

### HAYES PLACES BLAME ON DEAN

Says Conditions at Ament Dam Look Like Collusion Between Dam Owners and Seine Operators—Is Circulating Petitions to Close River.

That the finest trout-angling waters in the world are being ruined by the maintenance of the Ament dam on Rogue river, and that the dam is being maintained solely in the interests of the Grants Pass commercial fishermen, is the opinion of J. W. Hayes, who recently returned from an unsuccessful fishing trip up the Rogue river, says the News. Mr. Hayes is now circulating an initiative and referendum petition, asking for the passage of a law which will close the Rogue to any but hook and line angling.

"I fished Rogue river thoroughly from Trail creek down to the Jackson place, a distance of about ten miles," said Mr. Hayes, "and I didn't catch a single fish of any size except one mountain trout weighing about a pound and a half. These trout never go to the sea, like the salmon trout, which go down in the spring to meet the salmon and then come back with them. There have been practically no big trout in the river for the past three seasons. They get below the Ament dam and can't get back. There they stay with the new run of fish. While the water was high a few could get over, but now it is impossible for them to make it, and they are crowded together below the dam, striving to pass the barrier, only to be hurled back by the torrent that pours through the break in the dam. This leaves them an easy prey to the seine fishermen. Unless something is done to alter the present conditions, there won't be a fish left in the river worth catching inside of three years. Even now fishermen are keeping fish that are smaller than the law allows, because they cannot catch any that are larger.

"If the fish wardens would pay as much attention to the big evils as they do to some rancher's little irrigation ditch, there would be no lack of fish in Rogue river. As it is now, there are no fish of any size to enter the irrigation ditches.

"It looks as though the Ament dam was actually being maintained in the interests of the Grants Pass commercial fishermen, who, of course, are making a nice business of netting and shipping tons of the finest fish that swim. About 1000 pounds of steel bars were driven in the bottom of the river just below the dam by fish wardens last year. In two weeks they had all been taken out. No one but seine fishermen would have done this. Pieces of seines have been found on these bars when they have been allowed to remain in the river for a time. The fishways that have been placed at the dam have been jokes. They have been altogether inadequate to accommodate the millions of fish that seek to pass the dam.

"It is no wonder that violence has been talked of as a method of solving the problem. If ever a nuisance was maintained with no excuse but boggishness, it is the Ament dam."

#### PARR DISAPPOINTED WITH FEE OF ONLY \$100,000

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 18.—Following consideration by the cabinet it is believed today that Richard Parr will receive \$100,000 for aiding the government and exposing the sugar frauds. Unless a special appropriation is made by congress, Parr will be paid on the installment plan.

Parr, who is a deputy customs collector, expressed keen disappointment when he was informed of the government's probable action.

"I expected at least 35 per cent of the amount I saved the government," he said. "That would amount to about \$800,000."

#### TWO FIRST NUMBERS IN DRAWING NOT PRESENT

The drawing for the ticket to the Jeffries-Johnson fight took place at The Medford saloon Saturday afternoon. The first number was 345, the second 11,316, the third 5837 and the fourth 13,973.

Ten numbers were drawn, it being agreed that the winning number should be presented by noon Wednesday, June 22, else the next number drawn and presented would take the ticket, and so on down the list. J. E. Barksdahl holds the third and fourth tickets on the list, the two first not having been presented.

The tickets must be presented by noon Wednesday in order to be good.

Haskins for Health.

### BOWERMAN IS MAKING GOOD

Although Acting Governor Is Only 33 Years of Age, He Is Rapidly Winning Public Approval—Tackles a Big Amount of Work at Once.

SALEM, Or., June 18.—Since Jay Bowerman became acting governor of Oregon no state in the union, perhaps, has a trio of as young men in the most important departments of its administrative branch as does this state. The new acting governor is 33 years; Secretary C. N. McArthur, the personal representative of Governor Benson, was 31 years old the other day, while H. H. Corey, who is chief clerk in the offices of the secretary of state and has full charge of that office, is but 35 years old.

Eastern Oregon never before was so well represented in the executive department. Mr. Corey's home is Baker City, while the new acting governor lives at Condon. C. N. McArthur, whose home is in Portland, is Western Oregon's sole representative in the administrative offices. It is new blood and an aggressive combination and upon which the only restraint of a maturer mind is the conservative influence which might be exerted upon occasion by Treasurer of State George A. Steel.

Mr. Corey, of the secretary of state's office, and Acting Governor Bowerman fought together in the Philippines. Each attained the rank of sergeant and were attached to Battery B, light artillery, of the Second regiment of Oregon Volunteers. Mr. Corey was chief of the second division and Mr. Bowerman was chief of the fourth section. Mr. Corey is conceded to be one of the most efficient and most competent officials in the state's service at this time, and though older than the other two of the incomparable trio, looks to be the younger. All are big men, none weighing less than 190 pounds.

Though having been in office but two days and part of another, the new acting governor shows an adaptability for the job. He has been in office long enough to be besieged with the usual seekers after pardons and after office. In fact, he has already granted a pardon or two, partially investigated and recommended by Governor Benson. Applications have been numerous for the position of master fish warden since the announcement was made Thursday that H. C. McAllister would probably resign.

Today Mr. Bowerman left Salem for Condon, where next week he will try some water right cases in the circuit court for Wheeler county. After those cases have been disposed of he will return to Salem and resume his official duties here and will remain here until Governor Benson returns in July.

Mr. Bowerman became governor by virtue of that provision of the constitution of this state never before called into operation, which provides that in the case of the resignation, death or other disability of both the governor and secretary of state, the president of the senate shall act as governor. When the accumulation of state business made it imperative that someone with authority must act, Governor Benson asked Mr. Bowerman to come to Salem and he took an oath as acting Eakin Thursday evening.

Mr. Bowerman, though only acting governor, has all the authority and power of any governor of this state. He may grant pardons, make appointments or removals, the same as any chief executive until Governor Benson recrosses the line into Oregon, then his authority falls from him. He draws the governor's salary of \$5000 a year so long as he sits in the gubernatorial chair. He is not secretary of state, however. Governor Benson still holds that office and draws the salary attached thereto, which is \$4500, and which makes Mr. Benson's salary ordinarily \$9500 a year.

#### Postoffice Robbed.

PRYOR CREEK, Okla., June 18.—Four robbers today dynamited the safe in the postoffice here and escaped with \$4000 in stamps. The robbers used mail sacks to muffle the sound of the explosion.

They were overheard by A. C. Hadley, who was passing at the time. Hadley attempted to interfere and was fired upon, but not hit.

#### Singer Weds.

PARIS, June 18.—Madame Lina Cavallieri, the prima donna, and Robert Chanler, the Poughkeepsie millionaire, were married today by the maire of the eighth Arrondissement.

### CANNON REPLIES TO BITTER ATTACKS

Says Some of Most Critical Members Would Not Know the Rules If They Met Them Coming Down the Road Toward Them.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 18.—Speaker Cannon replied fiercely from the floor of the house today to the speeches of the insurgents made during the debate on rules reform yesterday.

"When my time comes I would rather pass from the house than bend my knee before demagogues and self-constituted righteous members of this house who criticize the speaker," Cannon said. "Some of the members attacking the speaker would not know the rules if they saw them coming down the street."

Cannon denied that he had ever smothered legislation.

The first action of the house under the rule adopted yesterday giving the house power on which committees had failed to report was used to call up a bill outting Democratic representation in Southern states. Bennett (Rep., N. Y.) introduced the resolution discharging the committee. The Democrats yesterday voted for the reform resolution.

#### AT THE CHURCHES.

##### Christian Church.

Corner of Sixth and Ivy streets. Services of special interest on Sunday. At 9:45 a. m., children's day program of the Sunday school; at 11 a. m., the weekly observance of the Lord's Supper, followed by a sermon on "Something to Do and Some Things Not to Do"; 7 p. m., Christian Endeavor service; 8 p. m., evening service, with a special sermon on the subject, "A United Church and a Believing World." Everybody invited to these services. W. Theo. Matlock, pastor.

##### Christian Science.

Services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Subject of lesson-sermon, "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" Sunday school at 10 o'clock; testimonial meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. All are welcome. 128 North Grape street, north Sherman-Clay music house.

##### Presbyterian Church.

Preaching at 11 a. m.; Sunday school at 10 a. m. W. H. Gore will preach in the morning and in the evening at 8 o'clock. Good music by the choir morning and evening. Mrs. D. H. Drewery will sing. A large attendance is expected at these services. The pastor, W. F. Shields, will be absent at Butte Falls, where he preaches by appointment of the Presbytery.

##### American Team Loses.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., June 18.—The All-American Rugby football team which is here today playing a series of games with the Sydney university team, was defeated in the first game. The score was 17 to 6. The All-American team is composed of students of the University of California, Stanford university and the University of Nevada.

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