

Prices Jump In O&C Timber Sale; Top Of \$54 Offered

Nearly 30 Million Feet Sold For Million Dollars

MUST— 2-36 NEARLY 30 million bids for O&C timber managed by the Bureau of Land Management continued the steady price climb started last year at a Friday sale in Roseburg as top offers for Douglas fir hit \$54 per thousand board feet.

Most bidders were offering to purchase at levels well above 1958 prices for the choice O&C land timber, with bidding "very active," according to agency reports.

Buyers paid \$328,568 over the appraised price of \$739,289.

An estimated 105 persons attended the 9 a.m. sale at BLM's W. Harvard Ave. office conducted by Merle H. Winn, district manager.

Approximately 29,907,000 board feet of timber in 13 tracts went on the auction block, selling for \$1,067,857. All tracts offered were sold, Winn reported.

The top \$54 price for Douglas fir was bid by Woolley Logging Co. of Drain for a tract of 1,249,000 board feet located on the Gun-

ter road west of Drain. Thirteen other bidders qualified to make offers for this timber.

The company's accepted bid involved 1,180,000 board feet of Douglas fir in the tract. Appraisal price by BLM was \$29.75 for the timber.

Trico Buys Largest Block

Trico Timber Co., Dillard, purchased the largest single tract containing 7,341,000 board feet located at the head of Deadman Creek. High bid for Douglas fir was \$40.50 a thousand board feet, the agency noted.

Bids over \$40 for Douglas fir were received in three other tracts. The first of these contained an estimated 1,537,000 board feet located in the Rock Creek drainage area. It was bought by Eugene Plywood Corp. for a high bid of \$45.65 a thousand.

Rickini Lumber Co., Inc., of Culp Creek bid \$43.25 for Douglas fir on a tract of 531,000 board feet located in the Panther Creek drainage area near Gunter.

Two tracts were purchased by Martin Bros. Container & Timber Products Co., offering a high bid for Douglas fir on the first tract located northeast of Oakland of \$40.25 a thousand. Total contract price for the other tract containing 911,000 board feet located in the same vicinity was \$29,392, with a top bid for Douglas fir of \$38.

Olaia Tract Offered

Roseburg Lumber Co. purchased a 501,000 board foot tract south of Olaia for \$18,756, offering \$37.75 for each thousand board feet of Douglas fir.

Another tract containing 1,940,000 board feet also was bought by the company. High bid for Douglas fir in this location west of Camas Valley was \$27.25.

Eugene Plywood also was high bidder for a tract located near Mt. Scott containing 4,567,000 board feet for \$154,377. High bid for Douglas fir was \$34.35 a thousand.

Hammersmith Lumber Co. of Riddle bought 1,049,000 board feet located north of Umpqua, bidding \$37.75 a thousand for Douglas fir.

Keystone Lumber Co. of Riddle bought 4,031,000 board feet in the Days Creek drainage for \$140,607. High bid on Douglas fir was \$35.25 a thousand.

Another tract of 680,000 board feet of salvage timber located in the Cleghorn Creek drainage west of Drain was purchased by Woolley Lumber Co. for \$23,067, bidding \$33.50 for Douglas fir.

Lester S. Kershner

Lester Skaggs Kershner, 66, Roseburg resident, died Saturday in a local hospital.

Kershner was born at Frankford, W. Va., Oct. 2, 1893, and was married there to Bessie Brown Hughes Jan. 23, 1915. He came to Roseburg in 1929 and for several years operated the Rose Garage and was Plymouth and Chrysler dealer. Later he was employed by Douglas County on survey and bridge crews. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Roseburg.

Surviving Kershner are his widow, Mrs. Bessie Kershner, a daughter, Mrs. "Stub" (Ruth) Parker, and a son, Knute Kershner, all of Roseburg. He also is survived by five sisters, Mrs. J. J. Suter, Bloomington, Ill.; Mrs. W. E. Volk, Miami, Fla.; Mrs. Edgar Sites, and Mrs. Austin Bowes, both of Frankford, W. Va.; Mrs. Annie Ayers, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be in the chapel of Long and Orr Mortuary Wednesday at 2 p.m., with the Rev. John Adams of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Concluding services and vault interment will follow in the Roseburg Memorial Gardens.

Driver, 12, Fatality

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP)—Twelve-year-old Richard Allen Wilson had something any boy would give his eye teeth to own—a home-made, lawn-mower-powered midget car and a paved circular track in a vacant lot to race it on.

Sunday, as his father watched, Richard's little car spun off the track at 35 miles an hour and hit the Wilson's parked truck.

Richard was killed.

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Canadian Raps Alcan Road Job

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP)—

A unilateral approach by the United States to the problem of paving part of the Alaska highway that runs through Canada may result in the failure of the program, a Canadian official said Saturday.

Erik Neilson, MP from Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, levelled his criticism at a bill introduced by Sen. Richard Neuberger (D-Ore). The measure calls for joint U. S.-Canadian financing of 1,221 miles of the highway at a cost estimated at approximately 66 million dollars.

Neilson, who said he spoke for Alvin Hamilton, Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources, said the Canadian government had not been consulted about the bill.

"If the bill is passed by Congress, as is expected," he said, "Canada would be asked to accept it as a fait accompli without modification and without having had an opportunity to negotiate."

The bill is "quite unacceptable" to Canada, Neilson said. He indicated the highway program would not get started under the terms of Neuberger's bill.

Neilson was in Anchorage to address the minerals conference being sponsored by various engineering groups.

He also advocated more and longer unemployment pay, easier disability pensions, medical benefits for social security beneficiaries, a national health service, and action "to reduce the burden of taxes, both federal and state."

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Plumbers Off Jobs In Three Counties

KLAMATH FALLS (AP)—A plumbers' walkout has halted work at most of the large construction jobs in Klamath, Jackson and Josephine counties. But some home construction remained under way in Josephine and Jackson counties.

The plumbers' contract ran out April 1.

George Beltz, plumbers' union official at Medford, said there is no official strike but added that the men are not working because they have no contract.

The main complaint of the plumbers is that employers would not grant improvements recently won by plumbers in Portland and some other parts of the state.

Beltz said the scale here is \$3.35, while at Portland it is \$3.88 an hour. A new contract, signed at Portland recently provided an additional 10-cent hourly raises on Sept. 1, next March 1 and Sept. 1, 1960.

Hospital News

Mercy Hospital
Admitted
Surgery: Jerome Masters, William Stankner, Winston.

Medical: Mrs. Archie Marshall, Herbert Quine, Mrs. William Zerbach, Mrs. Charles Price, Corinne Smith, Brenda Scott, Joan Maynard, Mrs. Dale Simmons, Nolan Bickford, Mrs. Monte Newell, Roseburg; Eunice Coleman, Peggy McCallister, Winston; Thomas Seavers, Mrs. George Runnels, Oakland.

Discharged
Joseph Morgan, Ronald Hein, Frances Helliwell, James Henderson, Dee Kelly, Cora Beyers, Dennis Day, Richard Spielman, Mrs. Donald Roth, Roseburg; Tera Hanson, Mrs. Lawrence Goodman and baby, Lawrence Maynard Jr.; Mrs. Paul Blaser and baby, Timothy Dale, Myrtle Creek; Larry Davidson, Bandon; Guy Moore, Camas Valley; Fred McCall, Pearl White, Winston; J. B. Hennessey, Winchester; Mrs. Loyal Stearns, Oakland.

Douglas Community Hospital
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Surgery: Mrs. Charles Owen, Mrs. Jessie Estorga, Myrtle Creek; Mary Pearson, Roseburg; Mrs. George Marlow, Winston.

Medical: Mrs. D. G. Horn, Oakland; Elmer Paulson, Mrs. Floyd Fleisher, Mrs. Lawrence Miller, Joseph Patton, Beverly Darlene Mask, Karen Finster, Ala. Roll, Mason Singletan, Benjamin Jones, Mrs. James Sims, Mrs. Richard Enright, Roseburg; Anna Bronson, Camas Valley.

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Mrs. Oscar Roifness, Ronald Plozman, Mrs. Elvin Ornbaum, Mrs. Frances Lane, Mrs. Sam Wingfield, Mrs. Lloyd Mays, Richard Mays, Mrs. George Leavenworth, Harold Westin, Mrs. Darrell Kloak, Mrs. Donnie Trowbridge and baby, Cheri Renee; Ralph Silkwood, Mrs. James Henderson, Patsy Carmon, Mrs. Alfred Boyer, Roseburg; Mrs. Clois Innon, Mrs. Edward Sweetzer and baby, Michael James, Sutherlin; Charlotte Whitehead, Mrs. Arthur Roberts and baby, Diane Louise, Winston; Raymond Sumpter, Robert Cooley, Glide; Mrs. Kenneth Calhoun and baby, Kenneth Lee, Eugene; Ray Doerner, Melrose.

Mrs. Cora Ann Cobb

Mrs. Cora Ann Cobb, 84, Sutherlin, died suddenly at her home Saturday. She was a former Roseburg resident.

Mrs. Cobb was born in Indiana Jan. 1, 1875, and was married there Feb. 29, 1894, to Walter Cobb, who preceded her in death Sept. 30, 1949. The Cobbs moved to Roseburg from Oklahoma in 1924.

Surviving are her two sons, Delbert J. of Roseburg and Gilbert S. of Sutherlin; two brothers, Roy Brown of Marine, Colo., and Oscar Brown of Bloomfield, Ind.; sister, Mrs. Centh Ashcraft of Denver, Colo.; seven grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of Long and Orr Mortuary at 2 p.m. Tuesday with the First Baptist Church officiating. Concluding services and interment will follow in the Roseburg IOOF cemetery.

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Longshore Leaders Support Employment-Boost Plans

SEATTLE (AP)—West Coast

longshore leaders came out Monday for a 35-hour work week, reduced retirement age, higher minimum wages and other measures they said would help meet "displacement of men by machines."

Officers of the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union said in a convention report that labor can help maintain employment by seeking "to force further reductions in the work week without reductions in pay."

The report to the ILWU's 13th biennial convention opening Monday was signed by Harry Bridges, president; Louis Goldblatt, secretary-treasurer; and vice presidents J. R. Robertson and Germain Bulcke.

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Baker High School Wins Music Contest

LA GRANDE (AP)—Baker

walked off with most of the honors at the Eastern Oregon Music Competition here Saturday.

Baker was given five No. 1 ratings in the contest sponsored by the Oregon Music Educators Assn.

Those who received top honors included:
Class A Band—Pendleton, La Grande.
Class C Band—Nyssa, Baker, Pilot Rock.

Class D Band—Jone, Athena, Umatilla and Touchet, Wash. Baker also picked up No. 1 ratings in both A and C orchestra and mixed chorus.

Top honors in Class B mixed chorus went to Milton-Freewater.

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Injury Escaped In Auto Upset

Thomas Patrick Gelono, Portland, lost control of his 1953 model car about 6:30 Sunday on Highway 99 about one mile south of the Wilbur scales and ended up in a ditch after the car rolled over, according to state police.

The accident happened when Gelono, northbound, at apparently a high rate of speed, attempted to pass two other cars and met oncoming traffic, police said.

He was forced to travel on the west highway shoulder until oncoming traffic had passed but lost control of his car when he came back onto the pavement and ended up in a ditch on the east side of the highway, police added.

In other automobile accidents Sunday, no injuries were reported in a two car accident about 8:40 p.m. on Highway 99 about six miles south of the Ridge overpass.

Another accident occurred when a 1958 model car driven by Donald Leroy Smithhiser, Myrtle Creek, collided with the rear of a 1952 model vehicle which was on a Jack while a tire was being changed.

The disabled vehicle, which was parked in the inside of a divided four lane highway, was knocked off the jack and caught fire, according to police. The disabled car was registered to Frances Clarissa Guimoin, North Bend.

Minor damage was caused to two northbound vehicles about 10:35 a.m. on Highway 99 at the Garden Valley Junction. The cars were driven by James Edward Bruce, Eugene, and Monty Keith Wright, Cottage Grove.

The accident happened when Wright started to pass a vehicle in front of him at the same time he was being passed by Bruce, according to state police. The accident happened on a four-lane divided highway.

In Roseburg about 8:40 a.m. Saturday, two cars received minor damage in a inside lane at SE Oak Ave. and Jackson St. The accident happened when a 1953 model car driven by Emily E. Judd of 303 W. Madrone St., pulled away from the curb and collided with another 1953 model car driven by Clarence Schreiner of 3469 W. Harvard Ave., according to Roseburg police.

The Judd car received a dented left door and Schreiner's a small dent in the right fender.

L. A. Officer, Bandits Killed In Gun Battle

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A police officer was fatally wounded and two bandits were slain Sunday night in a gun battle at a Los Angeles supermarket.

Officer Charles Bogardus, 40, was shot in the temple. Killed by police guns were two men identified by papers found in a nearby car as Napoleon Banks and Jones Calvin.

A passerby saw the two men holding market employees at gunpoint and telephoned police.

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LIBRARIANS among those attending Saturday's county-wide session at Sutherlin included Miss Constance Grier, assistant state librarian (standing left), Mrs. Dean Smith and Mrs. Gerald Kabler (standing center and right), county librarian Miss Carol Trimble (seated left) and Mrs. Charles Sikstrom (seated right), Miss Grier, the first state library official to attend a meeting of the Douglas County librarians, discussed a recent meeting she attended in Arizona on rural library services. Librarians in the county meet about twice a year to discuss mutual problems. (Paul Jenkins)

Rural School Slate Includes 5 Names

The addition of one more name to the list of candidates for three open positions on the Douglas County Rural School Board today brought the total number of candidates to five, reported board Clerk Kenneth Barneburg.

The newest nominee, for the at-large post on the board, is Fred H. Nutt, who resides in the Drain area. Barneburg said Nutt is a former director on the Drain Union High School Board.

Other candidates for the at-large berth are Fred Booth, Scotts Valley, current director from Zone A, which takes in the northwestern portion of the county, and Harry Young, Glide, the incumbent.

Other nominees are John L. Meier Jr., Myrtle Creek, a candidate for the Zone D post, covering the Myrtle Creek-Billard-Camas Valley areas, and James R. Finlay, for the Zone C, Roseburg, district.

Current Zone D director is Gilbert Weaver. The Roseburg district was created to fill a board vacancy left by the dropping of Booth's post.

Murderer Gets Life In Prison

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (AP)—Floyd Robertson smiled when a district court jury convicted him Sunday of first-degree murder and fixed his punishment at life in prison.

Under state law, the 25-year-old father of three children, who admitted killing a pretty secretary may be eligible for parole in 10 years.

Robertson was accused of abducting, raping and slaying Marjorie Schneider, 18, in a mountain canyon West of here last Sept. 7. He pleaded innocent and innocent by reason of insanity.

In a signed statement he admitted he kidnapped Miss Schneider from her party of three companions in a lovers' lane. He said, "I guess I just couldn't stand to see someone else have a good time."

The jury of nine men and three women deliberated 14 hours before returning the verdict.

Boots Stolen

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Library Week Plans Outlined

National Library Week observance, April 12-18, was discussed at a meeting in Sutherlin Saturday morning, with representatives from several areas within Douglas County, led by Miss Carol Trimble, head librarian at the Douglas County Library in Roseburg.

Eighteen attended the session from Sutherlin, Drain, Myrtle Creek, Yoncalla, Canyonville, Glen Dale, Oakland, Reedsport and Roseburg, reports Sue Sikstrom, News-Review correspondent.

Following a coffee hour, the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Wilma Gore, Myrtle Creek, for a workshop on how to use reference material in the library through the Readers' Guide and use of the World Almanac.

Miss Constance Grier, new assistant librarian of Oregon State Library, spoke on her trip to a convention in Phoenix, Ariz., March 22-23, where 14 states were represented. She spoke on the federal funds for libraries, what could be done with them and what has been done. This was Miss Grier's first visit to Douglas County.

HST In Los Angeles; Election Forecast Due

LOS ANGELES (AP)—After a flying trip to a desert resort, Harry Truman is back in Los Angeles for two talks and a touch of prognostication.

The former president is expected to outline the qualifications he thinks the Democrat's 1960 presidential candidate will have to have to win at a meeting of Democratic group today. He will speak at a Town Hall meeting Tuesday and at UCLA Wednesday.

Truman was flown to Palm Springs and back Sunday in the private airliner of oilman Ed Pauley. He visited the ranch of actor Phil Regan.

Elliott Roosevelt Held On Drunk Charge

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP)—Elliott Roosevelt, 48-year-old son of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, has been charged with drunk driving here.

He is to be arraigned on the charge at 9 a.m. Tuesday before Justice of the Peace Ben Fox.

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