



ENDING 10-DAY REST before flying back to Washington, President Truman votes in Missouri primary at Independence. Asked for whom he voted Mr. Truman said: "It's a secret." (International)

Sen. Cordon Commends Private Ownership at Tree Farm Ceremony

Klamath Falls (U.P.)—Sen. Guy Cordon, R-Ore., commended private timberland ownership to day on the 10th anniversary of "tree farming" in the western pine forests.

Cordon addressed more than 1000 persons, including seven Eastern congressmen and scores of prominent western lumbermen, during a woodland ceremony southeast of here on the Weyerhaeuser Timber company's 500,000-acre tree farm at Keno.

Not in Public Interest

He said that private woodland owner must have the opportunity to hold and manage their properties.

"It is not in the public interest that all forest land be in public ownership," Cordon said. "It is not in the public interest even to have a preponderance of forest land in public ownership. Yet there are some who feel only government ownership will solve our forestry problems. I know them to be wrong."

The Weyerhaeuser tree farm was established a decade ago as the first in the 12-state western pine region.

Farm History Traced

A. J. Glasgow, Bend, general manager of the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company which operates a 146,000-acre tree farm, traced the history of western tree farming through its spread into 34 states and 3,697 such farms in the United States covering nearly 26,000,000 acres of private land.

"After a decade of tree farm progress in the western pine region, we walk more sure-footed on the path toward timber

permanence," Glasgow said. Guests at the ceremony included a touring subcommittee of the House Agricultural Committee, Reps. A. F. Herlong Jr., D-Fla., William S. Hill, R-Colo., Charles B. Hoeven, R-Ia., James F. Lind, D-Pa., Harold C. Osterlag, R-N.Y., Harold A. Patten, D-Ariz., and John C. Heimbarger, counsel and committee executive officer.

Oregon Traffic Deaths Increase

Salem (U.P.)—Traffic deaths in Oregon climbed to 40 or more for the second consecutive month as incomplete reports listed an even 40 victims of fatal traffic accidents in July, according to Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry.

The death count in June was 41.

July's toll brings fatalities for the year to 217, Newbry said, just 10 fewer than at the same time a year ago. The margin may be narrower if delayed reports are received or if persons now listed as injured do not recover.

Last month's fatalities marked an increase of eight over the total for July of 1951. Heavy travel in August and September may set the stage for further increases, Newbry warned.

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