

### SMALL LOGGERS MENACE FUTURE OF COOS CEDAR

Port Orford cedar, as being logged in the Coos Bay country by small loggers to supply the abnormal demand of Japan, which is paying the highest prices in lumber history, unless checked, will mean the extermination of the species, according to the report brought back by Julius Hoffman, manager of the Wind River experiment station of the forest service, who, with Porter King, inspector from the state forester's office, and J. M. Thomas, fire warden of Coos county, has just completed an investigation of the situation at the request of the state board of forestry.

But under proper methods of logging, immediate slash burnings thereafter and the prevention of fire in the future, the Port Orford cedar will reproduce itself naturally, is the ray of hope following the report of actual conditions.

#### SPECIES VERY RARE

The Port Orford cedar is as rare a species as the redwood, according to Hoffman. It grows only along a small portion of the Oregon coast, the greatest stands of which are in the Coos Bay region. The trees now being logged are several hundred years old. The wood is of extreme fine quality, far superior to other types of Northwest lumber.

Large operators in their logging methods cut clear, dispose of slash immediately and leave the land in excellent shape for natural reproduction. From them the state forestry board has no fear for cedar extermination. But the small logger, dazzled by the high prices being paid by Japan, is undertaking selective logging of Port Orford cedar alone, which he could not afford to do at prices paid for other kinds of lumber.

#### FIRES MENACE SEEN

This small logger falls his cedar trees and hauls them out. The slash he leaves to become an extreme fire menace, or else he attempts to burn it without piling, with the result that the fire escapes, and the rest of the timber of other species is destroyed, as well as the young growth of Port Orford.

"The present stand of Port Orford," said Hoffman, "is 1,500,000 feet, running from \$5,000,000 to \$6,000,000 in value. It takes 125 years to grow a Port Orford to a size that can be used for any commercial use. If they will burn their slash after logging and at a time when the forest carpet is not too dry, the cedar will restock itself, but all fires must be kept out of the area after the first burn."

"It is absolutely necessary to clean up this debris after logging, to reduce the fire menace to the remaining timber and to secure a young growth. That is usually done willingly by the owners of the land because they want the land productive, but the man who has no concern in the small jobber. He has no responsibility. But if the owner is held responsible, he will fix it up with the jobber."

"The state law compels men to clean up slash after logging, but the state cannot compel a man to restock his land unless he wants to. But the land will restock itself without extra cost, if the man will dispose of his slash properly."

### Robbers Get \$10 in Stamps at Station

La Grande, Jan. 24.—Stamps valued at \$10 were all the loot two burglars obtained in ransacking the Standard Oil company's local office. No traces of the robbers was found by the officers.

### A. S. Kerry to Move To Sound to Attend His Lumber Affairs

A. S. Kerry, owner of the Columbia River & Nehalem Valley railroad, and extensively interested in logging operations on the lower Columbia, announced Monday that he would turn over the management of his properties to Robert S. Shaw and return to Seattle to look after Puget Sound business interests. Kerry came here from Seattle about 10 years ago and has been a prominent figure in the logging and lumbering industry since that time.

The Columbia River & Nehalem road is a common carrier extending from Kerry nine miles west of Clatskanie on the S. P. & S. line southward a distance of about 20 miles into the Nehalem valley. The road serves 20 logging camps with an aggregate daily output of 1,500,000 feet and is one of the most important carriers on the lower river.

Robert S. Shaw, who has been acting as manager of the road and of logging camps operated by Kerry during the past three months, was formerly manager of the Hammond lumber mills at Astoria and was at one time president of the West Coast Lumbermen's association. Kerry has made his home at the Mallory house and returned last week from a vacation trip to California.

### Experts Speak at Farm Bureau Meet; Boost State Fruit

Roseburg, Jan. 24.—At a meeting of the Douglas county farm bureau Monday addresses were given by H. E. Haslett, former county agent of Douglas county; C. J. Hurd, assistant state leader of county agents; A. C. Allen, district state horticulturist; R. A. Ward, manager of the Oregon Wool & Mohair association; George A. Mansfield, president of the state farm bureau; Colonel William J. Burt, secretary-treasurer of the state association, and George Sheriff of the Pacific Poultry Producers' association.

A report of the work of the year was read. All farmers present pledged themselves to stand behind the state department of agriculture in its "Grown in Oregon" labels for all fruit sent out from the state. New methods of marking, grading and selling wool were also discussed.

The following officers were elected: R. A. Hercher, Dillard, president; H. E. Kruger, Oakland, vice president; D. N. Busenbark, Roseburg, secretary-treasurer; G. W. Burt, Roseburg, and H. E. Gurnee, Winchester, directors.

### New Logging Road Will Tap Timber in Brookings Section

Extensive redwood lumber operations will be undertaken at Brookings, Or., and Crescent City, Cal., according to J. H. Owens, manager of the Oregon & California Lumber company, who was here last week buying equipment for a new railroad line being extended from Brookings southward into the timber. The railway would be 18 miles long, Owens stated, and would be equipped with a Baldwin locomotive and other rolling stock.

The O. & C. Lumber company has been engaged for several years in the manufacture of its lumber at Brookings. Extension of its operations into the extensive stand of redwood on the California side of the line is looked upon as important by local lumbermen.

### FAMOUS PIANIST ARRIVES TO PLAY WITH SYMPHONY

Harold Bauer, the world famous pianist, arrived here this morning to appear as soloist Wednesday night with the Portland Symphony orchestra at the Hellig. He is registered at the Portland, as always since his first appearance here nearly 20 years ago when on his first American concert tour. It is three and a half years since his last concert here.

Bauer thinks Portland is fortunate in having a symphony orchestra and says no one should be disappointed because it is not self-sustaining. "Whenever a symphony orchestra in itself becomes a paying organization, something is wrong," said Mr. Bauer.

"This may sound paradoxical, but it is true, for either the musicians are underpaid, the public is overcharged or the concerts are given in a hall too large to permit the music to sound well."

Mr. Bauer has given much thought to the matter of financing symphony orchestras and says he finds the endowment plan by far the most satisfactory, since the steady incomes from the earnings on the capital set aside insures a permanent orchestra free from financial worries. Such orchestras have been established in Chicago and Philadelphia. Philadelphia raised \$2,000,000 in a vigorous campaign for its orchestra, which is now second to none.

Mr. Bauer, who has the reputation of being the greatest living Schumann interpreter, says he has no favorite modern composers. "A great quantity of piano literature is being published, he says, but most of it is to be played but once. Very little really worth while music is being written, and as for my favorite modern composer, I don't know why I should have one; I welcome whatever I find it, and avoid preferences."

Mr. Bauer makes his home in New York. Shortly before the war broke out his home was in Paris.

#### HOT LAKE ARRIVALS

Hot Lake, Jan. 24.—Arrivals at Hot Lake sanatorium Thursday were: E. McKivette, La Grande; J. H. Laine, Olympia, Wash.; Mrs. Emma DuBois, Polson, Mont.; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Kesler, Mrs. George T. Cochran and A. D. McLellan, La Grande, Or.; Dr. Temple, Pendleton; S. G. Combs, Seattle; L. P. Staley, Walla Walla; Mrs. O. Winn and son, Weston. Arrivals Wednesday were: Carl W. Daesch, Weiser, Idaho; S. F. Crouter, Baker; Mrs. H. Selgrist, La Grande; W. R. Crow, Portland; John Hoffmann, Walla Walla; Mr. and Mrs. H. Kemmel and son, Mr. and Mrs. William Kemmel, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bower, Riverville, Wash.; Mrs. James Grant, Snake River; J. E. Mazanta, Rexford, Mont.; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Thrasher, Pendleton; Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hunt, Merced, Idaho; Robert Baker, Enterprise; C. Hereth, Snohomish, Wash.; A. Rossi and Vincent Maggali, Beaverton.

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### SKIDDOO, CROOKS! VIGILANTES ARE READY FOR YOU

Violators of the law will have to tread lightly in the city of Portland from now on, for the vigilance committee was fully organized and declared ready for duty Monday night.

The committee, composed of 100 responsible citizens, met in the municipal court room for instructions in their duties in response to a call from Mayor

### George L. Baker. This committee will act as reinforcements to the regular police force in times of police emergencies and in addition will act at all times in apprehending the chronic law breaking element.

For purposes of the most efficient action, the list of members of the committee will not be made public. Both Chief L. V. Jenkins and Mayor Baker said that with the identity of the personnel unknown the committee will have a far wider scope of action than otherwise. The fact that there are 100 plain clothes officers in the city, the mayor said, will doubtless be a factor in reducing crime.

Members of the vigilance committee will carry with them full authority to make arrests and will have credentials to substantiate their authority. The mayor pointed out, however, that they will not be called on for organized action except in times when the police force is busy with some riot or emergency that may require the greater part of the force. In such an event the vigilantes will be called on to render service.

### It was agreed that the committee will meet every Monday night under the direction of Inspector C. H. Tichenor, chief of the committee for instructions in police work. Captain John T. Moore will give the vigilantes lectures in what a police officer can do and the extent of his authority under the law.

Judge Fogarty of Lincoln County Is Stricken and Dies

Toledo, Or., Jan. 24.—John Fogarty, county judge of Lincoln county, died suddenly Monday evening, shortly after

### returning from his office. He complained of a pain in his side and five minutes later was dead. Heart disease is attributed as the cause. He was 70 years of age and was serving his second term as county judge. He was elected on the Democratic ticket. Previously to serving as judge he had been a member of the board of county commissioners for one term.

Judge Fogarty was a pioneer resident of the county. During the Yaquina bay boom, from 1880 to 1885, he was credited with having made a fortune in real estate. He often narrated having received \$14,000 for 150 acres near Yaquina City that is valued at about \$240 at present. He is survived by his wife and young son as well as two grown sons by a former marriage, one of them being J. J. Fogarty of 127 Gibbs street, Portland. The other lives at Newport. Judge Fogarty was a member of the Masonic order.

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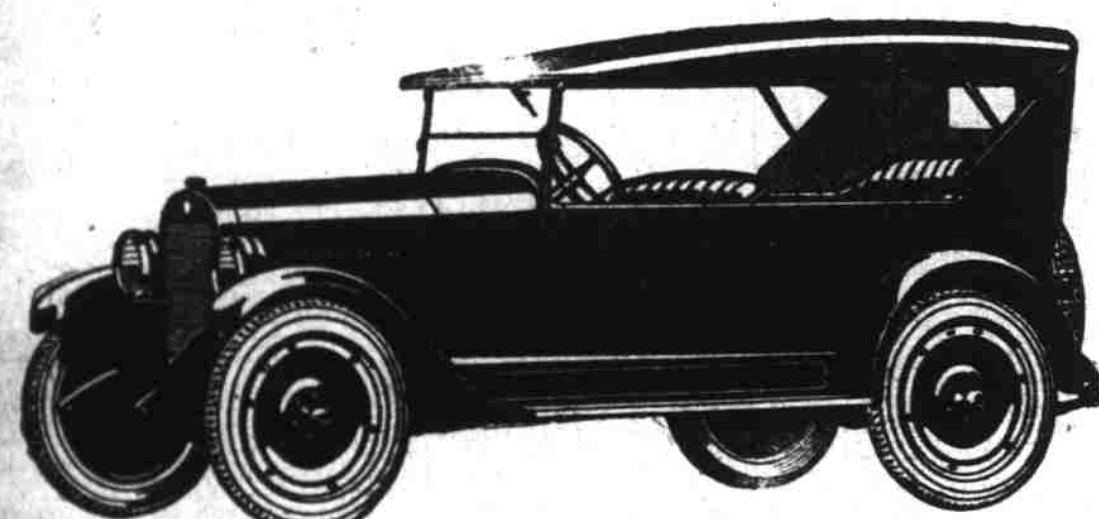
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