



LEAVES HOSPITAL—Jack Burpee of Medford gets ready to leave the Portland Osteopathic hospital, well on the way to recovery from a circulatory disorder with which he had suffered for about four years. Nurse Dora Emier helps him into his coat. In surgery, osteopathic surgeons removed an occlusion from Burpee's left common iliac artery which limited blood circulation to his legs.

Medford Man Gets New Look on Life After Operation

Portland — A prominent Medford insurance man, who a few months ago gave himself only a short time to live, today is happy. He is taking a new lease on life and plans this spring to resume activities he was forced to drop, including gardening. "The other day I bought some lumber," Jack F. Burpee, 3238 Jacksonville highway said, "I'm going to build a greenhouse." Gardening has long been the 52-year-old Medfordite's favorite hobby. He has many fruit trees, berry bushes and flowers on his half acre tract two miles west of Medford. He lives there with his wife and daughter. He also has two sons. Burpee is district manager for the Northern Life Insurance company. **Suffers Disorder** For about four years he suffered with a circulatory disorder which affected his legs, especially the left. He first became aware of the trouble in December, 1953, when he noticed one of his toes had turned blue. The condition grew worse, and to a point where he could feel no pulse in his left foot.

Large Block of Timber Set For Sale in Rogue Forest

A total of 191 million board feet of timber is scheduled for sale in the Rogue River National forest for the coming year. Supervisor Carroll Brown told members of the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association Friday night at the Rogue Valley Country club. "Timber is a crop and must be harvested the same as any other crop," the supervisor said. Brown said it is important to get the record straight. He said there has been some misunderstanding on the record of the Rogue River forest for the last 10 years. **Allowable Cut** One of these misunderstandings involves a statement that the Rogue River forest has not sold the allowable cut for the last 10 years. It is unfair to take only the record for the past 10 years in judging this situation, he said. Instead, the past 15 years' record should be considered. During World War II timber was a critical item in the war effort. In 1943 the allowable cut was 81.7 million board feet were cut for defense purposes. "In other words due to the emergency during the war years we had orders to disregard the allowable cut and turn out the timber needed for national defense," the supervisor said. **Overcut Balanced** "In the subsequent years this overcut had to be balanced so less than the allowable cut could be taken from the forest each year," he explained. "The average for the 15-year period from 1943 to 1957 inclusive was 98.7 million board feet. The allowable cut average is 99.6 million board feet." Since the sales greatly vary it is necessary to figure on selling three to 10 times allowable cut, Brown said. The allowable cut is based on the cut and not what is sold, he added. Another rumor which has been circulated, he said, is that the government is withholding stumpage from sale to maintain high stumpage prices. The government is not interested in high stumpage prices, he said. It is interested only in getting timber moving and in getting the land back into production. National forest timber is the principal source of raw material, Brown said — and sometimes it is the only source. We are interested in the effect sale of national forest timber has on the economic life of the adjacent communities. Our policies are set to benefit or improve the economic conditions of the adjacent communities. **Comments On Meeting** He commented on the recent public meeting held by the Bureau of Land Management here which both the BLM and logging interests considered successful. He said he would be glad to hold such a meeting for the Rogue River national forest. Following the supervisor's speech, H. G. Hopkins, staff officer for the national forest here, explained the forest service timber sale appraisal methods. "There is nothing secret or mysterious about the appraisal methods used by the Forest Service," Hopkins said. "Every timber sale is the same." Using a series of charts attached to an easel, Hopkins gave an appraisal summary to show what factors are figured in. These include amortization volume, selling price (L. T.), less 2 per cent cash discount, overrun per cent factor, average selling price (L. S.). Factors under development costs were construction of main and secondary roads, spur roads. Log making to truck included felling and bucking, skidding and loading, logging equipment repairs. Transportation included hauling and unloading, road maintenance. General overhead costs included woods depreciation, general administration, supervision, scaling. Contractual costs included slash, erosion control, fire protection, protection of irrigation ditch. **Tells of Bills** Lewis L. Simpson, secretary-manager of the association, told association members three bills now before congress should be halted. One is listed as HR 5124 and is called the power brake bill. This actually enables the union to "featherbed," he said. Under

this bill the Interstate Commerce commission is authorized to prescribe inspection of all power brakes and limit the number of cars to a train. This would provide for two 50 car trains thus increasing the number of men needed in train crews. The railroads have the finest safety record per passenger mile per ton mile of freight of any mass transportation, Simpson said. This and two other bills will increase the operating costs of railroads and since logs and lumber is shipped by rail will cause these costs to be passed on to the lumber industry. Senate Bill 1313 and HR 4353, which applies to unemployment compensation and retirement benefits. Simpson cited the recent victory won by the lumber industry in the ICC rate case involving discriminatory rates on shipment of lumber into California. "Editorials notwithstanding, the railroads, including the Southern Pacific, took our side and helped plead our case," Simpson said. The industry has regained 11 per cent on the freight rates increases, it was reported and is now working to get back another 9 per cent. Railroads have been in trouble with trucking from this and other areas, Simpson commented. **Plan Solicitations** Russ Hogue, of the association's traffic committee, reported new solicitations would be made for the work of the traffic committee on battling discriminatory freight rates which affect the shipment of lumber. Such areas as Glendale, Grants Pass, Lakeview and Klamath Falls will be asked to join the work of the committee by paying an initiation fee of \$25 and an assessment of a half cent per thousand board feet on shipments of lumber or square foot for plywood. Wholesale shippers will be asked to pay one-fourth cent per thousand board feet, he explained, for all lumber shipped from this area. During the last five years active participation by the committee in freight rate cases has cost over \$12,000, it was pointed out. The recent case cost the committee \$6,000 in voluntary donations from industry men. E. L. Nutting, representing Western Pine, presented tree farm certificates to Oscar Hanson, Elk Creek, and Glenn Hunter and Glenn Best of Hunter and Best Tree Farm, near Ruch, for their work in the tree farm program. E. W. Pease, Industrial Forestry association, presented a tree farm certificate to Hanson also. Curt Nesheim, state Board of Forestry, reported that the farm forestry program is taking considerable time with two full time men operating. One is working in the agriculture conservation program and the other in the soil bank program. Actually, these men are doing the leg work for these federal agencies, he commented. A meeting is planned with the Bureau of Land Management officials here, representatives of the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association and the State Board of Forestry about April 1 to set up, foreman and fire training courses. Such a course would be conducted May 7, he said. Ros Youngblood, Bureau of Land Management office here, said his staff is busy processing timber for market. The BLM plans to make 160 million board feet of timber available for cutting this coming year, he said. Work is also being done on right of ways and access roads such as the Snow creek bridge, and the Keeno rd. Contracts on the latter should be out about July 1, he added.

74 Disease Cases Reported Last Week

A total of 74 cases of communicable diseases were reported in Jackson county last week, according to Dr. A. Erin Merkel, county health physician. Of the total, 18 were influenza and 34 were measles. Shady Cove reported 18 measles cases and Elk Trail had 14. The other two cases were reported in Central Point. Ten influenza cases were reported in Medford, five in Phoenix and three in Shady Cove. Other diseases reported include six chicken pox, two pneumonia, one whooping cough, two infectious mononucleosis, 12 mumps, eight pink eye, and one scalp ringworm. Meteor speed ranges from 10 to 45 miles per second.

Residents Asked To Display U.S. Flag

Crater Lake chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, recommend that Oregon residents display the American flag on three occasions this month. The dates are Feb. 12 in honor of Lincoln's birthday, George Washington's birth date, Feb. 22, and on Feb. 14, when Oregon was admitted to the Union. February has been designated as history month by Governor Robert D. Holmes at the request of the state society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

MOTHER EN ROUTE

Monte Carlo, Monaco — Mrs. John B. Kelly, Philadelphia, mother of Princess Grace of Monaco, was due here by plane from the United States today for the approaching birth of Grace's second child. The birth is expected around the middle of March. Grace's first child, Princess Caroline, celebrated her first birthday Jan. 23.

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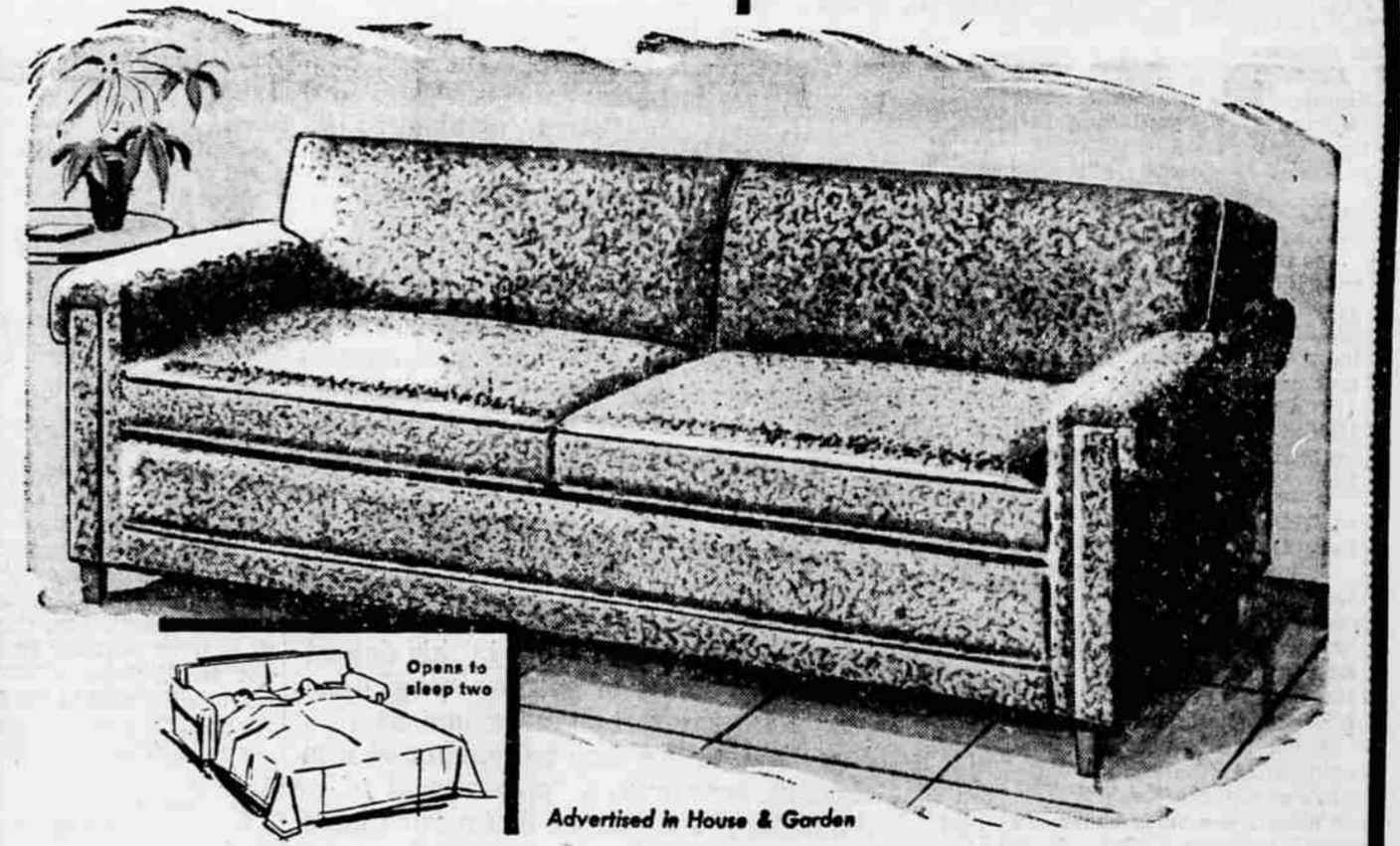
Signs of market improvement in some segments of the lumber industry were reported today by two Oregon industry news letters. Random Lengths, Eugene, said: "Some step-up in activity in Oregon's lumber industry was reported by one class of mills, but the general level among all types of producers remained very low." Crow's Lumber market news service, Portland, reported that utility grade Douglas fir dimension, green and kiln-dried, is exhibiting a firm trend. Standard and better random green dimension shows an upward price trend, while specified lengths remain steady. In other areas of the industry, the low-level market, with limited demand and weak prices, continued, the news letters said. Sanded plywood generally dropped \$2 last week at many mills, the reported.

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