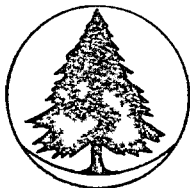


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THIRTY-EIGHTH  
Annual Report

OF THE  
*New Hampshire Timberland  
Owners Association*



From January 1, 1949  
to January 1, 1950

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

The total acreage of the Association  
which was under protection in 1949 was  
602,000 acres.

### In Memoriam

ELPHEGE J. COUTURE

1903-1949

The Forestry and Recreation Commission regrets to record the passing on January 28, 1949 of Mr. E. J. Couture, who has rendered outstanding service to the state for 30 years as administrative assistant in charge of forest fire prevention and control. Not only did he carry on the exacting forest fire details of the office, but by attendance at meetings of the County Forest Fire Wardens Association and otherwise, he maintained a personal contact with town fire wardens, and other members of the fire organization throughout the state. His friendship was esteemed by them all. His unselfish devotion to the work of the Commission was without equal, and his long experience and familiarity with all aspects of the forest fire administration make his loss irreparable.

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(State of New Hampshire Biennial Report  
of the Forestry and Recreation Commission,  
1947-48).

## REPORT

Season of 1949

This season closed the third successive one in which rainfall has been deficient and which consequently has brought about serious forest fire conditions.

The record for the area in which the Association is responsible continues remarkably satisfactory. The lands under direct patrol did not suffer any loss although there were a number of small fires in the county which were brought under control quickly without any appreciable loss in area burned.

The seasonal patrolmen, however, in their travels found many camp fires which had been built and allowed to burn out without, what seemed to be proper care. The need for constant education in fire prevention still continues. This work on the part of the forest fire patrolmen alone justifies the cost of the work. Nine out of ten forest fires

can be prevented and the Association must place the greatest possible emphasis on it since this can only mean reduced protection costs to the landowners.

The patrolmen during the period in which they were employed performed much worthwhile work in trail improvement which would have proven to be extremely useful in the event of a serious forest fire.

The Association operated this past season again on the basis of one and one quarter (1-1/4) cents assessment per acre. Every effort has been made to operate the Association as economically as possible, keeping in mind that complete fire control is, after all, the principal objective of the Association.

The President, on behalf of the Association, wishes to thank both the New Hampshire and Maine Forest Service for the assistance they have rendered the Association forest fire control program. The seasonal patrolmen, likewise, have made a contribution to the satisfactory record of the

Association by their loyal and faithful service.

This Association, one of the oldest in the Country, continues to be a thoroughly serviceable agency, operating year in and year out with practically no overhead.

With the continued cooperation of the landowners, public officials, and employees this Association will continue to be a vital force in fire control again in 1950.

C. S. HERR, President.

#### Patrol Routes

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

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT—1949

### Recéipts

Balance, Dec. 31, 1948.....	\$ 652.14
Assessments, Season 1949.....	7,559.46
Other Credits .....	102.70
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Total .....	\$8,314.30

### Expenditures

Patrol Expense .....	\$5,850.38
Salary, Secretary-Treasurer	200.00
Salary, District Chief.....	200.00
Telephone Line Repair .....	90.00
Office Expense .....	42.64
General Expense .....	209.43
Advertising .....	25.01
Liberty Mutual Ins. Co.....	25.07
Unemployment Compensation Fund .....	170.52
Social Security Tax .....	63.15
Federal Excise Tax.....	18.95
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Total .....	\$6,895.15.

Balance: December 31, 1949	\$1,419.15
Audited:	

Harry Kilgore  
Howard Woodward