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## OUR NATIONAL FOREST

To Protect and Grow Wood For Commercial Uses.

### WHAT THEY ARE FOR.

Use.—National Forests are for use by all the people. Their resources are now used in such a common-sense way that instead of being used up they keep coming. They are for present use, for use a few years ahead and for use a long time ahead. It is easy to draw a picture of the West, say twenty-five or fifty years from now. The picture will show a great increase in population, in the cities and in the country; it will show innumerable homes, now almost unthought of, it will show a wonderful growth in agriculture and the cultivation of vast areas now unproductive; it will show great strides in manufacturing and in all kinds of industry. This means an enormous increase in the demand upon its natural resources. Without enough wood, water and forage it would be a very poor kind of a country. If these great resources should become scarce or hard to get, future growth and prosperity would be severely handicapped.

National Forests keep these resources coming in abundance by using them wisely at present.

Production.—The permanent wealth of a country comes from the soil. To insure permanent wealth the soil must be kept productive. Agricultural lands are managed so as to produce the most valuable crops, year after year, without a break. Forest lands also should be managed so as to produce the most valuable crops of timber and wood, year after year, without interruption. Without a plentiful, cheap, and continuous supply of wood, agriculture and all its dependent industries must suffer. And in regions of little rainfall, without a plentiful and steady flow of water for irrigation, agriculture is either impossible or unprofitable.

National Forests from their own soil produce always the greatest possible amounts and the most valuable kinds of timber, wood and forage; and the forests themselves make the soil of the surrounding country produce the largest and most useful agricultural crops by supplying it with a steady flow of water for irrigation and by furnishing its settlers with an abundance of timber and wood and forage, for home and local business use.

Homes.—Homes are of vital importance to the west, and to the whole country. A land without homes is not worth living in. What the west needs is people who come to stay. The man who skins the land and moves on does the country more harm than good. He may enrich himself and a few others for a very brief time, but he kills the land. He cares nothing for this, because he does not stay in the country, but moves on to new fields and repeats the skinning process. It is he who is the greatest enemy of the home builder. They make it impossible for the land to be skinned. They benefit the man with a home and the man who seeks to build one by insuring protection and wise use of the timber and grass and by conserving the water. In considering what National Forests are for and how they affect the resources of the western mountains, the fact should never be lost sight of that they are for the home builder first, and that their resources are protected and used for his special welfare before everything else.

TO PROTECT AND GROW WOOD FOR USE.

The National Forests occupy high mountain lands, rough and rocky, and which will always be of value chiefly for the production of lumber and wood. The first thing that is

made sure is that the timber is not burnt up; the next, that it is not used up. Before there were any National Forests enormous quantities of the people's timber on the public domain every year went up in smoke: Forests which covered districts as large as the State of Rhode Island were completely wiped out in the course of a few days. It meant losses to the people of millions and millions of dollars. Fire destroys quickly; trees grow slowly. It often takes a hundred years to make good the damage done by a single day's fire.

In National Forests there is a force of men on the ground whose business it is to look out for fire. They have been remarkably successful in keeping it down. Since the fire patrol was started less than one-third of one per cent of the total area of the forests has been burned over and the money loss has been insignificant. This is a wonderful improvement over the old conditions on the open public domain, where fires were incessant and enormously destructive.

Hundreds of millions of feet of timber are sold from the National Forests each year. That is why the forest is protected. The timber is for use. The cuttings do not damage the forest, because the lumbering operations are so carefully done that the stand is left in first-class condition for a second crop, and after that a third crop and any number of future crops. Fire is kept out of the cut-over lands to give the young growth a fair chance. By wise use the timber crop is made perpetual and its quality is improved by encouraging a new and better growth of the most useful kinds of trees.

The actual results on private lands where the owners do not care what happens after they have skinned them are quite different. These lands are usually cut over with the sole object of getting everything possible out of them at one stroke. They are stripped of timber, while the slashings which are left on the ground make good fire traps. Very soon the whole area burns over and the ground becomes a nonproductive waste. A glance from a car window in Michigan, Wisconsin or Minnesota shows the new absolutely ruined lands which but a short time ago produced magnificent stands of white pine. Think of the great wealth which the people of these states might have made permanent, simply by using the forests wisely.

Then again, wood is so very essential in every day life that it seems unwise to let it be monopolized by individuals or corporations. Actual results show that when public timber lands pass out of the Governments hands they eventually, and often very quickly, fall into the hands of big concerns, which rarely show the slightest tendency to handle them for the greatest good of the people in the long run.

On a National Forest the present and future local demand is always considered first. The Government tries to see that there shall always be enough timber and wood on hand for use by the home builder, the prospector, the miner, the small mill man, the stockman and all kinds of local industries. If local needs promise to consume it all, nothing is allowed to be shipped out of the country. If it were in the hands of individuals or corporate owners, it would very likely be shipped out regardless of local needs. It would seek the best market. If it were sold locally, the users would have to pay whatever price the owner might demand, and this price might be very unfair.

This is especially important to the mining industry. All mining operations require a great deal of timber. It must be accessible, of suitable quality, fairly cheap and

## MASS MEETING

Horticulturists Will Meet Saturday, January 4th.

The Lane County Horticultural Society and Eugene Commercial Club are arranging for a mass meeting which will take place at the county court house on Saturday, January 4th at 1908, at 3 p. m. and at 7:30 p. m.

The Horticultural Society appointed Mr. W. G. Allen as a committee of one to act with Manager Hartog of the Eugene Commercial Club in arranging the details of this meeting.

Dr. D. A. Paine will act as chairman of the joint meeting and the following have been invited to deliver fifteen minute addresses:

President W. K. Newell of the State Board of Horticulture on "The Outlook for Horticultural Development in the Willamette Valley."

Secretary H. M. Williamson on "The Advantages of organization among fruit growers."

Prof. Lewis of Corvallis on "The Willamette Valley from a Horticultural Standpoint."

County Fruit Inspector Beebe on "Experiences of a Fruit Inspector."

Editor E. H. Shepard of "Better Fruit," Hood River, on "Fruit Growing as a business."

The committee has also devised a scheme to make the meeting one of decided interest to all fruit growers and other citizens, by advertising for questions, which will be answered by the speakers. These questions are now coming in and will be assorted and divided among experts to reply to. In that way, a great many matters on which fruit growers like information, will come up for discussion.

Every man in this county interested in fruit ought to make it a point to attend the meetings, as it will be one of the largest and most instructive ever held.

A great many members of the Commercial Club will also attend, realizing that their interests are so closely bound up with those of the fruit growers, as to be virtually one.

The committee has engaged the Eugene Military band to receive the visitors and entertain them with good music afternoon and evening.

## EASILY DECIDED

This Question Should be Answered Easily by Cottage Grove People.

Which is wiser—to have confidence in the opinions of your fellow citizens of people you know, or depend on statements made by utter strangers residing in far away places? Read the following:

Mrs. J. K. Barrett, living on the east side, Cottage Grove, Ore., says: "I suffered for years with a complication of troubles, the most annoying of which was a derangement of the entire urinary system. I used many remedies and spent some time in a hospital. When I came from the hospital I learned of Doan's Kidney Pills and procured them at the Benson Pharmacy. Their use has been of so much benefit to me that I am continuing with the remedy in hopes of a complete cure. I am glad to recommend Doan's Kidney Pills."

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always on hand. When timber for mines has to be shipped in from a distance at great expense it often makes the operations so costly as to be unprofitable. If the local supply is burned up, the mines suffer. In mining districts one of the chief objects of National Forests is to protect the timber and keep it on hand ready for use in the mines at all times.

## O. N. G. ASSOCIATION

Session Held Yesterday—Local Men Attend.

The National Guard association of Oregon met in Portland yesterday to discuss important subjects, some of our local officers being among the speakers. The Oregonian outlines the program as follows:

"The meeting this year was one of unusual interest. The order of business and program as announced at Guard headquarters, shows many interesting and instructive features. Addresses made by Regular Army officers, as well as Guardsmen. One of the most important topics was that of coast artillery reserves. This subject was handled by Major Harry L. Hawthorne, Coast Artillery Corps, U. S. A.

The business session was called to order at 10 a. m. Chaplain William S. Gilbert of the Third Oregon Infantry delivered the opening prayer. An address of welcome was then made by Mayor Lane. This was followed by organization, reports of officers, reading of correspondence, election of officers, amendments to the constitution and bylaws, presentation of resolutions and motions, disposing of miscellaneous and unfinished business.

"The opening address was that on the subject of coast artillery reserves, by Major Hawthorne. In view of the recent suggestion by the War department, that certain troops of the Oregon Guard be designated as artillery reserves, at the same time retaining their identity as infantry, or field artillery, the subject of effecting such an organization was brought up.

"Another Regular army officer presented an address on a similar subject, that of coast artillery supports. Captain R. M. Taylor of the Fourteenth Infantry, who handled this subject, is an authority on infantry supports. As one of the government's crack infantry officers, his discussion was of interest and important.

"Adjutant-General Otis Hamilton of Washington spoke on federal assistance to the National Guard; Brigadier-General Charles F. Beebe discussed National Guard veterans; Colonel James Jackson viewed the Guard from the standpoint of a school for citizenship; Major Creed C. Hammond took up interior economy in companies. The National Guard association and its objects were discussed by Captain Chas. I. Dick; Lieutenant Condon C. McCornack discussed the topic of military hygiene as it concerns line officers and Lieutenant George E. Houck gave his views on how to develop an effective marksman.

"These addresses were followed by general discussion and adjournment."

Captain J. C. Johnson, First Lieutenant H. K. Metcalf and Second Lieutenant H. H. Petrie, officers of Company E were present from Cottage Grove.

## Died

Chester Milo Emerson died at his home one and one-fourth miles south of Cottage Grove Friday, December 21, 1907, at 6:15 p. m.

He was born at Latham, Lane county, Oregon, June 30, 1881, and was 26 years, 5 months and 20 days old.

Last Fall he with mother and brother, Chris, went to New Mexico with hopes that his health would be restored. But upon finding that the climate was not benefitting him and that he was rapidly becoming worse, they returned to their home about a month ago.

The funeral sermon was preached at the Christian church under the auspices of the Woodmen of the World and Company "E." O. N. G.,

both organizations marching to the Shields cemetery, where the interment took place. After the impressive ceremony of the Woodmen of the World, the bugler of Co. "E" blew "taps" over the grave of one of their comrades—the first to be taken from their ranks since the Company's formation.

He leaves a father, mother and four brothers, Ab Emerson of Eastern Oregon, Chris. Ben and Will of this place, to mourn his death.

## Died.

At the home of her son D. H. Hemenway, Mrs. William Hemenway died December 26, 1907. Interment took place Saturday 1 p. m.

## Cottage Grove Birds.

F. H. Rosenberg sent his pen of winning pen of Buff Cochins and H. K. Metcalf sent his pen of Fal verolles that took first prize here, to the poultry show now being held at Dallas.

## Additional Locals

Miss Maggie Brund is visiting in Eugene.

A. Nelson and son were in Eugene yesterday.

Walt Cochran came in from Bohemia and went to Portland Monday.

John Culp was in the Grove from Marcola visiting over Christmas.

D. J. DuBrulle and wife are spending Christmas with relatives in Portland.

Mrs. Fred Lamb and family are spending the holidays with her father J. B. Lewis.

S. J. Brund and John Anderson are doing assessment work at the Crystal mine in Bohemia.

The Receiver's receipts have been issued for the Paradise and Boston group of mines in Bohemia.

Mrs. Evans and daughter Ethel of Eugene are spending Christmas week with Chas. Van DenBerg and family.

Miss Eunice Van DenBerg will entertain a number of her friends Saturday evening in honor of her cousin Miss Ethel Evans of Eugene.

Fingal Hinds, the real estate man reports the sale of the Porter Bros. ranch in Lake county to Hi Adams, a Nebraska man, for \$20,000 cash. Mr. Adams will return in a few days with his family and make Cottage Grove his home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Martin of Wendling were spending the Christmas vacation with F. H. Rosenberg. Mr. Martin is superintendent of the Booth Kelly Lumber plant at that place and has lately returned from a trip to Atchinson where he was married.

## CHRISTMAS BALL

A Large Number of Interested Spectators.—Prizes Awarded.

The Masque ball given by Co. "E" at the armory Christmas night was well attended. A large number of people masked and the characters were original and disguising. The music was furnished by Nelson's orchestra.

The list of prizes were awarded to the following:

1. Best sustained lady character, Mrs. Arch Thompson as Indian squaw, jewel box.
2. Best sustained gentleman character, Mr. Arch Thompson, as Indian Buck, watch chain.
3. Best lady waltzer, Mrs. Jas. Potts as Columbia, gold locket.
4. Best gentlemen waltzer, Frank La Curo as Band Master, watch fob.
5. Most original lady character, as Chinese lady Gail Hare, rocking chair.
6. Most original gentleman character, as Barber Pole, Wm. Edwards, razor.
7. Most comic lady character, as negro wench, Mrs. Rose Kennedy.
8. Most comic gentleman character, as fat man, box cigars.
9. Most beautiful, rich and tasteful lady's costume, Queen of hearts, Mary Bartels.
10. Most beautiful, rich, and tasteful gentlemen's costume, as a Spanish Troubadour, Claude Spencer umbrella.

## Christmas Services

In addition to three Christmas trees loaded with presents for all, also a big Santa Claus and a little Santa Claus, the following splendid program was well rendered.

### PART I

#### THE YULE-TIDE STORY

- Motion song.....First Primer class  
Beautiful Christmas Tree.....  
.....Third Primer class  
The Fairies.....First Primer class  
Boys for Christ.....Fifth class  
Santa Claus Nap.....Twelve Characters

### PART II

#### REDEEMER AND KING.—CANTATA

1. Thy Light is Come.....Chorus
2. The Lord Shall Comfort Zion,.....Duet  
Mrs. W. C. Connor, Mrs. A. Brund
3. How Beautiful Upon the Mountains, solo, Mrs. J. O. Van Winkle
4. And There Were Shepherds.....Solo's and Chorus  
Mrs. A. Brund, Mrs. J. O. Van Winkle
5. The Song of the Angels.....Women's Chorus
6. O Thou Who by a Star did Guide.....Contralto solo,  
J. M. Isham
7. Sing O Ye Heavens.....Chorus
8. Seek Ye The Lord.....Tenor solo  
Dr. J. O. Van Winkle
9. O Come all Ye Faithful.....Male Quartette  
Dr. J. O. Van Winkle, W. A. Hognate, J. M. Isham, O. S. Cochran,
10. Hail Redeemer and King.....Chorus

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