

Fire Will Destroy 4,000 Acres In Willamette National Forest

By GORMAN HOGAN
PORTLAND, Ore. — Fire, the constant menace to the Pacific Northwest's vast timber stands, will burn 4,000 acres on the Willamette National Forest of Oregon in the next few weeks.

But this fire—actually a series of planned fires—will be a good thing, federal foresters say. The flames will consume great piles of slash, the inflammable residue left in the woods after logging operations, and reduce the danger of forest fires in the future.

While slash burning goes on the

year round in the region, most of it is done after the first fall rains. The great, billowing clouds of smoke bring dozens of complaints and scores of reports to foresters that the woods are on fire.

Complaints come from adjacent property owners who fear the deliberately set fires will get out of hand and destroy their property, and from airline pilots, annoyed because the smoke reduces visibility. K. W. Lindstedt, fire control chief for the Pacific Northwest region of the U. S. Forest Service, says:

One Washington orchard owner protested that the slash burning cost him 30 cents a bushel on his apple crop. The farmer argued that the slash fire smoke cut down the amount of sunlight necessary to bring his apples to the bright color that would demand a top price on the market.

"There undoubtedly is an element of truth in what he said, too," Lindstedt adds.

Slash burning is a highly controversial subject. One school holds that slash burning is too dangerous to timber stands and that it damages the soil for future reproduction of trees. Another contends that there is greater danger in leaving the slash to provide fuel for future fires and that burning reduces the heavy undergrowth of brush which often times prevents seedling trees from growing properly to reforest cutover timber lands.

Lindstedt believes that perhaps a hundred years from now when the area's virgin timber stands have been replaced by closely managed forests, slash burning will be unnecessary. "Then we will be cutting younger trees and will not have the snags and debris after logging that we have today," he says.

BETTER USE
Better use of more of the nation's timber resources, even today, is reducing the need for slash burning, says N. E. Bjorklund, district forester for the Industrial Forestry Assn., an organization of private timber operators.

There is a feeling among some operators, he adds, that more money should be spent on providing additional fire protection in manpower and equipment instead of paying the cost of slash burning.

And the process is costly. The U. S. Forest Service estimates the present cost of slash burning at \$20 to \$35 an acre.

This is paid on national forest lands by the federal government. The Forest Service does the planning and decides when to burn. The loggers generally provide the manpower and equipment.

Elaborate preparations are made before slash burning begins. Right now in the case of the Willamette National Forest, manpower is being recruited from all available sources, including colleges. Fire lines must be cut, hoses laid and water holes dug. One hundred separate units of about 40 acres each are being readied for the torch.

On privately owned timber lands, slash burning is done by the owners themselves or by fire protection districts, organized under state supervision for this and other purposes.

On state forest land, slash is

burned by the logging operator under a permit from his fire district.

Oregon law requires land owners to burn their slash and holds them liable for damage caused if their fire gets out of hand. Despite this, Lindstedt estimates at least a million acres of unburned slash lie unwatched in Oregon forests, easy prey to accidental start and swift spread of fire.

Costly fires have resulted from slash blazes which got out of hand, some of them resulting in law suits. One of these was the Bear Creek fire on the Olympic Peninsula in 1952. But L. L. Colvill, Lindstedt's assistant, says so much was learned from this fire, the Forest Service's approach to slash burning was drastically revised.

On the other side of the ledger, Lindstedt says, are the million

dollar Forks fire on the Olympic Peninsula and the 2 million dollar Helle fire in Oregon, which were so destructive because of accumulations of unburned slash.

While there may be a division of opinion on the merits of burning slash, foresters agree on this: People who see smoke spiraling up out of the woods should report

as quickly as possible to fire protection agencies.

"Someone may get us out of bed at midnight to report one of our own slash fires," Lindstedt says.

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Sophomore class, Jere Mein, president; Bill Calkins, vice president; Elaine Tonkin, secretary; and Skye McKenzie, treasurer. Junior class, David Barratto, president; George Riccomini, vice president; Helen Walden, secretary; Norman Swan, treasurer and Gary Ackley, sergeant-at-arms.

Senior class, Bill Scott, president; Angie Vacent, vice president; Jannis Crittenden, secretary; and Dale Haines, treasurer. Band, Johnny Joe Mals, president; David Rees, vice president; Silvester Tolosano, secretary-treasurer and Bobby Howarth, publicity manager.

Membership campaign for the high school Parent Teacher Association is now under way, according to membership chairman, Mrs. John Jensen. Membership is open to parents and friends of students.

Women Slate Kickoff Feed

Evelyn Kriedeman, Portland, corresponding secretary of the Oregon Federation of Business and Professional Women, employed as a secretary in the government bureau of Land Management, will be guest speaker at the kickoff breakfast that inaugurates annual National BPW Week, September 23 through September 30.

The breakfast will be held in the Willard Hotel annex starting at 9 a.m. The annex is in the former location of the Klamath Furniture Company. All members and prospective members are invited to attend the breakfast.

'Dutch Auction' Results Told

BONANZA—The "Dutch auction" held in Bonanza September 16 for the benefit of the Big Springs Park netted \$385. Included in this total was the food sale which brought \$48.23 and the lunch concession which took in \$54.55.

Bob Rhodes, Klamath Falls auctioneer, donated his service to call the sale. Among the highest bidders were Roy Davis who got a bale of hay for \$5. A crate of strawberries sold for \$12. Spirited bidding between Mayor Lewis Van Sipe and Deputy Sheriff Bob Hartley popped up the auction.

Bidders were present from Butte Falls, Klamath Falls and Bly in addition to those from Bonanza and surrounding communities.

Bob Schmor won the cake made and decorated by Patty Schmidt. Bennie Davis received the car donated by Dick's Service Station.

Schools Begin Crafts Classes

Arts and craft classes have been taught at Kiwanis and Stokel parks, Pelican, Fairview and Roosevelt schools for the past six weeks. Each session has been for a half day. The average attendance per class has been 30.

Paper folding, water color, crayon design, basket making, plaster paris molding, plastic braiding, copper tooling and wood carving were among many medias used for the program.



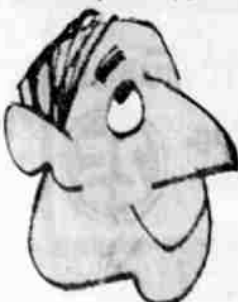
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