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Annual Report

OF THE

New Hampshire Timberland
Owners Association



From January 1, 1950
to January 1, 1951

OFFICERS

- C. S. HERR, President, Brown Company,
Berlin, N. H.
- F. E. MOSES, Vice-President,
Groveton Papers Co., Groveton, N. H.
- ✓ EMMETT R. BUCKLEY,
Secretary-Treasurer
Maynesboro Farm, Berlin, N. H.

DIRECTORS

- C. S. HERR, Brown Company
- F. E. MOSES, Groveton Papers Company
- ✓ LEE ABBOTT, David Pingree Heirs
- ✓ W. A. RUCH, International Paper Company
- ✓ A. M. BEAN, A. M. Bean, Inc. Deceased ^{Hince}
- ✓ ^{H. V. Hart} ~~E. L. Macomber~~, St. Regis Paper Company
- ✓ ROBERT MONAHAN, Dartmouth College

AUDITORS

- HOWARD WOODWARD, Berlin, N. H.
- HARRY KILGORE, Gorham, N. H.

MEMBERSHIP FOR 1950

- Brown Company, Berlin, N. H.
- ✓ R. H. Bryant, (Coe-Pingree Estate), Bangor,
Maine.
- ✓ Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H. ^{Monahan & Hince}
- ✓ Hugh Hince (Whitney Farm), Shelburne,
N. H.
- ✓ Gilman Paper Co., New York, N. Y. ^{G. M. Kimball}
- ✓ Groveton Papers Co., Groveton, N. H. ^{Foggy Hince}
- ✓ C. N. Hodgdon Estate, Berlin, N. H.
- ✓ E. Libby Sons Co., Gorham, N. H.
- ✓ Dalrymple & Towers, (Trustees), Andover,
Mass. (C. A. Wood - old C. L. M. Trust & B. T. M.)
- ✓ David Pingree Estate, Bangor, Maine ^{Hinkley Hobart Quilley}
- ✓ C. M. C. Twitchell Estate, Berlin, N. H. ^{C. Carter}
- ✓ International Paper Co., North Stratford,
N. H. ^{R. H. & Brown N. H. W. See}
- Town of Gorham, Gorham, N. H.
- Howard T. Woodward, Berlin, N. H.
- ✓ Northern New Hampshire Lumber Co., Bath,
N. H. ^{Paul Oliver}
- ✓ Alvan E. Kallman, The Balsams, Dixville,
N. H.
- ✓ Connecticut River Power Co., Boston, Mass. ^{C. R. Oliver}

- (Hart N.Y.)
- ✓ St. Regis Paper Co., W. Stewartstown, N. H. Cowan
 - ✓ A. M. Bean, Errol, N. H.
 - ✓ Blanchard Heirs, Berlin, N. H. Raymond Blanchard
 - ✓ Herbert L. Malcolm, Jefferson, N. H.
 - ✓ Public Service Co. of N. H., Berlin, N. H. Hunter
 - ✓ Water Resource Board, Concord, N. H. Leonard Frost
 - ✓ Lawrence E. Philbrook, Shelburne, N. H.

The New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association consists of twenty-four listed members.

The total acreage of the Association which was under protection in 1950 was 602,000 acres.

REPORT

Season of 1950

The past season was again a very successful one for the Association in that we had very few fires and none of them serious in spite of some rather dry periods.

The program of the Association continues to be handled on a very efficient basis since the patrolmen we have are generally experienced men, and they fully understand their patrol routes and responsibilities.

The patrol program is directly administered by Messrs. Chase and Buckley, District Forest Fire Chiefs of the State Department, under an agreement which was concluded between the State Forestry Department and this Association three years ago. This arrangement makes for a well coordinated program, and the results so far achieved indicate that this relationship is sound and workable.

Since we are very rapidly approaching a

war economy, the work of the Association becomes even more important in view of the danger of subversive activities. The patrolmen will all be instructed to be unusually vigilant with respect to all persons traveling in the woods to the end that as close a check as possible is kept on all persons using the forest in high hazard areas.

The Board of Directors of the Association held two meetings during the past year, one of which was devoted exclusively to improving the efficiency and usefulness of the patrolmen, particularly as to trail and improvement work in their areas during periods when the forest fire danger is not serious. Considerable improvement has been made in some cases, although it is recommended that the patrolmen be advised more clearly this season of just what their responsibilities are in this regard in order that we can open up and maintain more trails for use in the event of a serious forest fire period.

The costs of the Association, like everything else, are increasing, and it is the policy

of the Directors to pay reasonable wages to our patrolmen in order that we may secure reasonably high-grade and dependable persons for this important work. It may mean that an additional $\frac{1}{4}$ c assessment will be required, although we have succeeded in operating the Association for a number of years on the basis of $1\frac{1}{4}$ c-per acre per year. The Directors will make every effort to operate the Association as economically as possible, keeping in mind that a satisfactory result, after all, is the proper measuring stick.

The Association can take considerable pride in performing a very worth while service in northern New Hampshire at an extremely reasonable charge per acre, and with the continued cooperation of the landowners, public officials, and employees, this Association will again be a very vital factor in effective fire control in New Hampshire in 1951.

C. S. HERR, President

PATROL ROUTES

TOWN	No.	ROUTE
Pittsburg	1	Indian Stream Valley
	2	Perry Stream Valley
	3	E. Inlet Stream Valley
Academy Grant Clarksville Skillings Gore and Pittsburg	4	East and West Branches Dead Diamond and Little Dead Diamond Area.
College Grant Dix's Grant and Dixville	5	Dead and Swift Diamond Valleys
Odell and Strafford	6	Nash Stream and Tribu- taries
Errol, Went- worth Loc., Dix- ville and North Millsfield	7	Old and Recent Cuttings in each town.

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Dummer Pond 8 Patrolled recent cuttings
Newell Brook in each town
and Little Mills-
field Pond.

Berlin and 9 Head Pond, Copperville,
Milan and Jericho forest
(Part-time Patrol)

Dummer, and 10 Phillips Brook Valley area
Millsfield, Er-
vings Grant,
and Odell

Cambridge 11 Chickwolnepy Valley, Bog
Brook and Mollnidgwock
Valleys

Success, Riley 12 Success Pond Old Railroad
and Grafton, and tributaries, in coopera-
Maine tion with the State of Me.

Randolph and 13 Stag Hollow Valley
Jefferson (Part-time Patrol)

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Gorham and 14 Mill Brook, Peabody
 Shelburne Brook, Lary and Lead
 Mine Brook, (Part-time
 Patrol) in dry weather

Association Fire Record for Past Ten Years

Year	Number of Fires	Acreage Burned	Average Acres
1941	13	264	20
1942	10	19	2
1943	7	11	1
1944	14	16	1
1945	6	1	1/6
1946	13	40	3
1947	40	50	1.2
1948	32	751	23
1949	30	101	3.3
1950	19	86	4.5

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—1950

Receipts

Balance, Dec. 31, 1949.....	\$1,419.15
Assessments, Season 1950.....	7,563.57
Other Credits	178.91

Total	\$9,161.63
Less Balance due 12/31/50.....	23.00

\$9,138.63

Disbursements

Patrol Expense (Labor).....	\$5,482.90
Tel. Line Repair (Labor).....	134.53
Salary, Sec.-Treas.	200.00
Salary, Dist. Chief.....	200.00
Tel. Line Repair Expense.....	48.78
Office Expense	49.50
General Expense	133.05
Traveling Expense	3.64
Liberty Mutual Ins. Co.....	11.62
Unemployment Comp. Fund	162.47
Social Security	90.23

Total	\$6,516.72
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Balance, Dec. 31, 1950.....	\$2,621.91
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Audited:

Harry Kilgore
 Howard Woodward