

MILLS PRODUCING LUMBER SLIGHTLY SHORT OF NORMAL

Industry in Northwest Will Continue to Be Handicapped Until Thousands of New Cars Built.

Lumber mills of Western Oregon and Western Washington are taking advantage of favorable operating conditions and are cutting approximately their full capacity.

The industry in the Northwest continues short of cars and an adequate supply cannot be available until thousands of new cars are built.

DEMAND EXCEEDS SUPPLY

Most mills adhere strictly to the policy of declining new business in excess of their ability to deliver by cars now available.

NEW MILL FOR ST. JOHNS

Announcement of the intention of the Long-Bell company of Kansas City to erect a new mill at St. Johns is the most important feature in the local lumber trade to develop during the week.

TWO NEW SAWMILLS ARE PLANNED FOR BROWNVILLE

Brownville, March 13.—It is practically certain that two new sawmills will be built here in the near future.

Grounded Boat Is Deserted by Crew

Southampton, L. I., March 13.—(U. P.) The captain and crew early this evening deserted the Lake Deval, a United States shipping boat which was being

California to Vote On Proposed Laws Against Japanese

San Francisco, March 13.—(U. P.)—After a three-hour executive session organizations interested in anti-Japanese legislation this afternoon voted to draw up initiative petitions at once and throw the question before the people of California for a vote.

The decision was unexpected, for leaders previously had declared they planned to wait for the regular session of the legislature for action.

I. W. W. CONFLICT RISES TO CRISIS AT TRIAL

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trial is shifted from Lewis county on showing that prejudice existed in Grays Harbor, of which Montesano is the county seat.

George F. Vanderveer of Seattle, chief counsel for the I. W. W. organization, who represent it in the Everett trial in 1916 and in the "Big Bill" Haywood trial in Chicago last summer represented the defendants here.

The trial opened on January 26. Two weeks were required to obtain a jury. Vigorous attempts were made by the defense to show such active prejudice in the county at that a fair trial would be impossible.

SELF-DEFENSE ALLEGED

During the trial 266 witnesses were examined. Presentation of evidence required five weeks. Self defense was claimed for the accused and the chief efforts of Vanderveer were concentrated on showing that Grimm led in an assault on the hall.

The defense also attempted to show an organized effort on the part of Centralia business interests to run the I. W. W. out of the city and that the gunmen only acted within their rights in shooting on the alleged raiding ex-service men.

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LOCAL MERCHANTS FIGURE TO ATTEND TRADE GATHERING

Portland Will Be Represented at Foreign Trade Conference in San Francisco May 12 to 15.

Interest in the seventh national foreign trade conference which will be held at San Francisco May 12 to 15, is growing by leaps and bounds among local business men, and officers in charge of the Portland arrangements are confident that at least 150 men will represent this district.

MERCHANTS COOPERATE

Special efforts made by Max H. Houser, council representative in the Northwest, during the last two weeks have gained results. The port and dock commission have guaranteed their full cooperation and members of both bodies will journey to the south for the conference.

The Chamber of Commerce is also taking a large part in preparations for a large representation from this district. A committee has been appointed to cooperate with Houser in making local arrangements.

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REVISED VERDICT IS ACCEPTED BY COURT

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and conspiracy. First degree murder is defined as killing following premeditation of the crime. Second degree murder is killing without premeditation.

The jury first reported in at 6:40. It brought a verdict as described above with the exception that Eugene Barnett and John Lamb were found guilty on what was termed "third degree" murder.

The verdict was branded as improper by the court, and the jurors were sent back. But before doing this the court imparted the findings to the attorneys

and they in turn transmitted it to newspapermen.

Vanderveer arose and demanded that Special Prosecutor W. H. Abel be adjudged in contempt of court for giving out the information before it had been filed. This the court refused to do.

MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL

Applications for a new trial are to be made Monday by Vanderveer. The defendants are to be returned to Lewis county within the next 48 hours, according to Sheriff John F. Berry.

Prosecution on the charge of killing McElfresh is to be rushed through immediately. Prosecutor Herman Allen said, and the defendants will be arraigned on the new charge at Chehalis Tuesday.

More than 100 ballots were required before the jury agreed on the three verdicts. Members of the body said following their discharge.

"The third degree verdicts were not in the nature of a compromise," said E. E. Sweitzer, one of the jurors. "We simply thought that the two defendants were not so guilty as the others."

Sweitzer said that the greatest bone of contention in the jury room was over the defendant Eugene Barnett, whether he was guilty of shooting from the Avalon rooming house as charged, or whether he was an innocent bystander of the shooting from the Roderick house, adjoining the I. W. W. hall.

"We are now under way for running a special train to San Francisco for the convention, leaving here the Saturday evening before the convention. Headquarters of the Portland delegation will be at the Bellevue hotel and reservations for train and hotel may be made either through Campbell or E. N. Weinbaum, secretary of the foreign trade department of the Chamber of Commerce."

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picked when the jury's first verdict was read about an hour later.

When the jury retired again, possibly to deliberate for the rest of the night, the crowd remained and was augmented with almost as many as who were here Friday night during the final arguments.

Judge Wilson's instructions did not allow a manslaughter verdict. The acquittal of Mike Sheehan was not a surprise, as he was not connected up by the evidence to any extent with the charge of conspiracy and it was proved that he did not shoot.

Elmer Smith, whom the jury acquitted in this verdict, was not in the vicinity of the hall at the time of the shooting, but was accused of counselling the others that their rights of self defense included not only shooting from the hall, but also from outside.

The prisoners entered the courtroom under a double guard at 6:40 and were followed a moment later by the jurors.

Judge Wilson late this afternoon received two communications through the mail threatening his life in case the defendants were not freed. One of the letters was from Bellingham, and the other bore a railroad postoffice stamp. The letters were anonymous.

Each letter reviled the judge and accused him of partisanship in conducting the trial. The one mailed on the train threatened disbarment for the judge, the writer mentioning that he was a descendant of one of the participants in the Boston tea party and was willing to emulate his ancestor if necessary in preserving liberty.

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Advertisement for Ampico piano, featuring an illustration of a grand piano and text: "AMPICO. The most progressive and one of the very largest piano concerns in the world is the American Piano Company, owners of the famous Chickering Piano factory. The first two letters in each word of the firm name furnished the material for the word 'Ampico'."

Advertisement for Levitt's Everybody's Store, featuring a large "Announcement!" headline and text: "We have moved our men's furnishing goods department from our annex into the main store. The furnishing goods department is now located on the second floor, just off the elevator, or easily reached by our stairway. While the alterations are not yet completed, we are nevertheless very well prepared to take care of our many patrons."

Advertisement for men's suits and clothing, featuring a list of items and prices: "\$2.50 Men's Dress Shirts on sale tomorrow at \$1.59", "\$5.50 Men's Silk Striped Dress Shirts tomorrow \$3.45", "\$2.50 Medium Cotton Ribbed Union Suits \$1.39", "\$1.25 Athletic Style Union Suits tomorrow at 79c", "\$5.00 Wool and Cotton Mixed Union Suits \$3.48", "65c Silk Lisle Men's Sox on sale tomorrow at 39c", "\$1.25 and \$1.50 Men's Silk and Fiber-silk Mixed Sox 88c".

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Advertisement for Smith's Wall Paper House, featuring a large "Saving Prices on Wall Paper at Smith's" headline and text: "Beginning tomorrow morning and continuing for one week this big sale of Wall Paper offers real saving opportunities to the thrifty buyer. It's time to 'brighten up the corner where you are,' and new wall paper and paint will do the trick. This is not a sale of odds and ends or old and damaged stock, but our entire new stock of over two hundred thousand rolls!" Includes list of items and prices: "30-inch Ingrain 7 colors, bolt 45c", "30-inch Paper 5 colors, bolt 50c", "30-inch Duplex Oatmeal in 12 colors, bolt 60c", "15c, 20c, 25c", "Handsome Tapestries", "BIG SALE OF PAINT", "Guarantee", "ORDER BY MAIL", "SMITH'S WALL PAPER HOUSE", "RETAIL—108-110 SECOND ST., PORTLAND—WHOLESALE".