

*Spectator Apr. 11, 1936*  
 Conference at the city hall Tuesday brought together representatives of the municipal government with delegations from Oregon conservation council, wild life enthusiasts, engineers and citizens, to consider a course of action on the sewerage disposal project for Portland.

Funds may yet be available from federal sources to match the bond issue passed by voters which was taken to the supreme court of the state. Decision was that the bonds were valid to the extent of \$6,000,000. These are upon a basis of refunding from revenues, and the revenues would be derived from those citizens who own property benefited by the sewerage system.

Federal funds were formerly available on a basis of 30 per cent. It is now stated that up to 45 per cent of the project cost may be secured from the government. It was estimated that something over \$10,000,000 could be made available. The plans, however, contemplate an \$8,000,000 sewerage disposal plant.

Uncertainty exists as to the system to be employed. Revision of plans is essential. It must be determined whether the disposal units shall be built, and where. It is also possible that a huge main sewer gathering the flow from all sections of the city shall be built to discharge into the Columbia river. One peculiar phase of the planning has involved the work of Walter E. Baer, now awaiting deportation as an undesirable alien. His project, as outlined by Commissioner Bean, provided five reduction plants. That devised under the Eddy plan would have but one treatment plant.

The conference in discussion Tuesday morning favored a revision that would include the best features of both the Baer and Eddy plans. William L. Finley, Ed. F. Averill and others of the group who have urged purification of the Willamette river on account of its condition, at present fatal to fish life, urged prompt action on the plans so that new application for federal funds on the basis of 45 per cent of the total cost may be sent to Washington.

It was considered that City Engineer Apperson and his staff could make adjustments on the plan to fit the need for present action.

*Journal Apr. 12 - 1936*  
**Finley to Make Keynote Speech At League Meet**

The honor of giving the keynote speech at the annual convention of the Izaak Walton League of America has been bestowed upon Dr. William L. Finley of Portland. He will leave this evening for Chicago, where the convention is to be held, April 16 to 18. He will give the opening talk on "Woods, Waters and Wildlife." He goes as delegate both of the state chapter and the Portland chapter of the Izaak Walton league, and on account of the illness of J. N. Darling, president of the General Wild Life federation, Finley, as vice president, will also represent this organization.

Because of his service in conserving wild life resources, Finley has been asked to give the address at the dedication of the Jackson park bird sanctuary in Chicago. He will speak over the radio April 15 and also talk the following day, when the dedication takes place.

In order to conserve wild life resources in the Chicago area, more than \$50,000 has been spent under direction of the Chicago park district to plant and fence thousands of vines, shrubs and trees suitable to the region. The Jackson park sanctuary will be maintained as an educational outdoor museum in co-operation with the school system and also as a refuge to restore native song birds and waterfowl.

**FINLEY KEYNOTER AT WALTON MEET**

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**"Woods, Water, Wild Life," Topic of Address**

Dr. William L. Finley of Portland will deliver the keynote speech at the opening of the annual convention of the Izaak Walton league of America in Chicago April 16. He will leave this evening to attend the three-day session as the official representative of the Portland chapter and the state division.



W. L. Finley

Because of the illness of J. N. Darling, president of the General Wild Life federation, Finley, as vice-president, also will represent that organization. The subject of his address will be "Woods, Waters and Wild Life."

**Park Dedication, Too**

Also, because of his well-known outstanding services for the cause of conservation, the Oregon man will have the honor of delivering the address in connection with the dedication of the \$50,000 Jackson park bird sanctuary in Chicago. This event takes place April 16, also. The preceding day at 11 A. M. he delivers a radio address in connection with the dedicatory exercises.

In order to conserve wild life resources in the Chicago area more than \$50,000 has been expended by the Chicago park district to plant thousands of vines and shrubs within a cat-proof fenced area. The park will be maintained as an educational outdoor museum in co-operation with the public school system. It is hoped it will serve to restore native song birds and waterfowl.

**Weeps For Fish**

CHICAGO, April 16. (UP)—Federal reclamation projects are in many cases destroying American industry and scenic beauties for temporary gain. W. L. Finley, vice-president of the Izaak Walton League of America, charged today.

He cited the example of the Columbia river project, which he said was proving ruinous to the salmon industry of the West. Spawning beds are being destroyed, he said.

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**IZAAK WALTONS HEAR PLAN TO SHARE NATURE**

*Chicago Daily News Apr. 16 - 1936*  
**Commerce and Recreation Could Use Same Resources, Says Leader.**

There is no reason why commercial development should ruin our natural resources and wild life, in the opinion of W. L. Finley of Portland, Ore., who was in Chicago today to attend the annual convention of the Izaak Walton League of America.

Ruthless exploitation of natural resources is not only dangerous but expensive, said Mr. Finley, vice-president of the league, in a talk before members in the Sherman hotel.

"Why," said Mr. Finley, "isn't it possible to balance the usage of our woods and waters so that one use doesn't destroy other uses? The forests are mother of our water supply, and the rivers are used for fishing, boating and swimming."

**Lesson in California.**

Mr. Finley pointed out that fishing, boating and swimming brought the state of California \$192,000,000 a year. If the streams were polluted tourists couldn't use them for recreation, and California would lose her largest industry, he added.

"We are not interested in stopping development," said Mr. Finley. "That would be ridiculous. There are fanatics on both sides. All we want is a balance, and I think that is possible."

**Urges Federal Action.**

The government, said Mr. Finley, would be better to clean up streams and protect the lives of its citizens than to enter fields of private enterprise.

Dr. Finley, Preston Bradley, Judge George Wood, president of the organization, and members took part later in the day in the dedication of the Jackson park waterfowl sanctuary in the south lagoon.

**Finley Selected By Izaak Walton League for Post**

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CHICAGO, April 18 (AP)—Judge George W. Wood of Waterloo, Ia., was re-elected president of the Izaak Walton League of America today at the closing session of the organization's 14th annual convention.

Four vice-presidents, including J. E. Rymer, Anaheim, Cal., and William L. Finley, Portland, Or., also were re-elected. Arthur Newton Pack of Abiquiu, N. M., was elected to the other vice-presidency, replacing W. E. Schooler, Hugo, Okla., who resigned.