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THE "RUINED" LUMBER INDUSTRY

Hughes newspaper organs and campaign speakers have only one Northwest industry left that has been crippled by the Underwood tariff, and their hold on that is slipping fast. Some of them still harp on lumber, but it looks as if that industry would be booming, too, if the Southern Pacific company was able to shunt a few more empty cars on to the sawmill sidings. For instance, Saturday's Portland Evening Telegram, the most rabid Hughes paper in the Northwest, printed the following news story on its market page:

Telegrams received today from various sections of the Pacific northwest indicate that there has been an advance of approximately \$1 a thousand on all grades of lumber. The action is the result entirely of the car shortage and on account of the heavy rush of orders received. The action taken by the lumbermen has been entirely independent and on their own initiative. The advance is fully warranted in every particular and it will be surprising if there is not a further boost in the near future. At the same time there has been an advance in the shingle market, where prices have been sharply elevated. Like lumber, this action is justifiable and has been expected for some time.

Yesterday a brief meeting of the Willamette Valley Lumber association was held here and, while it lasted only short time, the consensus of opinion of the members was that prices should be advanced fully \$1 a thousand. While no concerted action was taken looking to this end, it is understood the members will, on their own hook, make the advance to become effective at once.

Reports from all over the country tell of favorable conditions in the market. From Houston, Tex., comes word that the most serious car shortage in the history of the market has caused a marked stiffening in prices and that values are about as above what they were 30 days ago. Very few manufacturers are willing to take any business at all.

From Kansas City, Mo., comes word that the majority of manufacturers have had salesmen off the road for 10 days on account of the heavy order files. Car supply in the South is 10 per cent of requirements and is considered a serious barometer.

Think of that, another \$1 per thousand added to the already high market price of this product destroyed by Underwood tariff law! and lumber is so high now, compared with the price we used to pay for it when Taft was president that it ought to be added to the long list of luxuries, out of reach of the man of ordinary means.

Senator Chamberlain, in an address at Dallas, last week, gave some facts and figures as follows:

"I have a letter from the United States bureau of foreign and domestic commerce written by the chief of that bureau on June 3, last year, and giving the record of his department, as to imports and exports of lumber from Canada from July 1, 1909, up to and including the first 10 months of the fiscal year.

"This record shows during the year ending June 30, 1910, under President Taft's administration in round numbers, 1,045,000 feet of sawed lumber were imported from Canada. During 1911 this fell to a trifle more than 800,000 feet, while for the year ending June 30, 1913, before the Underwood tariff act was passed, the imports rose to 1,021,000 feet.

"In 1914, largely under the Underwood tariff, the importations were, in round numbers, 800,000 feet, in 1915 900,000, and the same in 1916.

"My friend down there (referring to a questioner in the audience) who is worrying about the Oregon market, knows that it is not Canadian lumber that is hurting the Oregon mills," the senator continued.

"He knows that it is a lack of transportation facilities. He knows that the railroad company has not furnished cars and that the ships have been taken for ever sea business on the Atlantic coast. He knows that if he had transportation now he would be selling his lumber in the markets of America, and of the world, for a higher price than he ever got before."

The senator's assertion that the car shortage is only holding the price of lumber within reasonable bounds is borne out by the review of the situation reprinted above from the market and financial page of the Telegram.

The reason why Canadian competition is not feared by Oregon and Washington lumbermen is because it costs more to manufacture lumber in Canada than on this side of the line, accordingly the retail prices of the product are higher there than here, as anyone may ascertain who takes the trouble to look up current lumber quotations.

The Oregonian this morning says:

The American barkentine Makaweli sailed yesterday morning at 10 o'clock for Newcastle, Australia, with about 1,000,000 feet of lumber on board. She was loaded at Westport, and goes in the service of Hind, Rolph & Co.

The same company has the schooner Honipuu, now en route to the Columbia river, for lumber loading. The schooner left Newcastle, Australia, for this port September 21. She will be dispatched to Australia.

The schooner Carrie Dove got away from Adelaide for this port September 7, and will take on lumber for Australian shipment. She is booked by J. J. Moore.

Here we are shipping millions of feet of lumber into one of the British colonies, disproving the allegation that Canada is a dangerous competitor. This market is open to Canada, also a part of the British empire, but Oregon mills are filling the orders for lumber. The Oregonian's editorial page, like that of the Evening Telegram, disagrees with its market and commercial news—probably because the latter is founded on facts.

Hugh Smith of Forest Grove claims the Championship for his little hen Rebecca. He claims she laid two eggs in ten minutes. Owing to rush of business Rebecca did not have much time in which to advertise her first production. Mr. Smith should see that the biddy has time to cackle a little between eggs.

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ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF HUGHES

Leone Cass Baer, the Oregonian special staff writer, had an article in that paper yesterday in which she set forth the principal points in the speeches of Mrs. E. B. Hanley, the star woman orator in the Hughes campaign. She selects the following bright utterances as the most typical of the reasons advanced why Hughes should be elected president of the United States:

"It's just like belonging to a lodge to be a republican. You've got the password the minute you say you're one.

"A republican is a republican because he loves something and a democrat is a democrat because he hates something.

"Woodrow must have been on the right side some of the time, for he's been on both sides.

"No wonder Ellis Parker Butler is for Wilson. He wrote 'Pigs is Pigs,' you remember, and the democratic administration is full of pork.

"As for Edison, that gentleman is highly flattered and still smothered in joy because of Daniels' attention and recognition. Mr. Edison is interested in things that switch on and off and naturally the democratic party appeals to him. Luther Burbank thinks the salvation of the world lies in his invention of spinesless cactus and naturally it follows that he would give a lot of attention to a spineless statesman.

"Democrats make the extravagant claims for this administration. They claim everything from the discovery of the North pole to finding Charlie Ross.

We can't answer these "arguments"—they are simply unanswerable, provided of course the Hughes campaigners have correctly sized up the intelligence of the people of Oregon. If that kind of tommy-rot appeals to those voters who have to decide the issue between Wilson and Hughes on November seventh it would be a waste of time to argue the question.

AFRAID OF STATE AID

Pomona Grange at a recent meeting had up the subject of getting lime for use on the farms, and it was suggested that the state be urged to secure limestone deposits and put in a plant for grinding and preparing the stone for use. One delegate suggested that in view of the state's wonderful mismanagement of the flax experiment that it would be better not to have it know anything about it but that the grange should take the matter up itself. Unfortunately the basis for this statement was truth. While the state was generous in providing for the flax experiment putting up \$50,000 for the purpose, and while it was a matter of supreme importance to the whole country west of the Cascades those in charge could not rise above petty politics and give the experiment a chance. Instead of being tried out in a business way it was botched and butchered until instead of being a help it has been a hindrance to getting the flax industry started. Pomona grange did well to avoid getting the state tangled up with its lime project, that is if the grange really wanted the lime. The suggestion was made that the lime plant be worked by convict labor. Perhaps the member who objected to state aid realized that at the present rate of paroling and pardoning, there will not be any convict labor long. Eight per cent let out at once is a pretty good start toward cleaning out the prison.

The house of delegates of the Protestant Episcopal church is having a dispute as to the propriety of praying for the army and navy. One delegate advanced the idea that it was wrong to pray for them because it would encourage the young men to go to war and turn them from pure religion, and from God. Considering the results in Europe where the warring nations are all praying for success over their enemies, it looks very much as though the prayers are not very effective. "All things are possible with God," and yet it is difficult for mere man to understand how He can answer the prayers of all and give each the victory.

Reading Candidate Hughes's speeches one cannot but wonder at the maidenly modesty which bears so heavily on him. About everything President Wilson has done brings "the blush of shame" to his cheeks so he says, but as he wears whiskers one has to take his word for it. It is really remarkable that one who as a supreme court justice could decide, as he did, the Oregon-California land grant case, and still be capable of blushing at anything.



MAKING GOOD

I bought an ax of Ezra Wax, who said to me, "Now, sonny, if it's no good at chopping wood, come back and get your money. If I sell junk that turns out punk, the buyer is no loser; I'll make it good, as dealers should—I'm that sort of a snoozer." With that new ax I took some whacks at divers kinds of lumber; the edge was spoiled, and I was roiled, and said things without number. I took the ax to Ezra Wax, and showed him it was pester, and for an hour, with wrathful power, I roared like baseball rooter. My spiel he heard; without a word, he handed me a new one; an ax so neat, so bright, so sweet, a keen one and a true one! Said Ezra Wax, "You bet your yaks, warthogs and dromedaries, that I make good, as dealers should—my system never varies!" I buy my tacks of Ezra Wax, my wringers and my whistles, my hoes and rakes and oil meal cakes, my seed of grass and thistles. He would not break the pledge he'd make, or tramp a promise under, so I make tracks to Ezra Wax for every kind of plunder.

Mt. Angel News

(Capital Journal Special Service.)
Mount Angel, Or., Oct. 23.—Sunday morning at five o'clock the sad news of Mrs. Annen's death was announced, she began to feel weak Saturday afternoon and continued getting weaker. The cause of her death was typhoid fever. Her funeral was held Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Nathan her daughter from Salem arrived Saturday night before her death.

Mrs. Young a sister-in-law of Mr. R. L. Yeomans of this city, is here for a few weeks' visit from Dallas.

Sunday evening, Oct. 21, the young ladies will give a social in the Parish Hall consisting of a program, card playing and lunch.

Mr. Otto Oswald and his sisters Mrs. A. Oswald, Mrs. Feldman and Miss Ann autoed to Salem Wednesday to visit their Uncle Alex Schrabach.

Misses Mary and Tillie Overroeder who have been visiting at Bronkey's for a week, left last Monday for their home in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Keber autoed to Portland Saturday for a trip.

Miss Barbara Kamp came home Friday to visit with her parents a short time. She is doing light house at Salem.

AURORA HOP NOZES.

The Wolf Hop company has made several purchases in this section this week. Tuesday, Laurason bought the following lots for that sum: 17 bales from Bunning & Ernst at St. Paul at 8 1-2 cents; 3 bales from Armstrong at Hubbard at 10 cents and 55 bales from Chris Trost of this place at 11 cents. Another sale reported Tuesday was the Chas. Kuensting lot of 100 bales to Louis Lachmund of Salem at 11 cents.

Renewed activity in the hop market is apparent again this week. Yakimas are reported to have sold as high as 13 cents. In Western Washington there were a number of lots sold at 11 1/2c. California trading has been heavy, and 2,000 bales of Sonomas changed hands at 11 to 12 1/2c. The Wolf Hop company getting 700 bales of these at 11 1/2 cents.

Wm. Brown again bought hops in this section at the top price or near it. Thursday last he purchased the C. H. Lorenz lot of 28 bales and the Ed Graves lot of 65 bales at 11 1/4c. Both lots were prime to choice hops, it is reported. Another sale to Brown was the J. K. Gribble lot of 79 bales at 11 cents.

McCammon, of the Hop Growers' Association office at Salem was here Friday in the interests of the Association. Like manager Clark of the Association, the employees are not doing so much talking as they did last year. Experience is a stern teacher.

Physical Training For All the Pupils

Physical training for every boy and girl in the junior high schools is part of the regular course this year and in following out the plan, the Washington junior high school has organized five football teams.

The light weights will have a chance along with those of a heavier build. Three of the teams are in the heavy weight section. With the dividing of the teams according to the weight, at least 65 of the boys are getting the training given by foot ball with the chances for injury reduced to a minimum, as the boys are all playing against those of an equal weight. Boys not in football will be given opportunity to play playground ball and volleyball.

Last Thursday the first of the scheduled games were played resulting in a score of 13 to 0, the team captained by Amory Gill winning over the one captained by Russell Moffit.

Each of the teams will play two games with the others of equal weight and the winner of the series will be given a banner by the student body. All games are played on the senior



IN the dead letter office at Washington a force of clerks is engaged opening letters, which for various reasons, mainly improper or careless addressing, fail to reach their intended destination.

Thousands of letters are opened which contain currency, the ownership of which it is impossible to trace.

But when bank drafts are found, their restoration is quite easy.

There are various ways of safely transmitting funds through the mails, but business houses prefer the Bank Draft. Post-office and express orders do not admit of many endorsements, and the exchange on them costs the sender more than when a bank draft is purchased.

Should a bank draft become lost a duplicate is issued on application and payment on original stopped. No bond is necessary, as in the case of some other forms of exchange.

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ACHES AND PAINS

DAMS ARE BLOWN UP

Two dams on the Upper Albion which have been a hindrance to the fish in the stream from going upstream above the dams, were blown out last Thursday by an order of the state game commission. An effort has been made several times before to remove these dams but not until S. Ames offered to donate the powder was any definite action taken.

Messrs. Parker and Bremmer of Salem, two attaches of the game office came over and witnessed the explosions. The work was well done, the dams being thoroughly removed. Twenty-five dollars worth of powder was used.—Silverton Appeal.

Don't neglect a pain anywhere, but find out what causes it and conquer the cause. Pain in the kidney region may put you on your back tomorrow. Don't blame the weather for swollen feet, it may be an advanced warning of Bright's disease. A pain in the stomach may be the first symptom of appendicitis. A creek in a joint may be the forerunner of rheumatism. Chronic headaches more than likely warn you of serious stomach trouble. The best way is to keep in good condition day in and day out by regularly taking GOLD MEDAL HAARLEM OIL Capsules. Sold by reliable druggists. Money refunded if they do not help you. Beware of substitutes. The only pure imported Haarlem Oil Capsules are the GOLD MEDAL.

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YOUTH A WOMEN'S GREATEST ASSET

CHAPTER XVI.

"Oh, but Clifford thinks me too young!" I explained. "You know I am not accustomed to a gay life. I reckon my dad would be scandalized if he saw me dancing in public—even with my husband's friends.

"Too young! Can one ever be too young, I wonder, especially when they are also charming and beautiful? Thank God for your youth and beauty. And you're naive, in referring after—oh! well we can't all be young. Let me give you a bit of advice. I am old enough to do so you know. Get all out of life that you can while you are young."

"But Clifford's friends are all much older than me, yet they have better times than I do," I protested.

"That is all your own fault. Don't you know, my dear Mrs. Hammond, that not a woman your husband knows but would give everything she has in the world in exchange for your youth—to say nothing of your beauty. For you are very lovely. Hasn't anyone ever told you so?"

"No, not for a long time," I admitted, "that is unless we count Mandy—she says I am pretty." Then I blushed as I thought of the evening Leonard Brooke had spent with me. He, too, had said I was lovely.

Clifford Hears of the Call.
Mr. Lockwood had been gone but a few moments when Clifford came in.

"I hope dinner's ready," he said, disguising a yawn. "I'm dead tired and am going to bed as soon as I have finished."

"It will be ready in a few minutes, sir," Kate told him, and he sat down in the library to wait.

"Mr. Lockwood has been here, Clifford," I began rather timidly, I had no idea of keeping that fact from my husband, yet I feared he would be angry.

"Who? I was almost asleep," "Your friend, Mr. Lockwood, called."

"What did he want?" "Why—nothing. He came to see me; he asked if he might the other night."

"I don't wonder after the bold way you acted. Well he needn't trouble himself to call again."

"Oh, I don't think he will. I didn't ask him. I suppose he thought because he was one of your friends he was in duty bound to call upon your wife." I explained glibly, pleased that Clifford had seemed so indifferent.

"Well, as I said, he needn't call again. Is that dinner ready, Kate?" to the girl who had just appeared in the doorway.

"Dinner is served, sir." A Restful Night.
Clifford scarcely spoke during dinner, although I had ordered it with particular reference to his taste. He yawned

several times, and as soon as he had finished went upstairs. I waited for an hour, then followed his example. Edith thought it a great joke that daddy had gone to bed, and Mandy declared he must be sick.

"I'm going too now, Mandy," I told her. "I am very tired. I had no sleep at all last night."

"What for you no get no sleep! Was yo frettin' 'bout Marso Hammond agin'?"

"Never mind, Mandy. You mustn't ask such questions," and while she said no more I could hear her grumbling until beyond the sound of her voice.

I went to sleep immediately my head touched the pillow. Clifford was already sleeping. When I woke in the morning it was later than usual, and I heard him taking his bath. I felt so fresh, so rested, that I sang merrily while I dressed. To my surprise Clifford commenced to whistle in unison, and when I stopped he kept right on until he had finished the stanza.

"A good night's sleep does one good occasionally," he said, pleasantly, as he emerged all glowing and shiny from his ablutions. "I'm late now. Would you mind running down and seeing that breakfast is on, the table immediately?"

(Tomorrow—The Silver Lining.)