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Sometime ago "Outdoor Life", a magazine devoted to hunting and fishing, sponsored a contest to bring out the citizen's reactions to conservation. The winning entry for the American's Conservation Pledge contest was written by L. L. Foreman of Santa Fe, N. M., and reads:

"I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully to defend from waste the natural resources of my country—its soil and minerals, its forests, waters and wildlife."

With the coming of spring many of us are tempted to save time and labor by burning off large lots of our own, rather than raking it. In rural areas, more so than in cities, this action is a hundred per cent contrary to the above pledge.

Burg, conservation officers say, is detrimental to the land, in that it destroys bushes and grass. The natural resources of the land are destroyed by the flames and are costly to replace through artificial means.

IN EITHER CITY or rural areas, this system of cleaning and may result in costly fires. A sudden shift of the wind can easily carry flames to buildings or nearby fields and forests. Lives are snuffed out each year by simple little "bon fires" which have gotten out of control.

During the summer months, fires are caused by smokers who are careless about disposing of cigarettes, cigars and still burning matches. Leaves and grass become tinder-dry and only a tiny spark is needed to start a holocaust.

Fires which destroy buildings are recognized at once for their danger and cost. The visible evidence is there before us.

The fire which destroys a forest, however, is a much greater long range project. Driving by the area we are aware of, acres of blackened stumps.

THE FULL IMPACT is much greater. Thousands of boards feet of building material is gone, to be replaced after years of growth by replacement trees. Tons and tons of wood products, paper and the like are placed in the same position.

Acres of ground have lost value as water sheds, adding to the danger of water shortages in times of drought and floods in the rainy seasons. Wild birds and animals have died, and the food and shelter destroyed for those which survive. Fishing is destroyed through polluted waters and dried up streams.

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Dressed in a baggy lounging jacket and knickers, and showing cordiality surprising in a former General Staff officer, Geyr talked freely about rearmament.

"I realize that the question is a touchy one politically," he said. "But from a military point of view, a German army is a necessity. Since the organization of the 'Ostpolizei', the Russians are able to throw 30 armored divisions against West Germany at a moment's notice."

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IF WEST GERMANY should be integrated into the Atlantic Pact, Geyr hoped that the over-all command would be given to an American.

He feels that Americans are less biased in European affairs and would be less willing to sacrifice German troops in a rear-guard action.

The General paused and looked out the window toward the Alps. "Well, it is not for us to say," he remarked. "We must wait for the Allies to decide. But all the time there are those 30 divisions in East Germany, well-equipped with planes and tanks."

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