



EXHIBITION RAILWAY COACH TO TOUR THE EAST

Canadian Forestry Association arranges a unique advertisement for forest Protection

By grace of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and the Railway War Board, the Canadian Forestry Association has been placed in temporary possession of an Exhibition Railway Car to travel in Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia as an advertisement for forest protection.

The car will be outfitted by the Forestry Association with motion picture equipment and a travelling lecturer so that public meetings can be held at scores of smaller communities either in the lecture room of the car or at a local hall. Arrangements have been made to install wireless outfit, forest telephone and fire fighting pumps, all in actual operation, with miniature airplane, lookout tower, as well as a diminutive forest nursery. Large quantities of instructive literature will be carried for free distribution. Banners containing such warnings as "Canada expects every loyal citizen to guard against forest fires" will adorn the exterior of the car from end to end and with flags and bunting will make a striking presentation.

Lectures will be given several times a day, according to the running schedule.

The coming of the Exhibition Car will be well advertised in advance. Several months will be occupied by the journey.

Italy on Thin Edge of Forest Supply

The yearly cut from Italian forests, without considering fuel wood, before the war amounted to not more than 600 million feet a year.

"Up to date the lack of imported lumber and the demands of the war have made such inroads upon the supply that for about 15 years no more timber can be cut. If the war ends within a year or two, Italy must import at least two billion board feet per year, but if lumber prices abroad are approximately the same in gold as they were before the war, it will impart from three to four billion board feet for about three years and two billion board feet for the 12 years following. Many Italian lumber concerns had their own tracts of timber

and mills in that part of Austria bordering upon the Italian Veneto. These concerns will not go back into Austria if lumber can be imported from elsewhere and lumber prices are within reason.

"Outside of southern pine from the United States, virtually all the wood imported was of the kind known in Italy as "abete" (European pine or fir. In my opinion, there will be a postwar market for American spruce, hemlock, southern pine, swamp cypress, redwood and Douglas fir or Oregon pine, as well as for a fair quantity of American white oak, the last named in the form of railway ties particularly.

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