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COMMISSION WILL MEET

"GOVERNOR" DUNBAR'S FIRST OFFICIAL ACT.

Meeting of State Library Commission Must Be Held to Validate the New School Library Law—Each County Must Levy Library Tax of 10 Cents Per Capita—So Far Only Douglas, Marion and Yamhill Counties Have Complied.

Salem, July 13.—Perhaps the first act which the secretary of state will be called upon to perform in his official capacity as the acting governor of the state, in the absence of Governor Chamberlain, will be to issue a call for a meeting of the Oregon library commission, which, under the existing circumstances, he is likely to do very soon.

The necessity for an early meeting of the commission is made apparent by certain provisions of the district school library act, under which the district school libraries cannot be established by the county superintendents until the commission shall have selected a list of suitable books for that purpose and advertised for bids for the furnishing of the same.

Under the act referred to it becomes the duty of each county having a population of less than 100,000 inhabitants to levy a special tax upon all taxable property in the county for school library purposes, which shall aggregate an amount not less than 10 cents per capita for each and all children in the county between the ages of 4 and 24 years, as shown by the preceding census.

This money is to be apportioned among the several districts in each county by the county superintendent, that is to those which have reported to him according to law. This apportionment must be made upon the first Monday of July of each year, and a report of same, including the amount and number of children in each district made to the library commission.

Three counties in the state, Douglas, Yamhill and Marion, have levied special taxes of 10 mills for the school libraries, but neither of these counties can establish its library until the commission furnishes the necessary list of books, together with the contract price of the same.

The books must be selected by the county boards, consisting of the directors of each district and the county superintendent between the first Monday in July and the first Monday of August of each year, but such selections must be made in accordance with rules and regulations prepared by the commission and the aggregate cost of the selection must not exceed the amount of the apportionment to each district.

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Beside the governor the other members of the commission are the superintendent of public instruction, the president of the state university, the librarian of the library association of Portland, and W. H. Ayers, who was appointed by the governor.

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OSTRICH FARMING

COSTS AS MUCH TO REAR AN OSTRICH AS A SHEEP.

Greatest American Ostrich Farm Is at Phoenix, Ariz. Where 1000 Are Kept—Their Principal Food Is the Crushed Olives Taken From Olive Oil Mills—Only 1500 in the Entire United States.

Inland people will be interested to know that a new kind of stock is multiplying in America, verily the American ostrich. Arizona and California have been selected as a suitable place in this country for the propagation of the African ostrich, for those states more nearly resemble the appearance of the African deserts than others.

Here, as there, the everlasting sun glowers upon the surface of the barren baked earth, and perhaps is here found the cheapest food for their support. In California they feed these creatures with the remains of olives after they have served the purpose of the olive oil manufacturer the residuum of wineries and loads of decayed oranges, or green, that fall to the ground in the orange orchards of California, are fed to the ostriches.

It costs as much in these states to maintain an ostrich as a sheep. Even after 20 years after the introduction of the ostrich into America, there are not more than 1500.

In Africa the farmer can produce the young or wild ostriches and train them to domestic life, hence there is now a population of 400,000 ostrich feathers and the markets of the world supplied with African ostrich feathers, a trade of about \$8,000,000 per annum, but in America we have to wait the slower process of natural multiplication.

The largest ostrich farm in this country is at Phoenix, Ariz. Here 1000 ostriches are collected, owned by a widow, whose late husband dreamed that he would control the American ostrich market; that no American lady would buy an ostrich feather unless from his establishment. Now there are some nine ostrich farms between the Atlantic and Pacific, but all save one or two make their income by exhibiting the ostriches as shows, after managerly style, to visitors as anything else.

As the American ostrich feather multiplies, the American people will appreciate them, for they are identical the same as the African.

Each ostrich of full size may be depended upon for some \$30 worth of crude ostrich feathers each year. The cost of preparing these feathers for trade purposes adds 100 per cent.

The United States consumes about \$2,000,000 worth of African feathers, if women having to submit to a duty of 20 per cent ad valorem in their import.

This creature is remarkable for its fecundity and uncertainty. Some pairs will hatch 40 chicks in one year, others two or three. Many of the little chicks are found defunct upon their arrival in the incubators. They do not seem to be subject to disease, but if well taken care of 80 per cent after appearance will thrive very hardly to adult size.

Domesticated ostriches are not quite so tame except in breeding season, and then they are sequestered in a pen by themselves generally a male and female, but often two females and a male. Having perished, they are re-stuffed and sold to tourists as California mementoes at \$5 and upward is each.

A Surprise Party. A pleasant surprise party may be given to your stomach and liver by taking a medicine which will relieve their pain and discomfort, viz: Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are a most wonderful remedy, affording relief and cure for headache, dizziness and constipation 25c at Tallman & Co.'s drug store.

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