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FOREST FIRE LOSS SMALL

EIGHTY PER CENT OF NORTH-
WEST FIRES EXTINGUISHED.

Increase in Number of Trails and
Telephones Great Aid to Forest
Reserve Fire Fighters.

According to the annual report of George H. Cecil, district forester, 887 fires menaced national forest lands in Oregon, Washington (excepting Stevens county) and Alaska, during 1911. The timber damaged or destroyed in the two states amounted to 61,901,000 feet board measure valued at \$56,623. Young second-growth timber destroyed was valued at \$53,923. The estimated value of timber damaged or destroyed and young growth destroyed during the previous year on national forest lands in Oregon and Washington amounted to \$726,342.

During the year 682 of these fires were discovered and extinguished by forest officers before but little if any damage had been done. The remaining 205 varied in size from a few acres to several hundred acres in exceptional cases. The national forest timbered area burned over in Oregon and Washington aggregated 38,299 acres, while the open land burned over aggregated 15,990 acres, the total burned over being 54,289 acres, or about two-tenths of one per cent of the whole.

"The improvement in this year's record over that of last year is very gratifying," said Mr. Cecil, "especially when the fact is considered that the hazard was just about as great during the season just past as it was during 1910. The danger from lightning was considerably greater in 1911, there being 269 fires from that cause. In 1910 there were only 116. The better protection we were able to give the forests is at-

tributable to the fact that 1911 found us in a better position than ever before in regard to trails and telephone lines. In numerous instances these added facilities saved their cost several times over in getting men and supplies to the scene quickly. We have continued the work this season, having constructed 431 miles of trail and 379 miles of telephone line.

We have planned the construction of an additional 25 miles of the line which will be available by the beginning of the next fire season. This will give a total of over 2,000 miles of telephone lines constructed and owned by the forest service.

"A great advance was made over the season of 1910 in the intensiveness of the summer patrol. In 1910 our funds permitted the employment of 445 patrolmen, as against 643 during the past summer, an increase of 44 per cent. Under the provision of the Weeks law the state of Oregon received from the government \$3,300 for expenditure in protecting from fire the timbered water-sheds of navigable streams. This sum was expended under the direction of F. A. Elliott, state forester."

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, the administrator of the estate of James Henry Harms, deceased, has filed with the county court of Lane County, Oregon, his final account as such administrator of said estate and that Friday, the 9th day of February, 1912, at the hour of one o'clock p. m. of said day, has been fixed by said court as the time for hearing any objections to said report and the settlement thereof.

JOHN W. HARMS,
Administrator.

Have you got something kicking around in your way that you want to get rid of? A reader in the Sentinel may sell it for you.

MILLION DOLLAR MARK REACHED IN PENSIONS

SOUTHERN PACIFIC PROVIDES
FOR AGED EMPLOYEES.

Annual Reunion This Year Will
Commemorate 43d Anniversary
of Driving Last Spike.

The voluntary pension distributions of the Southern Pacific company will reach the million dollar mark before the first day of April this year. Since the inauguration of the pension department in January, 1903, \$948,538 has been voluntarily disbursed among the retired employes of that corporation. The total disbursements for December, 1911, were \$17,973. This was divided among 467 former employes who have been retired for age, disqualifying disability and total disability. The total pension disbursements for the year 1911 were \$184,704.05.

Since the organization of the pension department the Southern Pacific company has pensioned 692 of its former employes. The number on the pension roll at the close of 1911 was 467. These employes are from the operating department, train service, motive power department, store department, traffic department, accounting department, general offices, ferry and river steamers and Atlantic steamship lines. The Southern Pacific pension system does not require any contributions from the employes during the time they are in service, nor at any time. Length of continuous service is the only requirement. All payments are made from the general funds of the railroad.

A unique idea of the beneficiaries of the pension bureau—the annual reunion—has met with unanimous favor. The first affair of this character was held in 1910. This year it has been decided to hold the reunion on May 10, the forty-third anniversary of the driving of the last spike connecting the Central and Union Pacific railroads. At these affairs these railroads are rebuilt in reminiscence and the old timers who have not met for years recount their experiences of the time the first railroad to the west was constructed.

Your eastern friends would like to know something about the country you are living in. Send them a copy of the Sentinel, 5c.

MINERAL OUTPUT DECREASES

Oregon Falls Below Former Records
in Metal Production.

There has recently been a decline in metallic output of Oregon, and so far as present data show, this decline was more marked in 1911 than in 1910, according to Charles G. Yale, of the United States geological survey. The total number of active mines shows little change, but some of the larger ones have become less productive. Several gold dredges are in operation, but the most productive was not worked for several months in 1911. The hydraulic mines are the most productive placers, and their number is greatest. The deep mines of the state are yielding larger quantities of milling ore than formerly, but the grade of ore worked has declined nearly one-half. This accounts for the falling off in total gold production. Some siliceous ore is shipped to smelters, but most of it is milled, and comparatively little copper ore is now being smelted. The output of silver in the state is small. Baker county is still the largest producer of gold. It includes the districts of Baker, Cornucopia, Cracker creek and Mormon Basin and between 50 and 60 producing mines, about half of which are placers, though much the larger proportion of the gold is obtained from deep mines. In gold output from placer mining Josephine county leads. There are 12 counties in the state now producing gold. In southwestern Oregon the placer mines are producing larger quantities than the deep mines; in northeastern Oregon the lode mines are much the most productive.

According to preliminary figures prepared by the director of the mint, Oregon produced, in 1911, \$599,235 in gold and 69,116 fine ounces of silver, valued at \$38,041, against \$681,400 in gold and 43,800 ounces of silver valued at \$23,600, in 1910.

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PUBLIC SERVICE TAXES

S. P. ASSESSED IN LANE FOR
TWO MILLION.

Oregon Power Co. Pays on \$230,670.
—Complete List Furnished
County Clerk.

County Clerk Russell received from the state tax commission last week the figures on the assessment of the various public service corporations in Lane county, as fixed by the commission. The main line of the Southern Pacific railroad is assessed higher than any other corporation, the valuation placed upon it in Lane county by the commission being \$2,059,557. The Oregon Power company's various plants in Eugene and Springfield and the distributing plants in the two cities, as well as in Coburg and Junction City, are assessed for a total of \$230,670. The Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway company's system, is assessed at \$110,206. A complete list of the assessments is furnished by the tax commission as follows:

- Bethel Telephone Co., 11.50 miles, \$394.
- Blachly & Deadwood Telephone Co., 61 miles, \$1,965.
- Bohemia Telephone Co., 29 miles, \$700.
- Coast Line Telephone Co., 10 miles, 280.
- Coburg Farmers Telephone Co., 10 miles, \$70.
- Crow Telephone Co., 47.50 miles, \$599.
- Eugene, Elmira & Florence Telephone Co., 85 miles, \$1,785.
- Farmers & Merchants Telephone Co., 36 miles, \$475.
- Llewellyn Telephone Co., 32 miles, \$403.
- Lobster Mutual Telephone Co., 8 miles, \$146.
- Main line Oregon & Southeastern Railroad Co., 29 miles, at \$2800 per mile, \$81,600.
- Water system at Springfield, Oregon Power Co., \$10,500.
- Transmission line, Springfield to Eugene, Oregon Power Co., 3.5 miles at \$1,260 per mile, \$4,410.
- Steam power station at Springfield, Oregon, Power Co., \$79,800.
- Gas plant at Eugene, Oregon Power Co., \$47,600.
- Electric distribution system at Springfield, Oregon Power Co., 13 miles at \$646.80 per mile, \$8,415.
- Electric distribution system at Eugene, 116 miles at \$630 per mile, \$73,080.
- Electric distribution system at Coburg, 4 miles at \$350 per mile, \$1,400.
- Electric distribution system at Junction City, 30 miles at \$115.50 per mile, \$3,465.
- Main line O. & C. R. R. (S. P.), 41.15 miles at \$50,050 per mile, \$2,069,557.
- Mohawk branch S. P., 15.95 miles at \$19,600 per mile, \$312,620.
- Woodburn-Springfield branch S. P., 18.80 miles at \$19,600 per mile, \$368,480.
- Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co., 3439 miles at \$38.50 per mile, \$132,402.
- Postal Telegraph Co., 220 miles at \$31.50 per mile, \$6,930.
- Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway Co., Eugene and Springfield lines, 14,994 miles at \$7,350 per mile, \$110,206.
- Pullman Co., operating on main line of S. P. 41.15 miles at \$490 per mile, \$20,164.
- Wells-Fargo & Co., on Mohawk branch of S. P., 15.95 miles at \$231 per mile, \$3,684.
- Wells-Fargo & Co., on main line of Southern Pacific 41.15 miles at \$798 per mile, \$32,838.
- Wells-Fargo & Co., on Woodburn-Springfield branch, Southern Pacific, 18.80 miles at \$231 per mile, \$4,343.
- Western Union Telegraph Co., 350.70 miles at \$53.90 per mile, \$18,903.

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At the recent meeting of the executive committee of the Northwest Livestock association, held in Spokane, Lewiston, Idaho, was selected as the place for holding the second annual livestock show, and the dates were fixed for December 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13, 1912.

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