – Messrs. Jacobs and I.B. Jessum of San Francisco caught 18 fine trout in about three hours, at the lake near Tahoe City.

TAHOE NOTES – [Sierra Nevada Tourist] – One eight-pound trout, and several four and five pounders, besides a large number of moderate size, have been caught at Tahoe City during the week.

June 29, 1887 – Truckee Republican

TAHOE ITEMS – [Sierra Nevada Tourist] – Fishing still remains good, and fine catches are reported from all lake points as well as in the adjoining lakes.

TROUT FOR THE STATE – Messrs. Shelby and Hall are doing good work for the State in securing an abundance of trout spawn for hatching purposes. They have already shipped from Tahoe... 30,000 to Fish Commissioner Cary of Nevada, and have put in 80,000 fry in Lake Tahoe at McKinneys. They will put in 40,000 more shortly...

July 9, 1887 – Truckee Republican

Some fine strings of fish are being brought down from Coldstream.

July 13, 1887 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

Lieutenant Governor Davis intended to bring with him for this section a number of Lake Tahoe trout to place in our streams but before reaching Winnemucca one half of them died so that he was compelled to place them in the Humboldt River at Winnemucca to save those alive.

July 13, 1887 - Silver State (Winnemucca)

LAKE TAHOE TROUT - Lieutenant Governor Davis brought a lot of Lake Tahoe trout from the State hatchery here yesterday in cans. There were four or five thousand of the little fish and a part of them were intended for Paradise, but as they were dying and no probability that they would survive the stage ride to the valley, Joseph Germain, to whom they were turned over by Governor Davis, put them in the Humboldt river below the bridge.

July 20, 1887 – Truckee Republican

TAHOE NOTES – [Sierra Nevada Tourist] – Mr. Barton landed a nine-pound trout a few days since.

TAHOE NOTES – [Sierra Nevada Tourist] – Friday, July 15th was a veritable fish day at Tahoe City. Two fishermen caught 70 fine trout, in about two hours, and several other parties, were nearly as successful.

August 19, 1887 – Reno Evening Gazette

Twenty thousand Lake Tahoe trout have been put in the American river at Sacramento.

September 2, 1887 - Silver State (Winnemucca)

TAHOE TROUT - Governor Davis brought about 500 young Tahoe trout here yesterday from the State hatchery at Carson for James Ritchie of Paradise Valley.

September 14, 1887 – Nevada Index-Union (Carson City)

The State Board of Fish Commissioners of California held a meeting on Saturday last. Captain Todman, by authority of the Commission, established a hatchery on the lake and has hatched out 500,000 Tahoe trout which have been distributed all over the country... J.C. Frazier, who worked for Todman... [Reference to the possibility of hatching trout from Marlette Lake]

September 17, 1887 – Truckee Republican

Fish are biting quite well at Tahoe.

September 19, 1887 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

THE TAHOE FISH HATCHERY – The State Board of Fish Commissioners had a meeting in San Francisco a few days ago, at which the report of Captain Todman, of Lake Tahoe was received. The Captain stated that he had hatched 500,000 trout in his hatchery, all of which have been distributed to the various districts. He now offers the hatchery to the Commissioners for the hatching of Connecticut and silver trout. The former species can be obtained from Marlette Lake, which is about eight miles from Carson City, Nev. [Truckee Republican]

October 7, 1887 – Reno Evening Gazette

WADSWORTH – The fishermen who have been plying their vocation at Tahoe, Donner and Independence are nearly all back again and preparing for the season's work on the Truckee and Mud Lake. The first shipment of fish was made Monday by H.M. Geiger, Griswold's business manager.

November 19, 1887 - Elko Free Press

The young Lake Tahoe trout put in the Humboldt river this summer are growing finely. Those planted in the South Fork are quite large for their age.

Biennial Report of the Fish Commissioner of the State of Nevada for the years 1887 and 1888; W.M. Cary, Fish Commissioner, typed copy dated February 9, 1889.

In the spring of 1887 I procured 300,000 Lake Tahoe trout eggs at Incline, on the northeast shore of Lake Tahoe; these were successfully hatched at the State Hatching House in Carson City, and distributed as hereafter shown.

June 2, 1887	Liberated in Humboldt river	20,000
August 4, 1887	Liberated in Incline creek	80,000
August --, 1887	Liberated in Humboldt river	50,000
August 26, 1887	Shipped to Paradise Valley	20,000
September 12, 1887	Shipped to C.H. Sproule [Elko]	150,000
September 12, 1887	To G.H. Mills for Walker River	20,000
September 19, 1887	Liberated in Humboldt river	60,000
September 26, 1887	Liberated in Hope Valley	70,000

1888

April 7, 1888 – Truckee Republican

TAHOE ITEMS – [Placer Republican] - ...Until the last few days fishing has been good. Several twelve pounders have been caught. A furious wind just now keeps the small boats from going out...

April 16, 1888 - Silver State (Winnemucca)

YOUNG FISH - A can of young fish, Lake Tahoe trout, sent from the State Hatchery, arrived by express this morning...will take them to Paradise...

April 17, 1888 - Silver State (Winnemucca)

DEAD FISH - ...nearly all those brought here yesterday died...the few hundred that lived out of several thousand were placed in the Humboldt...

April 20, 1888 - Genoa Weekly Courier

The trout are biting at Lake Tahoe.

Last Tuesday T.H. Hansen received a present of a splendid Tahoe trout. It weighed 11 pounds and was sent to him by Q.W. Dickey, the general proprietor of the hotel at Rowlandsville.

April 24, 1888 - Silver State (Winnemucca)

YOUNG FISH - Fish Commissioner Cary sent several thousand young fish...placed them in favorable localities in the river...they are Lake Tahoe trout...

May 9, 1888 – Truckee Republican

TAHOE NEWS – Fishing is nothing to brag of at Tahoe, but Johnny Bunch managed to take in thirty pounds of trout a few days ago. Fishing is better at the south end of the lake just at present.

May 15, 1888 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing is at present poor at Lake Tahoe.

May 18, 1888 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

An eleven pound trout was brought from Lake Tahoe last Sunday and Capt. Todman took it to Salt Lake. Several hundred pounds of trout are being sent daily from Tahoe. [Truckee Republican]

June 6, 1888 – Truckee Republican

TAHOE ITEMS – [Sierra Nevada Tourist] – One Tahoe fisherman states that he has caught upwards of two thousand pounds of trout during the last three months.

June 7, 1888 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The Truckee Republican says that water leeches destroy immense numbers of trout in Lake Tahoe.

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June 9, 1888 – Reno Evening Gazette

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June 12, 1888 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

It is reported that over 2,000 trout were taken from Lake Tahoe and shipped to San Francisco last week...

June 13, 1888 – Truckee Republican

A WHOPPER – [Sierra Nevada Tourist] - ...remarkable catches of the last few days... Mr. G.B. Crane, Thursday last killed the largest trout that has been caught in Tahoe for years past... weighed twenty-four pounds... hooked in deep water some distance from the shore...

June 15, 1888 - Genoa Weekly Courier

It is reported that over 2,000 trout were taken from Lake Tahoe and shipped to San Francisco last week.

June 20, 1888 – Truckee Republican

TAHOE ITEMS – [Sierra Nevada Tourist] – Mr. Frazier has about 200,000 trout eggs under his care at the Tahoe City hatchery...

July 11, 1888 – Reno Evening Gazette

Trout fishing is not good at present at Lake Tahoe. No fish can now be caught near shore.

July 12, 1888 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

If you want to eat a fresh Lake Tahoe trout go to San Francisco, for they are not to be had at the Lake.

July 18, 1888 – Reno Evening Gazette

A thirty-two pound trout was caught in Lake Tahoe last Friday.

July 19, 1888 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

A thirty-two pound trout was caught in Lake Tahoe last Friday.

July 20, 1888 - Reese River Reveille (Austin)

A trout weighing 32 pounds was caught at Lake Tahoe last Friday.

July 27, 1888 – Reno Evening Gazette

The flood-gates at Lake Tahoe are opened every afternoon and a large volume of water finds its way into the Truckee, reaching this point about 9 o'clock P.M., at which time the river presents the appearance it did before it was tapped by irrigating ditches.

October 19, 1888 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Messrs. H.P. Burnham and John Allen went to the Lake Tuesday and caught a fine lot of whitefish - with a silver bait.

1889

Biennial Report of the Fish Commissioner of the State of Nevada for the years 1887 and 1888; W.M. Cary, Fish Commissioner, typed copy dated February 9, 1889.

[Cary mentions in the report that he procured Mackinaw trout eggs on January 1, 1889 from the U.S. Fish Commissioner in Northville, Michigan, and had 30,000 fry in the troughs which would be ready to plant within two months. George Mills was appointed as commissioner effective February 22, 1889, but makes no mention of the Mackinaw in his biennial report. It is unknown whether the fish died or were planted by Cary before he was replaced.]

January 29, 1889 - An Act to prevent the pollution of the waters of the lakes, rivers and running streams of this State by sawdust.

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person...to throw or deposit any sawdust in or on the waters...of this State, or to throw or deposit any sawdust in any place where it may be carried or fall into or on the waters of any such lake, river or running stream.

February 15, 1889 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Mr. E. Robinson was down from Glenbrook last Sunday to secure another lot of minnows for bait.

April 16, 1889 – Reno Evening Gazette

TRUCKEE NEWS – Five hundred pounds of trout were brought down from Tahoe Friday and shipped below. The fish are biting well at the south end of the lake.

April 19, 1889 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Five hundred pounds of trout were taken from Tahoe to Truckee Friday and shipped below. The fish are biting well at the south end of the lake.

April 20, 1889 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Trout are reported biting well at the south end of Lake Tahoe.

May 21, 1889 – Reno Evening Gazette

GATES OPENED – The Truckee Lumber Company are driving their logs down the Truckee now and have the gates at Lake Tahoe open. This accounts for the high water in the river. It is too bad that the water cannot remain stored in the lake until it is needed for irrigation later on; but so long as the Truckee Lumber Company controls the water in the lake, just so long the ranchers will be bothered.

May 22, 1889 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Last evening county treasurer Tobriner received a 24-pound trout, a present from Pete Hall, caught near McKinney's Landing.

June 22, 1889 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Trout fishing at Lake Tahoe and all the smaller lakes is reported better than for the past six years.

June 25, 1889 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

A fish hatchery is about to be established at Incline, Lake Tahoe.

July 12, 1889 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

A MOUNTAIN HATCHERY – Ned Riley, Deputy Fish Commissioner, whose headquarters are at Lake Tahoe... new hatchery building near Tahoe City is nearly completed, that over 200,000 young trout have already been hatched out, and that 1,200,000 eggs are in the process of hatching... [Sacramento Bee]

July 15, 1889 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TAHOE ITEMS [Truckee Republican] – Fishing was never better. All are successful. The hotel tables are well supplied and absent friends remembered.

July 20, 1889 – Reno Evening Gazette

All resorts on the margin of Lake Tahoe are said to be well patronized, and the fish are biting better than ever before known at this time of the year.

July 22, 1889 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Trout are biting voraciously all round Lake Tahoe; over 250 were caught near McKinney's on Thursday last.

July 30, 1889 – Reno Evening Gazette

AT TAHOE - ...Trolling is much indulged in, but "still fishing" is the most popular sport. The latter is conducted at a depth of from forty to sixty feet, at a spot in deep water called the "snag", so named from a giant tree that sank in the lake endwise, in about one hundred feet of water, leaving about ten feet protruding from its surface; here the trout, of all sizes and varieties, congregate, and here we, the aforesaid piscators, manage to catch from 50 to 200 per day, affording occupation and pleasure to the feminine as well as masculine visitor and, above this, a life in the pure mountain air.

August 7, 1889 – Reno Evening Gazette

A log raft containing 750,000 feet of lumber was recently towed from Bijou, Lake Tahoe, to Glenbrook.

August 9, 1889 - Genoa Weekly Courier

A log raft containing 750,000 feet of lumber was recently towed from Bijou, Lake Tahoe, to Glenbrook.

1890

February 14, 1890 - Genoa Weekly Courier

LAKE TAHOE NOTES - Mr. Lydell, who is an old fisherman at Talic, says the fishing is now good in that locality. At present he finds ready sale for his fish in Lake Valley - perhaps owing to the scarcity of beef. He talks of shipping them to Carson, by way of Glenbrook, in the near future.

February 15, 1890 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TAHOE NOTES – Mr. Lydell, who is an old fisherman at Tallac, says the fishing is now good in that locality. At present he find ready sale for his fish on Lake Valley – perhaps owing to the scarcity of beef. He talks of shipping them to Carson, by way of Glenbrook, in the near future.

March 25, 1890 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TROUT FISHING – The Truckee Republican says: “Trout fishing is very good at the lake at the present time. Many very large trout are caught, weighing from 12 to 15 pounds. The spawn trout are running up the creeks and it is the intention of the fish commissioners to commence saving spawn early in April for the state hatchery, which is located near Tahoe City.”

April 28, 1890 – Nevada Daily tribune (Carson City)

The first trout of the season were sent to the Arlington on Saturday and much enjoyed by the boarders. Mr. Roberts, who is lessee of the Bellevue Hotel, has a fisherman who will keep a constant supply for the Arlington.

May 16, 1890 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Indian Jake brought a 12-pound trout down from Lake Tahoe yesterday and sold it for \$1.50. He caught it in the Little Truckee, at the south end of the Lake.

May 30, 1890 – Reno Evening Gazette

FISH AND FISHING [TRUCKEE REPUBLICAN] – Large quantities of trout are brought down from Tahoe every day and being sent below which shows that fishing must be good up there...

June 16, 1890 – Reno Evening Gazette

TRUCKEE REPUBLICAN – Trout are now biting first rate at Tahoe and large shipments are being made.

June 18, 1890 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Trout are now biting first rate at Lake Tahoe and large shipments are being made.

July 7, 1890 – Reno Evening Gazette

TAHOE TIDINGS - ...National Hunsucker Brother Jew John caught the second largest fish on the lake on the 3rd of July. It weighed thirty-two pounds.

July 22, 1890 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Reports come from Lake Tahoe that not enough fish are being caught to supply the Lake hotels.

A POPULAR RESORT – Another large trout weighing between twenty and thirty pounds was caught at McKinney's last week. McKinney's resort is regarded as the best location on Lake Tahoe for fishing...

July 24, 1890 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TROUT OR SALMON [Truckee Republican] - ...At Lake Tahoe the fishermen divide the trout caught there into seven species, but the scientists would class them all as of one species, differing somewhat in peculiarities at different ages and from local causes... [Long article]

December 31, 1890 – Biennial Report of the Fish Commissioner of the State of Nevada for the years 1889 and 1890; George T. Mills, Fish Commissioner.

HATCHING – Eight months in the year work is carried on in the hatchery, that time being required from the reception of the eggs until the distribution of the fish. Ova from the Lake Tahoe trout is taken as early as April, and continues through June, July and August...

[A table is presented in the report listing numbers of fish and the person or body of water planted by year, but does not reference the fish species]

1891

Biennial Report of the Fish Commissioner of the State of Nevada for the years 1891 and 1892, George T. Mills, Fish Commissioner, typed copy dated December 31, 1892.

In my report of 1890 reference was made to the Schoodic or Land Locked Salmon, *Salmo Salar*. Mr. H.G. Parker, while Fish Commissioner, made one plant in Lake Tahoe and Truckee River. During the past few years many of these fish, weighing from one pound up to three and a half pounds, have been taken.

In 1891 I received from the United States Fish Commission from their station at Grand Lake Stream, Maine, 20,000 of the eyed ova, again in 1892 20,000 more. Of the first shipment the loss in hatching was about three thousand, leaving for distribution 17,000 as follows: Lake Tahoe – 2,500... In the shipment of 1892 the distribution being as follows: Lake Tahoe – 500...

March 19, 1891 - An Act amendatory of..."An Act to provide for the preservation of fish..."

Sec. 2. ...provided, that the "close season," as to lake trout, in all the lakes of this State shall commence on the first day of January of each year and end on the first day of April of each year...

Sec. 4. It shall not be lawful for any...common carriers or private parties to ship or transport for sale...any...lake trout ...taken from any lake...between the first day of December...and the first day of April...

April 3, 1891 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Captain Howland caught forty-five pounds of trout at Rowland's one day last week. He sells the fish at a bit a pound.

April 3, 1891 – Reno Evening Gazette

There are about a million feet of logs banked on the shore at Hobart, at the south end of Lake Tahoe.

April 17, 1891 - Genoa Weekly Courier

FROM THE LAKE - The fishing at the lake is fine. Geo. Hunsucker last week caught off Zephyr Cove 17 1/4 pounds. One fisherman from Tallac landed one weighing twenty pounds.

April 18, 1891 – Nevada Daily tribune (Carson City)

The fishing at the Lake is fine. George Hunsucker last week caught off Zephyr Cove 17¼ pounds. One fisherman from Tallac landed one weighing 20 pounds.

June 12, 1891 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Abe Cohn of Carson snailed 39 pounds of trout out of Lake Tahoe a few days ago.

June 20, 1891 – Reno Evening Gazette

Trout fishing has been very poor this season at Donner Lake and Tahoe, owing to the cold and stormy weather...

June 20, 1891 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

The Republican says that 1500 pounds of trout are shipped by express from Truckee each week.

June 23, 1891 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Trout fishing has been very poor during this season at Donner Lake and Tahoe, owing to cold and stormy weather...

June 25, 1891 - Central Nevadan (Battle Mountain)

The REPUBLICAN says that 1,000 pounds of trout are shipped by express from Truckee each week.

July 28, 1891 - Morning News (Carson City)

GLENBROOK NOTES - A.C. Hofer and Abe Cohn...of Carson...on Thursday they caught twenty good sized fish.

1892

April 11, 1892 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

HOBART ITEMS – The fish have not yet begun to bite and none are being caught around the lake.

HOBART ITEMS – The first Indians of the season passed through on their road to Rowlands. They came for the purpose of catching trout as they run up the creeks.

May 28, 1892 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing is reported good at Lake Tahoe.

June 4, 1892 - Morning News (Carson City)

L.H. Bell displayed some Tahoe trout yesterday that were caught at Emerald Bay. One speckled beauty weighing ten pounds was the centre (sic) of attraction as long as it remained in sight.

June 24, 1892 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

TAHOE NOTES [Sierra Nevada Tourist] - ...Fishing is at its best in June and many are being caught and shipped...

July 12, 1892 – Reno Evening Gazette

TAHOE WAVELETS [Tahoe Tourist of the 15th] – The fishermen at Tahoe City are catching more fish this year than they have in any one season for years.

July 22, 1892 – Reno Evening Gazette

RIPPLES FROM TAHOE [Tahoe Tourist of the 19th] – Anderson and Sullivan shipped 130 pounds of fish yesterday by Gelatt's stage.

RIPPLES FROM TAHOE [Tahoe Tourist of the 19th] – Another beautiful 12-pound trout caught this week by Mr. M. Hudson of this place.

RIPPLES FROM TAHOE [Tahoe Tourist of the 19th] – A fish caught by Martin Silva, a boatman at Yank's Cascade House, Lake Tahoe, was shipped Sunday, which, with the box, weighed twenty pounds.

RIPPLES FROM TAHOE [Tahoe Tourist of the 19th] – Saw-dust emptied into the creeks, rivers and lakes is going to menace fishing sport in the near future if it is not stopped.

July 27, 1892 - Walker Lake Bulletin (Hawthorne)

A 20-pound trout was caught in Lake Tahoe last week.

August 15, 1892 - Carson Weekly

N. Jellerson returned from the lake yesterday and says fishing is fine up there.

1893

Biennial Report of the Fish Commissioner of the State of Nevada for the years 1893 and 1894; George T. Mills, Fish Commissioner, typed copy dated December 20, 1894.

[A table in the report shows that 20,000 brook trout were planted in Lake Tahoe in 1893]

January 12, 1893 – Reno Evening Gazette

TRUCKEE TATTLE [Republican of the 11th] – A bill has been introduced in the Legislature to make the close season for trout fishing at Lake Tahoe from January 1st to July 1st. It is a sensible measure and will doubtless carry.

January 31, 1893 – Reno Evening Gazette

Fish are biting at a lively rate at Lake Tahoe.

March 10, 1893 - An Act to amend... "An Act to provide for the preservation of fish..."

Section two. ...the "close season" as to lake trout in all the lakes of this State shall commence on the first day of January...and end on the first day of May...

Section four. ...nor to ship or transport for sale...any lake trout taken from any lake...between the first day of January and the first day of April...

May 18, 1893 – Reno Evening Gazette

TRUCKEE TATTLE [Republican of the 17th] – The state brought down about 900 pounds of trout from Tahoe yesterday.

May 20, 1893 – Nevada Daily tribune (Carson City)

Large quantities of trout are being shipped from Lake Tahoe – 900 pounds reached Truckee one day this week.

June 27, 1893 – Carson Morning News

Lake Tahoe trout are biting splendidly just now.

June 28, 1893 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fishing is reported good at Lake Tahoe.

July 11, 1893 – Reno Evening Gazette

NEWS FROM INCLINE – Wm. E. Barneby writes... fishing is good...

July 11, 1893 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

A large number of fish are being caught at all points on Lake Tahoe this month.

July 13, 1893 – Reno Evening Gazette

Large numbers of fish are being caught at all points at Lake Tahoe this month.

July 18, 1893 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

It is said that fish are biting better at this time in Lake Tahoe than for the past twelve years. They are being caught daily by the hundreds.

July 20, 1893 – Carson Morning News

Misses. Hedley and Georgie French caught twenty trout at McKinney's yesterday.

July 21, 1893 - Genoa Weekly Courier

GLENBROOK NOTES - The Meteor brought a raft of 800,000 feet of logs from Bijou to Glenbrook on the 16th. It was the largest raft that has floated on Tahoe this summer.

GLENBROOK NOTES - Captain Pomin caught a twenty-one pound trout at Glenbrook Sunday evening. It is the largest catch of the season.

August 8, 1893 – Carson Morning News

Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express from the Tahoe office has forwarded 4,522 pounds of trout during July, and thousands of pounds have been shipped by fishermen and others not included above.

August 20, 1893 – Carson Morning News

Mrs. Rosser returned last night from McKinney's and brought home twenty pounds of trout that she herself caught just before she left for home...

August 21, 1893 - Carson Weekly

Mrs. Rosser returned Friday from McKinney's. A large lot of fish came with her.

November 10, 1893 – Reno Evening Gazette

SAVING WATER – There is almost no water coming out of the Little Truckee and Prosser Creek on account of the ice ponds filling up and the gates being closed at Webber and Independence. The gates at Tahoe will be closed on Saturday night except one opening which the Truckee Lumber Company has to draw water from to run the factory. They have men at work getting their logs into the streams to-day and to-morrow so they will all come down to the pond this week, and then the gates will be closed for the season.

December 22, 1893 – Carson Morning News

Lake Tahoe trout at Bell, Edwards & Co.

1894

April 6, 1894 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Dr. Young returned to Genoa Wednesday evening from a short fishing expedition to the lake. He brought down twenty trout, and among them was one that weighed 14 1/2 pounds.

BIJOU BUBBLES - The first Indians of the season were up this week and went back loaded with fish which they got in Taylor Creek, where the fish are now on their annual spawning expedition. The Indians carry away about three tons of fish every spring, besides destroying millions of spawn. If there is a law to protect trout while they are spawning, it should be enforced, and I know of no reason why the Indians should be exempt.

April 13, 1894 - Genoa Weekly Courier

BIJOU BUBBLES - The mail steamer Tod Goodwin will come from the opposite way to-day...for the benefit of the fishermen and enables them to send their fish out via Carson, the road not being open from Tahoe to Truckee.

BIJOU BUBBLES - The Fish Commissioners came per last steamer and went to Tahoe, where they will open the fish hatchery.

April 20, 1894 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Wales Averill has secured a stock of brook trout from the State Fish Commissioner to stock Edgwood Creek, near the old Small place in Lake Valley, which is now known as Edgwood...

May 25, 1894 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Dr. Young returned Wednesday from a three days' visit to the lake, where he caught eighteen fine trout...He says fishing is good at the lake at present.

June 22, 1894 - Genoa Weekly Courier

BIJOU BUBBLES - A great many fish are being caught this summer. The Indians go out trolling for fish. They usually catch them in the streams with a gaff, which is against the laws of Lake Valley.

June 22, 1894 – Carson Morning News

Will Day returned yesterday evening from a fishing trip to Lake Tahoe and brought with him forty-two fine trout. He reports the fishing excellent...

June 28, 1894 – Carson Morning News

Theo. Hofer returned last evening from Lake Tahoe. He had with him a fine string of fish, one trout weighing 8 ½ pounds.

July 30, 1894 – Elko Independent

The Truckee Republican says forty tons of trout have been caught out of Lake Tahoe since the first day of last April.

August 13, 1894 – Nevada Daily Tribune (Carson City)

Fish are reported as biting good at Lake Tahoe.

October 26, 1894 - Genoa Weekly Courier

A.W. Ramsay and Wm King caught 70 white fish and about 30 trout at the Lake last week.

October 27, 1894 – Carson Morning News

A.W. Ramsay and Wm. King caught 70 white fish and about 30 trout at the Lake last week. [COURIER]

December 8, 1894 - Lyon County Times (Dayton)

A fisherman was around town this week with some delicious Tahoe trout. They were regular speckled beauties.

Biennial Report of the Fish Commissioner of the State of Nevada for the years 1893 and 1894; George T. Mills, Fish Commissioner, typed copy dated December 20, 1894.

[The report provides a scientific description and drawings of the various trout species inhabiting Nevada waters, both introduced and native]

1895

March 16, 1895 - An Act to amend..."An Act to provide for the preservation of fish..."

Section two. ...provided, that the "close season" as to lake trout in all the lakes of this State shall commence on the first day of January of each year and end on the first day of May...provided, that the "close season" as to lake trout in all the lakes of this State, shall commence on the first day of February of each year, and end of the first day June of each year.

Section four. It shall not be lawful for any...common carriers or private parties, to ship...any lake trout taken from any lake...between the first day of February and the first day of June...

April 26, 1895 - Genoa Weekly Courier

BIJOU BUBBLES - A great many fish are being caught at present. The mail steamer had on 1,600 pounds one trip last week.

May 12, 1895 – Carson Morning News

The fish are biting greedily at Lake Tahoe.

May 18, 1895 - Wadsworth Dispatch

There are twenty-three fishermen on Lake Tahoe at the present time, one of who, Joe Snow, well-known to all who visit that place, is catching from eighty-five to a hundred pounds of fish a day.

June 21, 1895 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Howard Beers and Wm Fulton returned from the Lake Tuesday, with about 60 pounds of trout...

July 5, 1895 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Henry Van Sickle caught a 17 pound trout at the Lake Wednesday.

August 16, 1895 - Genoa Weekly Courier

An eighteen pound trout was caught at Glenbrook last week.

November 25, 1895 – Carson Morning News

The California authorities have stopped the sale of Nevada trout in their markets and Wells, Fargo & Co. will not accept shipment for California points.

1896

Biennial Report of the Fish Commissioner of the State of Nevada for the years 1895 and 1896; George T Mills, Fish Commissioner, typed copy dated November 30, 1896.

LAKE TROUT (Salvelinus Namaycush) – January 12, 1896, received at the Carson Hatchery from the United States Fish Commission Station at Duluth, Minnesota, 50,000 eyed eggs of the Lake Trout...total planted [Lake Tahoe] 48,000. [Planted on May 28, 1896]

[A table in the report shows that 5,000 brook trout were planted in Zephyr Cove of Lake Tahoe on July 1, 1896]

January 14, 1896 – Carson Morning News

THE FISH HATCHERY - ...There are now in the tanks 800,000 Eastern brook trout and 50,000 Makinaw (sic) trout. The last were received Sunday from the United States hatchery in Minnesota and in a large lake like Tahoe will attain a weight of from sixty to seventy pounds...Some of these trout were put in Lake Tahoe, in the vicinity of Bijou several years ago, and also in the Hobart dam...

April 21, 1896 – Carson Morning News

The trout are biting well at Lake Tahoe.

May 4, 1896 - Carson City Weekly

Trout are biting at Lake Tahoe.

May 7, 1896 – Carson Morning News

GLENBROOK NOTES – Fishing is very poor on account of the cold weather.

June 12, 1896 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Frank Smith caught twenty trout at the lake last Sunday.

June 29, 1896 - Carson City Weekly

Barkley & Morton brought down two loads of fine Tahoe trout the past week.

July 20, 1896 – Carson Morning News

GLENBROOK NOTES – A boy of twelve years hooked and landed an 18 pound trout near Tallac Friday.

August 31, 1896 – Carson Morning News

J.B. Vierra, who has been rusticated at the Lake for two weeks, returned yesterday. He reports fish as being very shy, one fisherman being three days in catching one fish.

October 19, 1896 - Carson City Weekly

Hundreds of white fish are being caught at Lake Tahoe and shipped to Carson.

1897

March 9, 1897 - An Act to provide for the preservation of fish in the waters of the State of Nevada.

Section 1. ...provided, that the close season as to lake trout in all the lakes of this State shall commence on the first day of February and end on the first day of June in each and every year.

April 9, 1897 - Genoa Weekly Courier

A correspondent reports three feet of snow at Bijou. The fishermen have commenced shipping fish from the California side of the lake. Of course Nevada fishermen would not do anything that is not legal.

April 16, 1897 - Genoa Weekly Courier

BIJOU BUBBLES - We counted no less than 12 boats out fishing yesterday. They ship twice a week to the San Francisco market.

May 14, 1897 – Carson Morning News

Fred Boyce took several thousand young trout up to Lake Tahoe this morning. Tomorrow a lot will be put in the Truckee river.

May 26, 1897 – Carson Morning News

The California Fish Commission is going to stock Tahoe with Loch-Laven trout. Two hundred of these speckled beauties passed through Reno this morning for the lake, where they will be planted. They came

from the Sisson hatchery.

May 29, 1897 - Wadsworth Dispatch

Tahoe is being stocked with Lochlaven trout.

May 31, 1897 - Carson City Weekly

Tahoe is being stocked with Lochlaven trout.

June 12, 1897 – Carson Morning News

Fishing at the Lake is very fine. A gentleman recently caught twenty-two six and eight pounders in an hour and a half.

June 18, 1897 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Fishing at the lake is very fine.

July 6, 1897 – Carson Morning News

Will Day caught a nine pound trout at the Lake yesterday.

August 28, 1897 - Wadsworth Dispatch

Ninety thousand young trout were taken from Tahoe and planted in Donner Lake the other day. This will make 105,000 fish that has been put in there this summer. About two months ago 15,000 Lake Superior trout were taken to Donner.

November 5, 1897 - Genoa Weekly Courier

The Tahoe Lumber and Flume Co. ceased operations at Glenbrook for the season last Saturday. They got out 8,000,000 feet of lumber and about fifteen thousand cords of wood this season...

1898

March 25, 1898 - Genoa Weekly Courier

The California Fish Commission warns the Indians that no spearing or taking of spawn trout about Lake Tahoe will be permitted this year. The Commission will maintain an efficient patrol of the streams and promptly arrest every Indian detected in violating the law...

April 8, 1898 - Genoa Weekly Courier

There can be no trout fishing on the California side of Lake Tahoe until June 1st.

May 6, 1898 - Genoa Weekly Courier

An Indian was in town Saturday night selling fish and said that three days before he whipped the "Fish Watchman" at Tallic and got away with 173 fish. He said he sold most of the fish in Carson. The "Fish Watchman" is supposed to be a man appointed by the California Fish Commission to look after the trout streams in Lake Valley.

June 10, 1898 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Between three and four thousand mackinaw trout from the Sisson hatchery were planted in Lake Tahoe last week. They are yearlings and about five inches long. These trout grow to weigh about thirty pounds. The eggs from which they were hatched came from Leadville, Colorado.

June 13, 1898 - Carson City Weekly

Between three and four thousand mackinaw trout from the Sisson hatchery were planted in Lake Tahoe last week. They are yearlings and about five inches long. The trout grow to weigh about thirty pounds. The eggs from which they were hatched came from Leadville, Colorado.

June 22, 1898 - Walker Lake Bulletin (Hawthorne)

It is reported that Marlette lake, which swarms with trout, but which is private property, is to be thrown open to the public for fishing, but that ten cents a pound will be charged for all fish caught.

July 4, 1898 - Carson City Weekly

A fierce forest fire is raging in the vicinity of McKinney's, Lake Tahoe.

August 19, 1898 - Genoa Weekly Courier

Lake Tahoe fishermen report that very small catches are being made.

September 12, 1898 - Carson City Weekly

Between seven and eight million feet of logs will be taken out at the lake this season. About 5,000,000 feet will come from Martin's camp.

1899

March 9, 1899 - An Act giving authority to the Boards of County Commissioners...to extend the closed season for fishing...

SECTION 1. The Boards of County Commissioners...are hereby authorized to extend the closed season for fishing in streams ...stocked with food fishes by others than the State or its Fish Commissioner...

August 10, 1899 – Carson Morning News

FIRE AT TALLAC - ...Fishing has been better this season than it has been for years. Last Wednesday 1000 pounds were shipped to the California markets from Tahoe City... [W.F.B., Glenbrook, August 9, 1899]

1900

March 23, 1900 - Weekly Courier (Gardnerville)

California Fish Commissioners expect to take 4,000,000 eggs from their two stations at Lake Tahoe this year.

April 6, 1900 - Weekly Courier (Gardnerville)

The Washoe Indians are warned by the Fish Commissioners, to abstain from fishing in the streams flowing into Lake Tahoe. In the past they have been driven away, but this year they will be arrested and punished.

June 1, 1900 - Weekly Courier (Gardnerville)

Fishing at Lake Tahoe is excellent.

June 2, 1900 – Carson Morning News

Fishing at Lake Tahoe is excellent now. The season at the south end of the Lake, which is in Eldorado County, California, however, is closed till the first of next month. [TRUCKEE REPUBLICAN]

June 29, 1900 - Weekly Courier (Gardnerville)

Fishing at Lake Tahoe is better than it has been for years.

July 16, 1900 – Carson Morning News

Nearly 3,000,000 trout were hatched at Lake Tahoe the past season.

1901

March 28, 1901 - An Act to provide for the preservation of fish in the waters of this State, and matters properly relating thereto.

SECTION 1. Every person who places or allows to pass...into or upon any of the waters of this State at any time, any lime, gas, tar, coculus indicus, or other chemical, sawdust, shavings, slabs, edgings, mill or factory refuse, or any substance deleterious to fish, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor...

SEC. 3. It shall not be lawful for any person...to take, catch or kill any river, lake or brook trout or land-locked salmon in any of the...waters within this State, between the first day of October and the first day of April of the succeeding year.

SEC. 4. It shall not be lawful for any person...to have in his...possession or to buy or sell...any river, lake or brook trout, or land-locked salmon, taken...within this State or elsewhere, between the first day of October and the first day of April of next succeeding year.

SEC. 5. It shall not be lawful for any common carrier...or person to ship...any river, lake or brook trout, or land-locked salmon taken...in any...waters of this State between the first day of October and the first day of April next succeeding.

SEC. 6. Any person...who shall at any time capture the young of any species of trout less than six inches in length from any...waters of this State shall return the same to the water.

SEC. 7. It shall not be lawful for any person...at any time, to take, catch...any river, lake or brook trout, or land-locked salmon in any...waters within this State with any seine, net, spear or grab hooks...set lines...or by means of any other... except by hook and line.

SEC. 9. Any person who shall...catch any such fish in any manner within 50 feet of such fish-way or fish-ladder... shall be guilty of a misdemeanor...

SEC. 11. It shall not be lawful for any person...to, at any time, transport...to any town or place outside of the State, any lake, river or brook trout which are intended to be offered for sale...

June 22, 1901 – Truckee Republican

MORE TROUT FOR STREAMS – S. McKay... recently received from the Fish Commissioner 75,000 Locklevin trout which he has planted in Donner Lake... A large consignment of Rainbow trout will reach here for the Truckee river in August and later in the fall there will be a large number of Cutthroat trout for Lake Tahoe.

July 5, 1901 – Gardnerville Record

Mr. Lawrence, wife of the proprietor of the Tallac House, caught a 17 pound trout in Lake Tahoe the other day.

August 27, 1901 – Carson Morning News

Fifty thousand rainbow trout from the hatchery at Tallac, Lake Tahoe, were taken to Riverton, Cal. This week and planted in the American river.

1902

April 30, 1902 – Reno Evening Gazette

The river was high this morning, lumber men having raised the gates in order to float big logs to the mills.

May 3, 1902 – Truckee Republican

FISHING AT TAHOE - ...in all places in Placer County besides Lake Tahoe and the streams tributary to it the season opens April 1, but on Tahoe it does not open till June first.

May 16, 1902 – Gardnerville Record

The Indians are bringing in some fine strings of trout from Lake Tahoe.

May 21, 1902 – Truckee Republican

MILLIONS OF TROUT – Deputy Fish Commissioner E.W. Hunt, who has charge of the hatcheries at Lake Tahoe, was in town Monday. He has about completed taking spawn for this season's hatching. He has taken between two and [a] half and three million eggs from which young trout will be propagated to replenish the lakes and streams of the State.

Monday evening 250,000 were shipped to Wanoona, Yosemite Valley, for the hatchery there. To the Ukiah hatchery he has sent 50,000. These are the Mykiss variety and are the trout with which Lake Tahoe is most abundantly stocked.

While taking the rout with seines in the lake to get the eggs a number of Mackinaw trout were caught with the others. There (sic) fish were planted in the lake four years ago and now weigh eight pounds apiece.

June 4, 1902 – Truckee Republican

LOOKING AFTER TROUT – Chas. Vogesang, Chief deputy of the Fish Commissioners was up here Saturday and Sunday, looking after the interest of the hatcheries at Tahoe... going to introduce more eastern brook trout in our streams...

June 18, 1902 – Truckee Republican

A FINE FISH - ...large trout caught in Carnelian Bay, Lake Tahoe. It was caught by Nick Flick of Brockway.

It weighed about six pounds and of the silver trout species...

September 11, 1902 – Carson Morning News

TROUT ARE SCARCE – Capt. Pete, Chief of the Washoe Indians is in town today, and is authority for the statement that trout are bringing 40 cents per pound at Glenbrook, and are scarce at that. He says it is almost impossible to catch enough to supply the local market.

September 13, 1902 – Truckee Republican

HATCHERY CLOSED DOWN – The fish hatchery at Tahoe City was closed down for the season Wednesday. The last of about five million little trout hatched out this year were turned into the lake to battle for themselves...

1903

February 28, 1903 – Truckee Republican

HARD ON ISAAC WALTONS – In a list of bills... signed by the Governor and are now laws of the State... closed season as follows... For trout, except steelhead trout, from February 1 to April 1... No trout less than half a pound in weight may be taken, and hook and line only to be used... struck consternation to the numerous deciples (sic) of laac (sic) Walton...

March 14, 1903 - An Act to provide for the preservation of fish in the waters of this State...

SECTION 1. Every person who places or allows to pass...into or upon any of the waters of this State at any time, any lime, gas, tar, coculus indicus, slag, acids, or other chemical, sawdust, shavings, slabs, edgings, mill or factory refuse, or any substance deleterious to fish shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor...*provided*, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to mills or works for the reduction of ores, nor against the owners or operators of such mills or works so far as concerns the operator of such mills or works.

SEC. 3. It shall be unlawful for any person...to take, catch ...any river, lake or brook trout, or land-locked salmon, white fish or wide-mouthed bass in any...waters within this State between the 1st day of November and the 15th day of March...

SEC. 4. It shall be unlawful for any person...to have in his...possession or to buy or sell...any river, lake or brook trout or land-locked salmon, white fish or wide-mouthed bass taken...in any...waters within this State between the 1st day of November and the 15th day of March...

SEC. 5. Every cold storage company or person...who shall... have in his or their possession, any river, lake or brook trout or land-locked salmon, white fish or wide-mouthed bass, between the 1st day of November and the 15th day of March... shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor...

SEC. 6. It shall be unlawful for any common carrier...or person to ship or transport...any river, lake or brook trout or land-locked salmon, white fish or wide-mouthed bass, taken ...in any...waters of this State, between the 1st day of November and the 15th day of March...

SEC. 7. Any person who buys, sells...any specie of trout less than six inches long within this State, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor...

SEC. 8. It shall be unlawful for any person...in the State of Nevada at any time to take, catch...[Same species as above] in any...waters within this State with any seine, net...set lines ...or in any manner except by hook and line... [Fish Commission exempt]

SEC. 10. Any person...who shall at any time...catch any fish in any manner within one hundred feet of any dam containing a fish way or fish ladder...shall be deemed guilty of [a] misdemeanor... [Fish Commission exempt]

SEC. 12. It shall be unlawful for any person...to at any time transport...to any place outside of this State...[Same species listed above] which are thereafter offered for sale or sold...

March 20, 1903 - An Act to prevent the pollution or contamination of the waters of the lakes, rivers, streams and ditches in the State of Nevada...

SECTION 1. Any person...who shall deposit in any of the waters...in this State any sawdust, rubbish, filth, or poisonous, or deleterious substances...liable to affect the health of persons, fish, or live stock...shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor...*provided*, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to permit mining or milling companies to dump tailings directly into any stream in this State so as to prevent or impede the natural flow of such stream. Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to apply to any quartz mill or ore reduction works in this State.

May 15, 1903 – Gardnerville Weekly Record

It is reported that the Indians are selling trout that have been caught with grab hooks at Lake Tahoe. It is against the law for any one to have such fish in their possession, and we understand that the fish warden is on the trail of the lawbreakers. Look out.

May 20, 1903 – Truckee Republican

PRESENTED A FINE FISH – Deputy Fish Commissioner E.W. Hunt came down from Tahoe Monday. He brought with him one of the finest trout ever taken from Lake Tahoe which was presented to President Roosevelt as he passed through here Monday morning in behalf of the Fish Commission of this State.

The trout was of the Mackinaw variety and was a beautiful specimen, weighing full twenty pounds. It was from some that were planted in the lake six years ago. The fish measured thirty-one inches in length and was ten inches wide when lying on its side. It was about six inches thick. It was an exceeding rare specimen of the trout family and a splendid example of the production of our mountain lakes.

June 11, 1903 – Carson Morning News

The Eagle market in this city is making a specialty of Tahoe trout, fresh from the queen of the lakes.

June 17, 1903 – Carson Morning News

A seven pound trout was caught in the river and brought to this city yesterday. A twelve pounder was captured in Tahoe this week.

June 26, 1903 – Carson Morning News

For the first time this season, yesterday the local market was supplied with Tahoe trout...

July 31, 1903 – Gardnerville Record

Trout are selling for 30 cents a pound at Lake Tahoe.

August 15, 1903 - Lyon County Times (Yerington)

NEWS FROM THE CAMPERs - ...There are about 150 campers here [Bijou] ...The fishing is excellent...

September 9, 1903 – Truckee Republican

Another thing that is necessary is the construction of a fish ladder at the Tahoe City dam at the mouth of the Truckee river. As it is at present fish cannot get into the lake from the first of November until the middle of July. The fish begin running in the middle of January and as there is no way for them to get in the lake at that time they are compelled to leave their eggs in the stream... [Long article]

September 18, 1903 – Gardnerville Weekly Courier

Three forest fires are raging about Lake Tahoe. There is a big fire back of McKinneys, or rather in Blackwood Canyon; another near Hot Springs and a third burning near the Incline.

October 12, 1903 – Carson Morning News

The Eagle market will have some fine Tahoe trout tomorrow morning.

October 30, 1903 – Gardnerville Record

The Indians are returning from Lake Tahoe loaded down with white fish.

1904

June 4, 1904 – Truckee Republican

EARLY DAY DOINGS – [May 11, 1872 Republican] – At the French National Fair at San Francisco on Tuesday last twenty trout from Lake Tahoe were exhibited. Seventeen of these fish were sold at auction realizing the handsome sum of \$1500.

June 11, 1904 – Truckee Republican

TROUT PLANTED IN LAKE TAHOE – The Fish Commissioners have planted 50,000 steelheads in Lake Tahoe, having taken the eggs from Eel River, in Humboldt County, and hatched at the Ukiah hatchery. This was done under the supervision of Colonel A.V. La Motte, and they will be exchanged for 200,000 Lake Tahoe trout eggs... thought that it will do well in Lake Tahoe.

August 24, 1904 – Truckee Republican

Fifty thousand young trout from the Lake Tahoe fishery were planted in the Donner Ice pond last Saturday.

November 2, 1904 – Truckee Republican

The fishing season closed Oct. 31.

1905

April 5, 1905 – Truckee Republican

WILL OPEN HATCHERIES AT TAHOE AND TALLAC – E.E. Hunt, state fish commissioner of San Francisco... will at once open up the hatchery at Tahoe City and Tallac. He will begin operations to catch trout for spawn in Taylor Creek next week. The spawn is deposited in these hatcheries and next fall all the lakes, creeks and rivers in this section of the State will be supplied with minnows...

April 8, 1905 – Truckee Republican

MACKINAW TROUT IN DONNER LAKE – Miller lands fourteen of a size weighing 25 pounds... Three years

ago the fish commissioners made an agreement with the National Commissioners for eggs from Lake Superior shipping from this point Rainbow eggs in exchange. The minnows from the Mackinaw eggs were planted in Lake Tahoe and Donner Lake...

June 2, 1905 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Fishing is first class at the Lake judging from the catches that are being brought in by the Indians.

June 14, 1905 – Truckee Republican

G.W. Sayles of Tahoe City, was in town Sunday. He reports the fishing better than it has been for a number of years.

June 17, 1905 – Truckee Republican

GOOD FISHING IN LAKE TAHOE – Deputy Fish Commissioner Walter R. Welsh... returned from a trip to Lake Tahoe Thursday morning. He reports fishing in the lake the best he ever saw it and everyone up there now fishing are either making plenty of money or having a good fishing for pleasure.

June 24, 1905 – Truckee Republican

LANDED A MONSTER TROUT – [Tallac, Lake Tahoe, June 23] – One of the guests of Tallac caught in the lake a Mackinaw trout that weighed 28 ½ pounds... A trout weighing 29 pounds was caught two years ago which was the largest that has been landed...

June 28, 1905 – Truckee Republican

60,000 eastern trout have been received and liberated in Lake Tahoe near Tallac.

July 28, 1905 – Reno Evening Gazette

FINE CATCH OF FISH - ...[3] who have been spending several weeks at Lake Tahoe, where they camped, have returned home. They walked from the lake to Thompson's ranch, carrying two hundred pounds of fish in addition to their outfit...

October 18, 1905 – Carson Morning News

MADE A GOOD CATCH - ...[4] have returned from a trip to Lake Tahoe where they made a splendid catch of white fish. One member of the party claims to have caught 75 in 20 minutes...

October 27, 1905 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

The Indians are returning from Lake Valley with large catches of white fish.

November 22, 1905 – Truckee Republican

ARE WATERS OF TAHOE FOULED – The waters of Lake Tahoe are becoming fouled by the pollution carried into it in the streams which pour their floods to the lake... rivers which empty into the lake in their progress past (sic) town and village are burdened with sewage. The accumulation of this pollution, when constantly dumped into the lake will in time, says Mr. Hellman, turn the lake into a cess pool.

1906

May 2, 1906 – Truckee Republican

HUNT AND HIS ASSISTANTS HAVE OPENED TAHOE HATCHERY – State Fish Commissioner E.W. Hunt, and his four assistants, left here Monday morning for Tahoe City, to assume charge and open the Tahoe Hachery (sic)... Last year they collected 3,000,000 eggs and planted about 2,500,000 minnows in Lake Tahoe and vicinity. They shipped 500,000 to Sisson and Yosemite Valley...

July 14, 1906 – Truckee Republican

GOOD CATCHES NOW BEING MADE ON LAKES – Trout fishing on Lake Tahoe has never been better in twenty years that it is at present... Last Sunday... and party... returned with forty-one trout, weighing from two to four pounds apiece... and party... caught forty-six trout averaging the same weight. Mrs. Pierce caught and landed the biggest fish, a beautiful Mackinaw, weighing eight pounds... [San Francisco Chronicle]

August 1, 1906 – Truckee Republican

The forest rangers who have been fighting fires for the past week at the north east end of Lake Tahoe, report that they have the fires now under control. About fifty acres were burned over before they succeeded in checking the flames.

1907

March 30, 1907 – Reese River Reveille (Austin)

NEVADA’S FOREST RESERVE – [Article about the addition of the Toiyabe range to the forest system that already includes the following areas]

Tahoe September 17, 1906 59,115 acres

*An additional 1,400,000 acres of the Tahoe forest are in California.

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish Commission for the years 1907 and 1908; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1909.

MACKINAW TROUT DISTRIBUTION FOR 1907 AND 1908

July 18, 1907 Lake Tahoe Douglas County 3,500

July 19, 1907 – Carson Morning News

FISH FOR LAKE TAHOE – Yesterday F.G. Page, special agent for the Nevada fish commission, took 15,000 mackinaw trout from the local hatchery to Lake Tahoe where they will be placed...

1908

April 15, 1908 – Carson Morning News

20 POUND TROUT - ...brought here yesterday afternoon from Glenbrook... weighed exactly twenty pounds...also landed a couple of other fish weighing eight and ten pounds...

May 27, 1908 – Truckee Republican

THIS A WONDERFUL CLIMATE – The largest trout ever caught in Lake Tahoe was landed shortly after 10 o'clock Friday by fisherman Nelson at Glenbrook. It scaled thirty-one and a quarter pounds... The largest trout caught in Lake Tahoe previous to this one weighed twenty-nine and three-quarter pounds, and which was mounted and sent to President Grant during his first term of office.

June 20, 1908 – Truckee Republican

DOINGS AT THE BIG RESORT – There has certainly been some fishing going on at the lake during the past few days and several notable catches made. Prof. Farrand of Stanford, took a little stroll down the river from the Tavern, and in less than two hours returned with thirty-five magnificent specimens.

M.L. Effinger... caught the winner of the season, that is, from pier fishing. It was a trout, weighing twenty-five pounds, and was caught with a rod while fishing from the pier at the Tavern...

June 27, 1908 – Truckee Republican

WHERE THE WATERS ARE SILVERY [Lake Tahoe] – Fishing is getting better right along. Many notable catches have been made the past week, and handlers of the rod and reel are becoming very enthusiastic. One day this week a prominent official at the lake went out along the river near the Tavern, and in a very short time returned with twenty-six splendid fish, weighing close to the pound mark. Fishing in the lake is also improving, and while there have been no notable catches made the past week, yet those who have tried their luck have not been disappointed. The average catch for amateurs the past week has been about fifteen from the lake, and perhaps twenty from the river.

August 26, 1908 – Truckee Republican

NEW HATCHERIES FOR LAKE – State Commissioner Van Slicken and Chief Deputy Vogelsang returned to the city Monday evening after having spent several days at Lake Tahoe investigating the needs of a new hatchery... concluded to erect the new building at Tallac, where it will be run in conjunction with the one already there...

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish Commission for the years 1907 and 1908; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1909.

WORK NOW IN PROGRESS - ...opened the Carson hatchery on October 1, 1908, for the reception of 100,000 of the eyed ova of the Royal Chinook salmon, from the Oregon Hatchery at Umpqua... While the propagation of these fish is an experiment the Commission hopes to be successful in the final result, making them a land-locked salmon... While no particular waters have been decided upon for the experiment, Lake Tahoe, with its purity of water and its food and other facilities, is most favorable, and these considerations induced the Commission to make the final trial there.

[A table in the report shows that 3,500 lake trout were planted in Lake Tahoe on July 18, 1907]

1909

May 15, 1909 – Truckee Republican

ARRESTED FOR BREAKING LAW – Two market fishermen, Anderson and Allen, were arrested at Ward Creek, near Tahoe City, for fishing in violation of the fish law of Placer and El Dorado Counties, which forbids the fishing of trout until after June first. The offenders were taken before (sic) the local justice of Tahoe and fined twenty-five dollars each...

May 19, 1909 – Truckee Republican

CAUGHT A NINE POUND TROUT – H.E. Wilson, who was down from Tamarak Monday, states that all the snow is off the ground at his place and fishing is the best he has ever experienced. The latter part of the week just passed he spent a couple hours fishing returning with a basket of them containing fish which weighed from two pounds to four. Fish of this size he states are very plentiful and no trouble whatever is experienced in catching the limit.

June 2, 1909 – Truckee Republican

30,000 EASTERN BROOK TROUT – Supt. Hunt, of the Tahoe hatcheries announces that he has secured thirty thousand eastern brook trout from the Nevada Commission at Verdi...

June 8, 1909 – Carson City Morning News

Sunday... [2] spent the day fishing at Lake Tahoe... Mr. Kitzmeyer had 28 of the speckled beauties and Mr. Davey 26.

June 9, 1909 – Truckee Republican

CAUGHT A FOURTEEN POUNDER – Mrs. Hugenon, a guest at Rubicon from Salt Lake City, while fishing off Rubicon Point, caught a fourteen pound silver trout... just a fair sample of the fish which are being caught at Tahoe this season.

June 11, 1909 – Carson City Morning News

... [3] went to Tahoe yesterday... and caught a magnificent string of fish... all being of a nice large size.

June 23, 1909 – Carson City Morning News

A GOOD CATCH – One of the finest lands of trout of the season was made at Tahoe last Sunday by S.T. Bradford, a guest of the Glenbrook Inn, who landed a fourteen and a half pound steelhead trout with a rod and reel.

July 7, 1909 – Carson City Morning News

CAME HOME LOADED – The fishing party that went to the Incline above Lake Tahoe to spend the fourth returned home Monday loaded down with fish.

July 19, 1909 – Humboldt Star (Winnemucca)

WINNEMUCCANS MAKE RECORD CATCH AT TAHOE - ...[3] returned last evening from Lake Tahoe... The last day they spent along the streams they [2] caught forty-seven speckled beauties and there was not one in the lot that did not measure over a foot in length...

August 28, 1909 – Truckee Republican

FISH CAR ARRIVES IN TRUCKEE - ...from the Sisson hatcheries Thursday morning. The cargo consisted of 20 cans of Rainbow and Lock Leven trout which were taken out and planted in the various streams which feed Lakes Donner and Tahoe...

October 23, 1909 – Truckee Republican (California)

RIVER NEARLY DRY - ...caused by shutting the gates of the Tahoe dam for a few hours in consequence of work at that place... backs of the fish were according to Mandeville, getting sunburned through sticking out of

the shallow water.

**Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish Commission for the years 1909-1910; State
Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada 1911.**

No reports have been received from the planting in the larger lakes at this writing. These fish were all hatched at the Carson hatchery, then transferred to the Verdi hatchery, and when the fish were of such size as to permit, they were, with the exception of about 10,000 Fingerlings, placed in Lakes Tahoe, Pyramid, and Walker...

ROYAL CHINOOK SALMON DISTRIBUTION FOR 1909

April 21, 1909	Lake Tahoe	Douglas	10,000
April 23, 1909	Lake Tahoe	Douglas	10,000
May 5, 1909	Lake Tahoe	Douglas	11,000
May 6, 1909	Lake Tahoe	Douglas	13,000
May 8, 1909	Lake Tahoe	Douglas	12,000

1910

**Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish Commission for the years 1909-1910; State
Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada 1911.**

ROYAL CHINOOK SALMON DISTRIBUTION FOR 1910

April 8, 1910	Lake Tahoe	Douglas	10,000
April 9, 1910	Lake Tahoe	Douglas	10,500
April 10, 1910	Lake Tahoe	Douglas	13,012

May 11, 1910 – Truckee Republican

6 MILLION TROUT EGGS COLLECTED AT LAKE TAHOE HATCHERY - ...This large collection of eggs was made on Taylor Creek...

May 27, 1910 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Today; Tahoe trout at the East Fork Hotel.

July 2, 1910 – Yerington Times

NOTES FROM LAKE TAHOE - ...Master Johnnie Webster... landed a four-pound trout from the creek Sunday... [Located at Bijou]

July 30, 1910 – Yerington Times

LAKE TAHOE – Howard Whitacre and Johnny Webster landed over 100 trout out of Lake Tahoe last Tuesday.

**Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish Commission for the years 1909-1910; State
Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada 1911.**

ROYAL CHINOOK SALMON - ...No reports have been received from the planting in the larger lakes at this writing. These fish were all hatched at the Carson hatchery, then transferred to the Verdi hatchery, and when the fish were of such size as to permit, they were, with the exception of about 10,000 fingerlings, place in Lakes Tahoe, Pyramid, and Walker...

1911

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish Commission for the Years 1911 and 1912; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1913.

ROYAL CHINOOK SALMON DISTRIBUTION FOR 1911

June 13, 1911	Lake Tahoe	Douglas	15,000
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March 15, 1911 - An act to provide for the protection and the preservation of fish in the waters of the State of Nevada...

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person...to take, catch...any river trout, lake trout, or brook trout, white-fish, land-locked salmon, royal chinook salmon, or large- mouthed or small-mouthed black bass in or from any of the... waters of the State of Nevada, between the sixteenth day of October...and the thirtieth day of April...both dates being included.

SEC. 3. It shall be unlawful for any person...to take, catch ...any...fish of any species whatever...except with hook and line... [Snagging prohibited, use of fish eggs prohibited, and the rod must be in the hands of the angler]

SEC. 5. It shall be unlawful for any person...to kill...any lake trout, river trout...salmon...less than seven inches in length; or any large-mouthed or small-mouthed bass, or Sacramento perch less than eight inches in length, or any red-spotted eastern brook trout...less than six inches in length.

July 22, 1911 – Mason Valley News (Mason)

...[2] went to Lake Tahoe Wednesday...south end where the fishing is reported to be better than elsewhere on the extensive pool now being visited by hundreds daily.

September 27, 1911 – Truckee Republican

U.S. FORESTERS MADE FISH-GAME COMMISSIONERS – The Forest rangers of the Tahoe National Forest, who are permanently employed, have been appointed deputy game and fish commissioners. Their commissions arrived this morning also their stars and badges...

Fishing in Lake Tahoe this year has been extraordinarily good. Thousands of pounds of trout have been shipped to the San Francisco market during the past three months. It would take several box cars to handle all the trout caught, boxed, and freighted out of that section this year.

1912

January 18, 1912 – Truckee Republican (California)

NO WATER PASSING FROM TAHOE INTO TRUCKEE – The headgates at Lake Tahoe were closed a few days last week... The entire flow of the river was from tributary streams, which ordinarily supply only about two-sevenths of the volume... The gates were closed earlier than usual because of fear that there may be a deficiency in snowfall this season... [Statement was later retracted since although the water was low, the gates were not closed]

October 18, 1912 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Those coming down from Lake Tahoe report that white fish are now running up the small creeks in large numbers. As many as 500 has constituted a single catch by one person. Many Indians are now at the Lake

hooking a winter's supply of dried fish.

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish Commission for the Years 1911-1912; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1913.

REPORT ON THE PACIFIC COAST SALMON - ...Thus far, in this work, we might mention that in Walker and Tahoe Lakes, we have ascertained that the salmon have been taken from the place where planted to other points about the lakes. In Lake Tahoe, specimens have been taken on the opposite side of the lake, namely at Tahoe City...

1913

March 26, 1913 – An Act to provide for the protection and preservation of trout and other fish in the waters of the State of Nevada...

SEC. 6. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons... to take, catch... from any stream, lake or river, or any other waters of the State of Nevada... any other fish of any species whatever, with any... means whatever except with hook and line attached to a rod held in the hands and in the manner known as angling...

SEC. 7. It shall be unlawful for any person... to kill or retain in his... possession any lake trout, river trout, land-locked salmon, or royal chinook salmon taken from the waters of this state less than seven inches in length; or any large-mouthed or small-mouthed black bass, less than eight inches in length, or any red-spotted eastern brook trout (*salvelinus fontinalis*) less than six inches in length.

SEC. 8. It shall be unlawful for any person... or any common carrier in the State of Nevada, to accept or to receive for shipment... from any one person... in any one calendar day, more than ten pounds of trout, land-locked salmon, or royal chinook salmon, or of large-mouthed or small-mouthed black bass, taken or caught in or from any of the waters of the State of Nevada; provided, that nothing in this section shall be so construed as to prevent the shipment, or receipt or acceptance of ten trout on one calendar day from any single cosigner...

SEC. 9. It shall be unlawful for any person... to take, catch or kill... or to have in his... possession, on any one calendar day, more than ten pounds of trout, or land-locked salmon, or royal chinook salmon, or large-mouthed or small-mouthed black bass, or whitefish caught in the waters of this state; provided, that nothing in this act shall be so interpreted as to prevent or to prohibit the taking of ten trout, or salmon, or other fish specified in this act.

May 9, 1913 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Indians returning from Lake Tahoe report the water too high for good fishing.

...[3] spent Wednesday fishing at Lake Tahoe. They returned with twenty-five fine, large trout and report fishing to be unusually good for this time of the year...

May 16, 1913 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

...[4] went up to Edgewood Sunday on a fishing trip and returned home with twenty-eight speckled beauties...

May 20, 1914 – Humboldt Star (Winnemucca)

TEN POUND TROUT CAUGHT - ...[3] traveled to Lake Tahoe yesterday, returning last evening with a nice catch of trout, among which was a mackinaw trout weighing over ten pounds, the largest of the species that

has been landed at the lake.

June 13, 1913 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Last year 75 ton of trout were shipped by express from Lake Tahoe. About the same amount was used by the Lake resorts. One hundred and fifty ton of trout and still fishing is good at the Lake.

June 26, 1913 – Truckee Republican

FISHING IS BEST IN YEARS AT TRUCKEE - ...a big specimen of rainbow trout sent down from Lake Tahoe and placed on exhibition... The trout measures just six feet from tip to tip (?) and weighs eighteen pounds. It was the largest ever caught in the lake and was taken about a mile off Tahoe Tavern...

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish Commission for the Years 1913 – 1914; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1915.

SILVER SALMON DISTRIBUTION FOR 1913

May 25, 1913	Lake Tahoe	Douglas County	18,000
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1914

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish Commission for the Years 1913 – 1914; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1915.

SILVER SALMON DISTRIBUTION FOR 1914

June 9, 1914	Lake Tahoe Trib.	Douglas County	18,000
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May 15, 1914 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

An Indian came down from Lake Tahoe Monday with fifty or more fine trout which were quickly sold to Gardnerville residents. He reports that the fish are biting fine at the Lake...

George Bull came down from Lake Tahoe Tuesday and brought with him one of the largest trout ever caught in that body of water. It weighed 15 pounds and was caught on the Nevada side.

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish Commission for the years 1913-1914; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1915.

[A table in the report shows that 18,000 silver salmon fry were stocked in Lake Tahoe on May 25, 1913, and 18,000 silver salmon into an unnamed tributary of Lake Tahoe on June 9, 1914]

1915

March 25, 1915 - An Act to amend an Act entitled..."An Act to prevent pollution or contamination of the waters...in the State of Nevada..." as approved March 20, 1903 as amended.

SECTION 1. Any person...who shall deposit in any of the waters...in this State any sawdust, oils, rubbish, filth, or poisonous or deleterious substances liable to affect the health of persons, fish or live stock...shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor...*provided*, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to permit mining or milling companies or any one else to place or discharge any cyanide or other poisonous substances in any stream in this state, and that beyond this restriction, nothing in this act shall apply to any quartz mill or other ore-reduction works in this state.

April 2, 1915 – Carson City News

TO DELAY FISHING IN LAKE TAHOE – Fishing for trout on the California side of Lake Tahoe is to begin a month later than in the past, according to a compromise between market fishermen and property owners reached before the fish and game committee of the California Senate. It is proposed to open the season June 1 instead of May 1. The change is designed to protect the fish during the spawning season. It is estimated that 250,000 pounds of trout are shipped annually from Lake Tahoe, representing an industry of \$60,000, which furnishes employment to 125 white men and 300 Indians.

June 4, 1915 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Dr. M.S. Sweet and L. McInnis spent Sunday at Lake Tahoe and returned home with fourteen fine trout. The largest of the catch weighed 7 ½ pounds and was the largest fish caught at the south end of the lake this season.

July 10, 1915 - Walker Lake Bulletin (Hawthorne)

LAKE TAHOE FISHING - Lake Tahoe continues to afford enjoyment and profitable pastime for anglers. One thousand pounds of lake fish are being shipped out to the market every day, and the season is at its height.

July 21, 1915 – Carson City News

WIPING OUT THE TROUT – In the official reports of the shipments of trout from Lake Tahoe since the opening of the fishing season... During May the shipments amounted to 10,115 fish with a total weight of 10,109 pounds... June showed shipments of 15,972 fish which weighed 16,847 pounds. On one day in May 1,001 fish weighing 1,016 pounds were shipped... great bulk of the shipments came from the eighty or ninety market fishermen... practically all of these fish went to the San Francisco market... [Sacramento Union]

October 14, 1915 – Truckee Republican

Hunting and fishing are exceptionally good about the lake this season. The shipment of trout is as large as during the summer season.

1916

May 8, 1916 – Carson Morning News

GOOD FISHING AT TAHOE – Harry James and a party of friends made a trip to Tahoe Sunday and report that they spent one of the best day's fishing they ever had. Every one of the party secured the limit early in the day...

May 16, 1916 – Carson Morning News

LANDS BIG TROUT – On Sunday... to Tahoe... [2] who caught seventeen fish, one of them a big nine and a half pound trout...

June 13, 1916 – Carson Morning News

The usual crowd of excursionists to the hills visited Lake Tahoe Sunday... but few caught the legal limit of trout.

July 14, 1916 – Carson Morning News

FISHING AT THE LAKE VARIABLE – The fishing in Lake Tahoe has been variable lately. The day before yesterday the Wils Broughers were there with a fishing party, but caught no fish, and turned the fishing party into a picnic. Yesterday conditions changed and Mrs. Cal Brougher telephoned that she caught 25 fish in a short time and they were all nice ones.

August 4, 1916 – Carson Morning News

FISHING GOOD – The fishing season is on in earnest... From Walker river comes the news that the trout are very large, and biting as well as the most enthusiastic fisherman could desire. The same is said of Lake Tahoe. The least experienced angler has had no trouble for the past several days in catching the legal limit of fish in a short time.

August 15, 1916 – Carson Morning News

At Tahoe the fishing was not so good as it has been of late...

September 29, 1916 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

White fish are beginning to run in the different streams in Lake Valley and within a short time fishing will be good, according to reports received from Bijou Wednesday.

October 27, 1916 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Chas Young of Bijou reports that white fish in the Lake Valley streams are now biting and big catches are being made.

November 16, 1916 – Truckee Republican

33 TON OF TROUT SHIPPED FROM TAHOE – During the five months of open trout season in California 33 tons of trout were shipped from Lake Tahoe alone, according to the reports of the State Fish and Game Commission, which kept tab on the fish exported during the open season. The Commission estimates that besides this there were 200 pounds daily taken from the lake for consumption in the camps and at the resorts about the lake and these were allowed an average of ten pounds each per day with an additional 40 pounds for stray fishers.

In 1915 during the six months of open season 78,971 trout weighing 74,412 pounds were shipped from the lake. The 1916 season was reduced one month in order to protect spawning fish. Of the 16,313 trout caught during the month of May, 1915, one-half of them were females, and practically every one of them was about to spawn. The Fish and Game Commission found that in increasing the closed season it was able to protect spawning fish and through artificial propagation save 90 percent of the eggs, whereas if they were permitted to hatch naturally not more than 20 percent of them would be saved.

Of the thousands of trout caught this season in the lakes it is found that 99 percent of them are of the black spotted variety, with an average weight of 1¼ pounds. The largest trout ever caught in the lake was of the Mackinaw variety and weighed 32 pounds.

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish Commission for the years 1915-1916; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada 1917.

[No record of any fish planted in Lake Tahoe, and no mention of any fishery related issues]

1917

March 22, 1917 – Truckee Republican

NON SALE TROUT BILL PASSES SENATE - ...The bill prohibits the shipping of trout and will mean that there will be no more market fishing in this territory as well as all others...

March 27, 1917 - An Act to prevent pollution or contamination of the waters...in the State of Nevada...and repealing certain acts...

SECTION 1. Any person...who shall deposit...in any of the waters...State of Nevada...any sawdust, pulp, oils, rubbish, filth, or poisonous or deleterious substance...which affects the health of persons, fish or live stock, or renders said waters unpalatable or distasteful, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor... [1903 Act and amendments repealed]

March 27, 1917 - An Act to provide for the protection and preservation of fish and game...

SEC. 12. Every person who places or allows to pass, or who places where it can pass or fall into or upon any of the waters of this state at any time any lime, gas, tar, coculus indicus, slag, acids, or other chemical, sawdust, shavings, slabs, edgings, mill, or factory refuse, or any substance deleterious to fish, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor...*provided*, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to mills or works for the reduction of ores, nor against the owners or operators of such mills or works so far as concerns the owners or operators of such mills or works.

May 10, 1917 – Truckee Republican

REFERENDUM PETITION CIRCULATED ON TROUT BILL – [Petition for the recall of the measure prohibiting the shipment of trout]

October 19, 1917 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

...Lake Tahoe...white fish are now running in the creeks and the Indians of Carson Valley are there in large numbers catching their winter's supply. While some of the Indians salt down the fish, in most instances they are split and dried...

1918

June 28, 1918 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

An eighteen pound trout was caught by a Lake Tahoe fisherman off the Glenbrook shore Sunday afternoon.

July 12, 1918 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Several weeks ago a forest fire was started by lightening near Cave Rock. Very little effort has been made to extinguish it, and it has spread over a vast area.

October 11, 1918 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

White fish are running in the streams at the south end of Lake Tahoe and to catch two or three hundred requires only an hour or so work.

November 7, 1918 – Truckee Republican

A quarter million golden trout has just been planted in Lake Tahoe.

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the years 1917-1918;

State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1919.

[No record of any fisheries related activities at Lake Tahoe in the report]

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Warden for the years 1917-1918; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada 1919.

July 26-29, 1917 – I made an official visit to Lake Tahoe, inspecting the conditions on the Nevada waters, interviewing the fishermen along the shore-line and upon the waters, found that all were provided with licenses, except a small party from California, who were just landing and from whom I collected the necessary fee before allowing the taking of fish in Nevada waters.

1919

March 26, 1919 – Senate Joint Resolution, relative to the establishment of the Tahoe National Park.

WHEREAS, Lake Tahoe and the basin surrounding it constitute one of the scenic wonders of the world, and should be preserved for all time for the people; and

WHEREAS, Private ownership of said section has despoiled a large part of the surrounding basin and is a bar to development of the natural beauty and resources of that section; and

WHEREAS, Similar natural wonders in other sections of the country are under the control of the federal government and receive better care and attention that is possible under private ownership; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of Nevada, the Assembly concurring, That the Congress of the United States is hereby petitioned to include Lake Tahoe and the Tahoe basin in a national park under the control of the United States, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the secretary of the interior and to our senators and representative in Congress; be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the president of the senate and speaker of the assembly of the State of California, and that the legislature of the State of California be requested to join with the State of Nevada in petitioning the Congress for the establishment of a national park as herein stated.

May 22, 1919 – Truckee Republican

RESORT PEOPLE – Geo. West, assistant superintendent of the fish hatchery at Tahoe, reports an increase in the seining of trout for hatching eggs.

June 6, 1919 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Fishing at Lake Tahoe last Sunday was not as good as was hoped for by local nimrods, who anticipated a limit catch. However, an average of five trout was the result at the south end of the Lake, which is not so bad.

September 11, 1919 – Truckee Republican

CREEKS ARE BEING CLEARED – The California Fish and Game Commission ... is clearing the spawning creeks that run into Lake Tahoe. For the past several weeks he has had a large crew of men at work...

1920

June 25, 1920 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Fishing at the south end of Lake Tahoe has been extremely poor so far this season, according to those who spent Sunday at Bijou...

**Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the years 1919-1920;
State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1921.**

[No record of any fisheries related activities for Lake Tahoe in the report]

1921

**Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the Years 1921 and
1922; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1923.**

RECORD OF BLACK SPOTTED TROUT DISTRIBUTION FOR 1921

July 17, 1921	Lake Tahoe	Ormsby	36,000
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June 10, 1921 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

...[3] of Minden spent Sunday at Glenbrook on a fishing trip. Angling at Lake Tahoe is reported poor at this time, and the party was satisfied with catching two five-pound trout.

June 17, 1921 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

WHY FISHING IS POOR AT TAHOE – For the past several years fishing at Lake Tahoe has been exceedingly poor...big fish hatchery stripping the females, the supply of trout in Lake Tahoe has greatly diminished...

October 22, 1921 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Whitefish have been running in the streams of Lake Valley during the past few weeks, and quite a number of Carson Valley people have made big catches, according to reports.

1922

June 9, 1922 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

...Lake Tahoe...while a few good catches were reported at the south end of the lake, trout appear to be less numerous in the lake waters as compared to a few years ago, as the average catches Sunday were comparatively small.

June 23, 1922 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

John Brown, who is spending the summer at Bijou, caught an eight-pound trout Saturday evening with a top line. It was one of the biggest fish caught at the southern end of the lake this season but does not compare with the catch made by Chas. Sadler of Reno, who landed a trout weighing 17½ pounds Sunday and which is said to be the largest trout caught in Lake Tahoe in a number of years.

October 6, 1922 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

During the past week white fish have started running in the streams of Lake Valley and many people of this valley have gone to Lake Tahoe to secure a supply of fish.

October 27, 1922 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

During the past few weeks white fish have been running in the streams in Lake Valley and it has not been uncommon for one person to hook six or seven hundred of these fish in a few hours. Whites and Indians have lined the banks of what is known as Trout Creek and large catches of fish have been salted down for winter.

**Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the years 1921-1922;
State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1923.**

[A table in the report shows that 36,000 black-spotted trout were planted in Lake Tahoe on July 17, 1921]

1923

June 8, 1923 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

...[2] were among those of this place that spent Sunday fishing at Lake Tahoe. While their catch was not large in numbers, they succeeded in landing an eight-pound trout...

October 19, 1923 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

White fish have started running in the streams in Lake Valley and big catches are reported.

1924

June 6, 1924 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

FISHING AT LAKE TAHOE IS GOOD - ...James Gallagher of Minden caught eight trout top-lining, the largest of which weighed about eight pounds. Trollers have good luck in the vicinity of Hobart, thirty-two trout being the largest catch from any one boat...During the past three years fishing at Lake Tahoe has been anything but good...

July 18, 1924 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

A mackinaw trout weighing ten and one-half pounds was caught in Lake Tahoe Wednesday by Arthur M. Hammond of Stockton, Cal. And is said to be the largest trout taken from the lake this season.

August 1, 1924 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

RECORD TROUT CAUGHT AT LAKE – A mackinaw trout weighing thirty-three pounds was caught by a seven-year-old Indian lad at Lake Tahoe Sunday...point off from Bijou...

**Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the years 1923-1924;
State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1925.**

[A table in the report shows that 9,000 eastern brook trout were planted in Tahoe Meadows Creek of Washoe County on July 1, 1923]

1925

May 15, 1925 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

NATIVE TROUT ON DECREASE - ...Native trout of Lake Tahoe has materially decreased during the past few years and two causes are attributed...number of years ago mackinaw trout were planted in the

lake at Glenbrook by Nevada people... [Long article also suggesting that spawn collecting was also detrimental]

1926

June 4, 1926 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Those that participated in the opening of the fishing season at Lake Tahoe Sunday report fair success. However, fishing in Lake Tahoe is not as good as it was several years ago, according to reports.

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the years 1925-1926; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1927.

[No record of any fisheries activities or fishing planted in Lake Tahoe contained in the report]

1927

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the Years 1927 and 1928; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1929

HATCHERY OPERATIONS 1927 - ...During July 150,000 fingerlings [black spotted trout] were delivered to the California Fish and Game Commission, Tahoe City, California, for further rearing by that commission, and later in the season to be liberated into Lake Tahoe on the Nevada side to the credit of the Nevada Fish and Game Commission...

PYRAMID LAKE - ...We have but to look to Lake Tahoe, where the native trout have narrowed to almost extinction, to learn the lesson of neglect. We know too well what has taken place in that lake to allow the same to happen to Pyramid...

October 14, 1927 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Whitefish are beginning to run in the streams in Lake Valley, according to reports, and in another week fishing should be excellent.

1928

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the years 1927-1928; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1929.

HATCHERY OPERATIONS 1927 – During July 150,000 fingerlings [species not identified] were delivered to the California Fish and Game Commission, Tahoe City, California, for further rearing by that commission, and later in the season to be liberated into Lake Tahoe on the Nevada side to the credit of the Nevada Fish and Game Commission... [Records of fish planted by species and/or water not presented in the report]

PYRAMID LAKE - ...We have but to look to Lake Tahoe, where the native trout have narrowed to almost extermination, to learn the lesson of neglect. We know too well what has taken place in that lake to allow the same to happen to Pyramid...

1929

March 29, 1929 - An Act relating to and providing for the protection, propagation...of wild animals, wild birds and fish...

SEC. 31. Every person who places or allows to pass, or who places where it can pass or fall into or upon any of the waters of this state at any time, any lime, gas, tar, cocculus indicus, slag, acids, or other chemical, sawdust, shavings, slabs, edgings, mill or factory refuse, or any substance deleterious to fish, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor; *provided*, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to mills or works for the reduction of ores...

June 7, 1929 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Since the fishing season opened at Lake Tahoe June 1st, it is reported that splendid catches have been made and that trout are biting better than for the past several years. While native lake trout are in abundance, many mackinaws have been caught since the season opened.

1930

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the years 1929-1930; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1931.

[No reference to fisheries activities at Lake Tahoe, and tables suggest no fish were planted in the lake]

1932

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period January 1, 1931 to June 30, 1932; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1932.

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1934

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1932 to June 30, 1934; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1935.

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1935

June 28, 1935 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

ANGLERS TAHOE BOUND - ...Lake Tahoe in person, has yielded several fine catches, with the 25-pound Mackinaw pulled in by Stanley Pomin a week ago Sunday, as the record for the season... angling off Pope's place, near Tallac, and has caught the limit several times this year.

Other reports of the June fishing have a San Francisco angler netting a fourteen- pound silver trout, which is rare enough at any weight. His catch was made off Rubicon Point...

HATCHERY GETS BUSY ON POGEYS - ...His catches of lake trout of all kinds were dragged in with nets to feed the miners of Virginia City and other surviving communities nearby, and even shipped to San Francisco for paltry returns...

We learn of splendid work being carried on in the lake region by the Bureau of Fish Culture, from a list of sample facts elicited from Mr. J.C. Lewis, superintendent of fish hatcheries in the Tahoe region... concerns the Bureau of Fish Culture's discovery in Independence Lake, of the surviving remnants of the famed Pogy, a

fish commonly known in Lake Tahoe some twelve or more years ago. The disappearance of the Pogy, a name given to the old time angler's Tahoe cutthroat trout, was one of the lake's outstanding riddles. Weighing from a pound to a pound and a half, the Pogy was classed as one of the finest of game and edible fish.

Ernest Pomin, at Idlewild, told us that he saw hundreds of them floating on the lake waters, with no cause of death known to seasoned fishermen.

The Bureau's revelation of the almost extinct Pogy led to the present plan for its return to lake waters, and last year 175,000 eggs were brought out of Independence Lake by Mr. Lewis and his staff. This year they have spent nearly a month at the small lake... to take the precious spawn... The Pogy spawn are then taken to the Tahoe or Tallac hatchery and placed in troughs to be eyed... The entire program is planned as an attempt to bring the Pogy back to Tahoe waters permanently...

July 5, 1935 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

ANGLERS ARE GETTING RESULTS - ...many fine catches have been reported during the past week... Herbert Obexer came in the other day with a Mackinaw that was ten pounds plus...

July 12, 1935 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

SPORTSMEN TO PLANT RAINBOW TROUT - ...upwards of 150,000 two-inch rainbow trout are now being transported from the Tahoe hatcheries to the troughs of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club on the Truckee River.

July 19, 1935 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Judge Dibble caught 45 trout last evening in one hour. This is the largest catch we heard of this season in the same length of time.

August 2, 1935 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

BILL JOHNSON RECALLS PAST DAYS - ...He spent his early days in a now crumbling cabin at Rubicon Point, where he fished "for market" as they say, selling the famed cutthroats to old McKinney's or shipping 'em down to San Francisco for the famed taverns of the time... still one of Tahoe's intrepid trappers... hanging on his walls are the gorgeous furs of white ermine, mink, martin, beaver, timber wolf and fox...

HERE'S A REAL FISH STORY - ...Melvin Throp of Sacramento... rainbow angling champion for this year at Lake Tahoe... 6 ½ pound rainbow... on the pier at Sunnyside...

August 9, 1935 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Record loch leven catch of the season so far was the 7 ¾ pound beauty hooked by Roy Waters, of Truckee, in river waters, with a flashing spinner.

August 16, 1935 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

RECORD SILVER TROUT CAUGHT - ...14-year-old Herbie Obexer, of Homewood, who snagged a 11 ½ pound beauty... off his dad's marine yards... 200-foot level... Silver trout are fairly rare in any waters... consistent row of heavyweight Mackinaw trout to his credit to boot.

1936

July 3, 1936 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

FISHINGS GREAT - ...Three beautiful loch levens caught right off the Bijou pier by Jesse Jewell... They tipped the scale's beam to the 22½ pound mark...

July 17, 1936 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Fishing at Lake Tahoe has certainly changed. In 1911 the official records show that in excess of 22,000 pounds of trout were sent out from Lake Tahoe by express. This figure does not take into account the number that were caught by residents and guests in the Lake region.

July 24, 1936 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

HATCHERY BUSY PLANTING TROUT – Since June 15th of this year, the Lake Tahoe and Tallac hatcheries have planted some 3,560,000 small trout in lakes and streams surrounding the Lake Tahoe area... eastern brook, loch leven, rainbow and steelheads... 600,000 steelheads have been planted in streams flowing into the lake as well as in the Truckee River...

July 31, 1936 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

ANDERSON LANDS 13-LB MACKINAW – Tom Anderson, Homewood resident... on Thursday, July 23, while fishing from the Obexer barge... tipped the beam at 13 pounds and was 33 inches long... used a 5-inch sucker for bait...

August 7, 1936 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

S.F. VISITOR LANDS 29-LB LAKE TROUT - ...While fishing off Rubicon Point last Friday afternoon... measured 44 inches long...

August 14, 1936 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

J. ERNEST POMIN [Interview] - ...recalls the days when the Pogie was the most abundant fish in Tahoe. According to Ernie, the Pogie was the most edible of all the trout family. Ernie relates the havoc wrought by commercial fishermen, who took Pogies by the thousands from Tahoe. One hundred pounds per day per man was not at all unusual.

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1934 to June 30, 1936; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1936.

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1937

May 7, 1937 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

Fishing at Lake Tahoe since the season opened has been quite poor according to reports. Several good catches of mackinaw trout have been made, but fishermen are not particularly enthusiastic over this species of trout that seem to predominate Lake Tahoe waters. Steelheads will not start to take a lure for several weeks, at which time sportsmen are expecting to enjoy toplineing. Native trout of Lake Tahoe are about extinct and no effort had been made to restock the lake, according to fishermen.

July 2, 1937 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

A.H. Kenyon of the Chicago Daily News... hooked a 16-lb. Mackinaw off Al Tahoe pier.

July 9, 1937 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

LANDS BIG ONE - ...Mrs. Etta Bay Pomin... caught a 30-inch steelhead weighing a trifle over six pounds...

July 16, 1937 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

From all around Tahoe we hear of fine mackinaws taken from the lake ranging from 3 to 12 pounds.

July 23, 1937 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

John Work of Pacific Grove caught a 13¼ pound mackinaw measuring 32 inches near Meek's Bay last week.

1938

July 1, 1938 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

CLOSED STREAMS – The upper Truckee is closed to provide Tahoe loch leven, German browns, rainbows steelheads and what have you a spawning ground. With the upper Truckee completely open, experts say, Tahoe would be fishless inside of five years.

August 12, 1938 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

17 LB. MACKINAW IS LARGEST FEMALE CATCH – This 17-pound mackinaw trout is one that didn't get away. It was caught this summer by Mrs. C.M. Brainerd of San Francisco off a Bijou pier, is believed to be largest female catch of 1938...

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1936 to June 30, 1938; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1938.

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1939

June 23, 1939 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

FISH BITING SWELL IN BACK COUNTRY – It's the best fishing season in years at Tahoe this summer... Biggest catch to date this year is a 26 ½ pound mackinaw, the prized trophy of Pete Jensen of the South End Y... State patrolman Gene Walker nabbed a 12 ½ pound trout in Tahoe, fishing off the Tavern pier last week, and reeled in a 12 ½ pound lock leven in the Truckee a short way below Tahoe City in two of the best catches of the season to date.

July 14, 1939 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

UPPER TRUCKEE TO OPEN FOR FISHING TOMORROW MORN – The upper Truckee River, after being closed for twelve years as a fish spawning ground, will be opened to anglers half-hour before sunup tomorrow morning... Principal finny inhabitants of the upper Truckee within the 3-mile section to be opened tomorrow are rainbow trout, angers said...

From other waters, Lake Tahoe fishermen last week hauled in as follows: Taken by deepline trolling, two mackinaw totaling over 40 pounds... The north-end record in this season of big fish... Sunday, Mrs.

Malcolm... 22 pound... mackinaw that topped the Major's record by two pounds... 33 ½ inches long, 21 ½ inches around.

August 25, 1939 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

DRIVE TO RE-STOCK LAKE WITH BIG FISH TO BEGIN – In a drive to restock the dwindling Tahoe fish supply, the Lake Tahoe-Sierra Association this week launched a petition campaign asking state legislators to spend, in effect, approximately \$100,000 for planting large fish in Tahoe waters.

1940

May 24, 1940 – Minden Times

LAKE TAHOE – Fishing has been exceptionally good at the lake this spring. Many from Carson City, Minden, Gardnerville, Reno and California towns are reporting excellent catches.

June 21, 1940 – Minden Times

24½ POUND TROUT TAKEN AT LAKE TAHOE – Capt. Ed Smith at Connelley's Bijou fishing pier reports one of the largest trout taken out of Lake Tahoe in several years was caught one day last week by a party from Sacramento; tipping the scales at 24¾ pounds. Another 14½ pounder was caught last Sunday. Both were hooked on the south end of the lake.

June 28, 1940 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

BIG CATCHES REPORTED BY ANGLERS HERE – Large luscious trout continued to fall sucker for the Tahoe angler's hooks this week, with the following notable results: Fishing off the Tahoe City wharf, Ernest Hoerdler nabbed a 4½ lb. Rainbow last weekend. John Sanders caught an 8-lb. Rainbow on Lake Tahoe off the Tahoe Vista wharf. Palo Alto's Edward Micholls reeled in two mackinaw and two German brown trout last Friday... At Meek's Bay, Dick Morgan caught nine pounds of mackinaw (in three hunks) in an hour's trolling in Lake Tahoe with live bait.

July 5, 1940 – Minden Times

TAHOE WOMAN WINS FISHING CHAMPIONSHIP – Excellent fishing still continues both in Lake Tahoe and creeks emptying into the lake, as well as in the back country streams and lakes this season. It is reported that Mrs. Stella Halverson of Tahoe City is numbered among the champions of fisherwomen. Her catch so far is well over 200 pounds to her credit...

July 19, 1940 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

FISH CONTINUE TO BITE JUST LIKE MAD - ...From Sandy Beach pier, an unnamed fisherman reeled in two 1½ pound eastern brook and one 3½ pound German brown, considered an unusual catch...

August 2, 1940 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Fisherman extraordinaire is Mr. C.E. Thiex of Carson City, who landed an 18 pound mackinaw fishing in the lake Sunday...

August 23, 1940 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

1,000,000 THREE INCH RAINBOW TROUT TO BE PLANTED TAHOE 1940 – A million three-inch rainbow trout will be planted in Lake Tahoe this year, state fish division officials announced this week. It will be the largest plant in several years. The fish, shipped from Mt. Shasta to their Tahoe destination, were planted this week at Meek's Bay, Lake Forest, Rubicon Park, Emerald Bay, officials said, with individual plants ranging

from 300,000 to 500,000 baby fish.

The work is in line with a state program aimed at reconverting Tahoe to a "rainbow" lake. Officials explained the rainbow trout is much favored by sportsmen over mackinaw, which now compose the majority of the Lake Tahoe fishes.

Biennial Report of the Nevada Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1938 to June 30, 1940; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1941.

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1941

June 20, 1941 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

THREE MILLION FRY PLANTED AT TAHOE IN '40 - ...The plant included rainbow, loch leven, eastern brook, and brown spotted fry – most of them two to three inches long. A total of 1,800,000 trout raised principally in hatcheries at Tallac and Tahoe City, were planted in Lake Tahoe and streams immediately tributary, officials said.

Rainbow trout were first among the species planted, with a total of 1,869,000 dumped into Tahoe and its vicinity. Some 680,000 went into the lake itself. Of eastern brook, which ranked second, a total of 1,053,000 were planted in tributary waters of and in the vicinity of Tahoe...

June 27, 1941 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

BIG CATCHES HAULED OUT OF LAKE – Off the Standard Oil pier at Tahoe City, Stella Halvorsen Sunday caught an 18-pound mackinaw trout...

July 11, 1941 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

18-LB. NATIVE TROUT CAUGHT IN TAHOE WATERS – John D. Winters of Carson City pulled a 17 ½ lb. Native trout – species rapidly becoming extinct – out of the lake fishing off Dead Man's Point near Glenbrook...

August 22, 1941 – Tahoe Tattler (Tahoe City)

Ranger H.I. Snider of Truckee reported the bear population in the Tahoe area has been on the increase during the past few years. However, he said, the bears have not been known to bother forest travelers in this vicinity.

1942

June 19, 1942 – Minden Times

Mrs. John Barnett of the Bijou Park Beach was successful at taking two large Mackinaw trout this week, which she immediately put on ice at the Beach office to show those who are doubtful that trout of that size are being caught at that certain point of the lake.

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1940 to June 30, 1942; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1942.

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1944

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1942 to June 30, 1944; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1944.

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1946

August 9, 1946 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

An additional 75,000 black spotted trout will also be planted in Douglas County streams directly from the state fish hatchery. The black spotted, native to the small mountain streams throughout this area, will be planted in Glenbrook and Edgewood Creeks at Lake Tahoe and in the several streams flowing down from the mountains on the west side of Carson Valley. It is expected they will grow to much larger size in the small streams than rainbow or eastern brook, with which the creeks were stocked in the past.

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1944 to June 30, 1946; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1946.

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1948

May 7, 1948 – Gardnerville Record-Courier

WINNING LAKE TAHOE TROUT CAUGHT BY WOMAN ANGLER – Mrs. Ann Martin of Lake Tahoe... When the fishing season opened last Saturday... lugged a lake trout into the office of the Daum Supply Company, near Bijou... weighed 11 pounds 6 ounces, according to the official scales...

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1946 to June 30, 1948; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1948.

[Records of fish distributed are presented only by county totals, and no specific mention is made of Lake Tahoe fisheries activities in the report]

1950

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1950.

OTHER FISHERIES PROJECTS – A cooperative project, with the State of California, of stocking Kokanee salmon in Lake Tahoe was started this year. Because of the reproductive capacities of this game fish, it is hoped that it may reach a high population in Tahoe and provide exceptional sport to anglers as well as food for various species of trout which will also be stocked in the lake.

[Records of fish distributed are presented only by county totals, and no specific mention is made of fish planted in Lake Tahoe in the tables]

1952

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1950 to June 30, 1952; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1953.

KOKANEE PLANTINGS – During 1950 a continuation of the effort to establish Kokanee salmon in Lake Tahoe was made... 613,475 salmon were planted in Lake Tahoe... In 1951...549,440 were planted in Lake Tahoe... it is planned to plant for a period of four years to establish spawning cycles.

[Records of fish distributed are presented only by county totals, and no specific mention is made of fish planted in Lake Tahoe in the tables]

1954

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1954; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1954.

[A table in the report shows that 287,520 fish, or 149.50 pounds of Kokanee salmon were planted in Lake Tahoe in 1953]

LAKE TAHOE – The appearance of spawning Kokanee salmon in most of the tributaries of Lake Tahoe during the fall of 1953 created a good deal of excitement among local residents and Commission personnel. This was the first authenticated appearance of this species since its first planting four years previous. Their presence showed that they can survive and grow well in Tahoe. Most of the fish observed ranged from 17 to 21 inches. If spawning facilities are suitable for the fish, it appears that this species has an excellent chance to develop a good fishable population in the not too distant future.

1956

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1956; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1956.

SIERRA DISTRICT FISHERIES - ...In addition to the collection of general limnological data, technicians on the Tahoe... project follow up the stocking of various trout species... Fishing has improved in Lake Tahoe since the initiation of a reared fish planting program... The Kokanee salmon plantings in Lake Tahoe... are being followed through. To date, there have been three consecutive runs of Kokanee in Lake Tahoe... Channel improvements on spawning streams are being experimented with at Lake Tahoe in an attempt to open up spawning streams which are normally closed off at their mouth by sand.

[Records of fish distributed are presented only by county totals, and no specific mention is made of fish planted in Lake Tahoe in the tables]

Annual Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the 1956 calendar year; typed and mimeographed copy with no date.

LAKE TAHOE – Tagging and fin-clipping work has been of considerable value at Tahoe, in evaluating the results of various experimental plantings of fish. This study has gone hand-in-hand with creel census work. The different plants of sizeable, marked rainbow trout were checked on to obtain information regarding growth and recovery. Growth of the planted fish has generally been quite rapid and the recovery, by anglers, of the planted fish has been appreciable... [All of the remaining information is general in nature]

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 375,000 fingerling rainbow, 10,884 reared rainbow, 8,260 reared brook trout, 128,906 fingerling cutthroat and 20,522 fingerling kamloop trout during calendar year 1956]

1957

Annual Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the 1957 calendar year; typed and mimeographed copy with no date.

LAKES TAHOE AND TOPAZ – Specific job investigation and general research were continued at Lake Tahoe during 1957. Specific investigation was carried on under the following job headings: tagging and fin-clipping, creel census, spawning runs, stream improvement, and life history of Mackinaw trout. General research was carried on to gather basic limnological information about the lakes. Tagging and fin-clipping has been of value in showing the growth rate of the fish of various experimental plantings and the return to the angler of hatchery fish put in the lake.

In July and August a total of 11,600 hatchery rainbow trout were put into Lake Tahoe. 9,370 of these 8 to 10 inch fish were marked by finclipping. Over 200 of these marked fish were checked in routine creel census work during the two-month period. In addition marked fish from 9 of the 11 plants of rainbow made during the period 1955-1957 have been checked in the anglers creels during the year. Recovery of these marked fish has been slight to appreciable and growth generally rapid. Largest number of returns and most rapid growth was shown by fish of two plantings made in August and September, 1956.

Creel census work was carried on throughout the year except for the months September – November when there was no technician assigned to the project. Because of the many access points to the lake nothing approaching a complete census could be made on any given day. Creel census figures for the nine month period January – September show that the average time required to catch one fish was approximately 3.9 hours and .86 fish per angler were taken. This is considered good fishing for Tahoe.

The month of May continued to receive the heaviest fishing pressure. This is coincident with the best Mackinaw fishing of the year. As in the past, Mackinaw trout continued to be the most important fish in numbers taken, outnumbering rainbow approximately 5 to 1. The only other species taken in any number were brook trout and then only during a few weeks following their stocking in the lake.

The spring spawning runs of rainbow trout seemed to be smaller than those of past years. However because of the limited time available for the spawning survey, the possibility exists that the bulk of the spawning activity may have shifted to streams other than those used in the past few years.

Observations of the fall spawning of kokanee salmon while very limited, also indicated that the spawning runs were smaller than in the past three years.

Stream improvement work was confined to the trapping and removal of one beaver causing obstruction in Incline Creek and to occasional stream mouth and channel obstruction clearance of the streams emptying into the east side of the lake.

Life history study of Mackinaw trout was continued. Stomachs of Mackinaw taken in gill nets and those checked in creel census work were opened for examination. Scale samples, measurements and weights were also taken and checks made of general and spawning conditions.

Basic limnological work included the monthly taking and recording of surface and subsurface water temperatures, periodical analysis of water at regular sampling stations and the sampling of fish populations.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 15,583 reared rainbow, 50,223 fingerling rainbow and 29,926 reared brook trout during calendar year 1957]

1958

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1958; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1958.

LAKES TAHOE AND TOPAZ - ...The spawning runs of the fish of Tahoe have been very difficult to evaluate accurately because of a great many variables. Generally, the spring and fall runs of rainbow trout have seemed larger than those of the past two years and the kokanee salmon run has seemed smaller. The Rocky Mountain whitefish run of 1956 has been larger and more widespread than those of the past two years... [The remainder of the report is identical to that provided in the 1957 annual report]

[Records of fish distributed are presented only by county totals, and no specific mention is made of fish planted in Lake Tahoe in the tables]

Annual Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the 1958 calendar year; typed and mimeographed copy with no date.

SIERRA DISTRICT - ...Observations were conducted at Lake Tahoe in October, November and December for kokanee salmon spawners. The numbers of spawners and areas of nesting were noted...

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 17,880 reared rainbow and 1,736 reared cutthroat trout during calendar year 1958]

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1958 to June 30, 1960; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1960.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 19,616 rainbow trout]

1959

Annual Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the 1959 calendar year; typed and mimeographed copy with no date..

SIERRA DISTRICT FISHERIES ACTIVITIES – ...Tahoe anglers averaged 0.12 fish per angler hour and 0.75 fish per angler day. Results of checks showed rainbow to dominate the catch there... During 1959 a total of 4,330 rainbow trout were finclipped, 2,443 were jaw-tagged and 687 were dart-tagged and released into Tahoe during 1959. A floating live box was also constructed and used to distribute marked fish in Tahoe away from points of heavy angling pressure. The returns of these marked fish varied from 0.57% to 6.0% within the ensuing months. Those exhibiting the best sustained returns during the period were released at Logan Shoals Harbor in March. Data of long range returns of trout released in previous years indicates at present that several releases made in August of 1957 have given the best returns this year. Growth of these fish averaged approximately 5½ inches per year.

Observations of spawning runs in Third Creek (an important tributary to Tahoe) revealed a moderate run of rainbow trout during April and May. Kokanee spawning at Tahoe this fall was found to occur only in Taylor Creek and along the shore near Tahoma. Total numbers of spawners found were 173. Investigation into the possible introduction of a new forage fish into Lake Tahoe was pursued and correspondence initiated relative to the accumulation of data on the Peak Nose Cisco found in Bear

Lake, Utah. Initial steps were made for the expansion of the Tahoe fishery program and outlines of the proposed program prepared.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 34,158 reared rainbow trout during calendar year 1959]

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1958 to June 30, 1960; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1960.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 34,158 rainbow trout]

1960

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1958 to June 30, 1960; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1960.

[No reference is made to Lake Tahoe in the narrative of the report and the records of fish planted do not include data for 1960]

1961

Annual Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1960 to June 30, 1961; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1961.

LAKE TAHOE – Fifteen tributary streams flowing into Lake Tahoe were investigated for the amount of fall flow. It was found that none of the flows exceeded 2.1 c.f.s. with a minimum of 22 gallons per minute. Examination of the bottom material at Logan Shoals produced a few small aquatic organisms. No spawning kokanee were observed along the Nevada portion of the lake. Utilization of the tributary streams by rainbow spawners was at a minimum. Third Creek had the only noticeable spawning run and here only a small number were seen. Several thousand fresh water shrimp were released at Cave Rock and Logan Shoals Harbor. It appears that the introduction has been unsuccessful. An attempt was made to introduce one species of aquatic plant at three locations and study its growth pattern. These plants disappeared soon after they were planted.

FISHERMAN USE AND CREEL CENSUS - ...Lake Tahoe anglers interviewed at the Cave Rock Landing averaged .2 fish per hour for all types of fish. Nevada anglers constituted 74 percent of those contacted.

TAGGING AND FIN-CLIPPING – The Nevada portion of Lake Tahoe received 64,202 fin-clipped or tagged rainbow and Yellowstone cutthroat trout. Immediate returns have supported the bulk of the fishing with 91 percent of the marked fish checked within the first two months after stocking.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 76,479 reared rainbow trout, 28,418 reared cutthroat trout and 109,750 kamloop trout from January 1, 1960 to June 30, 1961]

1962

Annual Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1961 to June 30, 1962; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1962.

FISHERMAN USE AND CREEL CENSUS – The Cave Rock Boat Landing and Parking area at Lake Tahoe had 36,514 vehicles utilizing the landing and 3,124 boat launchings. Creel census figures showed the average length of Mackinaw to be 18.3 inches, and the average length of rainbow trout as 11.1 inches. The largest return to shore and topline anglers was planted fall spawn rainbow.

Shore fishermen were most numerous, but deepliners put in more fishing hours per day with continued good success harvesting Mackinaw.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 32,301 reared rainbow trout and 12,345 reared Yellowstone cutthroat trout during fiscal year 1962]

1963

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1962 to June 30, 1964; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1964.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 32,681 reared rainbow trout during fiscal year 1965]

1964

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1962 to June 30, 1964; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1964.

LAKE TAHOE – The quality of fishing at Lake Tahoe declined slightly during 1962-63. Mackinaw fishing remained at the same level of success as in previous years; however, toppling for trout dropped somewhat. Planted trout made up over 70 percent of the trout caught during the year. Best returns to anglers have come from releases of larger trout; however, few long range returns have resulted from stockings thus far. Experimental releases of several strains of cutthroat and rainbow trout were made during the year. The need for improvement of food organisms for game fish is becoming increasingly apparent.

The largest kokanee run ever recorded at Taylor Creek was observed in 1963. The initial release of *Mysis*, a true freshwater shrimp, was made in Tahoe during September of 1963. A total of 85,000 of these organisms were obtained from Waterton Lakes in Canada and released into Lake Tahoe. In addition, the Bonneville Cisco was also introduced into the lake. This pelagic dwelling species of whitefish was obtained from Bear Lake, Utah, and approximately 5,000 were stocked into Tahoe. The purpose of this introduction is to improve the food supply of predator fishes in Tahoe, notably the Mackinaw.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 37,196 reared rainbow trout, 24,950 fingerling cutthroat and 25,250 kokanee salmon during fiscal year 1965]

1965

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1964 to June 30, 1966; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1966.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 20,380 reared rainbow trout, 25,000 fingerling cutthroat and 338,890 kokanee salmon during fiscal year 1965]

1966

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1964 to June 30, 1966; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1966.

[No specific mention is made of the Lake Tahoe fisheries in the narrative of the report]

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 26,948 reared rainbow trout, 6,760 reared silver salmon and 245,900 fingerling kokanee salmon during fiscal year 1966]

1967

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1966 to June 30, 1968; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1968.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 47,168 reared rainbow trout during fiscal year 1967]

1968

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1966 to June 30, 1968; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1968.

The appearance of kokanee salmon in angler catches at Lake Tahoe has proven most heartening. These excellent game fish, ranging in size from 1 to over 3 pounds, have been sighted as large schools at various points in the lake, and a growing number of anglers have become kokanee enthusiasts at Tahoe. Although natural reproduction of kokanee at Tahoe has become quite important, this is restricted to a few areas at present. As a means of improving this, spawn-taking, stocking of fry and transporting spawners to other areas of the lake are being conducted.

Another gain which has been realized at Lake Tahoe has been the establishment of the true fresh water shrimp *Mysis relicta*. This shrimp was first stocked into Lake Tahoe in September of 1963 as a foreign organism for the game fish population of Lake Tahoe. It is anticipated that it will improve the food conditions for the game fish in Lake Tahoe substantially.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 20,936 reared rainbow trout during fiscal year 1968]

1969

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1968 to June 30, 1970; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1970.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 59,438 reared rainbow trout during fiscal year 1969]

1970

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1968 to June 30, 1970; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1970.

Kokanee fishing at Lake Tahoe has gained added numbers of devotees. Caught mostly during summer months, there 1 to 3 pound salmon have become a significant part of the sport fishery. To prevent a potential over population from developing (and thereby a smaller sized fish), California and Nevada temporarily ceased stocking kokanee fry in the lake.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 41,935 reared rainbow trout during fiscal year 1970]

1971

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1970 to June 30, 1972; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1972.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 74,514 reared rainbow trout during fiscal year 1971]

1972

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1970 to June 30, 1972; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1972.

FISHERIES – Continued development at Lake Tahoe compounds the ecological and environmental problems already faced by the various agencies involved with its preservation. Complaints are received almost daily concerning stream pollution, siltation, channelization, and diversions. Assistance is provided the county planning commission and the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency in the way of comments and recommendations on various developmental plans for stream and watershed protection. It is hoped that it isn't too late to save this tremendous natural resource.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 46,555 reared rainbow trout during fiscal year 1972]

1973

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1972 to June 30, 1974; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1974.

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 103,538 reared rainbow trout during fiscal year 1973]

1974

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Commission for the period July 1, 1972 to June 30, 1974; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1974.

[No specific mention is made of the Lake Tahoe fisheries in the narrative of the report]

[A table in the report shows that Lake Tahoe received 47,556 reared rainbow trout during fiscal year 1974]

1975

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Department for the period July 1, 1974 to June 30, 1976; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1976.

[No specific mention was found for any of the fisheries activities at Lake Tahoe, nor are the records of fish stocking for the biennial presented in the report]

1976

Biennial Report of the Nevada State Fish and Game Department for the period July 1, 1974 to June 30, 1976; State Printing Office, Carson City, Nevada, 1976.

[No specific mention was found for any of the fisheries activities at Lake Tahoe, nor are the records of fish stocking for the biennial presented in the report]