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OREGON GETS HONOR.

Government Makes Inquiry Here for Bids on Big Timbers.

Portland—Oregon was unintentionally complimented by the government when mill operators and lumber exporters received telegrams recently from Washington, D. C., asking for bids on two dredge "spuds," 70 feet in length and 36 inches in diameter. The "spuds" are wanted to complete the equipment of a big dredge at the Panama canal.

The order was issued hurriedly, so time was not allowed for the usual circulation of specifications, but on such timbers there would be no competition outside of the Northwest. It is not believed the government will be swamped with proposals for the "spuds," owing to the fact that time of delivery is uncertain and exporters say there is little profit for them after paying for getting such special logs out of the woods.

It is said that to cut the sizes asked for, two trees, each with a diameter of about six feet, would be necessary, and it is no longer easy to find such giant firs close to transportation facilities.

BETTER GAME LAWS URGED.

State Warden's Office Receives Suggestions by Letter.

Portland—In the past few months the State Game warden's office has received numerous letters offering suggestions for improvement of the game laws. Mr. Finley said that the commission invites suggestions and will act upon them at its next meeting.

Among the letters is one from Luke Conners, of Walla, W. O., who suggests that black and brown bear be protected during May, June, July and August. Mr. Conners points out that these animals are harmless and that their flesh and fur is worthless during the time specified. He also observes that bear hunting is frequently done to conceal other hunting during closed seasons.

John C. Zoller, of Duncan, Umatilla county, suggests that it might be advisable to grant a bounty on crows. These birds, he says, are a menace to other birds, particularly young game birds.

YEAR BUMPER FOR CROPS.

Pioneers Declare Season Greatest Gilliam County Ever Saw.

Condon—Men who have had 30 years' experience in this country and remember it when bunch grass was the only vegetation for miles around, say this is going to be the banner year for crops of all kinds in Gilliam county.

From the Columbia river to the Wheeler county line, and from Morrow county to the John Day river there is not a poor-looking crop.

Owing to favorable conditions last September there was a large acreage of fall wheat sown and that now stands from 10 inches to a foot high. Spring grain sown in March is all up and promises to be as good a crop as the winter wheat. Not only is this so, but it is going to be a great fruit year. The trees along the creeks are loaded with blossoms and promise a grand crop. With an unusual amount of rain all vegetables will be plentiful.

After Green Peach Aphid Now.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—The green peach aphid, which works on the tips of shoots, is doing great damage in the Freewater-Milton district and elsewhere, and Prof. H. F. Wilson of the O. A. C. entomology department has started the following treatment which will destroy the pest if applied in time.

"Black Leaf 40" should be diluted with 1000 parts of water, with a bar of laundry soap added for every barrel of the spray. The soap not only makes the emulsion more effective, but causes it to spread more thoroughly.

War on Beetles Resumes.

Sumpter—Government officials of the Entomological bureau are here to cruise the territory cut over last year by their department in the war waged upon the pine beetles that have been damaging to the forests of Eastern Oregon. A year ago the government spent \$15,000 in the forests near this place in the fight upon these little insects. The method used was to cut down and burn all the infected trees found in the area the beetles were working over, and about 100,000 trees were treated in this manner.

High-Line Ditch Wanted.

Medford—Medford has decided to hold a big irrigation meeting in the near future, when efforts will be made to secure enough property owners to assure the construction of the high line ditch around the valley and make Southern Oregon one of the best irrigated regions in the state.

The Hopkins ditch, north of Medford, is already indorsed by ranchers and will be constructed.

Bend Depot Too Small.

Bend—Built with the expectation that it would be large enough to care for the business here for several years, the Bend union passenger depot already is proving too small to meet the requirements of the rapidly increasing volume of traffic. An addition of 30 feet is to be erected on the north end to be used for baggage and express handling.

TO FIGHT FOREST FIRES.

Government Appropriation of \$10,000 Will Be Great Help.

Salem—Announcement is made by the state board of forestry that there will be 65 men appointed in Oregon under the \$10,000 appropriation received from the government through the Weeks law, these men to work in Oregon in patrolling the headwaters of the navigable streams of the state.

The state board of forestry also made announcement of completion of its manual and handbook for fire wardens in which the general policy of the board for this year is largely announced.

In the appointment of the men under the Weeks law there will be about 57 of the men stationed west of the Cascade mountains and the other eight will be placed east of the mountains. It was the intent of the law to protect the headwaters of navigable streams, and the main navigable streams are west of the Cascades. The men west of the mountains will be apportioned from one to seven in various counties, according to the size of the counties, the quantity of the timber involved and the nature of the streams arising in the respective counties.

In the most comprehensive handbook and manual ever issued by the state board of forestry, the policy of that board for 1912 is outlined and instructions are given to the wardens working under the department. It is shown that Oregon has more standing timber than any other state in the Union—approximately 500,000,000,000 feet; that when it is manufactured into lumber it will bring at least \$6,000,000,000 of outside money, 80 per cent of which will be expended for labor and supplies; that Oregon is receiving \$6,000,000 annually from lumber and other timber products, and that the timber and lumber industry is paying approximately one-third of the taxes of the state.

"In 1911, 842 fires were reported, of which 613, or about 73 per cent, were caused through carelessness," states the handbook. "That a majority of these fires were the result of violations of the law by campers, hunters, railroad companies, loggers and ranchers, is beyond question."

Numerous instructions to the fire wardens in the manual indicate that a stricter policy will be pursued this year in enforcement of the law than last year, when the board was largely taken up with the time of organizing and with a plan of education.

Special attention is called to the question of burning permits. During the period between June 1 and October 1 it is unlawful for any person to burn slashings, chopping, wood or brush land without obtaining a permit from the state fire warden. The chief object of this restriction is to prevent the careless use of fire during the dry season.

"Persons engaged in clearing land and putting it under cultivation find the use of fire absolutely necessary, and the warden's decisions as to the advisability of issuing a permit should, in every case, be based on a thorough investigation of the area to be burned over," says the manual. "In general, a permit should be issued unless it is clear that the burning contemplated is unsafe. To summarize, it is the warden's duty to accommodate applicants by issuing permits where there is no danger of the fire spreading, but to decline and give reasons, when the burning would be unsafe."

The manual shows an agreement has been reached between the United States department of agriculture and the state board of forestry, so that the Federal government has allotted funds for the service of one or more patrolmen in each heavily-timbered county in the state.

Voters Will Have Big Task.

Oregon voters in November election this year will be called upon to pass on at least 40 measures, submitted under the initiative or the referendum, in addition to electing president, vice president, United States senator, representatives in congress and various state and county officers. The number will surpass those in the general election two years ago, when the total was only 32. Of the 40 measures already in sight, six have been referred to the people by the 1911 session of the legislature.

Salem Backs Road Bills.

Salem—The six compromise road bills which will go before the people next November received the unanimous indorsement of the Salem board of trade and steps will be taken immediately to circulate them throughout Marion county where it is expected thousands of signatures will be attached. In addition resolutions were adopted urging the Marion County court to purchase auto trucks to use in hauling rock for road work.

Great Drama for Rose Festival.

Portland—Preparations are now being made for the production on a gigantic scale of "The Bridge of the Gods," the spectacular story of the early history of Oregon, which created country-wide comment at the Astoria Centennial. June 8 and 10, the Saturday prior to and the Monday of Rose Festival week, are the dates that have been chosen for the performance in Multnomah Field, and the cast is now being gathered together.

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