

BLM'S Reforestation Plan, Re-inventory, Access Roads Are Reviewed By Advisors

Reforestation, re-inventory and the progress of access road construction by the Bureau of Land Management were examined by members of the Roseburg Forest District Advisory Board during Wednesday's annual board meeting at the BLM's Roseburg office.

Information on the subjects was provided by BLM foresters Maynard McCormack, Harold Lynd and Jack Berkshire, and District Forester Merle Winn.

McCormack reviewed the progress of reforestation in the district, citing the BLM's hope that with money that might be made available, starting next year the local office hopes to be reforesting at a rate of 6,000 acres per year on BLM forest land, while the cutting rate of trees covers some 3,000 acres.

At that rate, McCormack estimated, in a 10-year period it is believed the BLM can catch up on the backlog of unreforested areas. Since reforestation started in 1953, McCormack said, about 3,600 acres in the district have been planted and seeded. The cutting ratio over all he estimated at 13,000 acres.

550 Acres Planted

Over the past year, a total of 550 acres were planted and 125 seeded. This year, a total of \$900,000 is being channeled into five Oregon districts for reforestation. Plans are to plant about 5,000 acres in this district and to seed another 1,000 acres.

He added that it is hoped to rehabilitate cut-over brush lands starting next Spring by mechanical scarification.

There was no seed crop produced here this year, McCormack continued, and there is often a period of seven and eight years between seed crops here. He also stated that the 1953 planting of 123 acres of ponderosa pine trees in the Hubbard Creek area had produced several trees up to seven feet high at present.

The BLM's re-inventory is about 77 percent complete now, the

board was told by the district forester. Five permanent employees are working in the field throughout the season.

At a corresponding time last year, the re-inventory was about 59 percent complete.

The entire North Umpqua and Drain unit area inventories are now completed and calculated and 95 percent of the field work in the South Umpqua area is complete, he said. In the Dillard Unit, however, only five percent of the field work has been completed and it will probably not be finished until next summer.

Allowable Cut Increased

It was also pointed out that from the year 1953 until 1958 the allowable cut in the Douglas Master Unit had increased from 77 million board feet to 120 million board feet.

The officially declared allowable cut in 1957 was 131.8 million board feet and the proposed allowable cut for the entire district in 1958 is 148.4 million board feet.

From a planned ultimate development of 190 miles in access roads in the district, surveys on 64 miles of road in the district have been completed, the board was told by Engineer Jack Berkshire.

Within the next few years, it is hoped that a considerable portion of the 64 miles of road will be under construction, he said. The estimated total cost of the proposed 190 miles of road is seven million dollars.

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The Rev. Mr. Lee Hofmo, gospel preacher and baritone singer, will speak at the Gospel Tabernacle of the Canyonville Bible Academy Oct. 27 through Nov. 2.

The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Hofmo recently returned from the Scandinavian countries. He will speak on current happenings in those free countries as Communism continues to threaten world peace. He was born in Stavanger, Norway, and is a naturalized citizen of the United States.

Mrs. Hofmo is a pianist and contralto singer. They will appear in original Norwegian costumes and present some of Scandinavian songs. There will be no admission charge. The CBA school choir will provide special music for the program which will begin each night at 7:30. Rev. A. M. Shaffer is pastor of the local church.

Completed at the mouth of Doe Creek, along the Cow Creek project.

Seven miles of survey has been completed in the 12-mile Creek Drainage, west of Camas Valley.

6. Above Tiller, in the Deadman's Creek area, six miles of surveying has been completed, and seven miles of surveying are underway in Coffee Creek.

Winn observed that of 463 right-of-way applications approved since 1950, 200 are now valid. Of these, 28 were validated this year.

Over the past year, he said, 20 road easements were negotiated and one condemnation suit was settled out of court.

In conclusion, he cited that the BLM is collecting a fee from private companies for use of bureau roads.

Truck Of Fused Artillery Projectiles In Crash

WHITESBORO, Tex. (AP) — A truck loaded with fused artillery projectiles — the parts that do the damage — collided with another truck Wednesday and spilled its deadly cargo in downtown Whitesboro.

A section of this town of 2,000 in north Texas was blocked off. The projectiles are 155-m.m., the largest in general use.

A driver in the two-truck convoy said the shells were "live" with the fuses in place.

Vernon Vickers, Texarkana, Tex., driver of the truck in the collision, was injured.

The trucks were en route from Red River Arsenal at Texarkana to Ft. Sill, Okla.

Whitesboro authorities said ammunition experts from Ft. Sill were dispatched to supervise re-loading of the cargo.

Workers To Be Laid Off At Ammunition Depot

HAWTHORNE, Nev. (AP) — Officials say another 100 workers will be laid off soon at the naval ammunition depot here.

The cut follows last month's announcement of a layoff of 119 men. The new layoff brings the depot's civilian work force down to 1,265. The reductions were ordered by the Defense Department.

Meanwhile, the Navy reported it plans rocket tests on nearby Walker Lake from November until April. Portions of the lake will be closed and Highway 95 traffic will be delayed temporarily during some of the tests.

Integration KO Decision Poses Virginia Snag

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Virginia officialdom seemed uncertain what the state's next step would be this week in the wake of the U. S. Supreme Court action knocking down the anti-integration pupil placement law.

State Sen. Ted Dalton, Republican candidate for governor in the Nov. 5 elections, immediately called for a special session of the Virginia General Assembly to repeal the state's program of "massive resistance" — of which the placement law was a key feature.

But Democrat J. Lindsay Almond Jr., who opposes Dalton and who is a former state attorney general, said his position favoring "massive resistance" is not changed "one iota. . . . After Little Rock, I'm not surprised at anything."

Almond, who stepped down as attorney general last August after leading Virginia's legal battle against school integration, declined to speculate on what the state's next step should be.

The present attorney general, Kenneth Patten, named to the post after Almond resigned to devote his time to the gubernatorial campaign — said he expects to confer within the next few days with attorneys in the case and with Gov. Thomas B. Stanley.

Patten said in the meantime he is "in no position to speculate or determine what is next. . . . I just don't know and am unable to say the effect on the over-all segregation picture in the state."

California Revokes Oregon Woman's License

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — The state Board of Medical Examiners has revoked the California license of an Oregon woman doctor on charges she illegally prescribed narcotics for an addict.

The board acted this week against Dr. Emmeline Banks of Empire, Ore., after hearing testimony she surrendered her Oregon license when accused of the same charge. She formerly practiced in Quincy, Calif.

Robert C. Reidel, investigator for the Oregon Board of Medical Examiners, testified Dr. Banks admitted prescribing narcotics for a George Adams of Empire without examining him.

She contended Adams complained of a back injury and had applied for admittance to a hospital.

Reidel said Adams had been treated previously for narcotics addiction in Reno, Nev., and Ft. Worth, Texas.

Governor Holmes Makes Appointments To Boards

SALEM (AP) — Gov. Holmes announced the following appointments Wednesday:

Frank Wink, Wasco County livestock dealer, to the Oregon Centennial Advisory Committee.

Henry Sinner, Portland labor leader, to the state Commission for the Blind, succeeding Carl W. Johnson, Portland, who resigned.

Dr. D. H. Jones, Roseburg veterinarian, to the state Livestock Auction Markets Board. He succeeds Dr. George F. Reid, of Albany.

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ASK UNION CHARTER

WALDPORF (AP) — Lincoln County road employees Tuesday night voted to ask a union charter from the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

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