

TWO-DAY MEET MAY DEVELOP MANY RESULTS

WILDLIFE FEDERATION GATH-
ERING IN CORVALLIS

Portland, Ore.
The Sunday Helms
Climax of Session Involving Oregon's
Welfare Will Be Banquet Tonight
with Dr. Needham as Speaker.

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Much is expected to result from the two-day session of the Oregon Wildlife federation, which will climax its fourth annual convention tonight at Corvallis with a speech by Dr. Paul R. Needham of the United States Bureau of Fisheries.

His subject will be "Introduction of Rainbow Trout into Mexico" and will be given during the annual banquet.

Governor Charles A. Sprague, Dr. Frederick M. Hunter, chancellor of the state board of higher education, and Dr. Wm. L. Finley of Portland will also give brief talks. Ed F. Averill will be toastmaster.

Subjects to be discussed at the business sessions are as follows:

"Law Violations and Court Disposal" by Captain Charles H. McClees, Oregon state police, in charge of game law enforcement; "Ways and Means of Improving Habitat Conditions for Migratory Birds" by T. B. Murray, regional director of the United States biological survey, and Stanley G. Jewett, regional biologist; "The Game Commission and Its Program" by Ed E. Wilson, chairman of the Oregon state game commission; "The Mule Deer Kill" by Frank B. Wire, game supervisor; "Future Range Management Program of the United States forest service, and "Its Relation to Big Game" by L. H. Douglas, division of range management; "The Game Commission's Program of Big Game Management" by George Aiken, member of the Oregon state game commission; "Dams on the Willamette and Probable Effect on Wildlife" by H. A. Rands, United States army engineer, C. D. Stringer, former state senator, and John C. Veatch, chairman of the Oregon fish commission; "Oregon and Its Fish Problem" by Fred J. Fester, regional director of the United States bureau of fisheries, B. M. Brennan, director of Washington state fisheries; "The Oregon Roadside Council and Its Program" by Jessie M. Honeyman, president emeritus, and Mrs. Frank J. Smith, secretary; "Upland Bird Studies in the Willamette" by Arthur Einarsen, and "Studies of the Oyster" by R. E. Dimick of Oregon State college.

Dams Held Fish Threat

Oregonian
Wild Life Meet
Hears Official

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OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis, Dec. 8 (Special)—The Columbia river salmon industry faces virtual destruction if high dams are erected on the Willamette river under the Willamette flood control program, John C. Veatch, chairman of the Oregon fish commission, told 215 delegates to the fourth annual Oregon Wildlife federation conference here Friday.

Veatch said he had no objection to the low dams as proposed on the Long Tom, Row river and coast fork of the Willamette, since they would not interfere appreciably with salmon migration. He recommended no commercial fishing above Bonneville dam.

Town Plea Made

With Veatch's statement came a plea from C. D. Stringer, former state senator, Lebanon, for the very existence of Sweet Home, a lumbering town of 1500, which will be buried under 100 feet of water if a proposed 126-foot dam is erected on the South Santiam. Army engineers have approved the project.

Ed Averill, Portland, past president of the federation, said the Portland city council was holding up the construction of a municipal sewage system, despite the people voting it in over a year ago.

"Council members are using one excuse after another to block progress," Averill charged.

Council Backing Urged

Delegates from all parts of the state, representing 38 different organizations, heard 87-year-old Mrs. Jessie M. Honeyman, Portland, urge support for the Oregon roadside and council program.

Carl E. Green, state sanitary engineer, declared that lack of funds was holding up stream pollution legislation efforts by various groups. Ben S. Morrow, Portland city engineer, scheduled to talk on the same subject, was not able to appear.

Various reports on game conditions were made during the day. Regret was expressed upon receipt of word that William L. Finley, vice-president of the National Wildlife federation, was confined in a Portland hospital. He was scheduled several times on the program. The two-day conference ends here Saturday. Election of officers, other wildlife reports and discussion of a legislative program for the federation is scheduled Saturday. A message from Governor Charles A. Sprague will be delivered at the annual banquet by Cecil L. Edwards, his secretary, Saturday night.

Finleys to Leave On Long Nature Lecturing Trip

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William L. Finley, naturalist and Journal writer, with Mrs. Finley, will leave here Monday by automobile on a tour through the South and East, the itinerary including lectures, conferences, visits with friends and relatives and attendance at two wildlife group conventions.

Finley will lecture in a number of California cities, telling of the animal and fish life and scenic beauty of Oregon, before moving on to Abiquiu, N. M., home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur N. Pack.

Pack is president of the American Nature association and is interested in forest, fish and game conservation, as is Finley, who is vice president of both the National Wildlife federation and National Izaak Walton league. They plan conferences which will result in coordination of the work of the three organizations.

One area being watched by the various organizations interested in wildlife and forest conservation is the Willamette valley, where dam building projects are in the offing. Besides being a possible danger to fish life, the dams will result in the flooding of considerable forest area, in addition to roads and railroads, Finley points out. While army engineers believe damage costs should be met by local areas affected, since they will reap the project benefits, pressure groups are at work trying to pass the costs on to the federal government, Finley charges. These matters he intends to explain in his Eastern speaking engagements and later in March conventions of the Wildlife federation in Washington, D. C., and the Walton league in Chicago.

Finley believes the conventions also will take up the matter of stream purification on a national scale.

FINLEYS TO TOUR

Oregonian
W. L. Finley, Portland naturalist, and Mrs. Finley will leave today for a motor tour of the south, where Mr. Finley will deliver a series of lectures on conservation. *Dec. 17, 1939*

Two Appointed on Directors' Board

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Governor Charles A. Sprague Saturday appointed Glen S. Macy, McMinnville, and William Finley, jr., Portland, as members of the state board of funeral directors and embalmers. They will serve two year terms.

Macy succeeds T. B. Bombay, Pendleton, while Finley succeeds Phillip A. Zellar, Portland.