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PUBLIC DOMAIN IS HUGE TRUST

On the public domain, says the Geological Survey, there are 30,000,000 acres of coal land which contain 200,000,000,000 tons of fuel for the future.

This single item gives an idea of the latest values that still remain in government-owned land. "While the area of land still remaining in public ownership," said President Coolidge in his recent message to Congress, "is small compared with

the vast area in private ownership, the natural resources of those in public ownership are of immense present and future value. This is particularly true as to minerals and water power."

There are half a million acres of phosphat land, says a statement from the Department of the Interior, that can supply 8,000,000,000 tons of this essential fertilizer as its need on American farms is better realized. There is an undetermined acreage of potash deposits, the best of which yet discovered are on public lands. There are 65 developed oil and gas fields with an annual production of 33,000,000 barrels of oil. There are 4,000,000 acres of oil shale from which possibly 60,000,000,000 barrels of oil can be extracted when high prices arrive to warrant the higher cost.

The general policy of the Federal government as reflected in recent legislation is to retain the ownership of the principal natural resources of its remaining public lands, permitting the development of these resources only under lease or permit. In order to carry out this policy it is necessary to examine and classify all the public lands with reference to their highest use or value. This work of classifying all the public lands and easing the mineral lands has been assigned to the Geological Survey. Efficient beneficial use of the lands is the purpose of classification.

An indication of the extent to which use is now being made of our mineral and water power resources, under permit or lease, may be gleaned from the following statistics:

Out of a total of nearly 13,000,000 horsepower now developed in the United States, more than 4,500,000 horsepower is developed on public lands or navigable streams, under authorization of the Federal government.

From the passage of the mineral leasing law in 1920 to June 30, 1928, 197,000,000 barrels of oil has been produced from public lands under Government lease or permit, of which more than 23,000,000 barrels was produced in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1928.

During a similar period nearly 13,000,000 tons of coal has been mined from leased public lands, of which 3,000,000 tons was produced

in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1928.

Last year the oil and gas rights in a tract of 160 acres of public land were disposed of for \$420,000, in addition to which the Government will probably receive a royalty of \$1,000,000 or more on the oil and gas when they are produced. Before knowledge of their mineral content was available other tracts of even greater value have been disposed of as agricultural lands for a nominal filing fee that fails to pay the cost of administration. The gain to the United States from adequate information on a single tract of this kind would provide an appropriation sufficient to ascertain values of large areas of the public land in advance of disposal, as a means of intelligent administration and insurance against loss.

At the end of the fiscal year 1928 nearly 22,000 mineral permits, leases, and licenses were under supervision by the Geological Survey. Certain supervisory work in connection with the naval petroleum reserves is done by the Survey on behalf of the Bureau of Engineering, Department of the Navy, and similar work in connection with some Indian reservations is done on behalf of the Office of Indian Affairs. The royalties from oil produced on naval petroleum reserves and Indian lands for the year ended June 30, 1928, amounted to over \$9,000,000.

The unappropriated public lands amount to 194,000,000 acres, equal in area to 14 of the smaller states. In addition to this the mineral rights on about 19,000,000 acres of land patented under the stock-raising law have been retained. Rights of specific minerals have been retained in 11,750,000 acres. The potential power of the water-power developments that would affect Government lands is estimated at 15,000,000 horsepower.

This is a great estate worthy of much study and careful administration, in order that the interests of all the people may be served. The United States Geological Survey is attempting to supply the facts on which that careful, intelligent administration may be based.

ATHENS, Feb. 12. (P)—Premier Venizelos' war on banditry has produced important results. One outlaw leader has been killed and a strong band driven to concealment.

GYDNIA, Poland, Feb. 12. (P)—The Polish government named one of the new piers in this rapidly growing port in honor of President Wilson. Memorials to the American war president are not rare in Poland.

FOWL WISDOM
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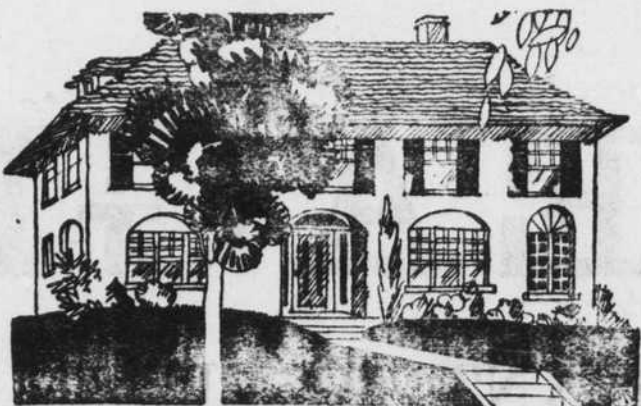
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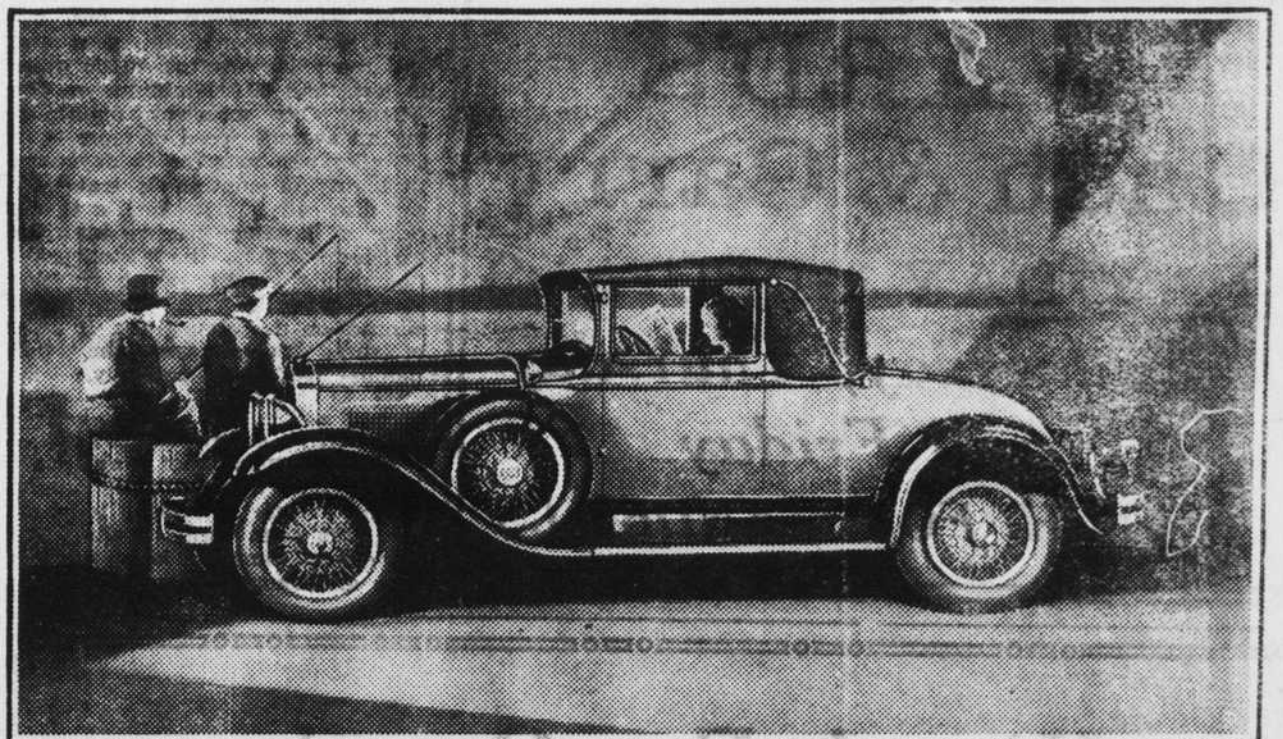
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