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NEWS OF INTEREST TO OREGON SPORTSMEN

Sportsmen, all over the state, are urged to organize clubs by State Game Warden William S. Finley. He believes that the protection and propagation of game, as well as an intelligent enforcement of the present game laws can be effected more thoroughly through a body of true sportsmen than in any other way. A quarterly report from the game warden's office will keep them in touch with conditions all over the state, while Mr. Finley will rely very largely upon the recommendations of these clubs, as to where and when to release game birds and fish.

Persistent reports from all over the state have reached the office of Game Warden William S. Finley, to the effect that the laws prohibiting the hunting of deer with hounds are being violated. At the present time, deputies are hastening to the various grounds where deer are known to gather, with explicit instructions to arrest such violators and prosecute them to the full extent of the law. Mr. Finley states that he will overlook no opportunity to punish deer hunters who use hounds or other dogs for the pursuit of deer, as the extinction of this animal is assured unless strenuous measures are adopted.

By the release of 100,000 steelhead salmon in the waters of the McKenzie, Game Warden Finley expects to make that stream as inviting to fishermen as the Rogue River now is. The secret of the success of the Rogue River, as a fishing ground, is due to the fact that steelheads always return to their original spawning ground after a trip to the deep sea. This is the only respect in which they differ from the rainbow trout. It is believed that once the steelhead is released in the McKenzie, that river will become a perpetual spawning ground for them and provide excellent trout fishing much closer to Portland and the northwest portion of the state.

Reports from the Forestry Service of the United States government indicate that the elk of Oregon are rapidly becoming extinct. There are less than three hundred animals within the boundaries of the state at this time. Warden William S. Finley announces his intention of interesting the President in making a proclamation, setting aside the

Bull Run watershed as a wild game reserve. This is within the authority of President Taft, as this property is already under government control, being in the Oregon Forest Reserve. It was Mr. Finley who induced President Roosevelt to set aside the Malheur Lake country as a wild bird reserve and he believes he will secure a like concession from the present executive.

With less than 700 antelope remaining in Oregon, evidence has reached the office of State Game Warden Finley that a sheep owner of southeastern Oregon has systematically planned the killing of many of these animals during the last two winters. The object of this unlawful attempt, it is said, is to provide bait for coyotes. The carcass of the antelope is poisoned where it falls, which, when eaten by the coyote, consequently destroys that animal. Deputies are now seeking exact evidence, with the intention of discovering the guilty party, when diligent prosecution will follow. The identity of the sheep owner is, as yet, unknown, although the officers are on the trail of the man, who will be made a striking example of the seriousness of this infraction of the law.

CONTINUE WORK ON MINERAL SPRINGS

The work of improving the Hood River Mineral Springs property continues and many visitors are now being attracted to the grounds of this proposed rest and pleasure resort.

The residence on the old Kennedy place now owned by the Hood River Mineral Springs Company has been remodeled and fitted up with separate baths for guests.

A large dining room has been built on the first floor with an enclosed porch as additional room for serving meals to guests. On this floor there is also a large kitchen and a reception room. Upstairs a number of bedrooms have been repapered and furnished. Until the hotel building is finished the newly fitted up building will be used as a dining hall.

Paths have been made to the magnesite spring which has been concreted. This will be covered with a small pavilion provided with seats. From the spring another path leads into the wooded canyon where a number of tent houses have been constructed and furnished and separate toilets with running water have been provided. On both sides of a pretty mountain creek paths lead through the grove for a quarter of a mile, while rustic benches are placed in inviting spots for rest.

The spot selected for the hotel is on a side hill facing the entire valley. The site has been staked out and the plans are now being perfected by a Portland firm of architects. The hotel when fully completed will provide accommodations for several hundred guests.

TRUE-TO-NAME NURSERY HAS FINE LOT OF STOCK

H. S. Galligan, proprietor of the True-to-Name Nursery, which has a fine lot of stock for planting this fall, has just purchased a large acreage at Dufur which he will use for nursery purposes. The land is located in a district where there is plenty of moisture, and it is believed that it will raise excellent stock.

The nursery situated here expects to place on the market this fall some of the best stock which it has yet offered for planting, and makes an announcement in another column. The Galligan nursery has been eminently successful in supplying local orchardists and will exercise the same care in supplying purchasers this year that it has previously.

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Green flags have been used for many years on the rear of trains to designate to trains in the opposite direction and to the engineer of the train displaying the flag markers, that the train was intact. This was necessary in the days when all of the cars in trains were not equipped with automatic air brakes. Sometimes when the link and pin couplings were in use, a pin would break and a car would be left behind. There was no way for the engineer to tell whether or not he had all of his cars with him unless he could look out of his cab and see the green flag waving from the last coach.

The lamps, that are now being used as markers in place of the green flags, suffice during the day as well as at night. During the passage of a train through a tunnel, snowdrifts or during foggy weather, they can be easily lighted, but for the major portion of the day time trips they remain unlighted. They can be distinguished by the engineer with ease and have already been found a great improvement over the old flag system.

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