

JACKSON COUNTY GAME LICENSE MONEY FOR TWO YEARS PAST NOT SENT STATE TREASURER

State Game Warden Finley Here to Find Out Why County Clerk Coleman Failed to Comply With Law, Which Requires that Money Received From Game and Anglers' Licenses Be Sent to Salem Every Three Months—Jackson Is Only County in State Thus Delinquent.

DEMAND FOR MONEY DUE IS MADE UPON COUNTY CLERK BY GAME WARDEN

Letters Calling Coleman's Attention to the Law Received No Attention—Failure to Receive Fund Results in Less Money Being Spent in Game and Fish Propagation in Jackson County.

Section 2341 of Lord's Code reads:

"No license shall be granted for a period longer than one year and all licenses shall expire on the 31st day of December next after their issuance and the same shall not be transferable. All moneys so collected by the county clerk shall at least once in every three months be forwarded to and deposited with the state treasurer and be placed to the credit of a fund which is hereby created to be known as the game protective fund, and which shall be used exclusively for the protection and propagation of game and game fish within the state of Oregon.

"Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$150, or by imprisonment in the county jail of the county wherein such unlawful act was committed for not less than ten days nor more than ninety days or by both such fine and imprisonment."

At a late hour Monday afternoon Game Warden Finley was in consultation with District Attorney Mulkey and may cause the arrest of County Clerk Coleman, as he has been instructed by the state game and fish commission to prosecute the case. According to Mr. Finley, Coleman has failed to satisfactorily explain why the money has not been turned over to the state, though Coleman claims it is on deposit in various banks.

Despite the fact that 3740 game and anglers' licenses were issued in Jackson county in 1910 and 6414 in 1911, some of them combination fish and game licenses at \$2 each and some foreign licenses at \$5, none of the money paid therefor has been deposited with the state treasurer by County Clerk Coleman, as required by law. To ascertain what has become of the money and find out why the law has not been obeyed, State Game Warden W. L. Finley arrived Monday from Portland, bringing with him several deputies, including an expert accountant, who left at noon for Jacksonville to go over the records. Said Mr. Finley:

No Money Sent In.
"Records of the state treasurer show that the last game license money paid in by County Clerk Coleman was February 15, 1910, when \$3025, license receipts for 1909, was received. The only money paid in from Jackson county for the game fund since was \$136.15 paid December 30, 1910, by the county treasurer as fines collected.

"The state law requires that the county clerk remit the license money every three months to the state treasurer. Although Mr. Coleman has been repeatedly notified by letter that he was delinquent in this regard, he has paid no attention to the letters and is now behind a considerable amount, probably between \$10,000 and \$11,000. It is to see what has become of this money and to straighten out the tangle that I have come down at the instance of the state game and fish commission.

Hinders Game Work.
"One reason—and the only reason that I know of—why more money has

not been spent in fish and game propagation in Jackson county is that no funds have been received from the county from licenses, the money from which is supposed to be used for game protection and propagation. Indeed for the last two years, the money spent for game protection and for hatchery work has come from the general fund contributed by other counties. This is unfair to the people paying money for licenses and to the people of Jackson county, which ranks second in the state in number of licenses issued."

Treasurer Kay's Report.
A report by State Treasurer T. B. Kay was recently printed in the Portland Telegram giving the amount of money contributed by each county in Oregon to the game and fish protection fund, the money being received from the sale of licenses and the fines paid by game law violators. The report showed that the county clerk of every county in the state, except Jackson county, had complied with the law and remitted the license money to the state treasurer.

An inquiry was made of the state treasurer as to why Jackson county was not mentioned, and the following reply was received:
"We have lately made out a report of the license money received, covering the matter, which was forwarded to William L. Finley, state game warden, whose duty it is to look after the collection of these monies. The list shows that Jackson county remitted no money, on this account during the last two years, and it is the only county in the state which did not."

Letter Sent Counties.
The following letter was sent Mr. Coleman and every other county clerk in Oregon, but never answered:
"October 14, 1911.
"Mr. W. R. Coleman, County Clerk, Jacksonville, Ore.
"Dear Sir: I have been asked by the state board of fish and game commissioners to check up on the amount of money that has been paid in thus far during this year on hunters' and anglers' licenses. As the law provides (Section 2341, Lord's Oregon Laws) that each county clerk shall send in the money collected for these licenses at least once every three months to the state treasurer, will you kindly let me know the separate amounts forwarded from your county for the three quarters ending March 31, June 30 and September 30?"

"At its last meeting the state board of fish and game commissioners decided to print the blanks for hunters' and anglers' licenses and pay for them out of the game protection fund. We deem it advisable to have a uniform license throughout the state which shall bear correct information concerning the game laws. Under authority of Attorney General Crawford we shall, therefore, furnish you, some time before January 1, the necessary blanks for issuing hunters' and anglers' licenses during the year 1912. From time to time there has been complaint that the expense of printing these forms should not be borne by the county, so from now on this expense will be met from the game protection fund.

Kindly fill out the enclosed blank immediately and return to me in enclosed envelope. We must have this information so we can go ahead with the printing and to know how many blanks to furnish you.
"Yours very truly,
"WM. L. FINLEY,
"State Game Warden."
State Treasurer Kay's report is as follows:
Game Protective Fund.
Received by the state treasurer for the year ending December 31, 1911.

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FRANCE BLAMES ITALIAN AMBASSADOR FOR CONFLICT



FRANCE GETTING READY FOR WAR

Officialdom States That Danger of War is Passing, But Arms and Munitions Are being Rushed to Strategic Points.

PARIS, Jan. 29.—While officialdom today states that danger of a war with Italy is less than it has been during the past week, preparations for immediate action by the French army and navy are continuing and it is believed that the danger has not as yet passed. Arms and munitions are being rushed to various strategic points in order that France may strike rapidly if necessary.

ITALY SEIZES BRITISH SHIP

Trouble Similar to That With France May Follow—Demand is Made by Great Britain on Rome for an Explanation.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—Serious trouble between England and Italy became a possibility today as a result of the Italian Red sea flotilla seizing a British launch near Hoheida, off the coast of Arabia.

In notifying the government of the seizure, which he says was unwarranted, the British consul at Hoheida urged the admiralty to hasten the dispatch of a cruiser to the scene, quick action, according to the cable message, is a necessity for the protection of British interests, as the Italians threaten to bombard Hoheida, jeopardizing the lives and property of many foreigners.

Upon receipt of the news here a telegram was sent to Rome demanding an immediate explanation of the seizure.

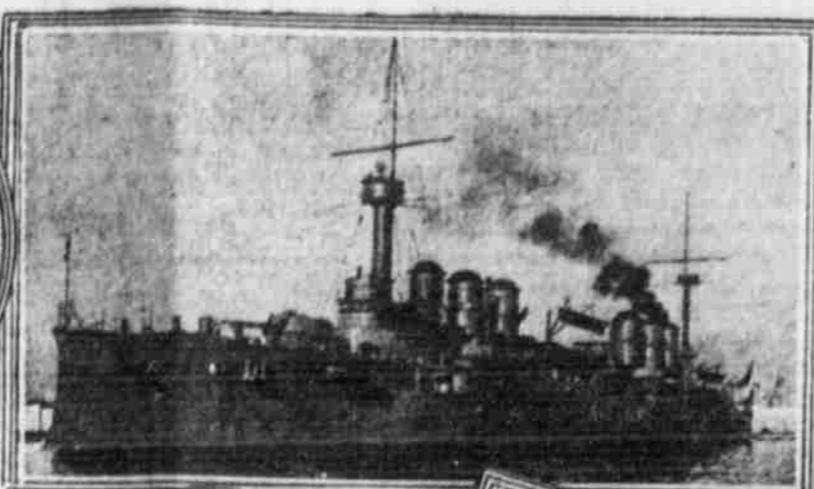
UNCLE OF KING REPORTED DEAD

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 29.—A cablegram received today here says the Duke of Fife, uncle by marriage to King George, is dead in Egypt.

SELLING MOVEMENT HEAVY ON NEW YORK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Saturday's heavy selling movement was continued when the stock market opened today. United States Steel lost a point on opening trading and Union Pacific was down 3-4. Canadian Pacific declined 1 3-8, Amalgamated Copper and Utah Copper a point. Great Northern preferred and Reading and Northern Pacific and Atchafalpa from 3-4 to 5-8. New York Central gained 3-4. Later the market received support and rose in spots, reading gaining 1 1-8 and Lehigh Valley 7-8. Buying decreased as the list hardened.

The market closed steady. Bonds were firm.
PARIS.—A one armed man, on whom surgeons planned to graft the arm of a dead man, refused to accept the limb of a murderer, declaring he never could tell what the arm might do when it got into action.



The conflict between France and Italy, which may result in estrangement, was brought about partly by an interview which it was alleged Signor Tittoni, the Italian ambassador to France, gave to the Paris correspondents of Italian newspapers intimating that Italy would not surrender the Turks she had taken from the Manouba nor abandon her right to capture vessels carrying contraband. Signor Tittoni later denied that he gave any interview. The Ernest Renan, two other French battleships and five submarines are at Nice, within ten miles of the Italian frontier.

15,000 STRIKERS MARCH AND SING THE MARSELLAISE

Sixteen Trolley Cars Have Windows Broken in Melee on Street—Soldiers Are Not Called on to Interfere.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Jan. 29.—Placing women and children at the head of the line, and under the protection of the American flag, 15,000 strikers sang the Marseillaise here today marching up the street, as a protest against the action of the operators of textile mills in refusing to negotiate with their workers. A mob of strikers endeavored to drive a carload of strikebreakers through the procession. The male element of the procession attacked the car, breaking the windows. Sixteen trolley cars had windows broken in the melee that followed.

Seven of the strikers were arrested. Despite the fact a captain of the militia received an injury to his face from flying glass, he did not order the soldiers to interfere, the troops confining their efforts to guarding the bridges leading to the mills.

GEORGE WINGFIELD IS NEAR DEATH

RENO, Nev., Jan. 29.—Grave concern is felt here today for George Wingfield, multi-millionaire mining man, who is critically ill with malignant diphtheria. Mrs. Wingfield, formerly Maude Murdock of San Francisco, also is ill.

IMPERIAL FORCES ARE COMPLETELY ROUTED

LONDON, Jan. 29.—A crushing defeat to the imperial forces commanded by General Chang Huan was administered by the Chinese revolutionists at Ku Cheng, according to a news agency dispatch received here today from Tien Tsin. No details were given. Ku Cheng is a small station about 125 miles north of Nanking on the Tsin Pakow railroad.

Lorimer Case Resumed.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 29.—Following a 10 days' recess, caused by the illness of his counsel, Judge Haney's cross examination of United States Senator Lorimer today was resumed before the senate investigating committee probing charges that the "blonde" bought his seat in the senate.

TESTIMONY OF MORRIS' SISTER AID TO STATE

Mrs. Jackson Says Wilde Told Her After Bank had Failed to "Stand Pat and Blame the Telephone Deal on Me."

ONE MAN BOUGHT \$4000 WORTH OF BONDS FOR \$2200

Many Witnesses Testify Regarding Wilde's Residence in San Diego.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 29.—One of the most damaging bits of testimony introduced so far tending to prove the state's contention that Louis J. Wilde, San Diego banker, and W. Cooper Morris conspired to loot the defunct Oregon Savings and Trust bank, fell from the lips of Morris' sister, Mrs. Lyda Jackson, of Seattle, on the stand for the prosecution in the Wilde trial today.

"Stand pat and lay the whole telephone deal to me. Be sure and tell that I got all the commission. It is no crime to be an overzealous salesman."
This is what Wilde told her, she testified, when she saw Wilde in Portland, at Morris' behest, soon after the bank had failed.
At the time Morris was in the east. She carried the instructions to Morris, who met her at Seattle.
On cross examination her testimony remained unshaken. The defense attempted to weaken the evident effect her words had on the jury by causing her to admit that she testified on Morris' request.
John Shorey, one of Morris' closest friends, L. G. Stratton, of San Diego, and Deputy Sheriff Archie Leonard of Portland were other witnesses called during the forenoon session.
Shorey said he purchased \$4000 worth of the bonds, part of Morris' alleged loot, for \$2200.
The others testified regarding Wilde's residence in San Diego and his arrest.

DAY IN JAIL FOR COUNTERFEITER

George Wilson Has to Serve Shortest Sentence Ever Passed Upon a Man Convicted of the Crime of Counterfeiting.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 29.—Beginning of what is the shortest sentence ever imposed upon a counterfeiter, George Wilson, convicted of coining \$50 gold pieces, was today taken to the Alameda county jail to serve a term of one day.

He may be released at midnight as the legal sentence may be construed to expire at that time, in conformity with the law which gives the prisoner the benefit of release on the last day of his sentence. The sheriff is consulting with the United States district attorney's office to decide whether Wilson shall be released at midnight or tomorrow at noon.
Wilson was given the minimum sentence because of testimony showing the prisoner's past good character. He also paid a fine of \$650.

LANDSLIDE SWEEPS TRAIN FROM TRACK

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 29.—Seven trainmen and one passenger were injured when the locomotive and two cars of the Great Northern "Owl" train, running between Portland, Seattle and Vancouver, B. C., were swept off the rails by a landslide near Blaine yesterday. Three of the injured men were taken to a hospital here and the rest went on to Vancouver later in the day.

GOVERNOR IS CONSIDERING EXTRA SESSION

Oswald West Acknowledges Receipt of Immensely Signed Petition by Wire From Medford and Says Special Session Will Be Considered.

ISSUES PROCLAMATION FIXING "GOOD ROADS" WEEK

Beginning Monday, February 5, Executive Wishes All to Discuss Roads for One Week.

Governor Oswald West has acknowledged the receipt of the numerous signed petition from Medford asking for a special session of the legislature to consider good road legislation and states that it will be given careful consideration by him. He has also issued a proclamation fixing the first week as in February as good roads week, during which time the people of the state and the press in particular are requested to discuss the matter of better highways.

The Proclamation.

The proclamation of the governor is as follows:
Salem, Ore., Jan. 26.
Oregon is on the eve of a great awakening. The morrow will bring the Panama Canal, and with it will come unbounded opportunities with their attendant influx of population and consequent commercial and industrial growth, advancement and prosperity.
Our Creator in the beginning molded our state with kindly hands. When we think of her delightful climate, her hundreds of miles of golden beach, her lofty mountains and rushing streams, crystal lakes and beautiful harbors, her magnificent forests and rolling prairies, fertile valleys and roaming herds, of her waving grain and luscious fruits—land dotted with prosperous cities and productive farms—we must admit that nature has fully performed her part. The federal government too has treated us fairly in the way of appropriations for the development of our waterways and even the railroads have awakened to the realization of our needs and their opportunities and are checkerboarding the state with hands of steel.

Roads Are Neglected.

In view of these things we are prompted to ask ourselves what should we do in the way of co-operation with these several agencies for the development of the state? It is true that we have given good laws, good government and good schools and many other desirable things to those who have come within our borders, but much of this good has been nullified by some of the things we have failed to do and chief among these is our neglect in the matter of the construction of good roads.
Without good roads there can be no great development and no great progress. What we need most is more people—more people in the rural districts. And in order to attract people to the rural district we must make rural life pleasant and attractive. You cannot maroon a new settler and his family on an ocean of mud, no matter how beautiful the spot, and expect to find him happy and content. He demands good roads leading to the church and the schools and good roads leading to the markets and he is going to locate in that section where these advantages are to be found.

Is Good Business.

It is not only our duty but it is in keeping with good business to build good roads. Money spent for good roads is money well spent. When we speak of spending several million dollars during the next few years in road construction many are staggered by the proposal and the figures. They apparently are not aware that the several counties in this state spent over \$10,000,000 during the past six years for road work, much of which was lost through lack of system and knowledge as to scientific road building.
The question of good roads has been fairly well discussed of late and we have learned more about road building during the past few years

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