



THE STATE IS UPHELD BY SUPREME COURT IN FISHING CASE

Willamette River Is Closed To Commercial Fishermen

DECISION IS REVERSED

by Decision the Suspension Bridge Is the Limit Northward From the Falls

Some months ago Charles Gates was arrested for commercial fishing north of the bridge at Oregon City, was tried in the justice court and fined. Through his attorney, Gilbert L. Hedges, Gates appealed from the decision Judge Noble's court, the circuit court where Judge Campbell reversed the decision of the lower court on the ground that a previous order made by the fish commission was ineffective.

This order of the Fish Commission made in May, 1921, was to the effect that after June 6, 1921, it would be unlawful to fish for salmon with nets or for commercial purposes in the Willamette River north of the suspension bridge at Oregon City. Said order was to be effective until it should be rescinded which was never done.

The opinion of the supreme court written by Judge Harris points out that in chapter 165, laws of 1921 the commission is given authority to close any of the waters of the state to commercial fishing except the Columbia river west of the mouth of the Deschutes river.

The legislature of 1921 established the line in the Willamette from the north to the suspension bridge and the attorney for Gates contended that the legislature had taken away from the commission power over the Willamette north of the bridge.

The supreme court held in this recent decision that the commission has the right to extend a closed season that has been established by a legislature and to close any waters that the legislature may not have closed.

And therefore the fishing for salmon by Gates was unlawful, and the commission had the legal right to close the stream.

The possible course is this (1) The passing down of the mandate from the highest court. (2) To proceed with the trial on the facts in the case.

Course in Christian Doctrine Scheduled

A series of addresses on the Fundamentals of the Christian Religion will be delivered by Rev. C. J. Morgan at the Sunday services of the First Congregational Church, beginning next Sunday morning. The object of this course is to interpret the Fundamentals of the Christian Religion in terms of modern life, and as having a direct relation to the perplexing problems of the present. The idea of progression will be developed in address with emphasis upon the fact that religion is life, and as life is evolving from lower to higher standards of life, and eventually to perfection. The following topics will be discussed.

"What the Bible Means to Me"; "What Love Means to Me"; "What Jesus Christ Means to Me"; "What Trinity Means to Me"; "What Conversation Means to Me"; "What Eternal Punishment Means to Me"; "What the Holy Spirit Means to Me"; "What Death Means to Me"; "What the Resurrection Means to Me"; "What Immortality Means to Me"; "What the Miracles Mean to Me"; "What the Church Means to Me"; "What Sin Means to Me"; "What Atonement Means to Me"; "What Incarnation Means to Me"; "What Prayer Means to Me"; "What the Kingdom of God Means to Me"; "What Heaven Means to Me"; "What the Second Coming Means to Me".

Farm Bureau Firm For Higher Education

The Clackamas County Farm Bureau has gone on record through its executive committee as opposed to the curtailment of the extension service of the O. A. C. The attitude of the organization is reported as favoring the millage tax for all higher educational institutions of the state. For retrenchment of state expenses in general the farmer and most other taxpayers stand "pat".

Two More Members On Market Committee

The market committee of the Clackamas Farm Bureau has been increased by the addition to its membership of Mrs. A. I. Hughes and N. H. Smith. This committee has under way plans for the cooperative marketing of potatoes this season. The other members of this committee are O. R. Daugherty, H. H. Chindgren and P. O. Day.

RETAIL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCIAL CLUB HOLDS MEETING

The retail department of the Commercial Club held its first meeting Wednesday night and launched what bids fair to be one of the liveliest departments of the club. A large delegation of merchants were present.

A. A. Price was chosen chairman and according to the bylaws of the new organization becomes automatically a member of the governing board of the club. The work of this department will be carried on through an executive committee.

Plans were discussed for a cooperative advertising and merchandising campaign of two days duration, May 26 and 27. A meeting will be held next Monday night to consider details.

Short talks were made by Chairman Price, Ed Busch, Dr. Freeze, L. J. Lageson, W. A. Allen, H. A. Kirk, Walter L. Little and Sam H. Clay.

The matter of a Fourth of July celebration was referred to the publicity department. A resolution was passed however, recommending that the club hold a Fourth of July celebration and pledging the support of this department in every way possible.

Ku Klux Donates to Church

Sunday morning at the beginning of the service of the Presbyterian church at Shively's hall, three Knights of the Ku Klux Klan entered. Two of them stood at the door while the third walked up the aisle to the pastor handing him an envelope containing \$30 and a note. The note read: The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan believing in the Holy Bible as taught by the Protestant churches and being behind you in your good work desire you in behalf of your church to accept this small donation in the spirit in which it is given. This is to be used toward off-setting your recent unfortunate loss by fire. The pastor, who was taken by surprise in a very creditable manner thanked the white robed visitors who quietly left the church.

MAKING PULP AT THE HAWLEY PLANT HAS CEASED FOR TIME

Usually the closing of the pulp manufacturing departments of the local mill has taken place about the middle of May, when water is low in the river. This year there is on hand about two weeks earlier sufficient pulp, however, to run the mills during the summer or until high water comes again.

About 100 men are affected by the shut down but this will have but little effect on the community however as most of the men work in the mills during the winter only.

Woman's Club Holds Regular Meeting

"The Bible as Literature," by Mrs. C. D. Latourette, and "Stories and Story Telling" by Mrs. Caradoc Morgan at the Sunday services of the First Congregational Church, beginning next Sunday morning. The object of this course is to interpret the Fundamentals of the Christian Religion in terms of modern life, and as having a direct relation to the perplexing problems of the present. The idea of progression will be developed in address with emphasis upon the fact that religion is life, and as life is evolving from lower to higher standards of life, and eventually to perfection. The following topics will be discussed.

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Sympathy was extended to the Presbyterians for the loss of their church and the prediction made that a greater edifice will arise in its stead. Delegates were appointed to the County Federation of Women's Clubs that will meet on Friday afternoon, May 5, at Green's Hall at Oak Grove.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Banner-Courier and to the Foster-Kleiser Bill board company for their assistance on Book Week, also to all the donors past, present and in prospect.

West Linn Council Holds Regular Meet

At the regular session of the city fathers on Wednesday night this week bills were audited and other general business transacted. Dr. Silverman having been directed to investigate reported on sewer at Willamette as unsanitary. Improvement of Sixth street and R. R. Avenue, at Willamette costing \$1255 is to be charged to adjoining property. M. E. Clancy, P. J. Winkle and John Hickman are the viewers.

E. Klein from Albany was here on Wednesday.

BUTCHEL AND WILLIAMS DEFY RECALLERS TO OUST THEM

Secretary of State Notified That Incumbents Will Not Resign

RECALL DATE MAY 19

Injunction Suits Started to Restrain Secretary of State from Ordering Special Recall Election

Notification has been received by Sam Koser, secretary of state, from Fred G. Buchtel that he will not resign from the Public Service Commission. Under the law if the officer against whom recall petitions are filed does not resign within five days after the filing the special election is called. Fred A. Williams, who is a target for other recall petitions, has also signified his purpose to fight the recall.

The suits to restrain the secretary of state from putting the names of the commissioners on the ballot are based on the complaint of fraud. It is set forth that hundreds of the signatures were obtained under fraud or were fictitious.

It is also set forth that 500 of the signatures to Buchtel's petition were of persons who do not live in his district. Another claim in the complaint is that over 12,000 of the signatures to the petition were obtained prior to August 1 and so long before the petition was filed that there is nothing in the verification of the position to show that they were legal voters in the district from which Buchtel was elected. The elimination of the names thus questioned would not leave the required number.

New Charter Form Progressing

The committee in charge of the proposed new charter for Oregon City is now studying the charter proposed for Astoria, in connection with the new draft here.

The plan of the charter committee of Oregon City is to combine the commission and business manager forms and to have the proposed document ready for adoption at a special election during the early fall in order that the election of the new officers may take place at the regular state election.

Northwest Penny Managers Convene

Mr. Ray, manager of the J. C. Penny Company of Oregon City and Mr. Halbert of the same store attended a 10 day Northwest Convention held in Portland, ending May 2nd. Mr. Halbert will take over the management of the store at Forest Grove in the place of Mr. Lowe, who will go to Defiance, Ohio, where he will open a new store.

Mr. Ray states that the J. C. Penny company will open fifty nine new stores in the United States within the next six months.

George Pusey, Jr., Gaining

George Pusey, Jr., who has submitted to two operations for ear difficulty within the past few months was again operated upon for similar difficulty a few days ago and has since been very critically ill. He is at the Portland Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital.

Word received this morning and which greatly rejoices his host of friends is that he is slightly better.

Gives Diamond to Church

The Oak Grove Community church is richer by one diamond ring as a result of a drive for funds to complete the building of the church. This ring was handed pastor J. J. Patton last week by a young woman who said she could not spare any money but would like to help the cause so she begged him to accept the ring, sell it and apply the money to the building fund.

Mrs. W. B. Stafford

The funeral of Mrs. W. B. Stafford was held at the Portland crematorium Monday afternoon at 2:30. Rev. T. F. Bowen, formerly rector of St. Pauls Episcopal church at Oregon City, but now of Portland conducted the services. The funeral was largely attended by friends from Mt. Pleasant and Oregon City. Mrs. Stafford died at the family home at Mt. Pleasant Saturday morning where she has resided for nearly 30 years. She was an active member of the Episcopal church. She is survived by her husband, W. B. Stafford, a daughter Miss Roma Stafford, a teacher in the Portland school and a son, Roy Stafford of Mt. Pleasant.

Banner-Courier Leads The Banner-Courier has a larger circulation than any other Clackamas county newspaper hence it is the best advertising medium.

FARM CREDITS TO BE INCREASED THROUGH GOVERNMENT

War Corporation, Long Dormant, Arouses Interest Sufficient to Suggest Aid

After a long sleep in which the farmers and stockmen have waited in vain for the War Corporation to come to their aid the managing director has recommended to President Harding several remedial measures. Why this delay during which time the stockmen and farmers "went broke" in large numbers has not been made plain.

But now it is proposed that legislation shall be enacted so that the paper of the livestock companies may be rediscounted and that there shall be a more adequate inspection of the livestock upon which the loans are made; That the need of more orderly marketing of agricultural products over a longer period and banking laws to meet this condition shall be recognized;

Encouragement of state non-member banks to enter the Federal reserve system;

Amendment of the national bank law to permit a limited amount of branch banking so as to reach more nearly into the livestock and agricultural communities.

That joint stock land banks be established in some western states to increase the size of loans from \$10,000 up to a maximum of \$50,000 in special cases is another recommendation.

CLACKAMAS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL PRESS ASSOCIATION MEETS

An initial meeting of the Clackamas District High School Press Association was held on Saturday afternoon last in the Oregon City Commercial Club room. This association is a branch of the state organization of students who represent their schools in the publication of annuals and other news for their schools.

Albert Grossenbacher of the local high school was elected president of the new organization which is a branch of the state editorial association. Other officers elected are: Max Hume, Molalla, v. p.; Esther White, Milwaukie, sec-treas.; Dwight Hedges, city, Jack Hempstead, West Linn and Max Hume, committee on by-laws.

In addition to those above mentioned, Doris Mayville, Oregon City; Esther White and Linn Schrock, Milwaukie; Earl-Caster and Marvin Hickman, West Linn, were registered as delegates to the conference.

Among others present were George Turnbull, U. of O. dept. Journalism; Robert Hall, printing dept. U. of O.; Harry Johnson, president State high school press association; Supt. R. W. Kirk, Harold Robinson, West Coast Engraving Co. representative and Hal E. Hoss were also present.

REV. BOYDE MOORE REMEMBERED ON BIRTHDAY

Fine Banquet And Congratulatory Words Illumined 63d Milestone Of Life's Journey

At the Canby M. E. church on Tuesday evening approximately 200 people assembled under auspices of the ladies aid society to greet the pastor Rev. Boyde Moore and wife, upon the 63d birthday of Rev. Moore. During the day Mr. Moore motored to Salem, where a birthday feast was enjoyed at the home of his son, Rev. Stanford Moore, giving the ladies aid of Canby, an opportunity for preparation in the church dining room, for a happy surprise.

The outstanding features of the occasion were: first a bounteous dinner prepared by the ladies aid society. Two tables extending across the large dining room were loaded to capacity with good things. At the head of one of the tables was placed a large upholstered chair appropriately decorated for Rev. Moore's occupancy and on the left of which was another for his wife and one for his daughter, Mrs. Hettie Miller of Portland.

Short speeches by A. J. Burdett, Supt. of the Sunday school, Wm. Maple, mayor of Canby; A. H. Knight, W. J. Webber, Dell Clark, M. J. Lee, V. L. Holt, of Portland; Albin Erickson and Dr. John Fuller. At the close of this phase of the service Mrs. P. Phillips, president of the aid society, presented a birthday cake, baked by Mrs. W. H. Bair and decorated with sixty-three lighted candles to Rev. Moore, with birthday greetings from the aid society.

There are times in one's life when the eyes look through tears, the lips feel for speech, and the tongue fails to find words with which to express the overwhelming gratitude of a heart touched by a fellowship of love and thankfulness.

This was the condition in which Rev. Moore found himself at this climax of the program. As a further expression of appreciation our community has for Rev. Moore, and his Christian work in Canby. There was presented to him a high class traveling bag containing a free will offering of cash.

CHAIRMAN REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE UNDER FIRE

Accusers Take Exception to Management of Ralph Williams' Campaign

RESIGNATION ASKED

Friends of O. H. Fithian Claim Success of Party is Endangered By Chairman's Attitude

Thomas H. Tongue, chairman Oregon State Republican committee is under political fire for using his office to further the interests of Ralph Williams, who is seeking reelection to the national republican committee. Among other accusations is one to the effect that Tongue claims Senator McNary in favor of Williams to this, McNary telegraphs that he is not taking any part in the election.

It is claimed that Tongue is Williams' manager and that he has been waging an active campaign in his behalf, as against O. H. Fithian, who is a candidate against Williams, although the party rules require that a chairman of the state committee shall be neutral in primary contests. Tongue it is reported is signing Williams literature as chairman and that he has no authority for such action from the committee. And it is further claimed that the two chairmen have been and are building up a state political machine which will collapse if Fithian shall be elected national committeeman.

As a result of these conditions, a petition signed by republican voters from Portland and other sections of the state has been forwarded Mr. Tongue asking him to resign and that the state central committee elect another chairman.

Among reasons given in the petition for requesting the resignation are: that his actions receive old-time political "machine" methods abolished by the voters; that the result will be that no republican will be able to run for office unless o'k'd by "Tongue's machine"; and that the present attitude of the chairman is jeopardizing the success of the entire republican ticket.

The petition urges a speedy call of the committee and a new chairman for the remainder of the present campaign.

Local Realty Man Closes Large Deal

C. A. Koepple, local real estate dealer closed one of the largest and most important exchanges in this vicinity, of the year when he consummated a deal trading the Needy store, owned by J. W. Gripp, for 155 acres of land 10 miles east of O. C. and 1/4 section in the province of Alberta, Canada, owned by Charles Hagerman. The values of the respective properties are considered at \$15,000 each.

Willamette Valley Association Meets

On Monday evening next at 8 o'clock the Willamette Association B. Y. P. U. will open conference at Gladstone. A splendid program is in store for all who attend. On Monday evening the meeting will be charge of the Association. Tuesday morning's session, will be given over to devotional, report of committees, and Missionary work. Tuesday afternoon there will be devotional; reading of church letters; Woman's session with addresses by Mrs. E. S. Burket, Mrs. W. B. Hinson; and on Tuesday evening praise service, and addresses by Charles Ruthford and Daniel J. Bryant.

Charles T. Tooze III

Charles T. Tooze who has been ill with pneumonia at his home fourteen and Water streets for several days is improving slowly. Mr. Tooze had for some time been at his ranch near Molalla making extensive improvements.

Mrs. Emery Noble

The funeral of Mrs. Emery Noble, who died at the family-home Thursday night after an illness for more than a year was held at the St. Pauls Episcopal church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Many friends attended the funeral and the floral offerings were beautiful. Mrs. Noble was a member of the Eastern Star in Portland and the Oregon City Rebekahs. She was also a member of the Episcopal church. Rev. Cleland conducted the service. Mrs. Noble was 44 years old and has lived in Oregon City 20 years. She is survived by her husband, Emery J. Noble, three daughters, Louise, Audrea and Inez, and one son, John Wesley. She also is survived by one brother, John W. Marshall of Astoria; a sister, Mrs. T. F. Ryan died in Gladstone about one month ago. The remains were taken to the crematorium at Sellwood.

Boxing Commission Given Fatal Shock

The petition for a boxing commission for Oregon City was given a fatal shock at the council meeting last night. Mayor Shannon turned the switch for the more than 300 live wires who remonstrated against the proposition.

FIRE PREVENTION CO. GIVE DEMONSTRATION AT PLANT

Oregon City, famous for her splendid industries welcomes another plant which will employ when completely equipped about thirty-five men.

The Fire Prevention company of this city has erected a fine attractive building at the corner of High and South Second Streets. The building itself is thirty by sixty feet dimensions and three stories high, containing work rooms, testing laboratories and office. It is equipped with machinery for the manufacture of the Thermostatic Fire Alarm patented by George W. Williamson, Dec 21, 1920.

The company employ nine men at present and can turn out about 5000 instruments per day, but expect to increase this number to 20,000 per day eventually.

Mr. Williamson discovered the chemical combination and completed the invention in 1917. The basic fluid in the combination thermostat boils at the phenomenal heat of 1 degree above freezing point and retains its effectiveness to 900 degrees Fahrenheit. In addition to the fire alarm instrument there are fourteen other devices, all products of the same chemical combination and including cylinder-hot box detector, and automatic switch and other devices for laboratory uses.

The practical working of the fire alarm and other detectors is simple. The fire detector—the small thermostatic apparatus is located in the ceiling and wires conduct the fire signals to the annunciator placed where desired. The heat from the fire sets off the alarm through the thermostat, wires and annunciator.

The principle upon which the chemical combination works is that the oxy-hydrogen combination is set free at 90 degrees Fahrenheit the hydrogen ascending straight to the ceiling where it spreads over the surface and acts upon the thermostat. One instrument serves 100 square feet of space. Heat from a stove or other heating apparatus in the room does not affect the apparatus since the heat does not radiate directly upward. Firemen including Chief Young of Portland, E. W. Lavier and William Priebe, chief of Oregon City department pronounce the instrument the best they have ever seen.

RUSSIA IS THE CENTER DIPLOMATIC PARLEY AT CONFERENCE

Two documents which the experts are trying to compromise in the interests of peace at the economic conference now on at Genoa are presented by England and France. The former holds that credit is the chief need of Russia while the latter stresses the restoration of agriculture, Great Britain and France disagree also over the war debt of Russia the former advocating reduction in order to assist Russia to her feet economically, first, while the latter demands payment in full.

Lloyd George contends for frank expression of what each nation will do for Russia and urges a consortium for this purpose. Meanwhile the representatives from Switzerland, Poland, and Italy urge compromise between the English and French plans.

County Agent Urges "Poison Squirrels"

The ground squirrels have been exceedingly slow in coming out this year, and the poisoning work will be later than usual in most communities. Usually the young squirrels are born in mid-April at the latest, but many of them are being born at the present time and will be for a short time ahead.

Most communities report the squirrels as being thinner than usual upon their appearance and that they are taking the poison very readily.

Owners of property infested with grey diggers or field mice should be using their best efforts now in the control of these pests. The Farm Bureau, cooperating with the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Oregon Agricultural College, has made it possible for land owners to very cheaply rid their premises of these pests. Poisoned grain in packages may be secured from the Farm Bureau project leaders in practically every community in Clackamas County or at the office of the County Agent on the Court House grounds in Oregon City. This poison is being sold for 15c a pound and has secured excellent control where properly used in past years.

The rate of multiplication of grey diggers is at the rate of from five to ten, so it is very important that this work be done early in order that the young brood will not make its appearance.

Jennings Lodge Church Dedicated Sunday

The Congregational Community church was dedicated Sunday afternoon with appropriate services. A special sermon was delivered by Rev. A. J. Sullens, in the morning at 11 o'clock on the church "Man's Mightiest Institution." The dedicatory sermon was delivered by Rev. William T. McElveen of the First Congregational church of Portland. The Community church is the outgrowth of the Grace Congregational church, organized in 1915 by Rev. N. H. Smith now of Hawaii. Rev. Smith was followed by Rev. A. B. Hatchkiss, now stationed at Littleton, New York. Rev. A. B. Snider under whose direction the new church was built came to the Lodge in December 1919. The present building erected at a cost of nearly \$10,000 is free from debt excepting \$2000 due the church building society and payable at the rate of \$200 annually without interest. The church was built without cost under the supervision of a building committee. Mr. Snider, W. I. Stone and Daniel Jones. The church was tastefully decorated with flowers of season the handwork of Carl Saker one of the board of managers.

LOCAL TELEPHONE HAS VERY RAPID GROWTH AND SERVICE

All Portions of Clackamas County United in Business and Social Way

GREAT FUTURE SEEN

Twenty-two Operators Required to Care for Average of 7000 Calls Received Daily

The first telephone exchange in Oregon City was established in 1893 by the Oregon Telephone and Telegraph Co. to connect local business people to the toll line which had previously been built between this city and Portland. In fact the construction of this toll line was one of the first developments of the telephone industry in this state as it was built in 1879 along the west bank of the Willamette River by the Oregon and California Railway Company.

In 1896, when the number of subscribers on this line was 33 the telephone was classed as a luxury. In 1897, a new switchboard was put in with 100 lines installed. In 1905 the open wires on the principal streets were replaced with aerial cables. By 1910 service had been extended to West Linn, Gladstone, Canemah.

In 1919, the Home phone system was absorbed and the plant dismantled by the present company. At the Oregon City office, thrift is the slogan of the 22 employees to the extent that their savings in the company stock amounts to \$8160. This is another indication of their loyalty to and faith in the company. Their courtesy is highly commendable.

Of these employees receiving over \$2500 per month, sixteen are from local homes and a part of the city's social and business life. The service covers twentyfour hours each day and handles an average of 7,000 calls each such interval. Of these there are between 1100 and 1200 long distance calls.

There are 1535 telephone stations now served from the Oregon City exchange thus connecting up in a business and social way cities and farms, factories and homes in every portion of Clackamas county with other portions of the state. The Pacific Company has an investment of \$130,000 in its equipment and plant required to furnish this service here.

This year the company has spent over \$2500 for improvements here. It believes in a still greater future and is still mindful of the future progress demanded of it.

Health Association Plans For Institute

At a meeting of the Clackamas County Public Health Association on Tuesday, plans were laid for "Health week", May 15 to 20-inclusive. The purpose of Health week so designated by the Association, is to put special stress on health conditions. During Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this special week a public health institute is planned for the county, at Oregon City. The program will appear in these columns next week.

Effort will be made to raise funds for the institute and including the health nurse's salary for May through the city and county as the work done including the institute will be of direct benefit to the county as a whole.

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Mrs. Parker New Postmistress Mrs. Carrie Parker, widow of former postmaster Parker, has been appointed by President Harding for the position of postmaster at Gladstone.