

It may not be economically possible for some mills to buy this material in competition with hungry American concerns, desirable as such action would be from the standpoint of forestry policy. To our mind the advantage to the Canadian mill in having a larger supply of easily available material, while important, is by far a secondary consideration in comparison with the fundamental purpose of our forest policy, namely, the perpetuation of the forest. It is quite foolish to turn off the spigot while the barrel leaks at the bung, even though some material may be saved.

So we specially commend Mr. Barnjum's proposal and generous offer of assistance in the matter of a more intensive and extensive educational campaign to advise the Canadian people as to the true condition of their forest wealth. It is sure to follow an enlightenment of the public that proper restrictions and regulations will be enacted and properly enforced so that future generations will say that we have properly conceived and discharged our duty in passing on an incomparable inheritance. Surely the wood using industries will support this fine offer to help the Canadian Forestry Association and other agencies in spreading the true conception of present conditions and the gospel of true forest protection—perpetuation.

There ought to be a widespread discussion of Mr. Barnjum's article. His statements deserve most thoughtful consideration.