

## GAME KILLED IN FOREST RESERVES

Salem, Ore., May 11.—Governor West has received a complete report from the United States Forestry Service in which estimate of the condition of game in the various National forests in Oregon is made, and which the Governor will refer to the State Fish and Game Commission. The estimate is based on investigations of supervisors of the several forests concerned. The report estimates elk as follows: Cascade forest, 30; Malheur forest, 20, with hunters killing an average of five a year; Oregon National Forest, 57; Siskiyou forest, 50; Siuslaw forest, 20; Umatilla forest, 13; Whitman forest, 125, with hunters killing an average of twenty-five annually; Crater National forest, 15, gray wolves destroying nearly all the young, while the winters pull down the weak ones. In all the estimates limit the number of elk in the National forests in Oregon to 538. It is estimated that 100,000 of various species of deer are found within the boundaries of Oregon forests, and about 14,000 of these are killed annually by hunters, while 20,000 are the prey of predatory animals. The report estimates that one forest contains about 40 per cent of their productive capacity of field birds, while ducks appear to be decreasing about 2 per cent annually in the reserves, especially in the region of Crater Lake forest on account of the fact that 5000 persons spend from one to six weeks each season there while hunting and fishing. It is estimated that there are in the National forest area of Oregon 24,000 coyotes, 120,000 wild cats, 500 bear, 3000 cougars and 900 wolves, which annually kill stock valued at \$120,000 besides being responsible for the destruction of numerous birds and animals. The report shows that one cougar during his life time will kill 1800 to 2500 deer. The Government authorities advise the Governor that the most effective means for the protection of game animals would be the employment of hunters for three years, or to increase the bounty as predatory animals in the National forests are more responsible for the loss of game birds and animals than hunters and trappers. The authorities estimate that 5,155,000 fish of the trout and salmon variety are taken annually from forest streams in this state by approximately 8000 fisherman. After careful investigation of the game violations in the

forests, George H. Cecil, the district forester, report as follows to the department: "The most frequent violations of game laws is hunting out of season. Backwoods settlers, prospectors and trappers are chiefly to blame for killing game out of season since they regularly use venison as fresh meat throughout the year. Other settlers claim that during the open season they are too busy with their harvest and ranch work to spare time for hunting them. They feel that they are entitled to a share of game, hence many of them kill deer at any time they get an opportunity, which usually is in the winter months. Frequent violations is by the city or town pot hunter who bangs away at everything he sees moving in the woods. He will probably cripple a half dozen deer before he kills one outright. These go into the woods to die. The country is becoming more thickly settled from year to year, consequently deer will be forced farther back into the hills, lessening their range and at the same time they will be hunted more. It is believed the number killed by each hunter in a season should be reduced from 5 to 2. Indians from the Umatilla Indian Reservation are responsible for killing many deer out of season. They have no regard for the great number of fish and game they take. It is believed the appointment of the forest officers as game wardens would create adverse sentiment among settlers which would be damaging to the general administrative work of the officers, especially in securing assistance during the fire season. Water is successfully developed in the Paulina Mountains, thereby relieving to a considerable extent the congested areas now used for sheep grazing. It is believed a game preserve should be established in the Paulina Mountains in the Deschutes forest and extend south in the Fremont forest to the Connelly hills for the protection mainly of mule deer and sage hens. Hundreds of deer are killed there during the winter months. When the deep snow drives them down out of the mountains they gather in the Fort Rock valley and are hunted on horse back and easily killed in the open desert, sometimes a dozen at a time. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets will clear the sour stomach, sweeten the breath and create a healthy appetite. They promote the flow of gastric juice, thereby introducing good digestion. Sold by all good dealers.

## FURTHER EXTENSION OF RAILROADS IN OREGON TO AWAIT PATRONAGE

### Financiers Looking to Present Returns and Harriman Line Will Probably Not Go South of Bend at Present

The Oregonian: Further railroad construction in Central Oregon may depend largely on the patronage given those lines recently completed and now being built, according to the statements of Julius Kruttschnitt, vice-president and director of maintenance and operation of the Harriman system, who arrived in Portland yesterday afternoon from a trip over the O. W. & N. main line and branches. Mr. Kruttschnitt was accompanied on his tour by J. P. O'Brien, vice-president and general manager of the O. W. R. & N. Co., who joined him at North Yakima last Sunday morning. They traveled over the newly opened Yakima division and inspected the properties in the vicinity of Spokane before starting up the Deschutes Valley, Tuesday. Progress on rail road construction work and the general condition of the territory that they traversed seemed to please them, but they appeared willing to await the result of their present activities before arranging plans for the future. "Our work of the last few years represents a large investment," said Mr. Kruttschnitt, "and I think we should see first what the country does in the way of response before planning anything further. "Central Oregon looks fine and it is pleasing to observe that the land is rapidly being taken up. A good deal of it has been broken and the country is building up rapidly. "We have a fine road into Central Oregon and now are open as far as Madras. We are accommodating some traffic already. A circus train was the first big piece of business that we handed into Madras. "At present we are prepared to go to Bend, but nothing has been done toward extending the line beyond that point. That, in addition to carrying out the improvements already under way or

provided for, the Harriman system contemplates no immediate activity, is the inference left by Mr. Kruttschnitt. Although the route from Bend to Odell, on the Natron-Klamath cutoff of the Southern Pacific, has been surveyed and although Robert S. Lovett, president of the system, when in Portland last August, announced the extension of the Deschutes line to Odell, it is not likely that it will be built soon. When Judge Lovett was here in December the Deschutes road was projected only to Redmond and he contemplated the construction of a Southern Pacific connection from that point. Since then arrangements have been made to extend the service to Bend and Portland officials in favor of joining the Deschutes line with a link from Bend to Odell, a distance of 55 miles. It is believed that ultimately this connection will be built but Mr. Kruttschnitt's expressions indicate that the Harriman directors prefer to see what business will grow out of their present venture before expending more money. The recent inspection trip did not cover the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon, which are in Mr. O'Brien's jurisdiction, and the officials were not familiar with the status of the work on the Natron-Klamath cut off, which is to make a 22-hours schedule between Portland and San Francisco possible. The present contracts on either end of that project will be finished before the middle of the coming summer, but no definite arrangements have been made for completing the remaining gap, which will be approximately 100 miles in length and include some of the most difficult parts of the construction. It is expected, however, that the Harriman directors will vote an appropriation to make the cut off complete. Until the Natron-Klamath project is finished it is not expected that the Bend-Odell link will be constructed,

as, excepting to serve local traffic, there would be little advantage in having it.

### NEW STATE LAWS

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Oregon will have an assistant secretary of state after May 20th. He will have the authority to discharge the duties of the secretary of state whenever his chief is unable to attend to the work. In the future names of the candidates will rotate on the ballot. Under the new law the alphabetical system will disappear and every man seeking office will have his name appear at the top of the ballot as often as his opponents. His name will be printed an equal number of times in each position. A state parole board is also created by one of the new laws. The governor secretary of state and superintendent of the penitentiary will have authority to parole convicts whom they regard as deserving of clemency. The office of state immigration agent is also created. He will have the authority to send out with the official approval of the state of Oregon literature designated to attract homesteaders. This bill carries a \$25,000 appropriation, but in order to save it from the veto of the governor, C. C. Chapman, publicity manager of the Portland Commercial club, agreed not to use any state funds in the official promotion work.

### Shearing Plants

The sheep shearing corrals and dipping vats at Camas Prairie are now in first class order. During the shearing season the corrals will be in charge of the sheepmen. ROSA McDANIEL. My corrals on the West Side are now ready for the sheep shearing season, and I have a dipping plant in connection. Will have a good crew and superintend the work myself. JOE AMBROSE. John D. Rockefeller would go broke if he should spend his entire income trying to prepare a better medicine than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for diarrhoea, dysentery or bowel complaints. It is simply impossible, and so says every one that has used it. Sold by all good dealers.

### Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

## SHOOTS LEADER TO SAVE WRECK

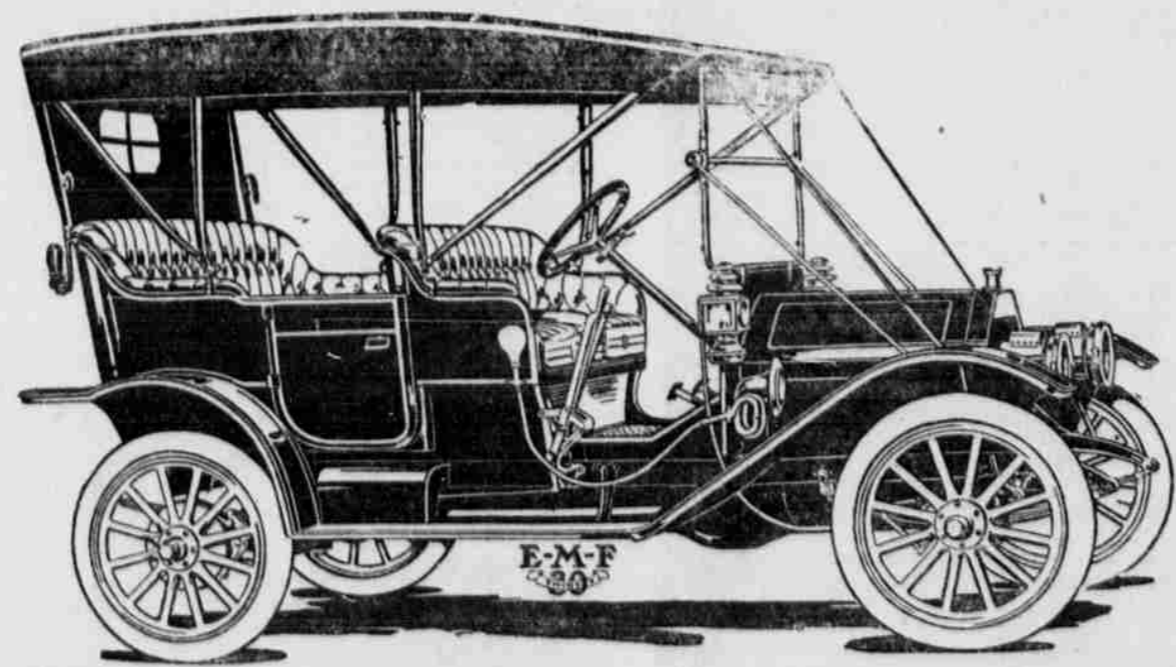
Medford Sun: The wildest stories of pioneer days were duplicated yesterday on the Crescent City road when Jack Loudon, an old time driver, to stop a run-away of his four-horse team as it was within a few yards of a high cliff and sharp curve, shot one of the leaders dead and is himself lying fatally injured at Love station. The stage had started from Grants Pass in the morning with two passengers for Crescent City, Mr. Record, of Waldo, and B. O. Entriken, of Portland. As the stage was passing over Haze Hill the horses became frightened and started to run away. They ran for some distance, it seems, when Loudon saw that they were uncontrollable and a few yards more would have precipitated the team, stage and three human occupants over a high precipice at a sharp curve. With coolness and presence of mind equal to Hank Monk who took Horace Greeley over the high Sierras from Virginia City to Placerville in time for his lecture that evening Loudon whipped out a huge revolver he carries and with unerring aim shot one of the leaders dead in the harness. His object was to pile up and stop the animals, but it did not have the effect, for the horses dragged their dead mate along far enough to take themselves and stage over the cliff and Loudon, in spite of his coolness and heroism was thrown headlong down the mountain side, striking on his head and fracturing his skull. The passengers had made their escape by leaping from the side door of the Concord and were injured comparatively slightly. Loudon was taken back to Love station, which is but a short distance from Haze Hill. He was unconscious and at last accounts was still in that condition with no hope being held out for his recovery. A physician was summoned and hastened to the scene by auto, so it is understood. He found it inexpedient to remove the patient to Grants Pass and is caring for him to the best advantage at the station. The particulars that reached Grants Pass are somewhat meager but at a late hour last night it was reported that Loudon was still alive with still no hope, apparently for his recovery. An adv in the Examiner will bring results. Try it and be convinced.

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