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**Finley Predicts
Flood of Visitors**

William L. Finley, premier Oregon naturalist who has preached conservation and spread the good word about Oregon from coast to coast, returned to Portland Sunday with Mrs. Finley from their latest cross-country jaunt.

"There is more interest in conservation all over the country than ever before," Finley said. "The trend is toward more field research, more education and removal of fish and game regulation from politics.

"A tremendous number of Easterners will visit Oregon this year. That's why we want to build up our outdoor resources and keep everything beautiful."

Finley delivered about 60 lectures and attended the Detroit convention of the American Wild Life federation. He took two five-reel moving pictures with him.

**FINLEY QUESTIONS
PROJECT'S VALUE**

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**Naturalist Urges Study of
Willamette Dams**

Oregon should make sure that the proposed Willamette valley project won't do more harm than good, William L. Finley, naturalist, declared here Monday on his return from a three-month lecture tour.

"Before the government allots \$62,000,000 to build seven dams on the upper Willamette, let's know whether it's the right thing or not. Every stream has five or six different public values. Let's study this Willamette valley project and make certain that it won't destroy more than it creates.

"Let's find the facts and then follow the facts."

Mr. Finley's tour, on which he was accompanied by Mrs. Finley, took him through the south, midwest, east and New England and back to Detroit for the convention of the National Wildlife federation.

More research and less politics is the need of conservation the nation over, he said. Missouri, he declared, has been most successful in keeping politics out of conservation. In that state a constitutional amendment paved the way for a non-political conservation board. An immediate result was a \$100,000 gift from a wealthy conservationist.

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Barbara Isaac, Grant second term, holds a sheet of the new wild life stamps.

**Conservation Week
Set For March 19-25;
Dr. Finley To Speak**

Conservation week, March 19-25, will be observed at Grant by an assembly next Wednesday featuring Dr. W. F. Finley, and by the sale of wildlife stamps.

Dr. Finley, who recently returned from a lecture tour of the United States, is a renowned Oregon naturalist, and a world-famous photographer of wildlife. His talk will be illustrated with two reels of nature pictures.

The stamps will be in sheets of eighty, with a different design for each stamp. As usual, the price will be one dollar for each sheet, one cent for each single stamp and two cents for the double height stamps. The sale will be in charge of the Hi-Y club.