

FOREST FIRES IN DISTRICT HEAVIEST

Fifty Thousand Dollar Damage Is Estimated By District Forester

Forest fires which blazed a path of destruction through the wooded areas of the Gallitzin district in the most disastrous spring season since 1926 destroyed more than 6,500 acres of timber, according to a report issued Tuesday by District Forester T. I. Shirey. Damage estimated at close to the \$50,000 mark and expenditure of \$13,000 for fire-fighting resulted from the 236 fires listed in the four counties comprising the district from Jan. 1 to May 31.

Transients and incendiaries are cited in the report as the causes which took the heaviest fire tolls during the three-month period. Despite the elaborate precautions taken by the forestry forces during this extremely dry season, carelessness on the part of the hundreds of transients, especially over the weekends, and what is believed to have been a series of deliberate attempts at destruction forced the fire losses to a level exceeded only once in the spring season of the last six years. Brush burning and railroads also figured as the causes of fires.

Heaviest Loss in Cambria
The district forester's report shows that the 236 fires murned through a total of 6,571.01 acres, with an average of 27.84 acres destroyed in each fire. The estimated damage is placed at \$46,708 and the cost of fighting fires at \$13,050.93.

Cambria county suffered the heaviest losses, 131 fires taking a toll of 4,029.44 acres and \$36,367.50 in estimated damages. Fire-fighting costs in the county totaled \$9,644.14 and the fires averaged 30.76 acres in each area. The records in the other counties follow: Blair—34 fires, 595.63 acres, \$4,888 in damages, \$1,056.13 in costs, 18.05 acres per fire; Clearfield—24 fires, 249.01 acres, \$21,450 in damages, \$388.85 in costs and 10 acres, \$4,833 in damages, \$1,056.13 in costs and \$4,338 in damages, \$2,439.71 in costs and 36.10 acres per fire.

A total of 156 fires are charged to transients. They burned a total of 1,433.23 acres, averaging 9.15 acres per fire. Only 31 fires were believed due to incendiaries but they burned through 4,113.86 acres, averaging 132.72 acres per fire. The largest fire of the season, charged to incendiary efforts, destroyed more than 5,000 acres of timber in the Reade township section. Brush burning caused 16 fires and destruction of 119.77 acres, while railroad fires numbered 23 with a total area of 296.25 acres. Ten fires were charged to miscellaneous causes, their toll being 612.30 acres.

Fires Held To Minimum
The efficiency of the district forestry forces, which were on duty day and night during the danger periods, is evidenced in the fact that only 49 of the 236 fires spread through areas of more than ten acres. A total of 187 fires were held to ten acres or less, 173 being of five acres or less in extent and 107 confined to a single acre each.

While the peak of the fire season is believed passed, forestry officials are not relaxing their vigilance. The forested areas were reported to be dangerously dry again last week, after heavy rainfall ended the serious fire hazard late in May, but Monday's and Tuesday heavy rain relieved the situation. Special precautions are being taken against incendiaries as a series of fire outbreaks over the week-end showed evidence that another determined effort is being made to burn certain wooded areas in Cambria county. There is a possibility that state police will be called in to investigate the outbreaks and District Forester Shirey stated that offenders brought to light will be prosecuted under the forestry laws which make starting of forest fires a felony punishable by fine and imprisonment.

Re-Allots Money For The Purpose Of Building Of Township Roads

Highway Department Announces Additional Total For Counties

Certification of 861 township reward road improvement projects and payment of the State's share of the cost were made by the Pennsylvania Department of Highways from January 1 to June 10, 1930. James Lyall Stuart, Secretary of Highways yesterday announced. The payments total \$1,552,097.25.

With several thousands of agreements for township projects on file and hundreds of such projects under construction throughout the year, payments during the remainder of the present year are expected to be unusually heavy, Stuart said. The last General Assembly appropriated \$600,000 for State Reward work and so prompt were the townships in filing agreements that many exceeded their allocations and permitted the agreements to stand, pending appropriation of more funds.

The payments made during 1929 represent improvements costing several times the actual reward total. Return of the State's share enables the township treasurer to pay off obligations and start new work, Stuart pointed out. Many townships have several agreements in force at once, starting a new project as soon as another is completed. This enables some townships as a revolving fund.

Appropriations for the 1927-29 biennium were \$3,000,000, just half of the current appropriation. This was promptly taken by the townships, but cancellation of agreements and slight differences in costs resulted in accumulation of \$125,000 for reapportionment of townships, that had taken up their original allocations. This makes available, as of June 1, 1930, amounts varying from \$139 to more than \$4000 per county but amounting to only a few dollars per township.

HEADACHES LISTED AS DANGER SIGNALS

Changes of Diet, Sinus Trouble, Kidney Ills Are Among Many Causes Cited

Headaches are danger signals put out by the body to indicate that one or more of its parts is not going about its business in a normal manner.

This definition is given by Dr. Henry J. Bartle, senior clinical assistant to the gastro-enterologic department of Jefferson Medical College, in a bulletin just issued by the Philadelphia County Medical Society.

Dr. Bartle states that toxic headaches, the so-called bilious kind, usually occur more frequently during change of seasons because of food changes. He urges headache sufferers to report to their physicians for a thorough physical check-up and solution of the difficulty.

He says sinus disturbance headaches show an increase in spring and early summer because of fresh-water bathing, swimming and diving and the exposure of perspiring bodies to drafts. Toxic headaches, he adds, frequently start with light sensations or scintillating vision and transitory half vision of objects.

Toxic headaches, according to the specialist, occur with the spring and early summer because of an increased inflammation of the gastro-intestinal tract, particularly in ulcerative conditions, brought about by dietary changes. The nephritic headache, caused by kidney disturbance, resembles the toxic.

Clean-up of Corn Borer Was A Great Success, State Officials Assert

The European corn borer clean-up in Crawford and Erie counties this spring was successful, according to R. H. Bell, director, bureau of plant industry, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. The requirements for complete clean-up all corn remnants about the farm were followed out carefully by most farmers. The clean-up work which the Commonwealth had to do was largely on farms owned by

persons living out of the State. Due to the decrease in infestation, only two counties were included in the area of enforced clean-up this year. Last year the clean-up work was required in all or portions of four counties.

Pennsylvania farmers are ahead of growers in neighboring state in corn borer control efforts, according to entomologists who have observed conditions throughout the infested area. Much commercial loss occurred in one county in a neighboring state in 1929 which emphasizes the seriousness of this introduced corn pest, it was said.

The department proposes to make a field-to-field survey of the entire infested district in Pennsylvania this summer for the purpose of determining the rate of infestation and thereby be in a position to give farmers definite information as to the control requirements. Eighteen men will be employed in this survey.

Marriage Rate In Pennsylvania Stays At Low Figures

Although marriages in Pennsylvania last year were 3000 more numerous than in 1928, the ratio of marriages to the unmarried population in the State continues well below the pre-war rate, the Bureau of Vital Statistics has announced.

The number of marriages in the State last year was 70,507. That is equivalent to a rate of 14.2 persons married for every 1000 population. The number of weddings and the rate are higher than 1928, but slightly lower than 1927.

Interesting fluctuations in the marriage rate in the past quarter century are outlined by the bureau in its bulletin. The rush to the altar at beginning of the World War set a new high marriage rate, which was exceeded by a wave of post-war marriages after soldiers returned from the Army. Since 1929, however, the post-war marriage record has not been equalled, the bureau reports.

"Marriage rates respond to changing economic conditions very rapidly," the bulletin says. "Those conditions have been less favorable to marriage since 1929 than they were before partly because of the commercial depressions of 1921, 1924 and 1927, the high

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er standard of living and the increased supply of female labor. With exception of the highly emotional period surrounding the World War, the bureau's bulletin show a close connection between economic conditions and the number of marriages. Following the panic of 1907, the marriage rate dropped to 16.6 in 1908 and 15.3 in 1909. Those were the lowest rates recorded at the time, but would not be considered low to-day. Following another depression in 1913, the rate slumped slightly in 1914, but from 1914 to 1917, while Europe was engaged in the World War and wages were high here, the marriage rate rose from 16.6 to 18.2.

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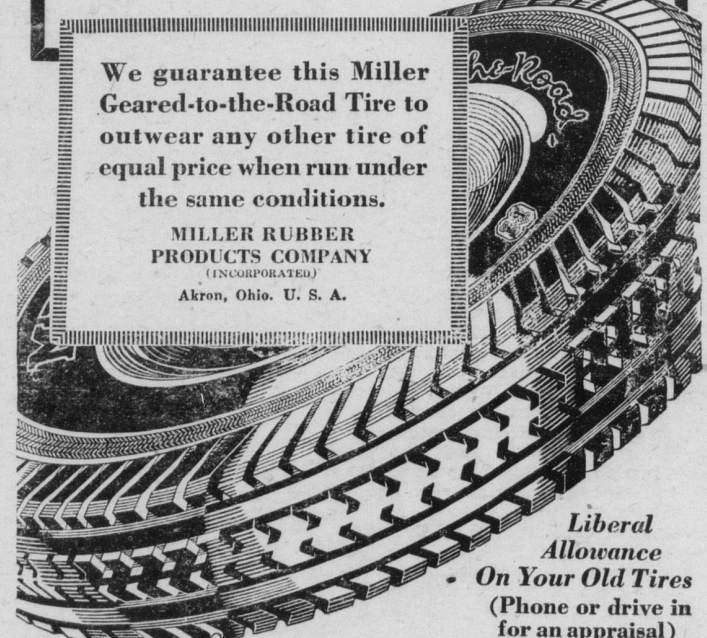
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1. All that situate in the S Borough, Cambria of Pennsylvania, cribed as follow Pennsylvania, be corner on the avenue, and lan C. K. Crossman avenue, south 25 to corner of a thence by said s west 150 feet, an said alley, north feet to corner o by C. K. Crossm of said lot, sout feet to the plac to said land hav Thomas M. Crav Gaumbier et ux 1918, recorded v Having thereon frame dwelling l

2. That certai in the First Wa Patton, Cambria Pennsylvania, be as follows: Begin north seventy se hundred feet to street, north thir hundred and fo thence by Caroll seven degrees an to a post; thenc Charles Anna so west one hundr a post and plac Lot No. 24 in Ann Borough. Title become vested in deed of Charles 1893, recorded v

3. All that cer of the following to-wit:

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(b) That certa Chest Township, aforesaid, beginni of land of Jose of other land of thence by land of the following twe tances: south 11 west 206 feet; so minutes west 23 30 minutes west degrees west 66 f 30 minutes west degrees 40 minute 31 degrees 45 mi south 2 degrees feet; south 14 d south 1 degree 1 feet; south 23 deg 184 feet; south feet to post on l bower; thence by north 52 degrees post; and still by and 15 minutes w at corner of lan thence partly by Jordan and partl Leo et al., north east 1906 feet to land of Joseph R Riner land south 4 east 1898 feet to beginning. Contain and one hundred Title thereto havi Thomas M. Crav James A. McCans Executors of Jar deed dated 8th, d and recorded in Recording of Deed County in Deed B 237. Excepting ar coal, gas and oil, erals, along with the same.

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