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RAILROAD SCOUR COUNTRY
FOR ADEQUATE TIE SUPPLY

That an humble railroad tie is an important factor in the material development of the country is a great truth that is little understood by people outside of railroad circles. The puffing engine that speeds at the rate of a mile or more a minute over the country is a slave to the two steel rails that insure a smooth and safe road, and these rails in turn depend on the old-fashioned wooden cross-tie which holds them in place.

Yankee invention has not yet found a substitute which has induced the railroads to give up wood, although experts say that the day will surely come when the country's forests will no longer be called upon to supply the demand for ties. Up to the present time it seems that no other material has been found which has the resiliency of wood and which at the same time causes less wear and tear on the rails, fastenings and roadbed.

The country's railroads during the last two or three years used 110,000,000 to 150,000,000 of sawed and hewn ties a year. The ideal tie timber is white oak, which combines the qualities of durability, hardness, strength and close grain. It is not only excellent for ties, but is widely used in ship building, for general construction, in cooerage, in the manufacture of carriages, for agricultural implements, interior finish of houses, and for furniture. On account of this wide use, the supply has been greatly reduced and some of the railroads have been forced to pay almost prohibitive prices for ties, or to substitute other and cheaper woods to replace the white oak ties rapidly disappearing from their lines.

Over 40 per cent of the ties recently purchased by the railroads of the country are oak, according to latest statistics of the United States forest service. Cross-ties of southern pine formed somewhat less than 25 per cent. Douglas fir ties ranked third, with approximately 10 per cent of the total. Naturally the proportion of these two timbers will increase as the supply of oak dwindles. This is also true of cedar, chestnut, cypress, western pine, tamarack, hemlock and other

or trees which are coming into the market as tie timbers.

Cedar, which is very durable, has been extensively used to take the place of white oak for ties, but it is so soft that it is readily cut by the rails. This necessitates the use of tie plates and other protective devices when cedar ties are used. As the supply of cedar is also running short, it is necessary for the railroads to seek further for new tie timber. One of the woods which has all the requisites of a good tie, with the exception of durability, is the beech.

A beech tie generally consists largely of sapwood, which partly accounts for its lack of durability, but, on the other hand, allows a thorough and easy preservative treatment. In Germany and France beech ties have been successfully preserved from decay, and are used very extensively. Beech is found widely distributed throughout the eastern part of the United States, and at the present time is comparatively cheap and abundant. If, therefore, the railroads whose lines are located in the regions where beech is abundant can make use of this wood, treated with some suitable preservative, another source of supply of tie timber will be opened up.

Stumpage values have been increasing so rapidly during the last few years that many railroads have found it necessary to modify their timber policy, and they yearly apply preservatives to a greater number of ties and to more kinds of wood. Substitute woods naturally vary with different sections of the country, but in most cases they lack the two essential qualities found in white oak, namely, resistance to mechanical wear and to decay. Experience proves that wear can be successfully retarded by the use of tie plates and other mechanical devices, and decay can be postponed by the application of proper preservatives. The new conditions have made it necessary for many railroad companies to meet the problem of preservation by establishing treating plants at central points of distribution along their lines.

COLLEGE OF ORATORY
GIVES A RECITAL

Pupils of the College of Oratory of the university appeared in a public recital in the chapel of the university last night. They were assisted by W. B. Beckley of the College of Music, and by the Glee Club quartet, whose numbers were greatly appreciated. Although the Glee Club has been organized only a short time its work compares very favorably with that of glee from other colleges whose members have been organized longer and have had much more training. All the readings were well given and the large audience was in sympathy with the pupils from the first. The vocal pupils of the College of Music will appear in a recital in about three

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[United Press Leased Wire.]
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Buried by Avalanche.
 Innsbruck, Austrian Tyrol, March 2.—Thirty-one soldiers, including six officers, were buried under an avalanche in the Tyrol today. Troops are being rushed to the scene. Reports indicate that many of the victims were killed.

IS ASSEMBLING

[United Press Leased Wire.]
 Washington, March 2.—The cruiser Hartford and the transport Prairie bearing 1500 sailors of the Atlantic fleet who will march in the inaugural parade, docked here today. The transport Dixie is expected from Norfolk tonight with 600 men.

A drizzling rain fell during the morning but the sun appeared shortly before noon. The weather predictions are for a clear spell tomorrow and Thursday.

Thousands of visitors are arriving in the city and accommodations will soon be hard to secure. Every train bears incoming tourists from all parts of the country and it is believed that the greatest crowd that ever attended a presidential inauguration will be in this city on March 4.

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You never realize how popular you are until around election time, when the politicians leave their visiting cards.

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Are Sick

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