

A Neglected Asset

ACCORDING TO THE Forest Service, in the South are to be found more than thirty million acres of cut over lands, now idle and unproductive. To this vast area—already larger than the state of Mississippi and several times the size of the famed devastated regions of France and Belgium—are being added, as a result of lumber operations and forest fires, at least four million acres each year. Furthermore, the same authority says that by far the greater portion of these lands is suitable only for timber growing, which means that if they ever again are to serve a useful purpose, it will be accomplished only through a gigantic scheme of reforestation. While this statement may contain nothing new to those acquainted with the situation, it does forcefully call to mind the fact that utilization of these idle lands is perhaps the greatest economic problem facing the Southern States. So long as these great cut-over areas present the aspect of a man made desert, the effect will be just as unsettling economically as would be the idleness of thousands of farms.

Of course, considerable progress has been made in the way of converting thousands of acres of this cut-over land into productive farms, but admittedly there are great stretches of this land which are better suited to the growing of trees than to the production of farm crops. Many old time lumbermen look askance at the idea of raising trees, but it has been amply demonstrated that trees can be planted and grown, practically and profitably. This has not only been done experimentally, but is even now being undertaken as a commercial proposition by one of the South's largest producers of pine who recognizes that the South's supply of pine timber is waning but is determined that his operation shall have a permanent timber supply.

At first glance it might appear that any attempt to reforest the cut-over areas of the South would be an undertaking so stupendous as to be hopeless. This might be true of sections of the country where forestry is an involved process and a century or longer is required to grow merchantable timber. The South, however, is particularly fortunate in that it has the combination of a mild climate and, in the various species of pine, a fast growing and prolific commercial tree. It has been proven conclusively that if left undisturbed pine will reproduce itself upon the areas from which the original growth timber has been removed. In view of this, the problem of reforestation and, incidentally, cut-over land utilization becomes primarily a matter of providing protection from forest fires and other injurious agencies.

In the South these idle timber lands are generally regarded as a source of enormous potential wealth; yet it seems that their productive power is not fully realized. The Forest Service estimates that each of the thirty million acres of cut-over lands, if given proper protection, is capable of producing from 100 to 400 board feet of longleaf pine yearly, together with a steady yield of turpentine. Taking a growth of 200 feet per acre as an average this means that there is going to waste every year the equivalent to six billion board feet of lumber. This is an economic loss too great to be sustained indefinitely without disastrous consequences. If the Southern pine industry is to survive, and if the South itself is to enjoy a full measure of prosperity the cut-over lands must be utilized. They too long have been a burden and a liability, and energetic measures are needed to give them their proper classification as one of the South's greatest assets.

Marriage License

W. T. Bradley, age 44, of Marshall, to Myrtle Hunter, age 23, of Marshall.

Clarence Cedy age 22, of Mars Hill, to Nancey J. Ramsey age 19 of Mars Hill.

Edgar Hawkins age 21, of Mars Hill to Euphia Higgins age 18 of Mars Hill.

Lee Carter age 21 of Alexander, to Tinnie Haney age 19 of Alexander.

John Marler age 26 of Marshall, to Rosa Willis age 15 of Marshall.

Roy Frady age 21 of Worley, to Marie Brown, age 18 of Lee.

Floyd Briggs age 18 of Carmen, to Stella Shelton age 18 of Carmen.

Dewey Davis age 23 of Old Fort, to Thelma Buckner age 19 of Big Pine.

Alton Payne age 18, to Arie Crow age 19 both of Marshall.

Ted R. Russell age 21 of Bluff to Hazel Miller age 18 of Bluff.

Thad Shelton age 25, of Alexander to Minnerria Ensley age 20 of Alexander.

Theodore Odie Allen age 21, of Marshall R-4 to Nettie Rice age 20 of Walnut.

Maj. M. Lowe age 23 of Marshall, to Sarah Jones Cox, age 19 of Gainsville, Ga.

Arch Bayler age 35, of Morrisown Tenn., to Queen Ann Ramsey age 27 of Walnut.

Joby Davis age 30 of Marshall R-1, to Mrs. Glenn Penland age 22 of Weaverville.

Henry Wyatt age 22 of Stocksville R-1, to Rosa Lee Smith, age 19 of Stocksville R-1.

NOTICE!

WHEREAS, Lattie Barnett on the 11th day of August, 1919, execute and deliver to J. C. Ramsey, Trustee, a trust deed on certain lands in Madison county, State of North Carolina therein described, to secure the sum of \$500.00 due by said Lattie Barnett to W. J. Sanders which said trust deed is recorded in Madison county, in Deed in Trust Book 20, Page 150, to which reference is hereby made, and whereas default has been made in the payment of the moneys secured by said trust deed, and the said trustee has been duly requested to execute the trust therein contained;

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given, that under and by virtue of the power contained in said trust deed, I, the undersigned trustee, on the 10th day of February 1923, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m., at the court house door in the town of Marshall in Madison county, North Carolina, will, by public auction, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, viz:

Being known as the old Barney Landers home place on the Walnut Mountain, near the Walnut Gap, and adjoining the lands of the G. W. heirs, Jethro Laws, Frank Landers and others. Containing 30 acres more or less, and being known as the lands willed to W. J. Sanders by Barney Landers and sold by the said W. J. Sanders to Lattie Barnett.

Said land will be sold to satisfy the debt secured by said trust deed, and such title will be given as is vested in said trustee.

18 to 2 10 23 d. J. C. Ramsey Trustee.

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RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$99,287.80
Demand Loans	- - - - -
Overdrafts	250.98
U. S. Bonds and Liberty Bonds	1,327.50
All other Stocks, Bonds and Mortgages, Town Coupons	- - - - -
Premium on Bonds town coupons, Banking houses, Furniture and Fixtures	\$5,377.86
Cash and due from Banks	38,065.83
Cash Items	120.75
Checks for clearing	819.25
Total	\$145,249.97

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$10,000.00
Surplus Fund	5,000.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	3,770.30
Bills Payable	- - - - -
Deposits subject to check	47,003.72
Demand Certificates of Deposit	71,538.35
Time certificates of deposit	7,500.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	437.60
Total	\$145,249.97

State of North Carolina, County of Madison, ss:
I, L. Z. Eller, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

L. Z. ELLER, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th day of Jan 1923.

W. S. WHITAKER, Notary Public.
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Correct—Attest:
J. F. Sams, W. O. Connor, W. L. George, Directors

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