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 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12,1929 THE STATE AND ARID LANDS President Hoover's suggestion that the state take over the arid purposes ts a good one. These lands now idle might be made to turn over some revend of free state, although this would be the small stock owner.

Some people think this would be an entering wedge to turning over the national forests to of states. Realizing in thational forests still we would be against state ownership and control of these forests, for the reason that the state is not and
perhaps never will be as well prepared to handle the national forests as well as the national government. State forests in other states have behave been turned into graft.
The underlying idea of the national forest is conservation, and while there is plenty of private timber to be cut there is no need to put national actually over ripe and deteriorating. Of course communities near a national forest which expect to prosper from cutting of this timber will be for nershp, overlooking the fact that it is Business.

The repayment to the state for highway purposes money in lieu of taxes lost by the land be ing held by the government is a far better policy than having this timber dumped on the market both for the lumber market and the state. For but growing timber, and when it is cut there should be replanting if it will not reforest itself The only way we can have perpetual forests
by reforestation and no doubt the forest servic will turn more and more to this as time goes on

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