Chapter 577

State Flax and Linen Board

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577.010 Definitions. As used in this chapter, "board" means the Oregon State Flax and Linen Board.

577.020 Flax and linen board created; members; meetings. There hereby is created the Oregon State Flax and Linen Board. The board shall consist of five members to be appointed by the Governor. Two members shall be appointed from the flax growers of the state, one member from the extension department of Oregon State College and two members from the state at large. The members of the board shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be allowed their necessary expenses. Meetings may be held from time to time as the board determines. At the first meeting of the board one member shall be elected chairman and another member shall be elected secretary.

577.030 Powers of board. The board has the power to:

(1) Promote the production of fiber flax for use in developing the linen industry in Oregon.

(2) Make use of the soil surveys and scientific material available at Oregon State College and at other state and governmental institutions to the end that the opportunities presented to the farmers of Oregon as a flax growing state may be thoroughly understood.

(3) Foster the establishment of retting and scutching plants and other processing plants through private, state or federal aid, to the end that flax fiber grown in Oregon may be prepared for market.

(4) Compile and disseminate such information on the flax possibilities of Oregon as would develop a linen industry in Oregon.

(5) Work in cooperation with the state flax plant and accept grants or donations contemplated to further the purposes of this chapter; but no donation shall entail responsibilities not provided for in this chapter.

(6) Provide for field work among the farmers of Oregon in cooperation with the county and state authorities to the end that flax growing may be a profitable and successful agricultural industry.

(7) Make all rules and regulations necessary to carry the provisions of this chapter into effect.