

BLM District on Schedule With Planned Projects During Year

The Medford district of the bureau of land management at the end of the third quarter of calendar year 1958 is on schedule with all its planned projects for the year, according to District Manager Ross A. Youngblood.

Timber sales in the district are ahead of the schedule set up last fall. Half of the increase in the allowable cut for the Josephine master unit was added onto the 1958 calendar timber sales plan in July of this year. This increased the total expected sales from 160.3 million board feet to 185 million board feet, he noted, but even with this added volume the timber sales work is on schedule.

Timber Sales Total

As of Oct. 1, timber sales have totaled 149,212 million board feet from O and C lands, and 688 thousand board feet from public domain lands. Bidding on timber was stronger during the third quarter than in the first half of the year, Youngblood noted. Buyers have paid about \$3.50 per thousand board foot more for the timber than the BLM appraisal. For the year to date timber sales have totaled \$3,588,22.23, with stump-

age going about \$24 per thousand board foot.

Cutting on BLM contracts has about paced actual sales. This fact is illustrated by collections which are received in proportion to the rate of cut of the timber. Bureau timber sale regulations do not require the buyer of BLM timber to pay for the entire volume on a lump sum basis, he said.

Installment Basis

Payments may be extended on an installment basis over a two-year period. Payments are collected to keep about abreast of cutting. Since collections as of Oct. 1 for the year totals \$3,057,647.44, the value shows that the rate of cut is close to actual sales value.

The rate of cut since July this year has accelerated in comparison to the first half of the calendar year because for the third quarter (July, August, September) collection total \$1,446,792.37, or almost half of the total collections for the past nine-month period. The rate of cut is normal for this time of the year as we all know the summer months is the main timber harvest season in this logging area.

The Medford bureau of land management district has had some minor sales. Minor forest sales consist of huckleberry brush, Oregon grape, Port Orford cedar boughs, posts, shale and other forms of rock. Value of this material sold to date for calendar year 1958 is \$275.

Rents-of-Land

Rents-of-land, principally special use permits charges, grazing use fees, right-of-way permit fees, road maintenance fees, accounted for \$6,861.85 of the quarterly collections. Total collections for the first nine months ending Oct. 1 in the rent-of-land category were \$34,373.74, Youngblood said.

Trespass, mostly timber, payments for this quarter accounted for \$12,230.52. Little trespass collection was noted until this past quarter, he said.

Much activity can be accounted for in the Medford Forest district in the field of reforestation. Scarification of the soil is the job of readying the non-forested tracts for planting. This work normally includes removal of brush and snag felling.

To date for 1958, 3,115 acres have been scarified through competitive contracts and now these acres are ready for planting or seeding. A sizeable sum of \$57,176.80 has been obligated to private individuals and companies so far in 1958. Julius Purvine of Corvallis was the main bidder on the soil scarification work.

Most of the reforestation activity in the district has been confined to this quarter, as out of the \$50,689.79 obligated \$42,954.16 in reforestation contracts were awarded this quarter, he noted. Most of the successful bidders on the reforestation jobs are not local.

Another activity on the BLM Medford district area this quarter was forest fires. Almost all the fires were caused by lightning. There were 40 fires on BLM lands this year, mostly all this quarter. Fire ran through 565 BLM acres, and it is estimated that merchantable timber was damaged close to a value of \$10,000. The damaged timber is in an inaccessible area, however, every possibility for salvaging the damaged tract is being explored.

During the past quarter Medford District inventory foresters have completed field type mapping and establishment of the scheduled permanent sample plot in the North Jackson county area.

Field Type Mapping

Field type mapping in the South Jackson county area and in Klamath county is scheduled for completion on Nov. 1. About half of the permanent sample plots will be set by the end of the year.

Target date for the entire District inventory job is July 1, 1959. More foresters were reassigned to this phase of the district program the last half of the last quarter in an effort to provide a margin of safety. The only unknown element that may prevent the building of the margin is weather, Youngblood said.

Right-of-way clearing is about finished on the West Fork Evans creek access road project by Lewis River Logging company. Ausland Construction, the sub-contractor on four bridges and two culverts on the Evans creek project, has started all the structures.

Bridge Completed

Q. L. Rufener, Inc. of Portland has completed the Snow creek bridge, which will serve a large block of BLM timber and also a large block of BLM National Forest timber. The Whitehorse Creek bridge, which is a part of the Rufener contract, is about 98 per cent completed, Youngblood said.

Bureau of public roads crews during this period finished location survey on the West Fork of Elk creek, Salt creek, and the Cantral bridge on the Applegate river near Ruch. This quarter BLM location survey crew started road location survey on the last segment of the Galice access road in the Northwest Josephine Master Unit.

Several right-of-way ease-

Programs Talked By Sites Group

The board of directors of the Siskiyou Pioneer Sites Foundation, at the October meeting recently, discussed a series of television programs and heard a report on the Britt gardens.

The television programs will be of an educational nature, the board said, and will be sponsored by courtesy of station KBES-TV. They will be scheduled early this winter.

Dr. Elmo Stevenson, president of Southern Oregon college, who presided at the meeting, stressed the significance of historic Jacksonville as well as other important sites in southern Oregon. Mayor John F. Keaveny of Jacksonville expressed the desires of leaders of Jacksonville in giving support to a well-planned restoration program.

Henry Gale of Ashland reported on numerous sites in the Ashland area.

In addition to Dr. Stevenson, Keaveny and Gale, others attending the meeting included Jacksonville Councilmen E. O. Graham and E. H. Ravenor, Charles Young, Jacksonville chairman of the Centennial commission, E. W. Hennen, chairman of the Jacksonville planning commission, and Rudie Tetrault.

Memorial Volumes Are Placed in Library Here

Honoring the memory of the late Mrs. Charlotte R. Collins, her family has placed several memorial volumes in the Jackson County library.

Because Mrs. Collins so much enjoyed sharing her love of books with her children and her grandchildren in the junior as well as in the adult departments of the library, the family has suggested that their cash donation be divided among books for adults and books for children.

Books chosen to memorialize Mrs. Collins in the children's collection were added copies of the titles selected this year as the most distinguished contributions to children's literature and illustration. These are the Newberry award-winner, "Rifles for Watie," by Harold Keith, and Caldecott award-winner, "Time of Wonder," by Robert McCloskey.

An unusually fine edition of the complete works of William Shakespeare has been selected for the library's literature collection in memory of Mrs. Collins.

This edition, the Players Illustrated Edition in three volumes, is distinguished from all others in that it is embellished with photographs of living artists in Shakespearean roles. In that sense, the editors believe, it helps to keep Shakespeare alive and to show, too, that the major Shakespearean roles can be really well played by quite young artists. It is their purpose to encourage young people to enjoy and participate in the production of Shakespeare.

Prospect Class Visits Mail Tribune Plant

Six members of the Prospect Journalism class visited the Mail Tribune office and plant Friday afternoon.

They were Pat Lull, Donna McElmurry, JoAnn Yates, Roma Shafer, Hanna Smith and Joyce Ring.

In 1930, Sinclair Lewis became the first American to win the Nobel prize for literature.



SEX FIEND?—Dr. Robert E. Garrett is on trial in Monterey, Calif., for allegedly administering sex stimulants to four housewives and then making love to them in his office.

Jury Deadlocked In Stabbing Trial

Portland—UPI—A dead-locked jury was dismissed Friday afternoon after it was unable to return a verdict in the stabbing trial of Phyllis Torchy Jessing.

Miss Jessing was accused of stabbing her boy friend, Alfred E. Kiefer.

Circuit Judge Frank J. Lonergan dismissed the jury at 4 p.m. after it had deliberated for five and one half hours.

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Pickle Plant Fire 'Looks Like Arson'
Portland—UPI—Deputy State Fire Marshal John F. Pickle said a fire which burned through a pickle plant here early Friday "looks like arson."
The blaze caused an estimated \$100,000 damage to the Fred Yeager & Sons plant.
Firemen have reported several suspected arson cases here recently.
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