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On the topic of giant muskies - there's always rumors of giant fish that often turn out to be fish stories (of course). Sometimes, even old fish mounts are found to be "enhanced."

And as we've seen, these fish stories often swirl around fish caught in trap nets or electrofishing by state agencies who, according to rumor or conspiracy theory.... invariably "covered up" the catch.

Not that we don't like to hear these stories. 😊

It is, after all, part of the muskie mystique.

Anyway, here's a pic showing some fish commission workers from NY with a giant trap net muskie that, apparently, set off rumors of a 100lb fish.

This photo is from Chautauqua Lake in the 1940s. Of note, it is from these fish in Chautauqua that PA acquired its brood fish back then. Our PA muskies are sometimes labeled "Chautauqua Lake strain."

Anyway, it's obviously an enormous fish - easily in the 60 inch range and would haunt any muskie hunter's dreams - but it's nothing near 100 pounds.

(Source: *Northern Pike and Muskie*, Dick Sternberg; Delosse Inc, 1992, p 27)

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 **Big Muskie.jpg** (114.82 KB)

