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UNTIL production hits its stride there will continue to be an acute shortage of transformers and other materials needed to provide new electric service. The situation is general throughout the country—conditions beyond our control. Frankly, we want you to know just how things stand today so...

Here is a brief report on some of the more important materials needed to bring electric service to your Home, Farm or Factory—

● HIGH TENSION PORCELAIN INSULATORS —

All stocks critically short—factories' production filled into late 1947. Orders being accepted on basis shipment 12 to 15 months and upon availability of associated steel forgings which are bought out.

● DISTRIBUTION INSULATORS—

Very limited stocks available—some sub-standard materials and war surplus available.

● **COPPER WIRE—**

Due to strikes, which have just been concluded, the industry is far behind consumer demands. Orders are presently being taken on basis of 6 to 7 months shipment.

● TRANSFORMERS —

No improvement—small sized distribution transformers are almost completely unobtainable. Manufacturers are not even quoting delivery time, but anticipate upwards from 18 to 20 months. Larger distribution and high tension equipment is being quoted 12 to 15 months. Such used equipment as is available is usually found to be 30 to 35 years old and is being held at impossible prices.

● POLES —

Standard butt treated cedar pole production nationally is running several millions below demands. Improvement in labor, prices and development of new access facilities to the more remote interior stands are required before any relief can be expected.

Nominal quantities of sub-standard substitutes are available for deliveries in 2 or 3 months. Native species are obtainable; however, inability to secure proportionate quantities of treated stubs on which to mount them prevents their general use.

● POLE LINE HARDWARE —

Following settlement of the steel and soft coal strikes, straight steel items have eased off materially; however, due to porcelain shortage, any item made up in combination is very difficult to secure, with many specialty items completely unobtainable.

● CROSSARMS—

Inability of Pacific Northwest crossarm mills to cope with demands has forced the development of new sources. A satisfactory local arrangement has been worked out assuring adequate quantities in the immediate future.

● FUSE SWITCHES, CUTOUTS, DISCONNECTING SWITCHES—

All are largely combination copper-porcelain products and are directly affected by the acute porcelain shortage. We are not always able, despite our best efforts, to provide sufficient to meet current demand.

● PIPE AND PIPE FITTINGS—

Unprecedented demands for small steel pipes have exhausted stocks; mill deliveries are on allocated basis with sporadic deliveries. Cast iron pipe is likewise slow, deliveries often running 5 to 7 months depending on size. Most C. I. fittings are reasonably available from independent foundries in the metropolitan areas.

We're sorry that this situation exists; we wish that we might promptly take care of the large backlog of orders here. Unfortunately we cannot predict when the shortage will be relieved. In the meantime, we hope that you will be patient and assure you that we will bring the convenience of electricity to you just as soon as possible.

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