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Introduction

The Redwood District of Lumber and Sawmill Workers Collection consists of the office files of the Redwood District Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers, an umbrella organization of industrially organized plywood, sawmill and logging local unions in Del Norte, Humboldt, and at one time, Lake, Mendocino and Trinity Counties. It was affiliated with the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America. At least 70 different locals were affiliated to the Council at different times in its history.

It also contains the complete office records of five constituent local unions which had been stored at the Council building and five small and one substantial accessions of personal papers and memorabilia.

The Redwood District Council, founded in October 1940, ceased to function in 1986. The California Northcoast Labor/Community Archives Project was formed to save the records and they were transferred to Humboldt State University in 1989. Dorothy Balke, widow of the RDC's first president and leader of the 1946 Redwood Strike, Martin Balke, contributed photographs and scrapbook. Raymond Nelson, U.B. of C. & J. of A. International Representative attached to the RDC (1952-78) contributed several items of early RDC material and personal memorabilia. Local historian and lumber worker Frank Onstine contributed several files of material used to write a book on the 1935 lumber strike and a projected book on the 1946 redwood strike. Noel Harris, long time Local 2931 leader, and his wife, Ina, contributed three boxes of materials documenting their roles as mainstays of the local labor and progressive communities. Patsy Givins contributed several items rescued from the demolition of the Arcata Labor Temple, long owned by Local 2808. Albin Gruhn, President of the California Labor Federation, and for many years the executive officer of the Humboldt and Del Norte Counties Central Labor Council, donated (along with a substantial financial contribution) his Fourteenth District Vice-Presidential Reports to the California State Federation of Labor Conventions (1941-1957).

Arrangement

Much of the RDC office files were arranged without regard for original order before the advent of the project archivist. These, together with the bits and pieces of local lumber union pre-history collected by the RDC, several files of early materials collected by Frank Onstine, and the one file of Albin Gruhn's reports have been segregated into the RDC Manuscript Collection. The remainder of the RDC office files constitute the RDC record group. The records of five affiliated UB of C and J of A lumber and sawmill workers local unions were warehoused at the Council building. Each constitutes a discrete body of records of an institution with its own historical integrity. Each has been treated as an individual record group. Several of these record groups contain fragmentary records of other local unions merged into the final local. One record group, that of Local 2808, contains the records of five such mergers. Paper mergers of locals without contracts, few members, and no integration of files have been ignored. The several files of Ray Nelson memorabilia have been included as a sub-series of his office files.

Overall Collection Scope and Content

The collection extensively documents the mature phase and decline of lumber unionism in Humboldt County California. The great bulk of the records fall within the years 1958-85. There is a much more limited amount of material covering Del Norte and Mendocino Counties and earlier periods. Several of the record groups contain minutes from 1940-42, and one (Local 2592) contains sketchy correspondence files starting in 1946, including several letters about the 1946-48 Redwood Strike.

The one box Historical Series of the RDC Manuscript Collection contains bits of earlier Humboldt County lumber unionism, including the surprising addition of the 1917-1919 minutes of Eureka Local 12 of the International Union of Timber Workers. It also includes most of the records pertaining to the 1930s, the World War II period, and the 1946-48 Redwood Strike.

Overall collection highlights include a large number of industrial accident cases documenting the dangers of logging and sawmill operations, the politics surrounding the establishment and expansion of Redwood National Park and its aftermath and the 1983-85 final broken Louisiana-Pacific strike (Local 2592). There is also interesting shop steward correspondence from Local 2808. The artwork of two Local 2931 members is also represented, original cartoon drawings by Ellis Taylor and photographs by Ray Coon (RDC Manuscripts Collection Artifacts Series and Photographs Series) are other highlights.

The RDC reports to the annual conventions of the California State Council of Lumber and Sawmill workers and the Western Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers in the Periodical Series of the RDC Manuscript Collection provide a short year to year overview of the evolution of the RDC.

Albin Gruhn's 14th District Vice Presidential Reports to the California State Federation of Labor Convention in the Historical Series provides a similar picture for the region's unions as a whole from 1942-1958.

The RDC Quarterly Minutes Series of the RDC Manuscripts Collection is probably the researchers best single source for a comprehensive overview of the RDC. Most include short reports by each affiliated local of its doings for the prior three months.

The RDC Local Union Chart provides quick reference to basic data about most of the 70 local unions affiliated to the RDC at one time or another. The Merger Chart illustrates several of the most complicated local union evolutions: 2808, 3006 and the 1930s RDC precursor locals.

RDC Overall Historical Sketch

The lumber industry of the California Northcoast began almost immediately after the discovery of Humboldt Bay in 1849, and has remained the primary industry through the present day. The gigantic size of the region's Redwoods required its lumber companies to be world leaders in the development of mechanized mills and logging operations.

Lumber unionism also developed early in Humboldt County with arguably the first local union of lumber workers, a Knights of Labor local assembly established in 1884. The first national union of lumber workers, the International Brotherhood of Woodsmen and Sawmill Workers was located in Eureka and chartered by the American Federation of Labor in 1906. Both of these early attempts at lumber unionism, along with sporadic forays by the Industrial Workers of the World, were quickly crushed by the fiercely anti-union lumber barons despite the strong support of the dynamic local labor movement.

The first lumber union documented in the collection, Local 12 of the International Union of Timber Workers, was a product of the local and nationwide labor resurgence of the World War I period. It was crushed by the Hammond Lumber Company after a desperation strike to defend the eight hour day in 1919.

The history of the local unions which eventually formed the RDC begins in 1933. Local radicals affiliated with the leftist Trade Union Unity League began to build sketchy union nuclei in local lumber operations and carried out a short lived loggers strike. Galvanized by the successful coast wide maritime strike, lumber workers began to organize rapidly in the Pacific Northwest and shortly afterward in more isolated Humboldt County. The lumber workers first joined federal locals, which were directly affiliated with the A.F.L., including Federal Local 19576 covering Humboldt County from Arcata to Rio Dell. The A.F.L. gave jurisdiction over lumber workers to the U.B. of C. & J. of A. in early 1935. In May 1935, a large scale strike was called throughout the Pacific Northwest to force a pay raise and union recognition. Considerable friction developed between the U.B. of C. & J. of A. appointed strike leader Abe Muir and the local and regional lumber worker leadership over tactics and what they considered a "sellout" settlement. The strike was successful in firmly establishing lumber unionism in Oregon and Washington despite strong industry opposition.

On the California Northcoast, the results were different. While organizing was proceeding rapidly, the local union was not ready for a strike in May 1935. Local strike leader Mickey Lima had estimated they had only approximately one-third of the Humboldt County workers organized and had barely begun to breach the forbidding territory of Pacific Lumber's company town of Scotia and they had not begun at all in Del Norte and Mendocino Counties. Foremen circulated company (anti-strike) loyalty petitions which even future strike leader Everett St. Peters felt compelled to sign rather than risk his job. An anti-union vigilante group, the Humboldt Nationals was formed. The local union leadership opposed a strike under those conditions; but U.B. of C. & J. of A. leader Muir distrusted them as radicals and convinced the local's membership to strike in support of the Pacific Northwest.

The results were disastrous and permanently shaped lumber industry labor relations in the redwood region. Less than half of the workers stayed out on strike on the first day. The strike rapidly went downhill and collapsed after three strikers were shot and killed by the Eureka police and vigilantes in the Holmes-Eureka massacre. The strike leaders were rounded up and tried in the aftermath. The strikers were acquitted but an effective blacklist drove active strikers from the industry and many from the region. St. Peters opened a restaurant and Lima first worked for the WPA and then bought a fishing boat in order to remain in Humboldt County. Interestingly, the Hobbs-Wall Co. in Crescent City and mills in the Southern Oregon area of Coos Bay, which were not well organized in 1935 and did not strike, were soon organized in 1936 and 1937.

The anti-union redwood operators were given confidence by their easy victory, while union-minded lumber workers were intimidated by defeat and the pervasive blacklist. Meanwhile U.B. of C. & J. of A. organizers pulled the charters of Local 2563 after failing to purge its radical leadership in an election soon after the strike. The new local remained radical and industrial union-minded and soon joined the Federation of Woodworkers, the nucleus of the new International Woodworkers of America, CIO. U.B. of C. & J. of A. organizer Don Cameron was not taken unawares when Local 2677 seceded to join the CIO. He immediately issued a new charter for workers of the California Barrel Company. In response to employer fears of the supposedly radical CIO, Cameron was apparently given a free hand to organize by the heretofore violently anti-union Cal-Barrel management. The plant was soon organized and under contract to Lumber and Sawmill Workers Local 2808 (the oldest union local represented in this collection with a significant body of records).

A second local, 2868 (not represented beyond a few fragments in the collection), soon signed a contract with the liberal-minded owners of the Arrow Mills. There were to be no other LSW contracts in the redwood region for five years. The major redwood operators resisted organization vigorously and effectively. When the CIO Woodworkers organized Hobbs-Wall, the company shut down its mills --the mainstay of the Del Norte economy --with devastating results to the residents. The young and vigorous labor movement of Del Norte County, both AFL and CIO, virtually ceased to exist for a number of years. The other redwood operators were rumored to have subsidized Hobbs-Wall in this move. The operators next stopped shipping lumber from the ports of Fort Bragg and Crescent City and drastically curtailed their shipments from Eureka when they realized that the CIO intended to use their strong longshore worker base in these ports to organize the woods. These moves, together with strife between the left wing Eureka local and the right wing regional organizer, effectively drove the IWA out of the redwood region from 1941 to 1952. The active CIO presence was reduced to the Eureka longshore local and the fishermen.

Meanwhile the AFL labor movement in Humboldt County, thriving under the able leadership of Albin Gruhn, secretary of the Labor Council, and business agent for the Retail Clerks, Butchers' Union and several other small locals, had a keen interest in organizing the basic industry of the county --lumber. The Council threw its full weight including its excellent weekly labor paper, the Redwood Empire Labor Journal, into aiding the U.B. of C. & J. of A. in organizing the redwoods.

The first step was to form the RDC in October 1940 to coordinate the campaign. The first target was the Hammond Lumber Company, close to Labor's Eureka stronghold. Local 2592 (one of the collection's record groups) had been established in May 1941 as the Hammond mill local. After several months of hard organizing, the RDC petitioned for an election and one was set for July. The CIO Woodworkers pulled out of the election on the day before the vote, disrupting the RDC's campaign. The election was reset for August and the RDC lost, 547 votes to 417.

The RDC regrouped immediately, opening an office in downtown Eureka within days of the defeat. U.B. of C. & J. of A. President, William Hutcheson, was induced to visit the redwood region and four new organizers were hired. By early spring, 1942, organizing was progressing rapidly in woods and mills from Arcata to Rio Dell. An office was set up in Rio Dell adjacent to the forbidding company town of Scotia, citadel of the intensely anti-union Pacific Lumber Company. Organizing further quickened with 2592's election victory at Hammond, on April 17, 1942, and by fall there were nine locals affiliated to the RDC.

The redwood operators, still confident from their 1935 victory, were unwilling to accept lumber unionism. 2592 was forced to strike Hammond on July 6, 1942 over the company's refusal to sign an agreement. The employee's new union loyalties were proven by the near total effectiveness of the picket lines.

The war both aided and complicated the RDC's organizing drive. Shipbuilding had begun on Humboldt Bay by late 1942, bringing new prosperity and a tight labor market. At the same time, it brought high turnover and new immigrants from rural Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas with little or no experience of unionism. They, at least, did not have the 1935 strike experience to inhibit them. The war also brought women to the lumber industry. They worked for the Cal-Barrel Company before the war, and many came to work at Hammond during the war. By 1943, the Financial Secretary and Business Agent of 2592 was a woman. Equal pay for women was a key RDC war-time issue. Most of all, the War brought the no-strike pledge and the War Labor Board (WLB). There is no record of further war-time lumber strikes in the redwoods and the companies took full advantage of this. WLB pay increase cases ground on slowly over a period of years. In the end, redwood region lumber pay rates were left lower than the other lumber areas of California. This was to build up powerful resentments for the future.

Meanwhile organizing went on apace. During 1943 six more new locals were established in Humboldt County with Pacific Lumber Company the only large operator without a certified RDC bargaining agent. There was also a breakthrough in what one observer had described as "notoriously anti-union" Mendocino County, with a charter being issued to Ft. Bragg Local 2610, covering the Union Lumber Company.

In 1944 the Mendocino breakthrough was complete. There were now six locals, four of them certified bargaining agents. All won by substantial margins. Local 2610 had signed "one of the first union contracts in Mendocino history." Organizing also went forward in Del Norte County with the chartering of 2505 Klamath and the forward momentum was capped by the establishment of a Redwood Master Agreement.

But 1944 also saw the momentum building toward a post war strike, when the no strike pledge would end. The RDC declared its top post-war priority would be the union shop and considerable anger was expressed when the unfavorable WLB decision was announced. The RDC leadership considered it a denigration of their hard fought organizing achievements and considered a war time strike. The employers organized the Redwood Industrial Relations Committee and reaffirmed their opposition to the union shop as first articulated at the time of the IBWSW strike in 1907. They remained confident that their complete dominance of economic life behind "the Redwood Curtain" would continue after the war. This confidence was bolstered by huge cash reserves generated by high war time profits.

Contract negotiations broke down in April 1945 followed by an 85% strike vote in November. 4,000 RDC members walked out of the nine major redwood producers on January 14, 1946 into what was to become the longest, most costly strike of the entire national post-war strike wave. The companies soon agreed to a substantial pay raise which would have nearly equaled the other organized regions but remained adamant on the union shop issue. They reopened utilizing strike breakers recruited from returning veterans and laid off shipyard workers and the unions responded with mass picketing. The U.B. of C. & J. of A. retaliated with a nationwide "hot-cargo" boycott of redwood by union carpenters hammering a new "AFL 8" union label (in the collection there are samples of these hammer-like devices that were used to mark the lumber) into "fair" lumber from the region and there was plenty of new lumber to hammer. The redwood companies lost their monopoly on the region's lumber industry at this time. Capitalizing on the post war housing boom and fir stumpage prices of only 1/3 of those in Oregon and Washington new small lumber companies mushroomed into existence, turning the Arcata area almost overnight into one of the nation's premier lumber centers. The number of lumber firms zoomed from nine in 1944 to two hundred in 1946. These new companies quickly absorbed the redwood strikers and the RDC followed them and signed agreements with their new employers. The number of RDC locals grew to thirty seven by 1948.

Under these conditions, the Hammond Company capitulated and signed a union shop agreement requiring all new employees to join 2592, but pre-strike non-unionists were allowed to remain non-union. The other redwood firms successfully rode out the strike to the bitter end. The testimony of Fentriss Hill of the Northern Redwood Company was featured prominently in the hearings on the Taft-Hartley Bill of 1947, which led to major revisions in U.S. Labor law which restricted union activities. Uncertainty on the legality of the redwood boycott in the aftermath of the bill's passage was the official reason for the end of the strike in 1948 after 27 months.

The strike was costly for both sides. The redwood companies lost both huge housing boom profits and their firm grip on the region's economy. The U.B. of C. & J. of A. spent \$2 million on the strike, and its RDC membership was now for the most part centered in the less secure employment of smaller firms. They suffered high unemployment in 1949 when many of these firms did not survive the first sharp post-war housing downturn. A determined RDC attempt to reorganize the struck firms was stopped cold by recession unemployment and the cost of fending off raids by the Operating Engineers on their membership and jurisdiction. Retrenchment became necessary and organizers were laid off.

The RDC was spared more serious problems by the rapid expansion of the Pacific Northwest plywood industry into the region. This was the most highly profitable and unionized sector of the industry and quickly became the stable heart of the RDC. The Mad River Plywood plant of Humboldt Plywood Company opened in 1947 as the first plywood plant in California and was almost immediately organized into Local 2789. The Malarky and Malarky (M & M) Plywood Company opened its Eureka Plywood plant in 1948 and Local 2931 came into existence.

The Korean War period caused a new lumber boom with a new wave of plant openings with the center of the industry shifting from Washington and the Columbia River Basin region of Oregon to Southern Oregon (an IWA stronghold) and far Northern California, both coastal and the Redding area. The IWA-CIO reentered the RDC region in 1951 and by 1953 had a contract with the long established Northern Redwood Company at Korb. The U.B. of C. & J. of A. responded to this plant expansion and new competition by placing control of the RDC and the newly merged Klamath Basin and Northern California (Redding area) district councils under the control of International Representative Clarence Briggs. This move was facilitated by a RDC financial crisis triggered by another sharp drop in the lumber market in early 1952. The RDC territory was reduced by the transfer of Trinity and Mendocino Counties into the jurisdiction of other district councils and a staff of four international representatives were assigned to organizing into the remaining Humboldt and Del Norte counties. Considerable organizing progress was made especially in Del Norte and the RDC gained membership despite its loss of territory. The abandoned Mendocino County remained unorganized.

A second aspect of the RDC reorganization was the encouragement of small single operation locals to merge and form locals large enough to hire a full time business agent. The small Arcata area sawmill locals merged into Local 2799. Local 3006 Hammond Loggers first absorbed the other RDC logger locals and then became a conglomerate local of heterogeneous parts.

These changes were in full swing in 1954 when the RDC entered its biggest strike since 1946. The men had not received a raise since 1951 and were unhappy but the industry was in the doldrums and the company strongly resisted any increase. This strike included the Northwest and marked the first cooperation between the LSW U.B. of C. & J. of A. and the IWA.

The strike was bitter, protracted and notably less successful in the RDC and Redding areas of far Northern California. The new Del Norte locals were roughly handled. In Arcata, the membership of Local 2697, whose membership consisted solely of the workers at the Twin Parks Lumber Company, voted (see RDC RG Strike Files) to walk through the RDC picket lines in mass to return to work. Post-strike efforts to stabilize the situation in northern Del Norte County by merging the small locals into Local 598 were only partially successful with several decertification votes. 1954 marked the high point and retreat for the RDC in Del Norte county.

The strike, along with continued economic pressure on the small sawmills, destabilized even the merged local 2799. Local 2808 with its excellent finances, its own building --the Arcata Labor Temple --and its long established base at Cal-Barrel was chosen as the new super local to service not only Arcata but such far-flung areas as Hoopa, Orleans, and Salyer. It was to perform this function with distinction in marked contrast to the problems which occurred in conglomerate local 3006.

Local 2808 was immediately put to the test in the year of the takeover --1956. Roddiscraft, a company new to the area, bought out the Humboldt Plywood Corp. with its Mad River Plywood, a linked sawmill in Maple Creek and the Cal-Barrel Company. Cal-Barrel was bought solely for its large timber holdings and the obsolescent barrel factory. Arcata's largest employer was immediately closed, throwing over 800 out of work. Roddiscraft then began building a state of the art flakeboard plant --the RDC region's first.

This takeover was immediately followed in quick order by the Simpson Company's buyout of M & M Plywood and the Georgia-Pacific Company's buyout of Hammond.

These events rocked the RDC to its very foundations. It lost 25% of its membership in the Cal-Barrel closure and the RDC region became overnight an integral part of the Pacific Northwest lumber industry. This had its compensation, labor relations in the Pacific Northwest were well established with the larger companies accepting unions as part of doing business --unlike the entrenched antagonism of the old-line redwood firms. There is evidence of confusion and low morale in the RDC ranks but relations with new companies settled in remarkably quickly despite a sharp economic downturn in 1957-58.

Regional collective bargaining had evolved by fits and starts, with the first Redwood Master Agreement negotiated in 1944. The California State Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers was founded in 1948 as a direct outgrowth of the Redwood Strike with the stated objective of coordinating negotiations on a state basis. Meanwhile in Oregon and Washington, the Northwest Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers was becoming a full industrial union within the body of the craft U.B.of C.& J.of A. There was considerable dissatisfaction about the lack of coordination between the CSCLSW, the Northwest Council and their constituent district councils and local unions during the 1954 negotiations and strike. Al Draut, RDC Executive Secretary, lost his position for a perceived failure to keep the locals informed about higher level negotiations.

There were local variations. The Northern California Lumber Operators Association was established in 1951 to represent the small operators in both the Coastal and Redding areas. It reflected the attitudes and slim profit margins of its clients. It chose union-busting tactics when it could and engaged in collective bargaining when it had to. The region's Carpenters locals tried to interest the RDC locals in a different union model than the expanded industrial unionism offered by the Northwest Council. They wanted to merge the Carpenters and Millmen's District Council with the RDC, offering better area coverage and a base to organize Mendocino and Sonoma County and especially the smaller companies. The RDC locals were not interested. The LSW members in the Los Angeles area were in such a mixed District Council and it is interesting to note that the only non-carpenter to head the U.B.of C.& J.of A. came from that district council.

The RDC locals' integration into the renamed Western Council/LSW proceeded during 1956 and 1957 with such innovations as the new Western Council Defense (i.e. Strike) Fund and a new emphasis on gaining fringe benefits --pensions and company paid health and welfare which had been neglected, even denigrated, in earlier negotiations. These changes did not go entirely smoothly. Some old-line local leaders were not happy about the loss of local autonomy inherent in this shift to the Western Council. The largest Locals 2592 and 3006 attempted to secede from the RDC and join the Carpenters District Council. The U.B.of C.& J.of A. would not allow this, but it resulted in the replacement of RDC Executive Secretary Claude Heinig (1954-60) with Eddie Carroll (1960-62).

Eddie Carroll emphasized organizing during his tenure. The U.B.of C.& J.of A. organizing effort in the RDC area had slackened noticeably during the 1950s. The four International Representatives of 1952 had been reduced to one by 1957 and much of his efforts was wasted in fending off IWA raids --or counter raiding. Disaffected conglomerate Local 3006 lost its large Arcata Simpson mill to the IWA in 1961 and it was felt necessary to spin off its new G-P Samoa Plywood plant unit to form Local 3019 to prevent its loss as well. Meanwhile the RDC had receded from northern Del Norte County. Crescent City "hub" Local 598 contained by the results of the 1954 strike, was hit by a wave of plant closings in 1959-60 and eliminated by a bitter eight month strike in 1961.

Eddie Carroll believed that the key to solving the RDC locals' problems was organizing and that this organizing was the key function of the RDC. Joe Clark was hired by Carroll specifically to organize. The Council won six of twelve organizing elections in 1961 and reached a membership of 4,100 despite the losses at Simpson Arcata and in Del Norte County. But Carroll signed a contract without a union shop clause rather than lose the newly organized Weyerhaeuser loggers Local 3027. The union shop had been almost sacred to the RDC locals since the 1946 strike and local 2789 felt its own struggle to maintain a union shop agreement with Weyerhaeuser had been compromised. Carroll was forced to resign in February 1962 and replaced by Leonard Cahill. Cahill emphasized service to the existing locals and replaced organizer Clark with Claude Heinig as assistant business agent to handle the paperwork. Organizing was once again left to Ray Nelson, the

International Representative and tapered off significantly.

The period 1958-64 was a period of significant technological change and increased productivity in the lumber industry leading to membership loss for the RDC locals. But, overall, the highly organized plywood sector of the industry continued to expand. When industry giant Weyerhaeuser bought out Roddiscraft, it gave 2789 and the RDC problems but it accepted unions as part of the industry. The RDC was by this time fully integrated into the mature industry-wide collective bargaining system that prevailed with the big operators in the Pacific Northwest. There were strikes attendant upon the "Big 6" Negotiations of 1963 and local issue negotiations held in tandem with the industry-wide negotiations sometimes led to single plant strikes. But in general, there was industrial peace and lumber workers earned wages only slightly below their compatriots in auto and steel.

By 1975 times began to change. New plywood plants were opening in the South and old growth was becoming more scarce on the Pacific Coast. The end of the Nixon mandated wage and price freezes led to a cost-of-living explosion and strong membership pressure for a substantial wage increase despite the fact that the industry was operating at only 70% of capacity. The Western Council successfully demanded a very sizeable raise from the industry, which put severe pressure on the small operators. The Rochlin companies had an almost 25 year history of negotiating with RDC locals. They closed their Arcata and Orleans operations under contract to 2808 and forced a union busting strike before closing and selling their Fortuna operations.

The expansion of the Redwood National Park accelerated the shortage of old growth logs, which combined with cheap Southern plywood and plywood substitutes such as waferboard, brought a swift series of plant closures and an end to the plywood industry along with the core locals of the RDC.

By 1979 the RDC could no longer afford a paid officer and Harry Merlo's adoption of a wage cutting Southern strategy forced a final bitter strike at Louisiana-Pacific's remaining operations ended the RDC's effective life by 1984. It also fundamentally altered the nature of collective bargaining in the West Coast lumber industry.

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**Redwood District Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers Collection RDC Record Group:
No. 1, 1946-1987**

Physical Description: 13 cubic feet

Scope and Content

This record group consists of the Redwood District Council (RDC) office files that remained in original order.

The Organizing Series consists of an intact series of alphabetical files dating from 1951-64, with the majority from the reorganization period when the U.B. of C. & J. of A. assigned up to four International representatives to organize in the RDC area. These files represent the failures. When a company was successfully organized, assigned to a local union, and had signed its first contract, it was transferred to the Contract files. If the organizing failed, the company was left in the Organizing files to provide material for future attempts. The Mutual Plywood Corporation and its successor the Mutual Plywood Division of U.S. Plywood show no less than six attempts to organize between 1951 and 1965.

The early 1950s Mutual files also provide information on the functioning of a worker-owned cooperative plywood plant. They especially illuminate the relationships between the owner-workers and non-stockholding employees and the attitudes of the RDC organizers toward stockholder employees and vice versa.

The Rainbow Lumber Company 2799 files contain a transcript of an NLRB unit determination hearing which gives a detailed description of the organization and functioning of a small mainly family-owned sawmill operation circa 1952 and the role of the Northern California Lumber Operators Association in preventing and containing union organization.

The Nelson and Walker Milling Company is a joke file purporting to be the "Onion" Agreement between International representative organizers Nelson and Walker and a house of ill repute.

The Negotiations and Contract series is incomplete, consisting of those files still in original order. When processed, the Negotiations files are a series within a series, interfiled folders of the records of the negotiations of a specific contract. The Contract files consist of organizing material from successful organizing campaigns, negotiating records, grievance material, signed contracts and miscellaneous materials. The series was filed alphabetically by company.

The Strike Files Series is a hodge-podge. The two files on the Local 598 Grants Pass Veneer Co. Cal-Ore Division Strike were created specifically for the bitter 1961 strike that basically marked the end of the RDC's presence in northern Del Norte County. The Local 2952 -Morrison and Jackson and the Local 2697 -Twin Parks files have apparently been converted from "contract to "strike" files. The Local 2952 -Morrison and Jackson file contains organizing records from 1946, contracts, and monthly financial reports and other data on Local 2592 Myers Flat --an apparently quite active small local. The strike era material details the destruction of the union hall and heavy damage to the company mill in the 1955 flood which together with the sharp lumber industry recession of 1957 apparently drove the company to force a bitter union busting strike in that year.

The Industrial Accident Case Files Series in this record group and in the records of the individual locals were created in the process of filing claims for Workers' Compensation, a service performed by the California State Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers and its contracting law firms. The files contain a wealth of information on injuries incurred in sawmill accidents and, to a lesser extent because of the smaller membership base, logging injuries. Working at sawmills and especially logging, rank at the very top of dangerous occupations.

The Cahill Era Subject Files document the RDC locals' political role. They reveal the unions' self-conception as an integral part of the liberal wing of the Democratic Party in the "Great Society" period, working for Civil Rights and Medicare legislation at the Federal level, and fighting for liberal County Welfare benefits and the creation of the County Human Rights Commission. The file, "Reagan and the Birchers" aptly sum up their feelings toward the rise of the Reagan Right in California during the late 1960s. There are three thick files on Congressman Donald Clausen, a political enemy. The fight against the California State Right to Work Initiative in 1958 would appear to have initiated this period of political activism.

The Roy Clement Era files of the mid to late 1970s are less concerned with politics and what there is mostly concerns trying to prevent the expansion of the Redwood National Park and fighting for the best compensation and retraining package for affected lumber workers --The Redwood Employee Protection Program (REPP). The Diamond International Strike, Marysville File contains correspondence that best illuminates the Western Council's role in negotiations and the frictions inherent in its role as an industrial union operating within a craft union.

The Henderson Village Townhouses, Humboldt Plaza Apartments Series documents the RDC's role in creating moderate income housing in both Arcata and Eureka and certain unexpected landlord/tenant problems including having to deal with an unhappy tenant's

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	Scope and Content Note
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Box 11, Folder 12	Lumber Industry Pension Fund (Hazard): Correspondence & Financial Records. 1984-86
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Box 12, Folder 13	Simpson/LPIW Pension General: Applications, Correspondence, Financial Statements, etc. 1979-86
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Box 13, Folder 8	U.B.of C.& J.of A. Correspondence & Bulletins. 1976-87
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Box 13, Folder 10	Union Defense Committee: By-Laws, Correspondence, Leaflets, Press Releases
	Scope and Content Note
	Re: Defending REPP Against Cut-backs. 1980-82
Box 13, Folder 11	Union Labor Directory/Bill Szemkus
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	Re: Billboard Ads in RDC Building. 1978-79
Box 13, Folder 12	Union Register Newspaper: Subscription Receipts. 1982
Box 13, Folder 13	Western Council Convention Resolutions. 1983
Box 13, Folder 14	Western Council LP & IW (LSW) Correspondence. 1981-83
Box 13, Folder 15	Western Council LP & IW (LSW) Correspondence. 1981-83
Box 13, Folder 16	Western Council LP & IW (LSW) Correspondence. 1984-87
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Lumber & Sawmill Workers RDC Manuscript Collection Manuscript Collection: No. 2, 1917-1985

Physical Description: 22 cubic feet

Scope and Content

The bulk of the RDC Manuscript Collection consists of Redwood District Council records taken out of original order and arranged into artificial series by volunteers before the advent of the project archivist.

The Historical Series contains essentially all of the material in the collection pertaining to Northcoast lumber unionism before and during the 1946 redwood strike. This one box series was created by the archivist for researcher convenience. It is divided into five sub-series according to the provenance of the material. The RDC sub-series consists of the bits and pieces of old records saved by the RDC when it destroyed most of its own records upon moving into a new building in 1958. The material as saved has little in common except for its oldness. Perhaps the most pleasant surprise in the entire collection are the 1917-1919 International Timber Workers Local #12 minutes. They constitute a brief glimpse into an earlier cycle of lumber unionism in Humboldt County that ends in a broken desperation strike to preserve the eight hour day achieved during World War I. The provenance is unclear, as the minutes were stored with fragmentary records of the first 1930s precursors of the locals which eventually formed the RDC. These include Dues Books of the American Federation of Labor Federal Local 19576 for 1934-35 and financial records for its successor renumbered 2563 when it received its charter from the U.B. of C. & J. of A. These include the expense records (but nothing more) from the broken 1935 lumber strike. The local was reorganized and rechartered as Local 2677 after the strike. The Historical Series contains the minutes of this local from late 1935 to September 1937. Two months after it bolted the U.B. of C. & J. of A. to join the International Woodworkers of America, CIO. Stuck into the back of the Minute book and now foldered separately are: A 1935 contract with a small lumber company; a CIO plan to organize the redwoods; and several dues arrears notice forms from the now IWA-CIO Local #78. The box also contained the earliest RDC convention minutes, 1941-42, which have been moved into the RDC Convention Series and certain fragmentary records from the 1946 Redwood Strike.

Part of this series are the materials contributed by local author Frank Onstine. The material on the 1935 strike was used to produce his excellent local history, *The Great Lumber Strike of 1935*. There is a thick folder of material on the 1946 Redwood Strike, copied from originals then in the RDC office by Noel Harris, and intended for use to produce a projected sequel on the '46 strike. The originals of this material and much more from the '46 strike period subsequently disappeared from the RDC files. The RDC brief for the War Labor Board has also been placed in this series. This box, together with a few files in the 2592 Record Group Early Office Files Series, a very few files in the Ray Nelson Collection, the 1941-42 and the fragmentary 1945 -48 RDC Conventions constitute the sum total of the collection records on the early organizing and Redwood Strike period.

The created RDC Convention Series has been expanded from partial runs in the other Record Groups to constitute as complete a set as possible. It is the best source to chart the overall evolution of the RDC locals from beginning to end with each local giving a short report of its activities --amounting to four snapshots a year per local.

Ray Nelson was the U.B. of C. & J. of A. International Representative attached to the RDC from 1952 to 1978. His duties encompassed organizing and oversight of the U.B. of C. & J. of A. locals (Construction Carpenters as well as Lumber and Sawmill) in the RDC region. The Ray Nelson Series contains three sub-series: the relatively intact Ray Nelson Desk Files consisting of 1970 organizing files; The Ray Nelson Organizing materials, created from a mass of loose material spanning 25 years with islands of original order including the 1961 Correspondence File, the only material documenting his oversight role; and lastly, there are three folders of early material including a photo of his father with a steam donkey woods crew circa 1910 (the photo is being kept with the other Ray Nelson materials as per his request) and the contracts between the Holmes-Eureka Lumber Company and Logger's Local 3061 in 1943 and 1945.

I: Historical

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**Int'l. Union of Timber Workers Local #12
Eureka, Minutes. 8/19/17****Scope and Content Note**

(first meeting of local) --12/29/18

Box 1, Folder 2

**Int'l. Union of Timber Workers Local #12
Eureka, Minutes. 1/1/19-9/26/19**

Box 1, Folder 3

**Dues Book: A.F.L. Federal Local 19576.
2/35-5/35**

Box 1, Folder 4

**Dues Book Cover: A.F.L. Federal Local.
19576****Scope and Content Note**Most Info. is Post-19576 May 1934-37
LSW 2563

Box 1, Folder 5

**Day Book Local LSW Local 2563. 1/35-9/35
IWA Local. 78 8/7/37-9/1/37**

Box 1, Folder 6

**Local 2563 Contract & Post-1935 Strike
Local Union Election Letter Found in Local
2677**

Box 1, Folder 7

Minute Book. 1935

Box 1, Folder 8

Minutes: Local 2677. 11/5/35-7/9/37

Box 1, Folder 9

Daybook: Local 2677. 11/5/35-11/16/37

Box 1, Folder 10

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Door Sign (Wooden) -- Local 2931
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Gavels Local 2931
Hammers -- Union Label -- 1946 Strike
Humboldt Labor History Project -- Posters, Map
Louisiana-Pacific Strike Boycott Bumperstickers & Hat -- Local 2592
L-P Strike Picket Signs, Placards
Miscellaneous Humor, Cartoons, Poems, etc.
Political & Anti-Environmental Bumperstickers & Pins
Political Signs
RDC Historical Display Panels
Tear Gas Shells (Mounted) from '35 Strike with Commemorative Plaque
U.B.of C.& J.of A. Round Insignia Plaque -- Local 2808

XXV: Oral Interviews, Tapes and Transcripts

A. Oral Interviews, Tapes

Interview of Don Andreasen by Edie Butler -- 2/27/90

Scope and Content Note

Re: Employment at Cal-Barrel from 1935-44 & '35 Strike-Breaking Activities

"California Loggers" WTTG 5's 10 O'Clock News. 5/24/77

Scope and Content Note

(Cassette & Reel-to-Reel)

Interview of Albin Gruhn by Jeffrey Lustig

Labor/Community Rally: Tuesday. Oct. 11, 1983

Interview of Bill Landis by Gordon Webb

Scope and Content Note

re: Locals 2678, 2808 & Arcata Plywood. 3/13/91

Interview of Albert J "Mickey" Lima by Frank Onstine

Scope and Content Note

Re: '35 Eureka Lumber Strike. 4/14/77

Interview of Helen Lima by Gordon Webb

Scope and Content Note

re: CIO in Humboldt County, Fishermen & Allied Workers of America --Local 38 and CIO Lumber Workers Organizing Comm. 1939-45.

6/29/91

Local 2592 Louisiana-Pacific Strike: Public Hearing before the Board of Supervisors. c.1983

Scope and Content Note

Speakers Include: Bill Landis, Ray Peart, Noel Harris, Lynn Schultz, Richard Khamsi, Leonard Cahill

Local 2592 Louisiana-Pacific Strike: Redwood Acres Strike-Support Rally (T.V. Broadcast/Bledsoe) 1983

Local 2931 Strike: Newscasts. 1975

Interview of Ray Nelson, U.B.of C. & J. of A. International Representative. 1952-78,by Jeff Lustig -- 6/11/87 & 7/8/88

Interview of Andrew Oberdorf by Edie Butler & Ina Harris -- 4/30/87 & 5/4/87
Interview of Jack Wagner Re: '34 San Francisco Strike -- Bloody Thursday. 1979
Interview of Elaine Black Yoneda by Frank Onstine Re: 1935 Lumber Strike.
4/77

U.B.of C.& J.of A. Hearing Re: Forced Merger of 3006 into 2592

Scope and Content Note

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U.B.of C.& J.of A. Sixty Second Radio Spots & Jingles

Scope and Content Note

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B. Transcripts

Interview of Don Andreasen by Edie Butler -- 2/27/90(Annotation)

Interview with Anonymous Strike Sympathizer Re: 1935 Eureka Strike. 4/6/77

Interview of Noel Harris by Richard Khamsi. 6/17/87

Interview of Albert J. "Mickey" Lima by Frank Onstine. 4/14/77

Lumber and Sawmill Workers Local Union 2592 Record Group No: 3, 1946-1986**Physical Description:** 21 cubic feet**Historical Sketch**

Local 2592 was chartered in May 1940. The local lost an organizing election at the Hammond Redwood Company in August 1941. The second attempt in April 1942 was successful and marked the RDC's first breakthrough victory into the primary redwood lumber industry.

Collective bargaining began tempestuously with a wartime strike in July 1942 before certification to the War Labor Board. The Hammond Redwood Company, like the rest of the large redwood producers, was not reconciled to permanent collective bargaining. Negotiations broke down in April 1945 (for details of the strike period see overall historical sketch) and the major redwood producers were struck in January 1946.

Local 2592 and its sister Hammond locals 2893, Carlotta, and 3006, Big Lagoon, were the only redwood locals to emerge intact and victorious from the strike of 1946-48. Hammond broke ranks with the other companies and signed a union shop contract with minimal exceptions in February 1947.

The immediate post-war period marked other momentous changes for Local 2592.

Hammond hired many women during the war and women filled the top financial secretary position in the union from 1943-45. By the early 1950s, there were no women in the local.

The strike period saw an explosion of small sawmills in the region. Local 2592 represented workers in several of these mills until the harder economic times of the mid 1950s. The local was involved in long bankruptcy proceedings with the Manila Mills Company and Coast Redwood/A.K. Wilson to secure back wages for the men.

The Georgia-Pacific Company bought Hammond in 1956 and operated it under the name of Hammond Redwood Company until the early 1960s and thereafter under the Georgia-Pacific name. The sale brought confusion and low morale to the local at first, but Georgia-Pacific had developed a stable collective bargaining relationship with its operations in the Pacific Northwest and Local 2592 was integrated into this system. Local 3006, the Hammond Woods Local, shared a common contract with Hammond and later G-P. Both showed dissatisfaction with a perceived loss of autonomy attendant upon their integration into industry-wide bargaining through the Western Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers centered in Portland Oregon. The Western Council Defense (strike) Fund, procedures for separate local issue negotiations, and the success of the 1963 negotiations and strike, converted 2592's membership into firm supporters of the Western Council by 1965. Collective bargaining relations were to remain stable for the next fifteen years.

The late 1950s and early 1960s were a period of rapid technological change. The old plants #2 and #3 were closed in 1960 and an entirely new automated sawmill was built at Samoa, which opened in 1964 with a loss of 90 members to Local 2592. Despite such setbacks, Georgia-Pacific's extensive timber holdings allowed for a measure of job security unknown by workers in the region's small sawmills.

The U.B. of C. & J. of A. forced Local 3006 to merge with 2592 in 1971 bringing in the Georgia-Pacific Woods, Big Lagoon, and Carlotta operations. Georgia-Pacific's Cloverdale trucking and later a Hayward lumber yard were added. When Georgia-Pacific was forced by federal anti-trust action to spin off Louisiana-Pacific Corp., 2592 represented the workers in the heart of the new company. The 3006 merger also brought in Fortuna Veneer and Fortuna Wood Products, owned by Abe Rochlin (See 2808) for their final three tumultuous years. The Rochlin interests closed down their operations under Local 2808's jurisdiction in 1974 and tried strikebreakers, a decertification election and finally plant closure of the Fortuna operations rather than accept the high 1975 Western Council settlement.

The 1970's saw the successful organization of both McNamera & Peepe's Arcata and Crescent City operations amid a number of other unsuccessful drives. The late 1970's saw the collapse of the plywood industry in the RDC region and the opening of a number of non-union Louisiana-Pacific operations in Northern California and elsewhere. By 1981, Locals 2592 and 2505 (Simpson Klamath sawmill) were the last remaining RDC locals with contracts.

Louisiana-Pacific labor relations grew increasingly more combative with the advent of the Reagan Administration. In 1983, Louisiana-Pacific adopted a full scale southern strategy

calling for wage freezes, a two-tier wage scale with much lower wages for new hires and the gypping (contracting out) of woods operations. Louisiana-Pacific broke away from the industry-wide negotiations and prepared to take and break a strike. This strategy was successful despite a nationwide boycott and corporate campaign by the U.B. of C. & J. A. Local 2592 was decertified in June 1984 with the strikebreakers voting. Other Louisiana-Pacific locals were also decertified and the strike officially called off when the election appeals procedure was exhausted in 1985. The breaking of the strike was to have

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Lumber and Sawmill Workers Local Union 2789 Record Group No.: 4, 1947-1979**Physical Description:** 11 cubic feet**Introduction**

The Local 2789 Record Group is one of the the most interesting and complete in the Redwood District Council Collection. Mad River Plywood was the first plywood plant to open in California in February 1947. Its closure over 30 years later, in 1979, was the subject of a documentary movie. The records themselves are good, although a little sketchy for the early years. The local union meeting minutes are complete and buttressed with Executive and Grievance/Plant Committee minutes as well. There is a set of verbatim Negotiating Committee Meetings from the important 1962 contract negotiations with Weyerhaeuser that gives a rare inside view of the labor negotiation process.

Included in the Local 2789 Record Group are the minutes of Local Union 2641. This small sawmill local bargained against the same owners and management as Local 2789 and merged with this local in 1959, shortly before the sawmill closed. It appears to have been one of the most stable and long-lived small locals in the RDC. These minutes came to Humboldt State University earlier as a separate acquisition from LSW Local 2808 on the closure of the Arcata Labor Temple. They appear to be most valuable when viewed with the much more extensive Local 2789 material.

This collection was processed by Gordon Webb and Virginia Baker in April and May of 1990.

Historical Sketch

The Humboldt Plywood Company began construction of its Mad River Plywood plant in September of 1946 at the height of the RDC Redwood Strike. This Portland based firm was a leader in the rush of corporations trying to meet the booming post-war lumber market utilizing Humboldt County's inexpensive fir stumpage (1/3 of the Oregon cost) and the trained union lumber workers on strike against the redwood operators. Mad River Ply began operating in February of 1947 as the first plywood plant in California. L.S.W. Local 2789 held its first meeting the following month, March 1947, and was immediately certified as bargaining agent through an apparently uncontested election. The Local did not join the RDC until late 1948 and seems to have remained aloof from the struggle with the Redwood operators.

Local 2789 was a singularly fortunate local throughout the 1950s. While many small sawmill operators went out of business or turned on their employees and their unions in order to lower costs when the post-war housing boom cooled off in the early 50s, the plywood market remained relatively strong at this time. Local 2789 survived the 1954 strike which destroyed at least one of the other RDC locals and held out for a better settlement. When Roddiscraft Inc. moved into the area in 1956, it bought out the Humboldt Plywood and Lumber Companies and California Barrel with strikingly different results for the local unions involved and their memberships. Roddiscraft bought the declining California Barrel Company for its timber holdings only and laid off its work force of over 800 (Arcata's largest employer) almost immediately. LSW Local 2808, the longtime mainstay of the RDC, was a far different, if still successful, union centered on the less stable smaller sawmill and plywood operations, after this event (see the 2808 Record Group).

Roddiscraft also closed Humboldt Lumber Company's Maple Creek sawmill in early 1959. The employees at this sawmill had already become members of Local 2789 through a merger in 1958, and were offered jobs in Roddiscraft's expanding operations.

For Local 2789, the Roddiscraft era proved to be a kind of Golden Age. The company made a major investment in modernizing and expanding Mad River Ply and built a new state-of-the-art flakeboard plant, the first in Humboldt County. It even put in a small sawmill at the old California Barrel Company site. Altogether, 2789's membership was doubled to around 600 members. Labor management relations between the local and Roddiscraft seem to have been remarkably amicable with relatively few grievances. Up to this time, technological and economic change had worked to 2789's advantage and this may reflected in the more conservative stance on political issues taken by 2789 within the RDC.

It must have been a rude surprise to 2789's membership when one of the industry's giants, Weyerhaeuser, bought out Roddiscraft in the late 1960s with little warning. This buy-out reflected a trend within the lumber industry and especially the plywood section at this time, for large firms to purchase mid-sized ones. Locally, Georgia-Pacific had bought out

Hammond California Redwood, U.S. Plywood bought the Mutual Plywood plant at Fairhaven and Simpson was steadily expanding its holdings. These take-overs were accompanied by an increased rate of technological change and a resultant loss of jobs to automation. When this was coupled with lower prices for lumber, leading to additional management cost cutting measures, the stage was set for confrontation between labor and management.

Weyerhaeuser pumped money into another upgrading of Mad River Ply and new German machinery for the flakeboard or "Timblend" plant. It even reopened the old Dolly Varden

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Lumber and Sawmill Workers Local Union 2808 Record Group No: 5, 1942-78**Physical Description:** 29 cubic feet**Historical Sketch**

Local union 2808 was chartered July 15, 1937 immediately after the existing U.B. of C. & J. of A. local in the area, 2677, seceded to join the rival International Woodworkers of America-CIO (IWA).

The California Barrel Co., Arcata's leading employer from the turn-of-the-century, had a long history of anti-unionism. Carpenter's organizer Don Cameron managed to raise the specter of a militant, radical CIO threat sufficiently to induce Cal-Barrel management not to oppose Local 2808's organizing efforts. A first contract was quickly signed.

The company must have been surprised to find CIO sympathizers in firm control of the local for the first years of its existence. Local officers Cy Young and Joe Stapp freely cooperated in joint projects with CIO leaders. Still, collective bargaining appears to have been remarkably peaceful and strongly anti-radical Stanley Jordan had assumed leadership by 1942.

Cal-Barrel utilized mainly fir and spruce rather than redwood; and, as a secondary manufacturer of wood products, stood somewhat apart from primary redwood lumber producers. Likewise, Local 2808 maintained close relations with box making locals in other areas and was not greatly involved in the struggle to organize the redwood companies and the grueling redwood strike of 1946-48.

Cal-Barrel's primary lines of wooden packing boxes and fruit crates were becoming obsolescent by the early 1950s and 2808's membership began to decline. Still, the local was one of the largest local unions on the Northcoast and the local's foresight in purchasing a building in 1940 and creating the Arcata Labor Temple gave it rental income and remarkable financial stability, with the lowest dues of any RDC union. Gradually, Local 2808 took on more of a role in the RDC and by the mid-1950s, Stan Jordan was a recognized leader within it. Jordan saw weak and unstable locals in the RDC and felt that an expanded Local 2808 could provide greater service, strength and stability to the membership through mergers.

By the early 1950s the post-war housing and lumber boom was over and the lumber market was settling into a new cyclical pattern of boom and bust. This spelled harder times for both small lumber companies and their workers. The unionized small operators were feeling squeezed by the big lumber operators with extensive timber holdings and non-unionized small operators who cut corners where ever they could.

The Northern California Lumber Operators Association, NCLOA, was formed in 1951 to represent small lumber operators in both the redwood and pine areas across Northern California. It responded to the changing economic pressures with a kind of defense/offensive labor relations strategy. It negotiated when it had too and tried union busting decertification elections when its manager, Charles Rubyn, thought they would succeed.

The formation of the NCLOA paralleled the mergers of RDC small-mill locals into multi-employer locals with enough members to survive economic slumps and which could afford to hire a full time business agents. Local 2799, founded in Arcata in 1944 to represent workers at the small fir operator G. L. Spier, at first shared a business agent with two other small Arcata area locals 2726 (Sound Lumber Co.) and 2893 (Dolly Varden Lumber Co.) through 1951; they merged in 1952.

1954 saw the largest industry-wide strike since 1935 in the West Coast lumber industry. The strike was noticeably less successful in far Northern California than in Oregon, Washington and even Central California. Local 2698, which represented workers at Arcata's Twin Parks Lumber Company, had its membership vote to walk through the RDC picket line and return to work.

The NCLOA took an aggressive stance both during and after the strike. One of its targets was Local 2799, which it sued during the strike. In 1955, it orchestrated a series of decertification elections against Local 2799 and several small, single unit sawmill locals. This attack, in conjunction with plant closures, an IWA raid on the Dolly Varden unit, and apparently the personal problems of business agent Tom Baxter, destabilized even the expanded Local 2799 making it a good candidate for a merger.

Local 2678, founded in 1951, represented two medium sized Arcata plywood plants, Durable Plywood and Arcata Plywood (owned by entrepreneur Abe Rochlin). The local had hired ex-RDC Secretary, Bill Abbey, Jr., as business agent in 1953 but could not afford to retain

him after incurring heavy expenses in several strikes at Arcata Plywood in late 1953 and early 1954. The local had a part-time financial secretary until the end of 1955. It too sought a merger in order to obtain the full time officer it could not quite afford on its own. Local 2808, with its large membership and reliable finances, seemed the ideal merger vehicle to stabilize these locals' memberships. The mergers were consummated in December 1955. Local 2569, which represented workers at Van de Nor Lumber Co., had also just voted to merge with 2799 and joined it in the merger with Local 2808. Local 2808 seemed on its way

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Lumber & Sawmill Workers Local 2931 Record Group No: 6, 1955-1983**Physical Description:** 20 cubic feet**Historical Sketch**

The Malarky and Malarky or M and M Eureka Plywood plant was opened in 1948 during the post-war lumber boom. M and M had been operating plywood plants in the Pacific Northwest and had a well established collective bargaining relationship with U.B. of C. and J. of A. lumber and sawmill locals in that region.

Local 2931 was organized soon after the plant opened and was integrated into the existing M and M Joint Collective Bargaining Board (JCBB). The JCBB performed many of the functions of a district council and Local 2931's presence in the RDC during the M and M years was accordingly minimal.

Early labor relations seem to have been amicable achieving the first settlement in the industry in 1952. 2931 and the other JCBB locals did not need to join the industry-wide strike of 1954 after reaching an interim agreement on the eve of the strike. The company abruptly closed its long established Longview, Washington plant at this time; and moved production to a new plant at Albany, Oregon.

M and M Plywood Company was bought out by the Simpson Redwood Co. in 1956, the year of a wave of buy-outs that was to transform the lumber industry in the RDC area and integrate it much more closely with the Pacific Northwest.

Paradoxically, the Simpson buy-out was to integrate 2931 more closely into the RDC, especially with other RDC Simpson locals: 2505, Klamath; 3006, Simpson, Arcata and later Simpson Mad River Plywood, Local 2789. All RDC locals were learning to integrate their negotiations with industry-wide patterns negotiated by the Western Council. Same-company RDC locals began to coordinate their local issue negotiations and give each other strike support.

Simpson ran a "tighter ship" than the family owned M and M and there were adjustment problems but collective bargaining settled into a stable pattern for the remainder of 2931's existence. There were several contract strikes and local issue strikes over grievances and 2931 honored picket lines established by other Simpson locals, notably an IWA Shelton, Oregon local's strike over sexual harassment of a woman member.

The Simpson Co. bought the closed U.S. Plywood Mutual Division plant in Fairhaven on the Samoa peninsula and moved operations there from the Eureka plywood plant in 1967. The new Simpson Fairhaven Plywood plant was staffed by 2931 members and remained under the local's jurisdiction. The Company spent millions of dollars refurbishing the old Eureka plant and reopened it for a few months in 1969 as Eureka Specialty, then closed it again permanently.

2931's membership enjoyed the relatively greater job security of the plywood sector of the lumber industry during the 1950s and 1960s. By the 1970s, this began to change, despite Simpson Fairhaven's near monopoly on redwood plywood. Layoffs and curtailments grew increasingly frequent.

The Fairhaven mill closed in 1981 with Local 2931 remaining in existence until the mill equipment was sold in 1983.

Scope and Content

This Record Group comes with an unusual, and very necessary finding aid --its own card index. The cards have been eliminated for files that no longer exist. Falling outside the system are: The Minutes Series, Plant Committee Minutes and Notes Series, Negotiations and Contracts Series, Strike Files Series, and the Meeting and Working Files Series. Certain series predate the system: the Office Files: Old Series which contains records created before the advent of business agent Noel Harris and office secretary Ina Harris, and the Office Files: Transitional Series from their first several years in office. The Carl Brandt Files Series covers the last eighteen months before plant closure and afterward until the plant was sold and the local formally merged into 2592.

Ina Harris' card system #1, #2, and #3 Files follow a logic all their own, which is not apparent without the card file and its subject cross referencing. It is best to start searching them by looking through the card file.

The local minutes lack only the first year, but are otherwise notable only for their brevity.

Perhaps the most interesting file in the entire record group is the M and M Joint Bargaining Board File in the Office Files: Old Series, some of the minutes date to 1943, well before the building of the Eureka Plywood Plant and the establishment of Local 2931. This file contains good detail on the early multi-plant bargaining and the only surviving correspondence with the Malarky and Malarky Company. The last two M and M contracts, 1955 and 1956 are contained in the Negotiations and Contracts Series. Little else survives from before the Simpson buy-out in 1956. Clarence Purnell replaced Joe Stockwell as business agent shortly after the buy-out.

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Lumber and Sawmill Workers Local Union 3019 Record Group No: 7, 1952-1979**Physical Description:** 9 cubic feet**Historical Sketch**

Local 3019 began as the Georgia-Pacific Samoa Plywood Unit of Local 3006 with its first meeting held September 12, 1959. The unit was caught up in the internal disaffections within Local 3006 which lead to the loss of the large Simpson Arcata unit to the IWA in early 1961.

The problems within 3006 lead to a reversal of the long standing RDC practice of merging small locals into large multi-employer locals. The Georgia-Pacific Samoa Plywood Unit together with a short lived Georgia-Pacific Veneer operation in Briceland were spun off from Local 3006 to form Local 3019 on March 11, 1961.

A labor shortage lead to the hiring of women when the plant first opened in 1959 and there were a number of grievances over womens' issues. The local took part in the Big Six strike of 1963, (see 2789 Historical Sketch for details) and then settled into a pattern of mature, relatively peaceful collective bargaining.

By the mid-1970's recurrent log shortages and increasing volatility in the plywood market led to frequent lay offs and curtailments. The local was an active participant in demonstrations and political activity in opposition to the expansion of the Redwood National Park and the plant closure in the Fall of 1979 was blamed directly on the park by Georgia-Pacific.

The mid-1970's saw the locals engaged in a number of organizing campaigns all of which ended in National Labor Relations Board election defeats or failure to win a contract. The Cottage Gardens Nursery organizing effort was an unusual attempt by an LSW local to organize workers through the California Agricultural Labor Relations Board. The company successfully stalled off a contract after 3019's election victory in 1976, until the unit was lost during the confusion attendant on the closure of the plywood plant in late 1977. This is the best documented organizing campaign in the entire collection.

1961 -1962 Calvin Barnett

1962 -1972 Roy Clement

1972 -1974 Floyd McBride

1974 -1977 Clarence Cornwell

Scope and Content

The 3019 Record Group has some of the most complete records in the collection, possibly because the local was also the shortest lived of the local unions represented. The Local began life as the Georgia-Pacific (G-P) Plywood Unit of Local 3006 in 1959 and was "spun off" to form its own local after a period of dissension within Local 3006, which culminated in a successful IWA raid on its Simpson Arcata Remanufacturing Plant Unit.

The minutes are complete from its organization as a unit of Local 3006 soon after the plant was built until the plant closure in 1977. The minutes of the G-P Plywood Unit of the 3006 period were found together with the succeeding Local 3019 minutes and have been arranged with them. They deal primarily with G-P Plywood but also show the dissension within the overall local. There are also minutes of the short-lived Briceland unit that barely survived Local 3019's first year. Women worked at G-P Plywood from the plant's first opening in 1959 and various women's issues are chronicled throughout the run of minutes.

There are no correspondence files from the 3006 unit period and all coorespondence files before 1964 are limited. The correspondence with G-P/L-P are contained in a separate Company Communications Series, but as is the usual case in this collection, much of the substance of union/company interaction can be found in the Plant Committee Minutes and Notes Series.

The Grievance Series has grievance forms dating to the very beginning of the 3006 unit period. There is a full verbatim transcript, Arbitrator's Opinion and Award in the Terry Semore Case, and a handwriting analysis report file on the Moreno grievance.

The Organizing Series documents the difficulties in organizing new operations that unions encountered during the 1970s, with three lost elections and one plant closure after the election was won at the Standard Veneer Company. This file contains an interesting analysis balancing the advantages and disadvantages to the local of expanding by organizing a second unit.

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The Cottage Gardens Nursery Organizing files are by far the most detailed organizing files in the entire collection and should be used in conjunction with the files in the Ray Nelson Series in the RDC-M Collection. The material thoroughly documents an attempt to organize workers outside the lumber industry through the California Agricultural Labor Relations Board.

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Also Includes Other G-P Operations & Other Companies

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The Ina and Noel Harris Personal Papers Collection: No. 8, 1940 -1990

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Introduction

Ina and Noel Harris, long time secretary and business agent respectively, of Local 2931, donated this three box collection of their personal papers relating to the lumber and labor history of Humboldt County. It is especially rich in material on the final plant closure and Louisiana-Pacific strike of the early 1980s. It was presented to the California Northcoast Labor/Community Archives project at Humboldt State University in 1990 and processed by Lesa Coleman, assisted by Gordon Webb, in June 1991.

Biographical Sketches

Noel Harris has deep roots in Humboldt County. His mother's father moved there in 1860. His father settled in Mendocino County circa 1900. Noel was born near Fort Bragg on December 6, 1918. Noel's father worked as a teamster in tie (railroad) camps, and as a commercial fisherman. He moved his family to Humboldt County around 1922. As a child, Noel attended the Fishermen's Union Christmas parties, held at the Eureka Labor Temple, with his father.

Humboldt County contained a sizeable Finnish population, many of whom belonged to the Fishermen's Union. The Red Finns, the main left-wing group in Eureka, were a source of education and influence for Harris.

In 1928, at 11 years of age, Noel campaigned for William Z. Foster, a radical Irish-American running for the U.S. presidency. A few years later in 1935, Noel (as a teenager) picketed at the foot of F Street in Eureka during the 1935 lumber workers strike.

From 1936 on, spanning half a century, Noel belonged to various trade unions in the whaling, fishing, railroad, lumber and plywood industries. He joined the IWA in 1937 while working for Pacific Lumber in Humboldt County. In 1939, he became a member of the Building Service Employees Union while working at the World's Fair in San Francisco. Coming back to Humboldt County, he worked one season at a whaling station in Fields Landing in 1940. Harris' first elected position in a union was Recording Secretary of the Fish Cannery Workers' Union.

Noel served in the U.S. Navy from 1942-1945, mainly in the Pacific Theater on the aircraft carrier, the U.S.S. Cowpens. Soon after coming home from the war, he worked briefly at the Vaughn Planing Mill in Nevada where he married his second wife, Charis Wilson.

In 1948, Noel became Humboldt County Chairman for the Independent Progressive Party Presidential candidate, Henry Wallace. He was a delegate to its 1952 National Convention in Chicago.

Using the G.I. bill, he graduated from Humboldt State College in 1949 with a B.A. in social science, majoring in history.

In 1951, Noel became a member of Plywood Local 2931, a local he would participate in for the next thirty years. He began working in the tape and patch department of M & M Plywood, becoming shop steward and a delegate to the Redwood District Council in 1954. He also served on the Plant and Safety Committees. He gained considerable shop floor union experience at this time and filled in for the business agent at various times without pay.

Noel was nominated for the Local 2931 union presidency in 1960, but had to withdraw before the election, when the House Un-American Activities (HUAC) summoned him to appear as a witness in San Francisco. As a result of this appearance, Noel was temporarily eased out of union functions. It took four years for him to regain his pre-1960 status in the union.

In 1965, Business Agent Clarence Purnell had a heart attack. On the recommendation of a top officer of the Redwood District Council --who argued that nothing was ever proved against Noel in San Francisco and that he was "one Hell of a good union man" --Noel was appointed business agent/financial secretary and remained in that position until his retirement in 1981. From 1965-1980, Noel was elected business agent/financial secretary for Local 2931 seven times without ever campaigning. One of Noel's accomplishments was that he never lost an unemployment claim appeal of a laid-off, unemployed or terminated union member.

The term "Jimmy Higgins" came out of the Industrial Workers of the World and socialist movements of the turn of the century. It refers to rank-and-filers who do the day-to-day drudge work without aspiring for power, personal gain or even credit. In some instances, this was due to various federal laws and restrictions against radicals moving into elected union office. In other instances it was a philosophical choice to remain among rank-and-file workers, and on occasion an activist could be more effective working as a rank-and-filer. Noel feels that this grassroots mentality is the backbone of many movements. His own modus operandi for many years was to avoid seeking a leadership titles. Noel was very effective in making his position as financial secretary of the union a powerful position.

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