

INTRODUCTION

To the Memory of Oliver Gosnold Clark Ranger B.G. Forest Service

Who lost his life in the noble discharge of duty on the twenty-fifth day of June, 1925, at Port Neville.

A fire, of which he had charge, was whipped beyond control by a sudden change of wind, leaving only a few minutes for escape. Ignoring his own danger, Clark carried the warning to his crews and saw them all safely to rafts and boats in the Bay. He returned to the logging camp to make sure that no one had been missed. His body was subsequently found by his comrades — his Forest Service Badge clasped tightly in his lifeless hand — bearing mute testimony that under the supreme test he had magnificently conceived and nobly discharged his duty. Ranger Clark has gone but has left with us an inspiring example of heroism and devotion to duty — which will persist until the last forest fire is conquered and completely out. *o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o*