

NORTHWEST RICH IN TIMBER

Pacific Coast Has Enough Fir, Cedar, Pine, Spruce and Hemlock to Build Homes for All.

In the Pacific northwest stand 1,500,000,000 feet of timber. A Seattle contractor tells me that this would build a bungalow for every man, woman and child in the nation, Edward Mott Woolley writes in McClure's. Up on the north Pacific coast are 80,000,000 acres of forests. It is estimated that the state of Washington alone has about 400,000,000 feet of standing fir, cedar, pine, spruce and hemlock. In Oregon and Idaho there are 700,000,000 feet. In 1916 the distribution of Washington lumber by ocean carriers was nearly 900,000,000 feet.

I cannot make a fair estimate of the money that lumber brings to the Puget sound country in a year. I might guess it at several hundred million dollars.

I have seen it estimated that the Washington lumber and shingles shipped by rail alone are worth \$50,000,000. Lumber last year represented 59 per cent of the tonnage furnished Washington railroads. Of the wage earners in Washington and Oregon more than 60 per cent are engaged in lumbering operations. Wages paid in Washington and Oregon for work connected with lumber stand for 59 per cent of the total. Some mills have an output of 150,000,000 feet a year.

The evolution of the Pacific coast lumber industry has been in keeping with the general development. Giant machinery now handles both the logs and lumber. Steam loggers and skidders do heroic work in the woods and steel cables lower the big logs down perpendicular mountain slopes. I heard of an ocean-going log raft 900 feet long drawing 24 feet of water.

ENGLISH THRUSHES TUNE UP

Songsters Are In Evidence Even Early in February, Robins Singing Throughout the Winter.

Thrushes in England are early singers, and it is not unusual to hear a thrush singing even in the first week of February, says the Christian Science Monitor. The gardens—and, of course, a thrush loves a garden—are then green, and moist, and very quiet and already in full possession of the robin, a very charming musician—a musician that sings throughout the winter and gains particular laurels in doing so.

This season the thrushes that inhabit the woods and hedges and remain during the winter have decided to break through tradition and sing as much and as early as they have a mind to. It seems that they, as well as the robins, sing in December and sing in full voice. Some one has heard a De Reszke in a thicket, who begins with the daybreak, and sings as glorious a song as any that he is wont to sing in the early days of spring.

Have his calculations been thrown out by the mildness of the weather, for we hear of bunches of outdoor chrysanthemums coming in from country gardens, or is there a movement on foot for complete liberty of action in regard to the commencement and duration of the musical season?

A "Changed" Quarter.

Thousands of persons, banks and corporations are daily causing the secret service and subtreasury great annoyance by telephone calls inquiring if the 1917 quarter has been counterfeited, states the New York World. The National City bank and the Federal Reserve bank are among those who have been flooded with requests for enlightenment.

The trouble results from an act of congress, based on the idea that the legend on the reverse side of the piece was not as clear as it should be, ordering it changed. The new issue recently was put in circulation.

In the first issue the eagle is at the bottom of the coin and there are seven stars on the left and six stars on the right of the national bird.

In the second issue the eagle has been placed near the center of the coin, and there are five stars on each side and three stars beneath the eagle and the "E pluribus unum" and other reading matter is more distinct.

Both coins are of course O. K.

The Handy Automobile.

It is not an uncommon sight on an extra frosty morning, notes an exchange, to see a teamster walking alongside his team to keep warm, but it certainly was surprising on such a day to see a driver doing that with an automobile.

This was on a broad, smooth suburban highway, where the passengers shooting past in a big limousine saw a delivery wagon ambling serenely along while its driver, swinging his arms to warm himself, was trotting along beside it on the ground, just as he might have done if instead of a machine he had been driving a horse and wagon.

An Indefinite Liability.

A true story about a citizen whose daughter is about to be married, and who has been trying to get a line on what the expense of the rather elaborate ceremony will be. He approached a friend of his, seeking information.

"Morris," he said, "your oldest daughter was married about five years ago, wasn't she? Would you mind telling me about how much the wedding cost you?"

"Not at all, Sam," was the answer. "Altogether about five thousand dollars a year."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

High School Notes

(By Dave Whittle.)

Last Thursday morning the Junior Red Cross work began in earnest. Edith Cole, Alice Hast and other members of the committee were kept more than busy writing out membership receipts. At the end of the first day approximately 100 members had joined at the Senior high. Hawthorne school reported a membership of 80.

On account of the disturbances in some of the classes due to getting typewriting and penmanship paper, the rule was made that all paper must be bought before school hours, beginning February 13.

A number of the high school boys enjoyed the Father and Son banquet held at the Methodist church last Friday night. This is a movement in which all of the boys are greatly interested.

Wednesday of last week the English eight class had a Lincoln program. The Gettysburg Address and the Perfect Tribute were read and stories of Lincoln's life and character told. Those who took part in the program were Mabel Hearn, Alice Hast, Helen Walker and Anna Belle Van Natta.

Miss Vogell, the school librarian, now has thrift stamps for sale. She sold \$10 worth on February 14.

Minor preparations for the commencement exercises have begun. The seniors were requested to fill out credit slips Friday afternoon. These slips will be checked up by the teachers.

The physics class has been working as never before on laboratory experiments. Last term's experience was a well-earned lesson to those who had to make up back work.

Stewart Hast was absent from school several days last week on account of gripe. Monday morning, however, he was "back on the job."

The following is the account made by the classes on war savings and war support for the period prior to January 1, 118: Post graduates: Liberty bonds, \$150; war savings certificates, \$5; war savings stamps, 25 cents; amount to Y. M. C. A., \$7; amount to Red Cross, \$7.50. Seniors: Liberty bonds, \$220; war savings certificates, \$34.13; war savings stamps, \$3; amount to Y. M. C. A., \$18.25; amount to Red Cross, \$11.75. Juniors: Liberty bonds, \$800; war savings certificates, \$155; war savings stamps, \$20; amount to Y. M. C. A., \$23.75; amount to Red Cross, \$30.70. Sophomores: Liberty bonds, \$500; war savings certificates, \$33.24; war savings stamps, \$11.50; amount to Y. M. C. A., \$21.80; amount to Red Cross, \$40.50. Freshmen—Liberty bonds, \$150; war savings certificates, \$5; war savings stamps, 25 cents; amount to Y. M. C. A., \$8.20; amount to Red Cross, \$10.25. Totals for all the classes: Liberty bonds, \$1,800; war savings certificates, \$236.62; war savings stamps, \$40; amount to Y. M. C. A., \$77; amount to Red Cross, \$100.50. This report is not complete owing to the absence of some of the students on the day it was made.

The senior class sent representatives and flowers to the funeral of Mr. Neville, father of Alvin Neville, who is a member of the senior class.

Harvey Watt spoke to the assembly Tuesday morning on the results of the Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. campaigns since the beginning of the war.

Professor Moore read to the student body Wednesday morning an announcement he had received saying

Who Steals My Purse Steals Trash

The man who can truly say this is to be envied. YOU can say it, and with TRUTH, if you

GET THE BANKING HABIT. When your money is in the Bank it is SAFE—safe from the sneak thief, from the con man, from the bum—SAFE. Then it's so handy for YOU to reach it when you want it. Let the thief have the purse if he wants. Keep your MONEY in the Bank.

State Bank of Ashland

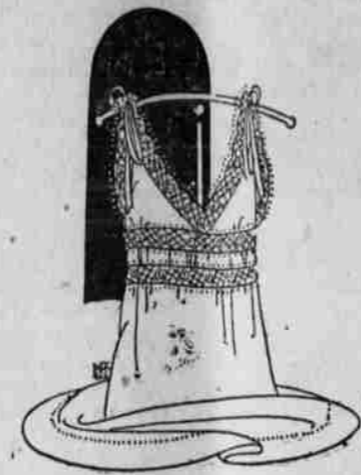
that regulation khaki uniforms would probably be worn at all the colleges the coming fall. Those intending to attend college should make inquiries so that needless spending of money will be eliminated.

Thursday night of last week there were two socials in town. Needless to say, yarns and stretches were much in vogue on Friday.

Miss Arendt and Miss Lilly surprised the basketball boys by being on hand to witness the game at Roseburg last Saturday night.

Wednesday morning the second program by the seniors was presented to the student body. A solo by Isabelle Barron was given as a prelude and heartily encored. The history of the Red Cross was given by

Muslin Underwear & White Goods
New Spring Lines for Spring Now on Display



PRETTY GOWNS

At POPULAR PRICES

—The qualities of the material used and the many pretty styles at the prices asked will prove a surprise to you that we have been able to assemble such a good showing under adverse conditions

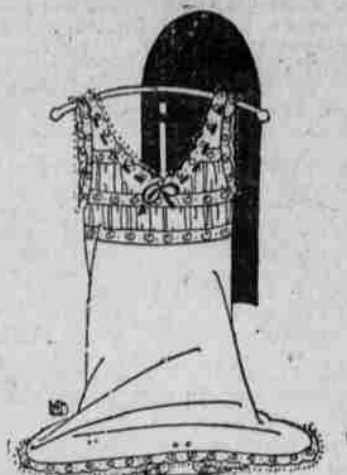
Price 98c to \$3

ENVELOPE CHEMISE

In Many Smart Styles

—We take pride in offering you such daintily made garments as these are. They have been tastefully trimmed with laces and embroideries, and the prices are reasonable as you will note.

\$1.19 to \$2.50



SKIRTS and CORSET COVERS

—The skirts will measure up to your ideas of quality and style. The corset covers are shown in a great many styles in muslin and silk at

60c to \$1.50

CORSETS

—New Gossard Corsets for spring are here. The corset is the first consideration. Be correctly fitted to one before you buy your spring garments.

Prices \$2.25 to \$8.50

THE FIRST SHOWING NEW GARMENTS

Suits
\$19.50 to \$40.00

—That's not so bad a range of prices considering the price of cloths. There is a big range of styles.

Dresses

—Betty Wales and Virginia Dare dresses in silk and serges and combinations of silk and serge.

COATS

\$15.00 to \$37.50

—A surprisingly clever lot of popular priced coats. You will surely find many you like if you look soon.

New Sweaters and Yarns

—Wonderfully attractive are the new spring sweaters. Many Shetland, fibre silk and worsted sweaters in the spring shadings are now on sale.

Yarns
Knitting Worsteds
\$1.15 and \$1.25

—We have received several shipments of khaki and gray knitting worsted, everyone a first class quality. Some inferior yarns have been put out. Put these to the test, \$1.15 and \$1.25.



WHITE FABRICS
For Spring

—Bridal muslins, cambrics, nainsooks, Longcloths, tubings and sheetings. A complete line of the various qualities in stock.

—Voiles for dresses promise to be as popular as ever. The range is from 35c to 75c in plain and fancy voiles.

—Beach cloth, gaberdines, middy cloths, poplins and fancy skirtings are here in quantities that insure early buyers a very moderate price.

New "FITRITE" Silk Petticoats for March Are Now On Sale



Largest Stock of Renfrew Devonshire Cloth Is To Be Found Here

Ethel Freeman, work of the Red Cross in time of peace by Olin Conwell, a modern war poem by Naomi Moore. Dwight Gregg's talk on "What We Can Do to Help in the Red Cross Work" made a fitting ending to the program. Professor Moore was heard to say that we were developing some real good talkers, after the program was over.

The second team overwhelmed Talent last Thursday by the score of 68 to 11. The next basketball games are with Medford, here on Thursday night, February 21, and at Medford Friday night, February 22. The old standing rivalry between the two schools will make these games doubly exciting.

Floyd Ramp Gets Two Years' Sentence

Floyd Ramp of Roseburg, socialist agitator, preacher of disloyalty and opponent of war against autocracy, was sentenced Tuesday to two years' imprisonment at McNeil's island and a \$1,000 fine by Federal Judge Wolverton. On receiving his sentence Ramp remarked: "I suppose there is no chance to get this changed to banishment to Siberia." He gave notice of appeal and was granted 20 days. He declared Seymour Stedman of Chicago, chief counsel of the socialist party in the United States, would handle the appeal.

SHIPYARDS' QUOTA TO BE EXCEEDED

If Oregon continues the pace set during the first week of the United States shipyard volunteers drive the state will go over the top with the specified quota. Reports received at

state headquarters of the public service reserve Monday morning showed that for the week ending last Saturday night the aggregate registration of skilled workers throughout the state was 1,673. As Oregon's official quota is 3,204, she has more than passed the half-way mark. The indications, based on comments by the various county chairmen who filed their first week returns, are that the enrollment will be considerably heavier this week than it was last, largely because of the fact that additional enrolling agencies have been established in several populous communities that were not reached last week.

Three counties of Oregon have already topped their quota—Baker, quota 36, registration 101; Clatsop, quota 75, registration 183, and Crook, quota 10, registration 10.

The registrations from the 17 counties heard from to date follows: Baker, 101; Clackamas, 17; Clatsop, 183; Crook, 10; Hood River, 21; Jackson, 30; Klamath, 6; Lake, 15; Lane, 49; Lincoln, 3; Multnomah, 1,033; Polk, 15; Umatilla, 20; Union, 56; Wasco, 31; Washington, 41; Yamhill, 42; total, 1,673.

NEW FOOD RULES MAKE BIG SAVINGS

Under the new food regulations effective during the past month for all hotels, restaurants and eating places, according to a report recently compiled by R. W. Childs, president of the Portland Caterers' Association, a total saving of 40,000 pounds of meat, 25,000 pounds of flour and 10,000 pounds of sugar is shown from only 200 houses throughout the state, an estimated one-fourth of all hotels and restaurants in Oregon.

In discussing the situation recently Mr. Childs expressed enthusiasm

over the manner in which Oregon caterers are observing the new requirements of the food administration. In nearly all instances sugar bowls have been taken off the table, he asserts, and all wheatless, meatless and porkless days have been strictly adhered to.

There are between 800 and 900 eating houses throughout the state, and reports are now rapidly coming in from all establishments showing the percentages of saving effected during the past month.

SOLDIERS IN CAMP RECEIVE SWEATERS

Nearly 20,000 soldiers at Camp Lewis have been provided with Red Cross sweaters, it was announced Tuesday at headquarters by civilian relief. Already this week 2,190 sweaters knitted by patriotic girls and women have been distributed to the men of the camp.

Many of the sweaters contain notes from the makers and cheery words of encouragement are offered the men. Five hundred wristlets and 500 mufflers knitted by the folks at home have been distributed this week and the demand for them is keen, according to Mrs. W. R. Van Valen, wife of the assistant field director, who is aiding in the distribution.

The Joy of Work.

Instead of being a curse, work is man's greatest blessing. There is no one thing that has ever done so much for humanity that has given so much happiness, saved so many human beings from despair, and kept so many from suicide; no one thing that has called forth so many hidden resources, developed and strengthened so many powers of mind and body as has work. —Nautlius.

Right to the Point.

One of the judges of the county court was called upon at his club recently, muses a New York correspondent, to make a speech in favor of the appointment of a well-known lawyer and member of the club, who was gunning for a political job. The judge touched on the patriotic issue, various questions of civil virtue and the value of keeping good men on the bench. At this point one of the members of the club, noted for his argumentative and violently demonstrative support of any point he took, arose. The remainder of the audience mentally got on tiptoe. Here is where the fireworks started. "Judge," began the questioner, "there's one thing that has always bothered me, and I hope you can settle it for me so that the other members of this club will see that I am right. This is it: Does or does not a straight flush beat four of a kind under any and all circumstances?"

Always In.

It was the shopping period, and Miss Smith thought she would "drop in" on Mrs. Jones and ask her if she would assist her in the noble art of present-hunting.

"Is your mistress in?" she asked the young maid. "Yes, miss," was the prompt reply. She was shown into the drawing room. But an hour passed and no Mrs. Jones appeared. At last the lady got up and called to the maid: "Did you tell your mistress I was here?" she asked. "Oh, no, miss," replied the girl quickly; "she hasn't returned from shopping yet."

"Not returned!" exclaimed the astonished visitor. "No, miss. You see the mistress told me she was always home to you!"

Woman's Imagination.

When a woman arrives three minutes late at a railway station she imagines that the engineer saw her coming and pulled out just for spite. Have a fit at Orres.