

# REVISION OF FISH CODE ON

### GAME DEPARTMENT OF STATE IS TAKING ACTION.

#### General Plan of Protecting Game More Systematically, Proposed

Pendleton, Nov. 26.—(Special) — Chairman C. K. Cranston of the Oregon Fish & Game commission left Saturday evening for Portland to attend a meeting called for the purpose of revising the state's fish and game code. During the past 18 months the commission has been receiving the views of sportsmen in the different sections of the state and proposed laws in accordance with the majority view will be recommended to the legislature which convenes at Salem in January.

#### Many Changes Sought

Some of the changes demanded by Eastern Oregon sportsmen are: Making the open season for deer uniform throughout the state; providing a uniform open season for all Eastern Oregon game birds excepting ducks and geese and making this season close with the deer season; cutting down the limit on deer from five to three; closing the duck season January 15 instead of April 1; prohibiting goose shooting within a quarter of a mile of the high water shore line of the Columbia; providing a closed season for black and brown bear during the summer months, and increasing the bounty on wolves and cougar from \$10 to \$50.

There is considerable opposition locally to the proposed open season for female deer. It is believed there that the law as it now stands, permitting the killing of bucks only is not only to the best interest of the sport but that it results in the saving of human life, having a tendency to make hunters more careful.

At present the deer season in Morrow county and in western Oregon opens six weeks ahead of the season in all of Eastern Oregon counties except Morrow. As the conditions in Morrow are identical with those in Umatilla and Grant, border counties, this difference in season has long been held to be unfair. It has also made it impossible to enforce the game laws along the county borders.

The present grouse season closes four weeks before the close of the deer season thus putting a premium on grouse law violations by the unsuccessful deer hunter who is quite likely to get meat of one kind if he cannot of another. It is pointed out that the birds are fully grown in October, that they are wild, well scat-

tered and better able to take care of themselves than at any other time during the year.

There is also some talk of having the grouse season open two weeks later than at present. While this would undoubtedly be to the best interests of the birds that is so much opposition on the part of hunters who can only go to the hills during the regular vacation period that it is not likely the change will be suggested to the legislature.

Advocates on the closed summer season insist that these animals are practically harmless and that it is nothing less than criminally wasteful to kill the animals during the months when neither their fur nor meat is of any value.

Though the board is now in session for the purpose of revising the fish and game code it is not too late for sportsmen with suggestions to have their suggestions acted upon. Any suggestions mailed to J. Franz Hughes, secretary of the commission 808 Yeon Building, Portland, Oregon, will receive consideration.

### NO CASTE AT OXFORD.

#### Duke's Son and Cook's Son Share Alike in Sports and Studies.

Actually there is no university or college in America at which distinctions of birth or wealth count for less than they do at Oxford. There was once a time when there existed a class of "gentlemen commoners"—John Ruskin, I believe, was one of them—who enjoyed special privileges and exemptions.

But that peculiarity has long since been swept away. Not only are the requirements for graduation identical for all comers, but the social life within each college of the university is open on equal terms to every one on the roll. "Duke's son" and "cook's son" share alike in sports and studies, and it is personal qualities alone that determine the position an undergraduate holds among his contemporaries.

The late F. W. Walker, for many years so successful as high master of St. Paul's school, was once interviewed by the rather snobbish mother of an intended pupil. "Of course," she said, "you are very particular about the parents of the boys you admit to your school." "Not at all, madam," was his reply. "As long as your son behaves decently and attends to his work we shall not ask any questions about his parents."

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—Boston Post.

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