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BEETLE WAR IS SUCCESS

GOVERNMENT HAS OBTAINED A FIRM FOOTING.

Little Beetle That Can Destroy Forests Fought Diligently.

By a prompt campaign against a flourishing colony of bark beetles on the Ochoco national forest in central Oregon, the government is eliminating a danger which threatened to destroy millions of feet of timber.

Some authorities claim that the amount of timber killed each year by insects is equalled only by the annual loss from forest fires. Among the most destructive of these insect enemies are the bark beetles, one of which, the mountain pine beetle, is responsible for most of the damage on the Ochoco forest. This deadly little beetle is less than a quarter of an inch in length, but bears the ponderous scientific name of *Dendroctonus monticolae* Hopk., which, being interpreted, signifies killer of the mountain pine tree, discovered by Hopkins.

Its methods of operation are interesting. The mature beetle bores its way through the bark of the tree and excavates a gallery in the inner living bark and in the outer surface of the wood in which it lays its eggs. When hatched each young larva, or beetle-grub, channels into this growing portion of the trunk, feeding upon the inner bark. When full grown the larva, after passing through a dormant, or pupal stage, becomes a beetle. This beetle then drills out through the bark in July, and, emerging into the world, seeks a fresh tree and starts a new generation. With this "chain-letter" method, it soon infests a large area. The galleries or channels of the larvae girdle the tree and kill it, and the beetle's presence is usually discovered, as it was in the Ochoco forest, by a patch of red-brown dead pine trees in the midst of a mountain-side of green.

In fighting this forest scourge, the method recommended by the Bureau of Entomology is followed. The simple removal of the bark of infested trees between October and July, while the larvae are still in the tree, is sufficient to kill them. The lumber may then be sold while it is yet sound. On Ochoco forest, however, there was no market, and the forest officers found that the cheaper and more effective method of control was to cut the trees and burn them before the new broods of beetles could emerge. In 1912 the infestation was given a decided check by the cutting of 3,500 trees. This summer the attack on the insects was resumed with renewed vigor, and 42 laborers, in charge of a forest officer, cut more than 40,000 trees. As a result of these vigorous measures, the government apparently has the beetles under control.

Washington, Aug. 7.—Refutation of the claim of critics in congress that the conservation policy means the locking up of the west, was presented by Secretary of the Interior Lane today in a statement showing that an area of 6,000,000 acres of withdrawn public lands were restored to entry during May and June. This is an area, Secretary Lane pointed out equal in size almost to two Alaskan territories or to three and a half states the size of Texas.

Conservation principles were applied in classifying the lands, some being definitely valued as coal properties and made available for purchase under the coal land law while others were found to be not valuable for water power sites, reservoirs, coal or potash deposits. Coal lands restored to entry or purchase in Colorado alone totaled two and a half million acres, while rejected power sites covered 5,500 acres. Idaho had 1,100,000 acres of coal and phosphate lands and 10,000 acres of power sites reopened. North Dakota had 1,400,000; South Dakota, 350,000; Oregon, 87,000, and Wyoming 438,000 acres "opened" after full investigation of their values.

The total withdrawal, in all public land states, on July 1, amounted to 68,009,389 acres. Coal lands made up 58,000,000 of this total. As the classification work proceeds more of the public domain will be made available

for settlement without the giving away of huge fortunes in oil, coal or potash deposits to single individuals.

Woodin May Have Left.

Baker, Aug. 9.—Chester Woodin, whose little daughter has been writing such pathetic letters to locate, and who is believed to have been here, has disappeared. The man believed to have been Woodin was going under the name of Moore and worked as a fireman on the Sumpter Valley railroad. When he left he gave no intimation as to where he was going and left no instructions for the forwarding of his mail.

By some it is believed that the appeal of his little daughter touched his heart and that he has returned to his family.

Statement of the La Grande National Bank, of La Grande, county of Union, state of Oregon, showing the amount standing to the credit of every depositor July 1, 1913, who has not made a deposit, or who has not withdrawn any part of his deposit, principal or interest, for a period of more than seven (7) years immediately prior to said date, with the name, last known place of residence or postoffice address of such depositors, and the fact of his death, if known.

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State of Oregon, county of Union, as I F. L. Meyers, being first duly sworn, depose and say upon oath, that I am the cashier of the La Grande National bank of La Grande, county of Union, state of Oregon; that the foregoing statement is a full, true, correct and complete statement, showing the name, last known residence or post-office address, fact of death, if known, and the amount to the credit of each depositor as required by the provisions of Chapter 148, of the general laws of Oregon, 1907.

F. L. MEYERS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of July, A. D., 1913.

H. A. ZURBRICK,

Notary Public for Oregon.

Daily, July 14, 21, 28; Aug 4, 11.

The Buffalo herd on the Wichita national forest, Oklahoma, now numbers 48; 10 calves having been born this year. When the buffalo were introduced on the Wichita in 1907, there were 15 head.

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Dated at La Grande, Oregon, July 14th, 1913.

F. L. MEYERS,

Administrator.
Daily, July 14, 21, 28; Aug 4, 11.

QUIT KICKING---

If you don't like what you've got, trade it. Some one else, probably, can use it and may also have something that you are in need of. An Observer classified ad. will make the deal for you. Try it.

FOR SALE—New 4-room modern cottage, 4 blocks from business center, small lot, a good bargain, some terms. Edw. W. Kammerer, 2004 Adams ave. 6-20 tf

MUST SELL—Five room house, well located; price \$1700—\$500 down, balance easy monthly payments. Phone Red 3121. Adv. 8-8 6t p

FOR SALE—400 acres, ideal stock ranch; 75 miles range; wheat and alfalfa. Address B, Observer. Adv. 8-7 tf.

FOR RENT—Rooms for lighthouse-keeping; also a large bed, sitting room and other bed rooms, with bath, 1512 Adams ave. Phone Black 1731. Adv. 6-25 tf

RANCH FOR SALE—2 1-2 miles north of Elgin, 172 1-2 acres, with crop, stock, etc., inquire at 1807 X ave., La Grande, Ore. Adv. 7-31 tf

TAKEN UP—Sorrel pony, branded 71 on right shoulder, wire cut on left front foot, shod all around. Joe Woods, Alicel. Adv. 8-11 5t

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FOR SALE—A nice modern house. Fine location, good terms. Address J, care Observer. Adv. 7-29 tf

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Merry go round, 406 Fir street. Adv. 8-7 6t

FOR SALE—Cheap for cash, 90 acres 10 miles from Troy, Ore., 15 acres in crop and garden; 9 cattle, 5 horses, 2 sows, 40 chickens, 1 year's wood cut ahead, 300 new tamarack posts, good fence, 8 good log buildings—wagon, hack, plow, steel harrow and all other small farm tools too numerous to mention. \$1500 cash takes all if sold by Sept. 15. Owner Emil Schraner, Troy, Ore. Adv. 8-2 tf.

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FOR RENT—Two modern houses, cor. First and Grandy. Phone Red 3551 Mrs. Ryneanson. Adv. 8-8 3t p

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