

**SHORTAGE OF CARS
MAKES LABOR MORE
Loss to Lumber Industry Not
Only Feature Resulting.
MILLS FORCED TO CLOSE**

Senator McNary Is Informed North-west Faces Serious Situation for 1920 Unless Relief Forthcomes.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—That the present car shortage in Oregon is not only causing great financial loss to the lumber industry of the state, but is presenting a serious problem from the standpoint of unemployment, is the opinion expressed by Fred J. Buchtel, chairman of the Oregon public service commission, in a letter to United States Senator McNary, pointing out specific instances where mills have been forced to close for lack of transportation facilities.

Quoting from a letter received from the secretary of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, Mr. Buchtel informs Senator McNary that several lumber plants in Oregon already have been forced to suspend operation because of the car shortage, while others have curtailed their output to the minimum.

Many Mills Affected.
Mills which have either entirely or practically ceased operations as a result of the transportation situation, according to Mr. Buchtel, include those operated by the Albany Lumber company, Falls City Lumber & Logging company, Briggston Mills company, Earl E. Fischer Lumber company, Booth-Kelly Lumber company and the Silverton Lumber company.

In concluding his letter to Mr. Buchtel the secretary of the West Coast Lumbermen's association said: "I am discussing this matter frankly with you, appreciating your interest, and with a grave apprehension that the car service section is shaken out of its self-satisfied complacency by the Pacific northwest, during 1920, will be up against a very, very serious car situation."

Quoting from a letter from the Willamette Valley Lumbermen's association, Mr. Buchtel writes Senator McNary that nearly all of the mills operated by members of this organization have been forced to close down because of the car shortage, embargo, weather conditions and for annual overhauling.

"I can say now, in a general way, that most of the mills are not supplied with enough cars to justify starting up," says Mr. Buchtel, "and what few cars they are getting are being used to reduce accumulated stock which had reached such proportions as to threaten a close-down of all mills in the valley, had there been no embargo or severe weather conditions."

"While the commission could readily supply you with a greater number of specific instances wherein the lumber industry was and is suffering from the acute shortage, we believe that the quotations offered will be sufficient to present the matter clearly to those charged with the responsibility of administering the car distribution."

"In addition to the financial losses sustained by the operators, the very, very serious problem of unemployment of men enters into the situation, and if for no other reason, drastic and immediate remedies should be supplied to relieve the tension, for certainly those who have returned from the service seeking and desiring employment, should have every consideration."

The commission is not fully in accord with the statement that most facilities, tracks and terminal yards are necessary to the present solution, and that more cars and engines would relieve the unhappy situation. As a permanent answer to future shortages, we believe that the remedy is correct, but at this time other and speedier remedies should be considered.

"There is a feeling here that other sections of the country, east and south, are receiving more favorable consideration in the allocation of cars and further, quoting from a letter received from the public service bureau is prone to prove an alibi rather than to adopt measures of helpfulness."

Two Complaints Made.
After twice calling the railway administration officials to attention to the seriousness of the car shortage in Oregon, Mr. Buchtel took the matter up with Senator McNary and urged the latter to confer personally with Max Thelen of the public service bureau with regard to a remedy for the situation. Mr. McNary later referred to Mr. Buchtel's request by asking for specific instances in which mills had been forced to close because of the car shortage.

Mr. Buchtel also included in his letter to Senator McNary extracts of communication received from various mill operators touching on the car situation.

**DIVORCES TO BE PROBED
Lane County Prosecutor to Appear
Where Children Are Involved.**

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—Every divorce case filed in Lane county hereafter in which children are involved will be contested, according to an announcement of District Attorney L. L. Ray Friday. Complying literally with the statutes the district attorney said that he will enter his appearance in all cases where the welfare of children is at stake.

"More than one-half of the boys and girls who come up before the juvenile court in this county are members of families in which divorce has been granted," said Mr. Ray, "and I believe that if a lot of these cases are contested it will prevent separations and have a tendency to lessen the number of juvenile cases."

Mr. Ray says that 85 per cent of the girls in the state industrial school at Salem are from homes that were broken through divorce proceedings.

Doty Legion Post Organized.
CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—The John W. Downing post, American Legion, was organized at a meeting in Doty tonight, followed by a reception and dance. William E. Inglis of Seattle, ex-commander of the 134th infantry, delivered an address. The post was named after a Pe Ell boy who lost his life in France.

**Looking Back—and
Ahead—After Fifty-
Two Years**

It was in 1868 that I entered business in Portland—a long, long time ago as measured by the life of the individual, but short, indeed, in the unending plans of the Creator!

If these fifty-two years have brought to me a liberal measure of success, let me ascribe it not to any good fortune or special ability on my part, but rather, to the inbred determination to "stick on the job"—to reach the goal.

Always I have endeavored to surround myself with men who could discern that ultimate success meant present labor and sustained effort. To these large credit and heartfelt thanks are due.

Boy, youth and man I have clothed for three generations. Always I have sought so to serve that the boy of yesterday—who is the youth of today and the man of tomorrow—would see in the quality of my service something to fix upon as an ideal when he, too, should deal with his fellows.

To those men, now mature, who toiled in the early years, and whose faith in the ultimate destiny of our city never wavered, I acknowledge a debt of gratitude for inspiring companionship in mutual endeavor. They were the builders of a mighty city—they are its riches!

If these words shall meet the eyes of a boy or of a young man, may they bear to him something of counsel, something of kindly interest and encouragement.

(Signed)

BEN SELLING

SMALLPOX RULES ISSUED

EXPOSED PERSONS MUST SUBMIT TO VACCINATION.

Temporary Hospital at Kelly Butte Is in Full Operation; More Patients to Be Transferred.

New regulations were yesterday placed into effect by City Health Officer Parrish in an effort to rid Portland of smallpox. Under the new rules every person who has been exposed to the disease must either submit to vaccination or remain in quarantine for 21 days from the time of the last exposure.

The temporary smallpox hospital at Kelly Butte is now in full operation. More than 25 patients have already been placed in the new quarters and more are expected to be transferred there today. Preliminary work on the permanent contagious hospital is also being rushed and it is expected that this building can be completed within 90 days.

The new rules follow:
If contact shows a pitted scar, revaccinate and fumigate out. Discharged soldiers and those vaccinated by this administration are the only exception. All those who have no scar and vaccination fails to take, revaccinate in nine days. Vaccinate, without exception, every contact.

Those refusing vaccination are to be quarantined for a period of 21 days, following date of last exposure. Those fumigated out not allowed on premises.

School children contacts will be excluded 21 days unless vaccinated. No one must leave house until granted permission by the health bureau. Failure to report should be punished, not rewarded, therefore make no deduction in length of quarantine.

Centralia Raises \$1156 for Jews.
CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—J. Shaneling, chairman of northern division of Jewish relief campaign, announced today that Centralians to date have subscribed \$1156.92 in the Jewish relief campaign on a quota

of \$1600. Local men who have assisted in the drive include W. H. Cameron, Carl Vincent, Dr. C. Crocker, I. T. Alford, George J. Galvin, J. R. Buxton, M. L. Carrier, John D. Wonderly, Rev. Francis Jones, Rev. J. H. Gervin, A. I. Timmerman and W. H. Grayson.

PASCO BEGINS TO BUILD
Further Reconstruction to Start When Weather Moderates.

PASCO, Wash., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—Indications are that considerable building will be started in Pasco just as soon as the weather will permit. H. W. DeLuth has begun rebuilding the apartment house on Lewis street which was destroyed by fire some

time ago. Reconstruction of its building. It is understood that the bank will be enlarged.

The drug store and postoffice also will be enlarged. Until these buildings are finished the drug store will occupy the building at the corner of First and Lewis streets and the postoffice will move to quarters on Lewis street between First and Second. C. F. Dennis, a Northern Pacific engineer, already has taken out a permit for the building of a modern residence to cost \$6000 at the corner of Seventh and Clark streets.

Slavs to Export Tobacco.
BELGRADE, Jan. 3.—The total production of tobacco for the year in the Jugo-Slav government is estimated by experts as 15,000 tons. Of this 9000 tons are available for export.



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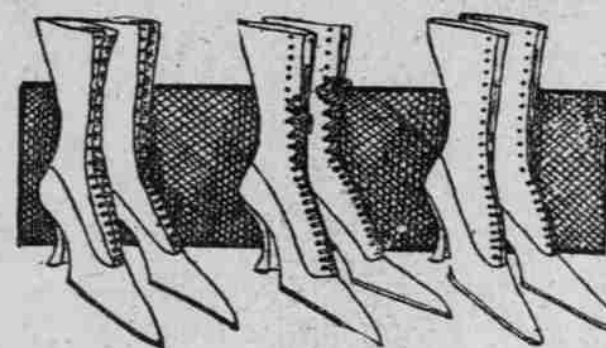
January Clearance of Fine Grade Shoes

TOMORROW! Beginning a sale of thousands of pairs of men's and women's fine shoes at prices greatly reduced!
Many lines will be on sale at less than today's factory cost! Many broken and discontinued lines will be offered at less than one-half what it would cost us to replace them!

A Rare Offer by a Responsible Shoe Store! An Opportunity to Save Many Dollars on Your Footwear!

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**Women's Laird-Schober
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In black kid and black and brown calf, buck or worumbo cloth tops; lace, with military and Cuban heels. A deep reduction on every pair. On account of present high factory cost we have not re-ordered these.

**350 Pairs Women's Shoes
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Finest dull or mat kid, lace styles, with welt soles and Cuban or French heels. We have not reordered these lines on account of present high factory cost. Our reduced price affords a handsome saving.

**Women's Patent Colt and
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**400 Pairs Women's Shoes
Regular \$10 and \$12
Sale Price \$8.95**

These are in brown calf, lace styles, with Cuban heels; not all sizes in the lot. Splendid values!

**Men's \$14 Shoes
Now \$10.95**

In black viking calf, blucher-cut; full double soles to heel; English toe. Splendid values!

**Men's \$15 Shoes
Now \$11.95**

Genuine Brown Shell Cordovan Lace, English last; prime overweight oak tan soles.

**Brown Norwegian Calf
Blucher; rawhide waterproof inserts.
Splendid wet weather shoes.**

**Men's \$18 Shoes
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Boyd's or Banister's straight-last kid shoes; kid lined; double soles.

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- "The Vamp."

TODAY AT 12:30