

Around The Mt. Mitchel Forest Service District

By George Vitas, U. S. Forest Ranger

Judging by the deer sign that we've seen, we'd say that the Mt. Mitchell Game Management Area deer have already discovered that the 4.88 mile power line right of way cleared by the French Broad Electric Company from the South Toe River road to FM Radio station WMIT on top of Clingman's Peak, makes a handy walkway. The new line is an REA 3-phase job. With its terminal end at an elevation of more than 6,000 feet above sea level, it becomes the highest power line in eastern America. The line is on Pisgah National land and is designed to withstand Mt. Mitchell's sub-zero weather during the winter months. Large poles, heavy wire short pans and a wide right of way are particular features of the new line.

And while deer have taken a liking to the power line right of way, bear have adopted a certain telephone pole on the U. S. Forest Service phone line between Busick and Mt. Mitchell. They left their unmistakable trademark on it. The "bear pole" has the earmarks of a beaver's work except that the groove, which is chewed completely around the standing pole, is six feet off the ground. We're not certain why bears have chosen to chew on this particular pole. Forestry Aid John Stanley, who saw the pole recently, says that he believes its the juicy insect population that infests the pole that causes the bear to

keep working it over. Both the Old Fort Picnic Ground and the Carolina Hemlock Recreation Area are now closed for the season. The water has been turned off, disposal cans removed and the gates barred. With the frigid weather that is upon us, continued use of the areas would have resulted in frozen water pipes with expensive repair bills.

Tom Huffman of Hamrick who retired a year ago after 27 years of duty with the U. S. Forest Service, is in Marine General Hospital. Tom's heart is giving him some trouble again, but he seemed to be resting well when we visited him last Sunday. Virgil Hollifield, who is cutting a boundary of Government timber in Sugar Cove is also in the hospital, recuperating from an operation. We hope to see both Tom and Virgil in the woods one of these days soon.

H. L. Foster, Foreman of the U. S. Forest Service crew that is building the 2-mile road from Carvers Gap to the Old Hotel Site on Roan Mountain, tells us that the new road cut across five springs that never ceased to flow during the recent dry spell. Two weeks ago the bulldozers which were working from either end of this road met, carving out a rough road over which a truck was driven during the dry weather. At present it is too muddy to attempt to drive the newly cut road.

COMMISSION WARNS ABOUT RIGHT-OF-WAY ADVERTISING

Raleigh.—It is illegal for advertisers to post signs on right-of-way if North Carolina highways, according to an opinion given by Attorney General Harry McMullan to the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

McMullan's ruling came at the request of the Commission, which has designated the month of November for a campaign of voluntary cooperation from roadside advertisers, looking to removal of all advertising from rights-of-way. The Commission has indicated it will take more stringent action if the sign owners fail to cooperate.

"This does not mean there can be no signs at all," Highway Chairman Henry W. Jordan emphasized. "It merely means that roadside advertisers should take their signs off the rights-of-way and put no more on the rights-of-way."

He pointed out that signs advising the exact footage of right-of-way for given roads are posted at frequent intervals along the highways, and these should be consulted by advertisers who want to know whether their signs encroach on rights-of-way.

McMullan said the Commission is empowered to remove signs from rights-of-way, even over the objections of owners of the signs. He added that the law makes it a misdemeanor for advertisers to put signs on rights-of-way.

Highway maintenance forces throughout the State have been directed to tear down signs posted on rights-of-way to advertise fairs, auto races, games, auctions and other events that already been held. This, according to highway officials will reduce some of the eye-distraction that creates traffic hazards, make the roadsides look better, and at the same time create compliance with the State and Federal regulations forbidding encroachment on rights-of-way.

After this month, such signs will be taken down by highway forces whether the advertised event has been held or not, and the same policy will be applied to other illegal roadside advertising.

Already the petroleum highway industry, through its marketing managers in North Carolina, is cooperating in



REV. ROBERT H. MANN
 God Reveals Himself to Moses
 Lesson: Exodus 3: 1-7, 10, 13-15
 Memory Selection: Exodus 3: 15

AFTER MOSES had slain the Egyptian, who had been beating an Israelite, and was forced to flee to the land of Midian, he there found a refuge and a home with the priest of the section, and he married a daughter of the priest. While tending the flock of his father-in-law, on the back side of the desert, he was attracted by a burning bush which burned hotly but was not consumed.

Turning aside to see why the bush burned but was not consumed, Moses heard the voice of God, speaking to him out of the midst of the flame. And God commissioned Moses to undertake the delivery of the Israelites from Egyptian bondage.

When Moses inquired who was sending him into Egypt, the Lord bade him to say that the great I AM was sending him. He bade him also to say that I AM was the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Thus did God reveal himself as the Almighty Being who has no other length of years nor end of days, the ever-living, eternal God.

In the ancient time the names of persons were supposed to tell something of their character. So the name of God, I AM, indicates that He is eternally existent, that being is absolute and changeless. And we at once feel his transcendence over time and space and at the limitations of finite being. Surely we can trust the self-revealed God, even as Moses did several thousand years ago.



WANDA HENDRIX

Charlotte—Wanda Hendrix glamorous brown-haired motion picture star, will be the honorary queen of the Carolinas Carrousel in Charlotte on Thursday, November 15th. She will be a featured attraction of the gala parade.

Thomas L. Robinson, chairman of the Carrousel's Distinguished Guests Committee, received word early this week that Miss Hendrix has accepted the invitation to attend the big festival.

The star will be accompanied to Charlotte by Bill Hendrix of the Hollywood firm of King Kennedy & Associates. Mr. Hendrix also accompanied Coleen Gray, last year's Carrousel honorary queen.

Miss Hendrix, whose latest picture is "The Highwayman" is a native of Jacksonville, Florida. She has starred in many motion pictures and has appeared opposite some of the biggest box office names in the motion picture industry. Among her movies were "Prince of Foxes" with Tyrone Power, "Welcome Stranger", with Bing Crosby and "Tatlock's Millions" with John Lund.

Her visit here is being arranged in connection with the sale of U. S. Defense Bonds. Charlotte has been assigned a goal of a million dollars in bonds in the current campaign.

Assisting Mr. Robinson in obtaining Miss Hendrix was Mrs. Sue C. Oulahan of the

Israelites' 'Manna' Likened To Edible Species of Lichen

THE "MANNA" of the Israelites may have been a species of lichen that still grows on rocks in the mountainous regions of Biblical lands. Blown loose into the lowlands, it piles up in small hummocks in the valleys. As late as 1891 there was an abundant fall in Turkey. It still is eaten by the desert tribes. A similar species was used by the ancient Egyptians for making bread; at present it usually is mixed with meal.

This curious bit of botanical history is revealed by Dr. George A. Llano, former associate curator of cryptograms the U.S. national museum, now with the air force, in a report of an extensive study of the economic uses of lichens just issued as part of the annual report of the Smithsonian Institution.

Lichens are of world-wide occurrence. They constitute the pastures of the Arctic, where they are important to life. They have a significant role in human economy, with uses ranging from human food to dyes and delicate perfumes. Dr. Llano details these uses, many of which are little known.

The plants themselves, of which there are thousands of species, represent a curious and unique type of evolution. Botanists have a hard time accepting lichens into the community of plants because of their compound nature. Each individual lichen is made up of two different and separate entities, each living its own life. But they live together in such a balanced relationship that they not only act like a single organism but are able to reproduce the unit. One partner is a fungus, like a mold; it is the water gatherer. The other is a blue-green or green alga of the type that forms the green scum on stagnant water. The alga makes food for itself and the fungus. Both the alga and the fungus have their own proper names, but these are entirely different from that used for the lichen.

The greatest economic use of lichens, Dr. Llano points out, is as fodder. Over thousands of square miles of the Arctic, generally above timber line, are lichen pastures used by reindeer, caribou, and musk-ox. These pastures cover parts of Greenland, Iceland, Scandinavia, Alaska, Siberia, Labrador, northern Canada, and the Arctic Archipelago. Over most of this area the chief importance of lichens to man is as food for the wild caribou and domesticated reindeer. Harvested, the lichen can be used as food for most domesticated animals. Man himself long has used lichens for food. The most popular form is known as Iceland moss. It was sometimes mixed with grain and potatoes and made into a bread flour.

Lichens long have been used as medicines.

Allen Completes Basic Airman Course

Lackland Air Force Base, Texas—Pvt. Ralph Allen, son of Fred Allen, Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C., has completed his AF basic airman indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base, the "Gateway to the Air Force."

Lackland, situated near San Antonio, is the world's largest air force base, site of Air Force basic training for men and women, headquarters of the Human Resources Research Center, and home of AF's Officer Candidate School.

His basic training has prepared him for entrance into Air Force technical training and for assignment in specialized work. The course included a scientific evaluation of his aptitude and inclination for following a particular vocation and career.

U. S. Savings Bond Division of the Treasury Department.

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