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An Inventory of Its Miscellaneous Records

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

Agency: Minnesota State Forestry Board.
Series Title: Forestry Board miscellaneous records.
Dates: 1875-1929.
Quantity: 0.7 cu. ft. (2 boxes, and 1 item in partial box).
Location: See Detailed Description section for box locations.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE RECORDS

Maps and timber surveys of Itasca State Park (1900) and Pillsbury State Forest (1902); 1903 report on the Northern and Cloquet lumber companies' timberlands; maps, lists of forest rangers, and expenses for patrol and fire prevention work; a fire prevention broadside (1906); expense memoranda for Forestry Board work and for other activities that C. C. Andrews was interested in; and other forestry and fire prevention miscellany.

RELATED MATERIALS

“Record of payments for tree planting,” formerly cataloged as part of the records of the Forestry Board, was determined to have been created by the State Auditor. It is now cataloged among the State Auditor’s records as “Tree bounty payment records.”

INDEX TERMS

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.

Topics:

Forest fires--Minnesota--Prevention and control.
Forest rangers--Minnesota.
Forest surveys--Minnesota.
Grassland fires--Minnesota--Prevention and control.
Timber--Minnesota.

Places:

Itasca State Park (Minn.).
Pillsbury State Forest (Minn.).

Organizations:

Cloquet Lumber Company (Cloquet, Minn.).
Northern Lumber Company (Cloquet, Minn.).

Persons:

Andrews, C. C. (Christopher Columbus), 1829-1922.
Brower, J. V. (Jacob Vradenberg), 1844-1905.
Duncan, T. L. Pillsbury forest : report of survey and working plan, 1902.
Pillsbury, J. S. (John Sargent), 1827-1901.

Types of Documents:

Broadsides.
Maps--Minnesota.
Photographs.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Note to Researchers: To request materials, please note both the location and box numbers shown below.

Location	Box	Contents
116.A.3.1	1	<p>Itasca State Park Timber Report, With Supplement, 1899-1900. 1 volume.</p> <p>A handwritten report by Jacob V. Brower to the governor and attorney general of Minnesota, April 20, 1900. 234 pages. Spine title: "Itasca State Park Timber Examinations : Brower."</p> <p>Consists primarily of diagrams of individual sections of land, with accompanying (often lengthy) descriptive notes, mainly on land, timber, and other vegetation (pp. 9-118, 157-233). Supplemented by an introduction and table of contents (p. 1-11); expense account (p. 12, 15-16); record of photographic exposures (p. 13-14); photographs, mainly of timber, all identified by topic and locale (p. 120-155); and a "record of proceedings" (apparently land purchases) (p. 234).</p> <p>No published version of this report has been located.</p> <p>Field notes, Itasca Reserve, 1875. 1 volume. Surveyor's notebook.</p> <p>Maps of fire warden districts, [undated]. 1 volume. Small printed maps from an unknown source, cut out and pasted into the volume alphabetically by county. Many contain handwritten annotations giving additional township names, rangers' names [?], and related data.</p>
116.A.3.2	2	<p>Survey of Pillsbury Forest, 1902. 1 volume.</p> <p>A volume containing a copy of the published <i>Pillsbury Forest: Report of Survey and Working Plan</i>, by T. L. Duncan (23 p.), followed by [Duncan's?] tract-by-tract handwritten notes on timber, soil types, terrain, and the like.</p> <p>[Memorandum and account book], 1909-1921. 1 volume. Itemizations of expenses under several categories: forest protection, Forestry Board, prosecutions, Forest Service, emergencies, Itasca State Park support, forest reserves, and rangers, as well as Minnesota Monument Commission (1915-1921) and miscellany, apparently that C. C. Andrews was involved in.</p>

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116.A.3.2	2	<p>“List of active public spirited citizens ... thought to be interested in forestry & fire protection....,” June 1914. 1 volume. By county, giving name, occupation, and post office address.</p> <p>Memorandum book, federal patrolmen, 1913-1914. 1 volume. Includes patrolmen’s names and districts, and assorted financial memoranda.</p> <p>Pillsbury State Forest maps and miscellany, 1900-1929. 1 folder. Two maps of Township 134N, Range 30W, with assorted annotations, identified as “Pillsbury Donation” (undated and 1920); other hand-drawn maps of individual sections, with portions shaded in green (no explanatory annotations); letter (1900) and list (1901) of cutover lands tendered by John S. Pillsbury to the state; planting suggestions for Pillsbury Forest, T. L. Duncan to C. C. Andrews (1906); Forestry Board printed report to the legislature (1910, 4 p.), including a section on the Pillsbury Reserve; letter from District 4 ranger E. H. Rhodes, with sketch maps showing Pillsbury State Forest land and discussing maintenance work done (1929).</p> <p>Report of the Timberlands of the Northern and Cloquet Lumber Companies, St. Louis County, Minnesota, [June 1903]. 1 folder. By C. S. Chapman, Forest Assistant, U. S. Bureau of Forestry.</p>
114.A.2.2F-2	none	<p>Broadside, March 15, 1906. 1 item in corrugated enclosure. A printed cloth notice intended for outdoors posting, notifying the public of the provisions of Minnesota law for the prevention of forest and prairie fires. Issued by C. C. Andrews, forestry commissioner.</p>