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## IMMENSE PAY ROLL OF A LUMBER YARD

### National Lumber Company Disburses Over \$130 Daily

Few people of this city or valley realize how large an institution the National Lumber Company of this city is. A few know that in the O R & N "wye" there is an unpainted planing mill surrounded by piles of rough lumber, but a few know that away up somewhere in Ladd canyon there is a saw mill, and that many teams pass daily to and fro bringing lumber to the city and return for more.

At present in the National Lumber Company's yards in this city there are piled more than 1,000,000 feet of lumber awaiting to be dressed and shipped. In the mountains there is much more awaiting to be hauled to the shipping place. In the yards and mill in this city eleven men are employed, in hauling seventeen teams, including those belonging to the company and in the mountains preparing roads are twelve more men. The payroll of the men aggregate \$130 a day, all of which is redistributed through the business channels of the city.

In the mountains special timbers of great length are being sawed out for the new school house and the Dr. Curpe building but other than that the men are building roads preparatory to logging. When snow comes the force will be increased until ten teams and 20 men will be employed to prepare for the spring run. About the mill, timber sufficient to insure operation of the mill for several years yet stands, and in the city and in the eastern states a market stands ready for lumber for all time to come.

A large drying shed for finished lumber is being built at the yard, the dimensions being 120 x 56 feet and 12 feet high. In the north end of one shed, an office for the secretary and treasurer is being built, as the present office in the planing mill is far too noisy to be of use.

The company has on hand now an order for 400,000 feet of dressed lumber

for Milwaukee, once a lumber center. Other eastern states demand Oregon lumber although no orders are on hand at present, several having been completed.

Besides handling rough and dressed lumber the company makes a specialty of box lumber. This year is an exceptionally poor one for the fruit box trade as the crop is short in every part of the valley. The number of dwellings being erected is less than usual, cutting down the local demand for lumber of all kinds.

The officers of the National Lumber company are, W H Bohnenkamp, president; Wm Ericson, vice president and W G Ericson, secretary and treasurer.

### Elect Officers Today

By Scripps News Association. Hartford Sept. 21.—The National Association for Life Underwriters today elected C W Senval of Pittsburg, president; George Dedham of St. Louis, vice-president; Earnest J. Clark of Baltimore, secretary; Eli D. Week of Litchfield Conn, treasurer. The next meeting place will be St. Louis.

### Never To Appear Again

By Scripps News Association. Chicago Sept. 21.—There was no relief today for President Harper of the Chicago University from the pain resultant from the operation which was performed Sunday. It is said upon good authority that he will never appear before an audience again.

### Williamson on Stand

(Scripps News Association) Portland, Sept. 21.—Congressman Williamson was on the stand in his own behalf at the land fraud trial. He denied all conspiracy charges.

### Bribe Takers Fined

Scripps News Association. Chicago, Sept. 21.—In the United States court this morning four members of the firm of Schwarschild & Sulzberger pleaded guilty of accepting bribes from railroads. Samuel Wield, vice president of the company, Vance D. Skippworth, assistant traffic manager; Both S. Cuzey, traffic manager, were accused of accepting bribes. The latter was also indicted for the alleged interference with government witnesses. The cases are unidentified with the alleged violation of the Sherman law.

In the same court Charles E. Todd, an assistant traffic manager, pleaded not guilty. Judge Hertha fined Wield \$10,000; and Cuzey, Skippworth and Todd, \$5000 each, with the costs to be evenly distributed proportionately among the four. The United States marshal took the men in custody.

Well gave the clerk of the court a check to cover the fines and costs. The government spent \$10,762 in impaneling and keeping a grand jury.

The fines aggregated \$25,000. The government today filed a demurrer to the plea of the packers who alleged that the indictments were improperly returned.

Well is 65 years of age and is in poor health and his family fear the results of the trial. Moody telegraphed his congratulations to Morrison for securing the convictions and said the cases would be an opening wedge to the prosecution of all offenders under the law prohibiting rebates. It is rumored that the district attorney found evidence of more violation and others will be indicted when the present cases are finished. Morrison expects to have the cases of the packers under indictment for the violation of the Sherman anti-trust law when brought to a final hearing on October 2. He expects to get the dilatory plea out of court by that time.

### Harmony Once More

By Scripps News Association. Washington Sept. 21.—The American federation of labor in executive council today settled the controversy between the International longshoremen union and International seaman's union on the Pacific by directing an order to the seaman's union and all who affiliated with the organization on the coast indicating that the Longshoremen are entitled to characters from the International union and that this right must be respected and upheld by all affiliated labor.

### Must Be April 20th.

Salem Ore Sept. 21.—Attorney General Crawford, in an opinion requested by Secretary of State Dunbar, says the date for holding the primary election for the general election next June is April 20. He holds that the law does not allow any discretion regarding the fixing of the date of this primary election, which says it shall be held on the 45th day previous to the election. The primary nomination election must be held fifteen days prior to the election.

### Second Tribunal

Scripps News Association. Oyster Bay Sept. 21.—It is announced today that the czar on September 15, notified the President that he proposed calling a second Hague conference. The President said he would do all he could to aid the plan.

### Toronto Next Place

Scripps News Association. Philadelphia, Sept. 21.—The Sovereign Grand Lodge I O O F today selected Toronto as the next meeting place.

### Condition Unchanged

Scripps News Association. New Orleans, Sept. 21.—Fifteen new cases and one death have been reported up to noon today.

### But Five New Cases

Scripps News Association. Berlin, Sept. 21.—Five new cases and three deaths were reported today from cholera.

### PARKER DID NOT SOLICIT

(By Scripps News Association.)

New York, Sept. 21.—Perkins was recalled to the stand in the insurance investigation this morning. John F. McCullough, a typewriter in the Albany office, and Andrew Hamilton testified in the proceedings. McCullough appeared to know little about the large checks and said that they could be handled only by Hamilton or the New York Life.

McCall this morning said he didn't mean that Parker appeared in person to ask for contributions but reiterated his statement that the campaign manager frequently called. He also said that Parker as chairman of the Democratic committee for several years, accepted the proffered gifts.

### Seek Those Adrift

By Scripps News Association.

Marshfield, Or., Sept. 21.—The Band don life saving crew was out all night looking for four men and a woman who were sighted on a raft last night. They reached Port Orford early this morning but found no trace of the raft. Two men patrolled the beach all night and the tug Triumph is now cruising off Cape Blanco.

## KILLED BY OWN BOMB

Scripps News Association.

Warsaw, Sept. 21.—The governor-general has issued orders stating that owing to the leniency of the civil authorities, the military forces must suppress disorders in the district. At Pinsk province of Minsk, a bomb exploded in the pocket of a young man who was waiting for the chief of police. The man with the bomb and four others were killed.

### Armistice Arranged

By Scripps News Association. Tokio Sept. 21.—The naval armistice has been arranged and the commander have designated the zone of neutrality and the question of contraband decided.

### Ordered to Raise Mikasa

Scripps News Association. Tokio Sept. 21.—Admiral Arai, who raised the Russian cruiser Varang, has been ordered to Sasebo to raise the Mikasa.

### Witte Visits Loubert

Scripps News Association. Paris Sept. 21.—M Witte visited Loubert today, devoting four hours to the visit. After the visit he left on a special train for Monteliner.

### Signs Arbitration Treaty

(Scripps News Association.) Madrid Sept. 21.—Alfonso, King of Spain, signed the arbitration treaty between Spain and Belgium.

### Select Officers

By Scripps News Association. Kansas City, Sept. 21.—The American Homological society elected officers today. L A Goodman, of this city, president; T V Manson Dennison, Tex., vice president; John Craig, Rhine, N. Y., second vice-president; L H Taft, Ann Arbor, Mich, treasurer.

### Grain Markets

Scripps News Association. Chicago, Sept. 21.—The markets closed today as follows: wheat 84 1/2; corn 52 1/2; oats 29.

### PORTLAND MARKET

Portland, Sept. 21.—Wheat, bluestem 73, walla walla, 70; valley 72.

### LOCAL MARKET

Buyers today are offering 71 cents for bluestem, and fifty eight for club.

## SWEDISH SOLDIERS ARE MOBILIZING

### Norwegian Government Shipping Cannon South

Scripps News Association.

Stockholm, Sept. 21.—Many stores in Christians have been closed says a writer of a private letter, because all employees have been called to arms. Resolutions have been added by the Swedish social party to call a general

strike in case war is decided and to refuse to take up arms.

According to private letters received the Norwegian government has sent 60 cannons south by rail. The postal service has been increased to facilitate the circulation of mobilization summons.

### DIPHTHERIA IN NAVAL ACADEMY

Scripps News Association.

Annapolis, Sept. 21.—Ten cases of diphtheria were discovered among the cadets at the government naval academy. The authorities state that the medical staff will be able to subside the epidemic, and that none of the cases are thought to be of a very serious nature, and they do not fear any fatal results.

### Freight Train Burns

(By Scripps News Association)

Truckee, Nev., Sept. 21.—Several snow sheds and all of the freight cars of a train burned last night, the fire being caused by an explosion. All of west bound Southern Pacific passenger trains are held up. The damage is estimated at \$75,000.

### Pays His Fare

By Scripps News Association.

Lincoln, Sept. 21.—Uryan left this afternoon on his tour of the world which will probably last two years. He declined the offer of the Union Pacific of a private car to San Francisco, and bought tickets for himself and wife and two children in the ordinary Pullman.

### INSANE FARMER BURNS FAMILY

Scripps News Association.

Madison Ind No. 21.—George Ford, ignited his house this morning. His wife and three children who were in the house were burned to death. He so far has given no reason for his fiendish act. It is thought that the act was committed while Ford was insane, as he has at times exhibited signs of insanity.

### Resume Court Martial

Scripps News Association.

Vallejo, Sept. 21.—The Hennington court martial resumed this morning at 10 o'clock. The verifying of the testimony of yesterday's trial occupied the most of the morning. Lieutenant Yates, an executive officer on Board the Hennington, was on the stand and testified that he was in the stateroom at the time of the disaster.

### Kansas Flyer Wrecked

By Scripps News Association.

Newton, Kan Sept. 21.—The east-bound California flyer on the Santa Fe road was wrecked at Walton. Grant Conard, and G A Glouder of Los Angeles were injured.

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