

LUMBER MARKET

SEATTLE, Mar. 25 (AP) — A slight gain in operations was reported by 322 mills in the Douglas fir region of the Pacific northwest today for the week ending March 19 as compared to the previous week. The mills reported production at 25.5 per cent of a capacity as compared to 25 per cent for the week ending March 12.

ing 1.5 per cent. The 217 mills reported production as 62,418,932 feet, orders 61,474,963 and shipments 67,174,244.

KRESS ACCEPTS OFFER

ST. LOUIS, Mar. 25 (AP) — Ralph (Red) Kress, infield holdout of the St. Louis Browns, today wired his acceptance of 1932 contract terms to President Phil Bill, with the comment that he was accepting only because he had no other choice.

ATHLETICS AGAIN FAVORED TO WIN

Yankees, Senators Likely to Make A's Fight For Pennant, However.

By Alan Gould (Associated Press Sports Editor) JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Mar. 25 (AP) — Faith in the New York Yankees, hope in the Washington Senators and a charitable belief in the potency of precedent may combine to make things tough for the Philadelphia Athletics in this year's American league pennant race.

Even so, it is extremely difficult to figure just how Connie Mack's formidable cast can be stopped from making it four in a row, and a league record, unless the opposition has some novel plans, hitherto concealed, to check Grove, Earnshaw, Walberg, Simmons, Cochrane and Fox.

Strong Favorites So long as the A's have this stolidly backbone, they cannot be regarded otherwise than as strong favorites again to win the American league flag. Their pitching outclasses that of any other club in the league. They have the punch to slug it out with any rival, even the Yankees, and Connie Mack's reserve strength, on which he rode down the stretch last season, looks to be even better.

Mack is the only American league manager who has ever held a championship combination virtually intact for more than three seasons. He made few changes in the outfit that won four out of five pennants from 1910 to 1914. In the past three years of rule, Mack has made only one alteration in the regular lineup, at Shortstop. Except for a reversible infield feature, by which Fox moves to third and the newcomer, Oscar Roettger, to first, the Athletics will start the 1932 season with the same lineup that dropped the world series to the Cardinals.

Fears Yankees Mack admits real fear of the Yankees and their "murderers' row" but it is difficult to see how the New Yorkers can displace the A's without big improvement in the pitching corps.

The club was the biggest run maker in the majors last season but wound up in second, 13½ games back of the Mackners. The Yankees have picked up a real star in Shortstop Frank Crosetti, who farms a new keystone combination with Otto Saltgaver and hope to develop some pitching help for Gomez, Ruffing and Pipgras.

Although the rest of the American league clubs manifest improvement, especially the Browns and White Sox, Washington is the only other one justifiably considered a pennant possibility. The Senators couldn't stand the pace last year but they have speed, pitching and defensive strength to which has been added the punch of outfielder Carl Reynolds.

If Cleveland could combine its best features with those of Washington, this would be a different story. The Indians carry a real sock, which has been especially damaging to the Yankees, but their defense is spotty and they still lack a first class shortstop. Manager Roger Peckinpaugh must dream fitfully of the day when he may wake up to find himself with a shortstop like Joe Cronin, and a southpaw like Grove or Gomez. Still Peck has axes in Perrell and Averill.

Browns Some Stronger The Browns, best of the second division clubs, have an outside chance to crash the first four, with the aid of excellent pitching and a fast, aggressive attack developed by Bill Killefer.

The Boston Red Sox, who surprised even themselves by finishing sixth last season, rely on pitching to keep them there, despite the death of big Ed Morris. To combat them, Detroit and Chicago both have conducted major shakeups.

Bucky Harris pins the Tiger hopes on improved hurling, plus the return to form of Charley Gehringer at second base, and fresh outfield punch. The White Sox, newly in charge of Lew Fonseca, depend on a revamped infield, the return of Ted Lyons to a place among the game's great right handers and the conversion of big Smead Jolley from an outfielder to a catcher.

(Nationals tomorrow.)

ORDER CLOSING LAKE TO JUNE 15 TO BE RESCUED (Continued From Page One) will be allowed there as usual beginning April 15, says the Sur. It was simply a case of not understanding local conditions.

Some of the higher lakes which have been freshly stocked with fish are closed for a year. This action is approved by the fishermen of the county as it is a means of conserving for future use. Many of the high lakes are still open to them and as the snowfall has been so deep, they will prefer not to attempt fishing in them before June, anyway. Wallowa river and Wallowa lake promise plenty of sport for any out-door man for several weeks to come.

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STANLEY MORTIMER DIES NEW YORK, Mar. 25 (AP) — Stanley Mortimer, who helped make polo and fox hunting popular with American society, died yesterday, aged 79. He founded the Meadow Brook club at Westbury, Long Island.

PRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS Clara Balks! By Blosser

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