

B.C. SAWN LUMBER OUTPUT 53 PER CENT OF TOTAL

VANCOUVER — British Columbia is producing 53 per cent of the total sawn lumber of Canada from about one-eighth of the country's forest land. J. E. Leirsch, vice-president in charge of forest operations for Powell River Company, reported Thursday.



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SAWING WOOD at the age of 97 is nothing unusual for amazing Wallace A. Bently of New Marlboro, Mass., who is working on his ninth cord of wood since the beginning of the past winter. Born August 27, 1856, he saws wood about two hours a day for exercise. Bently, a retired blacksmith who still has a powerful grip, attributes his longevity—not to sawing, that comes "natchery"—but tobacco chewing since he was eight years old.

BLACKWOOD on BRIDGE

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD



Good Bridge Player Uses His Imagination

One of the prime attributes of a great bridge player is imagination—a trait which includes willingness to deviate from the usual and the "normal" when the occasion demands.

Mr. Murzy was kibitzing today's hand and he almost fell out of his chair when he saw Mr. Champion's lead at trick two. The opening lead was the four of clubs and Mr. Champion won with the king. He paused here to look the situation over.

Surely a spade return would gain nothing. It was unlikely that Mr. Meek had a trick in the

East dealer			
Neither side vulnerable			
North (Miss Brash)			
S	J	9	8
H	A	Q	8
D	K	J	9
C	3		
West (Mr. Meek)			
S	5	4	2
H	10	7	6
D	10	2	
C	10	8	6
East (Mr. Champion)			
S	3		
H	K	J	3
D	A	Q	6
C	A	K	J
South (Mr. Abel)			
S	A	K	Q
H	9	5	4
D	4	3	
C	Q	9	2
The bidding:			
East	South	West	North
1 C	1 S	Pass	4 S
All Pass			

the closed hand. In addition, a diamond return away from the ace-queen will surely lose a trick. After a short huddle, Mr. Champion returned the trey of hearts. He did not make this choice because he likes to lead away from king-jack, but because other leads seemed hopeless. And it was a moral certainty Mr. Meek could never get in to lead a heart through the ace-queen.

IMAGINATION WINS

For the play to work, Mr. Abel had to have three hearts, not including the 10. When Mr. Meek played the 10, forcing the queen from dummy, the time element was in favor of the defense. After taking three rounds of trumps, Mr. Abel led a diamond and finessed the jack.

Mr. Champion won with the queen and led the king of hearts, knocking out dummy's e. Now there was no way for Mr. Abel to avoid the loss of another diamond and a heart.

Note that if Mr. Champion had failed to attack hearts at his first opportunity, Mr. Abel would have had time to set up the diamonds and make his contract.

Many players would have returned a heart from queen, jack and another one, with ace, king, small in dummy. The lead Mr. Champion made is closely related to that. In each case you are trying to set up a third round winner. But not many would lead king, jack, 10. Imagination is the difference.

Haig-Brown Reopens Fight Against Power, Pollution

OTTAWA — A 45-year-old fly fisherman from British Columbia said today he expects to see Canada's Pacific salmon runs wiped out "within my lifetime" if the hydro men have their way. Roderick Haig-Brown, magistrate, short-story writer and novelist from Campbell River, B.C., made the prediction before a national conference on Canada's resources as he urged immediate steps to protect wildlife and recreational facilities in Canada.

The conference, attended by representatives of some 50 private groups interested in conservation, turned to wildlife and recreation problems in the second day of a two-day meeting, after sending Thursday with forest, soil and water conservation.

Mr. Haig-Brown said the use of water by fish and other wildlife is adversely affected by three major causes: Pollution, alterations of flow through change of ground cover, and dams. "Canada's Pacific salmon runs are one of her most magnificent resources. Yet if the present plans of the hydro-electric engineers are realized, I expect to see them wiped out within my lifetime," he told the delegates. "This is a national issue, of

fundamental importance to all Canadians and to people outside Canada. It reaches into values beyond the reference of engineers and industrialists, and it is exactly the type of national responsibility we are attempting to define here today."

URGES PROTECTED SYSTEM

The public, he said, is entitled to a carefully planned, fully integrated and completely protected system of recreational and wildlife areas.

"Turning to water pollution, he said "far more than enough is known about pollution to control it," but that it is much easier to prevent than control.

Rivers are not drainage ditches or sewers, and no wise civilization will use them for these purposes. I believe that fouling rivers with waste is an intolerable expression of arrogance towards the present or future."

He cited delays in handling pollution problems in British Columbia and the north Saskatchewan river. It had taken months to decide the origin of the trouble and get results.

"This is not pollution control. It is a good way of allowing a situation to reach a point where it cannot be controlled."

Celgar Given Added Exention

VICTORIA (CP)—Celgar Development company has been granted another six months to submit a management plan on 807,000 acres of forest in the Arrow Lakes area, Forest Minister R. F. Sommers, announced here Thursday.

He said Celgar is working under "unavoidable difficulties" in surveying the area it has reserved under a forest management permit but added "The government cannot hold very large areas of their forest reserves in reserve for any long, indefinite period."



ONE WOULD REALLY have to "crane" his head to look at the birdie in this camera. The photographer mounted the instrument on a 12-foot tripod to take pictures over the heads of crowds watching Queen Elizabeth II and the Duke of Edinburgh during their recent visit to Busselton, Australia. And the thing'll always be handy for giraffe portraits.

FAMED ACADEMY

The Royal Academy of Arts in London was founded by George III in 1758.

Province Fined \$2,500 For Contempt

VANCOUVER — Mr. Justice J. V. Clyne Thursday fined Vancouver Province \$2,500 and costs for contempt of court arising out of an article by columnist Eric Nicol condemning capital punishment. Nicol was fined \$250.

The article followed the conviction of 19-year-old William Gash for the golf-course slaying of Frank Pitsch, 45. Gash was sentenced by Mr. Justice Clyne to be hanged June 22. It was published March 20.

On April 2, A. W. Moscarella, Province publisher; H. C. Anderson, editor-in-chief, and Nicol were called before Mr. Justice Clyne. Mr. Moscarella and Mr. Anderson personally were not fined in Thursday's judgment.

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