

PINE FOREST FIRES BEST REMEDY

Ranger Service Reduces Area Burned From 780,000 to 60,000 Acres.

TOWERS AND SIGNALS USED

Most Blazes of Season Due to Railroads, Lightning and Careless Campers—Lumbermen Give Aid to Federal System.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Henry S. Graves and other officials of the United States Forest Service, who are charged with the responsibility of conserving by proper use and care the wealth of timberland on the public domain, are congratulating themselves on the fact that the fire season of this year has passed on the National forests with less damage than in any previous year.

Immunity from fire loss has been due to two principal causes—partly to a favorable season, but more largely to a greatly increased organization for fire prevention than had been heretofore attained.

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One of the most effective methods of preventing extensive forest fires has been put in use within the last year by the Forest Service.

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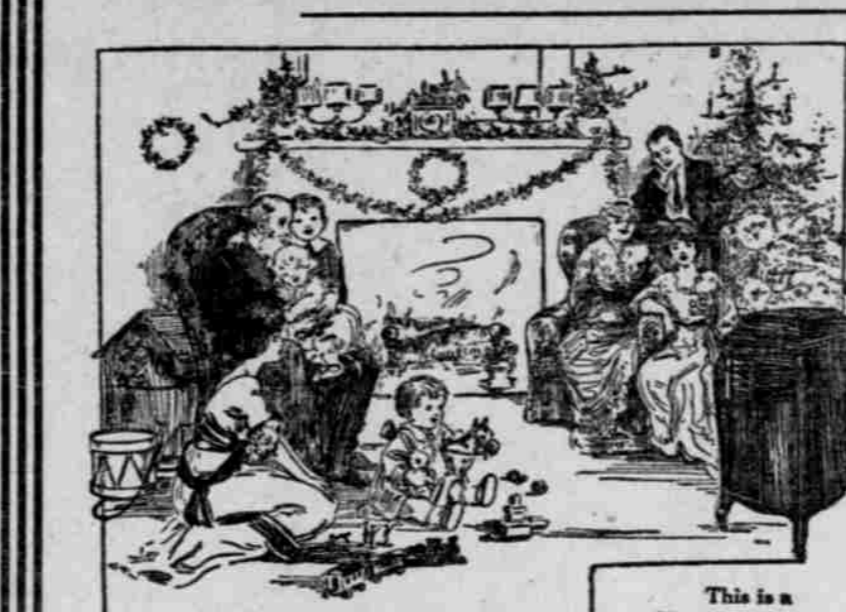
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Boy From Baker "Trimmed" Finds Friend in Need

Herman Hawkins Trades \$7 Gift, Bought for Sweetheart, and \$5 for Watch Valued at \$1.63.

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Catarrh Hurts More Than is Realized

For Weak, Watery Eyes, to Cure Deafness, Sore Throat, Lame Kidneys, Weak Chest--Here's the Remedy.



Let It Come! The Red Blooded S. S. Man Defies the Weather. A host of people have been completely cured of Catarrh by the famous blood purifier, S. S. There's another host daily fanning with their faces, germs and acids who haven't waked up to the fact that Catarrh comes from impure blood.