

Life Term Meted In Slaying of WAF

San Francisco, June 6—(U.P.)—Lyle H. Buswell, 33-year-old former Vermont farm boy, was sentenced to life imprisonment yesterday for the rape-murder of WAF Sgt. Fairy E. Decker, 44, at Hamilton Air Force base last March 25.

Buswell, raw boned military police sergeant, was found guilty by an all-male jury last Thursday of murder in the second degree, murder in the course of rape, and rape.

The prosecution had demanded the death penalty, and the jury could have recommended it on any of the three counts, but favored leniency.

Federal Judge Louis E. Goodman imposed three concurrent life terms.

90 Million Feet of O and C Timber to Be Sold in 1951

Approximately 90 million board feet of timber will be put up for sale during the calendar year 1951 from land under the jurisdiction of the Medford district of the bureau of land management, according to E. K. Peterson, district forester.

Maximum amount available under the sustained-yield cutting budget would be 146 million board feet.

However, the amount which will be made available for sale in each administrative unit will be determined next fall after all suggestions have been received from the industry and after the allocations have been discussed with the district advisory board.

Volumes Reduced

Indicated volumes for some of the units will be reduced so that the total for the district will not exceed 90 million board feet, estimated amount the district can cruise and offer for sale.

Individuals or firms interested in purchasing O and C or public domain timber from the bureau next year have been invited by Daniel L. Goldy, regional administrator of the bureau, to submit suggestions for tracts to be offered for sale. Suggestions should be made to the district forester here by August 1. Sales program for 1951 will be announced by December 1.

Planning Success

"Advance planning of our timber sales program thus far has proved very successful," Goldy reported. This year the bureau is offering 467 million board feet under the program.

The timber sale program is formulated initially by district foresters in consultation with district advisory boards. Selection of tracts for sale, Goldy stated, is based on principles of forest management, but takes into account, as much as possible, the interest of prospective purchasers.

At the oral auction at the Medford office in the city hall at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, June 19, there will be two tracts for sale instead of one as previously announced. The second tract to be offered contains about 2,500,000 board feet on the west fork of Evans creek. Timber earlier announced is on Jenny creek.

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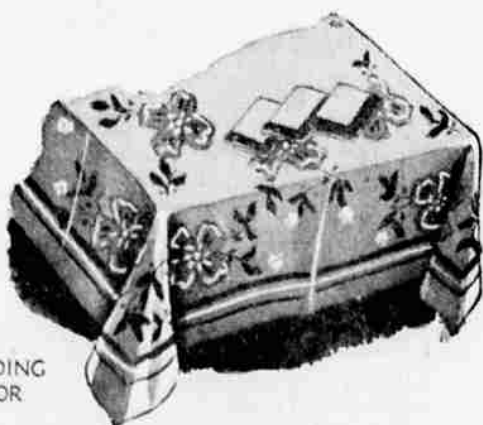
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OUT OF THE WOODS

By Jim Stevens

Marketing Woodlot Products

Well, here I am, hooked and hauled in, and the frying pan is already greased and sizzling over the fire. All of the storming around I've been doing about the neglect of the marketing side of farm forestry—and other forestry, too—has attracted professional attention, and I'm caught.

Foresters Ralph De Mossy and John Allen of the State of Washington Institute of Forest Products, Anderson Hall, University of Washington, Seattle 5, have produced a bulletin of 60 pages entitled "Marketing Woodlot Products in the State of Washington." I hasten to add that it is a book that is full of values for Oregon farm woodlot owners too, outside the directory markets for specific products and references to state laws. Its size is 6 by 9 inches, providing adequate space for reproduction of important tables of information.

For a single copy, write a post card request to the address above, asking for bulletin No. 1. One reading will convince you, as it did me, that the booklet has double value. First, there is the practical information it contains on how to sell from the woodlot. Second, there is the incentive it unfolds in behalf of productive farm forest management.

Money Talks
Technologist John W. Allen, the author of "Marketing Woodlot Products," starts his job with a statement of a principle of forest economics that I call masterful and inspired. I am going to work to memorize it—real work any time for me.

"Marketing, the most important step in the handling of forest products, often receives the least attention," says the forthright and hard-thinking Mr. Allen. "Commonly, more value is lost as a result of indifferent marketing practices than from any other mismanagement of logging or wood manufacturing operations."

That's what I've been trying to say for many years. The best I've said has been foolish and blurred beside this simple and cogent statement. We've all had the cart-before-the-horse habit on this all-important element of

the practice of forestry on commercial forest lands, both industrial and farm. Laziness was the probable cause all along. It is so simple and agreeable to assume a pose of authority before the forest owner and taxpayer and seek to take his hand in yours and lead him to do a good job of tree harvesting, tree growing and tree protection for virtue's sake alone.

In the nature of things, however, the forester should approach the forest owner up the market road, bringing news of what can be sold in market places near and far, what money will be offered for each forest product brought to the market, and what the market prospects are for growing forest products for future harvests.

Money talks with more eloquence, persuasiveness and force for productive forest practices than the highest learning and finest ideals can ever unloose on the farmer or the industrial bull of the woods.

Golden Acres
Money talks too often, however, through the tempter to the forest owner offering a ready market right on the ground, cash on the stump. It is bound to have its appeal to many a farmer who is not equipped either with logging machinery or market knowledge and too often the lump sum is taken, the work proceeds cut-and-slash, the land is skinned, a fire hazard remains.

The farmer who studies the Allen booklet with due care is going to take real second thought before he subjects honest land and its tree family to such abuse. If for no other reason, he is going to delay action because of the many and various markets that are visualized in the book and through which the forest owner may "have his cake and eat it too"—through thinning, minor forest products, odd-time cuttings, substitution of horse-logging for machinery, etc.

On the last there is a special circular. Ask for No. 8. All of the Washington Forest Products Institute publications, like the similarly excellent ones

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