

THIRTY-THIRD

Annual Report

OF THE

New Hampshire Timberland
Owners Association



From November 30, 1942
to November 30, 1943

Following is the report of the New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association for the year 1943:

OFFICERS

W. R. BROWN, President, Brown Company,
Berlin, N. H.

F. E. MOSES, Vice-President,
Groveton Paper Company, Groveton, N. H.

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Brown Company, Berlin, N. H.

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Blanchard Sons Co., Portland, Me.

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W. R. BROWN, Brown Company

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MARK TWITCHELL,
C. M. C. Twitchell Estate.

MEMBERSHIP FOR 1943:

Brown Company, Berlin, N. H.

Blanchard Sons Company, Portland, Me.

Bretton Woods Company, Providence, R. I.

Berlin City National Bank, Berlin, N. H.

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Estate of David Pingree, Bangor, Me.

Estate of C. M. C. Twitchell, Milan, N. H.

International Paper Co., Glens Falls, N. Y.

Groveton Paper Company, Groveton, N. H.

Estate of C. N. Hodgdon, Berlin, N. H.

Estate of Thomas U. Coe, Bangor, Me.

Gilman Paper Company, Gilman, Vt.

Frank B. Edwards, Shelburne, N. H.

Albert W. Bean, Errol, N. H.

E. W. Philbrook and Associates, Littleton,
N. H.

Town of Gorham, Gorham, N. H.

Howard T. Woodward, Berlin, N. H.

The New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association now consists of twenty listed members. In January of this year the Bretton Woods Company disposed of their holdings of seven thousand and sixty-eight acres

(7,068) to a group headed by Mr. David Stoneman, 31 Milk Street, Boston, Mass. The new owners will be contacted concerning membership in the Association. This leaves the present acreage at 368,437 acres.

REPORT

The 1943 fire patrol started early in May and in general was not dangerous, due to continued rainfall. It was necessary to maintain four full-time patrols in the interior as it would have been practically impossible to replace competent men on short notice, and supplies had to be taken in for the entire season. Routes adjacent to settlements were covered by part-time patrol. In order to curtail expense, Dixville Notch, Errol Hill, and Thirteen-mile Woods were covered by one man who furnished his own car at five cents per mile. As these were dangerous sections this patrol did a considerable amount of work. Patrolmen's wages were higher during the past year and in order to obtain efficient men it was necessary to pay from \$25.00 to \$35.00 weekly in several cases.

There were seven fires during the entire season, burning over eleven acres of grass land and young growth. The costs of two of these fires were paid by persons found liable.

Patrol Routes

Town	Route
Pittsburg No. 1	Indian Stream Valley.
Acad'my Grant 2	East and West Branch Dead Diamond.
	3 Abbott & Meadow Brooks.
College Grant 4	Dead and Swift Diamond Valleys.
Odell and Stratford	5 Nash Stream and tributaries.
Errol & Wentworth Location	6 Old and recent cuttings in each town.
Irving Location and Odell	7 Phillips Brook Valley.
Dummer	8 Dummer Pond and Newell Brook.
	9 Thirteen-mile Woods.
Berlin and Milan	10 Jericho Stream, Horn Brook, south branch of Ammonoosuc.
Cambridge	11 Chickwolnepy Valley cuttings.
	12 Molnidgewoc. Stream. and Bog Brook.

Success	13	Stearns Brook and tributaries.
	14	Success Pond and old Blanchard R. R.
	15	Cuttings in Grafton in cooperation with Maine Forest Service.
Millsfield	16	Millsfield Pond and Pond Brook.
Randolph	17	Stag Hollow Valley.
	18	Auto patrol in other sections of Randolph during very dry periods.
Errol and Upton	19	Greenough Pond and Errol Hill.
	20	Motor boat patrol on Umbagog Lake in cooperation with Brown Company's salvaging operations.
Gorham and Shelburne	21	Lead Mine Brook and other streams in Shelburne.
	22	Streams in southerly part of Gorham.
Jefferson and Carroll	23	Recent cuttings in both towns.

Fire Record for the Past Ten Years

Year	Number of Fires	Acreage Burned	Average Acres
1934	19	174	9
1935	16	144	9
1936	19	26	2
1937	6	20	3
1938	17	54	3
1939	12	25	2
1940	10	21	2
1941	13	264	20
1942	10	19	2
1943	7	11	1
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	129	758	53

Telephone Advertising

The New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association continues to use the Directory of the New England Telephone Company as a medium of advertising, by having each Fire Warden's and Patrolman's name and telephone number listed therein; also the phone numbers of each State Fire Lookout Station located in the North District.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

From November 30, 1942 to November 30, 1943

Receipts

Balance, 1942	\$ 4.11
Assessments, 1943	3,884.14
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	\$3,888.25

Expenditures

Patrol expense	\$2,401.22
Salary, Secretary-Treasurer..	600.00
Auto and travel expense.....	116.10
Office expense	14.25
Telephone advertising.....	20.00
Telephone line repairs.....	262.67
Unemployment compensation	
Insurance and Social Se-	
curity Tax	142.59
Victory and Withholding Tax	118.85
Bank Service charge	2.79
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	\$3,678.47
Balance: November 30, 1943	\$ 209.78

Four quarterly assessments were made during the 1943 season and due to a rainy summer the Association maintains a comfortable balance to be carried over into the coming season.