

Ninth Annual Report

OF THE

New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association



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SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Balance from 1918	\$1,820.83
Assessments ($\frac{3}{4}$ c).....	5,544.51
Telephone wire sold.....	13.50
Telephone tolls received.....	9.74
Interest	20.00
Received from arrearages.....	14.00
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	\$7,422.58

EXPENDITURES

Paid patrolmen.....	\$5,620.25
Salary.....	700.00
Traveling expense.....	33.00
Automobile expense.....	183.74
Office expense.....	76.35
Advertising	45.00
Telephone tolls.....	16.80
Telephone repairs	19.65
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	\$6,694.79
Balance	\$ 727.79

The number of members belonging to the Association this year is twenty seven, and the total acre-

age owned by them is 720,775 acres.

This year again, wages to Patrolmen was somewhat in advance of that paid in former years, and on account of extremely dry weather a large number of men had to be employed during the early part of the season. As there was left in the Treasury from last year a fairly good balance, it has been possible to limit the total assessment to $\frac{3}{4}$ c per acre, but a very small balance will be left toward another season's work.

Purchase of lands by the Federal Government from members of the Association will be limited to small areas next season so that the acreage controlled by the Association will be approximately the same as for this year.

Fire Season of 1919

The fire danger season began early in May, and continued dry weather prevailed until the latter part of August, after which date we had frequent rains for the balance of the season.

Patrol

Eighteen Patrolmen were employed for the entire season, and nine others were employed during the dryest weather, and on Sundays, Holidays, etc. Thirty small fires were put out by the Patrolmen and 2,489 persons were warned to be careful of fire while in the woods.

The following list shows the routes of the Patrolmen who were employed this season:

TOWN		ROUTE
Pittsburg	No. 1	Cuttings around first and second lakes.
	2	Third Connecticut Lake and Scotts Bog.
	3	Perry Stream Valley.
	4	Indian Stream Valley.
	5	Hall Stream Valley.
	6	Head Waters Dead Diamond.
	7	Hammond and Abbott Brook Valleys.
	8	West Branch Big Magalloway.
	9	Old cuttings on Little Magalloway.
	10	Cedar and Deadwater Streams
	11	Dead and Swift Diamonds.
	12	Nash Stream and Ponds.
	13	Old cuttings on Bog Brook.
	14	Old cuttings around Errol Hill
15	Cuttings around Akers and Greenough Ponds.	
Clarksville Dartmouth Col- lege Grant Odell Stratford Errol	16	Phillips Brook Valley.

TOWN	ROUTE
Dummer	17 Dummer Pond and Newall Brook.
Stark	18 Mill Brook Valley.
Berlin	19 Mount Forest and Jericho Brook.
Berlin and Success	20 Horne Brook Valley.
Success	21 Old cuttings on Stearns Brook.
Woodstock and Thornton	22 Hubbard and Mill Brooks
Waterville	23 I. P. cuttings on Mad River.
Jackson	24 Miles River and tributaries.
Millsfield	25 Millsfield Pond and Streams.
Benton	26 I. P. Co.'s lands Wildwood region.
Gorham and Berlin	27 Moose Brook Valley.
Gorham	28 Libby's cuttings Peabody River.

Patrolmen Nos. 7, 8 and 9 were paid jointly by the Association and the Maine Forestry Commission.

Number and Areas of Fires

In fourteen towns in which the members of the Association have lands there occurred 24 fires of small size, the total acreage burned by all the fires

being 175 acres.

The fire record for the years since the organization of the Association is as follows:

	Number of Fires	Total Area Burned	Average Acres Burned
1911.....	70	4835	69 acres
1912.....	123	4727	38 "
1913.....	142	2323	16 "
1914.....	19	2107	110 "
1915.....	24	3750	156 "
1916.....	16	112	7 "
1917.....	13	260	20 "
1918.....	22	314	12 "
1919.....	24	175	7 "

Advertising

As in past years, the Association has continued to use the Telephone Directory of the Coos Telephone Co. as a medium of advertising by listing therein the names of the different town fire wardens, together with the telephone number of each warden.