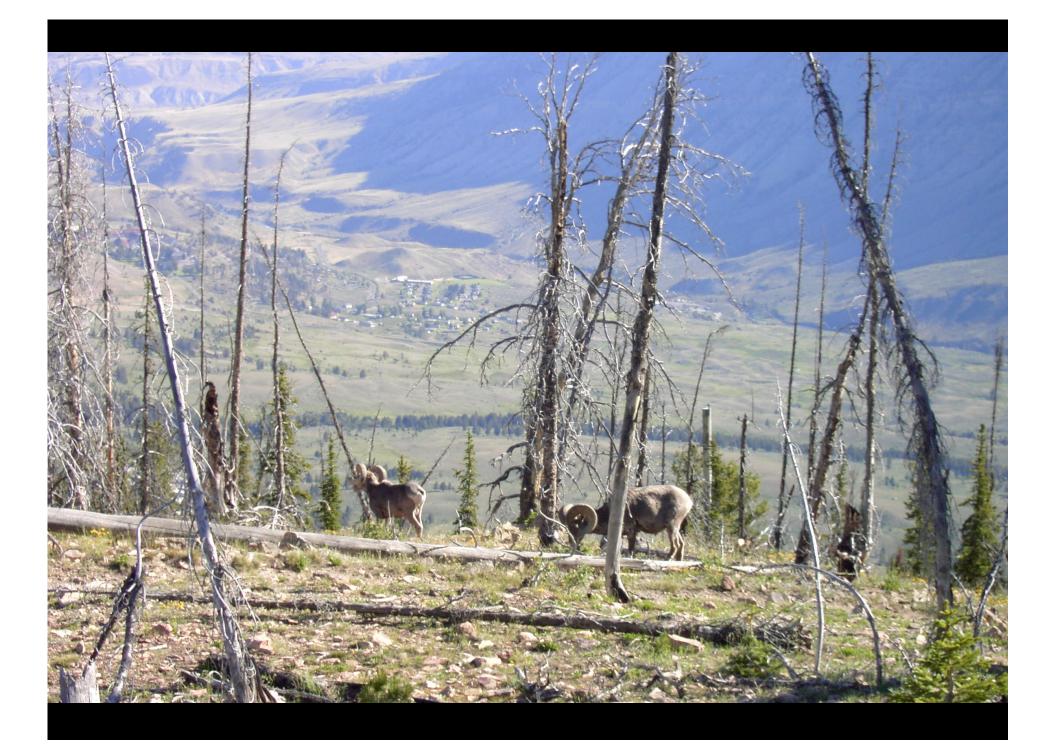


The largest landowner in the United States is the American people through their national government and various federal agencies. In the 48 contiguous states, there are around \$10,000 square miles of land under some form of federal government management and control. About 92 percent of these lands, or nearly 741,000 square miles, are in the 22-state West. These include 280,000 square miles of National Forest Service lands, over 270,000 square miles of Bureau of Land Management lands, 97,000 square miles of Bureau of Indian Affairs lands, over 34,000 square miles of National Park Service lands, and 32,000 square miles of lands under the control of either the Department of Defense or Department of Energy.

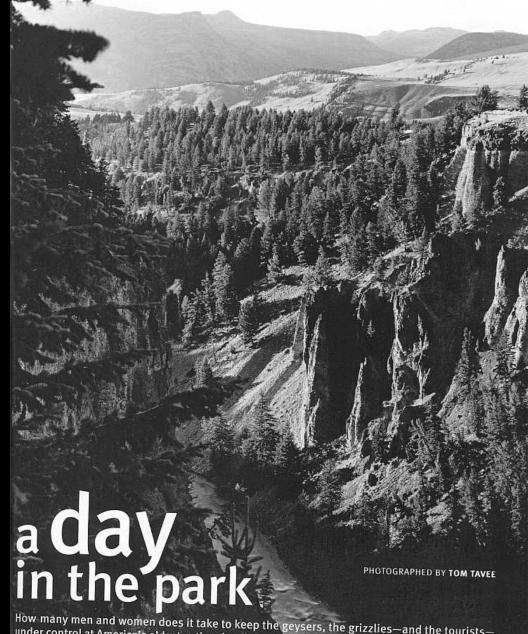
These 741,000 square miles of federal lands account for over one-third of all land in the 22-state West. The largest concentrations are found in states west of the Plains regions; including states in the Rocky Mountain West, Southwest, Pacific Northwest, and California/ Nevada region. Among the eleven states in these regions, Nevada has the largest amount of federal lands; nearly 98,000 square miles accounting for 88 percent of the entire state, while Washington has the smallest amount: over 26,000 square miles accounting for 37 percent of the state. Nearly 70 percent of the entire areas of the states of Utah, Idaho, and Arizona are federal lands.

The management and use of these lands have heavily shaped the history of settlement and economic development in the West. These lands also will play a significant role in the West's economic future. However, the varying economic roles they play from place to place are changing as the larger economy restructures and the pattern and make-up of economic activity shift and change.

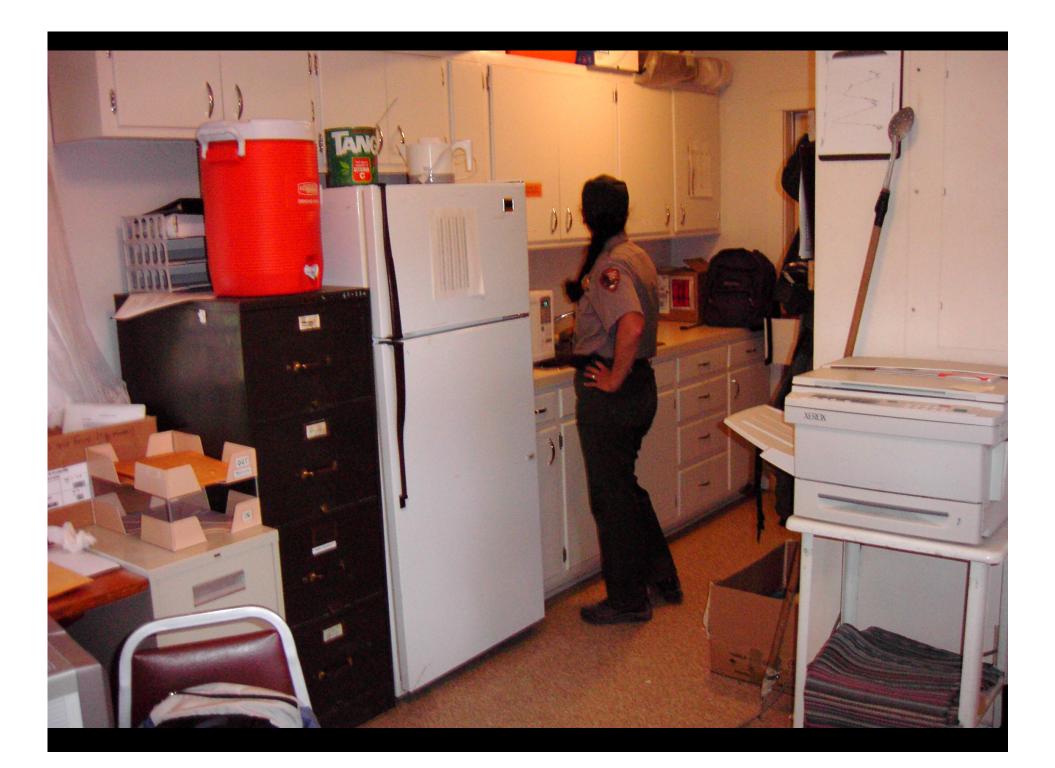
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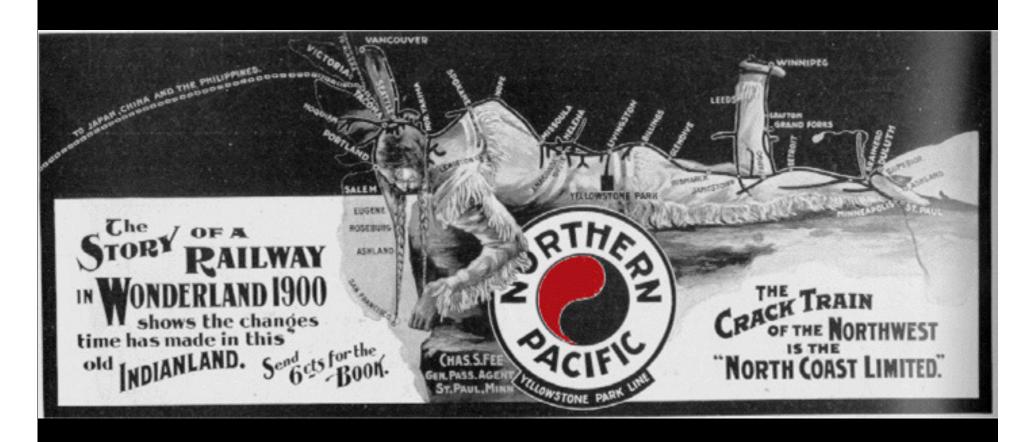


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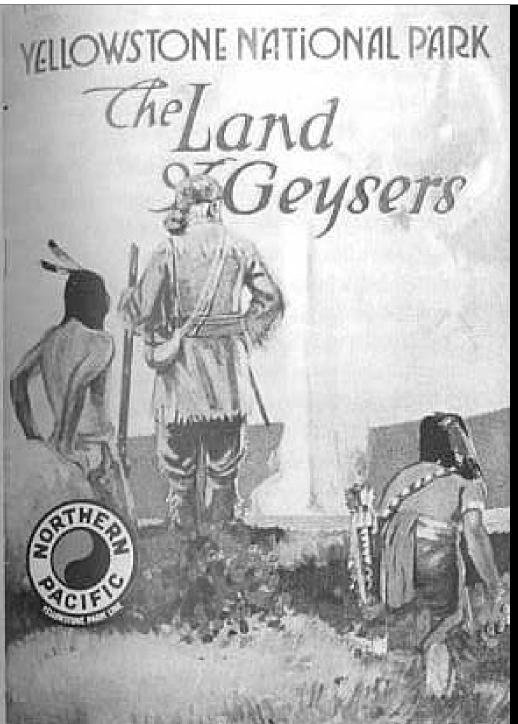
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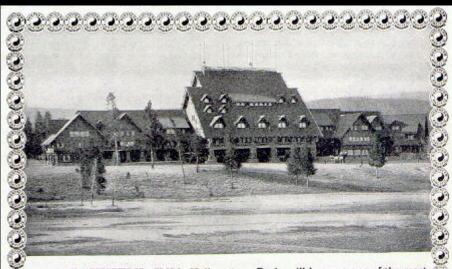
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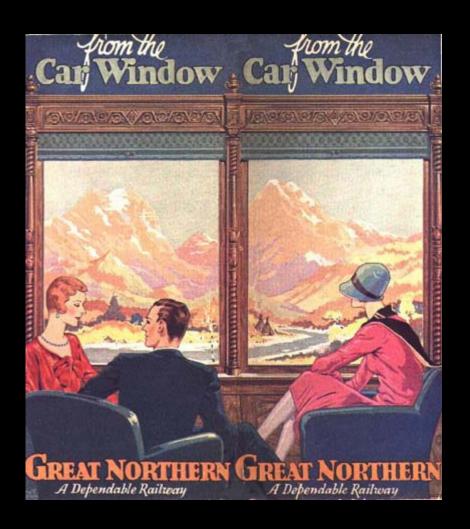
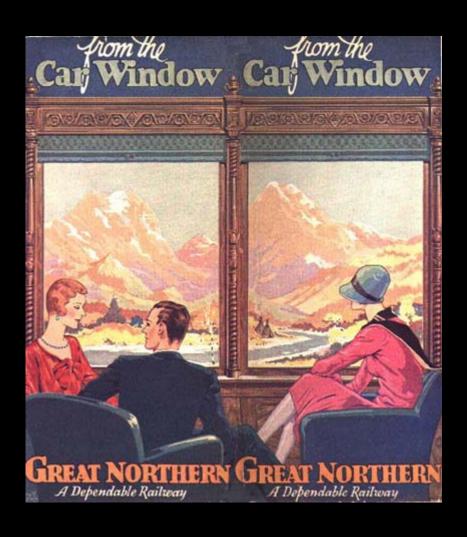


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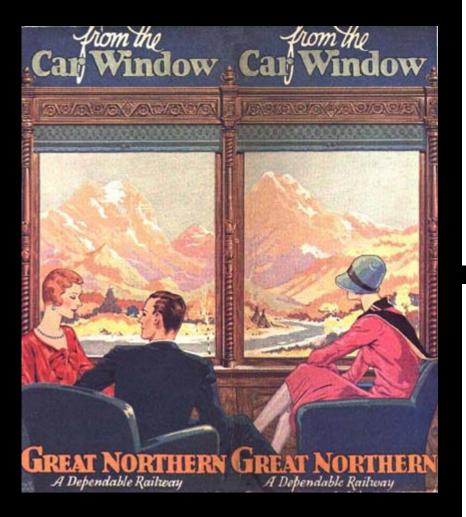






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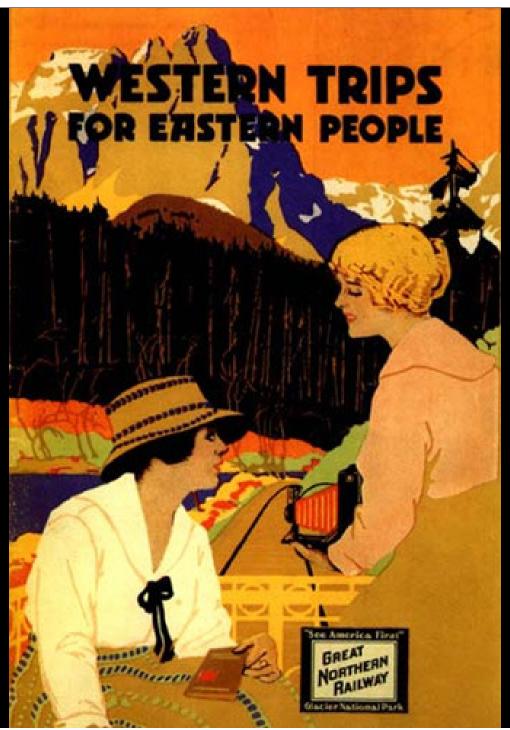
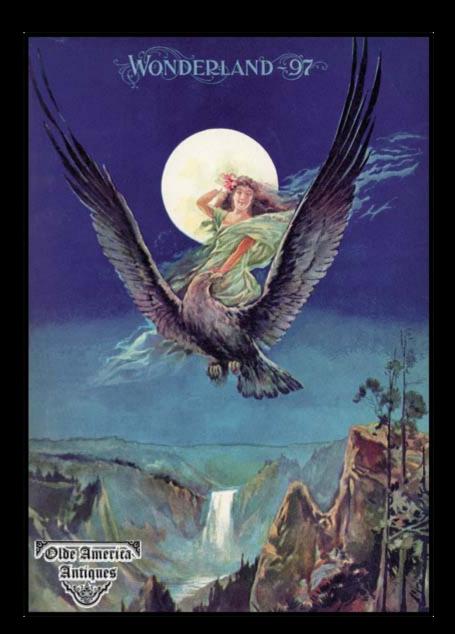
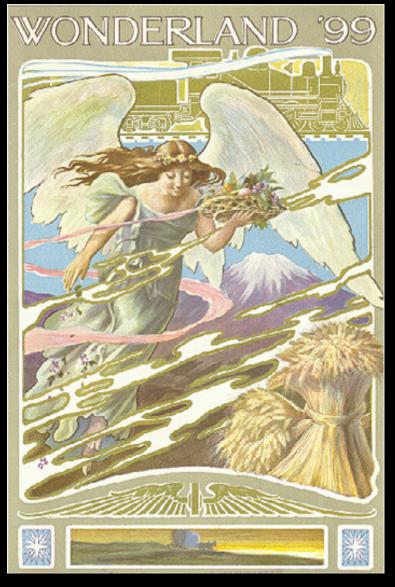


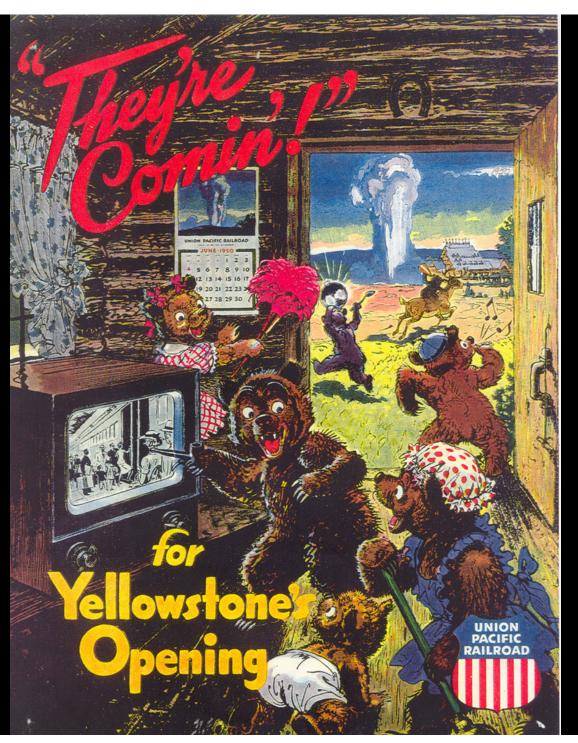
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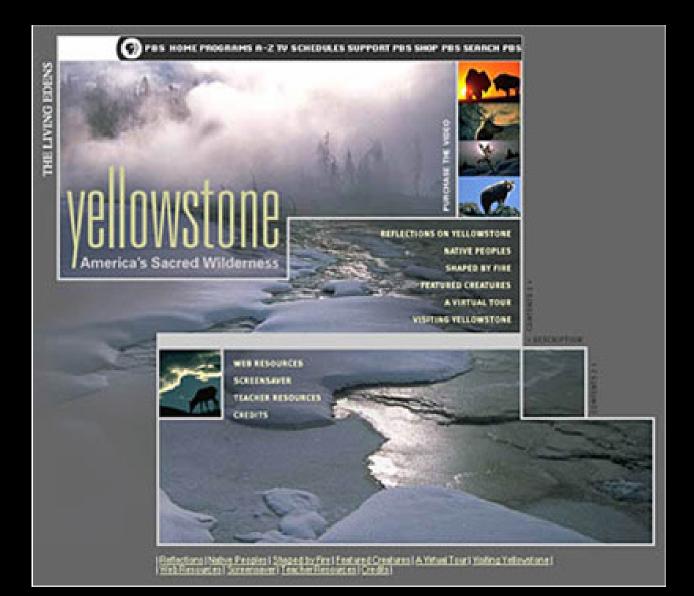








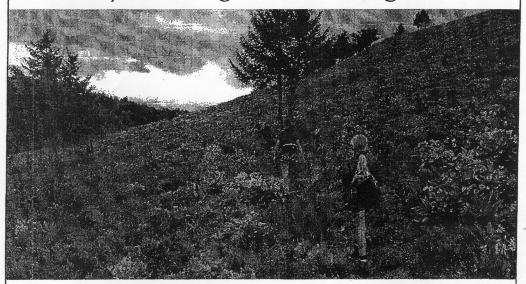




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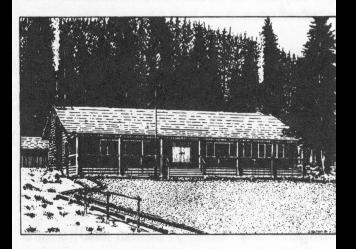
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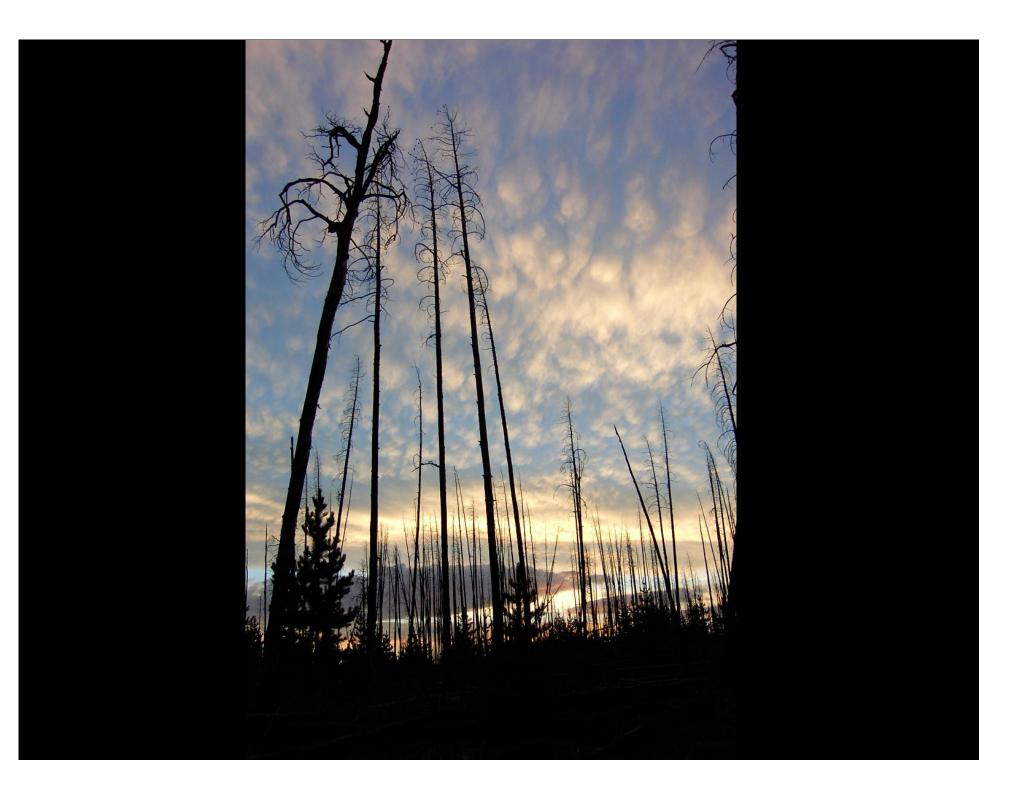


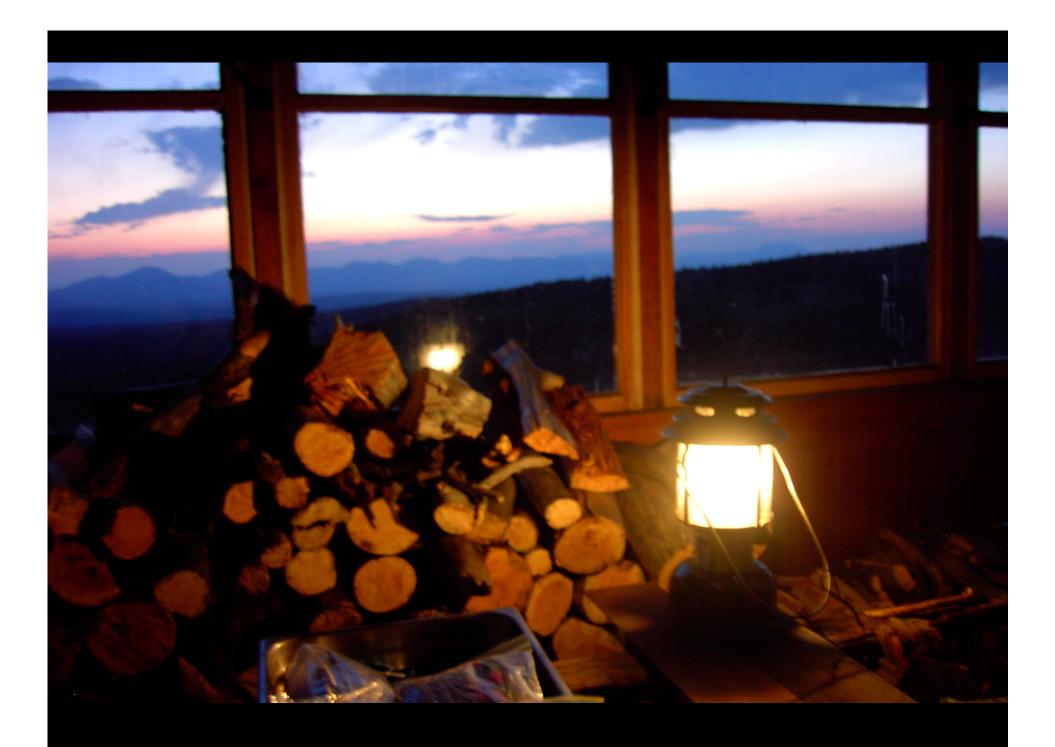


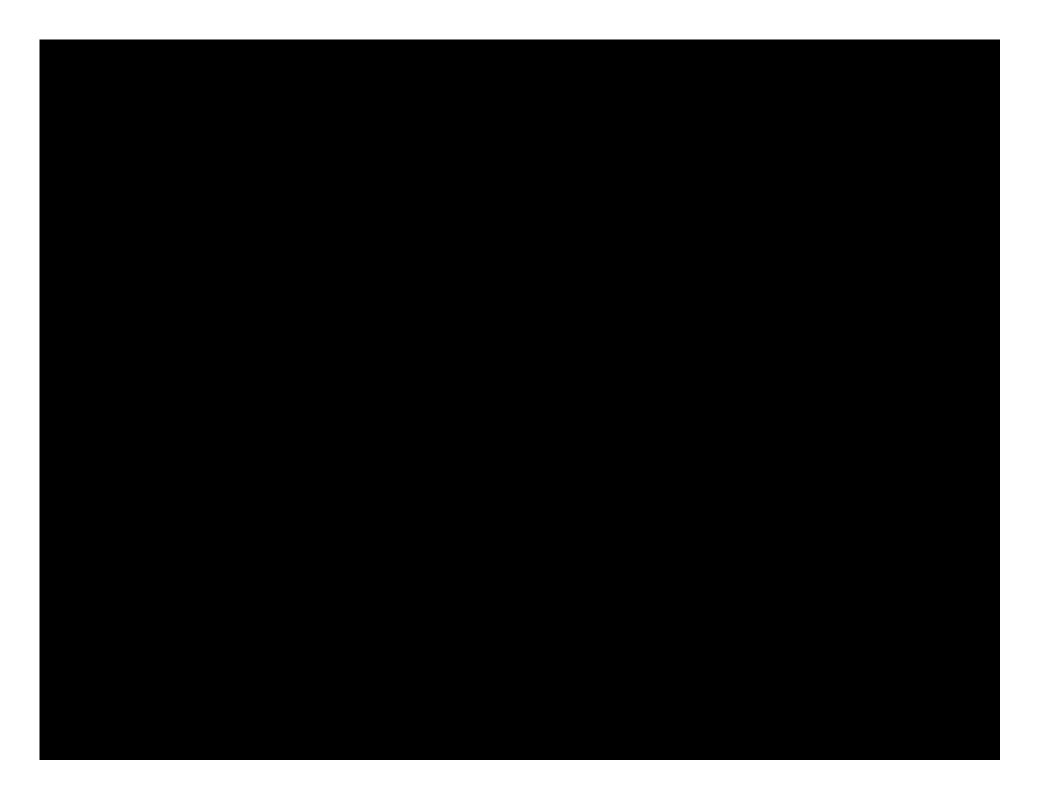


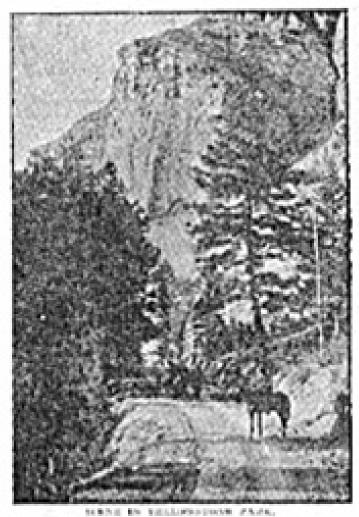












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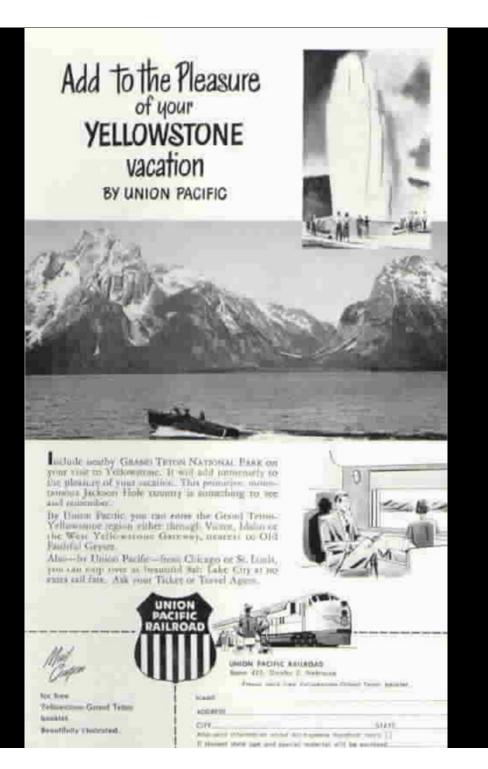
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