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Selway Game Preserve

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EMERGENCY HUNT IN SELWAY GAME PRESERVE

AND ADJOINING LANDS

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Missoula, Montana, August 26, 1937: Deeming it necessary for the protection and propagation of big game animals in the Selway Game Preserve in the State of Idaho, W. R. McIntyre, State Fish and Game Warden, has declared an emergency hunt on the area to be held from September 1 to November 30.

The Selway Came Preserve and adjoining lands for which the hunt is prescribed are of extremely primitive character; and, for the big game hunter who wants to engage in real pioneering sport, this is the opportunity of a lifetime. Aside from a few miles of roads which touch the borders of the area, access by means of motor vehicles is impossible. For those equipped to fly, however, three Forest Service landing fields at Moose Creek, Shearer and Fish Lake are available for use of sportsmen.

Pack trips into the area can be arranged with local guides and dude ranchers.

For the purpose of thinning overcrowded elk herds in the area, 1,500 hunters will be given the privilege of shooting one elk of either sex. Applications, accompanied by a fee of one dollar, must be mailed to the State Fish and Game Warden at Boise, Idaho. A public drawing will be held on August 30 in Boise, and the first 1,500 applications drawn will be honored. In the event less than 1,500 applications are received prior to the drawing, applications thereafter will be honored in their numerical order to complete the number. Fees paid by unsuccessful applicants will be refunded.

Sportsmen taking part in the hunt will not only have an excellent chance of "bringing home the bacon", but will be actively contributing to the future welfare of the herd. Due to an acute shortage of winter range and heavy concentrations of elk on the area, thinning of the herd is immediately necessary.

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