



The above photo shows the beginning of our power expansion program.

YOUR FOREST RANGER AND HIS MANY DUTIES

We have reprinted here an excerpt of the West Virginia Conservation Magazine for the month of March, 1951, which was reprinted from the Outdoor Life Magazine. After reading this and realizing how versatile a forest ranger must be, we think you will enjoy it, and that in doing so it will increase your respect for our forest rangers and the fine work they are doing.

Quoting Curtis S. Allen, regional supervisor of law enforcement at Boston, Massachusetts, for the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, we list all—well nearly all—the requirements.

A forest ranger must be:

BIOLOGIST—Naturally he's got to know about plants and animals.

ANTHROPOLOGIST—And about men.

ENTOMOLOGIST—Bugs and insects.

HERPETOLOGIST—Snakes, too.

MAMMALOGIST—This covers most of the animals.

ORNITHOLOGIST—He'll have to know about birds.

ICHTHYOLOGIST—And, of course, fish.

POLICEMAN—He's one of these, too.

INVESTIGATOR—Lots of this involved.

ATTORNEY—To handle his cases in court.

SPRINTER—So he can run down violators.

MECHANIC—To keep his car in shape.

ORATOR—He'll have to address many organizations.

SCHOOL TEACHER—Youth groups must be taught conservation.

DOCTOR—To handle mishaps in the woods.

ENGINEER—He'll have to offer sound advice on dam and fishpond building.

FARMER—And on crops and cover for wildlife.

DIPLOMAT—To keep the department—and himself—out of hot water.

FORESTER—He must know timber and forest-fire fighting.

GUIDE—And find his way to remote districts—and back.

SALESMAN—He'll have to sell himself and his message.

FURRIER—Identify and classify pelts and furs.

PREACHER—Deliver sermons on the golden rule.

ACCOUNTANT—And stretch his pay check to meet the expenses of such a diverse and exacting job.