

Text of the New Law

A BILL.
For an act to provide for the extermination and eradication of ground squirrels, other noxious rodents and predatory animals, authorizing county courts and boards of county commissioners to provide funds therefor, and prescribing the manner of procedure to create a lien upon the property infested with such rodents for the extermination thereof and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Oregon:

Section 1. It shall be and is hereby declared to be the duty of every person, firm, copartnership, company or corporation owning, leasing, occupying, possessing or having charge of or dominion over any land, place, building, structure, wharf, pier or dock which is infested with ground squirrels and other noxious rodents or predatory animals, or as soon as the presence of the same shall come to his, their or its knowledge, at once to proceed and to continue in good faith to exterminate and destroy such rodents by poisoning, trapping or other appropriate and effective means.

Section 2. The county court or board of county commissioners in any county of this state is hereby authorized and empowered, or on a petition of one hundred, or more, taxpayers and landowners of said county, shall, unless a remonstrance containing the names of a greater number of taxpayers and landowners shall be presented, appropriate adequate funds not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) in amount, for the creation of a revolving fund to be used in the extermination and destruction of ground squirrels and other noxious rodents or predatory animals, in accordance with the provisions of this act.

Section 3. The county court or board of county commissioners is hereby authorized to purchase poison and other supplies necessary for the extermination and eradication of any ground squirrels and other noxious rodents or predatory animals and to cause said poison to be mixed and poison baits to be prepared and to sell the same at cost to residents of said county for the purposes aforesaid, and the proceeds derived from any sale thereof shall be paid to and become a part of said revolving fund.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the agricultural agent of every county in this state, or in counties not having such agricultural agent any person appointed by the court to carry out the provisions of this act shall be deemed to be the agricultural agent for the purposes thereof, to mix any poison and to prepare poison baits and distribute the same, or other necessary supplies provided by said court or board of county commissioners, to the applicants for same and to collect all moneys, and receipt therefor, and make a monthly report to said court. Such agricultural agent shall receive

no additional compensation for performing the duties herein, but shall be allowed such additional assistance as in the opinion of said court or board shall be necessary to effectively carry out the provisions hereof, and in counties not having an agricultural agent the court or board of county commissioners shall fix the compensation of the person so appointed, which shall not exceed \$5.00 per day, and shall prescribe by order such additional assistance as may be necessary to carry out the provisions hereof.

Section 5. The agricultural agent shall give notice to all persons residing or owning any land within said county, by the publication thereof; in not less than two newspapers of general circulation within said county for two weeks, or three issues, of said paper of the kind of poison or poison baits or method most expedient or effective to be used for the extermination or destruction of such rodents, and the time when the same is to be put out or used; said notice shall be deemed to be sufficient to all persons described in section 1 hereof, and unless any such person shall, within 30 days from the first publication of said notice, begin in good faith to exterminate, eradicate, and destroy, as aforesaid, or by any other effective means, any ground squirrels, or other noxious rodents or predatory animals, that may be designated in the published notice aforesaid, it shall then be the duty of the county court to appoint a person or persons recommended by the agricultural agent, to proceed with the extermination and eradication of such rodents upon the land or place, as aforesaid, and for that purpose the said person or persons appointed are hereby authorized to enter upon any land, place, building, structure, wharf, pier or dock for the purpose of this act, and any expense incurred in the extermination or eradication of such rodents, including a charge for services of not to exceed five dollars (\$5.00) per diem, said person or persons shall set forth, fully itemized, in a statement with a description of the property upon which any sum of money shall have been expended, verified, and present such statement to the county court within sixty days from the time that said money shall have been expended, and the court shall examine into the items thereof and approve the same, and if the expense thereof is found to be unreasonable, shall correct said unreasonable items thereof and modify said statement; thereupon the court shall file such statement in the office of the county clerk, and from the date of filing thereof said sum of money shall constitute a lien upon the property therein described.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the county clerk on and after the first day of December of each year following the filing of said statement,



unless the same shall have been fully paid and satisfied, to present said statements to the county assessor of the county, whose duty it shall be to extend the amounts thereof on the assessment roll against the said premises, and the same procedure provided by law for the collection of taxes and delinquent taxes shall be applicable thereto, and upon collection thereof the proceeds shall be paid in and become a part of the revolving fund, as aforesaid.

Section 7. All poison baits prepared and distributed by the agricultural agent, as aforesaid, shall be placed in containers, plainly labeled, to show the contents thereof, and in order to secure the most effective and economical expenditures of funds for the extermination and destruction of the said ground squirrels and other noxious rodents or predatory animals, the county court or board of county commissioners shall cooperate, so far as practicable, with the state and federal organizations engaged in similar work.

Section 8. Whereas, many lands, places, buildings, structures, wharfs, piers and docks within the state of Oregon are infested with noxious rodents which constitute a menace to the public peace, health and safety, therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this act shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the governor.

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MOVEMENT IN IDAHO FOR \$100,000,000 RECLAMATION FUND

POCATELLO, Idaho, April 5—Recently a movement was started in Pocatello, in which twenty-one counties participated, to float a loan, or revolving fund, in the sum of \$100,000,000, for the reclamation of about two and a half million acres of land in eastern and southern Idaho.

Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane will aid in the work by the re-introduction of his bill in the next congress. It was defeated by the retiring democratic body. Letters received by the officers of the Idaho reclamation association are to the effect that Secretary Lane has very much at heart the irrigation projects of the dry areas of the west. It is said, there is every prospect that the deal will culminate in a favorable manner.

In the meantime the various counties of the irrigated and farming sections are reinforcing the proposition, and are organizing local units, one from each county.

LETTERS WORK FOR VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN

Yours for the Victory Loan.
A prominent business man of St. Louis has suggested that if all business letters were signed in this manner the thought of the Victory Liberty Loan would be so firmly impressed on everyone's mind that it would be much easier to raise the \$5,000,000,000 to be asked for by the government beginning with the fifth drive April 21.

Make your letters work for the Victory Loan. Start in now to boost. Make the slogan "Yours for the Victory Loan," help put the fifth drive over the top.

AMERICANS NEVER QUIT

The Germans found that the American doughboys at the front were not quitters. Let us show those doughboys that the Americans who stayed at home are not quitters. There is no better way to do this than to hold on to the Liberty Bonds we have and buy to the limit when we are asked to take more.

Carter Glass, Secretary of the Treasury, said recently:
"Our boys at the front in the service of the government have never quit. If you sell your Liberty Bonds you quit at a time when the government needs your continued support. Every time you hurt the credit of our government and make it more difficult to finance the war. The cost of the war continues until peace is signed and our gallant boys are brought back to American soil."

There is no excuse for you to sell your bonds unless you are without food or are to be turned out of your home. In a Liberty Bond you have the safest investment in the world. The credit of the United States, whose wealth is estimated at \$250,000,000,000, is a guarantee that you will get your money back. In the meantime your money will be working for you at a fair rate of interest.

BONELESS BEEF SAVES U. S. ARMY \$73,000 DAILY

War Department Cuts Expenses on Meat Shipments for the A. E. F.

Thousands of tons of boneless beef was shipped to the American Expeditionary Forces in order to cut the cost of transportation and save valuable freight space. This is only one of the ways in which the government eliminated unnecessary expense in the endeavor to make every dollar raised through the four popular Liberty Loans go as far as possible.

By shipping all meat for the overseas troops with the bones cut out at the packing houses in America it has been estimated that a saving of \$73,000 daily was made. The suggestion to ship the meat in this economical manner was made by an army man after he watched thousands of tons go forward by the old method. A carcass of beef contains twenty-five pounds of bone to every hundred pounds of meat and requires twice the shipping space.

It is with such unanswerable arguments as these that the government is replying to the charges that money was carelessly spent during the war making necessary the calling of the Victory Loan.

VICTORY DRIVE MEDALS

Medals made from captured German cannon will be awarded by the Treasury Department to volunteer workers who take part in the Victory Liberty Loan drive for \$5,000,000,000 which will start April 21.

Inscribed on the face of the medal will be the name of the worker and the service for which the medal was awarded.

BACK LIKE A BOARD? IT'S YOUR KIDNEYS

There's no use suffering from the awful agony of lame back. Don't wait till it "passes off." It only comes back. Find the cause and stop it. Diseased conditions of kidneys are usually indicated by stiff lame backs and other wrenching pains, which are nature's signals for help!

Here's the remedy. When you feel the first twinges of pain or experience any of these symptoms, get busy at once. Go to your druggist and get a box of the pure, original GOLD MEDAL "Hearlem" Oil Capsules. Imported fresh every month from the laboratories in Haarlem, Holland. Pleasant and easy to take, they instantly attack the poisonous germs clogging your system and bring quick relief.

For over two hundred years they have been helping the sick. Why not try them? Sold everywhere by reliable druggists in sealed packages. Three sizes. Money back if they do not help you. Ask for "GOLD MEDAL" and be sure the name "GOLD MEDAL" is on the box.



Spring is here and you can satisfy your ambition by purchasing a lawn mowing and gardening tools of the

Pooler Furniture Co.

We carry a big line of furniture and household necessities to supply the Spring wants.

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Tribute to the Progress of Our Dairy Farmers

We believe the opening of our new creamery in Medford is a tribute to the city and the dairy farmers who contribute so much to the progress and success of the community.

As an indication of how closely creameries parallel the development and growth of a community, we quote the following from an actual report of the Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture:

"In the year 1884 a creamery was located in a certain town not especially noted for good butter. It began with 17 patrons owning 100 cows, and the daily product was 79 pounds. In 1893 it had 116 patrons holding 1,000 cows, and its annual product per cow was 289 pounds of butter. The product has sold at the highest market price and the cow owners have received a greater net income per cow than ever experienced before. Nothing would induce these patrons to return to farm dairying. They received from the factory during nine years \$458,000 in monthly cash installments. The market for their butter is at their doors and they can pay cash for all their supplies. Farms and farm buildings have been improved. Dairy stocks have been doubled and trebled. The community has taken on a new inspiration."

The parent concern of the newly opened Medford Creamery has been established at Independence for 19 years. We bring these 19 years of experience in successfully operating a creamery at Independence into this community. We are here to render you a service. You are cordially invited to drop around and get acquainted. If we can't convince you that it's worth while to bring your cream here—and that we will give you a square deal at all times—then most assuredly we do not expect to get your business.

With the utmost faith in the progress of Medford and vicinity, we are

Yours very cordially,

INDEPENDENCE CREAMERY

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We are prepared to furnish you with **GRASSELLI ARSENATE OF LEAD** in paste or powder. This product is manufactured by one of the largest chemical factories in the United States.

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Our prices right. Our quality unsurpassed. We also handle guaranteed Spray Hose, Black Leaf 40, Lime Sulphur, etc. We distribute Squirrel Poison.

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