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## LUMBER OUTPUT WORTH MORE THAN HALF BILLION

Oregon is Sixth in the List of the Productive Lumber States of the Union and Utah is the Lowest--Some Figures.

Washington, Nov. 29.—Washington, Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas, and Wisconsin, in the order named, constitute the Big Five in producing the country's lumber supply whose valuation for last year runs far above the half billion dollar mark. Texas, Michigan, Oregon, Minnesota and Pennsylvania came after the first five states and others followed in decreasing amounts down to Utah, the lowest on the list, with Nevada and North Dakota having little timbered area, not rated at all.

While the total valuation of lumber, lath and shingle production reached \$541,545,640, this amount represents a decrease of twenty-three per cent under the previous year's output. The number of mills reporting was 31,231 and these manufactured 33,224,369,000 board feet of lumber, valued at \$510,575,822 and 2,986,684,000 lath valued at \$6,791,328, while the shingle makers turned out 12,106,483,000 shingles valued at \$24,178,490. The average value of lumber at the point of manufacture was \$15.37 a thousand feet, \$2.27 a thousand for lath and \$2.00 a thousand for shingles.

Yellow pine of the south which has been far in the lead in the lumber production for more than a decade, more than maintained its supremacy last year, contributing slightly more than thirty-three per cent of the total cut from all kinds. Douglas fir of the northwest ranked second and white pine third. Practically all kinds showed a marked decreased cut, and for the first three kinds of timber there was a falling of fifteen to twenty-two and twenty per cent, respectively. Oak and hemlock maintained their relative ranks but showed decreases of twenty-five per cent in amount produced and spruce dropped eighteen per cent.

Louisiana was the heaviest producer of yellow pine lumber, supplying nearly one-fifth of the total production. Texas, Mississippi, Arkansas, and Alabama followed in the order named. The state of Washington, alone, supplied more than three-fifths of the Douglas fir cut, while the bulk of the remainder came from Oregon. Minnesota produced about a third of the white pine, followed by Wisconsin with about fifteen per cent and New Hampshire with ten per cent. An interesting feature of the report is that two New England states, Maine and Massachusetts, produced more white pine than Michigan, which for many years led the country in producing this valuable timber.

Oak lumber manufacture now centers in Kentucky, West Virginia and Tennessee. Wisconsin comes first in the production of hemlock, taking the position held by Pennsylvania for so many years. Altogether the lumber report bulletin, which is free, by the way, contains fifty-seven pages, and gives detailed figures upon the quality and value of forty-five kinds of lumber manufactured in the United States last year. The

work on it was conducted under the supervision of a committee of four, consisting of W. M. Steuart, chief statistician for manufacturers and J. E. Wetchol, export chief of division, representing the bureau of census, and R. S. Kellog, assistant forester and A. H. Pierson, forest assistant, representing the United States forest service.

### MATLOCK FORFEITS HIS \$1500 BONDS

When Judge Harris heard argument for a new trial in the case of Joe Matlock, Jr., just after his conviction, he arranged to try the case Wednesday, December 1, and excused the case until that time. Meanwhile, at the solicitation of defendant's father and brother, his release from jail on bonds was asked for and a bond for his appearance on Wednesday, December 1 was fixed at \$1500, which was given by J. D. Matlock and E. D. Matlock.

When court was convened Wednesday morning all the jurors not excused had appeared and when the court asked defendant's counsel where defendant himself was, they were unable to tell.

The court then and there declared the bond of \$1500 forfeited and told the clerk to issue a bench warrant at once, to have the defendant brought into court.

Matlock is charged with attempt to commit rape.

### The Schubert Lady Quartette.

Those delightful vocalists, the Schubert Lady quartette of Chicago, will appear at the armory hall on Dec. 11. Lovers of sweet singing should not miss this splendid entertainment.

The High school is bringing on this fine musical attraction for the purpose of securing money to buy a piano for the High school. Hear it. Tickets 25, 35 and 50 cents at the Wave.

### WILL SOON PRESENT CANTATA "KING SAUL"

The Leader editor accepted a kind invitation extended by Prof. G. E. Johnson of the Royal Intermediate School, to witness the first stage dress rehearsal of the cast and chorus, made up entirely of the students of the school and their friends, in the presentation of that splendid cantata "King Saul." This dress rehearsal was held in the Armory Theater Wednesday afternoon, by forty members of the cast and chorus and less confusion than usually experienced on such occasions was manifested. The cantata has been rehearsed but a short time, but the lines are already committed by the cast and chorus, the drills very well executed and the work is progressing admirably under the very efficient directions of Prof. Johnson, who has had a great deal of experience in such musical productions. The very best talent of the school has been assigned to the prominent roles in the cast and they will be able to interpret these difficult roles admirably, especially with three weeks more of continuous rehearsals. The Leader predicts that "King Saul" will win a place in the estimation of the people of Cottage Grove and vicinity along with those splendid similar successes, "Belshazzar," "Queen Esther," and "Pinafore" which were presented here under the directions of Prof. M. E. Robinson, a specialist in this line of work. The Royal school will present "King Saul" in this city Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Dec. 22 and 23. Cottage Grove people should not fail to put "King Saul" on their list of holiday entertainments which they cannot afford to miss. The Leader will publish the cast of characters and synopsis of this cantata in the near future.

### Fourth Regiment to Remain Intact.

There has been much talk of disbanding the Fourth Regiment O. N. G., artillery service. This was at a time when trouble was brewing with Japan and it was thought the coast needed stronger defenses. Since then unofficial word has been circulated that it is most likely the regiment will remain just as it is and that within a reasonable time four more companies will be added to make the regiment complete.

Dr. Lowe the optician next Monday.

## THE NESMITH COUNTY ISSUE

Filing of Petitions--The Committee Thankful For Assistance

An initiative petition containing 11,900 signatures for the creation of Nesmith county was filed at Salem by R. M. Veatch and C. E. Stewart with the secretary of state. Solicitors found a general favorable tendency toward Nesmith county all over the state. A number of places took up the work without solicitation.

The petition asks for the creation of a new county from portions of Douglas and Lane counties. Nesmith county, turned down by the legislature, will be created by the popular vote almost unanimously.—Capital Journal, Dec. 2.

### THANKS EXTENDED TO FRIENDS OF NESMITH

Hon. R. M. Veatch and C. E. Stewart have returned home from Salem where they went Tuesday to file the Nesmith county initiative petitions containing nearly 12,000 names of legal voters of Oregon representing all sections of the state, being four hundred more names than is required by law for the filing of such a petition. The ready response of the voters and friends of the new Nesmith county cause in securing these petitions is most gratifying to Messrs Veatch and Stewart and the other members of the Nesmith promotion committee appointed by the Cottage Grove Commercial Club, and this committee takes this means to heartily thank those citizen voters who so freely signed these petitions and to the many friends of the Nesmith county cause throughout the state for their support and many valued favors extended the committee. The cause is just and will win.

A North Yakima white man obtained \$10,500 damages against an Indian for obtaining possession of his wife's affections. It seems incredible that the affections of a woman who would take up with an Indian are worth that much.

### COMMERCIAL CLUB ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

At Monday evening's meeting of the Commercial Club the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: C. C. Hazleton, president; First Vice, Marion Veatch; second Vice, J. F. Spray; Secretary, F. H. Rosenberg; Treas. Geo. Hall; Trustees, F. D. Wheeler, J. B. Protzman, G. A. Tyson, A. Brund, Dr. J. O. Van Winkle and L. A. Cates.

H. O. Thompson, the retiring president, has filled the office with credit to himself and to the entire satisfaction of the club. He has worked most faithfully and diligently for the success of the club and the progress, development and advancement of this community during his incumbency. The Commercial Club under Mr. Thompson's management has been instrumental in many worthy achievements, for the betterment of this community during the past year, achievements which will long continue to bear good fruit for the town and community. The inauguration of the Nesmith county proposition and the carrying to a successful outcome the circulation and filing, according to law, the required initiative petitions in this worthy movement. Another commendable achievement during the past year was the organization of a promotion department in the Commercial Club and the employment of an experienced man to compile and circulate literature descriptive of this city and South Lane county and the many opportunities afforded home seekers and investors, and this is a movement which has already been productive of good returns although only recently inaugurated and put into effect. Let the good work continue. The Leader believes the new club officers competent to continue most successfully the work now so well in hand.

### Cottage Grove Booklets Destroyed.

About 1100 of the fine new Cottage Grove Commercial Club booklets were ruined by water during the late freshet. They were stored in the brick vault in Woodard & Beaulieu's real estate office which was flooded to the depth of several inches. The books were stored in this place to save the expense of insurance and the possibility of destruction by fire, but damage from water was never dreamed of.

Cleveland's Baking Powder.

## STOCK YARD PREMIUMS

Liberal Inducement Offered to Stock Men by Packing Plant

Portland, Oregon, Nov. 30, 1909. Editor Leader:—The Portland Live Stock Exchange offers for the best Christmas cattle shipped to the Portland Union Stock Yards the following premiums:

1st 2nd	
Car steers, not less than 20 head	\$75
Car cows, not less than 20 head	150 75
Best single steer	25 15
Best single cow	25 15

Cattle to be judged morning of December 14th and sold at auction that afternoon. Judges, John F. O'Shea, Portland, Frank Brown, Carlton, Oregon, G. W. Gammie, Portland. This sort of encouragement should be an incentive for the breeder and feeder of cattle. It is in line with the educational work undertaken by this company and to which the press of the northwest is lending valuable aid.

Receipts at the Portland Union Stock Yards for the month ending today have been: Cattle 6518, calves 583, sheep 7549, hogs 12744, horses 274. These receipts are an evidence of the utility of a live stock market. The approximate value of the 457 cars that made up the receipts was \$567,500 a tidy sum that went into the pockets of the farmers and stockmen of Washington, Idaho and Oregon.

The cattle market has been consistent throughout the month. Good cattle have brought good prices, especially in the instance of cows. Top price for steers was \$4.75 per hundred, top price for cows \$3.75 and Spayed heifers sold at \$4. Light calves have been in strong demand with tops at \$5.25.

Sheep have come forward in light quantities and medium to poor quality. Good wethers, what few there were, sold at \$4.75 for yearlings and \$4.50 for two year olds. Lambs sold at \$5.75 for the best that were offered.

Hogs have come forward rather freely, and while during the first week in the month, prices sagged a little, the market promptly recovered and has been strong and high. Tops were \$8.10 with bulk of sales at \$8. All of the prices therein quoted have been on good qualities for this market. Poor quality stuff has sold low and the divergence between good and poor grades is constantly growing wider.

Yours very truly,  
D. O. LIVELY, General Agent,

### Thinks the Local is Killing Time.

A prominent merchant returning from Portland on train No. 17, formerly known as the Cottage Grove local, thinks that train is a "time-killer." He says it leaves Portland at the same time it formerly did, 4:15 and runs to Oregon City on the same old schedule; then it takes its time coming up the valley, arriving here at 10:03, instead of 9:20, as formerly, taking almost six hours to come from the metropolis, a distance of 123 miles. He says he was almost worn out with the trip after spending a wearisome day in the city.—Register.

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