

FOREST SERVICE ADOPTS STANDARD FIRE FINDER

The Osborne fire finder has been adopted by the Forest Service as standard equipment for lookout stations on the National Forests of the country, according to a letter just received by District Forester Geo. H. Cecil from the Forester at Washington, D. C. This fire finder, the invention of Forest Examiner Wm. B. Osborne, Jr., of Portland, has been tried out successfully on the summit of Mt. Hood and at numerous other lookout stations in various parts of the North Pacific District for several seasons. Fires more than fifty miles distant have been accurately located from Mt. Hood by means of this instrument.

More than 350 of these fire finders are now in use and it is planned eventually to equip all the more important lookout points on the National Forests which have suitable housing facilities with them. The instrument complete costs about \$48. In addition to its use by the Federal Forest Service, the fire finder is used by the Canadian forest service and a number of associations of private timber owners in their fire protective work in various parts of the West.

Foresters in various parts of the

world have shown their interest in the instrument by writing to the District Forester for information about it. One request for information was received from the Conservator of Forests of Australia.

FUEL SITUATION ACUTE THE COMING WINTER

Portland, Oregon, June 18.—The wood fuel in Oregon is rapidly reaching a point which indicates that there will be a shortage this winter, according to reports reaching Fuel Administrator Holmes. How severe the shortage will be is not known at present. Anticipating it, however, Holmes already is preparing for distribution of coal in districts where there is insufficient wood supplies.

Conditions are more acute in Portland than at other points thus far. These industries are converting their plants to the use of wood and coal due to the fact that the oil fuel supplies will soon be deeply cut on account of the transfer of tank steamers to the Atlantic, among other things. Announcement to this end is already having its effect on demands for other fuels, with the result that dealers are having a hard time to fulfill orders now on their books.

Will Build Modern Bungalow.

Luther Huston has purchased the corner lot on the west side of Gale and Willow streets, where the Club formerly stood, from the City of Heppner and will commence in the near future the erection of a modern home. The contract has been let to Henry Johnson & Sons. Mr. Huston expects to do considerable improvement work on his property before he starts building, and will do a lot of filling, bringing the dirt down from the hillside. Mr. Huston recently bought the lot adjoining on the west from Mrs. Melissa Marlatt, which now gives him four good lots. The new house, for which plans have already been drawn, will have a full basement, with one story on top of the basement. It will be modern in every detail and a valuable addition to the city.

G. A. Nichols of Spray, who recently sold his Dam ranch in that section to a party of men, has notified this paper that from now on he expects to be located in Portland.

Harry Turner left in his auto this week with Mrs. Frank Turner and children for Grant county, where they will visit at the home of Mrs. Turner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cochran.

H. M. Cummins and Chas. B. Sperry came up from Lone last Thursday evening to be present when Captain Williams inspected the local Home Guard.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Bennett passed through Heppner Saturday on their way to Pendleton. Mr. Bennett is in charge of the state highway work in this section of Oregon and maintains offices in Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Hedges of The Dalles, were visitors in Heppner Sunday. Mr. Hedges is a prominent contractor of The Dalles.

Frank Engelman, Wm. Hayes and Carl Yount well known business men of Lone, were brief visitors in Heppner Tuesday afternoon.

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LIVE CECIL NEWS ITEMS

C. C. Clark of Arlington was a Cecil visitor Tuesday.

Geo. Miller was in lone Tuesday and did some shopping.

F. M. Broady of Morgan was a business man in Cecil Tuesday.

Mrs. Jefferson and Mrs. Barnes visited with Mrs. Jack Hynd Friday.

Walter Pope and Cecil Thorne were Arlington visitors Thursday.

Boyd Logan was visiting some of his old friends in Morgan on Tuesday.

Miss Ruth May spent Saturday with Miss Georgia Summers at the Last Camp.

Ed Wilcox from Heppner paid a very pleasant call in Cecil on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Winters are spending a few days with their son in Shady Dell.

Mr. and Mrs. Henriksen visited with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Nash Saturday evening.

Messrs. Leon and Boyd Logan and families visited with friends at the Willows Sunday.

Mr. Neils, deputy assessor for Gilliam county, was doing some business in Cecil Thursday.

Jack Hynd and John Ewing had a hurried trip to Heppner and other parts on Thursday.

W. E. Dodge of Lexington was in Cecil Thursday hunting up some horses he has missing.

Mrs. A. E. Nash and daughter spent Wednesday and Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Everett.

F. J. Phillips returned from Arlington Thursday to put on the finishing touches to Geo. Miller's house.

W. Wiener, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Nash of Cecil, attended the big dance in Bialeck Friday evening.

Ed Melton came down from Lone on Sunday, returning again Monday. Ed says that it is very dry and hot up there.

T. Mahoney, Jr., of Portland, came in on Thursday to spend his holidays on the Butterby Flats, haying for Jack Hynd.

Hiram A. Beard, of the Jefferson high school, Portland, who has been haying on the Butterby Flats, returned to Portland on Friday to graduate.

W. G. Palmateer, who has been in Eugene for the past month, returned home during the week, reporting everything dry and dusty there as well as here.

Peter Bauertfend left on the local for Pendleton and Walla Walla where he intends spending a few days before leaving for his summer haunts, the Ritter Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Minor, accompanied by Miss Blanche Minor and Miss Edith Thorley came to Cecil by auto from Portland Wednesday and stayed overnight before leaving for Heppner.

Miss Louise Shaw of Arthur, Ontario, Canada, who has been staying with her aunt, Mrs. Jack Hynd for the past three years, left on Friday morning for Alberta, Canada, and other parts, where she intends to visit for an indefinite period. Miss Annie Hynd accompanied her as far as Portland, where she will visit with friends for the next few weeks.

"CLASS 1 WEEK" WILL BE HELD IN JULY

Portland, Ore., June 19.—A "Class 1 Week" is to be held sometime this month by every local draft board in Oregon, under instructions received from the War Department and communicated to local boards by Captain John E. Cullison, officer in charge of the draft, in the office of the Adjutant General.

The purpose of "Class 1 Week" is to correct any errors in classification that may have been made previously. In correcting these errors, many registrants previously placed in lower classification will be transferred to Class 1.

At the same time, the re-classification will work both ways. Where the evidence justifies local boards will reopen the cases of men wrongfully placed in Class I and place them in lower classification, as the circumstances warrant.

Government Appeal Agents and members of legal advisory boards have been directed immediately to make a careful examination of all questionnaires and records in all cases in which they are satisfied that re-classification should be made. Thousands of registrants are now in Class IV, the War Department believes, who should be in Class II or I. Appeal agents are instructed to appeal every case where the re-classification is not convincingly correct.

"Local Boards, Government appeal agents and members of legal advisory boards," Captain Cullison's instructions advise, "are requested to direct special attention to the following classes of cases: Class 2, A and B; Class 3, A, B and C; Class 4, A."

For the benefit of all these definitions are given: Class II-A: Married man with children or father of motherless children where wife and children are not mainly dependent on him for support; II-B: Married man without children whose wife is ca-

pable of supporting herself; III-A: Man with dependent children (not his own) but toward whom he stands in relation of parent; III-B: Man with dependent, aged or infirm parents; III-C: Man with dependent helpless brothers or sisters; IV-A: Man whose wife or children are mainly dependent on his labor for support.

New standards of physical examination are being issued by the Provost Marshal General. These will, it is believed, not merely add to the number of men eligible for military service, but will largely increase the roster of those held for limited or special service.

Grain Outlook Good.

The grain outlook in Morrow, Sherman and Gilliam counties is surprisingly good, according to W. L. Thompson, who returned by automobile from the bankers' convention at Bend, making the 300 miles in one day. Mr. Thompson said the roads from here to John Day were pretty bad.—Pendleton Tribune.

Company Dissolves.

The Heppner Building & Loan Association, owners of the Fair Building in this city, has filed a certificate of dissolution with the secretary of State. The certificate was filed by A. Rood.

W. R. C. Notes.

At a recent meeting Rawlin's No. 23, Women's Relief Corps expressed their appreciation of the honor conferred upon their corps in the election of one of their members, Mrs. Bertha Drew Gilman, to the office of deputy president. By this election Heppner has the distinction of being department headquarters, which in itself is no small honor.

Also at this meeting Mrs. Mattie T. Smead received her commission and was installed in the office of deputy patriotic instructor.

The national convention of G. A. R. and kindred associations are to be entertained by the Oregon departments in Portland, the week beginning August 18, 1918.

For this convention rates are to be placed at one cent per mile.

Walter Matteson arrived home Monday from Camp Kearney, near San Diego, where he has been stationed since entering the national army. He expects to remain here until about the first of July. Walter says he likes the service fine.

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