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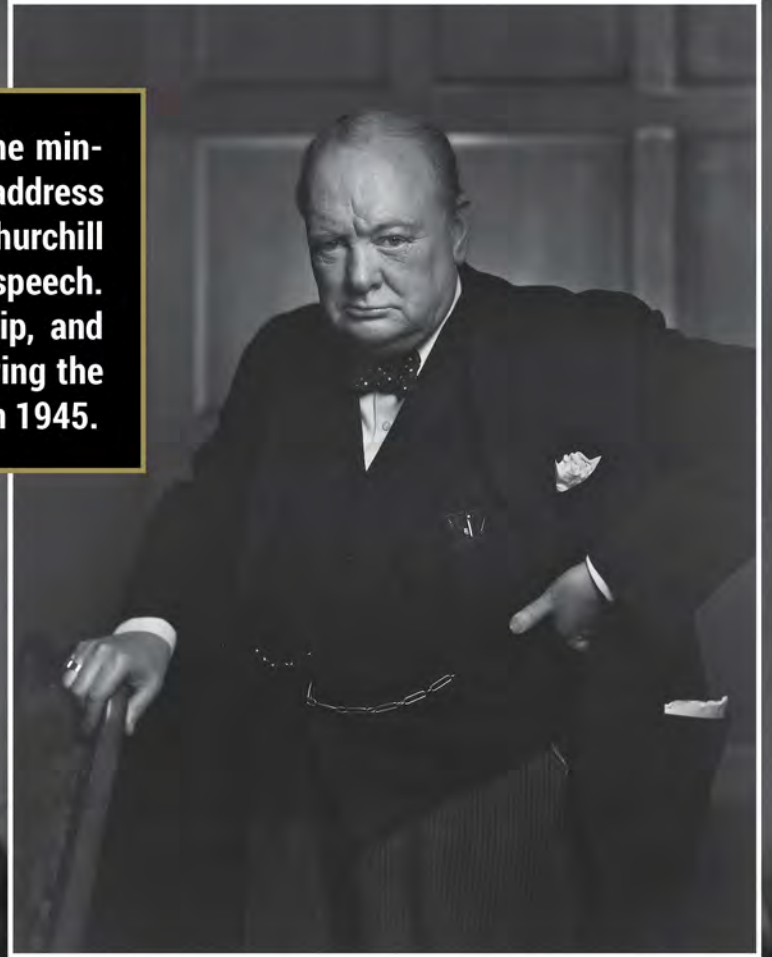
THE 1940s

Issue No. 3



1940s

May 10, 1940: Winston Churchill becomes prime minister of Britain. Three days later, in his first address as prime minister to the House of Commons, Churchill gives his famous “blood, toil, tears, and sweat” speech. His dogged determination, steadfast leadership, and stirring speeches inspire the British people during the darkest days of World War II until final victory in 1945.



June 14, 1940: Paris falls to the German army. The Vichy French government signs an armistice with Germany eight days later. However, Free French forces led by General Charles de Gaulle fight on and eventually help liberate Paris on August 25, 1944.

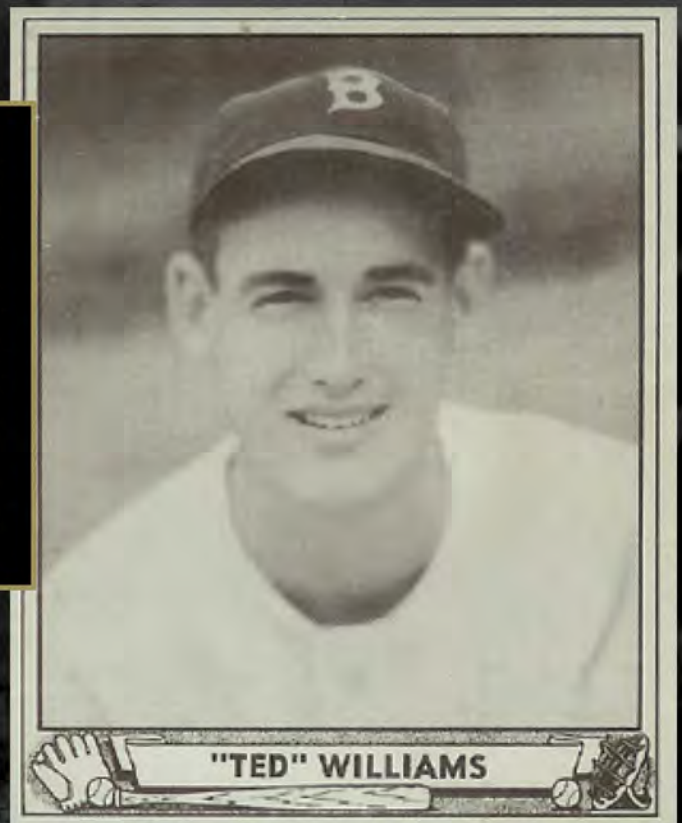
History, Hardwoods, & HMR

Pilots of No. 1 Squadron (later No. 401 Squadron) at Prestwick, Scotland, 30 October 1940



July - October 1940: Over 100 Canadians take part in the Battle of Britain as members of British Royal Air Force's Canadian Squadron or in other RAF units; 23 are killed in action.

September 28, 1941: Ted Williams of the Boston Red Sox begins the last day of the season with a .39955 batting average, which would have rounded up to .400 in Major League Baseball's record books. Though offered the opportunity to sit out and preserve that average, he opted to play both games of a double-header, went 6-for-8, and finished the season with a .406 average. No player has averaged over .400 since.



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A QUICK GLANCE: THE COST OF LIVING IN THE 1940s

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**AVERAGE COST OF SINGLE-FAMILY OWNER
OCCUPIED DWELLINGS : \$2-5,500**

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December 7, 1941: Japan attacks the US Naval Base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, killing 2,335 US military personnel and 68 civilians. While 19 ships were destroyed or damaged in the attack, all three aircraft carriers in the Pacific Fleet were at sea and, therefore, unscathed.



INFLATION

PRICES GO UP

THEN PEOPLE BUY LESS

BUSINESS SLUMPS

PEOPLE LOSE JOBS



HELP YOUR OPA FIGHT INFLATION

February 6, 1942: The Office of Price Administration in Washington establishes ceiling prices for hardwood lumber tied to *Hardwood Market Report* to take effect February 20, 1942.

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October 1942: The War Production Board issues orders L-135 and L-49, which ban the use of iron and steel in upholstered furniture production after November 1942.

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DEPOT



1943: George Land becomes the owner and editor of Hardwood Market Report.

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January 2, 1943: In response to requests from readers, Hardwood Market Report publishes a list of airplane and glider manufacturers that use aircraft lumber and have government contracts, according to the US government.

THE HARDWOOD MARKET REPORT
Crosstown Station, Memphis, Tennessee.

JANUARY 2, 1943

PRIME AIRPLANE & GLIDER CONTRACTORS

USING AIRCRAFT LUMBER

Aeronautical Corporation, Middleton, Ohio.	Fairchild Engine & Airplane Corp., Burlington, N.C. Hagerstown, Md.	Naval Aircraft Factory, Philadelphia, Pa.
Aeronca Aircraft Corp., Middletown, Ohio.	Fleet Aviation, Ltd., Fort Erie, Canada.	Noorduyn Aviation Ltd., Montreal, Canada.
A G A Aviation Corp., Willow Grove, Pa.	Fleetwings, Inc., Bristol, Pa.	North American Aviation Inc., Dallas, Texas Inglewood, Cal. Kansas City, Kans.
Air Gliders, Inc., 913 Second National Bldg., Akron, Ohio.	Ford Motor Co., Dearborn, Mich. Willow Run, Mich.	Northwestern Aero Corp., St. Paul, Minn.
Allied Aviation Corp., Dundalk, Md.	Frankfort Sailplane Co., Joliet, Ill.	Piper Aircraft Corp., Lock Haven, Pa.
Babcock Aircraft Corp., Deland, Fla.	General Aircraft Corp., Lowell, Mass. Astoria, L. I., N.Y.	Porterfield Aircraft Co., Kansas City, Mo.
Beech Aircraft Corp., Wichita, Kansas.	Gibson Refrigerator Corp., Greenville, Mich.	Rearwin Aircraft & Engines, Inc., Kansas City, Mo.
Bell Aircraft Corp., Buffalo, N. Y.	Globe Aircraft Corp., Ft. Worth, Texas. Tulsa, Okla.	Robertson Aircraft Corp., Robertson, Mo. St. Louis, Mo.
Bellanca Aircraft Corp., New Castle, Del.	Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio.	Ryan Aeronautical Corp., San Diego, Cal.
Boeing Airplane Co., Seattle, Wash. Vancouver, Canada Wichita, Kansas.	Gould Aero Div., Pratt Reed & Co., Deep River, Conn.	Schweitzer Aircraft Corp., Elmira, N. Y.
Bowlus Sailplane Co., San Fernando, Fla.	Gruman Aircraft Engineering Corp., Bethpage, Long Island, N.Y.	Snead & Co., Jersey City, N. J., Orange, Va.
Brewster Aeronautical Corp., Natick, Pa.	Howard Aircraft Corp., Chicago, Ill.	Spartan Aircraft Corp., Tulsa, Okla.
Bristol Aeronautical Corp., West Haven, Conn.		St. Louis Aircraft Corp., St. Louis, Mo.
Edward G. Budd Mfg. Co., Philadelphia, Pa.		

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January 3, 1944: *Hardwood Market Report* expands to 16 pages. Price listings are added for a wider variety of species across several producing regions.

HARDWOOD MARKET REPORT

ISSUED EVERY SATURDAY

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Consolidated list of Maximum Prices as carried in amended
Maximum Price Regulations.

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No. 146 APPALACHIAN TERRITORY
No. 155 NORTH & SOUTH CENTRAL TERRITORIES
No. 223 NORTHERN TERRITORY
No. 368 NORTHEASTERN TERRITORY

AS IN EFFECT JANUARY 3, 1944.

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HARD MAPLE

NINE

APPALACHIAN

(11) HARD MAPLE

Thick- ness (inches)	FAS	No. 1 Com- mon and Se- lects or No. 1 Com- mon	No. 2 Com- mon	Sound Wormy	No. 3A Com- mon	Bot Grade	No. 3B Com- mon
1/4	\$67.00	\$47.00	\$30.00	\$30.00			
3/4	77.00	53.00	33.00	33.00			
1	86.00	59.00	37.00	37.00			
1 1/4	102.00	68.00	42.00	42.00	\$31.00	\$26.00	\$21.00
1 3/4	112.00	73.00	45.00	45.00	32.00	27.00	22.00
2	117.00	76.00	47.00	47.00	32.00	27.00	22.00
2 1/4	122.00	83.00	49.00	49.00	33.00	28.00	23.00
2 3/4	137.00	97.00					
3	152.00	112.00					
4	167.00	129.00					

NORTH CENTRAL

(8) HARD MAPLE

Thick- ness (inches)	FAS	No. 1 Com- mon and Se- lects or No. 1 Com- mon	No. 2 Com- mon	Sound Wormy	No. 3A Com- mon	Bot Grade	No. 3B Com- mon
1/4	\$66.00	\$50.00	\$32.00	\$32.00			
3/4	79.00	54.00	35.00	35.00			
1	88.00	62.00	39.00	39.00			
1 1/4	102.00	71.00	44.00	44.00	\$30.00	\$25.00	\$20.00
1 3/4	112.00	76.00	47.00	47.00	31.00	26.00	21.00
2	117.00	79.00	49.00	49.00	31.00	26.00	21.00
2 1/4	124.00	86.00	51.00	51.00	32.00	27.00	22.00
2 3/4	139.00	100.00					
3	154.00	115.00					
4	169.00	132.00					

South Central

(9) HARD MAPLE

Thick- ness (inches)	FAS	No. 1 Com- mon and Se- lects or No. 1 Com- mon	No. 2 Com- mon	Sound Wormy	No. 3A Com- mon	Bot Grade	No. 3B Com- mon
1/4	\$66.00	\$50.00	\$32.00	\$32.00			
3/4	79.00	54.00	35.00	35.00			
1	88.00	62.00	39.00	39.00			
1 1/4	102.00	71.00	44.00	44.00	\$30.00	\$25.00	\$20.00
1 3/4	112.00	76.00	47.00	47.00	31.00	26.00	21.00
2	117.00	79.00	49.00	49.00	31.00	26.00	21.00
2 1/4	124.00	86.00	51.00	51.00	32.00	27.00	22.00
2 3/4	139.00	100.00					
3	154.00	115.00					
4	169.00	132.00					

NORTHERN

(7) HARD MAPLE

Thickness (inch)	FAS	Selects	No. 1 Common	No. 2 Common	No. 3A Common and sound	No. 3 Common
1	\$107.00	\$89.50	\$66.50	\$49.50	\$31.50	\$20.00
1 1/4	114.00	95.50	72.50	53.00	38.00	31.00
1 3/4	117.50	99.00	77.00	55.00	39.00	32.00
2	126.50	107.00	85.00	57.50	41.50	32.00
2 1/4	138.00	116.00	96.50			
2 3/4	155.50	139.00				
3	184.00	161.00				
4	194.00	182.50				
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SOFT MAPLE

SOUTHERN

Thickness (inches)	FAS	No. 1 Com- mon and Se- lects or No. 1 Com- mon	No. 2 Com- mon	No. 3 Com- mon
1/4	\$45.00	\$39.00	\$26.00	
3/4	52.00	44.00	29.00	
1	58.00	49.00	32.00	
1 1/4	67.00	57.00	36.00	\$23.00
1 3/4	69.00	59.00	38.00	24.00
2	72.00	62.00	38.00	24.00
2 1/4	75.00	65.00	41.00	25.00
2 3/4	77.00	67.00	41.00	
3	82.00	72.00	42.00	

(17) SOFT MAPLE—WHND

Thickness (inches)	FAS	No. 1 Com- mon and Se- lects or No. 1 Com- mon	No. 2 Com- mon	No. 3 Com- mon
1/4	\$38.00	\$31.00	\$25.00	
3/4	43.00	35.00	29.00	
1	48.00	39.00	32.00	
1 1/4	55.00	45.00	37.00	\$23.00
1 3/4	58.00	48.00	38.00	24.00
2	60.00	50.00	38.00	24.00
2 1/4	64.00	54.00	41.00	25.00
2 3/4	69.00	59.00	41.00	
3	75.00	65.00	42.00	

APPALACHIAN

(12) SOFT MAPLE

Thickness (inches)	FAS	No. 1 Com- mon and Se- lects or No. 1 Com- mon	No. 2 Com- mon	No. 3 Com- mon
1/4	\$38.00	\$31.00	\$25.00	
3/4	43.00	35.00	29.00	
1	48.00	39.00	32.00	
1 1/4	55.00	45.00	37.00	\$23.00
1 3/4	58.00	48.00	38.00	24.00
2	60.00	50.00	38.00	24.00
2 1/4	64.00	54.00	41.00	25.00
2 3/4	69.00	59.00	41.00	
3	75.00	65.00	42.00	

SOUTH CENTRAL

(20) SOFT MAPLE (WHAD)

Thickness (inches)	FAS	No. 1 Com- mon and Se- lects or No. 1 Com- mon	No. 2 Com- mon	No. 3 Com- mon
1/4	\$46.00	\$39.00	\$26.00	
3/4	52.00	44.00	29.00	
1	58.00	49.00	32.00	
1 1/4	67.00	57.00	36.00	\$23.00
1 3/4	69.00	59.00	38.00	24.00
2	72.00	62.00	38.00	24.00
2 1/4	75.00	65.00	41.00	25.00
2 3/4	77.00	67.00	41.00	
3	82.00	72.00	42.00	
4	92.00	85.00		

SOUTH CENTRAL

(31) SOFT MAPLE (WHND)

Thickness (inches)	FAS	No. 1 Com- mon and Se- lects or No. 1 Com- mon	No. 2 Com- mon	No. 3 Com- mon
1/4	\$38.00	\$31.00	\$25.00	
3/4	43.00	35.00	29.00	
1	48.00	39.00	32.00	
1 1/4	55.00	45.00	37.00	\$23.00
1 3/4	58.00	48.00	38.00	24.00
2	60.00	50.00	38.00	24.00
2 1/4	64.00	54.00	41.00	25.00
2 3/4	69.00	59.00	41.00	
3	75.00	65.00	42.00	

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History, Hardwoods, & HMR

June 6, 1944: In the early morning hours of D-Day, paratroopers and glider troops begin landing in Normandy, France followed by an amphibious invasion of 156,000 American, Canadian, and British troops starting at 6:30am. The liberation of Europe was underway. In a letter delivered to the troops on the eve of the invasion, General Dwight D. Eisenhower wrote,

"You are about to embark upon the Great Crusade, toward which we have striven these many months. The eyes of the world are upon you. The hope and prayers of liberty-loving people everywhere march with you ... Good luck! And let us beseech the blessing of Almighty God upon this great and noble undertaking."**"**

US Rangers at Point du Hoc



US Troops Approaching Omaha Beach



Personnel of the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion Preparing to Leave for D-Day



British Troops at Gold Beach



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June 10, 1944: "More than 1000 workers from British Honduras, the majority of which are experienced axmen from the mahogany bush, will be brought to the United States by War Manpower Commission to meet logging and lumbering labor shortages."

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ASH SPECIAL LOGS: Amendment No. 1 to MPR 534-2, effective June 5, 1944, provides for protection until July 15th, of contracts covering ash special logs, made prior to May 15th, which exceed May 15th regulation prices. Application must be made to and approval obtained from OPA, Washington office.

LOGS: Amendment No. 1 to MPR 533-1, 533-3 and 533-4 - Central, Appalachian and Southern Logs, respectively, provides that in no event shall prices be paid higher than those authorized in MPR 313; Veneer Logs. As an example, a number of petitions for application in the Memphis area specified \$100.00 for prime white oak logs. MPR 313 maximum is \$75.00, and MPR 313 now governs.

WOODEN AMMUNITION BOXES: Fourth Quarter requirements of Ordnance Department shell loading plants will probably exceed previous estimates, due to output of steel containers not being up to anticipated volume.

WOODEN PLOW AND CULTIVATOR HANDLES: Placed under MPR 501; Hardwood Small Dimension, and specific maximum prices heretofore established by individual order covering products of eight manufacturers approved. (Amendment No. 1 MPR 501, effective June 10, 1944.)

SOUTHERN PINE: A tally card must accompany each shipment of Southern Pine lumber on and after June 12, 1944. (Amdt. 3 to RMPR 19.)

REDWOOD: Increases averaging \$2.30 per M' on Redwood lumber authorized in Amendment No. 6 to MPR 253, effective May 23rd.

LABOR: More than 1000 workers from British Honduras, the majority of which are experienced axmen from the mahogany bush, will be brought to the United States by War Manpower Commission to meet logging and lumbering labor shortage. (WMC PM-4590).

RENEGOTIATION: Rolls-Royce, Inc., of Michigan on May 22nd in suit filed in District of Columbia Court asks for a "writ of prohibition", or, as an alternate, an "order in the nature of mandamus", to prevent renegotiation of executed contracts aggregating fifty million dollars. The suit alleges that Government Agents have called upon the corporation to reveal certain trade secrets.

ARMY-NAVY "E" AWARD: Among the twenty five additional industrial plants selected last week to receive this recognition of outstanding performance on war work was:

JACKSON SAW MILL CO., JACKSON PLANT, JACKSON, TENN.

STATISTICS: Average unit performance record Southern Hardwood Mills as shown in the NATIONAL LUMBER TRADE BAROMETER for week ended May 27, 1944, and for corresponding week of 1943 follow:

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May 8, 1945: V-E Day celebrations take place in most Allied nations following Germany's surrender, which ended the war in Europe.

Piccadilly Square pictured as supporters celebrate VE Day, May 08, 1945.

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Winston Churchill waves to crowds in Whitehall in London as they celebrate VE Day, 8 May 1945



August 6, 1945: The US drops an atomic bomb over Hiroshima, Japan. After Japan refuses to surrender, a second bomb is dropped over Nagasaki three days later. The two bombs kill an estimated 120,000 people instantly along with tens of thousands more that later die of radiation exposure. On August 15th, Emperor Hirohito announces Japan's unconditional surrender.



Hiroshima



Nagasaki

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September 2, 1945: V-J Day is officially celebrated in the US when Japan signs formal surrender documents, ending World War II. Estimates put the total military and civilian death toll from the war at between 60 and 80 million people.

Citizens and workers of Oak Ridge, Tennessee celebrate V-J Day on August 14, 1945



Representatives of the Empire of Japan stand aboard USS Missouri prior to signing of the Instrument of Surrender.

October 24, 1945: After the US, UK, France, China, the Soviet Union and the majority of other signatory nations ratify the United Nations Charter, the United Nations begins official operations.



WE THE PEOPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS

determined

to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war, which twice in our lifetime has brought untold sorrow to mankind, and

to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person, in the equal rights of men and women and of nations large and small, and

to establish conditions under which justice and respect for the obligations arising from treaties and other sources of international law can be maintained, and

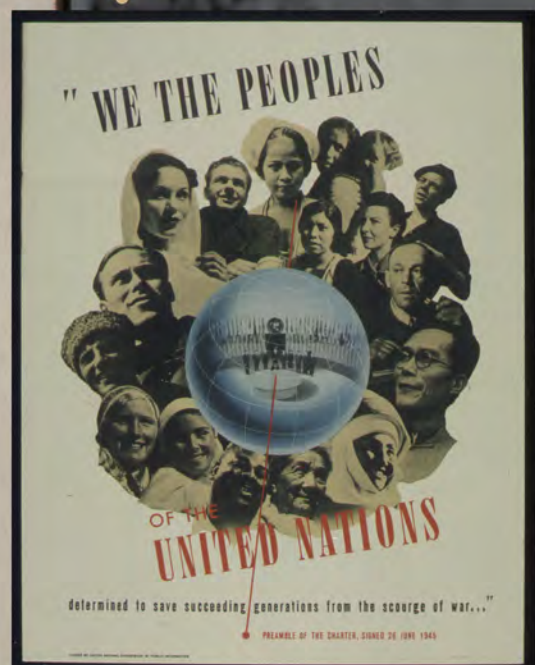
to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom,

and for these ends

to practice tolerance and live together in peace with one another as good neighbors, and

to unite our strength to maintain international peace and security, and

to ensure, by the acceptance of principles and the institution of methods, that armed force





November 16, 1946: Price listings for Southern hardwoods are expanded to include most of the species in today's *Hardwood Market Report*. Average prices for custom kiln drying 4/4 lumber are published, ranging from \$8 to \$11/MBF depending on the species.

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Quotations as Being Made This Week on Southern Band Sawn Hardwoods. F.O.B. Mill prices Adjusted to Chicago on Basis of Weights Shown and Current Freight Rates. Transportation Tax for Account of Buyer.

SOUTHERN ELM	FAS	#1C	#2C
1/2" (1800#)	48.50	39.50	35.50
5/8" (2200#)	55.50	46.50	41.50
3/4" (2600#)	63.00	52.00	45.00
4/4" (3300#)	73.00	61.00	52.00
5/4" (3300#)	75.00	63.00	53.00
6/4" (3300#)	75.00	63.00	54.00
8/4" (3300#)	78.00	66.00	54.00
10/4" (3500#)	80.00	68.00	55.00
12/4" (3500#)	83.00	71.00	56.00

HACKBERRY	FAS	#1C	#2C
4/4" (3500#)	\$75.00	\$62.00	\$53.00

HICKORY	FAS	#1C	#2C	#3C
4/4" (4800#)	99.50	77.50	54.50	45.50
5/4" (4800#)	101.50	79.50	55.50	46.50
6/4" (4800#)	104.50	84.50	64.50	46.50
8/4" (5000#)	112.50	86.50	65.50	48.50

MAGNOLIA	FAS	#1C	#2C
4/4" (3300#)	108.00	82.00	61.00
5/4" (3400#)	113.50	85.50	64.50
6/4" (3400#)	113.50	85.50	64.50
8/4" (3500#)	117.00	88.00	65.00
10/4" (3600#)	123.50	89.50	67.50
12/4" (3600#)	129.50	99.50	68.50

OAK (MIXED)	#3BG	Sound Wormy #1 & Btr.
5/8" (2700#)	\$33.50	\$51.50
3/4" (3300#)	39.00	59.00
4/4" (4300#)	46.50	68.50
5/4" (4500#)	47.50	75.50
6/4" (4500#)	47.50	77.50
8/4" (4500#)	47.50	83.50

PECAN	FAS	#1C	#2C	#3C
4/4" (4500#)	99.50	77.50	64.50	56.50
5/4" (4500#)	102.50	80.50	65.50	57.50
6/4" (4500#)	106.50	85.50	67.50	57.50
8/4" (4500#)	112.50	86.50	68.50	57.50

SOFT MAPLE WHND	FAS	#1C	#2C
4/4" (3300#)	\$80.00	\$68.00	\$54.00

SYCAMORE (PLAIN)	FAS	#1C	#2C
5/8" (2200#)	\$60.50	\$55.50	\$42.50
3/4" (2600#)	69.00	57.00	44.00
4/4" (3300#)	78.00	66.00	50.00
5/4" (3400#)	80.50	68.50	52.50
6/4" (3400#)	82.50	70.50	52.50
8/4" (3500#)	88.00	75.00	53.00

SYCAMORE (QUARTERED)	FAS	#1C	#2C
5/8" (2200#)	\$67.50	\$62.50	\$50.50

TUPELO AND BLACK GUM (PLAIN)	FAS	#1C	#2C
5/8" (2200#)	\$71.50	\$58.50	\$40.50
3/4" (2600#)	80.00	66.00	46.00
4/4" (3300#)	91.00	75.00	53.00
5/4" (3400#)	94.50	78.50	55.50
6/4" (3400#)	98.50	84.50	55.50
8/4" (3500#)	105.00	89.00	59.00

BLACK GUM (QUARTERED)	FAS	#1C
4/4" (3300#)	\$98.00	\$80.00
5/4" (3400#)	104.50	87.50
6/4" (3400#)	107.50	89.50
8/4" (3500#)	113.00	92.00
10/4" (3600#)	120.50	95.50

Arrangements have been made to obtain copies of acknowledgments of orders accepted by quite a representative group of lumber manufacturers, which acknowledgments will be used in the compilation of future reports. Our list, consequently, will be a report covering actual transactions for the current week, and therefore, is as dependable as the daily stock records.

Until such time as reports are available covering specific sales, it will not be possible, of course, to show the market. All we can do at this time is to report quotations being made.

In the revision of price lists, particularly in the southern territory, the chances are there will be a splitting of the combination #1 common and select grade. We believe it is pretty well recognized that the first and second ONE FACE FAS grade should be at \$10.00 less than the standard FAS grade. In the event pricing on this basis is adopted this would make necessary a downward revision on the straight grade of #1 common.

From several sources advices have been received that truck load purchases have declined to such a point that many small portable mills have been forced to suspend. In eastern Texas and western Louisiana, it is estimated that well over 15% of the portable mill operations in this territory have quit sawing and users who have heretofore bought such stock are now seeking to place orders for well manufactured lumber and in straight grades.

In checking up with some of the speculative builders here in Memphis this week, we find one who has on hand well over one-half million feet, for which he paid \$46,000. This is in storage and he is holding it until such time as he can get sufficient materials to complete all houses on a small development project which he contemplates.

We were informed today that two furniture manufacturers advised they were well supplied with lumber and did not expect to get back into the market except at ceiling prices for

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5/4"	(4500#)	170.00	110.00	70.00	70.00	50.00
6/4"	(4500#)	175.00	120.00	70.00	70.00	50.00

CREAM OAK FAS #1C #2C



December 1946: Price listings for Appalachian hardwoods – which were reported on a limited basis beforehand – begin to regularly appear in *Hardwood Market Report*.

5/8"	(1900#)	90.00	75.00	60.00	54.00	45.00
4/4"	(3000#)	110.00	100.00	80.00	60.00	50.00
5/4"	(3100#)	115.00	105.00	85.00	65.00	55.00
6/4"	(3100#)	120.00	110.00	87.00	70.00	60.00
8/4"	(3200#)	125.00	115.00	80.00	70.00	
4/4"	(2800#)	95.00	75.00	50.00		
5/4"	(2800#)	100.00	80.00	52.00		
6/4"	(2800#)	102.00	82.00	52.00		
8/4"	(3000#)	105.00	85.00	55.00		

APPALACHIAN HARDWOODS - CLEVELAND OHIO DELIVERY.

PROBABLE AVERAGE PRICES FOR DELIVERY CLEVELAND, OHIO, WITH FREIGHT ALLOWED BUT NOT INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION TAX WHICH WILL BE QUOTED TO COVER BAND SAWN, AIR-DRIED APPALACHIAN HARDWOODS. PRICES IN DOLLARS PER THOUSAND FEET, CARLOAD QUANTITIES, OF ONE GRADE AND THICKNESS, RANDOM WIDTHS AND LENGTHS, ROUGH AIR DRIED AND GRADED IN ACCORDANCE WITH NHLA RULES OF INSPECTION. UNDERSCORED FIGURES REPRESENT INCREASE AS REPORTED ON DECEMBER 7, 1946. NO CHANGE THIS WEEK.

BASSWOOD	FAS	1-FACE	#1C	#2A	#2B	#3C
4/4" (2500#)	<u>\$123.50</u>	<u>\$113.50</u>	85.50	72.50	58.50	43.50
5/4" (2500#)	<u>128.50</u>	<u>118.50</u>	90.50	74.50	60.50	45.50
6/4" (2500#)	<u>131.50</u>	<u>121.50</u>	93.50	76.50	62.50	46.50
8/4" (2500#)	<u>138.50</u>	<u>128.50</u>	98.50	81.50	64.50	48.50
10/4" (2500#)	<u>145.50</u>	<u>135.50</u>				
12/4" (2500#)	<u>165.50</u>	<u>155.50</u>				
16/4" (2500#)	<u>185.50</u>	<u>175.50</u>				
BEECH	FAS	1-FACE	#1C	#2C		
4/4" (4000#)	<u>\$112.00</u>	<u>\$102.00</u>	\$87.00	\$70.00		
5/4" (4000#)	<u>117.00</u>	<u>107.00</u>	91.00			
6/4" (4000#)	<u>122.00</u>	<u>112.00</u>	93.00			
8/4" (4000#)	<u>132.00</u>	<u>122.00</u>	102.00			
HARD MAPLE	FAS	1-FACE	#1C	#2C		
4/4" (4000#)	<u>\$204.00</u>	<u>\$194.00</u>	\$124.00			
5/4" (4000#)	<u>212.00</u>	<u>202.00</u>	132.00			
6/4" (4000#)	<u>222.00</u>	<u>212.00</u>	137.00			
8/4" (4000#)	<u>247.00</u>	<u>237.00</u>	152.00			

WHITE OAK PLAIN	FAS	1-FACE	#1C
4/4" (4000#)	<u>\$164.00</u>	<u>\$154.00</u>	\$99.00
5/4" (4000#)	<u>169.00</u>	<u>159.00</u>	102.00
6/4" (4000#)	<u>172.00</u>	<u>162.00</u>	104.00
8/4" (4000#)	<u>181.00</u>	<u>171.00</u>	106.00
10/4" (4000#)	<u>202.00</u>	<u>192.00</u>	117.00
12/4" (4000#)	<u>212.00</u>	<u>202.00</u>	124.00
16/4" (4000#)	<u>236.00</u>	<u>226.00</u>	144.00

WHITE OAK QUARTERED	FAS	1-FACE	#1C
4/4" (4000#)	<u>\$204.00</u>	<u>\$194.00</u>	\$124.00
5/4" (4000#)	<u>212.00</u>	<u>202.00</u>	132.00
6/4" (4000#)	<u>222.00</u>	<u>212.00</u>	137.00
8/4" (4000#)	<u>247.00</u>	<u>237.00</u>	152.00



March 15, 1947: The Appalachian price listings are expanded to include all of the species still published today as well as Buckeye and Chestnut.

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APPALACHIAN HARDWOODS F.O.B. MILLS - JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE AREA

ESTIMATE OF PRESENT F.O.B. APPALACHIAN MILL POINT AVERAGE MARKET PRICES ON SALES TO CONSUMING TRADE OF BAND-SAWN APPALACHIAN HARDWOOD IN CARLOAD QUANTITY OF ONE GRADE AND THICKNESS, RANDOM WIDTHS AND LENGTHS, ROUGH, AIR DRIED, AND GRADED IN ACCORDANCE WITH NHLA RULES OF INSPECTION. PRICES IN DOLLARS AND CENTS PER M'. BASIS SELECTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INDICATING TRANSPORTATION COSTS TO PRINCIPAL CONSUMING MARKETS IF JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE.

10/4"	(2000#)	170.00	180.00	120.00	74.00
12/4"	(4000#)	180.00	170.00	135.00	80.00
16/4"	(4000#)	195.00	185.00	145.00	85.00

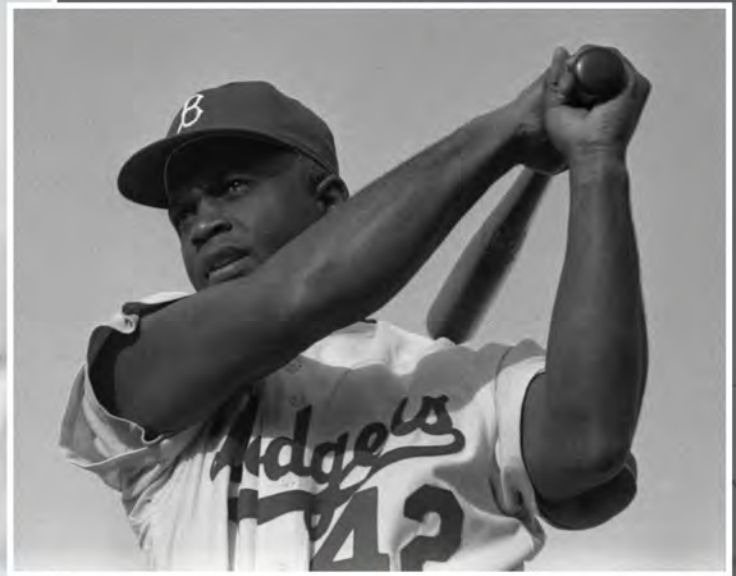
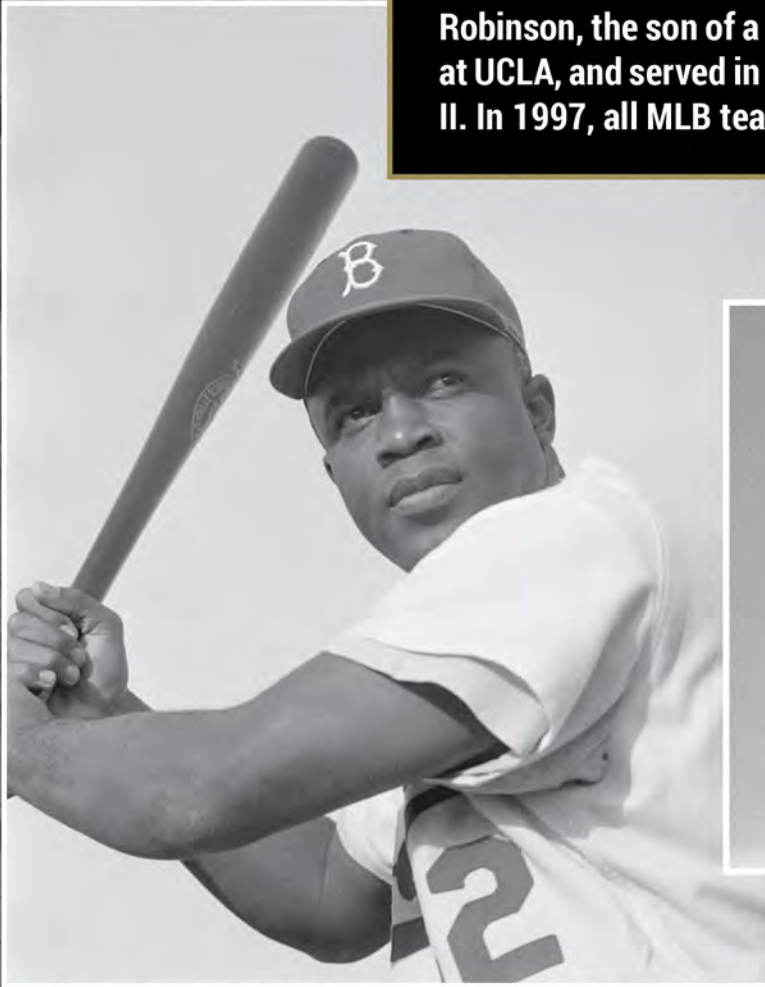
BUCKEYE	FAS	1-FACE	#1C	#2C	#3C
4/4" (2500#)	115.00	105.00	80.00	55.00	30.00
5/4" (2500#)	120.00	110.00	85.00	57.00	31.00
6/4" (2500#)	122.00	112.00	87.00	58.00	32.00
8/4" (2500#)	125.00	115.00	90.00	60.00	35.00

CHERRY	FAS	1-FACE	#1C	#2C	#3C
4/4" (4000#)	160.00	150.00	105.00	70.00	35.00
5/4" (4000#)	185.00	175.00	125.00	75.00	37.00
6/4" (4000#)	195.00	185.00	130.00	75.00	37.00
8/4" (4000#)	210.00	200.00	140.00	80.00	42.00
10/4" (4000#)	225.00	215.00	155.00		
12/4" (4000#)	235.00	225.00	165.00		
16/4" (4000#)	250.00	240.00	180.00		

CHESTNUT	FAS	#1C	FAS WHND	#1C&Btr WHND	#1C WHND	SOUND WORMY	#2C
4/4" (2800#)	155.00	95.00	95.00	80.00	75.00	65.00	49.00
5/4" (2800#)	157.00	97.00	97.00	82.00	77.00	67.00	49.00
6/4" (2800#)	157.00	97.00	97.00	82.00	77.00	67.00	49.00
8/4" (2800#)	160.00	100.00	100.00	85.00	80.00	70.00	50.00

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April 15, 1947: Jackie Robinson of the Brooklyn Dodgers becomes the first African American player in Major League Baseball. Robinson, the son of a Georgia sharecropper, had attended college at UCLA, and served in the US Army for two years during World War II. In 1997, all MLB teams officially retire his number - 42.



April 19, 1947: Northern prices are published in *Hardwood Market Report* for the first time.

ESTIMATE OF PRESENT FOB WAUSAU, WISCONSIN MILL POINT AVERAGE MARKET PRICES TO CONSUMING TRADE ON BAND SAWN NORTHERN HARDWOODS IN CARLOAD QUANTITIES OF ONE GRADE AND THICKNESS, RANDOM WIDTHS AND LENGTHS, ROUGH AIR DRIED AND GRADED IN ACCORDANCE WITH NHLA RULES ON INSPECTION. PRICES IN DOLLARS AND CENTS PER M'.

BROWN ASH	FAS	SEL	#1C	#2C	
	4/4"	125.00	110.00	80.00	60.00
	8/4"	140.00	125.00	95.00	70.00
BASSWOOD	FAS	SEL	#1C	#2C	
	4/4"	125.00	110.00	80.00	60.00
	6/4"	140.00	125.00	95.00	70.00
	8/4"	145.00	130.00	100.00	75.00
BEECH	FAS	SEL	#1C	#2C	
	4/4"	125.00	110.00	89.00	59.00
	5/4"	130.00	115.00	91.00	61.00
	6/4"	135.00	118.00	93.00	63.00
	8/4"	140.00	120.00	95.00	65.00
BIRCH	FAS	SEL	#1C	#2C	
	4/4"	150.00	130.00	90.00	65.00
	5/4"	155.00	135.00	95.00	70.00
SOFT ELM	FAS	SEL	#1C	#2C	
	6/4"	100.00	90.00	80.00	60.00
	8/4"	115.00	105.00	95.00	70.00

1940s

August 15, 1947: The Indian Independence Bill is signed into law by the British government, ending 200 years of British rule and creating the self-governing nations of India and Pakistan. India's Mohandas (Mahatma) Gandhi calls it "the noblest act of the British nation."



Lord Mountbatten swears in Nehru as the first Prime Minister of independent India on 15 August 1947



July 26, 1947: President Truman signs the National Security Act, which establishes the US Air Force as a separate branch of military service and also unifies all military branches under the newly created Department of Defense.

President Truman signed the National Security Act of 1947 on board this VC-54C Presidential transport, the first aircraft used for the role of Air Force One.

History, Hardwoods, & HMR

October 14, 1947: US Air Force pilot Chuck Yeager is the first person to break the sound barrier.



October 25, 1947: The National Wooden Pallet Manufacturers Association - now known as the National Wooden Pallet and Container Association - is formed.

NATIONAL WOODEN PALLET

NWPCA

& CONTAINER ASSOCIATION

1940s

May 14, 1948: The modern nation of Israel is formed - the first Jewish state in 2,000 years. David Ben-Gurion becomes the country's first prime minister. The US government immediately recognizes the new government.



So. Pine 105
West Coast 129
Western Pine 90
So. Cypress 7
No. Pine 5
No. Hemlock 5



November 20, 1948: Oak flooring prices are listed in *Hardwood Market Report* for the first time.

HARDWOODS:

Southern Units 65	7,601	6,271	5,853	5,761	5,669	4,576
Northern Mills 5	650	218	491	937	987	1,192

Unit rating of Southern Hardwoods represents an operation with capacity of 3,000 board feet per hour. The average for the period here reported was:

Average per unit:	117,000'	96,500'	90,000'	88,600'	87,000'	70,400'
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Average Southern Hardwood unit gross stocks and unfilled orders, November 2, 1946, as compared with the corresponding period of last year, follows:

UNFILLED ORDERS		GROSS STOCKS	
11/2/46	11/3/45	11/2/46	11/3/45
324,000'	462,000'	1,284,000'	1,472,000'

OAK FLOORING: The NATIONAL OAK FLOORING MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION report for corresponding weeks of 1945 and 1946 shows:

PRODUCTION		SHIPMENTS		ORDERS	
11/2/46	11/3/45	11/2/46	11/3/45	11/2/46	11/3/45
M'	M'	M'	M'	M'	M'
8,182'	4,404'	7,875'	4,444'	5,010'	5,523'

Since special letter was mailed Monday, opinions of many additional lumbermen and fabricators have been obtained. Boiling down and concentrating these interviews, we find that each and every one we have talked to, or who has written us, intends to do the following things:

Fill all orders on basis of contract prices on books Sept. 9, 1946.

Our views as to general opinion and policy are:

Lumber manufacturers and users unanimously agree that fluctuations will be restrained within a narrow range after fair destination markets are established.

All are fearful of a runaway market and urge that every possible effort be made now

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February 8, 1948: The first class of the newly formed National Hardwood Lumber Association Inspection Training School begins in Memphis.



Photo courtesy of National Hardwood Lumber Association.

April 4, 1949: Representatives from the US, Canada, and 10 Western European countries meet in Washington, D.C. to sign the North Atlantic Treaty, creating the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Article 5 of the treaty states, "The Parties agree that an armed attack against one or more of them in Europe or North America shall be considered an attack against them all..."



1940s

March 31, 1949: Newfoundland becomes Canada's 10th province.



Joseph Smallwood signing the document bringing Newfoundland into Confederation. Smallwood was the premier in Newfoundland.

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showcase historical events in the world, the
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Stay tuned as we head into the 1950s.

