

## WOULD REDUCE LIMIT OF DEER FROM THREE TO TWO IN A SEASON

State Fish and Game Commission Also Asks Chinese Pheasant Hen Protection.

## WANTS BROADER POWERS

Solvency Declared Notwithstanding Big Reduction in License Revenue During the Year.

Salem, Or., Jan. 15.—The fish and game commission's biennial report to the governor was filed this morning and a copy was also forwarded to Representative Belland, chairman of the house committee on fisheries, to be printed.

The report, which is a voluminous affair, included special reports from the different heads of the commission's work and makes its recommendations for legislative action.

The close of June 30, 1916, found all funds of the fish and game commission in a solvent condition, the report says, in spite of a reduction of more than \$1400 in license revenue suffered during the year.

The commission recommends that it be given power to assign any or all of the duties of the master fish warden, state game warden or their deputies to any person as may be desirable.

Such power, the commission says, would make possible for them to get better administrative results of the working force of the commission. It should also be given the power to fix the salaries of the deputies as desired.

The commission also desires that the legislature give it general power to do whatever the good of the service demands, and not to restrict its powers by definite administrative results of the working force of the commission.

It also asks that game animals be defined by law and that the commission be given power to declare any animal a game animal should should necessity arise.

**World Reduce Deer Limit.**  
The commission desires the open season for deer to be fixed from August 15 to October 15, and the limit reduced from three to two.

It asks that the open season for migratory birds be made to conform with the federal statute and run from October 1 to January 5 and that the limit be unchanged.

The commission desires that the old restriction against killing Chinese pheasants be re-enacted. It also asks that the trout limit be fixed at 10 trout or 35 pounds per day, or 10 trout or 70 pounds in seven consecutive days.

It also recommends that the sale of game and game fish be limited to the open market under regulations prescribed by the commission.

Pump and automatic guns are placed under the ban by the commission which recommends that their use be prohibited by law.

It asks that a fee of \$2 be fixed for game breeding permits and that the hunting and fishing license be raised to \$1.50. It also recommends that a law be enacted granting reciprocal hunting and fishing rights with the citizens of Washington, California, Nevada and Idaho, to become effective whenever those states enacted similar laws.

It reports that \$10,000 in fines for law violations have been collected, and asks that the law be so changed that this money shall go into the game protection fund rather than into the county treasuries.

The report recommends that laws governing fishing on the Columbia river be not changed except that a statute be passed making it unlawful for salmon to be caught outside the three mile limit off the mouth of the Columbia during the period from August 25 to September 10.

**Appropriation Is Asked.**  
The commission asks an appropriation of \$20,000 for Bonneville, \$22,000 for hatchery number two.

It also asks that the law be so changed that conviction of violation will work an automatic confiscation of all gear used in connection with the violation. It wants to raise the salary of the deputy fish wardens to \$1200, and the salary of the bookkeeper to \$1500.

R. E. Clanton asks that more ponds be provided at Bonneville, that a new building be erected containing from 150 to 200 new propagation tanks, that a barn be constructed and that a sewer system be installed under the lower ponds. Various recommendations are made regarding the other hatcheries.

The report shows that more than ten million game fish fry were distributed during 1916 and that more than seventeen million spring chinook and nearly three million sockeye fry were released in the Columbia during the year.

## Coos Sends Woman Lobbyist to Salem

Mrs. Harbert Armstrong Goes to Capital to Work for Some and Against Other Proposed Educational Laws.

North Bend, Or., Jan. 15.—Coos bay has sent its first woman lobbyist to the state legislature. Mrs. Harbert Armstrong of this city, wife of the local manager of the McAlister lumber company, owning large timber holdings in this locality, has gone to Salem.

Mrs. Armstrong has always taken an active interest in educational work and her purpose in going to Salem is in bills pertaining to education. She is against some of the proposed measures and in favor of others.

Mrs. Armstrong recently visited some of the state educational institutions for the purpose of studying their methods. She is a member of the North Bend school board.

## ARGUMENT HEARD IN HOUSE AND MEMBERS FEEL MORE AT HOME

Batch of Bills Introduced This Morning; Third Readings Also Order of Day.

Salem, Or., Jan. 15.—The house started off with a rush this morning, dumping in a big batch of bills the first thing and then getting down to the task of clearing up the calendar of all bills on third reading.

It gave its affirmative vote to Bowman's bill amending the law regarding estrays. Then it passed the Lauegard bill, fixing the fiscal year for the public service commission so that its business will end with the close of the calendar year rather than on June 30.

Next it passed the Clark bill, raising the salary of the county school superintendent of Sherman county to \$1500 a year, and passing from that, passed a bill by the Deschutes county delegation regulating the time of holding circuit court in the Eighteenth judicial district.

**Sounds More Natural.**  
This has been the first day that the voice of argument has been heard in the house, and the session now begins to look and sound like it had really started.

Tichenor of Coos and Curry introduced a bill in the house providing for the publication of free text books for the use of the public schools of the state. The bill provides for a text-book board consisting of the governor, secretary of state, state treasurer and superintendent of public instruction. It also provides that a millage tax shall be levied sufficient to provide for the expense of furnishing school books to each pupil in the public schools of the state.

Representative Stott introduced a bill providing that the fee simple title to all property acquired by a school district through condemnation proceedings should vest in the district. Under the law as it now stands, when a school district condemns property, it acquires a right to use the property for school purposes, but should it desire to sell, the original owners would have a claim to the property. The purpose of the bill introduced by Stott is to clear the title in such cases and give the absolute ownership to the district.

**World Aid Blind.**  
Mackay introduced a bill carrying an appropriation of \$10,000 and creating the board of industrial aid for the adult blind. The board is to consist of the present board of control and is to engage in work for the aid of the adult blind in making them self-supporting.

Clark introduced a bill providing in effect that the eight-hour day shall not apply to men employed by any municipal-owned public utility in any town of 1000 inhabitants or less.

Lewis put in a bill doing away with the employment of chaplains at the penitentiary and reform school and providing in lieu thereof a teacher at a salary of not more than \$100 a month.

Mueller introduced a bill providing for the payment of wages biweekly, except to agricultural workers, commercial travelers or others whose employment makes it impracticable for them to be so paid.

**Du Pont Plant Again on Fire.**  
Haskell, N. J., Jan. 15.—(U. N. S.)—Fire broke out again today in the Du Pont powder plant here, the scene of Friday night's destructive explosion. The company fire department succeeded in getting the fire under control after a short, hard fight, and company officials announced that the loss would be small.

To keep railroad tracks clear of weeds and brush a South Dakota man has invented a mowing machine, operated by a gasoline engine, to be mounted on a handcar.

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## FEATURE OF HIGHWAY CODE TO USE AUTO LICENSE FOR STATE

Federal Engineer of Roads Drafts Plan to Use Fees for State Built Highways.

## CREATE STATE ROAD FUND

Would Form State Highway Commission, Representing the Major Political Parties.

The doubling of the present automobile license fees and the use of the money exclusively for state-built highways is a feature of the highway code drafted for Oregon by the federal office of public roads, according to an explanation of the code presented before the members' council of the Chamber of Commerce today by L. I. Hewes, district engineer of the federal office of public roads for the district of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska.

The code proposes the creation of a state highway fund by increasing the present 1/2 mill to 1 1/2 mill tax, the fund to be used (a) in meeting federal aid, (b) for overhead and engineering expenses, (c) maintaining state highways, and (d) the residue to be turned over to counties in proportion to their valuation (excluding the valuation of cities of over 5000), to be used in construction of state highway sections within their borders.

**Some Features of Code.**  
Other features of the code, as explained by Mr. Hewes, are a state highway commission, which shall be equally representative of the major political parties.

The appointment by the commission of a bona fide state highway engineer and the fixing of his salary.

The appointment by the state highway engineer of a state highway assistant. The dividing of a plan of state highways which shall not be more than 10 per cent of the total mileage in the state.

Maintenance of state roads on 50-50 basis between the state and a given locality, and the deducting of funds for maintenance in advance of appropriation for construction.

The use of convict labor. The submission to the state highway engineer of plans for expense in excess of \$1000, and for bridges with spans longer than 20 feet.

With the present resources of the state it is doubtful if the residue of the state highway fund will be any considerable sum. Laid Mr. Hewes.

“The residue of the fund, however, remains in force, although the state highway commission is empowered to improve a section of a state highway and pay the entire cost from the state highway fund and from the appropriation of federal funds; whenever that is done the entire cost of such a road is charged against money due any county from the residual state highway fund.”

“Whenever the state funds increase over and above overhead, maintenance and the matching of federal money, there comes into existence a residue or balance for the benefit of those counties which have not yet participated in any previous expenditure of federal or state funds.”

**County Not at Disadvantage.**  
“The proposed law thus provides that a county shall not be at a disadvantage if it cannot now receive any direct distribution of state highway funds, nor shall it be at a disadvantage in the long run because federal money and state money shall have been expended in other counties, nor shall a county be the gainer in the long run if it is deemed desirable immediately to construct sections of the state highway within its borders.”

The code also provides for “abolition of highway matters for the removal of highway matters from the duties of the county surveyor and for the creation of the office of county engineer or district highway engineer when two or more counties wish to cooperate.”

J. B. Yeon, county roadmaster, and M. O. Wilkins, president of the Automobile Dealers' association, also spoke.

**HOUSE BILLS**  
Salem, Or., Jan. 15.—The following bills were introduced in the house this morning:

H. B. 55, by Mackay—To provide for adult blind people to be employed in the long run because federal money and state money shall have been expended in other counties, nor shall a county be the gainer in the long run if it is deemed desirable immediately to construct sections of the state highway within its borders.

H. B. 56, by Clark—To exempt cities and towns of less than 10,000 inhabitants and all public utilities from restrictions of eight-hour law.

H. B. 57, by Gordon—Requiring all signatures on initiative and referendum petitions to be certified under oath.

H. B. 58, by Gordon—Governance sale of real property on execution.

H. B. 59, by Stott—Empowering district school boards to acquire real property by condemnation proceedings.

H. B. 60, by Gordon—Fixing method for sale of the property by administrators.

H. B. 61, by Lewis—Requiring that opposing party in divorce proceedings be notified and opportunity given to be heard when ordered to pay money.

## Auto Hit Streetcar, Four People Killed

Driver Alone Escapes and Cannot Be Found; Three Women and Man Are Victims, Three Dying Instantly.

Los Angeles, Jan. 15.—(P. N. S.)—Speeding home from the beach early today, four persons were killed and another probably fatally injured when the automobile in which they were riding crashed into a standing streetcar. The driver, the only one to escape, cannot be found, according to the police.

The dead: Miss Lou Heffner, 22, Los Angeles; Mrs. Della Renie, 28, Los Angeles; M. A. Somers, Pasadena, and Mrs. Morel Braner, Los Angeles.

The injured: Morel Braner, skull crushed, internally injured; will die. The first three were instantly killed. Mrs. Braner died some time later without regaining consciousness.

## STATE SHOULD CARE FOR FAMILIES OF MEN WHO DEFEND COUNTRY

Such Is Recommendation of Acting Adjutant General Wilson in Biennial Report.

Salem, Or., Jan. 15.—In the biennial report of Acting Adjutant General Wilson of the Oregon National Guard is a strongly recommended that the state provide for the support of the dependents of the enlisted men while the men are in service.

Adjutant General Wilson points out hardships that were imposed on families of many of the men who were sent to the border with the militia.

“Pay of enlisted men is inadequate to provide any measure of support for dependents,” points out the report. “It seems reasonable and just that the state should make provision in the future to take care of the dependents of men who are patriotic enough to enroll themselves in the National Guard and remain in the militia, without leaving them to the mercy of private charity.”

**All Citizens Concerned.**  
“National defense is a matter which vitally concerns every citizen. To say that single men only should be enlisted in the Guard is not to solve the problem, since enough single men cannot be recruited upon the present volunteer basis. Therefore, unless we resort to compulsory service, it would seem wise to accept all able bodied men who offer themselves, and if necessary, support their dependents at the expense of those who, for one reason or another, remain at home.”

Acting Adjutant General Wilson praises the conduct of the men while in the front. He reports that the Third Oregon lost 54 men who were discharged for physical disability, 68 for dependency of relatives, 17 whose terms of enlistment expired, while 170 new recruits were added.

**Praise for McLaughlin.**  
“It has been shown,” says the report, “that the National Guard can be made a real source of dependable strength in the scheme of national defense.”

Praise is accorded Colonel Cleland McLaughlin, who as colonel of the Third Oregon infantry organized the troops for the border.

During the biennium there was spent on the National Guard \$155,000, and \$15,000 on the naval militia.

**Navy Yards May Make Munitions.**  
Washington, Jan. 15.—(U. P.)—Secretary of the Navy Daniels plans to equip navy yards so they can build one-third of all ships and manufacture one-third of all necessary munitions all the time, two-thirds if manufacturers and builders demand “unreasonable” prices and everything the navy needs in case “exorbitant” prices are demanded, he told the house navy committee today.

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## PICKETING WOULD BE PREVENTED BY LAW IF KUBLI HAD HIS WAY

Representative Asks Multnomah Delegation to Go On Record in Favor of Bill.

## WILL CONSIDER ACTION

Question as to Who Should Present Such Bill Is Among Features for Further Discussion.

Salem, Or., Jan. 15.—At a meeting of the Multnomah delegation in the legislature today at noon, Representative Kubli asked the delegation to go on record in favor of a law which will prevent picketing in connection with strikes and will make it a crime to institute a boycott.

The delegation also approved the bill drafted by Attorney General Brown to eliminate the newspaper craft resulting from the publication of delinquent tax lists. The bill, which has an emergency clause, provides for giving delinquent taxpayers notice by means of postal cards or letter. It will be introduced by Senators Farrell and Orton.

When Kubli asked for approval of a bill “giving protection to the shipbuilding industry” by prohibiting picketing, bannering and boycotting, no objections to the proposed measure were uttered, but several members of the delegation asked for time for further consideration.

**Kubli Expresses Stand.**  
“Those who have invested in the shipbuilding industry should be protected against strikers,” declared Kubli. “The Multnomah delegation should endorse and support this bill,” which was endorsed by the big employers in Portland at a meeting at the Oregon building.

“I know politics has a tendency to swerve a man from voting his convictions, but this bill will be of great benefit to the people of Portland.”

Representative John Mann moved that the delegation go on record in favor of the bill. No second was made to the motion.

Senator Moser raised the question of whether it would be wise for the Multnomah delegation as a body to introduce the bill.

**Wants Delegation Backing.**  
“If the delegation will stand behind me I will introduce the bill, volunteered Kubli. “But I don't want to introduce it and when it comes up for consideration be left stranded on an island, with no support from the rest of you.”

Senator Moser suggested “he go ahead and introduce it so it would be printed and give the others time to give it further consideration.”

“I am not going to introduce it and be the goat unless the members want it,” replied Kubli.

The matter went over until tomorrow noon, when the delegation will again meet.

The bill carries an emergency clause.

## Governor Wants a Physician for State

Executive Declares Physical Condition of Every Person in Care of Commonwealth Should Be Fully Known.

Salem, Or., Jan. 15.—Governor Withycombe recommended today at a meeting of the board of control that a physician be employed by the state to give his entire time to the inmates of the state institutions in Salem. The state should know the physical condition, he said, of every man, woman and child who comes under its care. There is no physician at present giving his entire time to the state institutions.

The board also agreed to have the attorney general draw up a bill giving them power to transfer inmates from one institution to another. It was shown that frequently boys are sent to the training school and that it is later found that they should be in the home for the feeble minded.

## Commission Favors Payment of Benson

Salem, Or., Jan. 15.—The state highway commission today went on record in favor of the reimbursement of Simon Benson for \$28,000 worth of road work he has had done at his own expense in Columbia county.

Project of road work amounting to several thousand dollars was discussed, but in anticipation that the legislature may create a new commission or board, the members of the present commission decided not to take definite action on any appropriation.

## Old Fishing Case Goes to High Court

Salem, Or., Jan. 15.—After being jockeyed about the federal courts of Oregon, Washington and California for more than eight years, the case of the Eagle Cliff fishing company against McGowan will go to the supreme court of the United States in the shape of a transcript of over 1000 pages. The work of preparing this transcript was completed in the office of the supreme court here today.

The case arose from a dispute in 1908 as to which of the competing companies had the right to catch salmon off Sand Island at the mouth of the Columbia.

In the legal complications arising from this dispute the United States supreme court was obliged to fix the Oregon-Washington line in the now historic case of Oregon versus Washington.

**Flanagan Heads Bank.**  
Marshfield, Or., Jan. 15.—J. H. Flanagan was elected president of the Flanagan & Bennett bank of this city to succeed the late J. W. Bennett who died recently. Mr. Flanagan was associated with the late Mr. Bennett in the banking business for many years.

Tom T. Bennett, son of J. W. Bennett, was elected vice president. R. F. Williams, cashier, and George F. Winchester, assistant cashier.

J. H. Flanagan was also elected president of the Flanagan & Bennett bank at Myrtle Point and president of the Coos Bay Water company.

## London Police Twice Raid Suffragettes

Offices of Britannia, Women's Paper, and Flat of Mrs. Fankhurst's Private Secretary Handed.

London, Jan. 15.—(U. P.)—London police made two spectacular raids on militant suffragettes yesterday. They were carried out simultaneously—one against the printing office of the Women's Social and Political Union, where forthcoming issues of Britannia, the women's paper, were seized, and the other against a flat occupied by Miss Annie Kenney and Miss Grace Roe. The latter is Mrs. Fankhurst's private secretary. All private papers and correspondence in the flat were ransacked.

The only reason I can assign for the raids, said Mrs. Fankhurst, “is the criticism which the periodical Britannia has recently aimed at the government, and particularly against that section of the government which favors a compromise peace.”

## BOARD OFFICIALS IN ARGUMENT OVER ONE HUMTY-DUMPTY AUTO

Convicts Stole Man's Car; Wrecked It; He Put Pieces Together Again.

Salem, Or., Jan. 15.—Governor Withycombe and State Treasurer Kay became quite testy this morning in a discussion of the claim upon the state of Roscoe Langley of Silverton, whose auto was stolen and wrecked by six convicts who escaped from the camp at the state fair field August 16 last year.

Langley, it seems, became obsessed with the idea that he wanted his own pet machine back again, and he spent the entire summer in tracing it, recovering the pieces and having them put together again. His claim is for \$551.75, and includes everything he lost, even to a 10-cent cake of soap and a 15-cent screwdriver, together with his summer's expenses in search of the car. The cost of a new car such as he lost is only \$417.35.

“I believe the man ought to be satisfied with the price of a new car,” said the governor. “There is no reason why we should pay for his poor judgment in chasing the old one.”

“That isn't right,” said Mr. Kay. “It isn't just; it isn't equitable. The state is responsible for damage done by its wards, just as I am responsible for damage done by my small boy. We ought not to hide behind the fact that the state is exempt from suit.”

But the opinion of the governor, together with the quiet consent of Secretary of State Olcott, prevailed, and the board of control will recommend to the ways and means committee that Mr. Langley be reimbursed to the extent of one new “fiver.”

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## COMMUNITY HOUSES OF CITY PARKS FORM BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Peninsula, Albina, Arleta and Sellwood Will Have Teams to Contend.

Members of the gymnasium classes of the community houses under the supervision of the city park bureau have organized a basketball league of 165, 125 and 140 pound players. The teams are to represent the Peninsula, Albina, Arleta and Sellwood community houses, and the first game of the season is to be held next Saturday between Albina and Sellwood at the Sellwood community house.

A schedule of games of the park basketball league has been arranged by James O. Cassing, park superintendent, and follows:

**Average 165 Pound Teams.**  
Games to be played at 3 p. m.  
January 20—Albina vs. Sellwood, at Sellwood.  
January 20—Peninsula vs. Arleta, at Albina.  
January 27—Albina vs. Peninsula vs. Peninsula, at Peninsula.  
January 27—Sellwood vs. Arleta, at Sellwood.

**Average 125 Pound Teams.**  
Games to be played at 7:30 p. m.  
January 27—Albina vs. Peninsula, at Peninsula.  
January 31—Sellwood vs. Peninsula, at Sellwood.  
February 3—Albina vs. Arleta, at Albina.  
February 3—Peninsula vs. Arleta, at Arleta.

**Average 140 Pound Teams.**  
Games to be played at 8 p. m.  
January 27—Albina vs. Sellwood, at Sellwood.  
February 3—Sellwood vs. Peninsula, at Peninsula.  
February 10—Albina vs. Peninsula, at Peninsula.

**CITY IS NOT TO COMPLY**  
Supervising Inspectors Say Firemen May Be Employed as Formerly.

The city does not have to comply with the ruling of the local steamship inspectors that firemen on the fire boats Campbell and Williams should not be employed more than 13 hours a day, according to information received by Fire Chief Dowell this morning from the office of the local inspectors.

The order of Inspectors Edwards and Wynn was canceled following a decision from the supervising inspectors of steamships at San Francisco. He had been appealed to by City Attorney La Roche when it appeared that the city would have to double its forces on the two fireboats to comply with the order of Inspectors Edwards and Wynn.

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