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#### ROGUE RIVER FISHING.

The protected Hume salmon fishing monopoly at the mouth of the Rogue now enjoys the largest open season season in the state, but two closed seasons in spring and fall of = thirty-five days each being observed. The recent legislature again showed its partiality to this monopoly, which for thirty years has accumulated millions at the expense of all southern Oregon, and rejected the master fish warden's bill shortening the season.

Harmony now reigns on the Columbia, both states having agreed upon a law that provides the following closed seasons: Spring close, from 12 o'clock noon, March 1, to 12 o'clock noon, May 1. Fall close, from 12 o'clock noon, August 25, to 12 o'clock noon, September 10. A weekly close of 24 hours, beginning at 6 o'clock p. m. Saturday and extending to 6 o'clock p. m. Sunday, is also

It is believed these closed seasons will give the salmon the protection they have long needed and will be the means of allowing a great percentage of them to reach the hatcheries and spawning grounds in the headwaters of the various streams.

But no such protection for salmon in the Rogue is granted. There is no closed Sunday, no two months' season in the spring. The Hume interests have 295 days in the year to fish. The Columbia river fishers have but 244 days. No wonder salmon are diminishing each year and steelhead becoming exterminated.

#### MORE PAVING NEEDED.

Seventh street, or that portion of it paved, has served as a good object lesson to citizens of Medford as to the need of paving. The contrast between paved ann unpaved need of paving. The contrast between paved and unpaved streets was never brought out sharper than it is here.

Already petitions are being circulated to extend the paved area. Paving costs money, but property owners have ten years to pay for it in, and the increase in the value of property due to the pavement amply justifies the expenditure.

Owners who object to paying for the cost of improvements that appreciate their property are shortsighted. They are in the same category with the grangers who killed the Johnson good roads bill in the house because good roads would increase taxes, forgetting that poor roads maroon the farmer at certain seasons, depreciate the value of his property and entail a far heavier burden upon him through inability to reach markets than taxes could possibly make,

The paved street area of Medford is the district in which property and property values will advance—the distriet that will improve—so see that your property gets in it.

#### JACKSON EIGHTH IN VALUATION.

According to the new state tax apportionment Jackson county's assessed valuation is reduced from \$26,685, 249 to \$17,944,018. The apportionment of taxes paid to the state is \$38,075.

Jackson now, under the equalized assessment, ranks eighth among the counties of the state. Multnomah leads with \$190,086,973; Marion is second with \$34,063,829 Umatilla third with \$30,803,899; Linn fourth with \$28, 291,736; Lane fourth with \$26,203,052; Douglas fifth with \$21,473,009; Clackamas sixth with \$20,511,109, and Yamhill seventh with \$20,157,114.

Josephine's assessed valuation is \$5,981,339, and Klamath's \$9,450,516. Klamath was raised from the old valuation and Josephine lowered. Josephine pays in \$12,790 to the state and Klamath \$20,185.

#### HEAD OF MISSING MAN POUND NEAR HERMISTON

PRINDLETON, Or., Feb. 27.—M. Sembor C.W. Poliant his intension while driving across the Braintilla project last hight, discovered a man's head lying on the ground two nules murth of Hermitian. Examination of the head loads to the heliof that the head is that of H. H. Hebbal of runber hind, who in Angest has disappeared. It is supposed that he mat with fool play, and his relatives found to their of this whoreabouts. It is believed he was marked for his memory.

URGES CHAMBERLAIN

TO COME TO CAPITAL. PENDLETON, Or., Pub. 27,-M.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Senator Bearine has telegraphed Senator deed Chamberlain, suggesting the advisability of his being here March 5 to be swern in as senator, instead of waiting Linear, New 21.—the average and the summing much of the summing and communication of the summing and communication of the summing and communication of the summing against the summing and communication of the summing against the film in seniority.

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### OREGON SENATORIAL PLAN

antil March 15, the commencement of the special session, as Governor Cham berlain had planned. If Chamberlain the special wait until March 15 all the sen ators entering March 5 would outrant passed the hope and to remark the arms of the sen ators entering.

FULTON WILL DESERT

Senator Futton intends to make Port-land his home. He made an autocons-ment to this offset. Soon after the adjustment of songress he will go to Asteria to close up his affairs and then more his residence and office to Port-land.

TAX COMMISSIONERS FOR STATE ARE APPOINTED

reduce of the state tax boarders of McMineville and J I Earon of La Grando were appointed ax commissioners to serve with the corefery of state, the state freasurer and the governor, in latter three as ex-officio members, in the new tax commission provided by a full which passed the 25th legislature early in the

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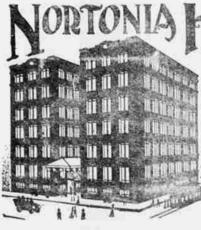
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