

Duck Hunters are not happy and state that something will have to be done to revive former days of good hunting in this and other districts. One hunter believes the lack of ducks can be attributed to the lack of marsh land.

"There used to be flocks and flocks of duck around Sturgeon Waters before cottage developments took place" said a Lindsay duck hunter. "In recent years bulldozers have eliminated weeds, tall grass and even logs and stumps and the ducks are vanishing".

This same nimrod added that muskrats are lesser in number today, that beaver are plentiful and mink are starving. He made the interesting comment that trappers have caught mink but that the little

fellows are thin and half starved and added "Trappers have found many plastic worms in the stomachs of the mink. Fishermen use these plastic decoys as bait-they look like minnows, smell like minnows or worms (chiefly worm-shaped and the poor mink gulps them down but they have no food value.

Many fishermen leave these plastic worms lying in their boats and they look like easy prey for the mink".

Racoons are numerous, according to this hunter, and the pelts sell very well. The Fisher are increasing but Bullfrogs are not so plentiful.

"The Lands and Forests Department, or the Government might start preserve sanctuaries for the protection of ducks — that would please hunters, and there are many hunters", concluded this interested sportsman.