

EXPORT OF CRAYFISH TAILS

The Department has been advised by the Commonwealth Department of Commerce and Agriculture that the size ranges of the "small" and "medium" categories of crayfish tails has been altered. The old and new weights within the various grades are shown in the following table -

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Old Weight Range</u>	<u>New Weight Range</u>
Midget	under 6 oz.	under 6 oz.
Small	6 oz. and under 9 oz.	6 oz. and under 8 oz.
Medium	9 oz. and under 12 oz.	8 oz. and under 12 oz.
Large	12 oz. to 16 oz.	12 oz. to 16 oz.
Jumbo	over 16 oz.	over 16 oz.

When the vessel "Helenus" sailed from Fremantle for New York on February 11, she carried 24,349 cases of frozen tails, of a total net weight of 477,630 lb. This is thought to be the largest single shipment ever to be sent from this State to the U.S.A.

WATERLIFE SHOW

Yesterday, February 28, the first complete waterlife show ever to be held in Western Australia, opened at the Perth Town Hall. Prepared and staffed by the Aquarium Society of W.A., the show promises to be a marked success - aesthetically and financially. The organisers have stated that once the expenses of the show have been cleared, and a small reserve created for next year, any surplus will be donated to a charity to be selected.

Among the most interesting exhibits were an Indian Scorpion fish, a Zebra fish and two Corroboree frogs.

The Show, which attracted over one thousand people on its opening day, will close on Saturday night, March 5, at 10 p.m.