

Northwest Sends Out Much Lumber

PORTLAND, Jan. 20.—December water shipments of lumber from Oregon and Washington amounts to other parts of the United States totaled more than 70,000 tons, H. V. Simpson, executive vice president of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association, announced yesterday.

Reflecting a return to normal peacetime distribution, the volume was a jump of 130 per cent over November, and 123 per cent over December, 1945, Simpson said. Tonnage shipped amounted to 47,997,000 board feet.

"A large proportion of this tonnage, which is restoring Pacific Northwest ports to their normal level of activity, will go to the lumber-starved Eastern seaboard," Simpson explained. "This area has been harder hit during the past shortage period than any other region."

December's average weekly production was 104,985,000 board feet, the Christmas vacation having caused a slight reduction from November's 115,217,000 board feet. Total production for the year was a record 5,133,409,000.

The industry's unfilled order file stood at 513,707,000 b. f. at the end of December, 1946; gross stocks at 448,252,000.

Ladies Shoot Back At Foolish Male's Views on Wives

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—(AP)—

Dear Horace:

You certainly put me in a shooting gallery with your request on how to pick a wife.

The nation's husbands haven't quarreled over the advice I gave you. But the ladies! Whew! I have got so many letters from outraged damsels that the postman has had to start using an asbestos bag.

I still stand by what I said, but I did overlook one little qualification in helping you choose a perfect partner. I forgot to say: "Don't marry a woman who can read."

My own bosom choice — now a nine-year veteran — read what I told you in a moment of mental stress on how to select and live with a wife. She acted almost as strangely as the ones who wrote in.

"You giving advice on how to live with a wife—ha, ha," she said with a hollow laugh. "You big red apple, you."

She was quiet for a minute and then said, "Listen, fringehead—my hair is getting a little thin at that—I ought to send you back to the A. S. P. C. A."

She thought a little more and remarked, "Well, half a worm is better than none"—a remark I don't quite understand yet—and began moving her twin bed into the living room. When I offered to help her, she got even madder for some reason. The only way I could restore peace was to promise her a gardenia — when the prices go down.

Horace, if you could read all the interperate letters I have received from the abusing ball-and-chain aspirants, I am afraid you would remain a bachelor forever.

Some More of Same
Would you believe it, my boy, but one apparently unmarried lady in Chicago began her feverish note by flatly asserting that I am "an A-1 stinker."

"So a man wants a woman who shrinks at a bottle?" continued this gracious student of character. "Sure, then they go out and find a blonde who giggles and smirks at a mere snifter."

"You thing! I'll bet you're willing to stand by and let 3,000,000 young women become old maids."

A wife in Muncie became so alarmed when her husband suggested he was going to follow my advice that she blew up in a blue flame of poetry:

"The man that wrote this, Should oughta be dead; Guess there's nothing but water In his big fat head. So to heck with Hal Boyle And his chitter-chatter. If you have your wife's love Nothing else should matter."

Other girls, Horace, wrote sulphurous remarks of a nature unsuited for one of your tender years. In fact, my boy, it seemed as if the ladies did "protest too much."

Shining Example
On the other hand, a handsome young ex-soldier, Robert Frisch of Milwaukee, was kind enough to say I had "picked the girl that we are looking for." But Bob added sadly, "I don't believe she exists anymore." (His address, girls, is 2203 West Orchard street, and I'd appreciate ten per cent commission from his first paycheck after you lead him to the altar.)

This whole business, Horace, has convinced me that someone should help out those 3,000,000 frustrated bachelor girls who don't appear able to pin down a man alone. They need to be told how to catch and hold a husband. But I'll bet ahead of time they'll want to build the wrong kind of cage.

Joe Louis' Grid Venture Nears Financial Crash

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 20.—(AP)—

Complications mounted today for boxer Joe Louis and his associates promoting an all-star football game here in which, they claim, such 1946 college stars as Charley Trippi, Buddy Young, Alex Agase and Burr Baldwin will play.

Louis, described as the bankroll of the venture set for next Sunday, learned that the Pacific Coast Professional Football League had turned thumbs down on any of its players participating against the so-called collegians.

This game, according to word relayed by ex-footballer Ernie Pinckert, now an official of the Hollywood Club, has not been sanctioned—and won't be.

Some quarters hinted that one group might bolt from the financially-harrassed league, which belatedly wound up its season yesterday with the Los Angeles club defeating Tacoma, 38-7, before a scant 5,200 fans.

Conference Slated by Small Sawmill Owners

PORTLAND, Jan. 20.—(AP)—

Operators of small sawmills will hold a conference in Eugene Feb. 1, when re-logging methods and sustained yield programs will be discussed by officials of the Pacific Lumber Remanufacturers Association.

Adventists Give Funds, Clothing to Needy of Europe

Famine relief funds for Europe totaling \$1,957.88 were given this past year by the membership of the Roseburg Seventh-Day Adventist Church, it was disclosed at the recent annual business meeting of the organization.

In addition to this sum of money, the Dorcas Society, women's organization within the church, packed and shipped 1,574 pieces of clothing for distribution in the war-stricken areas of the world.

The Sabbath School department of the church reported an average membership throughout the past year of 277. Collections taken each week in the Sabbath School are for the purpose of the support of foreign mission work, and such collections for the year totaled \$3,030.57. Of the total membership within the church, 114 are of junior level or below, with the balance comprised of senior youth and adults.

Present membership of the local church is 307, according to the report of the church clerk, Mrs. Orin Rogers. These members paid into the church and conference treasury \$29,132.02 in tithes during the past year, stated A. H. Marx, treasurer. Other offerings for local expense, home mission work, and radio evangelism were raised by the constituency. The local church gave \$1,943.50 for the purpose of rebuilding and rehabilitation of denominational properties in war-torn areas.

Recent improvements by the

Roseburg church included redecoration of the interior, and the purchase and remodeling of a two-apartment house for the teachers of the Roseburg Junior Academy, the church-sponsored school.

Security Agent Dated

Oscar L. Donaldson, Jr., field assistant of the Eugene office of the Social Security Administration, will be in Roseburg Tuesday, January 21, to assist individuals in filing applications for their old-age and survivors claims and discuss any questions concerning the Social Security Act. Donaldson may be reached at the Oregon State Employment Service from 8:30 A. M. to Noon.

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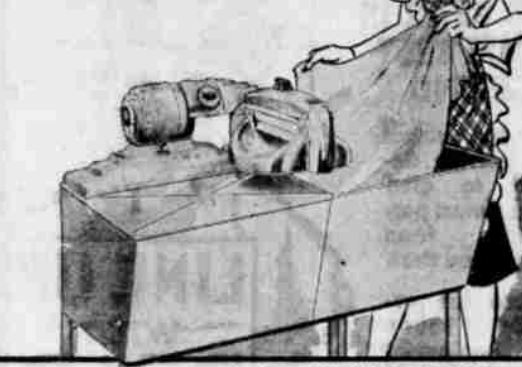
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"Let me review briefly the considerations which have led us to take this important step.

"The Ford Motor Company is in the mass production business. Mass production depends upon large markets. It will continue to succeed only if it can produce more and more at lower and lower cost so that more and more people can buy. Large markets begin to disappear when prices rise.

"The un-American spiral of mounting costs and rising prices has hurt everybody — some groups more than others. Many have not benefited from postwar wage increases, but have had to share the burden of resulting higher prices. Already, millions of American families are unable to buy the things which, in normal times, make up their standard of living. In the short view, we can see inflation. In the long view, there is danger of depression.

"The period since V-J Day has been an unhappy and costly period of reconversion to peacetime production. Ford Motor Company has lost millions of dollars since V-J Day, even after all tax adjustments.

"But the crisis of this wild aftermath of war seems to have been passed. Our own production,

though still limited by material shortages, is now steadier. Productivity of our employees, which hit a new low during the period, seems to have started its return to normal. Ford Motor Company made a modest profit for the last three months of 1946, and we intend to continue to operate in the black.

"The American economy now stands at a turning point. Mounting costs and rising prices have warranted caution and hesitancy. There is even general fear that this dangerous, un-American cycle cannot be corrected without an economic recession. We think this fear can be dispelled by common sense and action. And among free men that becomes an individual responsibility.

"The Ford Motor Company therefore proposes to accept its losses since V-J Day as an item of the cost of a great and victorious war. We are closing our books on that phase of our production history. We have decided that now is the time for us to make an investment in the future.

"Because they must build up depleted cash reserves or because they are still losing money, many businesses may not be able to follow suit. But we hope that our suppliers, our employees, and our other economic partners will back, each to his own ability, our attempt to return to the economic pattern which has helped to make America great — the principle that higher wages and a higher standard of living for all depend upon lower costs and lower prices through increasingly efficient large-scale production.

"We hope, as we move forward, that we will be able to reduce prices further, and that we will not be forced to raise them again to compensate for cost increases."

Henry Ford II

PRESIDENT, FORD MOTOR COMPANY