

CAUSES OF FOREST FIRES CHANGING

A review and study of forest fire causes for this spring discloses the interesting fact that 60% of all the fires which have burned to date have been caused by transients. Under this heading is included all those persons who visit the forest for one purpose or another. They cause fire by carelessness with smoking materials, principally cigarettes. Campers who neglect their camp fires are also included under this caption.

This class is particularly hard to reach. Many methods are being used to educate the public to be careful with fire in the woods. Practically every transient fire is carelessly caused, there is no intention present to start a forest fire. Habit is strong and it is habit which causes the smoker to carelessly discard his match, pipe heel or cigarette. He has to use to doing that very thing in the city. City streets are fire proof—the forest floor during much of the spring summer and fall is highly inflammable. The rural dweller is not so much at fault as he has the danger of fire pretty well present in his mind most of the time. He is more careful when he discards his smoking material, so that, but rarely, does he cause a forest fire.

Transient fires are increasing in percentage. This does not necessarily mean that there are more transient fires than formerly, though it is doubtless true that there are more smokers every year and the forest is visited to a greater extent each year. This increase in percentage is due to a decrease in the percentage of fires from Railroads, Lumbering and several other causes. By frequent inspection of fixed hazards, rigorous enforcement of safety rules and regulations and prosecutions where necessary many fires are now prevented. Safety strips along Railroads have cut down the Railroad caused fires to a very small percentage.

One other cause besides transients is showing a higher percentage of fires. This cause is brush burning. Fully 30% of our forest fires this spring have arisen from brush burning. Investigations are made of each fire and it is truly remarkable how nearly uniform are the circumstances surrounding these brush burning caused forest fires. In nearly every case there is no urgent need to dispose of the brush, or there is some other way to eliminate or move it for the time being. The space it occupies is not absolutely essential to the person doing the burning.

In every instance, the day is clam when the brush is fired, but a strong wind springs up in a few minutes. If you stand a few yards from the fire, that strong wind is not present. It is merely the draft caused by the burning brush pile.

The wind takes a few embers high in the air, throwing them down into the grass or forest edge some distance from the fire. If you stand some distance from the fire you may be able to quench these embers before they set the forest afire.

Damage to the property owner or his neighbor is the direct result, besides which the extinction costs incurred by the Department of Forests and Waters must be paid. Brush burning is an expensive experience to the person who causes a forest fire through that means.

WEEKLY HEALTH TALK

"The recent exploit of Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh flying across the continent in fourteen hours sufficiently emphasizes the prominence, and indeed the popularity, of speed in present-day life. And while these two notable fliers were entirely justified in their scientific flight no such excuse attaches to the average citizen who permits his daily life to be controlled by a fanatical step-on-the-gas idea," said Doctor Theodore B. Appel, Secretary of Health.

"However, in defense of this almost universal habit, it may be said that one in so doing is but following the line of least resistance. When a dirigible circles the globe in the astounding time of twenty-one days, when large ocean liners vie for trans-Atlantic records, when a message is sent around the world three times in less than an hour, and when in a split second it is possible to listen in on the radio both to New York and San Francisco, it is little wonder that all of us move and act a little faster than did our forefathers.

"And in all fairness it must also be admitted that the daily demands have been so stepped up that the pace of the old days would leave most of us far behind. Nevertheless, it is quite one matter to keep in step with the tempo now demanded by modern business and quite another one to conclude, and by actions foolishly attempt to demonstrate, that a sizzling pace is the highest expression not only of a good time but of life itself.

"If one's business demands a sustained speed, the fact must valiantly and sensibly be faced. Let there be speed then. But at the same time one should realize that more than ever the body needs relaxation and intelligent care during 'off' hours.

"True, the body is a miracle in itself but in spite of human egotism it has its limitations. Lacking them, frequently something snaps—and not only speed but all motion vanishes forever.

"To adjust one's self to the present-day exactions certain well defined rules should be followed:

"1. If business keeps you in high, harken to the voice of fatigue. A few minutes relaxation or rest during the day, regularly applied, is a great conservator of strength.

"2. Keep your recreations on low speed.

"3. No matter how speedy your day may be, it should include out-door exercise, sufficient sleep and properly regulated amounts of food.

"4. And finally, be examined annually by your physician for latent physical defects.

"Reasonable speed and long life are not incompatible. But don't become a thoughtless speed addict. Use your head and save your heart; lose your head and perhaps lose your heart, too. Uncontrolled speed is an utterly false god. Don't worship it."

AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the Borough of Patton, Pa., have carefully checked the books of account of the Borough of Patton and the Borough of Patton Water Works, and have prepared the attached statements, which we believe, correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANCIS X. YOUNG,
E. W. WINSLOW,
H. J. MULLIGAN,
 Auditors.

Borough of Patton
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
DECEMBER 31, 1929.

CURRENT ASSETS:	
First National Bank Treas.	\$ 9,758.88
Paving Assessments Receivable	3,908.71
Sewer Assessments Receivable	558.18
Due from Borough Solicitor	76.50
Total Current Assets	\$ 14,302.27
PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS:	
Municipal Hall	\$ 12,000.00
Fire Truck	4,200.00
Furniture and Fixtures	203.40
Equipment	258.53
Paving—Magee, Fifth and Beech Avenues	20,374.48
Borough Property	1,045.86
Indian Motor Cycle	512.10
Total Property and Equipment	38,594.37
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 52,896.64
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Boro of Patton Water Works	\$25,050.00
Patton Fire Co. Relief Association	915.90
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 25,965.90
SURPLUS:	
Balance Jan. 1, 1929	15,279.08
Plus Adjustment during year as follows:—Patton Fire Co. Relief Association. Funds transferred to General Account	6,458.24
	21,738.22
Plus Surplus for year 1929	5,192.52
Total Adjusted Surplus	26,930.74
TOTAL LIABILITIES	52,896.64

Borough of Patton
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.
YEAR 1929.

RECEIPTS:	
Balance as per last Audit	\$ 2,344.42
Taxes	15,823.96
Cambria Tax Refund	202.89
Police Tax	45.75
Fines and Licenses	141.00
Interest Income	73.64
Patton Fire Co. Relief Association	915.90
Borough of Patton Water Works	1,500.00
Miscellaneous Expense	34.10
Reuel Somerville, Solicitor, 1928 out	341.50
Total Receipts	\$ 21,422.16
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Maintenance of Streets	\$ 2,838.01
Light	1,775.24
Water	1,237.50
Police	2,925.19
Printing	128.60
Telephone	167.75
Compensation Insurance	41.83
Insurance	441.40
Auditors	60.00
Board of Health	561.00
Fire Hose	768.00
Rent	180.00
Office Supplies	38.76
Bond Redemption	500.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 11,663.28
Balance in hands of Treasurer	\$ 9,758.88

Borough of Patton
IN ACCOUNT WITH REUEL SOMERVILLE, SOLICITOR.

Paving Assessments Collected	\$ 41.04
Interest, Costs, Etc	43.96
Total	\$ 85.00
By Solicitor's Commission	\$ 8.50
Due from Borough Solicitor	76.50
Total	\$ 85.00

Borough of Patton
PAVING ASSESSMENT.
RECAPITULATION.

Balance unpaid as of December 31, 1928	\$ 3,949.75
Less: Paving Assessment paid year 1929	41.04
Balance unpaid as of Dec. 31, 1929	\$ 3,908.71

Borough of Patton
SEWER ASSESSMENT.

Balance unpaid as of Dec. 31, 1928	\$ 558.18
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Borough of Patton
PAVING ASSESSMENTS RECEIVABLE
DECEMBER 31, 1929.

Samuel Weakland	\$ 494.09
Mrs. Joseph Jones	181.00
Mrs. Anthony Grogosky	349.36
Mrs. Anna Kennedy	174.68
George O'Brien	80.68
Mary Driscoll Est.	105.25
Charles Solomon	336.44
John Steblek Est.	523.36
Steven Jacobs, Deceased	169.70
Matth Coliar	339.39
J. M. McGrim, Administrator	95.15
Ed. Jenkins	95.15
Herman Miller, Executor	95.14
Monica O'Brien	95.14
Harriett J. Brown	95.15
Thomas Lamont	95.15
Christena Gibson	142.72
Donald Trexler	95.15
Thos. E. Cartright	34.25
Philomena Rhody Est	138.41
John Kuhnley	69.21
Marcellus Weakland	69.21
Total Paving Assessment Unpaid	\$ 3,908.71

Borough of Patton
SEWER ASSESSMENTS RECEIVABLE.

Bernard Litzinger	\$ 30.00
Anthony Kline	21.33
Simon Bortman	42.66
Alice Wharton	33.45
A. K. Huber	11.33
M. and H. A. Burkey	8.44
Susan A. Kelly	13.40
William Reynolds	13.40
P. Cincinnati	11.00
D. Notorin	24.86
Thomas Quinn	24.86
Enoch Short	44.58
M. Thomas Jr.	57.31
B. J. Anderson	15.40
Mrs. Oriana Moudy	45.66
James Coulson	15.00
Gertrude Smith	15.00
Total Sewer Assessment Receivable	\$ 558.18

Borough of Patton Water Works.
ASSETS—1929.

CURRENT ASSETS:	
First National Bank, Treasurer	\$ 12,831.58
Accounts Receivable	2,209.33
Borough of Patton	25,050.00
Total Current Assets	\$ 40,090.91
PLANT AND PROPERTY:	
Plant, Property and Franchise	\$ 57,198.38
Filtration Plant	58,291.65
Tools	405.70
Dam	2,896.91
Improvements	4,673.39
Furniture	210.51
Water Meters	231.93
Total Plant and Property	\$123,898.97
Total Assets	\$163,989.88

Borough of Patton Water Works.
LIABILITIES.
DECEMBER 31, 1929.

CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Unclaimed Wages	\$ 15.65
Accrued Interest on Bonds	1,500.00
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 1,515.65
BONDED INDEBTEDNESS:	
Borough of Patton Water Works Purchase 5 per cent Serial Bonds, due \$2,000.00 each year from Jan. 1, 1929	\$ 60,000.00
Less Bonds Paid	20,000.00
Total Bonded Indebtedness	\$ 40,000.00
Borough of Patton Water Works Filtration Plant 5 per cent Serial Bonds due \$2,000.00 each year from Jan. 1, 1930, and \$3,000.00 Jan. 1, 1940	50,000.00
Total Bonded Indebtedness	\$ 90,000.00
DEFERRED CREDIT ITEM:	
Reserve for Bond Redemption	24,000.00
SURPLUS:	
Balance Jan. 1, 1929, Less Adjustment	\$ 47,815.82
Net Income for 1929	658.41
Total Surplus	\$48,474.23
Total Liabilities	\$138,474.23

Borough of Patton Water Works.
STATEMENT OF EARNINGS FOR YEAR 1929.

WATER RENTALS	\$ 20,455.77
OPERATING EXPENSES:	
Labor	\$ 6,038.97
Supplies	3,935.15
Repairs Machinery	28.35
Repairs, Water Lines	203.30
Total Operating Expense	\$ 10,195.77
Less Misc. Operating Income	257.92
Net Operating Expense	9,937.85
GROSS PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS	\$ 10,517.92
GENERAL EXPENSE:	
Postage and Stationery	\$ 65.65
Salaries	1,500.00
Auditors	30.00
Mis. Expense	7.50
Total General Expense	1,603.15
NET PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS	\$ 8,914.77
OTHER INCOME:	
Interest Income	243.64
GROSS INCOME	\$ 9,158.41
DEDUCTION FROM INCOME:	
Interest on Bonds	\$ 4,500.00
Bond Redemption	4,000.00
Total Deductions from Income	\$ 8,500.00
NET INCOME	\$ 658.41

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