

For state road No. 16, the sum of	25,000
For state road No. 17, the sum of	20,000
For state road No. 18, the sum of	25,000
For first payment on Wenatchee bridge	10,000
For maintenance of state roads	10,000
For examination and survey of proposed state roads	10,000

Passed by the Senate March 6, 1909.

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SAM H. NICHOLS, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 237.

[H. B. 344.]

APPROPRIATION FOR SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON FAIR.

AN ACT creating the Southwest Washington Fair Association and making an appropriation therefor.

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

SECTION 1. The public welfare requires that there be and hereby is established a state institution, to be known as the Southwest Washington Fair Association. Fair association.

SEC. 2. It shall be the object and purpose of this institution to promote and further the advancement of all agricultural, stock-raising, horticultural, mining, mechanical and industrial pursuits in this state and particularly southwest Washington, and for this object the management shall provide an annual fair or exhibition, by the institution between and within three miles of the cities of Centralia and Chehalis, of all the industrial products of this state and especially of southwest Washington, commencing in the month of September of each year after the passage of this act, and continuing for at least five days after the day of its commencement. Objects.

SEC. 3. The portion of the state composing the said Southwest Washington Fair Association shall be made up of the following counties, to-wit: Lewis, Cowlitz, Thurston, Pacific, Wahkiakum and Chehalis. Counties included.

Management. SEC. 4. The southwest Washington fair shall be under the management and control of twelve commissioners, known as the Southwest Washington Fair Commission, who shall be appointed by the Governor of the State of Washington, from the citizens in the territory composing the association, and shall hold office for four years from the date of their appointment and until their successors are appointed and qualified: *Provided, however,* That the Term of office of commissioners. commissioners first appointed under this chapter shall continue in office six members thereof two years each and six for four years each, from and after the date of their appointment, the term of said commissioners to be determined by the Governor of the state on appointing the same. Before taking or entering upon the duties of his office, each and every commissioner shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation before some person authorized to administer the same, that he will support the constitution of the United States, the constitution of the State of Washington, and that he will faithfully and impartially perform the duties of the office of the Southwest Washington Fair Commissioner, which oath or affirmation shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State. Any commissioner may be removed by the Governor for malfeasance or misfeasance in office after having been served with a copy of charges preferred against him and had reasonable time to reply thereto: *Provided,* The first commissioners appointed by the Governor under this act shall be appointed within sixty days after the passage of the same.

Organization of commission. SEC. 5. Within thirty days after notice of their appointments, the persons so appointed shall qualify as hereinbefore required, and shall meet at Centralia and organize by the election of one of their number as president for the term of one year, and until the election of his successor. Secretary. The commission shall also at such meeting elect a secretary and treasurer from their number, who shall before qualifying furnish the said commission with a good and sufficient bond of five thousand dollars, to be approved by them, and hold office at the pleasure of the commission: *Provided always,* That the secretary shall be a resident of

the county in which the fair is held. All meetings of the commission shall be held at the office of the secretary: *Provided*, That before qualifying each of such commissioners shall file in the office of the Secretary of State a good and sufficient bond of two thousand dollars, with not less than two sureties each, to be approved by the Governor and Secretary of State, conditioned for the faithful performance of their duties as such commissioners.

Board of
commis-
sioners.

SEC. 4. [6.] Immediately after their organization the Southwest Washington Fair Commission shall take and have full management of the Southwest Washington Fair Association, and shall have the care of its property and be intrusted with the entire directions of its business and financial affairs; shall, in conformity with the provisions of this chapter, prepare, adopt, publish and enforce all necessary rules for the management of such fair, its meeting, and exhibitions or the guidance of its officers or employees; shall determine the duties, responsibilities, compensation and tenure of office of all officers or other employees, as may be deemed necessary, and may remove from office any person appointed by it to any office for any inefficiency, neglect of duty or malfeasance in office; shall have power to appoint all necessary marshals to keep order on the ground and in the buildings of the Southwest Washington Fair Association during all annual exhibitions, and the marshals so appointed shall be vested with the same authority, for such purposes, as executive peace officers are vested by law; shall have power to charge entrance fees, gate money, lease stalls, stands, restaurant sites, give prizes and premiums and do all things which by said commission may be considered proper to conduct in connection with such a fair not otherwise prohibited by law.

Powers and
duties of com-
mission.

Peace officers.

SEC. 7. The Southwest Washington Fair Association shall locate the buildings, track, etc., for fair purposes upon a tract of land containing not less than thirty acres, to be in one solid block or piece of land, of good soil, with ample water, and located between the cities of Centralia and Chehalis, Lewis county: *Provided*, That said tract of land is donated to the Southwest Washington Fair As-

Location
of fair.

sociation by the citizens of Lewis county by a good and sufficient warranty deed, to be approved by the Attorney General. The Attorney General of the state shall, on demand, examine and approve the title to said lands and pass upon the sufficiency of all conveyances before acceptance of the same by the Southwest Washington Fair Association.

SEC. 8. The land thus acquired by the Southwest Washington Fair Association shall be forever set apart for the use and benefit of the Southwest Washington Fair Association, and immediately thereon the Southwest Washington Fair Commission shall cause to be constructed all necessary buildings, pavilions, exhibition halls, stalls, stands, a speed track, driveways, sidewalks, and fences, and cause the same to be kept in complete and continual repair: *Provided*, That no member of the Southwest Washington Fair Association shall ever be personally interested in any purchase made or contract entered into by said commission for the use and benefit of the Southwest Washington Fair Association.

Buildings.

SEC. 9. The regular and called meetings of the Southwest Washington Fair Commission shall be held at the office of the secretary in Lewis county; the regular annual meeting thereat shall be held the last Monday in May of each year, at which meeting after 1909, the president shall be elected, the secretary and treasurer elected and such other business transacted as the interests of the Southwest Washington Fair Association shall require. On the last Monday of September of each year the commission herein created shall prepare and transmit to the Governor of the state a full financial statement, signed by the president and the treasurer, of all funds received and disbursed, also a report signed by the president and the secretary, of all the assets and liabilities of the Southwest Washington Fair Association, a full and detailed account of all its transactions, statistics and information gained, and for this purpose the commission shall cause the secretary to constantly collect all kinds of information calculated to instruct the agricultural and industrial classes and have the same embodied in this report.

Meetings of
commission.

Annual
report.

SEC. 10. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this chapter the sum of fifteen thousand dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided, however,* That such appropriation shall be made subject to the conditions set forth in section 7 of this act. All vouchers for the expenditure of money under the provisions of this chapter must be signed by the president and at least two members of the Southwest Washington Fair Commission and attested by the secretary; and the State Auditor shall upon the presentation of such vouchers draw his warrant upon the State Treasurer for the payment of the same, and the State Treasurer shall pay such warrant out of any money on hand appropriated for the purpose herein set forth: *Provided,* That every voucher must set forth the purpose for which the money, material or labor represented was used: *Provided further,* That no part of the money donated by the state shall be used as payment of purses in trial of speed between man or beast.

Appropriation
\$50,000.

Payments.
how made.

SEC. 11. When the said Southwest Washington Fair Commission shall be organized as herein provided, the secretary of the commission shall report such facts to the governor and the state auditor. He shall also report to the governor any vacancy that may at any time occur in said commission. The members of the Southwest Washington Fair Commission shall be paid actual expenses while actually engaged in the business of the Southwest Washington Fair Association, and no compensation: *Provided, however,* That the secretary of such association shall receive a salary as determined upon by the commission, and mileage, when traveling in the interest of the Southwest Washington Fair Association.

Notice of or-
ganization.

Compensation
of members.

SEC. 12. No expenditure shall be made or indebtedness contracted by the commission in excess of the amount herein appropriated and any indebtedness so contracted shall be void.

Deficiency
prohibited.

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