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University Park, PA 16802, and **James A Sellers**. *Congruences for Fishburn Numbers*.

The Fishburn numbers, $\xi(n)$, are defined to be the number of upper triangular matrices with nonnegative integer entries, without zero row or column sums such that the sum of the entries is n . The Fishburn numbers grow superexponentially so that their generating function only converges at zero. We prove that if p is prime and a quadratic nonresidue modulo 23, then there is a nonempty set, $T(p)$, of integers in $[0, p-1]$ such that if j is in $T(p)$, then $\xi(pn + j)$ is congruent to 0 modulo p for all nonnegative integers n . (Received January 24, 2014)