

FOREST SERVICE

(Continued from last week)

This land is covered with brush. It is capable of growing timber but is presently idle land.

The Forest Service estimates that they are growing about 20 million BF each year on the Chetco as they are able to expand our organization here to layout the necessary roads and logging areas. If fire losses are kept down the year cut can gradually increase about 30 million.

There are other advantages in the Chetco district besides timber. For example, the basic resources, soil and water. From healthy watershed, Ragland pointed out, you get other renewable resources of timber, grass for livestock, and recreation from hunting, fishing, hiking and camping.

What were the resources in 1953? Ragland told the Rotary club here a few weeks ago that 12½ million BF at a stumpage value of \$157,000. Grass—grazed 56 head at fees totaling \$144.00; Minerals—there were some prospectors in the hills and some chrome was hauled through

Brookings to Grants Pass. Recreation—there were the usual number of hunters, fishermen, and campers.

The biggest problem in the district is getting roads in which to open up our overmature stands of timber. Each year additional valuable trees blow over to begin rotting away. Another sad aspect of this problem is the matter of idle acres.

Ragland has a full-time professional assistant at the Forest Service station here in Gerhard F. Muerle. He is a professional forester, having graduated from the University of California last June.

A statistic of some interest in the Forest Service is the 25 percent payment to states from National Forest receipts for the period of July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954 totalled \$16,393,583. These payments varied by states from \$97.00 for North Dakota to \$4,988,206.00 for Oregon, Oregon being the highest in the U. S.

CHOIRS TO MEET

The newly organized Junior and Cherub choirs of the Baptist Community Church will meet at the church on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock for rehearsal, and will sing at the morning service on Sunday, Nov. 21.

Sam Gordon Begins Bridge

Much interest is being reported in the arrival of Sam Gordon for his series of three bridge lessons starting tonight. The Azalea Garden Club is sponsoring his appearance and tickets are available at the Knox Insurance Agency, Arrell's Drug Store and Southern Curry Realty.

Mr. Gordon states that the trouble with most players is they try to learn and play the game the hard way. They end by knowing too many things that are not so. All they should do is to tell each other what their hands contain in the simplest possible manner.

One of the first things he tells his pupils is that players can use as many words as they like to talk about their operations; but only 15 words are allowed to be used to talk about their bridge hands.

What are they? The fifteen words which make up the bidding vocabulary are one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, clubs, diamond, hearts, spades, no trump, pass double, redouble.

The numbers are used to tell about the amount of tricks expected to be taken. The colors

tell about the trump suit desired. Notrump denies a desire for any trump. Pass says partner has nothing more to show. Double says; "Partner, we can beat them". Redouble says: "No, they can't!"

Come to the lectures and learn when to use these fifteen words in the right place. Eight o'clock to-night at the Grange Hall. Tickets at the door.

An enterprise, when fairly once begun, should not be left till all that ought is won.

—William Shakespeare

Rushing around smartly is no proof of accomplishment.

—Mary Baker Eddy

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