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### Out of the Woods

By JAMES STEVENS "I Like the Work. . .'

The other day a government car spoke with no Western twang.

They crowded into my shack, shook off the mist around the long stove, sniffed the coffee that was just coming to a boil in the gallon granite pot, and pretty soon were sampling it as

Well, and what-were they but a bunch from the State Department on the everyday life of America-in arrive in time for Thanksgiving din this case, on lumbering in the Douglas fir country.

"German people see Hollywood ganda," I was told. "Each medium sored at American Legion. PdAdv. gives them ideas about America that are phoney. Now we are recording the real life of our land in the way that people at work live it and tell it. What would you say first in telling Germany about your life in the American lumber business?"

"I like the work," I said, after due meditation. "That's the first thing." Fascinating Lumber. . .

This simple notion was on my mind brother and family. because I'd spent most of the morning reading the new, revised and down-to- Lemke, Gertrude Barton, and Shirley date edition of Stanley F. Horn's Laird were Salem visitors Tuesday standard work, "This Fascinating evening, where they took part in their Lumber Business," instead of pound-bowling league play. Mrs. Laird

job were on the fir slab bookshelf a- will enter as a participant. Shirley's bove the dock planks and horses that friends expect great things after the serve me for a writing desk. The showing she made last week in Salem. earlier cover picture showed two men | The Walter Petersons had as their in the pine country, pulling in the guests for Thanksgiving dinner their age-old way on a crosscut saw-a son, Ramon, from Oregon State coltimber fallers had a power saw and day afternoon. were leaving a very low stump and

"More wood for the money, less labor for the wages, reduced leftovers in the logging slash, " I said. "There are a thousand other points of progress, that had not been reached, at Salem Memorial hospital. least in a big way, by 1943, the new Horn book demonstrates."

In text and pictures I was able to point up more items of the kind all the way through "This Fascinating Lumber Business." And wound up by suggesting that the State Department could do a lot worse, and probably had, than to get up a translation of the new Horn book for the Ger-

All hands agreed it would be a good thing. But then, in his kind and gentle way, Mr. Berg said, "Why don't you speak for yourself?"

After a while I draped a tarp over the 1909 Model Oliver and we went back up the trail, all four, to the car and then drove to Molly Hogan's where the radio engineer of the outfit ig in and record my gab o tape. I answered questions and orated about the lumber business as I'd known it since my first woods job in 1904. Then the trto wheeled away for a fishing-boat deal and another on apple growing over in the Yakima Valley.

Now there were three able, educated, earnest and enthusiastic young men who were putting in at least 60 hours a week on a really tough assignment from the U. S. State Department, and one that should bring the real Americans and the real Germans a little bit closer.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Wyrick and baby Les's Tavern stopped on the road up in the brush daughter of Bakersfield, Calif., are Detroit Tavern above my boom-pond shack and three visiting at the home of Mrs. Wyrick's Rondezvous Tavern men came skidding down the gravelly parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Verbeck. Meander Inn trail. The leader was a soft-spoken While here Mr. Wyrick was the spe- Cedars Tavern lad named Berg, the others were older, cial speaker at a Thanksgiving service Jerry's Tavern they had that look of old Europe, and at the Christian church Wednesday Richards Tavern evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mason and Mill City Tavern family and Mrs. Gertrude Mason of Maples Tavern Harrisburg spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar W. Thompson they sat around on the bridge-plank of Hoopa, Calif., are here visiting with Mrs. Thompson's parents, Mr and Mrs. Frank Jackson. The Jack son's other daughter and family, Mr whose business was to produce radio and Mrs. Walter Lorenzen and two programs for the folks in Germany, daughters of Seattle are expected to

ner at the Jackson home.

DANCE — Old-Time at Forester hall in Stayton, Saturday, Nov. 24-Old-Time music. Admission 50c, spon

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bassett and family are spending Thanksgiving day with Mrs. Bassett's parents Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Shepard of Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hinz and daughter Judy will spend Thanksgiving in Salem at the home of Mrs. Hinz' sister. The Hinzes are the owners of the Hinz coffee shop.

Mrs. Herbert Schroeder Wednesday left for a visit at Walport with her

Ione Tickle, Esta Carpenter, Pat ing the Oliver Visible to write a story. plans to visit the Star annual bowl-Both the 1943 edition and the new ing tournament in Seattle, where she

misery whip"-to drop a tree by lege and the Chas. Dahlens of Canby. strong-arm labor. The new one Ramon was returned by his father howed a twin scene, but now the and brother, Gary to Corvallis, Thurs-

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