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MUCH TIMBER CUT IN NATIONAL FOREST DURING PAST YEAR

REPORT IS FILED ON TIMBER SOLD FROM FOREST RESERVE IN SKAGIT AND WHATCOM COUNTIES THIS YEAR

According to a report filed by Robt. L. Campbell, forest supervisor, the total sales of timber from the Washington national forest, located in Skagit and Whatcom counties, during the past year were 68,118,000 board feet, valued at \$117,589. The reports show that there is over 10 billion feet of timber left in the forest, consisting principally of fir, cedar and hemlock.

The largest single sale of timber from the forest reserve during the past year was to Jennings & Nestos, the timber being located on the upper Skagit near Newhalem. The sales to this firm so far amount to \$16,000, with about \$2,000 worth of timber yet to be cut. It is expected that his contract will be completed about the first of the year.

The Newby & Mitchell bolt camp, located on the extreme upper Skagit River, has been closed down after cutting 900 cords the past season. A D. Long has cut about 350 cords of cedar bolts, the timber of which was killed in the forest fire of 1922. This cut will be completed next year. An extension of another year has been extended to the Sauk Shingle company, which is cutting on Bacon creek. The cut there amounts to 14,000 cords to date. Oscar Banner has cut 1,425 cords of drift cedar on Cascade creek and will complete his cutting next year.

The prices on these different sales depend on the quality and location of the timber, ranging from 50 cents a cord for jam

and drift cedar to \$4 a thousand for cedar logs. It is also stated that 25 per cent of the proceeds of all timber sold from the reserve goes to the county road and school funds of the counties in which timber is located. During the past five years Whatcom County has received \$20,000 and Skagit county \$12,000 from these sales.