

**OWL, WITH RABBIT, PUTS TOWN IN DARKNESS**

REDDING, Cal., Aug. 30.—A Shasta county owl and rabbit were the cause Wednesday evening of darkness falling for fifteen minutes upon Vina, Willows, Orland, Corning, Tehama, Red Bluff, Cottonwood, Anderson, Redding, Coram, Keswick, Winthrop, Kennett and other towns in this part of the state that are served by the Northern California Power Company. During the same period the smelters at Coram, Kennett and Winthrop stood still and not a wheel was turning in any of the mines and mills on the copper belt. The disturbance lasted until the Northern California Power Company could shift its electrical currents to another set of wires.

The cause was not learned until the other afternoon, when E. A. Mace, patrolling the power lines between Palo Cedro and Winthrop, found a dead owl with a rabbit in its talons lying between the power line where one of the wires had been burned out. The owl with the rabbit in its talons had flown against the wires the evening before, making a short circuit that deranged 200 miles of power line and threw a dozen towns into eclipse. Every feather on the owl had been burned off and the rabbit was cooked brown.

**BIG LOSS FROM FOREST FIRES IN WASHINGTON**

SEATTLE, Aug. 30.—Since June it is estimated that fire has destroyed timber to the amount of \$5,000,000 in this state. Other parts of the northwest have suffered in equal degree and the Forest Fire association is making another appeal for great caution in the wooded districts. Every thousand feet of timber burned means a loss of \$8 in wages to the community. Timber means pay checks to support all other industries. During the dry season no fires should be started in wooded districts unless they are carefully watched. Where fires are found they should be put out at once. Call on the fire warden for assistance, if you need it. In the last ten years four billion feet of timber has been destroyed by fire. This is a lamentable waste of one of the state's greatest natural resources.

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