

FOREST PATROLS URGED AS GUARD; BOOKLET ISSUED

Enormous Loss to State by Fire Laid to Carelessness and Lack of Protection, Says E. T. Allen.

"If riot or insurrection should sweep our Pacific coast states, killing unprotected settlers, plundering banks and treasuries of \$10,000,000 of the people's savings and business capital, and by destroying the producing power of commercial enterprise reduce the community's income by \$28,000,000 more, the catastrophe would startle the world. If this stupendous disaster should threaten to recur the following year and every year thereafter indefinitely, annually taking \$97,000,000 from the earnings of the people, diminishing their wealth and paralyzing their industries, the situation would be unbearable. It would dominate the minds of men, women and children. All else would be forgotten in preparation for defense."

This is the parallel drawn by E. T. Allen, forester for the Western Forestry & Conservation association, in a book he has just issued on "Practical Forestry in the Pacific Northwest," and in which particular stress is laid upon the danger of forest fires and the destruction wrought by the flames from time to time.

Demands Quick Action. "Forest fire destruction is a danger in every way as real and immediate as riot or insurrection," the writer goes on to explain in this connection, "equally measurable in losses to us today and more far-reaching in effect upon future prosperity. Although less sensational, it demands no less prompt action."

Continuing, the writer says that the foregoing facts prove "that our present forest policy is unprofitable to the state and the citizens." In suggesting a remedy he sets forth that forest fires are almost always unnecessary, that they can be prevented by care and caution, that the public, including lumbermen and loggers, should become impressed with the danger of carelessness in dealing with fire where it may endanger standing timber. Forest fires, he points out, usually result from a neglect of consideration for injury and distress to others which is not shown by the American people in any other connection.

Menace to Industry. "The traveler or resident in the forest regions simply fails to realize that his own welfare and that of countless others requires the same precaution not to let fire escape, with the same activity in extinguishing fires, he discovers that are accorded as a matter of course in cities and towns."

In reality, he contends, they are more important. In the city insurance and capital come to the rescue, labor is employed and quarrels are resumed. But when the forest burns, industry dies and labor is driven away empty handed.

The writer calls attention to the fact that fairly good fire laws are on the statute books, yet every forest community sees fire after fire set through ignorance, carelessness or purpose, without giving any attention to the guilty party. In cities, however insignificant in the damage, arson leads to the penitentiary. Occasionally an arrest is made in an especially aggravated case, but invariably acquittal follows because the community considers the matter none of its business, and then the value of the fire law is at end in that region.

Patrol System Needed. As a solution, the writer sets forth the absolute necessity of a strong patrol system, so that the forests will be safeguarded just as are the buildings and property of a city, and in



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connection therewith a strong public sentiment and deep interest. The book deals with every phase of forestry, logging and lumbering, and at the very beginning gives the significant information that five states of Montana, Idaho, Washington, Oregon and California, contain half the merchantable lumber in the United States today.

In dealing with the subject "Forestry and the Public," Mr. Allen says that forest wealth is community wealth and that the public's interest is affected very little by the passage of timber lands into private ownership, for all the owner can get out of it is the stumpage value. The people get everything else. The forests earn nothing except by being cut and shipped to the markets of the world.

First of Kind Published. The book is the first of its kind ever published in the Pacific northwest and is the first comprehensive discussion of the subject by a western authority, the writer being a professional forester who has lived on the Pacific coast for 26 years and for 18 years engaged in government, state and private forestry. Perhaps of greatest value to owners of timber lands and farmers are the chapters devoted to the management of forests and the relation the forest holds to the farmer. In these chapters the writer goes very fully into the subject of forestation, the rate of growth and probable returns and many other features that heretofore have not been touched by authorities or students along these lines.

A limited number of the books has been published and to defray the actual cost of printing the association sells them at 50 cents the copy. They may be obtained from the offices of the Western Forestry and Conservation association, room 421 Yeon building, this city.

Union High School Elects. Eugene, Or. July 21.—Representatives of the 10 districts of the Union high school to be located at Elmira, a village 14 miles west of Eugene, met Wednesday evening and organized by electing John Marsh chairman and F. P. Colgan clerk of the board. Anderson Baker of Eugene was unanimously elected principal for the coming year, and the board was authorized to buy a site for a building and prepare plans for the structure. The new high school was authorized by the voters of the 10 districts at the last school election.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

Police Hunt Vainly For 2 Girls

New York Maid Goes for Walk and Does Not Return to Her Home.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, July 21.—With the police vainly searching for Louise Swan, 19, missing since Monday, fears are entertained that the case will parallel the famous Dorothy Arnold disappearance. Since the girl told her mother Monday she was going out for a short walk, nothing has been seen of her.

William Swan, her father, through the newspapers, appealed to her to return, fearing her continued absence will mean the death of her mother. He received a letter telling him to call at an address in Manhattan for word from the girl, but the detectives who went there learned nothing.

Settler of 58 Leaves 11 Children. Murphys, Or. July 21.—At the home of his son, John H. Miller of Williams, Or., July 6, William Miller, aged 82 years and 10 months, died. Mr. Miller was born in Illinois, September 8, 1829, and when about one year of age his father moved to Missouri, in which state he sold his farm on Missouri Flat about 12 years ago, and had made his home with his son on Williams creek.

Rev. Hoxie preached the funeral; 31 years ago he was called upon to preach the funeral of Mary Miller, his wife. Those who survive him are: Mrs. Gertrude Miller, Arago, Or.; Fred M. Miller, Murphys, Or.; John H. Miller, Williams, Or.; Mrs. Sarah Stillinger, Northport, Wash.; Mrs. Francis Hansen, Applegate, Or.; Lewis J. Miller, Moscow, Idaho; Mrs. Minta Orr, Murray, Idaho; Mrs. Etta Stillinger, Moscow, Idaho; Mrs. Nancy Tenbrook, Tulsa, Okla.; Mrs. Mollie Hudson, Pitt, Cal.; and William E. Miller, The Dalles, Or. A host of grandchildren survive him.

San Francisco Beauty Goes to Buy Theatre Tickets and Disappears.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, July 21.—Mystery which for days has shrouded the disappearance of pretty Mary Gertrude Hig from her home here, is still unsolved, despite search by a squad of detectives.

What happened to Miss Hig is a question still as far from solution as ever. From the evening of last Monday, when she left her home to obtain tickets at a local theatre, no one has been found who saw her. Beyond the different theories not a thing has been learned of the disappearance, which in its apparent lack of motive and its completeness, rivals that of Dorothy Arnold.

Switch Engine Blows Up. (Special to The Journal.) Eugene, Or. July 21.—Yesterday at Springfield the Eugene switch engine of the Southern Pacific company exploded and machinist L. R. Johnson had a narrow escape from death. He had just stepped out of the cab when the boiler blew up, throwing pieces of iron in all directions. The wiper had failed to fill the boiler with water the night before and the fireman built his fire as usual in the morning. The engine was not wrecked, but it will require \$1000 or more to repair it.

Imitation of Rubber Costly. (United Press Leased Wire.) Paris, July 21.—By treating isoprene with the essence of turpentine, M. Richard, so the Academy of Sciences is informed by M. Haller, has produced a perfect imitation of India rubber. The manufacture, however, is costly.

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