

VALUE TO OREGON OF WORK BY CCC SHOWN IN REPORT

Fechner Cites Data On Forest Fire, Beetle, Erosion Control, Campground and Other Projects in State

By Don Trace

The most spectacular work done by the CCC during its three years and three months of operation in Oregon has been the fighting of forest fires.

There is ample justification of the title "fire troopers" because masted legions of the fresh-faced youth of America have proved themselves in four summer campaigns to save the rich forests of Oregon from their gravest menace, fire.

The results of the 1936 campaign have not been tabulated but records for 1935 show that forest fire losses during the extremely hazardous period of low humidity and unusually dry weather were the lowest since 1907, a fact due, forestry officials say, to the presence in Oregon of the highly mobile and highly trained CCC fire-fighting units.

Some idea of the extent of CCC work in Oregon may be gained from figures released by ECW Director Robert Fechner, CCC fire-fighters have during the last three years saved 186,200 man-days in the field of actual combat with fires. Yet the much more important and much more extensive work of the tree troopers has been in the prevention of fires.

Preventive Measures
In the latter phase of fire control, Director Fechner states that 2302 miles of truck trails, 2882 miles of telephone lines and 209 fire observation towers have been constructed by the CCC. The truck trails provide for rapid penetration of timbered areas by motorized units of trained fire fighters.

It is estimated by Oregon forestry officials that the program of forest fire prevention in Oregon is today as far advanced as they had previously hoped to make it by 1946. This is due to the man-power made available by the CCC.

Another natural forest enemy which is yielding ground before the CCC attack is the pine bark beetle. Visitors to Crater Lake national park, where 15,000 acres of pines are infested by this voracious insect, have noticed the decaying corpses of once magnificent trees, victims of the beetle. More than a thousand square miles of Oregon land have been covered by CCC men in control of the pine beetle and other insect pests.

Dangers Removed
Many sections of the forest are menaced by the dead trees left standing by former fires. Fruitful sources of new fires due to lightning or careless campers, these danger spots annually contribute to the sum of fire loss. The CCC men have cleared nearly 800 square miles of such hazard, have removed fire hazards along 1852 miles of road. In addition the CCC men have built 494 miles of firebreak which effectively prevents the spread of fire from hazardous spots.

Besides the work of preserving existing forests, the CCC has also been deeply concerned with future forests to cover the now existing bald spots on Oregon's hills. About 4,000-500 trees have been planted by enrollees. Nurseries are maintained to grow young trees and they are transplanted by CCC men to areas denuded by fire, pest or near-sighted economy.

One phase of fire prevention undertaken by the CCC men has been the by-product of a plan to develop the great primitive areas of the state as a playground for Oregon citizens and visitors from other states. About 700 acres of public camping grounds have been cleared and landscaped for the use of citizens. Some 600 forest camps have been prepared with fireplaces, rustic buildings, tables and benches, piped water, necessary sanitation and many other facilities. Through such arrangements, the comfort of campers has been vastly increased and there has been a corresponding decrease of forest fires resulting from indiscriminate camping with its scattered and unsupervised building of campfires.

Erosion Fought
Although the conservation of forests has been and is the chief work of the civilian conservation corps in Oregon there are many other natural resources which have come under the protection of the CCC men.

Six of the 51 camps now located in Oregon are engaged in soil erosion control. Included in this work is the control of drifting sandbars at the mouth of the Columbia river, the concentration and development of springs, wells, and small reservoirs.

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GARLOCK ELECTED STATE LEADER OF LEGION 40 AND 8

Medford Man Wins Highest Post in Fun Chapter of Vets Group — Wymore, Bromley Also Honored

ROSEBURG, Ore., Aug. 13.—(AP)—Lee Garlock, of Medford, was elected grand chef de garre of La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux of the American Legion at the annual promenade in connection with the state convention this morning. He succeeds Dr. Laban A. Swoves of Salem, who was named chemist nationale and chairman of the 40 et 8 delegation to the national meeting in Cleveland, Ohio.

Other new officers are Sverre Hansen, Astoria, grand chef de train; Henry Heisel, Tillamook, grand conducteur; Jack Eakin, Dallas, grand commissaire intendente; Curtis Johnson, Salem, grand comite voyeur; Carl Schloeman, Corvallis, grand garde de la porte; Ben Moll, Pendleton, sous grand garde de la porte; Olin Shook, Albany, grand garde de la prisonnaire; Fred Hellbronner, Klamath Falls, sous chemist nationale; Cheminots are Ray Straffern, Astoria; Dr. G. E. Prime, Salem; Frank Udyke, Toledo; Cass Wymore, Medford; Earl Tempier, Klamath Falls; Hugh Bowman, Pendleton and W. E. Wilkins, Baker.

Appointive officers are Neil Sleeper, Eugene, grand correspondent; Dr. P. M. Ernst, Portland, grand medecin; Bert Haffenden, Portland, grand amonier; C. K. Logan, Salem, grand public; Richard Smurawala, Baker, grand advocat; H. L. Bromley, Medford, grand organizer; Neil Gillings, Eugene, grand membership chairman and Charles Schmeiter, Albany, in charge of state vulture activities.

The grand vulture unanimously approved a resolution calling for the perpetuation and preservation of virgin timber bordering the highways of the state and a continuation of the immunization campaign which passed the 15,000 mark this year. It was reported the 40 et 8 had the largest membership in its history with members responsible for 50 per cent of the American Legion membership in the state.

Ordnance Checked—Annual federal inspection of ordnance was conducted yesterday at the Medford army post for Company A and headquarters company, 160th Infantry, by D. A. Maloney, inspector of the ordnance department of the U. S. army. Mr. Maloney said that with the recent completion of WPA work, Medford has one of the best protected and arranged armories in the state. He added that he found the ordnance in excellent condition.

Tests Announced for Coppersmith
United States civil service commission today announced a competitive examination for coppersmith to fill existing and future vacancies in the Puget Sound navy yard. Applicants must be on file not later than August 24 with the Recorder, Board of Labor Employment, Puget Sound Navy Yard, Bremerton, Wash. Detailed information may be procured here at the postoffice from Earl H. York, secretary of the local civil service board.

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Markets

Livestock
PORTLAND, Aug. 13.—(AP-USA)—Hogs: Receipts 400, direct 248; market steady, mostly 10 to 15 higher; bulk 155-215 lbs. 11.35-50; 225-280 lbs., 10.75-11.00; light lights, 10.85-11.00 and outstanding kinds to 11.35; packing sows, 9.00-50; good 71 lb. feeder pigs, 10.50.

CATTLE: Receipts 130, direct 10; calves 25, direct 12; market steady; fairly active except cutters; steers; few grass steers, 5.00-6.25; better grades to 7.25; cutters salable down to 4.00; grass heifers, mostly 4.30-6.25; cutters down to 3.75; low cutters and cutter-cows, 3.00-7.50; common to medium grades, 4.00-7.50; good beef cows to 5.50; bulls, 4.75-5.50; old heads to 3.75; good to choice vealers, 7.50-8.50; common down to 4.50.

SHEEP: Receipts 400, direct 68; market active and fully steady; bulk fat lambs, 8.00; common to medium good, 6.25-7.00; few feeders, 7.00; shorn lambs, 6.75; good 130 lb. ewes, 3.50.

CHICKENS, Aug. 13.—(AP-U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Hogs, 10,000; mostly 10-20 spots 25 higher than Wednesday's average; top 11.55; new high; bulk desirable 180-230 lbs., 11.25-50; 250-300 lbs., 10.85-11.45; best sows 9.85.

Cattle 7,000, calves 1,800; fairly active and fully steady trade, less desirable killing quality considered; yearlings and light steers especially active and same true of all grades; heifers; best weighty steers 9.65; medium weight 9.75; light yearling steers 9.35; heifers 9.00; bulk steer crop 7.75 to 9.00; stockers and feeders 25-50 higher than close last week; bulk thin stockers turning at 4.75-6.00; bulls steady; vealers a little lower at 7.50 down; only strictly good and choice offerings making 8.00-50; practical top bulls 5.25.

SHEEP 10,000, including 5,300 direct; fat lambs steady to shade lower, mostly steady; bulk natives 9.00-75; low grade throwouts 5.50-6.50; four

cars Washington rangers 10.00; 3 cars Idaho 9.50; load fed Texas yearlings 7.50; double 69 lb. feeders 8.25; slaughter sheep steady; mostly 2.25-3.50.

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—(AP-USA)—Hogs 500; direct 55. Mostly steady; top and bulk 160-230 lb. California, \$11.50; few \$13.50; medium light-lights, \$11.25; odd lots 240-275 lb. weights, \$11.10. Packing sows \$8.75 @ 9.00.

CATTLE 325. Steers slow, few early sales steady; bulk unsold; load medium 955 lb. grass and cake steers, \$2.75; sorted, 3 head, \$6.50; common light grass steers down to \$5.00; good under 1100 lb. fed steers absent, quoted to \$9.50; she-sock steady; common-medium grass heifers, \$3.90-25; fe wheel cows, \$5.00; good quoted \$5.50; heavy dairy cows, \$4.50; low-cutters-cutties, \$5.00 @ 4.25. Few bulls to \$5.25, common light bulls, \$4.00-25, steady. Calves: 5, all direct. Nominal; good-choice vealers quoted \$9.00-50.

SHEEP: 225. Lambs absent; choice woolkins quoted to \$8.75 or slightly above; ewes active, fully steady; deck good-choice 122-lb. shorn ewes, \$3.75; straight-top part-deck 126-lb. weights, \$3.50; sorted, 10 head, \$2.50.

Portland Wheat

PORTLAND, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Wheat Open High Low Close
May 97 1/4 98 97 1/4
Sept. 96 1/2 97 1/2 96 1/2
Dec. 97 98 1/4 97 3/4

Cash wheat: Big Bend bluestem, h.w. 1.19 1/2; dark hard winter, 1.19; 1.19 1/2; 1.13 1/2; 1.11; 1.07 1/2; soft white, western white, 97 1/2; hard winter, 1.00 1/2; western red, 98.

Oats white, 29.50; gray, 28.50.
Barley, No. 2—45 lb. h.w., 31.00.
Corn, No. 2—Eastern Y. ship, 48.50; Argentine, 38.50.
Millrun standard, 39.00.
Today's car receipts: Wheat, 81; barley, 14; flour, 19; oats, 8; Hay, 6.

Chicago Wheat

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Corn developed greater strength than wheat late today, and climbed to the highest price since March, 1929.

Wheat: Open High Low Close
Sept. 1.11 1/4 1.12 1/4 1.11 1/4
Dec. 1.11 1/4 1.12 1/4 1.11 1/4
May 1.10 1/4 1.11 1/4 1.10 1/4

Corn: Open High Low Close
Sept. 1.07 1/4 1.07 1/4 1.08 1/4
Dec.94 1/2 .95 1/2 .96 1/2
May91 1/2 .91 1/2 .91 1/2

Wall St. Report

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—(AP)—After striding forward under the leadership of steel most of the day, the stock market teetered and fell back in the final hour as profit-taking orders came in its path.

THIEF SENTENCED UP TO 18 MONTHS

Howard Dorman of Gold Hill, who entered a plea of guilty to larceny in a store and admitted a series of thefts, the authorities say, was sentenced to serve an indeterminate term, not to exceed eighteen months in state prison this morning by Circuit Judge H. D. Norton.

Oren Tracy, who pleaded guilty to attempted burglary of a Gold Hill garage for the purpose of regaining an auto involved in a traffic accident, was sentenced to six months and given a suspended sentence.

Passing of sentence upon Willis Shapely of the Wimer district, charged with receiving stolen property, a slain calf, was deferred until a later date.

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