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GLARING ERRORS IN CITY CENSUS

GOVERNMENT BUREAU GIVES
THE CITY POPULATION OF
ONLY 4,287.

COMMERCIAL CLUB MAKES PROTEST

Recent Enumeration for School Dis-
trict Shows Failure of Govern-
ment to Count 2242
People.

* GET BUSY MR. HAWLEY. *
* The following telegram was *
* forwarded to Congressman Haw- *
* ley last night: *
* "Telegram received. Census *
* enumeration grossly inaccurate. *
* Advise if possible to get recount. *
* School census shows 1451 child- *
* ren of school age. On this basis *
* population is 6529. Elks cen- *
* sus— *
* stated city one year ago and *
* made \$224 and then quit without *
* finishing. Postoffice receipts for *
* 1900 were \$6700 and for year 1910 *
* were \$16,800 plus. *

Perhaps the rawest deal ever handed
to Oregon City was made public
yesterday by receipt of a telegram
from Congressman Hawley conveying
the following information:

"Washington, D. C., Jan. 11, 1911.
"Commercial Club,
"Oregon City, Oregon.
"An official informed by census
office Oregon City's population is
4287."

Secretary M. D. Latourrette, of the
Commercial Club, who received the
message, immediately turned it over
to President T. P. Randall, who passed
it over to State Trust W. A. Huntley,
of the Elks, and the grilling of the
members of that organization gave the
census office last night was a caution.
From the methods employed by the
census bureau, it was not expected
that Oregon City would receive her
just apportionment of the population
of the state, but none supposed that
the 1910 census would show an in-
crease of only 600 over the govern-
ment census of 10 years ago, when the
official census was about 5000.

When the population of Clackamas
County was announced about one
month ago, a mild murmur of protest
went up, as the government reports
gave Clackamas a trifling under 30,000,
and the people of this city were pre-
pared, to an extent, for the shock that
was to come, but the blow was a more
severe one than could be imagined
and has raised a strenuous howl of in-
dignation among the people of the city.

More than a year ago the census of
the city was taken under the direction
of the city council, and the enumeration
of found 3235 people in the limits of
Oregon City. Upon his report, the
Grand Lodge of Elks, which is bound
to refuse a charter to a new lodge in
a town of less than 5000 inhabitants,
granted permission for the organiza-
tion of a lodge here, the figures re-
ceiving the official sanction of the
city. The school census, taken about
the same time, showed the same re-
sult.

Less than two months ago the
school census was taken again, and
was carefully verified and checked,
being filed in the office of County
School Superintendent Gary, and it is
certain there are 1451 persons between
the ages of four and 20 years in Ore-
gon City. Multiplying this result by
14, it is conservatively estimated the
city has an actual population of 6529,
and the government returns fall short
of this total by 2242, showing the ut-
ter absurdity of the official figures of
the census bureau.

WILL SOON SHOOT STONE OIL WELL

NEW MAN IN CHARGE GATHERING
TOOLS TO GIVE THE WELL
THE DESERVED TEST.

Oil prospectors at Stone are still
in good spirits and living in the hope
that their well will "come in" with a
whoop within a few days. And there
is no doubt but that both oil and gas
has been reached by the drill, the
question yet to solve is as to whether
or not it is in paying quantities, and
it is no wonder the owners feel in
line for jubilation at this time.

A new contract has been made with
a new driller, and members of the
company feel they have the right man
for the place now. Contract has been
made for the drilling of 1000 more feet
in depth—if so many are needed to
get a paying well. But in the mean-
time the well is to be shot, with dynamite, and it is hoped further drilling
will then be unnecessary. Tools need-
ed for the shooting have been sent
for to Los Angeles and when they
come there will be activity in Stone.
The man in charge of the develop-
ment work now is an operator who
has thorough knowledge of the busi-
ness and great faith in the outcome
at Stone. As evidence of this fact he
has agreed to take a third of his con-
tract price for the additional feet to
be drilled in stock in the well. He is
of opinion that the shooting the well
will bring gas or oil in quantities—
or both—and is as anxious to know
the outcome as any other enthusiast
in connection with the project.

Oregon City business men are large
holders of stock in the well, and listen
with much interest to any and all evi-
dence indicative of good prospects for
a rich oil field in this section of the
State.

TOTAL TAX LEVY REACHES 15 MILLS

COUNTY JUDGE AND COMMISSION-
ERS MEET AND CANVAS THE
PROPOSITION.

DIVISION OF THE APPORTIONMENT

Several Funds to Be Benefitted By
The Apportionment and Dis-
position of the
Money.

County Judge Beattie and Commis-
sioners Blair and Mattoon Tuesday
afternoon made an order fixing the
county tax levy at 15 mills, appor-
tioned as follows:

Mills
State and Normal schools.....2.0
County school and library.....3.0
General county expense.....2.0
Repairs to courthouse and jail.....0.7
General road and bridges and redemp- tion of outstanding warrants.....7.3
Total.....15.00

The court has determined to make
a hole in the county indebtedness and
for that reason has made a slightly
higher levy than is necessary for ac-
tual operating expenses. County Judge
Beattie yesterday authorized the state-
ment that 2 mills of the levy would be
applied for reducing the indebtedness
of Clackamas.

The levy last year was 14 mills.
The valuation has increased about
\$2,000,000, and now stands at \$24,
239,282, and the levy made Tuesday
afternoon will produce a revenue of
\$360,000. The levy for roads and
bridges last year was 7.85 mills, which
is slightly in excess of the levy just
made.

It is the purpose of the present
County Court to reduce the debt of
Clackamas about 25 per cent each year
and they have determined the amount
of the levy with that end in view.
With a special school tax of nine
mills, tax of eight mills, and a
special library tax of one-half mill,
the property owners of Oregon City
will face a tax of 32½ mills, the high-
est in its history.

DIMICK SAYS 14 MILLS IS ENOUGH

FORMER HEAD OF COUNTY COURT
ESTIMATES EXPENDITURES
OF CLACKAMAS.

Recommended Appointment a Year
Age But Commissioners Would
Not Give Consent to Pro-
posed Change.

Declaring that the county tax levy
should not be in excess of 14 mills,
the same figure as last year, former
County Judge G. B. Dimick Monday
made a tabulation of the estimated
necessary expenditures for 1911 in
the several funds.

"The total valuation of the county
property is, in round numbers, \$24,
000,000," said Mr. Dimick, "and a levy
of 14 mills would produce \$336,000.
I estimate the cost of operation for
this year to be \$269,000, apportioned
as follows:

County schools.....	\$ 72,000
State tax.....	48,000
General running expense.....	40,000
Bridges.....	20,000
Roads.....	80,000
Total.....	\$260,000

"This would leave \$76,000 to apply
on the road indebtedness. Deducting
\$26,000 for extraordinary expendi-
tures, or adding it to the road fund,
there is still \$50,000 to apply on the
road indebtedness."

Referring to the necessity of the
appointment of a roadmaster for the
Clackamas County, Judge Dimick
stated that a year ago he was only
prevented from making such an ap-
pointment through the opposition of
the commissioners, and that he drew
up and signed an order, which the
commissioners declined to counten-
ance. The order follows:

"Whereas, a large number of the
road supervisors appointed by this
court are inexperienced in grading,
clearing and improving public high-
ways, and

"Whereas, on account of said inex-
perience, a large percentage of the
road funds of Clackamas County are
improperly expended, and by reason
thereof the taxpayers of Clackamas
County are not getting the results
from the expenditure of said funds
that they are entitled to,

"It is therefore ordered that some
experienced and efficient person be
employed by the county of Clackamas
as roadmaster as provided for by law,
and such person to be chosen as such
roadmaster shall possess the qualifica-
tions necessarily incident to said of-
fice by being thoroughly experienced
in clearing, grading, cutting and fill-
ing, and laying out work for super-
visors to follow, and measuring said
work up when finished, and report to
the court from time to time the pro-
gress made by the several supervisors
in the performance of their work."

Red Men May Put Up Building.
There is a possibility that Wachen-
der, No. 13, Improved Order of Red
Men, will erect its own wigwag.
The Knights of Pythias and the Elks
are also looking forward to the time
when they will meet in their own
buildings.

EATON DIES HARD; RUSK WINS OUT

WITH A CONTEST AT EVERY STEP
LATER TEST VOTE SHOWS
36 TO 19.

LEGISLATORS WANT BOILED WATER

Hopper Filled With Bills on Which
the Legislature Will Grind
for Some Time to
Come.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 11.—(Sp.)—The
assembly from Salem Tuesday indicat-
ed that Representative Eaton, who had
suffered defeat at the hands of Speak-
er Rusk, had his dander up and in-
tended to slaughter everything that
Rusk and his friends were interested
in.

The news today indicates that Eaton
was not half so dangerous as he had
been counted. The fight was fought
out today over the number and salar-
ies of employees in the House, and on
a test vote Eaton was defeated by a
vote of 36 to 19. Senator Bowerman
had the day before sounded the tocsin
of retrenchment—because it was the
other fellow's ox to be gored—but as
it was promulgated only after it was
known that the Bowerman interests
were spilled from the saddle little
credit seemed to be given its sincerity,
and so it fell by the wayside.

The fight centered on the appoint-
ment and salaries of employees, but it
barked back to organization and was
so understood. Rusk and his follow-
ers were victors and at this time are
in the saddle and seemingly secure.

In the Senate there was much of
activity during the short time it was
in session. There were several bills
introduced, the first of which provided
for an appropriation of \$100,000 for
the centennial celebration in Astoria
this year, and was introduced by Sena-
tor Lester. The bill states that 100
years ago the John Jacob Astor expedi-
tion founded the first fort and stock-
ade at the mouth of the Columbia Riv-
er, and that here the first American
flag was hung to the breeze over the
territory now comprising Oregon,
Washington, Idaho and part of Mon-
tana, and that 100 years ago the first
actual white settlement in this West-
ern land was established.

A second bill asked for \$20,000 as
Oregon's portion in the erection of an
interstate bridge across the Snake
River. Senator McCulloch introduced
this bill and it provides that Idaho
must contribute a similar amount.
Senator Carson asks for \$25,000 to
\$50,000 with which to fight fire pests.
Senator Bean wants filtered water for
the legislators. After some little dis-
cussion and no little joshing it was
provided.

The House has several bills before
it to provide for the abolition of cap-
ital punishment, and the Senate also
has its quota. (This question was up
for discussion at a local banquet in
this city a few weeks ago, and if the
legislature has as hard a time in get-
ting together as had the speakers at
that occasion there will have to be a
large rally abroad if anything is ac-
complished in Salem this winter.)

The vetoes of Ex-Governor Cham-
berlain, left over from last year, are
made a special order for the session
next Wednesday.

House employees were named and
salaries fixed after which the Senate
adjourned to next Monday.

MAGONE HAS CHATTEN MEASURE IN POCKET

JOINT REPRESENTATIVE MAKES
BAD BREAK BUT JUMPS
BACK TO SAFETY.

M. A. Magone, representative from
Clackamas County in the state legis-
lature, returned last night from Salem,
bringing in his inside pocket the fish
bill introduced by W. H. Chatten, joint
representative from Clackamas and
Multnomah. Mr. Chatten presented the
bill at the request of the Multnomah
anglers who are trying to close the
Clackamas River and the Willamette
above the Oregon City suspension
bridge to gillnet fishing, and when he
learned of the strenuous opposition to
the measure from the Clackamas dele-
gation, he withdrew the bill. The
members of the legislature from this
county will make a determined and
concerted effort to kill any measure
that may be antagonistic to the inter-
ests of the fishermen of this locality.

It was learned yesterday that Rep-
resentatives Magone, Carter and Jones,
of this county, voted for "Jerry" Rusk
for Speaker of the House, and they
are therefore in a position to obtain
good places on committees. There is
a possibility that Mr. Magone may be
offered the chairmanship of the fish-
eries committee. The Clackamas
delegation will return to Salem next
Monday, the legislature having ad-
journed until that time.

STATE MONEY WASTED.

Acting Governor Bowerman Thinks
Many Reforms Needed.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 10.—(Sp.)—Act-
ing Governor Bowerman, in retiring
as Governor had this to say today:
"There is neither reason nor justifica-
tion for the present method of manag-
ing the State's affairs." Then the re-
tiring Governor told of the waste in
unnecessary employees, etc.

SELLING HAS WON THE PRESIDENCY

HE WILL WIELD THE GAVEL IN
THE STATE SENATE AT
SALEM.

RUSK WILL PRESIDE IN THE HOUSE

Three-Cornered Fight for Speaker and
the Choice of Selling in Senate
Strengthened Rusk
Representative.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 9.—In the organ-
ization of the Senate today Ben Sell-
ing, of Portland, was elected pres-
ident, thus putting an end to the as-
pirations of Jay Bowerman, who has
been setting as Governor in the ab-
sence of the State of Governor Ben-
son. Bowerman had a strong follow-
ing but at the last the opposition
succeeded in winning to his banner
a bare majority, and Selling was
chosen.

Jerry Rusk, of Wallawa county, was
given the honors of Speaker in the
House. It was a three-cornered fight
and Eaton laid claim to the place and
only quit the fight when victory was
certain to Rusk.

POMONA VOICES ITS DISPLEASURE

PASSES RESOLUTION DECLARING
IN FAVOR OF GREAT WAVE
OF INSURGENCY.

QUARTERLY MEETING AT MILWAUKIE

Double Installation Takes Place and
J. D. Chitwood Is Master—Grange
Should Dabble in Pure
Politics.

MILWAUKIE, Or., Jan. 11.—(Spec-
ial.)—Criticism of the National Grange
organization in no uncertain terms
was expressed here today by Pomona
Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, which
held its quarterly meeting with Mil-
waukee Grange. The wave of insur-
gency that was backed by Oregon,
Washington, California, Colorado,
Pennsylvania and Maine, was com-
menced in a resolution introduced by
A. J. Lewis, of Maple Lane, and unani-
mously adopted, after a favorable re-
port from the resolutions committee,
William Beard, L. H. Kirchem and An-
na J. Lewis. The resolution follows:

"Whereas, we believe the National
Grange has not been conducted along
lines in accord with true Grange prin-
ciples, but in the interests of factions
and cliques, to the detriment of the
work of the Order, both legislative
and educational, and

"Whereas, at the session of that
body held at Atlantic City in Novem-
ber, a few loyal patrons and among
them our own state master, entered
a ringing protest against such proce-
dure, and

"Whereas, we believe it as much
our duty to commend brave and loyal
service as to condemn disloyalty and
chicanery, therefore be it

"Resolved, that we heartily indorse
the action of the state master, enter-
ing such protest, and especially commend
the work of our worthy state master,
Brother C. E. Spence, and the splendid
stand he took for what we believe to
be for the good of our grand Order."

The address of the retiring master
of Pomona Grange, J. W. Thomas, of
Molalla, was given especially close
attention and follows:

"This meeting closes my fourth year
as your servant—worthy master. I
have attended all sessions, save one
in July last. When I have been
worthy of the position you are the
judges. However, you have kindly
endured me as the first master, during
which time we have heard many pleas-
ant and interesting discussions point-
ing to the betterment of our domestic
and civil governments.

"Harmony seems to have prevailed
in this organization, which is indeed
an encouraging sign on the way to pro-
gress, and a consistent virtue for an
Grange, to possess, which has for its
mission the instruction and peace-
making for the good of the Order in
the subordinate Granges.

"Clackamas Pomona Grange de-
clared itself against the division of
Old Clackamas County and her bound-
aries still remain intact.

"We are entering upon a period of
significant accomplishments and this
Grange needs to be on the alert to
suggest, through vigilant educa-
tion, that the measures most favorable
to the tillers of the soil be enacted in-
to our laws, so much the more when
we see the present organization eman-
ating out of the express companies to
opposing the adoption of an American
Parcel Post."

Reports of the officers were heard.
The retiring lecturer, Mrs. Maggie A.
Johnson, was present at every meet-
ing. She had received regular reports
from the subordinate Granges and
much good had been derived from the
plan of inviting speakers from within
and without the Grange. The secre-
tary, Mahala Gill, reported 39 initiated.
A. F. Miller made a very interesting
statement about the insurance depart-
ment of the Grange, stating the policy
(Continued on page 8.)

SUPERVISORS ARE NAMED BY COURT

ROAD BUILDERS APPOINTED TO
SERVE CLACKAMAS COUNTY
DURING PRESENT YEAR.

MANY FARMERS ARE INTERESTED

Several New Districts Are Created—
Gladstone May Be Abolished and
Territory Added to Oak Grove
and Parkplace.

The appointments of the road super-
visors for Clackamas County in all
but a few districts were announced
last night after the county court
session. The county judge and com-
missioners have been wrestling with
these appointments for the past week,
and hundreds of farmers have been in
Oregon City from every section of the
county in the interest of the various
aspirants. In district No. 46 a division
is asked for and no appointment has
yet been made. District No. 47, Glad-
stone, may be abolished entirely, as
there is a petition before the court to
add its territory to Oak Grove on one
side and Parkplace on the other. The
court has created three new districts,
one known as No. 52, being a part of
No. 1 and located on the Multnomah
County line, and another, No. 53, be-
ing the south end of District No. 42,
adjoining Marquam on the north. Dis-
trict No. 52 will also be created. The
road supervisors for 1911 are as fol-
lows:

- No. 1—C. E. Battin.
- No. 2—John Bennett.
- No. 3—William Cooke.
- No. 4—John Githens.
- No. 5—J. W. Roots.
- No. 6—Charles Krebs.
- No. 7—F. E. McGugin.
- No. 8—D. W. Douglas.
- No. 9—Peter Rath.
- No. 10—Frank E. Thomas.
- No. 11—J. E. Smith.
- No. 12—F. W. Riehoff.
- No. 13—J. C. Fullam.
- No. 14—G. F. Gibbs.
- No. 15—Leander Mattoon.
- No. 16—August Stanley.
- No. 17—D. R. Dimick.
- No. 18—Fred Kamrath.
- No. 19—D. N. Trullinger.
- No. 20—B. Sullivan.
- No. 21—E. A. Swanson.
- No. 22—Albert Engle.
- No. 23—George Olesby.
- No. 24—Charles E. Miller.
- No. 25—J. B. Mitts.
- No. 26—H. Engle.
- No. 27—John Barth.
- No. 28—L. D. Shank.
- No. 29—Aaron McConnell.
- No. 30—P. E. Davidson.
- No. 31—William Schatz.
- No. 32—W. C. Heater.
- No. 33—Henry Cromer.
- No. 34—William Kiser.
- No. 35—J. B. Jones.
- No. 36—A. M. Anderson.
- No. 37—C. W. Kruse.
- No. 38—F. H. Harris.
- No. 39—Frank Jaggar.
- No. 40—Harv y Gibson.
- No. 41—G. R. Wootte.
- No. 42—L. H. Judd.
- No. 43—L. D. Burnett.
- No. 44—Charles Rider.
- No. 45—Henderson.
- No. 46—James DeShazer.
- No. 49—G. T. Hunt.
- No. 50—J. P. Davis.
- No. 51—J. E. Seifer.
- No. 52—H. W. Kaine.
- No. 53—C. A. Beugli.

THREE MEN BELIEVED TO BE BOLD ROBBERS

ATTEMPT MADE TO FORCIBLY
ENTER TRIO MCBRIDE'S HOME
—THE JUDGE CAPTURED.

About midnight Officer Cooke was
called on the phone by Mrs. McBride,
who is living alone in the absence of
Judge McBride at Salem, in the home
corner Seventh and Van Buren streets,
and informed him that three men were
trying to get into the house. Officer
Cooke, knowing that Mrs. McBride was
by herself and would naturally be
very nervous over the attempted
entry, hurried at once to the scene of
the attempted burglary. When he got
there Mrs. McBride informed him that
there were three of the men and that
they had fled when she turned on the
electric lights over the house, thus
giving warning that she was on her
guard.

Officer Cooke picked up the tracks
in the snow and followed them back
down town. When he saw that it was
possible to find the men he at once
telephoned for Officer Green and they
joining forces traced the men to a
box car standing on the Southern Pa-
cific railway tracks near the depot.
All three were found in the car, and
answering to the description of the
men wanted they were arrested and
locked up in the city prison.

When taken to the lockup they were
questioned and admitted that they had
been upon the hill. It was an easy
matter to track these men for one of
them had a small foot and a small
heel and the track was not lost sight
of from the house to the car.

Naturally Mrs. McBride was very
nervous when Officer Cooke arrived,
but the presence of that officer as-
sured her and she had no further
alarm.

When searched at the city prison
one of the suspects was found to have
a revolver on his person. There is no
doubt of the fact that they attempted
a forcible entrance at the McBride
home.

\$24,239,282 IS TOTAL VALUATION

INCREASE IN PROPERTY OF THE
COUNTY OVER LAST YEAR
IS \$2,152,150.

NEW TAX LEVY MAY BE 15 MILLS

Public Service Corporations Are
Boosted to \$1,535,617—Levy For
Oregon City to Run Over
30 Mills.

The assessed valuation of Clacka-
mas County property is \$24,239,282.
These figures were made public yes-
terday by County Assessor J. E. Jack,
who states the increase over last
year's valuation is \$2,152,150.

The public service corporations are
assessed at \$1,535,617, which is an
increase of about \$1,000,000 over last
year. The state tax commission de-
termines the assessed valuation of the
corporations, and the figures were re-
ceived from Salem yesterday, and
the county officials are now at work
to ascertain the actual valuations in
the school and road districts, which
will soon be announced.

The county court will next week
make the annual tax levy. Last year
the levy was 14 mills, but it is very
likely an increase will be made of at
least one mill in the county levy this
year, for it is apparent the county
court has determined to make a sub-
stantial reduction in the indebtedness
of Clackamas County and it is said
the debt will be hammered at the rate
of 25 per cent each year, which would
wipe it out of sight within four years.
The total levy estimated for the year
for state, county, school, road and library
at 15 mills, will be 32½ mills on Ore-
gon City property, as there is a special
school tax in this city of nine mills,
a city tax of eight mills and a special
library tax of one-half mill.

Clackamas County's share of the
state tax this year is \$46,709.55, as
against \$45,496.16 last year. That
portion of the county levy to raise the
state tax will be 1.6 mills.

FIVE MEASURES FOR GOOD ROADS

MOST IMPORTANT IS BILL FOR
CREATION OF COMMISSION
OF THREE MEMBERS.

SERVICES TO COST STATE NOTHING

Association Determines to Enlist
Every Progressive Citizen in Ef-
fort to Reduce Road Mak-
ing to System.

PORTLAND, Jan. 9.—(Special.)—
"Oregon's bad roads" fund is big
enough. The State's hampered de-
velopment, the unpopulated areas that
should be producing wealth for busy
communities, the difficulties of ve-
hicle transportation, and the excess
in wear and tear that travels the
roads, including people, are to be
charged to this bad roads' fund."

This statement of Oregon's condi-
tion was issued here today by the
Oregon Good Roads Association. It
is the reason assigned by Judge Lo-
nel R. Webster, Chairman of the As-
sociation's Executive Committee, for
a determination to enlist every pro-
gressive Oregon citizen, every man
or interest to be benefited by good
roads construction, and every legisla-
tor who desires to serve the interests
of the people, in the effort to reduce
road building plans in Oregon to a
permanent, definite and effective sys-
tem.

Lack of system is charged by all
conversant with the situation as cause
for Oregon's poverty in good roads.
The constitutional bar to road build-
ing that existed until lifted by the
people at the last election shares the
blame.

The Oregon Good Roads Convention
recently held here, approved five good
roads measures drafted by Judge
Webster, because of the belief that
if these measures are adopted by the
legislature, the system of construction
desired will be instituted.

All were agreed that the most im-
portant of the five measures is the
one creating a good roads commis-
sion. The members of this commis-
sion are to be three in number. When
appointed, their services will cost the
state nothing. They will serve the
cause of good roads for the good of
the people, as a public duty. Their
executive officer is to be the State
Highway Commissioner. The bill re-
quires that the State Highway Com-
missioner must be "thoroughly skilled
in scientific road construction." His
authority is to help build roads in
every part of the state. He must
know how. He must serve the people
and the cause. Any failure to ful-
fill requirements will mean his dis-
missal. Authorities are agreed that
his proposed salary of \$4,000 a year
will be but a small portion of the real
financial advantage to be realized by
the state and its counties because of
the Commissioner's service. He will
be exponent of system, the system
that is expected to show tangible re-
sults in the form of actual miles of
permanent good roads.

TRYING TO CLOSE THE WILLAMETTE

PORTLAND FLY CASTING CLUB IS
BEHIND LEGISLATION TO SHUT
OUT GILLNETTERS.

CLAIM MADE SPORTSMEN WANT IT

Local Fishermen Will Unite to Fight
Plans of Sportsmen Who Do Not
Have to Gain Livelihood
By Salmon Fishing.

All anglers are deeply interested in
two bills which are to be introduced
at the coming Legislature. The most
important measure, and one which is
of statewide interest, is the bill au-
thorizing the State Game Warden to
establish and maintain trout hatch-
eries.

For several years sportsmen all
over the state have been paying their
annual license fees, with the under-
standing that the money so collected
was to be used in the propaganda of
game fish. The present license law
apparently reads to that effect, but
the Attorney-General of the state
ruled, some time ago, that the word-
ing was intended to cover natural
propagation only.

Consequently, the money has accumu-
lated until now a fund of over \$50,
000 is available for hatchery purposes
provided a bill is passed giving the
Warden authority to use it.

R. E. Clanton, the Master Fish
Warden