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After the storm that blew threw SWPA I decided to make the trip out to state college to fish spring creek with my new Orvis Superfine. I arrived around 11am with a very light drizzle and cloudy skies, water was low and clear and around 53-56. As I started fishing a nice pool from the bank with a greenie weenie setup, I wasn't haven't any luck at all. I tried the next pool and no luck, and the next the same. I put on my polarized glasses and saw that there were no fish in the pools, but were literally hugging the banks in inches of water, so yep, I was standing on the fish. I recalled reading a book by Dan Shields about Spring Creek how in the fall he would throw greenie weenies at the banks and catch trout after trout. Well, that's exactly what I did, and I caught alot of fish my biggest brown around 14" that came out of a hollowed tree stump, and when I released him, he bolted right back into his little home. A few olives and caddis were spotted, but no risers that I saw. Saw quite a few redds as well and a couple giant browns chasing other intruding browns away from their redds, but I just bypassed the ones on the redds and left them be. Stopped down at fishermans paradise for the first time in 3 years and it was about the same, although like usual there was about 5 fly anglers. I did the same technique with the weenie and got 5 more browns in and hour. Never changed to another fly the entire time. That's until I got to Logan Branch with the last hour of daylight I tried new water and seen alot of fish some around the 15"+ mark. Tried a dry, nymph and a bugger which they flipped me the bird cause it had a bead head on it.