

STREAMS OF STATE BEING RESTOCKED

For a number of years the fishermen of the State of Oregon have been paying an annual fishing license of \$1. This money has been accumulating until it has reached a sum sufficient to accomplish the purpose for which it is intended, which is stocking the streams of the state with game fish.

William L. Finley, assisted by his staff of game wardens, have, since the first of June, liberated in the lakes, creeks and rivers of the state over 1,000,000 fish of the fingerling and fry sizes of Eastern brook, steelhead, black spotted and rainbow variety. These have all come from the hatchery at Bonneville, on the Columbia river, and there are 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 now ready to be liberated, which will be taken to the different waters of the state. Many applications are on hand now, and Mr. Finley says that the application of any reliable person will be given consideration and shipments made just as fast as possible.

Another move to be made by the Fish and Game Commission is to instruct every game warden in the state to report on the waters in his territory telling of the conditions that exist, whether trout are plentiful, what the average catch is, of what variety and size, if more trout should be planted, and other data that will assist the Commission in bettering the fishing conditions of the entire state.

SOULE'S PIANO HOUSE OCCUPIES NEW QUARTERS

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MOSIER BOY FALLS FROM HAYLOFT; RIBS BROKEN

Frank Proctor, the young son of J. E. Proctor of Mosier, was painfully injured the last of the week by falling from the hayloft in the barn to the floor below. Two ribs were broken and he was severely bruised about the head. Dr. Robinson was summoned at once and the little fellow was attended to. The doctor stated that he couldn't tell yet how badly the boy's head was hurt, but it is hoped that it will not prove serious.

MASON EXPLAINS GRANGE ROAD BILLS

(Continued from last issue)

Our bonding act gives the people the power to decide six essential points before the election is called. Three financial and three constructive. In other words the people of a county desiring to issue bonds for the improvement of its roads will first decide among themselves (at the county roads meeting) the amount of bonds to be issued, the time they shall run and the rate of interest they shall bear. They will then select the road or roads to be improved and name the amount of money to be expended on each (this is what our opponents do not want); they will name the material to be used and fix the maximum grade to be permitted.

One section of our bonding act provides that the maximum grade cannot exceed 5 per cent unless otherwise ordered by the county roads meeting. This places the whole proposition direct to the people in each county. Is there a man in Oregon who is so unfair as to say that the voters should not have a voice in these essential points before they place a mortgage upon their homes?

While talking with one of Oregon's best educators a few days ago, a man who holds a high position in one of our state institutions of learning, he said, "Do you know what I admire about the Grange road bills above everything else?" I replied that I would always rather hear a compliment than a criticism. He replied, "It is the method of selecting the roads upon which the money is to be expended. The plan is unique and will give the desired results."

I might add here that the question of who shall select the roads upon which the bonded money is to be expended is the hub of contention around which this whole controversy revolves. There are some who do not believe that the people should have the power to say where their money is to be expended, while we contend that if we are to be taxed to build good roads we want the right to select those roads and if we are fools enough to first build a road from Alaska to Mexico or from Portland up the Columbia River before we build roads from our homes to our nearest markets then we should pay the bills.

We also believe that a state highway engineer is absolutely necessary as a matter of economy. The extreme cost of this office to the 31 counties outside of Multnomah county will not average more than \$240 per county. If your county court should hire an engineer to draw the plans for one washed out bridge of any size they would pay perhaps more than this amount. A competent state highway engineer can and will do this work better than the majority of Engineers who would be hired by the county courts, and his services would require no extra cost. He will establish a uniform system of road building throughout the state and give advice to our county courts which will be worth far more than some of us realize.

We must not forget that the majority of our county courts are honest but are elected, not because they are practical road builders, but because they may be good citizens, good business men or even good politicians. Hence, it is no wonder that often times we see our road money squandered by ignorant methods of road construction.

To say to a member of a county court that you cannot build a locomotive engine would cause him to smile, but when you tell him he cannot build a good road, in all probability he will want to fight you. Yet one requires special knowledge and skilled experience as much as the other.

But I cannot in my limited space cover all this argument. Study the grange state highway engineer bill. It gives assistance to our county courts, cheapens the costs of road construction, and protects the expenditure of our road money.

The state highway engineer will be to our good roads movement what the state school superintendent is to our public school system, an educator, an adviser, a statesman, and a valuable assistant.

The grange state highway engineer bill is a clean cut business proposition and carries with it no jokers.

like the Portland Harmony (?) Highway Commission bill.

We do not tie it up with a million dollar annual state bond issue, neither do we let some man at Salem tell us where our money should be expended. All we want is the right to build our own roads. If they do not want to bond in one county it is no reason why the people in the adjoining county should be deprived of doing so if they so desire.

Our grange road bills give us home rule and legal control; they apply the Oregon system to road building. They say to those who want to bond and build better roads "You shall have that power," they say to the voter who is opposed to bonds of any kind "If you are in the minority and are forced to stand your share of a bond issue, is it not better to have the roads improved from your home to a market center than to help build a road in some remote part of the state where business interests will receive little or no benefit."

If space would permit, I would like to expose the injustice of the other road bills in opposition to ours. But suffice it to say that the analysis of their titles will be sufficient at this time.

In conclusion I want to invite any advocate of either of the above set of road bills to meet a representative of the State Grange in an open debate at any time and at any place in Oregon where an audience can be secured. For definite arrangements address our State Master, C. E. Spence, Oregon City, Oregon.

While this article has but partly covered our good roads legislation problem, yet I trust it will arouse in the reader's mind a desire to study all three sets of road bills now before the voters of Oregon. If you do this we know what your verdict will be—victory for the State Grange road bills.

Yours for better road laws,
A. I. MASON.

Medford Home Rule bills sound well. Harmony is a good word when properly used, but when we consider under what conditions these bills were framed and how the harmony fellows are now kuffing a part of their bills, the word harmony is a jest.

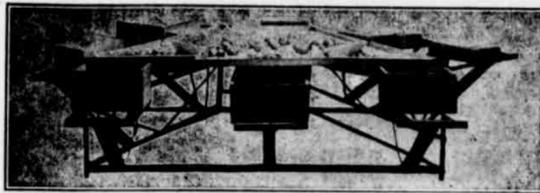
"Home Rule" is also a pleasing title, but when the voters who have homes are given no voice in the initiative of a bond issue or in the expenditure of their money I believe the word is a misnomer.

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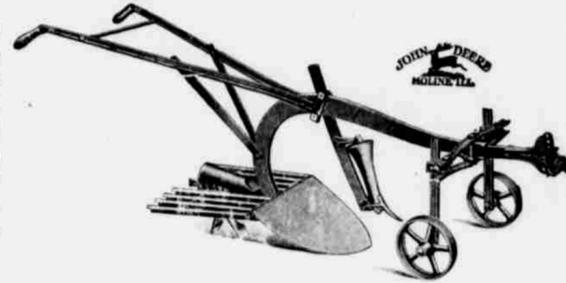
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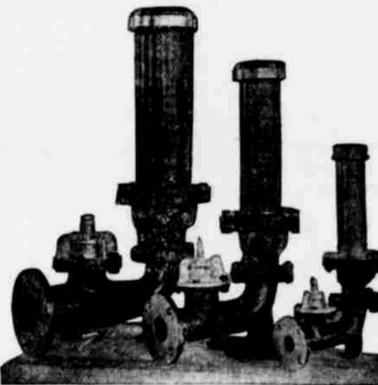
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