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## OUTLOOK FOR LUMBER INDUSTRY IN COOS COUNTY IS GOOD

### SIMPSON LUMBER COMPANY HAS MADE A FINE RECORD

Plant Started Early in the Year and Capacity Increased—Will Have Planing Mill Later On—Company Gives Employment to 270 Men

The lumber mills of North Bend have made a splendid showing for the past year of 1915. One year ago the Simpson plant was closed after the death of Capt. A. M. Simpson pending the settlement of the estate. Now it is running, and it has been for nearly eight months past. The various milling concerns have given many men employment and helped greatly in the payroll of Coos Bay.

**Started in May**  
The Simpson company started operations on May 12 and has been going ever since. At that time A. K. Arkley was put in full management of the concern. He has broken records for the amount of lumber cut in a month. The Porter mill has been operated but the old town mill will not be used any more without being rebuilt. The average output of Porter mill has been 3,000,000 feet of lumber a month. The total cut since the mill opened was about 28,000,000 feet. About half a million feet was sold locally each month, largely for railroad work, leaving approximately 22,500,000 feet which was shipped.

**Operates Steamers**  
The company has operated its steamer A. M. Simpson which runs to San Pedro and during the year purchased the steamer Hardy from J. H. Hardy which carries lumber to San Francisco. About two-fifths of that which was shipped went to San Pedro while the rest went to San Francisco. The steamers Acme, Thos. L. Wand and several others have been used at different times to carry extra cargoes.

**Put in a Resaw**  
One of the improvements made at the mill was the establishment of a hand resaw which increased the capacity of the mill so that it can now cut from 175,000 to 200,000 feet a day. The plant has been running ten hours a day most of the time but recently cut down to eight hours on account of a shortage of logs.

**The Logging Supply**  
The Daniels Creek logging camp which is operated by McDonald and

Vaughan furnished logs to the mill. There was also a supply from the Tarheel Point camp on the lower bay but a few months ago this camp was closed as all the timber in that tract was cut off.

McDonald and Vaughan are opening a new camp at Sumner where the timber will be cut from a tract owned by Dennis McCarty and Fred Wilson and this will be in operation about the first of the year.

Later on the Simpson Company will probably open a camp in the Tenmile country but this cannot be done until the railroad is completed so that there will be transportation for logs. In the Tenmile country the Simpson company controls enough timber to keep the mill going for twenty years so the logging operations there will be big.

**Many Are Employed**  
At the Porter mill employment has been given to about 100 men. Directly connected with the mill is the McDonald and Vaughan Daniels creek camp where 90 men are employed and at the Sumner camp there will at least be 65 men at first. So the operations of the Simpson company are responsible for the employment of about 270 men, counting those in the mill, the camps and in other capacities.

**New Planing Mill**  
When Manager Arkley took charge of the company business he closed the sash and door factory but has since sold about 20,000 spruce doors and 10,000 fir doors which were on hand. When the railroad is in operation the sash and door factory will be put to use again. Not however, for the manufacture of sash and door work but to be equipped and used as a planing mill. The railroad will afford shipment for finished lumber and Mr. Arkley says that the plant can be opened as a planing mill to better advantage than as a sash and door factory. This will give additional employment to labor.

### IMPORTANT FEATURES OF LUMBER BUSINESS

North Bend Mill & Lumber Co. built sorting shed and new docks.

Same concern installed \$5,000 modern resaw. Simpson Lumber Co. started operations and broke records for monthly cuts.

Box factory may be started at North Bend Mill Co. Simpson mill has been increased to 200,000 feet capacity a day.

North Bend shingle mill has been running throughout the year.

Moore mill at Bandon may be started again soon. Johnson mill at Coquille and Prosper mill at Bandon operated steadily.

### SHINGLE MILL MADE BIG CUT

AT NORTH BEND PLANT OUTPUT SIXTEEN MILLION

More Men Are Employed Now and Production Greater Than Earlier in the Year

The North Bend Shingle Mill has been running all the year through and is now increasing its output. Two machines are run through the day and one of the machines at night. The total output for the year was about 16,000,000 shingles. Six or seven men were employed earlier in the year and now from eight to nine men are working and the production is about 3,000,000 shingles a month.

The plant is owned by James A. Allen and L. J. Simpson and Mr. Allen is the manager. He says that while the demand is all right the prices received are not entirely satisfactory but that the company is selling all the shingles that it can make and that better prices are soon hoped for.

### MATTRESS MAKING IS ONE INDUSTRY OF MARSHFIELD

ONE of the factories of Marshfield which has been running right along during the year is the Woven Wire Mattress and Bedding Company. The manager of this concern is William E. Dungan and the establishment is located in a building at 545 South Broadway.

The firm manufactures mattresses of different kinds, floss, felt, wool, hair, feather and other varieties. These are made for the wholesale trade only, but all classes of mattresses are made over for those who want old ones made useful again. The firm also makes cotton and wool comforters to order and old ones are recarded. All kinds of cushions and sofa pillows are produced and carpets are fitted and rugs bound as a part of the work of the place.

The firm also makes curtains for sleeping porches, does a general upholstering business and any kind of auto trimming, repairing of cushions, and putting in of glass. A new carding and garnet machine was installed which is new and up to date and since it has been put in use many wool and cotton felt mattresses have been made.

An upholsterer from San Francisco is with the firm for a time and will give the benefit of expert work for any who want that class of workmanship. The firm gets out a wholesale price list and has during the year sold a large amount of goods to dealers in this part of the state.

The mattress factory is conducted under the same management as the Dungan Undertaking parlors. L. L. Thomas who is a graduate of the Meyers School of Embalming of Springfield, O., takes care of embalming cases and there is also a lady attendant. The firm is fully equipped for the conducting of funerals.

### Many New Houses Built In Marshfield During 1915

MORE than \$100,000 was spent in building this year in Marshfield, according to the builders reports, a fact that shows the growth to have been a steady one. In the long list of residences are some of the best equipped in the city. The figures speak for themselves.

|                               |          |
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| High School Gymnasium         | \$10,000 |
| Fred McCrees                  | 1,000    |
| Miss Clark, Elrod Ave.        | 2,500    |
| A. B. Loud, North Tenth       | 2,000    |
| Oscar Gulovsen, Perham        |          |
| Park                          | 1,500    |
| Ralph Garst, 10th, Lockhart   | 1,500    |
| Dotson Skating Rink           |          |
| Broadway                      | 3,500    |
| Soc. Finnish Hall, Second St. | 2,000    |
| Addition Christian Church     | 1,200    |
| Tom Crawford, Second St.      | 200      |
| Ben Chandler, 12th Court      | 3,000    |
| Thayer Holmes, 12th Court     | 3,000    |
| Carl Anderson, Ferndale       | 2,500    |
| Noble Theatre                 | 12,000   |
| Noble Building, Central Ave.  | 15,000   |
| Addition Methodist church     | 500      |
| Gow Why, addition South       | 1,800    |
| Fourth                        |          |
| Mrs. Christine Kruse, Eighth  |          |
| Street Conservatory           | 3,500    |
| Ford Garage, Second St.       | 1,500    |
| C. K. Perry, Perham Park      | 3,500    |
| Louis Gorr, Perham Park       | 1,500    |
| George Cook, Perham Park      | 2,000    |
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| Peter Mirrasoul, addition     |          |
| West Marshfield               | 900      |
| Mrs. Rosa Preuss, Elrod Ave.  | 3,000    |
| N. S. Matson, North 10th St.  | 1,100    |
| John Burke, Ferndale          | 400      |
| Alfred Stora, addition        | 400      |
| Hugh McLain, Highland ave.    |          |

The good old custom of hanging the mistletoe from the ceiling at the Christmas festivities is said to have its origin in the idea that since the plant did not have its roots in the ground no part of it should ever be permitted to touch the earth.

### SEES HOPEFUL FUTURE AHEAD FOR THE MILLS

Arno Merein, of C. A. Smith Company, Gives Encouraging Views of Situation

BIG PLANT HAS CUT 150,000,000 FEET

If Conditions Continue to Improve Will be Chance to Show New Records

### TERMINAL RATE NEEDED

Says It Will Mean that Company Will Have Planing Mill Located in Marshfield and Ship Direct to the East From Here

"If the present improvement in the lumber market continues and the business keeps on looking up, we will have a chance to show what we can do with our mills in Marshfield, an opportunity which we have never had before," said Arno Merein, general superintendent of the C. A. Smith Lumber and Manufacturing Company in reviewing the lumber situation of the past year.

**Fortunate Here**  
"I think Coos Bay has been fortunate in comparison to other places," continued Mr. Merein. "Many of the lumber towns have had to pull through with their mills closed but the plants on Coos Bay have at least kept operating. The market and prices were very discouraging for a time. Now the business is getting better and if this is not temporary, and if it will just keep on going good, we will show what we can do under favorable circumstances."

**Need Terminal Rate**  
"One of the most important things ahead right now is the securing of a terminal rate for Coos Bay on the railroad. With a terminal rate our company could put in a dry kiln and planing mills and would ship one-fourth of the finished lumber that we now must necessarily send from California. It will also be important in the way of conservation as there is much white cedar that we do not ship to the south which could be used here if we had the terminal rate to reach the eastern markets."

**Made A Big Cut**  
The C. A. Smith mill has during the year cut approximately 150,000,000 feet of lumber and manufactured 30,000,000 shingles and 18,000,000 laths. Excepting what has been sold for local work it has practically all been shipped into California. The company vessel Adeline Smith has been operated all the time. The steamer Nann Smith is now out on a charter but will be back on the run Feb. 1 and in the meantime an extra vessel will occasionally take a cargo.

### Some Yuletide Tests.

Little Elsie—Santa Claus doesn't go around in a motorcar, does he, mamma?  
Mamma—Why, certainly not! He still drives his reindeer, darling.  
Little Elsie—Oh, I'm so glad! Tommy Hankin told me he used a motorcar, and I've been in a terrible state since, 'cause I'm afraid the repair shops wouldn't be open at night.

Thirty-seven young ladies of the congregation had to mind thirty-seven pairs of slippers for the curate for Christmas.  
But one young lady made known her intention. And when the day arrived the curate received one pair of slippers and thirty-six dressing gowns.

Milly (in horrified whisper)—Mamma, Willie is an infidel!  
Mamma—An infidel?  
Milly—Yes, He said he don't believe there's any Santa Claus.

### 1915 LUMBER CUTS OF COOS BAY MILLS

The lumber cuts for the year were:

Smith Co. 150,000,000 feet  
Simpson Co. 26,000,000 feet  
North Bend Mill  
Company 21,000,000 feet

Total 197,000,000 feet  
The shingle manufactured were:

Smith Co. 5,300,000  
N. B. Shingle Co. 16,000,000

Total shingles 21,300,000  
Total laths made by Smith company aggregated 18,000,000.

Ties shipped from Coquille river during the year number over 300,000.

### BOATS BUSY AT COQUILLE PORT

LUMBER AND TIES HAVE BEEN SHIPPED THIS YEAR

Report that George W. Moore Plant at Bandon May Start—Other Mills Running

(Special to The Times)  
BANDON, Ore., Dec. 11.—There is a report here which is not officially confirmed as yet that there is a possibility of the George W. Moore Lumber Company mill again being operated. It is said that the milling company is negotiating with the Coach estate for the purchase of the Coach Timber Company property in which event the milling company would have plenty of timber. It is said that in the event that this deal should go through the mill would again be operated which would mean much to Bandon by adding another pay roll.

**Another May Start**  
It is also stated that if the lumber conditions continue to improve the Johnson mill which is owned by the Robert Dollar interests will also be opened again. The mill was closed when the lumber demand was bad and it was said at the time that it would open again when the market warranted.

In the meantime the Dollar company has been doing an active business in the purchasing and shipping of ties, that end of the business in the Coquille Valley being looked after by James Dollar, a resident representative.

**Ship Lumber and Ties**  
The Prosper mill has been running right along and shipping lumber out of the Coquille river.

The mill purchased a year ago by E. E. Johnson from the Coquille Mill and Merchantile Company at Coquille has been operating all year and has been supplying the local trade of that city.

The tie business at Bandon has been good and several vessels have been engaged in exporting the ties from that point.

**Vessels On Run**  
The vessels which have been carrying ties and lumber out of the Coquille river are the Speedwell, the Bandon, the Grace Dollar, the Elizabeth and the Brookline. Recently the Prosper Mill Company chartered the schooner Ruby which will also carry lumber. The gasoline schooner Ahwaneda was lately put on the run from Bandon to Portland, giving connection with that city.

**Guard Is In Good Shape**  
There has been no trouble on the Coquille river bar during the year excepting the wreck of the Randolph which on April 24 turned over when attempting to enter the harbor when the bar was rough. Capt. Johnson of the Coast Guard station has his crew in the finest of shape and is ready to cope with any boat troubles that come up. The Randolph wreck was the only serious call that the crew has had in 1915.

**A Skittish Christmas Tree.**  
The Swedes have a custom at Christmas time of decorating a pet lamb with red ribbons and bells, then loading it with gifts for the family. The lamb is turned loose in the house, and each person attempts to catch it and find his or her gift.

**Have your programs printed at The Times office.**  
Dr. Leslie, Osteopath, Marshfield

### BIG RUN MADE BY NORTH BEND MILL AND LUMBER CO.

Plant Has Made Good Showing for the Year—Twenty Thousand Dollars Expended for Improvements—Box Factory May be Added to Equipment

The plant of the North Bend Mill and Lumber Company has been running all the year and the total output of lumber up to date during 1915 was as follows:

Fir lumber 15,514,508 feet  
Spruce lumber 5,333,715 feet  
Cedar lumber 239,221 feet

Total cut 1915 21,087,444 feet  
In addition to lumber the company has bought and shipped a large amount of ties and poles. The company has been running eight hours a day and during the past three months the output has been about 3,000,000 feet a month.

**New Manager Comes**  
Early in the year Paul Dimmick, who had been manager of the mill was promoted to vice president of the Swayne & Hoyt company and moved to San Francisco to make his headquarters. Last April George A. Stephenson was made manager of the concern and has since been in charge.

The company has been shipping regularly on the steamer Yellowstone which makes two trips a month and has also shipped on the Acme, Speedwell and Westerner.

**Has \$10,000 Payroll**  
The mill payroll has been about \$5,000 a month and that of the logging camp at Beaver Hill which is operated by McDonald and Vaughan about \$3,000. With the purchase of ties and poles the company has distributed about \$10,000 a month in the county. The firm also handled the output of the Coos Bay Mill Company for a time and also that of the Reynolds mill on South slough when it was operating.

Some negotiations have been on foot for the moving of the box factory on the lower Coquille river to the North Bend Lumber Company plant. Archie Kruse recently purchased the equipment of the box factory and it is not unlikely that before long the plant will be operating at the North Bend mill.

### North Bend Has Spent \$113,000 On Public Works

NORTH Bend has spent for public improvements as a city more than any other place in the county. The total of all classes of city work reaches \$113,448.67, nearly six times as much as was spent by the city of Marshfield.

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| The costs of the various classes of city improvement were as follows: |              |
| Sewer Work  | \$ 21,361.44 |
| Paving  | 79,423.15    |
| Grading   | 9,095.37     |
| General city work   | 3,668.71     |
| Total city work   | \$113,448.67 |

In the sewer work the big item was the system which was put in at a cost of \$19,509. The other sewer work consisted of smaller pieces of work which were necessary about the city.

**Paving Work Done**  
In the paving work North Sherman avenue cost \$27,661. Sherman and Washington cost \$20,109. Virginia avenue cost \$23,011. McPherson avenue cost \$7,603. The planking of Virginia cost \$1,036.

The grading work was all on Virginia and McPherson. The general work listed was for various projects about the city.

**Fine Main Street**  
As a result of what the city has done in the past year in the way of public improvement North Bend has a fine main street in the business section. Paved as it is and with the usual width it makes a thoroughfare which gives the main part of North Bend such a street as cannot be found in any other part of the county.

### Once Upon a Time.

My little child comes to my knee  
And, tugging, pleads that he may climb  
Into my lap to hear me tell  
The Christmas tale beloved so well—  
A tale my mother told me,  
Beginning "Once upon a time."

It is a tale of skies that rang  
With angel rhapsodies sublime;  
Of that great host, serene and white,  
The shepherds saw one wintry night—  
And of the glorious stars that sang  
An anthem once upon a time.

This story of the hallowed years  
Tells of the sacrifice sublime  
Of one who prayed alone and wept  
While his worshipful followers slept—  
And how his blood and Mary's tears  
Commingled, once upon a time.

And now my darling at my side  
And echoes of the distant chime  
Bring that sweet story back to me,  
Of Bethlehem and Calvary,  
And of the gentle Christ who died  
For sinners once upon a time.

The mighty deeds that men have told  
In ponderous tomes of fluent rhyme  
Like misty shadows fade away,  
But this sweet story lingers for aye—  
And, like the stars that sang of old,  
We sing of "Once upon a time."  
—Eugene Field.

**"Not Until Next Christmas."**  
It was said the other day by an old southerner in Washington that no home loving Virginian ever would move "until after the next Christmas." The next Christmas comes and goes, but there is still another to come, and the moving is put off and, happily, will be put off until holiday, spirit has gone from the south, a spirit that will go when the south goes.

**See the First National Bank ad today for plan of distributing fifty savings accounts free.**

**HEATING STOVES at reduced prices, Pioneer Hardware Co.**

### Christmas Coming

Christmas is comin' I hear it  
a-hummin'  
Up thru the chimney place outer  
ther flue!  
Curhens are smellin' it; old hens  
are tellin' it;  
Every one's feelin' it plumb  
thru an' thru!

Rub up ther androns, heep 'em  
a-shinin'  
Scour up ther pewter an' copper  
an' brass,  
fetch out ther little with porcelain  
linin'  
An' pick up ther quince ter  
turn inter sass.

Look up ther Christmas green,  
hang up ther holly;  
Nail up ther mistletoe over ther  
door,  
Every one's goin' ter perch up an'  
be jolly,  
'jest as we allus hev done here-  
terfore.

'Cain't no use thinkin' of trouble  
an' sorrow;  
Things that's gone by ain't no  
place in our hearts.  
Christmas is comin' a wech from  
termoren,  
An' right from this minnit ther  
freelickin' starts!  
—Lurana Sheldon.

Santa Claus was born ages ago, and he has been so busy ever since that he never has taken the time to study his family tree. American children call him Santa Claus; the little Dutch folk, St. Nicholas; the French, Pere Noel; and the Germans, Prince Rupprecht or Kris Kringle. But they all mean the same thing.

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