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Hill to Lamont

Weyerhaeuser's company, the Mississippi Logging Co., has capital of 25 to 30 million dollars -- will be able to buy all the timberland on the Pacific Coast & probably also in Montana, which would give our company large sums of money for early redemption of its land grant bonds & at the same time relieve the company from very heavy expense of watching the timber against trespassers and fire."The Co's lands, being alternate sections, are exposed to fire from every squatter on gov't lands & these squatters are increasing every year, partly because of mineral exploration in the Cascade Mts. and west of the

main range in Montana, who cause fire losses of  
lions of feet every year. North Dakota rate case  
causing anxiety for Nor. Pac. Road. Will "be able  
lead off the present suit ... but every time the  
<sup>question</sup>  
<sup>being</sup> question is tried the state attorney general ... is  
being educated until finally the courts will take  
notice of the capital per mile in fixing what  
are legal rates."

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