

### MORE LUMBER IN SIGHT STIMULATES LOCAL BUILDING

Promise of a more adequate supply of lumber to the local retail trade lends encouragement to contractors and builders who have anticipated an unprecedented season during 1920. During the past few months frequent complaints have been made to O. G. Hughson, manager of the Builders' exchange, by contractors who alleged that the mills were giving precedence to orders from the East and Middle West and neglecting the lumber needs of Portland and vicinity.

The mill operators do not deny that there has been some ground for complaint, but in defense of their position claim that a higher price has been received from wholesale shipments into eastern territory than from retail orders in the local market. As an instance they point to certain grades of flooring which sell at from \$75 to \$90 per 1000 retail in Portland and command prices ranging from \$90 to \$120 wholesale in the east.

With the increasing output of north-west mills, it will be possible to take care of the local demand without sacrifice of prestige in eastern markets. The mills are doing all they can to supply the insistent calls of eastern and middle western markets for lumber, according to the weekly bulletin of the West Coast Lumbermen's association. Total rail shipment last week were 2248 cars, or 67,440,000 feet. The 128 mills contributing to the report have a balance of 10,476 cars, or 314,280,000 feet of unfilled rail orders on their books.

The car situation has not changed during the past few weeks. The railroads are short of equipment. During the past four years, according to reliable statistics, freight traffic on the roads has increased 45 per cent, while the supply of engines and cars has increased only 2 per cent. Railroad buyers are among the most active factors in the lumber trade of Western Oregon and Western Washington, according to the bulletin.

The cut at 128 mills in the West Coast association for the week was 86,372,705 feet, which was only 428,295 feet, or 4.74 per cent below normal. New business accepted was \$3,416,608, of which \$1,950,000 feet or 2965 cars will move by rail, 15,212,780 feet by water and 2,246,819 feet is to be delivered locally. Of the water shipments 10,336,034 feet will be exported and 8,988,755 feet will go to domestic markets. The prospect for export business is particularly promising, according to the bulletin.

In this connection it must be borne in mind, however, that the present export trade in lumber is far from normal. Export shipments from Portland of 1914 totaled approximately 600,000,000 feet and, according to Dant & Russell and other prominent exporters, the total for 1920 will not exceed 300,000,000 feet.

### Report of Finding Descamp's Head Is Without Foundation

Prospects of solving the Ernest Descamps mystery were shattered once more Monday afternoon for the police. Motorcycle Inspector Russell made a run to the house of Mrs. L. F. Tompkins, 1060 Kelly street, upon receiving a report that two boys had discovered a head in the brush near the Slavin road. Upon investigation Russell found the head to be that of a dog. The police are desirous of finding the head belonging to the dismembered body found scattered about the city. Unless the head is found, the police have no way of identifying the parts already found. About the time the parts were found, Ernest Descamps, wealthy Beaverton farmer, dropped out of sight, leading the police to believe he had been murdered. Descamps disappeared February 5. The first discovery of parts of a human body was February 7 in Sullivan's gulch.

### Japan Investigates Russian Government Proposal for Peace

San Francisco, April 6.—The Russian government has formally requested the opening of peace negotiations with Japan, according to cables dispatches received by The New World and The Japanese American. Japanese language newspapers published in San Francisco. In reply, the Japanese government has sent Yasuoro Miura, formerly special Tokyo envoy at Paris and minister to Switzerland, to Russia to investigate the Russian offer. The local Japanese newspapers have also received news of further clashes between Japanese troops and the Bolsheviks.

The assassination of Vice Consul Ishida by the Bolsheviks at Nikolaevsk, Eastern Siberia, was reported by The New World, but details were lacking.

Wallace in Conference  
Paris, April 6.—(L. N. S.)—Hugh Wallace, the American ambassador, conferred with Premier Millerand this afternoon on the advance of the French troops into Germany from the Rhine. Another meeting of the supreme council will be held tomorrow.

Apparatus to eradicate wheat smut by the hot water treatment before the grain is to be planted has been invented by an Indiana man.

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### Poses as Sheriff to Make Arrest Draws Pliers in Forcing Hands Up

With a pair of pliers in his hand J. H. Graham of the J. H. Graham Motors company turned sheriff in Marion county Monday afternoon, and as a result three men are lodged in the jail at Salem, charged with stealing an automobile belonging to Dudley Clarke, 699 Market Street drive.

Clarke and Graham are friends. Clarke's machine was stolen Sunday night.

The thieves had broken the chain and padlock. Clarke imparted knowledge of his loss to Graham, Monday afternoon. Graham went to Salem in his limousine.

STOLEN CAR SPIED  
About 19 miles this side of Barlow Graham spied Clarke's red automobile. He gave chase, only to find that he was detected. The men in the stolen car speeded up. Finally they ran out of gas and had to stop. Graham ran up beside them, shoved a pair of pliers out of the side of his car and shouted "Hands up."

The hands of the three men went up in a hurry. Graham lost no time in searching them for a gun. He found one "as long as your arm," according to the description given Clarke over the long distance telephone.

Graham posed as the sheriff and deputized a farmer. He turned one man over to the farmer. Armed with the revolver, Graham took charge of two. The three men were placed in Graham's automobile and hurried to Salem and lodged in the city jail. They gave the names of Larry Evans, Jack Wellman and Earl Townsend.

Clarke has signed a complaint against the men. Portland police will leave for Salem today and return the trio here for trial.

Confession Is Claimed  
Salem, April 6.—Larry Evans, Jack Wellman and Earl Townsend, arrested



J. H. Graham

here last night in an automobile said to belong to Dudley Clarke of Portland, have confessed to the theft of the car, according to local officials. The boys were arrested as they were passing through the city when the automobile was recognized as the one stolen from Clarke, although the license numbers had been changed. They will be returned to Portland today to stand trial.

### U. S. AND JAPAN PAVE WAY TO AID CHINA WITH LOAN

By Henry W. Kinney  
Tokio, March 31.—(Delayed)—(U. P.)—Thomas W. Lamont of New York, representing a consortium of bankers of America, Great Britain and France, who has arrived in Shanghai, feels that the way has been paved for the American and Japanese governments to reach a satisfactory agreement as to the financial aid that will be given that country.

Lamont, in China, is on a mission related to the proposed \$25,000,000 emergency loan for that country, and will also seek to determine whether China is a profitable field for investment.

Before leaving Tokio, Lamont declared the Japanese group of bankers gave him a cordial reception. The Japanese bankers are strongly desirous of entering the consortium if the government approves it. They believe it would be a factor in maintaining a lasting peace in the Orient.

Views of the Japanese bankers were expressed by Junnosuke Inouye, governor of the Bank of Japan, who declared that "Japan is determined to enter wholeheartedly into the Chinese consortium."

It is understood Lamont and the Japanese bankers arrived at a complete understanding. The exchange of views between the Japanese and American governments is proceeding satisfactorily as a result. The American ambassador and the Japanese foreign office are understood to be rapidly overcoming the various difficulties.

Thomas W. Lamont of J. P. Morgan

& Co. went to Japan as a representative of an international consortium of bankers. One of his objects, it is understood, was to show the Japanese the superfluous character of their reservations regarding admission of Mongolia and Manchuria to the consortium.

### Child Is Drowned in Burnt Bridge Creek

Vancouver, Wash., April 6.—Turini Delgrande, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Delgrande, living on an old hidden place on the Fourth Plain road, was drowned in Burnt Bridge creek, which crosses the farm, Monday. The little boy was alive when found, kicking feebly, but died in a few moments. The body is at the Knapp establishment.

### Vancouver Mill of 500,000 Feet a day Capacity Is Planned

Plans for the construction of a sawmill with a capacity of over 500,000 feet a day on a tract recently purchased at Vancouver, Wash., are being outlined by M. J. Blagen, president of the Grays Harbor Lumber company. Blagen recently acquired title to 800 acres with frontage on Vancouver lake and the Columbia river. He proposes to use Vancouver lake as a log pond, and erection of the mill is contingent upon the defeat of a movement for draining the lake. Blagen also proposes to operate a door factory, a furniture factory, a large flouring mill and an electrical plant with a capacity of 15,000 kilowatts.

A purebred Holstein cow, owned by the University of Idaho, has in one year yielded 10 1/2 tons of milk.

## CULLISON FOR SHERIFF

Reprinted from the Oregon Voter  
Weekly Magazine of Citizenship  
Capt. John E. Cullison's able administration of the selective draft in Oregon unquestionably was a prime factor in helping Oregon achieve the glorious record of "first" of all states of the Union in its contribution of men to military and naval service during the world war—first in proportion to population. Capt. Cullison won general recognition for his administrative capacity, his industry, his impartiality and his thoroughness. His announcement of his candidacy for sheriff of Multnomah County will evoke general congratulation, for he is regarded as eminently qualified for the office. He was born in Ohio in 1867, came to Portland in 1890, was a railroad and newspaper telegrapher, and was engaged subsequently in the real estate business and the wholesale military business. It was he who worked out the Oregon selective draft organization under the leadership of our late war governor, James W. Wigham, of patriotic memory.  
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