

TARIFF AS AID TO LUMBERMEN

Lumber Manufacturers Jubilant Over Duty in Tariff Bill.

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Now that the new tariff bill needs only the president's signature to become a law, northwest lumbermen are congratulating themselves upon the fact that it includes some protection for lumber, even though it is much less than they had hoped to obtain.

The new bill provides for a tariff of \$1 a thousand feet on Douglas fir, hemlock, pine, spruce and larch lumber, except that which is rough or surfaced only one side, if produced in a country contiguous to continental United States, which more directly stated means Canada.

The provision which makes an exception of lumber rough or surfaced only one side was a sort of consolation amendment suggested at the suggestion of Senator Copeland of New York, who promised to vote for lumber in the senate only if this exception would be made. Senator Copeland was urged to make this change in the amendment as originally offered by Senator Jones of Washington at the request of a large number of congressmen at North Tonawanda, N. Y., that have for many years been engaged in buying Canadian lumber, which they bring in on boats and put through their planing mills. By allowing rough lumber to come in free and placing a duty on stock which is surfaced more than one side, the business of the North Tonawanda planing mills will be greatly increased it is thought as being unable to ship their finished product in without paying a duty, many of the Canadian manufacturers are situated so that they can ship to North Tonawanda by water economically, which will bring their lumber into the United States free, and do the finishing work on this side of the line with little if any added expense.

A careful study made a few months ago showed that only a little of the lumber which Canadian mills export to the United States is either rough or surfaced only one side, most of it being either surfaced one side and edge, two sides or surfaced four sides. Two big stumbling blocks prevent changing from this practice. In the first place, the trade has over a long period of time become accustomed to buying their lumber surfaced more than one side, and it will be a difficult matter to get them to change. Fully as important if not more so is the matter of freight. Rough lumber or lumber which is surfaced only one side weighs a great deal more than that which is surfaced one side and edge or four sides. On a long rate of freight this difference in weight runs into considerable money, and as the buyer is not willing to absorb it, it must come out of the

mill base price of the lumber, as practically all lumber is sold on a delivered basis.

The Canadian government protects its lumber industry against importations from the United States with a duty of 35 per cent ad valorem on all except rough and surfaced one-side lumber, and people are misled into believing that the protective tariff afforded the American lumber industry in the new bill is a reciprocal or countervailing duty. The 25 per cent ad valorem duty which Canada imposes on American lumber will average on today's prices approximately from \$4 to \$5 a thousand, and is sufficient to act as a real barrier against anything but rough or surfaced one-side stock, and there is but little material of that kind ever shipped to Canada from either Oregon or Washington.

The duty of \$1 a thousand feet is entirely inadequate, but it is a step in the right direction, and now that lumber is in the bill it is within the power of the president under the flexible provision to increase the lumber duty 50 per cent, which would make it \$1.50 a thousand, and that would help.

A protective tariff of \$1 a thousand on Douglas fir, hemlock, spruce, pine and larch is going to mean considerable to the northwest in dollars and cents, so it is something to rejoice over.

Dairy Products—April butter and cheese prices were unsettled due to decline in demand. Prices hit the lowest levels since 1921-22, respectively. Expectations that butter demands will have increased in June were held by many observers.

Fluid milk prices were weakened but evaporated milk markets held up under increased heavy demands.

Cattlemen Optimistic
Least Cattle—Prospect of increased dairy stock culling is the most uncertain factor in this situation. There is conservative optimism prevalent among cattlemen that fairly good prices should prevail during the remainder of the year.

Hogs—The outlook is favorable in view of a reduction in domestic consumer demand for meat.

Wool—Domestic wool markets have remained very unfavorable to sellers. World wool prices still continue from 40 to 50 per cent lower than the 1929 average.

Flaxseed—The trend is toward lower prices. There has been a decrease in the demand for flaxseed oil.

Pelican City Dads Guests of Children

Pelican City dads were entertained last night by their daughters and sons at a meeting at the Pelican City Community club.

Harold D. Mortenson, head of the Pelican City Lumber company, gave the address of the evening and the Community club orchestra—composed of boys and girls of Pelican City, presented several numbers. Games were played and a one-act comedy was presented.

Joe Thalhofer announced that this summer Mr. Mortenson is sponsoring a playground for the children of the community. About 30 attended the meeting of dads last night.

Chance Seen For Early Completion Of Highway Link

H. A. Alderton, of the California Bureau of Public Roads, with headquarters in San Francisco, left Klamath Falls Monday morning after spending 10 days in making a reconnaissance of The Dalles-California highway south from the Oregon state line to connect with the Alturas-Redding lateral of the California state highway system.

Mr. Alderton was greatly impressed with the tourist travel into Klamath Falls after checking the traffic counts at the chamber of commerce offices.

He stated that in all probability the survey of the Dalles-California highway, connecting with the Alturas-Redding lateral would be completed this summer.

Chef Made Wealthy, Worked in Klamath

Charles Cherry, a red-haired Texan with a southern drawl and "no hankerin' for wealth," is being followed around the country by an attorney whose earnest desire is to present Cherry with a \$100,000 legacy.

For a long time, Cherry, who is a cook and a member of the local Culinary Alliance, worked in this city at the Klamath Billiard Parlors, and it was from the same place that he was "caught."

Nothing daunted, the Texan wandered off to serve the public from kitchens in other parts of the country. In the meantime an uncle who resided in Texas passed away, leaving this small fortune to his favorite nephew.

Cherry was located in Reno, Nevada, and there he will receive the lawyer and his legacy. Whether or not any terms had been incorporated in the will could not be learned.

Order of Redmen Join Celebration

The Improved Order of Redmen went on record at their meeting last night as fully endorsing the "Days of '49" celebration which will be presented here by the community on July 2 to 6.

The degree team of the Redmen will parade in costume on July 4, it was decided at the meeting.

The Improved Order of Redmen is one of the oldest orders in the United States. It dates back to the Sons of Liberty or

CLUB MEMBERS AT CORVALLIS

ESTHER MICHAEL

The members of the Hildebrand 4-H club, who received the trip to Corvallis were: Bessie and John Hartman, Ernest Flackus and Lucile Pool.

T. P. Michael and son Marvin, and Adam Weidman were Klamath Falls visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Welch were delegates from the Hildebrand Grange who attended the State Grange at Redmond. Their daughter, Miss Willetta Welch accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Holm and small son, Johnnie were business visitors in Klamath Falls Wednesday.

Joe Smith, accompanied by Marvin Michael, motored to Eugene Tuesday. They expect to return the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ritter and family and Mrs. Karoline Ritter were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmore, Sr. in Swan Lake.

Frank Castle is employed at the A. R. Gray ranch south of Hildebrand.

Manuel Vieira has returned to his home in Hildebrand after spending the past month at his ranch in Sprague River.

Eugene Johnson of the Roy Call Auto company, delivered a car to Oliver Lovelady of Hildebrand Saturday.

The Spring Valley Telephone company held its annual meeting at the Hildebrand Grange hall, Monday, June 10th.

Joe Smith was a visitor at T. P. Michael home Monday.

T. P. Michael and son, Marvin, and Adam Weidman prepared a place for a new bridge which is to be built on the east side road near the Weidman ranch.

Karl Zanzinger was a visitor at the Joe Smith home Sunday evening.

DRY OFFICER BLAIN

GOLDSBORO, N. C., June 17. (AP)—P. L. Pinchum, a prohibition enforcement officer, was killed and H. V. Andrews, another officer, wounded seriously early today in a gun fight with alleged rum runners who escaped.

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DAIRY SPECIAL DECLARED BEST EVER ON TOUR

"The most successful tour ever made by a demonstration train in Oregon," was the general verdict passed upon the recent trip of the dairy demonstration train which has completed a 16-stop schedule through northwestern and central Oregon under the auspices of the state college extension service and the S. P. & N. railroad.

The trip was most successful from the standpoint of attendance, but probably more important was its reception on the part of dairymen themselves who were generous in their praise of the practical nature of the exhibits and program features which emphasized the four points of economical production, higher quality, better marketing and increased consumption.

Refrigeration Tested
One of the important elements in the higher quality exhibit was the demonstration of refrigeration equipment in which cream put aboard the special at Corvallis was kept perfectly sweet for the entire 16-day tour.

When sampled at Redmond after 250 hours at about 35 degrees temperature, it was pronounced still in perfect condition.

The campaign for better cows through use of good stires also came to a climax at Redmond when a local dairymen purchased the Jersey bull carried along in the demonstration herd. This bull was from the C. C. Dickson herd at Shedd and brought \$125.

Redmond Led Attendance
Redmond won honors for attendance with 3727. This included close to 1000 strangers there for the state meeting. Hillsboro was second with 1535 and Albany third with 1345.

Other attendance figures follow in order:
White Salmon, 1049; Seaside, 1004; Eugene, 1003; Clatskanie, 919; Salem, 391; Forest Grove, 555; Vernonia, 515; Astoria, 508; Rainier, 786; Scappoose, 640; Donald, 538; Wilsonville, 478; and Portland 196. No regular meeting was held at Portland, the cars merely being open two hours for visitors.

Girls Enter Contest For Miss Klamath

Eight well-known Klamath Falls girls have entered the bathing beauty contest being sponsored by the local Lions club. Others wishing to enter are asked to leave their names at Stroud's Bootery, and some business firm of the city will sponsor each girl. It was announced last night by Mrs. F. C. Adams, who is in charge.

The winner of the contest here will be sent to Portland with all expenses paid to take part in the contest to choose "Miss Oregon." Thus far the choice stands between the following girls:

Doris Jones, who will be sponsored by Kenneth & Kirkpatrick; Mary Dougherty, Curran's; Mabel Moore, Willard Hotel; Minnie Rummel, Blue Bird; Alberta Hall, Hotel Hall; Alden Harris, Davis Furniture company; Margaret Macken, American National bank; Marguerite Lindsey, First National bank.

This contest is entirely different from the "Belle of '49" contest being conducted in connection with the '49 celebration, it was pointed out last night.

A device that removes strings from beans has been invented that can be clamped to a table edge.

Connolly Brothers Removal sale at 912-914 Main St. Opposite Tenth Street.

Greeks set the fashion of placing halos around the heads of statues and paintings. They were not used to denote divinity, however, but to protect the heads from rain, being a solid metal plate.

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