

**Air Pollution**

**Fruit Industry to Experiment With Lumber Industry Product**

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More acreage will be heated experimentally with the less smoke producing Presto Logs during next spring's fruit frost season, Carpenter said.

"It would reduce the cost considerably if the local lumber industry could make such a log here," he added.

(Kogap Lumber Industries which is producing a fire-log similar to the Presto Log on an experimental basis, has been trying for some time to get the fruit growers to commit themselves to definite orders, according to Company Vice President S. V. (Duke) McQueen.)

Some problems with Presto Logs is that they dissolve in wet weather, take longer to "come up to heat" are more difficult to handle in the orchards and cannot be put out once they start burning and melt as heating oil can, Carpenter explained.

As a preamble to the lumber industry report, the county judge pointed out that air pollution control must cover all of the lumber mills on the valley floor and not just the three or four mills in or near Medford.

Miller also read a letter from the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association, announcing formation of a wood waste disposal and utilization committee.

Purposes of the committee will be:  
(1) to study, analyze, and promote improved methods of wood waste disposal with emphasis on those methods utilizing waste materials and reducing disposal by burning.

(2) To give information and act as a clearing house for exchange of ideas on wood

waste disposal and utilization.  
(3) To conduct, when feasible, experiments on new methods of wood waste disposal and utilization.

(4) To cooperate with public agencies and other interested groups in solution of problems relating to air pollution.

**Progress Made**  
"The forest products industry feels that considerable progress has been made in the last decade in reduction of air pollution in Jackson county through greater utilization of waste products and improvement of plant facilities for disposal of remaining wastes.

"The industry, however, also feels that it is vitally necessary that even further efforts be made to develop greater utilization of waste products for the economic progress of our industry and betterment of the community," according to the letter signed by Glen Duyen, SOCTFA president.

Committee members are Gene Burrill, Burrill Lumber company; Francis Cheney, Cheney Forest Products; George Flanagan, Elk Lumber company; Bob Van Duker, Fir Ply, Inc.; Bernard Parent, Gulf Red Cedar; McQueen, Kogap Manufacturing company; Jerry McGrew, McGrew Brothers; Bud Nutting, Medford Corporation; Paul Doe, chairman, Olson-Lawyer Lumber, Inc.; Tom Oliver, Timber Products; Ed Pease, Trail Creek; Steve Wilson, Steve Wilson Lumber company; Alex Austin, Oregon Veneer; Bill Mattson, Red Blanket Lumber company.

B. L. Nutting, general manager of Medford Corporation, said by next spring his mill will not be burning wood waste. A new veneer plant is being constructed and a

barker and two chippers will soon be in operation.

Don Jackson, Timber Products, said his mill will have only one burner operating after next week. The company has started new steam generating facilities toward eliminating smoke and cinders. Two existing burners have been shut down. The fir chip and ground bark by-product program is continuing, he added.

McQueen noted that most of his firm's accomplishments have been reviewed already. The company is continuing work on utilization of waste products. At present sale of Multi-Bark, a ground bark by-product, is slow. The fruit industry has given the forest products companies a challenge in developing an adequate fire-log for orchard heating. The industry now has a committee willing to work with the fruit industry, he said.

Kogap's two burners have been shut down two weeks for hunting season, he added.

**Utilization of Waste**  
Paul Doe, Olsen-Lawyer Inc., reported that his company has spent \$250,000 during the last few years for utilization of waste products. All the company burners are burning now is white fir sawdust and some bark, he noted. Some open burning has been eliminated during the last three months. The company has all A-1 burners in good condition, he added.

A representative of Medford Veneer and Plywood burners since it uses dry ends. It is using waste wood from two other mills in its power facilities, the spokesman said. Some residue burning is being done in an open pit on the White City Realty property by other mills, he noted.

A representative of Oregon Veneer company said his company is taking out the dry waste and has been studying possibility of installing a chipper.

**Edgings Sold**  
Jerry McGrew Brothers, reported that his company has started pulling out sawdust and wood waste. Edgings have been sold to a local company manufacturing small broom handles and to Mt. Pitt company. The company is experimenting with cyclonic action in its burners, he added.

Flanagan said Elk Lumber company is building a green veneer plant, installing barker and hammer hog, plans installation of a veneer chipper and sale of Forest Loam ground bark by-products.

The company plans to sell wood chips for pulp, he added. The company is planning installation of an air-free heater at an estimated cost of \$25,000 to increase the boiler capacity. It is selling some of the power generated from burning wood wastes to California Oregon Power company, Flanagan added. The company has reduced its contribution to air pollution 50 per cent, he said.

**"Whipping Boy"**  
Steve Nye, of Nye and Naumes Fruit company, asked if the lumber and fruit industries are to be the "whipping boy" of air pollution control. "How about all the home furnaces which send up smoke?" Nye asked the Medford city manager.

"It would not be possible to control the smoke from some 8,000 chimneys," Duff retorted.

Gerow noted that this problem is being dealt with effectively in Eugene. He added that sanitary incinerators and leaf burning are exempted from the new state law on open burning. Such operations would be subject to local control, he added.



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**PET BRINGS SUMMONS**—Edith McNeel, 33, Detroit, Mich., proudly displays her 25-pound pet ocelot, named Wendy, after she was presented with a summons to appear in court on charges of housing an animal not commonly classified as a household pet. The ocelot, native of South America, looks like an overgrown pussycat that resembles a miniature fresh-toteopard. (UPI Telephoto)

**Deer Kills Hunter Near Maplegrove**

Dallas — (UPI) — A Monmouth hunter, George Connel Jones, 42, was dead on arrival at a Dallas hospital Friday night after he was kicked in the face by a wounded deer, the Polk County Coroner's office said.

Jones and Herman Amos, also Monmouth, were hunting in an area near Maplegrove west of here. Amos told authorities that Jones had fired at a deer and gone into the brush after it.

A few minutes later he stumbled onto bleeding profusely from the nose.

Jones was the state's 15th hunting-connected fatality. Six have been shot to death.

Dacca, Pakistan — (UPI) — East Pakistan Gov. Mohamed Azad Khan returned Friday night from a tour of the 600 islands in the Bay of Bengal where an estimated 5,000 persons were killed by tidal waves earlier this month.

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