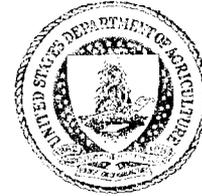


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JAILED 6 MONTHS FOR POSSESSION
OF WILD DUCKS IN CLOSE SEASON

A six months' jail sentence and a fine of \$300 were the penalties imposed upon a violator of the migratory-bird treaty act who was sentenced recently in Federal Court at Peoria, Ill., the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture commented today. The defendant, arrested last March in Fulton County, Ill., had entered a plea of guilty to possessing, jointly with two others, wild ducks during close season. The other offenders, apprehended at the same time, have not yet been arraigned.

Every effort, it was explained, is being made by Federal officers to stamp out bootlegging of migratory game birds throughout the United States and the killing of birds in excess of the legal limit. The disposition of this case, said the officials, should serve as a warning to gunners that it is not profitable to engage in violations of Federal game laws.

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