

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



The Lumber Problem

Government Gets Blame in Northwest Lumber Situation

Editor's note: The U. S. softwood lumber industry is in economic straits. Lumbermen blame Canadian imports, high cost of production and U.S. government timber policies. This is the second of three dispatches analyzing the problem and the outlook for the future.

By JAMES DOYLE

Portland — (UPI) — The Western lumber industry, facing mill closures, job losses and fast disappearing markets, has made enough noise in the halls of Washington to get attention.

The complaint: Lumber from Western Canada has penetrated U.S. markets to 15 per cent, causing mill closure in the Western states.

The Senate Commerce Committee heard testimony in the West during the past summer; study committees have been formed, and negotiations have been formed, and negotiations begun with Canada. But the wheels of government move slowly.

The West Coast Lumbermen's Association says cargo shippers have been the hardest hit. They point to the

Jones Act as the prime inequity.

But the pine area lumbermen, who ship entirely by rail, are no less threatened. They have backed the recommendations of the Douglas fir producers completely.

They blame the U.S. government. They do not expect Canada to remedy a situation working in its favor.

A surtax on Canadian lumber imports would be reciprocal, they say. Canada has a 10 per cent ad valorem tariff on surfaced wood entering its country, none on rough lumber. But this country taxes imports only to one per cent of either type.

'Fair Trade'

Imposing a quarterly limitation or a 10 per cent ad valorem tax on lumber imports until a bilateral termination can be effected would, lumbermen contend, be only "fair trade."

Provisions exist to do this. Under the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1937, the President can take action against excessive imports on agricultural products. This includes lumber.

Another suggestion is that

Congress put an 8 per cent surtax on commodities imported from countries that have artificially depreciated their currency.

Canada, meeting competition from Russian and Swedish lumber in the Common Market countries of Europe, moved to expand its trade in this hemisphere by dropping the value of its dollar to 92.5 per cent. The depreciation also inhibits imports into Canada. "The result is an advantage to Canadian rail shippers of \$1.20 per thousand board feet and more on cargo shipments."

Lumbermen complain that British Columbia now can ship by rail cheaper to Los Angeles — the West's largest market — than can Northwest producers.

Another aspect of the problem lies in the relative costs of U.S. government timber and Canadian timber to U.S. mills and Canadian mills.

While Canada exported enough lumber last year to build a two bedroom home for every person in a city the size of Portland, pine lumbermen said they could not get enough timber from the U.S. Forest Service to keep the mills running. And when they did get it, it cost too much.

Interior Area Concern

Being an industry of the interior — Northern California to the Dakotas — the pine industry is mostly concerned with the clobbering it is getting from Canada's interior.

In testimony last summer before the Senate Commerce Committee, pine lumbermen made it clear that their problems are in no way due to any shortage of the regional timber supply. But the fact that 73 per cent of all commercial forest land in the region is government-controlled does enter into the competitive relationship with Canada.

In the Canadian interior, there is more than twice as much timber which also is held by the government.

Testimony noted that last year, the import of four-billion board feet into this country represented about 56 million man hours of work. That's year-around work for 31,000 men.

Full Cut Not Offered

A spokesman for the pine industry, E. M. Stoddard of the Sawtooth Lumber Co. of Mountain Home, Idaho, testified that the Forest Service does not offer for sale its full allowable cut.

Lumbermen have long complained that the Forest Service sits in judgment on its own verdicts. In fact, an appeal against the Forest Service goes to the Forest Service for judgment.

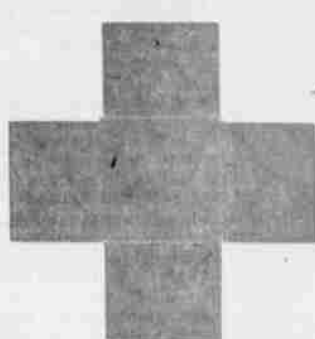
These are some of the areas the industry has asked to have altered. Where the issues stand as seen by the government is another question. Testimony before Senate committees has spotlighted the problems and lumbermen hope a new administration awareness will produce results.

Next: A dilemma for both governments.

Purchase Approved For Ashland Campus

Salem — (UPI) — Purchase of a quarter acre on Indiana st. in Ashland for \$16,000 as part of the site for Southern Oregon College's new health center building was approved Tuesday by the State Board of Higher Education.

The property is owned by the Episcopal Church. The board also authorized extending the boundaries of SOC's campus to take in the tract.

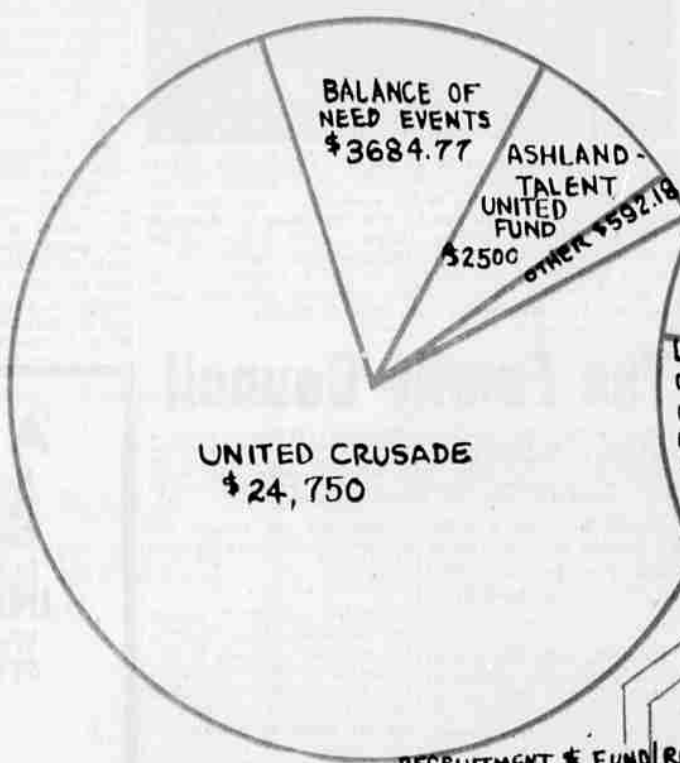
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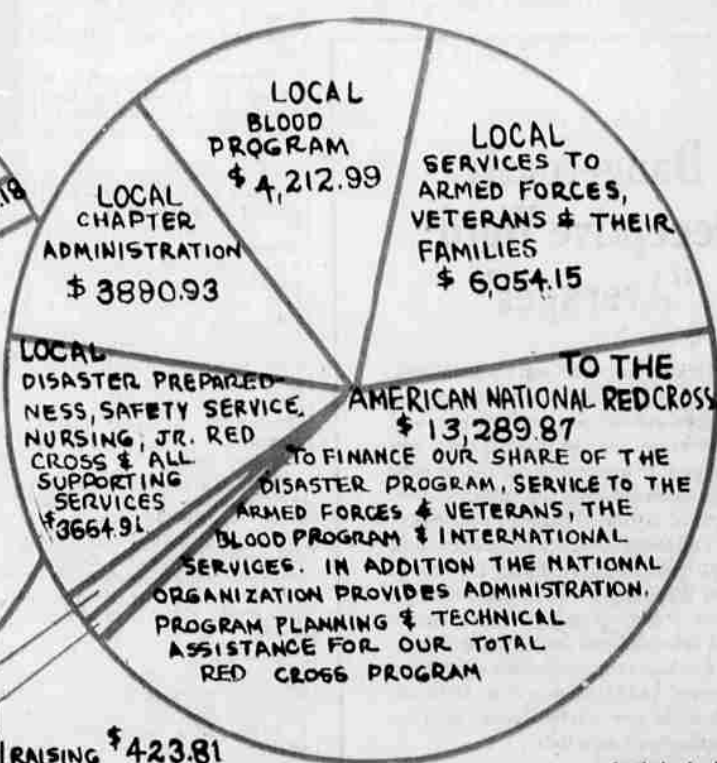
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VOLUNTEER SERVICES

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Chairman, Mrs. Frank Preston; Co-chairman, Mrs. Sheridan Scott; Public Relations Chairman, Ray Lambert; United Fund Board representative, Mrs. O. A. Eden; Volunteer Field Consultant, Mrs. Frank Fairweather.

HOME SERVICE

Approximately 11,500 requests for assistance or information involving servicemen, veterans, their wives and families, and civilians were serviced by 18 trained social welfare aides. These volunteers are trained to counsel in personal and family problems; to make reports for the military regarding home situations, social histories, verification of need for emergency leaves, etc.; to assist with application for government benefits; to give financial assistance on basis of need, and to make intelligent referrals if problem does not come under Red Cross policy. Since Red Cross acts as coordinator for the Jackson County Inter-Community Council for assistance to burned-out families, these volunteers also investigate needs, counsel and assist in obtaining necessary clothing and household items.

Chairman—Mrs. Vincent Nicoletti; Co-chairman—Mrs. William Prentice

DISASTER SERVICE

Members of the Disaster Committee were involved in a search for two lost boys which necessitated calling on Motor Service and Canteen Service. The Motor Service bus was converted efficiently into a mobile canteen, and searchers were fed from same all day and part of the night.

Chairman—Mr. Eugene Thorndike Co-chairman—Mrs. O.E. Eden

BLOOD PROGRAM

Two-day Bloodmobile visits to Medford initiated during the year, together with visits to Ashland, Shady Cove, Rogue River, Prospect and Central Point resulted in a raise in amount of blood collected from 66% to 85% of assigned quota for the county. Excellent cooperation from newspapers, radio and TV stations was largely responsible for this increase.

Chairman—Mrs. J. W. Burba Co-chairman—Mrs. Richard Watson

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Shady Cove Chairman—Mrs. E. W. Seggesman Co-chairman—Mrs. J. R. Bartus

Rogue River Chairman—Mrs. John Harr Prospect Chairman—Mrs. James Grieve

NURSING SERVICES

As Red Cross volunteers, nurses serve their community at bloodmobile operations, as instructors of Mother and Baby Care and Home Nursing classes, and as disaster preparedness committee members. Thanks to the cooperation of Rogue Valley Hospital, a classroom is available for community classes in Mother and Baby Care as often as there is a need for same. Teen-age girls are also taught by these volunteer nurses both Mother and Baby Care and Home Nursing as part of their training to serve as Candy-strippers in the hospital.

Chairman—Mrs. Walter Garner Co-chairman—Mrs. Allen Perry

Chairman Bloodmobile Nurses—Mrs. C. E. Garrett Ashland—Mrs. Earl Schilling

Chairman Disaster Nurses—Miss Alberta Knips

Chairman Nurse Enrollment—Mrs. William Fontaine

Chairman Nursing Instruction—Mrs. Thomas Spatz

FIRST AID

516 certificates were issued for completion of first aid courses by local residents. In addition, all city, county, and state police, fire, and sheriff department personnel are keeping their cards current. Also certified this year were all ambulance personnel. Jackson County Chapter's Instructor-Trainer taught a large group of volunteer instructors for Josephine County, and another group at Southern Oregon College.

Chairman—Don Milligan Co-chairman—Miss Hazel Swayne

Instructor-Trainer—LeRoy Williams

WATER SAFETY

3,651 children enrolled in learn-to-swim and water safety courses; 712 certificates were issued. Highlight of the water safety program was the Youth Aquatic School for 38-15-17 year olds, sponsored jointly by Jackson and Klamath Basin Chapters.

Chairman—Ken Lyons Co-chairman and Director of Aquatic School—Mrs. Roy Wilkes

GRAY LADY SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Working with the State Blind Commission, these volunteers gave many hours to assisting the blind and partially sighted with the Braille program and transportation. They visit the ill, attend funerals, assist with shopping, group meetings and distribution of canes, records, writing guides and talking books. They are also involved in the plans for the new Rehabilitation Center being established in Jackson County.

Chairman—Mrs. Joseph Webster; Co-chairman—Mrs. W. H. Reichstein

GRAY LADY SERVICE TO V.A. DOMICILIARY

Serving the veterans, 24 Gray Ladies gave 3,663 hours to teach classes, work in the infirmary, run errands, visit, read and write letters, wrap packages, make referrals and give out supplies. Eleven of these volunteers also worked during the visit of the Bloodmobile to the community every other month. Gray Ladies also attended Memorial Day services and many funerals at the V.A. cemetery. Once a month a Gray Lady program committee arranges special entertainment for the V.A. members, movies, slides, parties, picnics, local school bands and orchestras, dance groups, etc.

PRODUCTION SERVICE

This busy group of 25 volunteers not only made comfort articles for the veterans at the V.A. Domiciliary consisting of sewing kits, table covers, curtains and laundry bags, but also made smocks for Bloodmobile volunteers, caps and aprons for canteen volunteers, pinafors for high school Red Cross members serving in the chapter, and articles for the fund-raising Bazaar and bridge parties.

Chairman—Mrs. Joe Hearin Co-chairman—Mrs. Paul Lea

V.A. DOMICILIARY COUNCIL SERVICE

The Jackson County Chapter is one of three serving the V.A. Domiciliary supplementing service wherever needed. Volunteers assist in the infirmary, do social welfare work, furnish motor service, hold classes in aphasia, and craft projects, provide comfort articles, and furnish entertainment. V.A. Hospital Representative—Mrs. A. A. Wattenburg

Program Chairman—Mrs. Fred Rehling

JR. RED CROSS AND YOUTH IN RED CROSS

32 schools throughout the county participated in the many activities involving service to others by young people. Students in both elementary and secondary schools made holiday decorations for the V.A. Domiciliary, hospitals and nursing homes. They provided entertainment for veterans; made gift boxes for children in foreign lands and disaster areas; made Hogan kits for Indian children; participated in an international album program; Jr. High and High school students contributed to an international art program; made layettes for the needy, assisted at adult bloodmobile visits with recruitment of donors and babysitting; and did volunteer staff aide work in the Red Cross office during the summer months.

Chairman—Mrs. T. C. Grooms Co-chairman—Mrs. Paul Lea & Mrs. Reese Alexander

MOTOR SERVICE

Indispensable to the functioning of all Red Cross services are the volunteers of the motor corps who transported blood donors, Gray Ladies to and from the V.A. Domiciliary, took blood to and from meetings, transported field representatives from the State Commission for the Blind; transported Senior Citizens in connection with the Council for the Aging; took persons to free X-ray and TB clinics; transported referrals from the Welfare Commission to and from clinics and hospitals; engaged in search parties and investigation of disaster relief cases; transported chapter volunteers to Eugene and Klamath Falls for training sessions, and did numerous errands in connection with administration of chapter.

Chairman—Mrs. Elmer Ness Co-chairman—Mrs. James Winslow

CANTEEN SERVICE

Trained for mass feeding in time of local or national emergency, 27 volunteers gave 1204 hours to prepare food served during the bloodmobile visits, luncheons for monthly board of directors meetings; refreshments for recruitment tea, for fund-raising Bazaar, for workers on Rummage Sale; for bridge benefits. Eleven volunteers also spent a day and a half feeding members of party searching for two lost boys.

Chairman—Mrs. Conno Fiero Co-chairman—Mrs. V. Swinney & Mrs. Walter Shaylor

STAFF AIDES

Invaluable to the effective functioning of any Red Cross chapter are those volunteers who carry out the many routine office duties such as typing letters, records, notices and certificates; mimeographing minutes and directives. Staff aides assist the United Crusade, the Inter-Community Council, and are of inestimable assistance during November and December in connection with the Christmas basket program.

Chairman—Mrs. W. E. Thomas Co-chairman—Mrs. Lester Wilson

RECRUITMENT

This group calls on prospective volunteers and assists them in finding the service to which they can best adapt their abilities.

Chairman—Mrs. E. A. Littrell Co-chairman—Mrs. Reese Braley

RECOGNITION

This committee attempts to pay tribute and give recognition to all individuals and groups who participate in any Red Cross service.

Chairman—Mrs. John S. Day Committee—Mrs. E. F. Bolt, Mrs. McLeod Maurice, Mrs. John Raapke.

EMERGENCY WAREHOUSE

Clothing and household articles given to Red Cross for burned-out families and others in need are sorted, mended and kept in order by volunteers, most of whom are members of the Dorcas Society who give generously of their time to this project.

Committee—Mr. and Mrs. William Darby Mrs. Norman Smith

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