

"ODD LENGTHS" IS MILLMEN'S ISSUE

Retailers Voice Protest Concerning Standard of Measurement.

PRAYER EASES TENSION

Witty Invocation by Rev. W. J. Hindley, of Spokane, at Once Puts Convention in Good Humor — Forester Speaks.

The "odd lengths" movement is the subject that is apparently agitating most greatly the delegates to the seventh annual convention of the Western Retail Lumber Manufacturers Association...

At present the even length standard in the manufacture of lumber prevails in the lumbering industry of the West...

Retailers Make Demands. Among the retailers, the principal protest seems to concern the filling of orders.

Sentiment yesterday seemed to be fairly well crystallized among the retailers on the order phase of the subject in favor of demanding the filling of orders specifically as made by the retailer.

The Government Forest Service is a strong indorser of the odd lengths movement.

Present Standard Means Waste. At the present time one of the greatest sources of unnecessary waste in the manufacture of sawmill products...

Timber Owner Should Aid. Forest management, he said, should not devolve wholly upon the Government...

Farmer Jobbers Not Liked. Farmers' co-operative lumber yards are proving a sore spot with some of the lumber dealers who have this competition to meet in strictly farming communities.

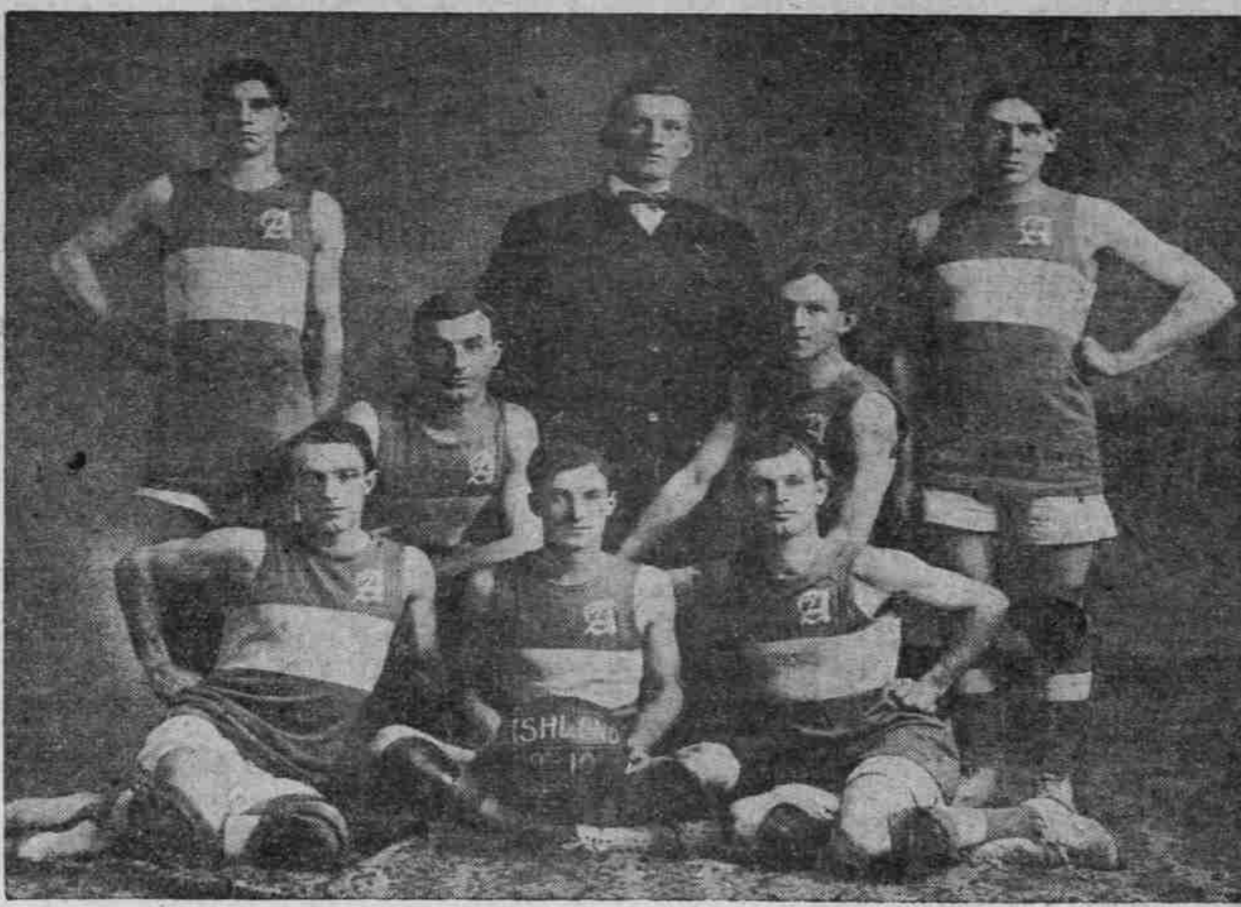
California May Come In. Mr. Porter also recommended the admission of the California retail lumbermen to the association...

Preacher's Remarks Help Out. Dr. Hindley was witty and eloquent by turns. Taking up Mayor Simon's statement that Portland was the best city in the West...

Dr. Hindley praised the work of the organization, particularly in its efforts to eliminate destructive competition.

Mr. Chapman placed the estimate of standing merchantable timber in the National forests of Oregon and Wash-

ASHLAND ATHLETIC CLUB BASKETBALL TEAM, TOURING OREGON AND WASHINGTON, DEFEATS CHRISTIAN BROTHERS COLLEGE TEAM.



LEFT TO RIGHT—HEIRUNDON, FORWARD; PATERSON, FORWARD; GRUFF, GUARD; SHAW, CENTER; CONDON, MANAGER; LOGAN, GUARD; ROBERTSON, GUARD; SMITH, FORWARD.

The Ashland Athletic Club basketball team, which claims the championship of Southern Oregon and is taking an extensive trip through the Northwest, on Saturday night defeated the crack Christian Brothers College quintet in the Christian Brothers' gymnasium, 63 to 14.

WEATHER HERE BEST

East Suffers but Oregon Has Sun With Snow.

OTHER STATES SHIVERING

Old Sol and Rain Vanquish King White in Portland — Montana May Feel Below Zero, Idaho and Washington Chilled.

Portland with its three varieties of weather yesterday—sunshine, rain and snow—and other cities of Oregon, all reporting a little sun, rain and snow intermingling, form a startling contrast with Montana's zero weather, Pennsylvania's blizzard and Washington's "heaviest snow fall yet."

Scanning the weather table, Oregon looms as the real balmy district of the Pacific Northwest, Idaho shivering and Washington inclement, to say the least, by a general snowfall which was not dispelled immediately by rain and sun, as was the case here and throughout Oregon.

Nearly six inches of snow fell at Helena, Mont., and zero weather is predicted for the Treasure State.

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BURNT-CORK ARTISTS KNOW NEGRO AS HE IS

McIntyre and Heath for Years Made Study of Dialects and Witticisms of Colored People in Towns Along Mississippi River.

IT WAS in the year 1874 that James McIntyre and Thomas Heath, men boys, struck hands and joined forces in San Antonio, Texas.

The company with which they started out in San Antonio, soon wrote him after an all too brief record, and McIntyre and Heath were left without a cent, not a great many miles from St. Louis, on the Illinois side of the river.

It was while on this trip that they conceived the idea of the McIntyre-Heathian reputation stands for today. Their idea, then formed, was that there must be a wide field for the close study and actual imitation of the funniest negro as he really exists, rather than the popularly conceived type of ordinary jim-dancing and simian-joking "colored" with burnt cork make up, that every other imitator of that day included in his repertoire.

For a period covering five years the variety stage saw no more of McIntyre and Heath. They joined various traveling circuses which covered the smallest of towns, and here they studied the "negro as he is" at close range. They say they have watched the negro dancing and have themselves danced among the levees from St. Louis to the Gulf, and have not once overlooked any opportunities to learn a new bit of dialect, of which they assert, there are a dozen distinct differences in the country.

After this hunt into the fields and by-ways, the team returned again to the city. McIntyre and Heath Minstrels, which at last brought them overflowing results all over America. In 1887 they brought out their presentation of a trial bottle of original sketch, "The Georgia Minstrel," and for 15 years long lists of newly prepared players were side-tracked or shelved entirely by vaudeville managers who demanded the ever-pleasing old act. It is said that no other act of the stage has lived half so long and with such undimmed brightness.

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If you will read the editorial page in this week's (date of February 12) number of

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you will find it clearly proved from the Post-Office Department's own reports, that it is totally unnecessary to put any additional tax on magazines and periodicals, and that a deficit of \$17,500,000 is not chargeable to the periodicals.

"For instance, the Post-Office Department is charging \$18,821,100 of the cost of rural free delivery against the second-class mail. Now, rural free delivery was established as a matter of Government policy, and we believe in it, but it is not fair to charge one dollar of this expense against the magazines. It is undoubtedly of benefit to the daily newspapers, but the Department is trying to exempt them from an increase in rate. The magazines do not need or want once a day or twice a day deliveries on these rural routes.

"Page 256, Postmaster's Report, 1908, says: 'Franking privileges weighed 4,555,634 pounds. They certainly cost the average price of all mail in all ways. And Governmental matter for Departments other than the Post-Office weighed 18,644,010 pounds.'

"This report says that if the matter was charged at postal rates it would yield a revenue as follows: Second-class \$ 581,560.94 Franked matter 3,987,546.44 Governmental matter 16,362,131.95 Total credit due Department \$20,881,239.33

"And that awful deficit disappears. "It is impossible that a business of over \$200,000,000 should not offer an opportunity for enormous savings. And a business like that of our great Postal Department, with endless ramifications, must offer endless opportunities.

"No Postmaster-General entering his position to-day, with all the duties befalling a Cabinet official besides running his Department, no matter how great his intelligence or how fine his training, can grasp the details of this enormous business before he disappears. There is no time given to him to find these opportunities to save expense. The affairs of the Department must, for the most part, be administered by those under him."

Given a chance they would save in business economies more than the alleged deficit of \$17,500,000.

We ask Congress to give us a Director of Posts—as recommended by the joint Congressional committee of 1907, an officer who shall be non-political, and whose term of service shall not be subject to political changes, and who shall conduct the workings of the Post-Office Department with the efficiency, economy and business-like methods which distinguish high-class American business enterprise.

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ATHLETES TO KEEP IN GOOD TRIM MUST LOOK WELL TO THE CONDITION OF THE SKIN. TO THIS END THE BATH SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH

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Seventy years of experience with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral have given us great confidence in it. We strongly recommend it for coughs, colds, bronchitis, weak throats, and weak lungs. It prevents. It protects. It soothes. It heals. Just the help nature needs. Keep a bottle of it in the house. Ask your doctor to name the best family medicine for coughs, colds, bronchitis, weak lungs. Follow his advice. Lowell, Mass.

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