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INDIAN SAYS HE IS 144 YEARS OLD

LAGUNA MOUNTAINS, Cal., July 31.—Said to have been born 144 years ago, the year the Declaration of Independence was signed, on a spot which is now a government reservation and which he still calls home, Domingo Jacinto, chief of a tribe of Digger Indians, was one of the spectators at the Independence day celebration here. Accompanied

POT POURRI

(By LONE STAR)

The Lone Star's wife said to him the other day "Before we were married you always gave me the most beautiful birthday presents, do you remember?"

"Sure" we replied cheerfully, "but my dear, did you ever hear of a fisherman giving bait to a fish after he had caught it?"

Jimmy Ryan claims to be very quick at figures, so to test him out we asked him the other day how many shirts he could get out of a yard.

"Depends upon whose yard ye get into" replied Jimmy.

But in passing can you tell us why they put mortar between bricks? Bob Wattenburg claims it's to hold them together, and Al Graham says it's to keep them apart. So there you are.

Doc Mason has an eight day clock in his home and the other day the clock disappeared. The doctor found it in his cellar three days later. We asked the doctor how he supposed the clock got into his cellar and he told us:—"Oh—just run down I guess."

We have often wondered why all the lawyers in Klamath Falls have their offices upstairs. Someone suggests that it is because they are not on the level.

There was a man in Klamath Falls. And he was very rash. He voted for a Republican. And so lost half his cash.

And when he found what he had done. As guileless as a calf. He voted for a Democrat. And lost the other half.

He pressed her closely to his breast And the color left her cheek But on the shoulder of his coat It showed up for a week.

Three Kentucky thoroughbreds are in training at Lexington to be entered in the 300-mile endurance race to be run this fall from Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., to Camp Devens, Mass.

by his daughter, a granddaughter and a great grandson, he evinced keen interest in the program.

He is said to be older than the pines and other trees which make Laguna mountains resort a playground for the residents of Imperial and San Diego counties. Although feeble, he can walk, see and hear without difficulty.

DEPLETION OF FORESTS CAUSE PAPER SHORTAGE

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 31.—The fundamental cause for the present shortage of newsprint paper is the serious depletion of the forests of the northwestern and the lake states where there is an overdevelopment of the pulp and paper industries, according to a report to the senate by the forest service, United States department of agriculture, in response to a request for information on timber depletion, prices, exports, and ownership. The report, which has recently been made public, is one of the most comprehensive ever prepared dealing with the lumber resources of the nation.

Since the requirements of paper making restrict the kinds of wood that can be advantageously used in making newsprint, four species—spruce, hemlock, balsam and poplar—supplied 84 per cent of the total amount manufactured in 1917, according to the report. The occurrence of these species chiefly in the corduroy to the report. The over-lake states and New England has led to the over-centralization of the paper-making industry there. It is stated.

Paying Penalty for Depletion

Until recently, when abnormal demands, short supplies and resulting high prices led to increased newsprint production through the utilization of plants designed for and formerly used in making other kinds of paper, there has been no expansion in the newsprint industry in the United States since 1909, and we have had to import large quantities of pulpwood and paper, the report points out. The demand, however, has greatly increased, and because of excessive depletion of our own resources this country now is dependent upon foreign sources for two-thirds of its newsprint or its raw material.

Even with the imports the supply has been far short of the needs of the newspapers of the country in the past two years. The contract price has increased more than 200 per cent while spot market prices are 500 per cent more than in 1915. "Prior to the war," says the report, "the larger newspapers secured all or practically all of their supplies under contract, and a relatively small percentage of the total newsprint consumption was handled on a spot market basis. During the last year the larger papers have found it increasingly difficult to secure all of their supplies under contract and have been forced to secure the remainder in the open market. It is in the open market that the full effect of competition for inadequate supplies is shown and this is reflected in the much higher prices.

Small Papers Suffer Most

"Unfortunately it is upon the spot market that the smaller newspapers, least able to increase returns by increasing advertising and raising their rates, must depend." The result has been that many of these small papers have been forced to curtail their issues and have had the greatest difficulty in securing enough newsprint to continue publication.

It has been possible for the lumber industry to move to more remote timber lands as forests have been cut away, but the heavy investment required for paper plants have made it impossible for the paper industry to do this. The result is that existing mills are finding it necessary to secure their supplies of wood from increasing distances. Spruce from Minnesota and Canada, for example, is being hauled from 700 to 1,200 miles to paper mills in Wisconsin.

The timber is going fast, the report says. It is reported that in New York, where nearly 50 per cent of our newsprint is produced, 60 per cent of the pulp and paper mills have absolutely no timber supplies of their own. For these mills there seems to be no other prospect than to close down in a comparatively few years. In New Hampshire the coniferous pulpwood has been cut heavily and 10 or 12 years will see the end of the supply. Aside from the state preserve in New York, in which no cutting is allowed, the bulk of the coniferous pulpwood in the east is located in Maine. One company there has enough timber for 40 to 60 years cut. Others are estimated to have enough to last 15 to 25 years, but there are about 15 companies which have no lands of their own and which will have difficulty in purchasing material within 10 years.

In general, the pulp and paper mills of the northeast are becoming more and more dependent upon Canadian wood. Such dependence, the

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report points out, is extremely dangerous. All exports of pulpwood are prohibited from Newfoundland. The Canadian provinces have prohibited the export of pulpwood from crown lands, which form a very considerable part of the timberlands in eastern and western Canada.

On the whole, the situation of the newsprint industry in the eastern United States is very unfavorable and there is little chance of its becoming better, the report states. The only things that can assure production of even approximate domestic requirements are concerted effort to increase the production of pulpwoods in the northeast and the development of the newsprint industry in the west and in Alaska.

Alaska Offers Relief
The timber on the Tongass na-

tional forest in Alaska is said by the report to be of particular importance in connection with the newsprint situation. It is estimated that there are about 70 billion board feet of Sitka spruce and western hemlock well suited for paper making. The timber is located in a comparatively narrow belt along 1,200 miles or more of coast line. Water power is available as is also deep water transportation from numerous mill sites.

"It is estimated that the cut from this region alone will insure a perpetual supply large enough to meet one-half of the present newsprint requirements of the United States. Alaska is one of the centers to which the newsprint industry of the United States should look for a large future development. The same is true of other centers in the west, where

immense resources of pulpwood supply are now almost wholly undeveloped. Much of this timber is in the national forests."

To bring about promptly the development of the pulp and paper industry in new regions of abundant timber supplies the report recommends a comprehensive survey to furnish exact information upon the stand and location of suitable timber and other needed data.

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