CLEARWATER POND
Attean Twp., Somerset Co.
U.S.G.S. Attean, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squateil)    Minnows (cont’d)
Hornpout (bullhead)      Redbelly dace
White sucker            Blacknose dace

Minnows
  Golden shiner         Pumpkinseed sunfish

Physical Characteristics

Area - 34 acres   Temperatures
Maximum depth - 35 feet

Surface - 71° F.
30 feet - 44° F.

Clearwater Pond is nestled among low hills that are heavily
forested with pines, spruce, fir, and cedar. The pond can be
reached by a 1½-mile walk from Attean.

Clearwater is not very deep, but the average depth is high
because the bottom drops sharply everywhere except in the
shallow water area at the southwestern end.

The water is clear and cold, but the oxygen is low below
25 feet. Trout would not be present in the deepest water in
late summer.

If stocking of hatchery trout were the answer to our fishery
problems, it would be evident in Clearwater. The pond has
been stocked every year since 1949; there is little fishing pres­
sure, but 45 hours of gillnetting yielded only one trout. Large
numbers of suckers, sunfish, and shiners dominate this pond,
and trout rarely produce good fishing when placed in this
environment.

The only solution is to remove all the fish and then stock
hatchery trout. Before this can be done, a small dam would
have to be built on the outlet to prevent fish from entering
the pond again. The Fish and Game Department will con-
sider reclaiming this pond if interested sportsmen are willing
to build the dam. The work would be directed by the Re-
gional Fishery Biologist.

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