

be shipped from Oregon and the west coast ports. So, it is more than logs that you are talking about, and that is what I was answering, that if we do all of these things, that we take away all of the trade with Japan, and try to stop her from shipping to other countries, that then you might make an enemy of her, and I don't think that we can afford at this time, with the mess that we are in there, to make an enemy of anybody.

Senator MORSE. She is not shipping to other countries. We are buying it from her to have shipped into Vietnam, and I simply say where we can supply the goods for our own uses, we ought to supply them, whether they are in California, Vietnam, or New York.

I think we have expressed our different points of view in regard to that. But I am not at all concerned about the argument that if we don't sell her logs, she will buy them from Russia.

My answer to that is, "Godspeed. Get on your way with buying them. The sooner, the better." That is going to help Russia and help Japan. That increases their respective purchasing power, and we can sell them other things, the sale of which will not injure our own economy. All of these broader questions are involved.

Mr. HARTUNG. I have a different interest. I admit, I look at it differently. I have tried to make myself clear.

Senator MORSE. You have.

Mr. HARTUNG. I feel that these jobs that are now available, due to the shipment of logs to Japan, will disappear. Nobody has convinced me yet that you are going to sell the same amount of commodities to Japan in cut-up lumber. There are a lot of things involved in this.

I got a copy from the O. & C. lands, and where the property of the company from the O. & C. land going into the various counties, I saw where Douglas County alone had over \$5 million from O. & C. land timber going to the county. That is just the O. & C. land. They get others from the Federal timber.

Now, the Governor of Oregon just had a special session. He tried to get a sales tax in every way to try and support the schools. Now, you cut the price of stumpage down in half. The income to these counties is going down half, and you will think you have got a problem now of meeting the school budget; you will have a good one. And there are a lot of things involved that any abrupt action by cutting off, like was testified here this morning; tomorrow, you say the logs stay there. They are going to lay there; a lot of them probably have already been paid for by Japan, so you are going to leave them lay there, and any log—anybody who knows anything about logs knows you can't let them lay on dry land too long.

Otherwise, they crack, and they start to deteriorate. So this is some of the testimony that is going in here that I think is ridiculous, and I just can't understand why anybody would waste any time on it, because it has nothing.

Now, if in the future the housing starts go up, and the demand for lumber is here, that is the time in my opinion to do something about curtailing shipments of commodities, that now can't be sold at the present time, and I think there is a surplus of logs because thousands of board feet are rotting every year because of the short-sighted policy of building no roads into these timber areas.

Senator MORSE. The Forest Service cuts \$21.5 million out of its