

Mohawk Timber Proposed For Sustained Yield Set-Up

Almost 75,000 acres of timber land in the Mohawk River area had been chosen Saturday as the subject of the first hearing for creation of an actual sustained yield forest unit under a new forestry plan.

Assistant Secretary of the Interior C. Girard Davidson of Washington, D.C., announced that the public hearing will be held to determine the advisability of establishing the cooperative Mohawk River sustained yield unit. The hearing will be conducted in Johnson Hall at the University of

Oregon at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21.

Would be First

The Mohawk River area would be the first such forest unit to be established in Oregon by agreement between private and other land owners and the government. The hearing follows authorization by the Department of Interior last Nov. 29 of 12 master sustained yield units throughout Oregon.

The area proposed to be included in the unit contains 34,505 acres of forest lands under the jurisdiction of the Department of the In-

terior, 18,378 acres of land owned by the Fischer Lumber Co. of Marcola, and approximately 21,000 acres of land in the hands of other owners, including the state and the counties of Linn and Lane.

Company Asks

Davidson said the Fischer Lumber Co. has made application for the inclusion of its lands in the unit agreement and all other forest land owners are invited to participate in the program.

The marketing area for the proposed sustained yield unit will be identical with the Upper Willamette marketing area established by the order of Nov. 29. This master unit and its marketing area include the communities of Eugene, Junction City, Cottage Grove, Oakridge and Creswell.

A cooperative sustained yield unit is one of the elements in the program authorized by Congress in the "O and C Act of 1937" for the administration of valuable intermingled public and privately-owned lands in western Oregon.

Management practices are calculated to promote the long-time stability of industries and com-

munities dependent upon a continuing supply of forest products.

This program, based upon the policy of sustained yield operations to insure a reasonable balance between the volume of tree growth to tree cutting on the lands, also provides for the establishment of the 12 master units and marketing of the forest products will be carried on for the benefit of the communities within the units and areas.

The Bureau of Land Management has been conducting preliminary negotiations with applicants desiring to obtain cooperative agreements with respect to the management of such sustained yield units.

Decision as to the actual establishment of any of these units rests, however, with the secretary of the interior, and no steps toward creation of the Mohawk River unit will be taken until after a thorough study of the Eugene hearing record.

Hearing Jan. 20

Assistant Secretary Davidson will preside over the hearing here Jan. 21. The hearing will be open to local officers, representatives of dependent industries, labor, residents, and all other interested persons.

It is requested, however, that those desiring to be heard at the hearing notify the regional administrator, Bureau of Land Management, Swan Island Station, Portland, prior to Jan. 20.

Statements

Those desiring to submit written statements are requested to forward them to the regional administrator as soon as possible before the hearing. Copies of a draft agreement for participation in the Mohawk River Forest unit may be obtained from the offices of the Bureau of Land Management (commonly called the O and C) at Portland, Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Medford and Coos Bay.

Preliminary drafts of the cooperative agreement to be discussed

Unique Photos Given U of O

A collection of unique photographic material has been received by the department of special collections in the University of Oregon library, according to Dr. R. C. Swank, librarian.

The collection, donated by C. F. Huntington of Oroville, Calif., is a compilation of Huntington's father, Charles J. Huntington, an itinerant photographer who maintained headquarters in Olympia, Wash., from 1887 to 1878.

The elder Huntington came to Washington Territory from Minnesota and Illinois. In his early days, he was among the first photographers to reach and photograph Chicago after the great fire of 1871.

The collection presented to the library includes the only known negatives of the Chicago fire. It also includes an interesting group of stereoscopic views of Washington Territory. The negatives are of the wet-plate type which were outdated half a century ago.

An old tintype and some newspaper clippings constitute the remainder of the collection.

Particularly interested in old photographs, the library is glad to hear from people who own such materials, librarians say.

City Hall Secretary Named in Springfield

SPRINGFIELD—City Manager Cloyes Saturday announced the appointment of Dorothy Clawson as city hall secretary. Miss Clawson's appointment will be effective Dec. 29.

Mrs. Virginia Gile, who is resigning, has been secretary for over two years.

Ray Edwards previously was appointed senior captain in the fire department, Cloyes said. He explained there also would be a junior captain—to be named later—which would put one man in charge of each of the two main shifts and would relieve Fire Chief Harry Melson of some of the necessity of being continually on duty at the station.

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