

Coolidge in Plea for Forests Warns of Wood Depletion

Sets Aside Week for Timber Protection; Urges Co-Operation "to Prevent Calamity."

By International News Service. Washington, March 11.—President Coolidge today called national attention to the seriousness of the timber depletion in the United States and issued a proclamation designating the week of April 27-May 3 as "American Forest week."

"Too long," he declared, "has the country gone ahead cutting down its primitive forests and taking no steps to renew them. There is still time, he said, to remedy this situation before real calamity overtakes the country, and he appealed to the nation at large to encourage conservation and re-growth."

The proclamation follows: "In proclaiming American Forest week I desire to bring to the attention of all our people the danger that comes from the neglect of our forests."

Forests Stripped. "For several years the nation has observed Forest Protection week. It is fitting that the observance be enlarged. We have too freely spent, the rich and magnificent gift that nature bestowed upon us."

"In our eagerness to use that gift we have stripped our forests; we have permitted fires to lay waste and destroy them; we have too often destroyed the young growth and the seed from which new forests might spring."

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Native picturegoers whose fiction reading includes the popular works of Ethel M. Dell, will soon have the opportunity of seeing this author's greatest novel on the local screen. A par-ticular of her widely read story, "The Top of the World," was recently completed for Paramount under the direction of George Melford. It will be the feature film attraction at the Rialto theater commencing Saturday, for a week. Anna Q. Nilsson, James Kirkwood and Sheldon Lewis have the main roles in the film. They are shown below in a scene from the production. The story is a melodramatic romance involving a girl and two men in darkest Africa.



Anna Q. Nilsson, James Kirkwood and Sheldon Lewis in the George Melford Production "The Top of the World," A Paramount Picture

and are no longer excusable for continuing this unwise dissipation of a great resource. To the nation it means the lack of an elemental necessity and the waste of keeping idle or only partly productive nearly one-fourth of our soil. To our forest-using industries it means unstable investments, the depletion of forest capital, the disbanding of established enterprises, and the decline of one of our most important industrial groups.

Kept at Work. "Our forests ought to be put to work and kept at work. I do not minimize the obstacles that have been met, nor the difficulty of changing old ideas and practices. We must all put our hands to this common task. It is not enough that the federal, state and local governments take the lead. There must be a change in our national attitude. Our industries, our land owners, our farmers, all our citizens must learn to treat our forests as crops, to be used, but also to be renewed. We must learn to tend our woodlands as carefully as we tend our farms."

"Let us apply to this creative task the boundless energy and skill we have so long spent in harvesting the free gifts of nature. The forests of the future must be started today. Our children are dependent on our course. We are bound by a solemn obligation from which no evasion and no subterfuge will relieve us. Unless we fulfill our sacred responsibility to unborn generations, unless we use with gratitude and with restraint the generous and kindly gifts of Divine Providence, we shall prove ourselves unworthy guardians of a heritage we hold in trust."

"Now, therefore, I, Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States, do recommend to the governors of the various states to designate and set apart the week of April 27-May 3, inclusive, 1925, as American Forest week, and, wherever practicable and not in conflict with state law or accepted customs, to observe Arbor day within that week. And I urge public officials, public and business associations, industrial leaders, forest owners, editors, educators and all patriotic citizens to unite in the common task of forest conservation and re-NEWAL."

Liberty Precinct First to Raise Road Fund Quota
Plattsmouth, March 11.—Liberty precinct, Union, is the first to raise its quota of the \$5,000 required to secure state and federal aid for the grading of the King of Trails highway south from this city to the county line, a mile south of Union, and has deposited its \$1,500 for this work. As soon as the other precincts raise their quotas, the work will be advertised by the county commissioners for bids.

Broken Bow and Gothenburg Legion Posts in Contest
Broken Bow, March 11.—Joseph E. Palmer post, American Legion, of Broken Bow and the Gothenburg post are in a contest for membership, to continue through the month of March. The membership of Broken Bow post has been divided into two teams which are also contesting. The prizes are a banquet and fine entertainment to the winners.

Citizens' Ticket Named for Election at McCook
Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. McCook, March 11.—Citizens' convention nominated the following city ticket: Councilman, First ward, Carl F. Marsh; councilman, Second ward, Lloyd Jennings; members of board of education, W. G. Springer and F. M. Hegenberger; chairman of city central committee, J. E. Kelley.

Hunter Bitten by Raccoon.
Beatrice, March 11.—While E. C. Haney and Earl Goodman were trying to dislodge a big raccoon which they had chased under a pile of brush on the A. D. Crut farm north of the city, the animal attacked Haney and bit him severely on the hand before it was captured and killed. The young man is under the care of a physician.

PRISONER HALTED IN TRY AT SUICIDE

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Kearney, Neb., March 11.—Jack Norton, prisoner at the county jail, made a second ineffectual effort at suicide last night, attempting to hang himself in the jail. A fellow prisoner waited until he was unconscious, then untied the knots in the blanket which Norton had used in lieu of a rope, and called for help. Norton was revived. He was recently sentenced to serve one year in the penitentiary for carrying concealed weapons after having shot himself in an attempt at suicide.

North Platte Valley Towns Favor Two-Cent "Gas" Tax

Bridgeport, March 11.—Representatives of 20 towns in Nebraska and Wyoming, in the North Platte Valley Highway association, went on record as favoring the 2-cent per gallon tax on gasoline sold in Nebraska, and the six-year road building campaign, that calls for appropriation of \$4,000,000 a year by the state, to be matched by an equal amount from the United States government, for road construction.

Educational Hall Planned at Morrill Fair Grounds

Bridgeport, March 11.—Morrill county will probably have a permanent educational hall at the fair grounds, in time to house the exhibit of the schools of the county at the 1925 fair, to be held in September. The entire cost is estimated at \$1,600, and County Superintendent Viola E. Shepherd, who originated the idea, has a scheme to apportion the expense among the different districts of the county, that will make it easy to secure the necessary money.

Mrs. Van Sant Chosen Head of Broken Bow Woman's Club

Broken Bow, March 11.—Broken Bow Woman's club elected these officers for 1925: President, Mrs. D. A. Vansant; first vice president, Mrs. G. O. Joyner; second vice president, Mrs. A. W. Melville; recording secretary, Mrs. F. E. Taylor; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. R. Luce; treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Coxworth; auditor, Mrs. Guy Armstrong.

TRAIN HITS AUTO; SALESMAN KILLED

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Superior, Neb., March 11.—P. W. McCloud, traveling salesman, resident of Superior for 12 years, was instantly killed at 11 this morning when he was struck by eastbound Burlington passenger train No. 35. McCloud is said to have driven around a load of hay in front of the train. The engineer did not see him until the car was struck. McCloud was 43 and leaves a wife and three children. The auto was wedged under the engine.

Chadron C Club Boosts Normal College Band

Chadron, March 11.—Having planned a feast for 80 students of the Chadron normal college, the Chadron C. club, composed of letter men of the college, will give a banquet for the members of the school band Friday night this week, their motive being to create interest and swell the membership of the band. In addition, on the Friday night of the following week, the C club members are planning a "county fair" from which they are in hopes of raising the remainder of their funds to purchase and furnish the fixtures and furniture for their clubroom in the gymnasium.

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Debts Reduced in Box Butte County

Farmers Shifting Mortgages From Personal Property to Real Estate.

Hemingford, March 11.—An examination of the 1924 records of Box Butte county discloses the following information:

Farm mortgages filed for record, \$200,735.00; released, \$258,214.20; increase, \$57,819.20.

Mortgages on city property filed for record, \$345,292.87; released, \$255,407.46; increase of \$89,885.41.

Chattel mortgages filed, \$1,769,554.74; released, \$4,238,679.79; decrease, \$2,469,125.05.

Total of all mortgages filed, \$2,815,528.67; total of all mortgages released, \$5,132,311.45, making a net decrease for the year of \$2,316,782.78.

The shrinkage in the chattel mortgages reflects the general and drastic liquidation that has taken place for a number of years in the west, and indicates the strong basic strength of the county. The slight increase in real estate mortgages indicates the shifting of debts from personal property to real estate. The joint stock land banks began to loan in the county in 1924 at 6 per cent, and now that the rate is reduced to 5 3/4 per cent, there will be a large amount of refinancing of farmers and ranchmen by shifting the debts to real estate. The 40-year amortization plan of the joint stock land bank loan is beginning to be popular where it is understood.

This county is short of stock cattle, but it has its full quota of horses and hogs. All of the improved farms have tenants; The winter rye crop is in as good condition as last year at this time, last year's crop being one of the best in yield and quality ever raised in the west.

Some new business structures and residences are planned for the spring in Hemingford and there will be considerable activity in building on the farms.

Buffalo County Fair Dates

August 25 to 28, Inclusive
Kearney, March 11.—Buffalo fair is to be held August 25 to 28, inclusive, it is announced by the director. The management preferred the early date to the third week in September with the risk of cold and stormy weather, such as last season limited the fair to a one-day showing.

President George Williams and his board have already drafted their program for the year and indications are that it will include the erection of a building for making mercantile displays. A day and night fair is to be operated.

AT THE THEATERS

Some idea of the magnitude of "Artists and Models," famous musical revue coming to the Brandeis next Thursday, Friday and Saturday may be gained from the fact that the company travels in a nine-car special train, composed of five Pullmans, three 70-foot baggage cars, and a diner. The show arrives here en route to Des Moines, stopping off en route to Denver and San Francisco. Including stars, lesser principals, dancers, show girls, and musicians, a total of 90 people are carried. The production is insured for \$225,000. One set of costumes, imported from Paris, cost \$35,000. "Artists and Models" played all last season in New York to record-breaking receipts of over \$1,000,000. New songs, scenes and costumes have been added by the Messrs. Shubert for this season's tour of the principal cities.

Mozart's famous comic opera, "The Marriage of Figaro," is to be given at the Brandeis theater but one time, tomorrow night. The company is one of exceptional distinction, each artist being of international reputation won in some of the principal opera houses of Europe. In addition the opera is beautifully dressed and mounted, and will be a feast for the eye as well as the ear. As for Mozart's music—from the sparkling overture to the merry finale, when all the intrigue is straightened out and everyone is happy—it is by turns vivacious, sentimental and dramatic.

Messrs. Cort will offer at the Brandeis theater March 16, 17 and 18, "White Cargo," written from an incident that happened when a steamer landed at a port of the west coast of Africa on its regular six months trip to take on cargo but the only shipment on her return voyage was a human "white" wreck who fell a victim to the sun-baked wharf, and his infatuation for a native beauty. The production is described as being extremely picturesque with marvelous lighting effects.

"Singing the blues" is one attainment of a modern performer. Lola Pierce is being seen this week with Harry Stepp and his big show at the Gayety has been able to make her mark through the rendition of such songs. A distinct novelty will be presented this evening. It is called "Opportunity Nite" for the reason that Mr. Stepp's chorus girls will be given a chance to demonstrate their histrionic ability by playing a sketch, "The Fortune Hunter," that the principals of the company will first present.

Harry Holbrook, "The Singing Marine" at the Orpheum this week.

before he discovered his remarkable voice, was an actor, playing juvenile roles at Minneapolis when this country entered the war. He was 18 at the time, and joined in the marine corps. After several months at Paris Island, he was sent overseas and to the front. It was on the way back from France that a singing director

of his outfit heard his voice and recognized its unusual beauty and power. Upon the advice of this man Holbrook went to Campanari to study, and has been under his tutelage ever since. He hopes eventually to go into grand opera.

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