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**STRATTON OBTAINS
GAME LAW RESULTS**

AIDS IN CONSERVATION
Writer Says Able Administration of Office Has Been Beneficial; Hunters Get Value Received

(By C. F. Mansfield, Jr., secretary, Federated Sportsmen of Illinois).
The excellent results obtained by William J. Stratton, chief game and fish warden, in carrying on the work of game and fish conservation under the 1923 codes, has gained almost universal approval of the provisions of those laws.

When the sub committee on fish and game of the 53rd general assembly was preparing the present game and fish codes, a definite plan for constructive game conservation was outlined. This plan contemplated in addition to the necessary restrictions on the taking of game and fish, the restocking of coverts and waters of the state with game and fish. An essential preliminary step towards this successful restocking is the establishment of fish hatcheries and game preserves and refuges.

Game and Fish Fund
While the preservation of game and fish is important to all people of the state, it is only fair that those who derive the most benefit should finance their conservation and increase. With this in mind, the 53rd general assembly created the game and fish fund, in which all moneys received from the sale of licenses is put in and from which appropriations can be made only to the division of game and fish.

At the same session, the fishing license of fifty cents for each person over 21 years of age was adopted. This is one of the most important provisions in the present fish code. Prior to 1923, the fishing interests of the state contributed very little towards the support of the division of game and fish. The hunters in the biennium ending July 1923 paid in license fees over two hundred thousand dollars, while the fishermen contributed only fifty odd thousand. In spite of this, the expenditures in the interests of fishing were far in excess of those for hunting.

Fishing License Fees
Since the fifty-cent fishing license became effective, the increased receipts have brought excellent results through the able administration of Mr. Stratton, the chief game and fish warden. Six fish hatcheries have been established and one game preserve has been bought. Over one hundred car loads of fish have been distributed to lakes and streams the past year and this number will be greatly increased in 1925.

The hunters for the first time in the history of the division of game and fish are getting value received for their money. Approximately 50,000 eggs and several hundred pairs of adult game birds were distributed last spring. Within the next sixty days, between ten and fifteen thousand adult quail will be imported and distributed.
It is small wonder that any move to change either the hunting or fishing license, except a possible increase, will be decidedly unpopular with all hunters and fishers, except the very limited number who still believe they can get something for nothing or who are willing for the other man to pay for their sport.

**MAN IS HANGED FOR
POOR MARKSMANSHIP**

John Hays Hammond Tells More Pioneer Experiences In The Old West

"The first week that I was in Bodie, Nev., in 1879 as an expert of the United States geological survey to examine the mines of that famous district," writes John Hays Hammond in "Strong Men of the Wild West," in the March Scribner's Magazine, eight men were murdered. It is true most of the slain were of a sort that could be well spared from the community. But that was not invariably the case. I saw at least one innocent person, that week, 'bumped off.'
"I was walking down the street when a pistol duel developed between two desperadoes. In the exchange of shots a bystander was killed. A vigilance committee 'sat' at once. The trial was characteristically brief, and the greater part of it was devoted to a severe reprimand to the killer for his poor marksmanship. Then they swung him from a tree."

**CITIZENS TICKET
IN WEST DEERFIELD**

So far in West Deerfield township candidates for township office announced by the Citizens ticket are: For justices of the peace, William J. Galloway and Arthur Kiest; for constables, George Herman and Harry Max (two to be elected in each case). It is reported that other tickets are to be in the field, but so far candidates have not been announced officially.

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**MURAL PAINTING
EXHIBIT NOTABLE**

First of Its Kind at Institute To Continue to April 27; From Brooklyn

An important exhibition of mural paintings, the first of its kind to be held at the Art Institute, was placed on view in the galleries of the museum, March 17 and will continue until April 27. The exhibition comes from the Brooklyn Museum. It will consist of the work of many of the most distinguished mural painters of the present day. Puviss de Chavannes, the most celebrated of the French group will be worthily represented. In this connection it may be mentioned that the Art Institute has three splendid Chavannes in its permanent collection, among which, the "Sacred Grove" in the Potter Palmer collection, is one of the artist's greatest works. Albert Besnard and Maurice Denis are other great French painters whose work is being shown. Leading American painters will also contribute their genius to this unusual exhibition, among whom are Vedder, Frieseke, Hale, Mora, Kolshoven, La Farge, Deming, Chanler, Reuter Dahl, Dabo and many others.

**SECURES RARE LOT
OF FRENCH PRINTS**

Art Institute Gets Collection of French Color Work of 18th Century
The Art Institute of Chicago is the first museum in the United States to acquire a representative collection of eighteenth century French color prints. A part of the collection exhibited here last year has been acquired through the generosity of interested patrons and societies. These prints, done in aquatint, crayon, or pastel, are superb as technical achievements and quite as interesting as records of the gay, ephemeral life of the Rococo in France. Included in the nine works acquired by the Art Institute are titles by Janinet, Debucourt, Descourts, Lecoer, "L'Amour" and "La Folie," by Janinet after Fragonard, have been hung in the Hutchinson Wing with the French furniture of the period.

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**EXPERT DISCUSSES
SIGNS ON HIGHWAY**

SUGGESTS IMPROVEMENT
Should Build Up Shoulders So Side Stops Possible; Marks Too Near Railways; Other Features

"On state highways are erected signs at frequent intervals warning the motorists not to stop on the pavement, but most of the road builders take good care to see that you cannot stop any place else" according to Zach C. Elkin of the accident prevention department of the Chicago Motor club, in a recent address to the students and highway engineers attending the "short course" on highway engineering at the University of Illinois. "The shoulders of the road should be built out so it will be possible to drive off the pavement and change a tire without running any risk of a rear-end collision" says Mr. Elkin.

"Marks Too Near"
It has been found that the marks painted on the concrete roads indicating that the motorist is approaching a railroad crossing are frequently so close to the railroad tracks as to make this warning practically useless. A car going thirty miles an hour travels 44 feet every second covering a distance of 190 feet in 4 1/2 seconds. If the brakes are in good working condition the car can stop within 83 feet, or two seconds traveling time.

"When marks are placed so that the motorist is compelled to stop within 200 feet or 4 1/2 seconds traveling time, he is not given enough leeway" according to Mr. Elkin who urged that the signs be put further from the tracks; and also that in future road building, the markings be built into the pavement.

Suggests Improvements
Mr. Elkin urged the adoption of an elongated letter. He contended that a block letter could not be seen until a car was on top of it but in painting the word, stop, on the pavement, a letter ten feet high could be deciphered from an automobile 300 feet away. He also advocated the establishment of more guard rails and guard walls on shoulders and embankments.

In his plea to the highway officials and road contractors, the speaker asked that more attention be paid to the selection of detours complaining that they were often too long, frequently poorly selected and that the main highways were too frequently

**AMERICAN FARMER
SCHOOL IN RUSSIA**

Seven U. S. Colleges Represented on Staff of Agriculture Institute

Seven American colleges are represented on the staff of the American Institute of Agriculture in Stepanavan, Armenia, which is now the largest farm school in Russia. It is supported by the Near East Relief with an appropriation of \$120,000 a year, and has 1200 students, all Armenian orphans. The seven Americans on the faculty are: President, E. A. Yarrow, Wesleyan university; dean of agriculture, Samuel E. Newman, University of Idaho; dean of academy, Edward W. Rankin, Princeton; dairy and cotton expert, Peter O. Floyd, University of Georgia; dean of girls, Ethel L. Newman, Oregon agricultural college; horticulture, Phyllis H. Brown, Michigan university and Vassar; farm mechanics, William J. Cronin, New York state institute of agriculture. The twenty other members of the faculty are Russian and Armenians.

**SCULPTURE EXHIBIT
BY NOTED ARTIST**

Woman Who Made Bust of Dictator of Italy Has Display At Art Institute

An exhibition of sculpture by Nancy Cox-McCormack, the Chicago artist who has done much of her work in Rome, where Mussolini posed for her and autographed photographs of the fine bust she made of him, was placed on view at the Art Institute, Friday, March 17. Besides the Mussolini, other portrait busts of the following well known men will be installed in the exhibition: Henry P. Fletcher, American ambassador to Italy, Ezra Pound, the poet and critic, Max Pam, of Chicago, (first showing), Lidia Rimondo, widow of an Italian war hero; and the models of a chess set made for Mr. Eames MacVegh, of Chicago.

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