

Summer Quarter News No. 4
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**Two Entertainments
Booked During Week**

**Explorer Lectures Tonight—Trio
Gives Concert Tuesday**

July 5 1934
Two numbers on the Summer Quarter entertainment program, one this evening and another Tuesday, are scheduled for this week.

Five reels of motion pictures entitled "Birds, Bergs and Kodiak Bears," will be shown in Agricultural Assembly at 8:15 tonight—not at 4:15 as formerly announced—by William L. Finley, naturalist, author and explorer, of Portland, Ore. Mr. Finley will explain the pictures.

30 Years an Explorer

For the last 30 years Mr. Finley has cruised the coastline and packed and camped through the wild, mountainous country of the Pacific coast from Alaska to Mexico. His travels have resulted in the production of more than 200,000 feet of motion pictures, exclusive of 50,000 feet still in negatives. His collection is said to constitute "the greatest photographic record of American wild life ever made."

Mr. Finley stalked Kodiak and grizzly bears as they came to fish in the salmon streams, and visited far-off sea islands to find birds seldom seen outside of museums for the filming of the picture to be shown tonight. He is known in America for his articles in Nature Magazine, the National Geographic and the Atlantic Monthly.

Hilger Sisters Tuesday

The fifth number in the entertainment program—the last of the first term of Summer Quarter—will be a concert by the Hilger Sisters String Trio at 8 p. m. Tuesday in Agricultural Assembly. The trio—composed of Elsa Hilger, cellist, Maria, violinist, and Greta, pianist—is making an extensive tour of the country to appear in ensemble and solo numbers.

In a recent New York appearance, a New York newspaper said, "in tone, phrasing, precision and intonation the Hilger Trio gave decisive proof of their individual and ensemble talents and won deserved recognition."

Activities tickets will admit holders to both programs. General admission will be 35 cents, children's admission 15 cents.

John Western Birdway
July 7 1934
WESTERN BIRDWAY
YEARS ago, when William L. Finley opposed the draining of Lower Klamath lake, a lot of folks said he was an extremist. They even went so far as to suggest that he might be the victim of a harmless but persistent aberration.

Now the same people know that the destruction of Lower Klamath lake erased a dinner table and a rest room for migratory waterfowl. It broke the necessary chain of filling stations in the great Western birdway.

And no one profited particularly, if at all, by draining the lake. The land hasn't been profitably used. Its first value was not its division into the small garden farms of an irrigation project. Klamath has fine irrigation districts, but the lower Klamath lake area isn't one of them. The far greater value was for wild life. Leaving for Washington, D. C., as a member of the Wallace advisory board on migratory birds, William L. Finley announces that he will fight in defense of wild life in Oregon. If he wishes to say, "I told you so," Lower Klamath lake will supply the "horrible example."

But when Oregon's naturalist says the reclamation bureau is trying to destroy wild life by draining its feeding lakes, he may refer to the distant past, certainly not to the more intelligent present.

Reclamation policy now proposes as water storage the very lakes where wild fowl rest and nest. The testing of lands for feasible reclamation, as now conducted, would have forbidden harm to Lower Klamath lake. The adjacency of irrigated farms and recreation areas is one of the strongest arguments for country homes in the West. That there are two acres for fun to each acre for work opens a new vista of rural opportunity.

Yachats Bay News
That 6000 or more antelope are dying for lack of water near Hart Mountain in Oregon is pitiful and has drawn a splendid editorial from the pen of perhaps Oregon's foremost editor, B. F. Irvine, of the Portland Journal. If William L. Finley of Portland, foremost of Oregon's naturalists and equal to any in his field elsewhere, will find some way to aid these animals before it is too late the citizens will owe him another debt of gratitude in which Mr. Irvin will have a part. *8-16-34* J. P.

Yachats Bay News
Birds Destroy
Aug. 23 1934
Few Game Fish
**OREGON FISH COMMISSION IS
MAKING SURVEY OF FISH-
EATING BIRDS HERE**

By Joseph Patterson

Last week a Portland newspaper carried a story from Toledo stating that the sportsmen's club there was seeking to find a way to destroy birds which fed on trout. Joseph Patterson clipped the story and sent it to his friend, Dr. William L. Finley of Portland, an ornithologist and naturalist of such great renown that none surpasses him. Dr. Finley is an annual guest at the White House since first invited by President Theodore Roosevelt and his Washington address is the Cosmos Club, the club of which President Woodrow Wilson, upon refusing an honorary membership to Chevey Chase Country Club, said, that had the Cosmos Club so honored him, he would have accepted the honor gladly. Dr. Finley is a member of the Federal Migratory Bird Commission and his bird sanctuaries are too numerous to mention. So far, all his predictions, as the one about draining Malheur lake, for which William Hanley attempted to his humiliation once to ridicule Finley, finding that Finley was a national figure whereas Hanley was scarcely known throughout his state, have come true.

Dr. Finley's letter follows and should carry weight:

"Portland, Ore., Aug. 16, 1934

"Dear Joe:

"Glad to hear from you. Regarding clipping: sportsmen are always looking to lay destruction of fish on something besides human agencies.

"This story about the sheldrake baiting pools is a lot of tommyrot. They do catch and eat a lot of fish and are perhaps the most destructive of birds on streams where trout live. The kingfisher is not hard on trout but gets the more sluggish species of trash fish.

"It's the business of the Oregon game commission to stock streams; if they fail, it's a good alibi to blame the kingfisher.

"Stanley Jewett, of the Biological survey, is studying fish-eating birds for the state fish commission. He left for Yachats the other day. Hibbard, of the state game commission, spent the night here and has gone down to Yachats for a day or so. He camped there about thirty years ago.

"Why didn't you tell me your plans and what you are doing?

"Best wishes,

"Sincerely yours,

(Signed) "Wm. L. F."