CHAPTER 47.
[S. B. 367.]
TRANSFERRING SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON FAIR TO LEWIS COUNTY.

An Act granting to Lewis county the property held by the state for the Southwest Washington Fair Association, creating a commission for the control and management of the same, and authorizing the counties within such association to take part in and make appropriations for the support of fairs and exhibitions held thereon by such association, and repealing sections 3012 to 3021 inclusive of Remington and Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. The Southwest Washington Fair Association, as organized and existing at the time of the taking effect of this act, shall turn over and deliver to the county of Lewis all the lands, buildings, books, records, and other property belonging to the state as a member of the Southwest Washington Fair Association.

SEC. 2. The property herein granted, including the buildings and structures thereon as now constructed or as may be built or constructed from time to time, or any alterations or additions thereto, shall be under the jurisdiction and control of the board of county commissioners of Lewis county at all times except during the month or months in which the Southwest Washington Fair Commission shall desire to use such property for the purpose of holding a fair or exposition in conformity with the objects of such association as defined in section 2 of chapter 237, Laws of 1909, and for the two months immediately preceding the month or months fixed for the holding of such fair or exhibition, and such other or further time or times as the board of county commissioners of Lewis county may authorize the Southwest Washington Fair Commission to use the same.

SEC. 3. For the purpose of holding fairs or expositions in conformity with the provisions named in section 2 of chapter 237, Laws of 1909, a new commission is hereby
created, which, however, shall be known as the Southwest Washington Fair Commission, to have all the power and authority granted to the Southwest Washington Fair Association in the above named act subject to the modifications of its powers and duties as provided herein. Such commission shall be composed of, as ex-officio members thereof, by virtue of their office, the members of the board of county commissioners of Lewis county and the chairman of the board of county commissioners of each of the other counties composing the Southwest Washington Fair Association, or so many of said counties as evidenced by formal resolution of the respective board of county commissioners thereof, as shall desire to participate in such fair or exhibition or other event held on such grounds.

Sec. 4. Within thirty days after the taking effect of this act, the board of county commissioners in the county of Lewis shall notify the board of county commissioners of each of the other counties comprising the Southwest Washington Fair Association of the time and place of the first meeting of the Southwest Washington Fair Commission, as herein defined, which meeting shall be called for a time not less than thirty days from the giving of such notice. The first meeting of such commission shall be held at the court house of Lewis county, at which time and place the commission shall proceed to organize. The chairman of the board of county commissioners of Lewis county shall be chairman of the commission. The commission shall proceed to elect a president and secretary and define their duties and fix their compensation, and provide for the keeping of the records of the commission. The commission shall also select some person to act as treasurer, and for this purpose may designate the treasurer of Lewis county as treasurer of the commission. The funds of the commission, however, shall be kept separate and apart from the funds of Lewis county, but shall be deposited in the regular depositories of Lewis county and all interest earned thereby be added and become a part of such fund. The treasurer shall give such bond as the commission may.
determine for the safe-keeping of such funds. The commission shall also provide for an auditing committee of three members to audit all accounts against the commission, and no funds shall be paid out of the treasury of the commission except upon warrants signed by the chairman of the commission, attested by the secretary, after the approval of the claim therefor by such auditing committee.

Sec. 5. Each county belonging to the Southwest Washington Fair Association may make donations or appropriations to the funds of the commission, and may take any other part in the commission as may be deemed advisable by the board of county commissioners of such county, and may exhibit the products or resources of such county in the manner deemed to the best interests of such county.

Sec. 6. That sections 3012 to 3021, inclusive of Remington and Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington are hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. For the purpose of paying present claims against the Southwest Washington Fair Association, there is hereby appropriated out of the general fund the sum of $12,000.00, provided any sum remaining in said appropriation not in excess of $3,000.00 shall be paid out, upon the order of, and to meet any further expenses that may be incurred by the commission as created by this act.

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