

## THE DESCHUTES RANGER FOR MARCH

The Deschutes Ranger for March contains two special articles and a chart compiled from the forest fire records of the local forests showing the average area burned over per day throughout the summer since 1908. Other facts are also shown including the average number of fires of all classes occurring in each 10-day period since 1908.

Of the special articles one on the use of the Alney hand level is especially for the benefit of forest fire-fighters. The other on "The free use of national forest timber in the Fort Rock district," by W. O. Harriman, is of more general interest. This is part of a longer report on the subject prepared by him and is as follows:

The old Paulina National Forest boundary, prior to the elimination of March 12, 1914, almost entirely surrounded the Fort Rock valley and included not only yellow pine and lodgepole timber but practically all of the juniper as well so that homesteaders were dependent upon the National Forest for their entire supplies of wood for all purposes. As the greater part of the valley is homesteaded, partly in 160-acre tracts, and as there is hardly any activity on the ranches which does not call for some material from the Forest, large quantities of wood for various purposes were used for posts and wood but the more accessible districts have been cut over so that longer distances must be traveled or inferior material taken than formerly. As a result, yellow pine is gradually becoming to be more depended upon.

In March, 1914, practically all of the juniper country was eliminated from the National Forest and since then a considerable portion of it has been homesteaded so that the juniper supply is still more rapidly diminishing. While this has not as yet impressed itself upon the minds of many homesteaders, it is easy to foresee a time in the near future when a large settlement will be dependent upon the pine forests to the north and west for their entire supply of timber. These considerations make the cost sales and free use business of importance to the people locally and to those who are nearest the Forest.

The free use policy in this vicinity so far as I am able to learn has always been a very liberal one and in any case the free use area administered by one man has been so large that close supervision was impossible. Along about eighty miles of the old Forest boundary in this district there were frequent free use roads so that practically the whole area within from two to six miles of the edge of the timber was much used. Many of the applications came by mail and permits were sent out in the same way. The total value of material issued on free use permits for the year ending June 30, 1914, was slightly over \$1,830.

The elimination of the juniper country has reduced the number of permits but the use of yellow pine for posts and fuel is gradually increasing. From the standpoint of value, the material is used in about the following order: Green and dead pine poles for fencing and corrals, dead yellow pine for fuel, posts for fencing and logs for building purposes.

Owing to the large free use area with its locally reputed inexhaustible supply of timber, users have in the past been somewhat wasteful of material. An attempt is being made to encourage more complete utilization of the timber and as time goes on better results are expected.

Other extracts from the Ranger are the following:

Mr. Onoy has dug a well at the Big River Ranger Station.

Mr. Vincent has made a number of small sales of timber at the fifty cent rate to farmers in the region of Davis' saw mill recently.

Ranger Ansteth has repaired the Deschutes river telephone line. The station near Bend was broken down badly during the past winter, as the result of wind and snow.

Work on the telephone line connecting Big River Ranger station and the Rosland Ranger Station is being started by Rangers Onoy and Smith, assisted by one man employed temporarily.

A large sign for the Allingham Ranger Station and another for the Forest office in Sisters have been made by Ranger Vincent.

Mile signs to be placed along the road between Crescent and the south Forest boundary, a distance of about thirty miles, and along the road between Crescent and Crescent, Davis and Odell lakes, have been made by Ranger Smith. They will be posted as soon as the weather conditions permit.

Congress passed a Deficiency Appropriation bill for the Forest service so that the improvement money held in reserve last fall on account of the fire fighting deficit has been released and will be available for use this spring. On this Forest this means that we can complete the telephone line between Big River Ranger Station and Rosland Station, already started, the telephone line extending to the Ice Cave in the Fort Rock country, and the bridge across the Deschutes river at Crane Prairie.

The men in the Bend office have been busy during the past month, compiling maps of different kinds and most recently in compiling the timber estimate maps for the Walker Basin Timber Reconnaissance work done by K. P. Cecil in 1912 and by local rangers the year before.

Mr. Merritt was in Portland on February 16 and 17, conferring with the District Forester and with Supervisor Brundage of the Santiam and Deputy Supervisor Helmsleiman of the Cascade Forest regarding inter-forest grazing allotments. It was agreed to transfer enough sheep from the Deschutes to the West Side Forests to vacate range needed for cat-

tle, thus taking care of the stock applied for by the local ranchers living in the vicinity of Laidlaw. Altogether it is expected that about 800 additional head of cattle will be put on the Forest this year, most of these owned by ranchers in small lots varying from 7 to 75 head each.

On his return trip Mr. Merritt stopped over at The Dalles and checked over all of the land ownership for the National Forest area within The Dalles land district.

The Upper Deschutes Livestock Association held a meeting in the supervisor's office on February 28, at which time they arranged for handling stock on Crane Prairie for the coming year. The Association voted to ask the District Forester that their advisory board be officially recognized and formulated some rules regarding the improvement of the range stock.

The Tumalo Beef Breeders Association have formally asked that their advisory board be recognized by the Forest Service in matters regarding the range and have submitted rules regarding breeds of stock which they ask to have adopted by the Forest Service as applying to the range in which their Association is interested. They wish to limit the breed of cattle to Red Durhams only.

Reports from all ranger districts during the past year give the following estimated number of people using the Forest for recreation purposes and for hunting:

Fishermen and campers staying more than one day	850
Fishermen and campers staying one day only	1430
Hotel guests	420
Trappers and hunters for short trips	230
Winter trappers	24
Auto parties along roads not stopping except for a short time	2000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4954</b>

The cover of the report is illustrated by a picture of the head of the Metolius river showing Mt. Jefferson in the distance.

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## LINCOLN BEACHEY FALLS TO DEATH IN SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., March 15.—Lincoln Beachey fell to his death in San Francisco bay this afternoon while attempting one of his dare devil feats in a new and untried aeroplane. He made one successful flight in which he looped the loop and

performed the other aerial stunts of which he was the master. On a second ascent he was ending with a perpendicular drop, when the wings of his plane crumpled and he fell into the water lashed to the machine. The

body was recovered. From its appearance death was decided to have resulted from drowning. Beachey's mother, shown in the picture below, is prostrated from the shock of the accident which she witnessed.



Photograph courtesy San Francisco Examiner.  
**THE MOTHER OF LINCOLN BEACHEY, FROM THE TOWER OF JEWELS, 435 FEET ABOVE THE EARTH, AT THE PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION, WATCHES HER SON LOOP HIS ONE THOUSANDTH LOOP.**

When Lincoln Beachey, a son of San Francisco, on the occasion of his homecoming after breaking all world records as a daredevil loop of 999 loops, performed two entirely new and death defying stunts over the completed pinnacles of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition it was his aged mother who for the first time waved him on to fresh achievements. Mrs. Beachey held a place of honor, 435 feet up in the air, on the tiptop of the wonderful Tower of Jewels. From this vantage she was able to watch every erratic move of her daredevil son. She cried out only once. That was when he wrote the figures "1000" against the clouds, high above the two miles of completed exhibit pinnacles, significant of the looping of his one thousandth loop.

### MARKET REPORT.

**NORTH PORTLAND, March 11.**—The receipts for the week have been: Cattle 1674, calves 35, hogs 2380, sheep 1681. The market on cattle opened briskly on quality offerings at about steady prices. Top steers remaining steady all week at \$7.75. Monday's run of cattle was the heaviest in these yards for some time. Good cows are quoted at \$6.50 and other lines in proportion. Notwithstanding the fact that Portland hog prices have been the highest in the United States for some time past, marketing has not been as liberal as expected. Top hogs opened Monday at \$7.25 and are selling at same price at close of week. Sheep are again

being snapped up promptly for any and all offerings. Packers are extremely short of supplies and are willing takers of all offerings at good prices. Lambs still sell at \$8.50.

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