Crabbing in southern Louisiana

Matt Jackson handles the net as Vern Louis checks the bait during a recent crabbing trip to the Avery Island area of Iberia Parish. Unfortunately, the crabs weren’t in a biting mood on this outing. The Atlantic blue crab, at right, is a Louisiana delicacy. Trips to the bayou with bait and nets frequently result in large pots of gumbo or boiled crabs.