

# A STATEMENT from the LUMBER INDUSTRY

Market depression and labor-enforced curtailment do not necessarily mean complete cessation of lumber production.

However, as regards demand, it must be admitted the industry is today facing a serious problem.

New business is not offering in sufficient volume to justify operating mills much in excess of present strike-restricted output.

Government requirements now placed with Pacific Northwest mills do not exceed 7½ per cent of the producing possibilities of these mills.

The situation is not new within the industry. In fact it is described on page 80, Department of Agriculture Report No. 114, published January 24, 1917, as one of the great problems of the lumber business. This report says:

"One of the serious business problems of lumbermen is the periodic but irregular expansion and contraction of their market. The demand for lumber is constantly rising and falling. General prosperity is usually reflected in periods of special activity in the building trades with a sudden demand for a large volume of lumber, usually followed by months or years of slack orders. The demands of the railroads, which rank high among consumers of lumber for car construction, ties and other purposes, are exceedingly variable, taking perhaps 15 per cent of the cut one year and but 5 per cent the next year. Large or small crops are always reflected in an increased or reduced demand for lumber in agricultural districts. And there is a marked seasonal fluctuation in the requirements of farming regions, with usually heavier orders every fall after crops are harvested.

"Aside from seasonal trade which can be anticipated, the changing demands of the lumber market necessitate expansion and curtailment of production. The industry now adapts its output to these changes in consumption but slowly and ineffectively. The presence of large stocks of lumber in the face of a decreasing demand, leading to indiscriminate price cutting, has frequently brought returns down to less than the cost of production at many mills.

The mill men of the Pacific Northwest have met the depressed marketing problem before. The public can be assured that there will be neither curtailment of production nor of pay rolls if it is within the ability of the industry to prevent it.

## The Pacific Northwest Lumber Industry

### KANSAS TWINS, 97, KNIT FOR SOLDIERS



Mrs. Lucy A. Tull (top) and Mrs. Sarah F. Long (bottom), the west's oldest twin sisters, are knitting for Uncle Sam's soldiers four hours every day. They are 97 years old. They are just beginning a 2,000-mile trip across the country to inspire American women to war work.

### CAR COMPANY EARNS MORE

(Special to The Times.)  
SEATTLE, Aug. 24.—That the traction company is able to pay the increased wages demanded by its organized employees without violating any of its franchise agreements was clearly held at the Chamber of Commerce and Commercial club rooms by the public service commission, according to Corporation Counsel Hugh Caldwell, who is fighting the attempt of the company to do away with the sale of 25 street car tickets for \$1, and C. A. Reynolds, attorney for the Amalgamated Street & Electric Railway Employees' association.

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### NEW WAY TO FIGHT MILLS

A request has been made the national government to insert in its lumber contracts a clause calling for eight-hour working conditions.

This information was received in a letter from Senator Poindexter to President J. G. Brown of the International Single Weavers' union today.

Senator Poindexter recently prepared a senate resolution providing for a national eight-hour day in the lumber industries.

### FINES TEACHER FOR ATTACKING WOMAN

George R. Thompson, a high school teacher living near Sumner, was fined \$25 by Justice Linck Thursday for assault and battery on Mrs. E. G. Haraguchi, who lives on property owned by Thompson's mother-in-law, Mrs. Isabel Bullock. Thompson said he acted in self-defense.

### Resinol will heal those mosquito bites

A touch of Resinol takes the itch and smart right out of mosquito-bites, and soothes and cools sun-burned, wind-burned skin. This gentle healing ointment seems to get right at the root of skin-troubles like eczema, ivy-poisoning, heat-rash, and hives, clearing them away in a surprisingly short time. Resinol is sold by all druggists.

### NEWSPAPER MEN GATHER

(Special to The Times.)  
CHEHALIS, Aug. 24.—More than 100 newspaper men and women enrolled on the first day of the Washington State Press Association yesterday.

### SAVING WOMEN'S HAIR

The Bremen Burgerzeitung says: "The war has taught us that numerous intrinsically worthless objects can be turned into factors of great industrial importance. One of these substances is women's hair, which is utilized in so many ways for military purposes that through the empire the Red Cross has now established collecting depots to secure large quantities of it. For the district of Bremen the Bremen Housewives' union has now undertaken this patriotic work. The men and women charged with the collection of the hair have been furnished with bags which they will carry on their monthly house-to-house visits."

### DEMOTE PROFESSOR

(Special to The Times.)  
SEATTLE, Aug. 24.—Prof. F. W. Meisnest, head of the department of German at the University of Washington, was removed by the board of regents yesterday for alleged "indiscretion" in remarks concerning Germany made in a speech several weeks ago. He will continue as professor of German.

### BANQUET FOR GENERAL

The arrival of Maj. Gen. H. A. Greene, commanding officer at the American lake cantonment, who is expected in Tacoma Saturday, will be signalized by the most elaborate banquet ever given by the city, some time next week, according to plans being made by President A. B. Howe and Secretary Kemmer of the Commercial club.

### ANOTHER POST CHANGE

Out of the 600 stables which it has been planned to build at the American lake cantonment, it is probable that only a few more than the 125 now begun will be finished. Orders have been received from Washington to stop stable construction, as the government now intends to motorize the camp as far as possible.

### BACK RUSSIA TO LIMIT

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—The United States government today decided to meet every demand placed upon it by the Russian government. A series of conferences participated in by members of the president's cabinet and Russian Ambassador Bakunietoff, resulted in a cablegram being sent to the Moscow conference late today that "all is well."

### AVIATOR IS KILLED

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 23.—Robert G. Barron, 22, Portland, Ore., is dead today, swimming beside a motorboat, towing an airplane ashore, he was struck on the head and killed when a wave from a passing vessel made the motorboat lurch against him. Barron was a student at the government aviation field at Essington. He died two hours before his mother was to meet him.

### MAY TRY TO KILL JURY

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 23.—Fearing that Jans M. William Hassing, convicted of wife murder, who escaped from the state prison early this week, may try to kill the jury which found him guilty and the district attorney who tried him, county and state authorities today are redoubling their efforts to catch Hassing.

### Here and Elsewhere

Judge J. H. Covington, personal representative of President Wilson, reaches Portland to investigate coast labor conditions.

Judge Graham fines George S. Walter \$15 for trying to flirt with a girl on a street while he was driving recklessly alongside in an auto.

Dancing at Spanaway Park every Friday evening. Music by Tacoma Jazz Orchestra. adv.

"Tacoma is sleeping," says John F. Kirby, a San Francisco visitor, astounded at the lack of activity among local business men in preparation for the coming of soldiers and shipbuilders.

Motor steamer Virginia Olson, just finished at Coos bay, sold at San Francisco for \$500,000.

Pacific Lighterage Co., subsidiary of Pacific Steamship Co., organized here.

A full line of officers and enlisted men's equipment. Hofstetter's. adv.

Tacoma's tea imports for fiscal year recently ended are greatest in the country.

Police find C. V. Danielson, inmate of Stellacoom asylum, and turn him over to hospital.

Texas lower house votes in favor of impeaching Gov. Ferguson.

U. S. marshal in Nebraska ordered to intern Lutheran pastor held for pro-Germanism.

Died: Phillip B. Friedman, Tacoma; Mrs. Charlotte Allen, Tacoma; Mrs. Bertha Better, Fife station.

Central schools to reopen Sept. 4.

Many U. of W. fraternities will have to close their houses during the war because of the loss of members; 800 of last year's U. students in service.

Dr. Cozza, dentist, 203 Provident. adv.

Tacoma Rotarians go to install chapter in Bellingham.

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Fancy mixtures, blue serges, and shades for Fall 1917 medium and heavy fabrics that are guaranteed all wool; smart models of individuality for business men and young men. \$17.00  
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Correct to the last detail with a belt circling the waist in military effect. These coats are not only good looking, but have many advantages not enjoyed by other styles. Price \$20.00

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Three new models, all the very latest: The Trench model with belt all around, the double-breasted and belted model, and the new "English" with plenty of snap and go. All the patterns are stylish and youthful. Splendid values at \$15.00

### Men's Hats For Fall

NEW CLOTH HATS | NEW MALLORY HATS  
Each \$2.00 | Each \$3.00  
MEN'S WOOL CAPS FOR FALL 1917  
Each 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25

### \$1 Shirts, Good Value

Men's Shirts, in fine quality percale, stiff cuffs, new patterns, fast colors; all sizes 14 to 17½; a real shirt value. \$1.00

Men's Fine Shirts, in silk finished poplin, madras and Japanese crepe; all sizes 14 to 17½; soft cuff, fast colors; good range of patterns. Each \$1.45  
Men's extra quality soft cuff shirts, in satin stripe and plain stripe madras; beautiful patterns. Sizes 14 to 17½. Each \$1.65  
Men's wide end Four-in-Hand Ties, beautiful patterns, in fine silks. Priced at, each—  
45c and 75c

### U. S. ASKED TO STEP IN

(Special to The Times.)  
SEATTLE, Aug. 24.—Union labor here will refuse to handle lumber turned out by 10-hour mills after Sept. 1.  
The Seattle Central Labor council last night voted to place all lumber mills which refuse to grant the eight-hour day on the unfair list.  
President Wilson and Secretary of War Baker were notified of this action today. They are being urged to commandeer all mills and camps needed to supply industrial as well as war lumber.  
Other central labor councils of the state are expected to take similar action.  
Federal Judge J. Harry Covington, sent as President Wilson's personal investigator of the lumber situation, has arrived in the state. He was in conference with Gov. Lister yesterday.

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