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## INTRODUCTION

The United States Forest Service has reecntly completed a study of the yields of Douglas fir (Pseudotsuga taxifolia Britt.) for even-aged stands of Oregon and Washington. ${ }^{2}$ The work was not extended to stands south of the Willamette-Umqua divide in Oregon because from observation it is believed that this line roughly divides the Douglas fir forest into two types of decided difference in stand characteristics. But the commercial range of the species on the Pacific slope extends into California about as far south as Yosemite National Park in the Sierra and about San Francisco Bay along the coast. To report the yields of well-stocked, even-aged stands of the species in California is the object of this bulletin.

That there are significant differences in certain stand characteristics between the two general regions seems established from the work $\%$ presented herein.

## GROWTH OF DOUGLAS FIR STANDS IN CALIFORNIA

The growth of the species is shown by tables which state the yield of even-aged stands over a period of years. Age, timber productive quality of the area, and stand density are the most important growthdetermining factors of a stand. As there is no satisfactory way of expressing stand density in absolute terms, normal-yield tables based on the ideal density which produces maximum volume are presented.

## Basic Data

The normal-yield tables for Douglas fir are based on 159 sample plots scattered through the geographical range of the species in California.

[^0]Plot Selection.-Within even-aged stands plots were established so as to enclose a comparatively complete crown canopy by excluding the larger openings which follow failure of reproduction or accident and at the same time to include within boundaries the area equivalent to that which seemed to be used by the enclosed timber. Plots were surveyed with staff compass and chain.

Age Determination.-The age of each plot was determined by counting the annual rings on cores extracted (with Swedish increment borers) from near the base of several trees. By the age of the tree is understood the number of rings on the core plus the necessary correction for height growth to the point of boring. The age of the oldest tree was taken as the plot age although the difference between the ages of the youngest and oldest tree examined was seldom more than two or three years.

Field Measurements.-Diameter breast high of every tree was measured with diameter tape and tallied by species and crown class (dominant, codominant, intermediate, or suppressed).

The heights of fifteen to twenty-five trees were measured with the Forest Service hypsometer, from horizontal distances measured with the Leitz Fardi Range Finder of 20 -centimeter base. Heights were plotted over diameter on cross-section paper in the field, the number of measurements necessary being judged at the time by the range of diameters present and their dispersion around the free-hand curve.

A short description of physiographic features completed the field work on each plot.

Office Computations.-The computational work necessary for each plot is evident from following paragraphs. The yield tables were constructed by correlating dependent growth variables with age and site quality by the method described by Bruce and Reineke, ${ }^{3}$ and the stand tables are based on Charlier's ${ }^{4}$ method of calculating theoretical frequencies.

## Normal Yield Tables

Tables 1 to 11 and figures 1 to 11 indicate the growth of Douglas fir in fully-stocked stands in California, for age and site index. ${ }^{5}$ Site index is herein defined as the height that the average dominant Douglas fir will attain, or has attained at 50 years of age. Average

[^1]TABLE 1
Height of the Average Dominant Tree**

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Age, } \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | Site index-height of average dominant at 50 years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
|  | feet | feet | feet | feet | feet |
| 30 | 39 | 54 | 67 | 81 | 95 |
| 40 | 50 | 68 | 85 | 102 | 120 |
| 50 | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
| 60 | 68 | 89 | 112 | 135 | 156 |
| 70 | 74 | 98 | 122 | 147 | 170 |
| 80 | 79 | 104 | 131 | 158 | 182 |
| 90 | 83 | 110 | 138 | 166 | 192 |
| 100 | 86 | 114 | 146 | 173 | 201 |
| 110 | 89 | 118 | 152 | 179 | 209 |
| 120 | 92 | 122 | 156 | 185 | 216 |
| 130 | 96 | 125 | 159 | 189 | 220 |
| 140 | 98 | 128 | 162 | 193 | 224 |
| 150 | 99 | 130 | 164 | 196 | 228 |
| 160 | 100 | 132 | 165 | 198 | 232 |

*The height from average ground level to tip of the dominant tree of average basal area for the dominant class.


Fig. 1.-Height of the average dominant tree for age and site index. These curves were used in site classification of the plots.

TABLE 2
Height of Average Tree*

| Age, years | Site index-height of average dominant at 50 years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
|  | feet | feet | feet | feet | feet |
| 30 | ...... | 41 | 58 | 72 | 85 |
| 40 | ..... | 58 | 77 | 94 | 110 |
| 50 | 47 | 71 | 92 | 110 | 131 |
| 60 | 57 | 81 | 104 | 127 | 148 |
| 70 | 65 | 88 | 114 | 140 | 163 |
| 80 | 70 | 96 | 123 | 152 | 176 |
| 90 | 75 | 102 | 132 | 160 | 187 |
| 100 | 78 | 107 | 139 | 168 | 196 |
| 110 | 82 | 112 | 145 | 176 | ...... |
| 120 | 85 | 117 | 149 | 180 | ...... |
| 130 | 88 | 121 | 154 | 184 | . |
| 140 | 90 | 124 | 157 | 188 | ...... |
| 150 | 91 | 126 | 159 | 192 | ....... |
| 160 | 92 | 127 | 161 | 194 | ....... |

* The height from average ground level to tip of the tree of äverage basal area.


Fig. 2.-Height of the average tree for age and site index.

TABLE 3
Number of Trees to the Acre*

| Age, years | Site index-height of average dominant at 50 years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
|  | Number of trees to the acre |  |  |  |  |
| 30 | ...... | 1080 | 672 | 485 | 394 |
| 40 | ...... | 780 | 497 | 364 | 297 |
| 50 | 1033 | 601 | 386 | 278 | 230 |
| 60 | 790 | 475 | 302 | 220 | 182 |
| 70 | 643 | 382 | 241 | 176 | 147 |
| 80 | 530 | 313 | 200 | 148 | 121 |
| 90 | 445 | 260 | 168 | 125 | 100 |
| 100 | 378 | 225 | 143 | 104 | 85 |
| 110 | 324 | 193 | 122 | 91 | ...... |
| 120 | 282 | 170 | 107 | 80 | ...... |
| 130 | 254 | 152 | 95 | 70 | ..... |
| 140 | 230 | 138 | 87 | 62 | ...... |
| 150 | 212 | 124 | 79 | 58 | ...... |
| 160 | 198 | 113 | 75 | 54 | ...... |

* The number of trees that have reached a height of at least 4.5 feet (breast height).


Fig. 3.-Number of trees to the acre for age and site index.

TABLE 4
Basal Area to the Aore*

| Age, years | Site index-height of average dominant at 50 years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
| 30 | sq. ft . | sq. ft. 198 | $\begin{gathered} \text { sq. ft. } \\ 217 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { sq. } f \ell . \\ 230 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { sq. ft. } \\ 243 \end{gathered}$ |
| 40 | ..... | 223 | 243 | 267 | 285 |
| 50 | 205 | 237 | 264 | 290 | 305 |
| 60 | 214 | 249 | 281 | 305 | 319 |
| 70 | 222 | 260 | 295 | 316 | 328 |
| 80 | 228 | 271 | 305 | 323 | 334 |
| 90 | 233 | 280 | 313 | 329 | 339 |
| 100 | 238 | 288 | 318 | 333 | 342 |
| 110 | 242 | 294 | 322 | 336 | ...... |
| 120 | 245 | 298 | 326 | 338 | ..... |
| 130 | 248 | 302 | 328 | 340 | ...... |
| 140 | 250 | 305 | 330 | 341 | ..... |
| 150 | 251 | 308 | 331 | 342 | $\ldots$ |
| 160 | 252 | 309 | 332 | - 343 | ..... |

- The sum of the cross-sectional areas at breast height, in square feet.


Fig. 4.-Growth in basal area to the acre for age and site index.

TABLE 5
Average Diametigr, Breast High*

| Age, years | Site index-height of average dominant at 50 years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
|  | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches |
| 30 | ........ | 5.9 | 7.7 | 9.3 | 10.6 |
| 40 | ....... | 7.2 | 9.5 | 11.6 | 13.3 |
| 50 | 6.0 | 8.5 | 11.2 | 13.8 | 15.6 |
| 60 | 7.1 | 9.8 | 13.1 | 15.9 | 17.8 |
| 70 | 8.0 | 11.2 | 15.0 | 18.1 | 20.3 |
| 80 | 8.9 | 12.6 | 16.7 | 20.0 | 22.5 |
| 90 | 9.8 | 14.0 | 18.5 | 22.0 | 25.0 |
| 100 | 10.7 | 15.3 | 20.2 | 24.2 | 27.0 |
| 110 | 11.7 | 16.7 | 22.0 | 26.0 | ........ |
| 120 | 12.6 | 17.9 | 23.6 | 27.2 | ..... |
| 130 | 13.4 | 19.1 | 25.2 | 29.8 | ...... |
| 140 | 14.1 | 20.2 | 26.3 | 31.8 | ........ |
| 150 | 14.7 | 21.3 | 27.7 | 32.9 | ........ |
| 160 | 15.3 | 22.4 | 28.5 | 34.1 | ........ |

* The diameter in inches of the tree of average basal area.


Fig. 5.-Average diameter breast high for age and site index-the diameter of the circle of average basal area.

TABLE 6
Mrean Diameter, Breast Higm*

| Age, years | Site index-height of average dominaint at 50 years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
|  | inches | inches | inches | inches | inches |
| 30 | ...... | 5.0 | 6.7 | 8.4 | 9.6 |
| 40 | -....... | 6.3 | 8.5 | 10.7 | 12.2 |
| 50 | 5.1 | 7.6 | 10.2 | 12.8 | 14.5 |
| 60 | 6.1 | 8.9 | 12.0 | 14.8 | 16.7 |
| 70 | 7.0 | 10.3 | 13.8 | 16.8 | 19.0 |
| 80 | 8.0 | 11.6 | 15.7 | 18.9 | 21.3 |
| 90 | 8.9 | 12.9 | 17.3 | 20.9 | 23.7 |
| 100 | 9.8 | 14.2 | 18.0 | 22.9 | 25.6 |
| 110 | 10.7 | 15.6 | 20.6 | 24:8 | ........ |
| 120 | 11.6 | 16.8 | 22.0 | 26.6 | ........ |
| 130 | 12.4 | 17.9 | 23.4 | 28.4 | ........ |
| 140 | 13.0 | 19.0 | 24.8 | 30.2 | ........ |
| 150 | 13.6 | 20.1 | 26.2 | 31.9 | ........ |
| 160 | 14.2 | 21.2 | 27.6 | 33.5 | ........ |

- The mean of all diameters on an average acre.


Fig. 6.-Mean diameter breast high for age and site index-the average of all diameters in the stand.

TABLE 7
Cubic Volume to the acre*

| Age, years | Site index-height of average dominant at 50 years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
| 30 | cu. ft. | $c u . f t .$ $3.300$ | cu.ft. $4.900$ | cu. ft. 6.500 | cu.ft. $7,700$ |
| 40 | 2,300 | 5,000 | 7,200 | 9,350 | 10,900 |
| 50 | 3,650 | 6,400 | 9,000 | 11,700 | 13,100 |
| 60 | 4,800 | 7,600 | 10,500 | 13,200 | 14,800 |
| 70 | 5,700 | 8,550 | 11,750 | 14,500 | 16,200 |
| 80 | 6,400 | 9,350 | 12,750 | 15,500 | 17,400 |
| 90 | 6,950 | 10,000 | 13,550 | 16,400 | 18,400 |
| 100 | 7,400 | 10,500 | 14,300 | 17,200 | 19,200 |
| 110 | 7,700 | 11,000 | 14,900 | 17,950 | -........... |
| 120 | 7,950 | 11,400 | 15,400 | 18,600 | ......... |
| 130 | 8,150 | 11,700 | 15,950 | 19,200 | ........... |
| 140 | 8,350 | 12,000 | 16,400 | 19,800 | $\ldots$ |
| 150 | 8,500 | 12,300 | 16,800 | 20,300 | ........... |
| 160 | 8,600 | 12,500 | 17,200 | 20,800 | ........... |

- The cubic volume of the entire stem of all trees from ground to tip but without limbs or bark. The volume table used is given following p. 22.


Fig. 7.-Growth in cubic volume to the acre for age and site index.

TABLE 8
Mean Annual Growth in Cubic Volume to the Acre*

| Age, years | Site index-height of average dominant at 50 years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
| 30 | cu.ft. | $\begin{gathered} c u . f t \\ 110 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} c u . f t . \\ 163 \end{gathered}$ | cu. ft. 217 | cu. ft. 257 |
| 40 | 58 | 125 | 180 | 234 | 270 |
| 50 | 73 | 128 | 180 | 234 | 262 |
| 60 | 80 | 127 | 175 | 220 | 247 |
| 70 | 82 | 122 | 168 | 207 | 232 |
| 80 | 80 | 117 | 159 | 194 | 218 |
| 90 | 77 | 110 | 151 | 182 | 205 |
| 100 | 74 | 105 | 143 | 172 | 192 |
| 110 | 70 | 100 | 135 | 163 | ...... |
| 120 | 66 | 95 | 128 | 155 | ...... |
| 130 | 63 | 90 | 123 | 148 | $\cdots$. |
| 140 | 60 | 86 | 117 | 141 | ...... |
| 150 | 57 | 82 | 112 | 135 | ...... |
| 160 | 54 | 78 | 107 | ${ }^{-} 130$. | - -..... |

*The cubic volume on the acre divided by the age


Fig. 8.-Mean annual growth in cubic volume to the acre for age and site index.

TABLE 9
Number of Trees Eight Inches and Over, to the Acre

| Age, years | Site index-height of average dominant at 50 years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
|  | Number of trees eight inches and over |  |  |  |  |
| 30 | ...... | 185 | 265 | 258 | 252 |
| 40 | ...... | 252 | 278 | 251 | 230 |
| 50 | 191 | 279 | 258 | 221 | 198 |
| 60 | 250 | 277 | 230 | 190 | 170 |
| 70 | 266 | 260 | 203 | 165 | 143 |
| 80 | 269 | 234 | 179 | 144 | 118 |
| 90 | 260 | 210 | 158 | 124 | 98 |
| 100 | 243 | 190 | 139 | 195 | 85 |
| 110 | 225 | 174 | 122 | S1 | ...... |
| 120 | 210 | 159 | 106 | 80 | ...... |
| 130 | 199 | 146 | 84 | 70 | **** |
| 140 | 187 | 135 | 85 | 63 | *..... |
| 150 | 178 | 124 | 79 | 58 | ...... |
| 160 | 167 | 114 | 75 | 54 | $\cdots \cdots$. |



Fig. 9.-Number of merchantable trees to the acre for age and site index.

TABLE 10
Volume Board Measure to the Acre*

| Age, years | Site index-height of average dominant at 50 years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
| 30 | bd. ft. | bd. ft. 7,760 | bd. ft. <br> 17;050 | bd. ft. <br> 27,900 | bd. ft. <br> 37,000 |
| 40 | ........... | 16,000 | 31,700 | 47,700 | 59,400 |
| 50 | 8,940 | 25,200 | 45,000 | 64,800 | 76,200 |
| 60 | 15,060 | 34,300 | 56,900 | 77,400 | 90,600 |
| 70 | 21,000 | 42,700 | 67,300 | 89,000 | 103,500 |
| 80 | 26,500 | 49,650 | 76,200 | 98,400 | 114,800 |
| 90 | 31,400 | 55,700 | 83,800 | 107,400 | 124,100 |
| 100 | 35,900 | 60,600 | 91,000 | 115,300 | 131,500 |
| 110 | 39,400 | 65,650 | 97,600 | 122,200 | ............. |
| 120 | 42,200 | 68,200 | 102,700 | 127,600 | .... |
| 130 | 44,600 | 73,200 | 107,800 | 133,700 | ............. |
| 140 | 46,750 | 76,400 | 111,800 | 139,000 | ...... |
| 150 | 48,300 | 79,700 | 115,700 | 142,900 | .............. |
| 160 | 48,600 | 82,400 | 119,000 | 146,600 | .............. |

- The board foot contents of the trees by the International log rule of $3 / 8$-inch kerf between a stump of one foot and a top diameter inside bark of 5 inches scaled in 16 -foot logs with 0.3 -foot trimming allotment to each. Gross volumes are presented, no account being taken of cull factors. The volume table used is given following p. 22.


Fig. 10.-Growth in volume board measure to the acre for age and site index.

TABLE 11
Mean annual Growtif in Board Fegeis to the Acre*

| Age, years | Site index-height of average dominant at 50 years |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 80 | 100 | 120 | 140 |
| 30 | bd. ft. | bd. ft. | bd. ft. | bd. ft. | bd. ft. |
| 30 | ...... |  |  | 930 | 1,234 |
| 40 | $\cdots$ | 400 | 793 | 1,193 | 1,485 |
| 50 | 179 | 504 | 900 | 1,286 | 1,525 |
| 60 | 251 | 565 | 948 | 1,280 | 1,510 |
| 70 | 297 | 610 | 962 | 1,270 | 1,480 |
| 80 | 331 | 620 | 952 | 1,230 | 1,436 |
| 90 | 349 | 619 | 931 | 1,193 | 1,380 |
| 100 | 359 | 606 | 910 | 1,153 | 1,315 |
| 110 | 359 | 597 | 888 | 1,112 | .......... |
| 120 | 352 | 568 | 859 | 1,065 | .......... |
| 130 | 343 | 553 | 830 | 1,028 | .......... |
| 140 | 334 | 546 | 799 | 993 | .......... |
| 150 | 325 | 531 | 771 | 953 | .......... |
| 160 | 310 | 515 | 744 | 916 | ......... |

- The board foot volume on the acre divided by the age.


Fig. 11.-Mean annual growth in volume board measure to the acre for age and site index.
height of the dominant, or of the dominant and codominant stand is generally accepted as the most accurate and readily measurable factor of timber-productive quality of an area, because it bears a very close relationship to volume production within the limits of normal stocking.

Although the yield tables for Douglas fir in Oregon and Washington define site index as the height of the average dominant and codominant at 100 years, the height of the average dominant at 50 years is used here in order to conform with site index as defined in other California yield studies. ${ }^{6,7}$ Height curves used in determining the site-index of each plot are shown in figure 1.

## Check of Basic Data Against the Yield Tables

Table 12 shows the check of the values of the 159 sample plots against the yield tables interpolated to nearest year of age and nearest foot of site index.

TABLE 12
Check of Basic Data Against Yield Tables

| - | Aggregate difference, per cent* | Mean difference, per cent* | Standard error of estimate, per cent $\dagger$ | Standard error of yield table value, per cent $\ddagger$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Basal area................................................ | -0.0 | +0.6 | 16.4 | $\pm 1.30$ |
| All trees per acre...................................... | -0.2 | +1.9 | 27.0 | $\pm 2.14$ |
| Average d. b. h.......................................... | $+0.9$ | +1.5 | 15.7 | $\pm 1.24$ |
| Volume in cubic feet................................. | -0.0 | +0.3 | 16.3 | $\pm 1.29$ |
| Volume in board measure.......................... | +0.8 | +2.4 | 20.4 | $\pm 1.67$ |

*The aggregate difference is the sum of the plot values expressed as a percentage difference from the sum of corresponding tabular values.
** The mean difference is the mean of the per cent deviations of the plot values from corresponding tabular values.
$\dagger$ Standard error of estimate $\left(\sigma_{e s t}\right)=\frac{\Sigma\left(f_{x}\right)}{N}$ in which $x=$ deviation of each plot from its tabular value in per cent, $\Sigma=$ the sum, and $N=$ number of plots.
$\ddagger$ Standard error of yield table value is the same as that ordinarily understood as standard error of the mean, the mean here being tabular value for age and site index. It is expressed thus: $\sigma_{M}=\frac{\sigma_{e s t}}{\sqrt{N}}$.

## Stand Tables

Although yield tables are basic to the solution of many forest management problems, they are not complete without stand tables as problems of valuation and utilization require knowledge of such stem distribution.

Stand tables for Douglas fir are given in table 13. ${ }^{8}$

[^2]TABLE 13
Normal Stand Table for Dojglas Fir Including all Tremes

| D. b. h. class, inches | Age of stand in years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 | 110 | 120 | 130 | 140 | 150 | 160 |
|  | Number of trees by diameter classes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sise inder 60 feet at 50 years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0.0-2.0......................... |  |  | 173 | 97 | 58 | 28 | 15 | 13 | 8 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 2 | ...... |
| 2.0-4.0......................... |  |  | 233 | 135 | 90 | 60 | 36 | 22 | 14 | 9 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 3 |
| 4.0-6.0......................... |  | ......... | 251 | 177 | 127 | 88 | 62 | 44 | 31 | 21 | 16 | 12 | 9 | 8 |
| 6.0-8.0......................... |  |  | 184 | 159 | 132 | 102 | 79 | 59 | 43 | 33 | 26 | 21 | 17 | 15 |
| 8.0-10.0......................... |  |  | 107 | 110 | 105 | 91 | 80 | 65 | 52 | 41 | 33 | 27 | 23 | 21 |
| 10.0-12.0........................ |  |  | 52 | 65 | 72 | 70 | 67 | 60 | 51 | 43 | 37 | 32 | 28 | 25 |
| 12.0-14.0... |  |  | 22 | 32 | 36 | 46 | 49 | 45 | 45 | 40 | 36 | 33 | 29 | 27 |
| 14.0-16.0......................... |  |  | 8 | 11 | 16 | 27 | 31 | 33 | 36 | 34 | 32 | 30 | 27. | 26 |
| 16.0-20.0......................... |  |  |  | 2 | 6 | 16 | 24 | 32 | 36 | 40 | 42 | 44 | 43 | 42 |
| 20.0-24.0......................... |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 12 | 16 | 19 | 21 | 23 |
| 24.0-28.0......................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 28.0-32.0...... |  |  | ....... | ........ | ........ | .... | .... | ...... | ........ |  | ........ | ........ | 1 | 1 |
| Total. |  |  | 1030 | 788 | 642 | 530 | 445 | 378 | 325 | 282 | 251 | 230 | 210 | 198 |
| Site inder 80 feet at 50 years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0.0-2.0......................... | 189 | 72 | 42 | 19 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  | ......... |
| 2.0-4.0......................... | 240 | 134 | 71 | 39 | 21 | 13 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | ..... | ......... |
| 4.0-6.0........................ | 259 | 175 | 104 | 67 | 40 | 26 | 15 | 9 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 6.0-8.0......................... | 183 | 157 | 119 | 85 | 55 | 37 | 25 | 16 | 11 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| 8.0-10.0......................... | 105 | 122 | 101 | 85 | 65 | 46 | 32 | 23 | 17 | 13 | 9 | 6 | 5 | $\cdot 4$ |
| 10.0-12.0......................... | 53 | 69 | 77 | 70 | 60 | 48 | 36 | 28 | 21 | 16 | 12 | 10 | 7 | 6 |
| 12.0-14.0......................... | 21 | 36 | 48 | 52 | 50 | 43 | 37 | 31 | 24 | 19 | 15 | 12 | 9 | 8 |
| 14.0-16.0......................... | 5 | 14 | 26 | 33 | 37 | 37 | 32 | 29 | 25 | 21 | 17 | 14 | 11 | 9 |
| 16.0-20.0......................... |  | 4 | 12 | 23 | 37 | 43 | 47 | 46 | 43 | 39 | 35 | 30 | 26 | 23 |
| 20.0-24.0..................................... |  |  |  | 2 | 7 | 13 | 22 | 25 | 28 | 29 | 28 | 27 | 25 | 23 |
| 24.0-28.0......................... |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 5 | 8 | 13 | 15 | 18 | 19 | 19 | 19 |
| 28.0-32.0......................... |  |  |  |  | $\ldots$ |  | .... | 1 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| 32.0-36.0......................... |  |  | $\ldots$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 6 |
| 36.0-40.0......................... |  |  | ..... |  |  | . |  |  |  |  | ......... |  |  | 1 |
| Total. | 1055 | 783 | 600 | 475 | 382 | 314 | 261 | 225 | 194 | 172 | 152 | 138 | 123 | 114 |
| Site index 100 feet at 60 years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0.0-2.0......................... | 65 | 18 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 1 |  |  |  | ......... |  |  |  | .......... |
| 2.0-4.0......................... | 101 | 47 | 20 | 10 | 5 | 3 | 3 |  | 1 | . | ......... | ......... |  | $\cdots$ |
| 4.0-6.0......................... | 139 | 73 | 41 | 22 | 11 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  | ......... |
| 6.0-8.0......................... | 136 | 92 | 56 | 33 | 20 | 11 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 2 |  | 1 |  | ......... |
| 8.0-10.0......................... | 106 | 88 | 64 | 41 | 27 | 17 | 11 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 10.0-12.0......................... | 65 | 75 | 61 | 45 | 32 | 21 | 14 | 10 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 12.0-14.0......................... | 36 | 51 | 51 | 43 | 34 | 25 | 18 | 12 | 9 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| 14.0-16.0......................... | 17 | 30 | 37 | 37 | 31 | 26 | 20 | 14 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 |
| 16.0-20.0......................... | 5 | 19 | 37 | 49 | 49 | 45 | 39 | 32 | 26 | 19 | 15 | 12 | 10 | 9 |
| 20.0-24.0......................... |  | 2 | 7 | 16 | 26 | 30 | 31 | 28 | 25 | 20 | 18 | 15 | 13 | 11 |
| 24.0-28.0......................... |  |  | ......... | 3 | 7 | 14 | 18 | 20 | 20 | 19 | 17 | 15 | 14 | 12 |
| 28.0-32.0......................... |  |  |  |  | 1 | 3 | 6 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 12 |
| 32.0-36.0......................... |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 10 |
| 36.0-40.0......................... |  |  |  |  | $\cdots$ |  |  | ........ | 1 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 7 |
| 40.0-44.0......................... |  |  |  |  | ....... |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| 44.0-48.0......................... |  |  | ..... | ...... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |
| 48.0-52.0......................... |  |  | .... |  |  |  |  |  | ........ | ........ | $\ldots$ | ...... |  | $\ldots$ |
| Total....................... | 670 | 495 | 384 | 302 | 245 | 202 | 168 | 143 | 123 | 107 | 95 | 86 | 79 | 75 |

Table 13-(Concluded)

| D. b. h. class, inches | Age of stand in years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 | 110 | 120 | 130 | 140 | 150 | 160 |
|  | Number of trees by diameter classes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Site inder 180 seet at 50 years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.0-2.0........................ | 26 | 14 | 2 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2.0- 4.0.......................... | 51 | 20 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4.0-6.0......................... | 77 | 39 | 19 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |  |  | ........ |  |  | .... |
| 6.0-8.0......................... | 92 | 52 | 29 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ......... | ......... |  | ..... |
| 8.0-10.0......................... | 86 | 60 | 37 | 21 | 13 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | ......... | ...... | .... | ...... |
| 10.0-12.0......................... | 67 | 56 | 41 | 26 | 17 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ..... |
| 12.0-14.0.......................... | 45 | 47 | 40 | 29 | 20 | 13 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 14.0-16.0..... | 26 | 35 | 35 | 28 | 21 | 15 | 10 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 16.0-20.0......................... | 16 | 33 | 48 | 48 | 40 | 32 | 24 | 17 | 13 | 9 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| 20.0-24.0.......................... |  | 7 | 18 | 28 | 31 | 28 | 24 | 20 | 16 | 13 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| 24.0-28.0......................... |  |  | 3 | 10 | 16 | 21 | 20 | 19 | 16 | 14 | 12 | 10 | 8 | 7 |
| 28.0-32.0......................... |  |  | ..... | 1 | 5 | 10 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 10 | 8 | 8 |
| 32.0-36.0......................... |  |  |  |  | 1 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 8 |
| 36.0-40.0......................... |  |  |  | ....... |  | ..... | 2 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 |
| 40.0-44.0......................... |  |  |  |  | $\ldots$ |  | $\ldots$ | 1 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 |
| 44.0-48.0......................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ..... | ... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| 48.0-52.0......................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 52.0-56............................. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| Total..................... | 486 | 363 | 280 | 220 | 177 | 146 | 122 | 105 | 92 | 81 | 72 | 65 | 59 | 54 |

Site index 140 feet at 50 years

| 0.0-2.0......................... | 12 | 10 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2.0- 4.0......................... | 28 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - |
| 4.0-6.0......................... | 48 | 22 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | ......... |
| 6.0-8.0......................... | 63 | 33. | 16 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | ..... |
| 8.0-10.0......................... | 69 | 42 | 22 | 13 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10.0-12.0.......................... | 62 | 45 | 28 | 17 | 10 | 6 | 3 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | ......... |
| 12.0-14.0.......................... | 49 | 43 | 31 | 20 | 12 | 8 | 5 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  | .... |
| 14.0-16.0..-...................... | 34 | 37 | 30 | 23 | 14 | 9 | 6 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  | .... |
| 16.0-20.0......................... | 29 | 44 | 49 | 44 | 32 | 23 | 16 | 11 |  |  |  |  |  | - |
| 20.0-24.0......................... | 3 | 13 | 29 | 31 | 29 | 24 | 18 | 14 |  |  |  |  |  | - |
| 24.0-28.0.......................... |  | 1 | 10 | 18 | 21 | 21 | 18 | 15 |  |  |  |  |  | ......... |
| 28.0-32.0......................... |  |  | 1 | 6 | 11 | 14 | 15 | 13 | ......... |  | ......... |  |  | ......... |
| 32.0-36.0.......................... |  |  |  | 1 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 11 | ......... |  |  | ......... |  | ......... |
| 36.0-40.0......................... |  |  |  | $\ldots$ | 1 | 3 | 5 | 7 | ........ |  | ......... |  |  |  |
| 40.0-44.0......................... |  |  |  |  |  | $\ldots$ | 1 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 44.0-48.0......................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | ...." |
| 48.0-52.0......................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 395 | 300 | 228 | 183 | 147 | 121 | 101 | 86 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## VOLUME TABLES

Preliminary to the study of yields in cubic and board feet, volume tables in these units were prepared. ${ }^{9}$ The basic tree data of the tables presented are from measurements taken by the Division of Forestry from eight, previously measured, even-aged sample plots in Mendocino and Trinity counties. The ages of the trees measured were from 33 to 111 years.

Table 14 is the volume in cubic feet, and states the entire volume of the stem, including stump and top, but without bark. It was prepared by correlating cylindrical form factor with diameter, height and site index. As no significant relationship was discovered with site index, the table may be used for any site class.

TABLE 16
Chege of Basic Tree Data against Volume Tables

|  | Aggregate difference, per cent | Mean difference, per cent | Standard error of estimate per cent | Standard error of volume table value, per cent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cubic foot volume.... | -0.0 | -0.7 | 11.7 | $\pm 0.71$ |
| Board foot volume.................................. | -0.7 | -0.4 | 12.1 | $\pm 0.81$ |

Table 15 is the volume in board measure. It includes the boardfoot contents of the trees between a one-foot stump and top diameter inside bark of five inches. It was prepared by correlating the number of board feet to a cubic foot with the diameter and height of the trees.

Table 16 shows the check of the basic tree data with the volume tables.

## DISCUSSION

The generic name of Douglas fir, Pseudotsuga, implies that its common name is a misnomer in that the tree is not a true fir of the Abies genus, such as red and white fir.

One of the outstanding differences in characteristic growth between Douglas fir and the California true firs already studied ${ }^{10}$ is the fact that the crown of the former becomes rather widespread when not confined by neighboring trees. Now diameter breast high bears a

[^3]noticeably constant ratio to crown width in any one timber species; hence the net result of widespread Douglas fir crowns with their associated greater trunk diameters at breast-height-when the stand is deficient in number of trees-is the tendency to form complete crown canopies and therefore to approach normal stocking by basal area. Figure 12 indicates this within the limits of the data presented. The regression of average diameter breast high on number of tree is

Average d.b.h. in per cent of the tabular value $=\sqrt{\frac{1,000,000}{\begin{array}{c}\text { Number of trees in per cent } \\
\text { of the tabular value }\end{array}}}$
Now basal area in square feet is .00545 times the number of trees times the square of average diameter breast high in inches. But


Fig. 12.-Relation between average diameter and number of trees.
within a given site-age class by the above equation, the number of trees times the square of the average diameter is constant; that is, basal area tends to be independent of the number of trees as long as there are at least sufficient trees to allow a complete crown canopy.

The true firs, on the other hand, have characteristically narrow crowns even when growing in the open; hence they have not the ability to form complete crown canopies when deficient in number of trees. Deficiency in number of trees within a site-age class results in deficiency in basal area, because of the narrower crowns and the crown diameter-diameter breast high ratio. Therefore, average diameter is proportional to the number of trees and not to the square



Fig. 13.-Comparison of California stands by basal area and by number of trees with those of Oregon and Washington for site index 140 feet-height of the average dominant and codominant tree at 100 years.
root of the number; while the effect on basal area of increasing the number of trees through normality to an overstocked condition is that it rises to a maximum and then falls off. ${ }^{11}$

The differences in growth of Douglas fir between the central and southern parts of its range are evident from figure 13 which shows the comparison of yield values in basal area and in number of trees with age for average site class. One must infer that the stand in California breaks up earlier in life than it does farther north for the following reasons:
(1) It has fewer trees to the acre throughout and these decrease at a greater rate.
(2) It grows faster in basal area when young, but after about 100 years this growth practically stops though in the north it is still vigorous.

Such differences are not unknown in other species which have a wide latitudinal range. In taking part in a recent discussion as to the relative merits of timber producing regions in the United States, $\mathrm{Zon}^{12}$ compares the yield of two Russian species-Scotch pine and birch-in northern and southern provinces of that country and notes the same tendencies.

[^4]

## Yield and stand tables

## Basic Data

The sample plots on which the yield and stand tables are based were measured by the Division of Forestry in 1927. Out of the 175 plots originally measured, 16 were discarded (see table 20). The 159 actually used are from the following watersheds given in table 17.

TABLE 17
Distribution of Plots by Princtpal Watersheds

| Region and watershed | Number of plots |
| :---: | :---: |
| Coast Range: |  |
| Clear Lake... | 3 |
| Gualala River.............................. | 3 |
| Garcia River................................ | 2 |
| Noyo River.................................. | 5- |
| Big River.................................... | $3-$ |
| Eel River:. | 38 |
| Van Duzen River........................ | 6 |
| Mad River.......... | 12 |
| Redwood Creek. | 23 |
| Trinity River.............................. | 38 |
| Klamath River............................ | 5 |
| Sierra Nevada Mountains: |  |
| American River........................ | 14 |
| Yuba River... | 5 |
| Feather River........................... | 2 |
| Total......................................... | 159 |

The composition of the plots by basal areas of the various species included is shown in table 18.

TABLE 18
Composition of Basal Arba of the Plots Used

| Species | Basal area in percentage of total |
| :---: | :---: |
| Douglas fir... | 94.99 |
| Western yellow pine......................... | 1.48 |
| Oak, laurel and madrone................. | 1.04 |
| Redwood. | 0.98 |
| White fir. | 0.57 |
| Sugar pine..................... | 0.45 |
| Incense cedar. | 0.37 |
| Grand fir........................................... | 0.12 |
| Total......................................... | 100.00 |

The distribution of the plots by site and age classes is given in table 19. In this table, site index is defined as the height of the average dominant and codominant at 100 years, as the tables were first constructed on site index so defined for purposes of comparison with yields of Douglas fir in Oregon and Washington.

TABLE 19
Distribution of Plots by Sitie and Age Classes


Fig. 14.-Comparison of heights of average dominant and codominant tree in the California plots with the height curve for Oregon and Washington stands of the same average site index.

Comparison of the Calffornta Sample Plots with Yield Tables for Douglas Fir in Oregon and Washington
Yield tables for Douglas fir in Oregon and Washington define site index as the height of the average dominant and codominant tree at 100 years. In order, therefore, to compare the values of the California sample plots with the Oregon-Washington tables, each California plot was assigned a site index number as defined for the tables of the northern material. That the latter's height growth curve for the average dominant and codominant, on which site index is based, fits the California data is shown in figure 14. Then the values of each California plot were compared with the Oregon-Washington yield tables and the percentages of the former to the latter were arranged



Fig. 15.-Frequency distribation of the California sample plots in per cent of the Oregon-Washington yield tables by basal area and by number of trees.
in a frequency array by basal areas and by numbers of trees. Figure 15 shows these dispersions graphically. The comparison of the means for the original 175 plots are as follows:

> By basal area, $+33.2 \% \pm 2.65 \%$
> By number of trees to the acre, $-4.3 \% \pm 2.49 \%$

Were the means of the California plots by both basal area and number of trees either higher or lower than the Oregon-Washington tables by about the same amount, one might doubt the validity of the comparison, as the differences might be due to different conceptions as to what constitutes normal stocking, on the part of those who originally laid out and measured the plots in the two regions. But as the basal area of the California material is 33 per cent higher, and the number of trees 4 per cent lower, this can hardly be the case.

## Rejection of Abnormal Plots

The rejection of abnormal plots is based on the above comparison. Those which deviated by about two standard deviations from the mean difference of the California plots were checked over for explanation of their abnormal values. As the explanation was seldom evident from the measurements taken or from the plot description, nearly all were rejected. Table 20 summarizes the rejected plots.

TABLE 20
Calffornia Plots Rejected as Abnormal

| Age, years | Site index | Per cent of difference from corresponding values in Oregon-Washington yield tables |  | Basis for rejection |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | By basal area | By number of trees |  |
| 63 | 71 | +55 | +62 | Too many incense cedar trees |
| 67 | 98 | + 45 | +61 | Too many incense cedar trees |
| 72 | 109 | +84 | +107 | Basal area and number of trees too high |
| 67 | 122 | +95 | $+80$ | Basal area and number of trees too high |
| 111 | 125 | +147 | + 76 | Basal area and number of trees too high |
| 27 | 130 | +126 | -8 | Basal ares too high |
| 27 | 132 | +152 | + 9 | Basal area too high |
| 168 | 146 | + 44 | - 26 | Basal area too high |
| 91 | 148 | + 74 | $+24$ | Basal ares too high |
| 27 | 151 | +125 | - 20 | Basal area too high |
| 45 | 158 | +173 | $+53$ | Basal area and number trees too high |
| 45 | 156 | +139 | + 45 | Basal area and number trees too high |
| 168 | 150 | $+80$ | + 11 | Basal area too high |
| 45 | 171 | +83 | +88 | Too many redwood sprouts and tan oak trees |
| 45 | 178 | +53 | +139 | Basal area and number trees too high |
| 33 | 200 | +99 | +125 | Too many redwood sprouts |

The means of the remaining 159 plots are as follows:
Basal area: $+25.9 \pm 1.97 \%$
Number of trees: $-9.6 \pm 1.97 \%$
Obviously these figures cannot be accepted as due to chance fluctuation. There must be differences in Douglas fir stand characteristics between the southern and central part of its range on the Pacific slope.

Construction of the Yield Tables on the 100-Year Site Index
Rather than correlate the percentage deviations of basal area, number of trees, and of other growth units with age and site, the original units are correlated directly with age and site on the 100 -year site index and later transferred to the 50 -year site index to conform with site as defined for other California species.

Basal Area, Number of Trees, and Cubic Volume.-Plot values on the acre basis for these variables were correlated with age and site by comparing them with the multiple linear regression equation, and, by a series of successive estimates, converting the net regression lines for age and for site index as well as the relationship between actual and estimated values, to curvilinear forms where necessary. The calculation of the correlation, measured by the correlation index, is analogous to the Pearsonian correlation ratio:

$$
C I=\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{\sigma_{\text {ent }}}{\sigma_{v}}\right)^{2}}
$$

in which $C I=$ correlation index
$\sigma_{e s t}=$ the standard error of estimate; the standard deviation of the dependent ( $y$ ) variable measured from the regression line or curve. $\sigma_{y}=$ the standard deviation of the dependent variable.

The term $\frac{\sigma_{e s t}}{\sigma_{y}}$ measures the percentage dispersion of the dependent variable due to factors other than the independent variables-in this case, age and site index-considered; that is, it measures the extent of the independence of the relationship.

The numerical value of the correlation index and of the standard error of estimate give the best idea of the association of a particular dependent variable with age and site index. These are:

> For basal area: $\sigma_{e s t}=34.8 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{ft} . ; \mathrm{CI}=.845$
> For no. of trees: $\sigma_{e s t}=.116 \mathrm{log}$ trees $; \mathrm{CI}=.909$
> For cu. volume $: \sigma_{e s t}=1930 \mathrm{cu} . \mathrm{ft} . ; \mathrm{CI}=.880$

Average Diameter Breast High.-This is the diameter in inches of the tree of average basal area. It varies as the square root of the total basal area divided by the number of trees. If the curves for these variables are accurate, it may be calculated directly from them. This was accordingly tried, giving the average diameter breast high of the yield tables.

A check on the work is afforded by the relationship,

$$
100\left(\frac{B A_{a}}{B A_{t}}\right)=100\left[\frac{T_{a}}{T_{t}} \cdot\left(\frac{D_{a}}{D_{t}}\right)^{2}\right]
$$

in which $B A=$ the total basal area,
$T=$ the number of trees,
$D=$ average diameter breast high, and subscripts $a$ and $t$ refer to actual and tabular values respectively.

The basal area of each plot in per cent of its tabular basal area was subjected to this equation with the following results:

Mean $=100.38 \%$; standard deviation $=1.72 \%$ showing a satisfactory check.
Height of Average Tree.-This was arrived at through the relationship of the ratio of height of average tree to height of average dominant and codominant with average diameter (fig. 16).


Fig. 16.-Ratio of height of average tree to height of average dominant and codominant tree for average diameter.

Volume in Board Feet.-This is based on the correlation of the ratio of board feet to a cubic foot, with the average diameter (fig. 17). The curved ratio applied to cubic volume gives board foot volume.


Fig. 17.-Relation of the number of board feet per cubic foot to average diameter.

Site Index Translated to Height of Average Dominant at 50 Years

In order to change the basis of the yield tables from height of average dominant and codominant at 100 years to height of average dominant at 50 years, the latter site index was plotted over the former (fig. 18) and the final tables re-read accordingly.


Fig. 18.-Relation of site index based on the height of the average dominant tree at 50 years to site index based on the height of the average dominant and codominant tree at 100 years.

## Construction of the Stand Tables

The distribution of trees by diameter class in a stand forms a frequency series which may be analyzed and graduated into a frequency curve when four constants are known-(1) the mean diameter, (2) the standard deviation, (3) the coefficient of asymmetry, (4) the coefficient of excess. These were computed for each of the 159 sample plots.

Average Diameter, Mean Diameter and Standard Deviation.Average diameter, mean diameter and standard deviation are tied together in any one stand by the relationship,

$$
\sigma^{2}=A_{d b h^{2}}-M_{d b h^{2}}
$$

in which $\sigma=$ the standard deviation of diameter distribution,
$A_{d b h}=$ the diameter of average basal area,
$M_{d b h}=$ the mean of the diameters breast high.
As these three constants were computed independently for each plot, their relationship was checked as follows:


Fig. 19.-Relation of mean diameter and standard deviation to average diameter.

1. The plots were sorted into classes according to the squares of their average diameters using class intervals of 50 square inches.
2. For each plot within the respective classes, were tallied the squares of its average diameter, of its mean diameter, and of its standard deviation. Adding the sums of the squares of mean diameter and of standard deviation, and subtracting this total from the sums of squares of average diameter left an aggregate difference of 15 hundredths of one per cent.


Fig. 20.-Relation of the coefficient of asymmetry to mean diameter.
3. Within each class interval were plotted the square root of the average of the mean diameters squared, and of the average of the standard deviations squared, over the square root of the average of the average diameters squared (fig. 19). Straight lines were fitted to these points so that

$$
M_{d b h^{2}}{ }^{2}+\sigma^{2}=A_{d b h^{2}}
$$

Asymmetry and Excess.-The coefficient of asymmetry ( $\beta_{3}$ ) and the coefficient of excess $\left(\beta_{4}\right)$ of the plots were correlated with mean diameter (figs. 20 and 21).

Starting with average diameter of a site-age class from table 5, its mean diameter and standard deviation were read from figure 19, and, for the indicated mean diameter, its coefficient of asymmetry and


Fig. 21.-Relation of the coefficient of excess to mean diameter.
of excess taken from figures 20 and 21 ; from these parameters, with the aid of Charlier's Tables, ${ }^{13}$ the theoretical frequencies were calculated.
${ }^{13}$ Charlier's "Type A" frequency curve has the form

$$
F(x)=\frac{N}{\sigma}\left\{\phi_{0}(x)+\beta_{3} \phi_{3}(x)+\beta_{4} \phi_{4}(x)\right\}
$$

in which

$$
\begin{aligned}
& F(x)=\text { frequency of } x \text { (in this case frequency per unit of one-half standard } \\
& \text { deviation measured from mean diameter). } \\
& N=\text { total frequency. } \\
& \sigma \quad=\text { standard deviation. } \\
& \phi_{0}(x)=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} e^{\frac{-x^{2}}{2}} \\
& \phi_{3}(x)=\frac{d^{3} \phi_{0}}{d x^{3}} \\
& \phi_{4}(x)=\frac{d^{4} \phi_{0}}{d x^{4}} \\
& \text { These are tabulated for unit frequency with } x \text { in terms of } \\
& \text { standard deviation in Charlier. }
\end{aligned}
$$

Coefficient of asymmetry, $\beta_{3}=-\frac{\nu_{3}}{6 \sigma^{3}}$ ( $\nu_{3}=$ the 3 rd moment measured from the mean).
Coefficient of excess, $\beta_{4}=\frac{1}{24}\left(\frac{\nu_{4}}{\sigma_{4}}-3\right) \quad\left(\nu_{4}=\right.$ the 4 th moment measured from the mean $)$

## VOLUME TABLES

Basic Data

From 10 to 50 taper measurements were taken on each of eight of the yield study sample plots, two of the plots on cut-over lands of the Union Lumber Company, Mendocino County, two on holdings of the Casper Lumber Company, Mendocino County, and four on the Trinity National Forest in Trinity County.

Diameters were measured along the stem of each felled tree outside and inside bark at breast-height, at each tenth of length above breast-height, at each fifth of length from the lowest tenth downwards and at 1 per cent of total height from the ground.

TABLE 21
Basic Data of the Volume Tables

| Plot | County | Trees measured | Plot age | $\begin{gathered} \text { Site } \\ \text { index* } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ft. Bragg No. 1.............................................. | Mendocino....... | 42 | 33 | 200 |
| Ft. Bragg No. 2. | Mendocino.................... | 10 | 33 | 210 |
| Casper No. 2.................................................. | Mendocino.................. | 25 | 45 | 178 |
| Casper No. 3.................................................. | Mendocino................... | 42 | 45 | 171 |
| Minersville No. 3........................................... | Trinity........................... | 25 | 68 | 93 |
| Minersville No. 4.......................................... | Trinity........................... | 25 | 68 | 90 |
| Minersville No. 14.......................................... | Trinity........................... | 48 | 72 | 109 |
| South Fork Trinity River No. 16.................. | Trinity.......................... | 50 | 111 | 143 |

* Height of average dominant and codominant at 100 years.

Table 21 shows the number of trees by plots and the range in age and site of the data.

Each tree was plotted on cross-section paper and its cubic volume computed as the sum of the sectional volumes, each by the Smalian formula. The section lengths were in per cent of total height starting with the stump of 1 per cent, the second section of 3 per cent, the third of 6 per cent, and the remaining nine sections each having length of 10 per cent of tree's total height.

## Comparison with Douglas Fir Volume Tables for Oregon and Washington

It would only make for confusion to construct volume tables for a particular region when tables for the same species based on data of another region may apply. As there is no readily observable difference

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between the forms of Douglas fir in California as against Oregon and Washington, the volumes of the California data were checked against the cubic volume table for immature Douglas fir in Oregon and Washington. ${ }^{14}$

The volumes of the tree data basic to the latter table were, however, computed as of different sectional lengths than those noted above for the California trees. Stumps of $11 / 2$ feet were used and all other sections, regardless of tree's size, were cubed in 10-foot lengths.

In order to ascertain what differences in volume result from the twe methods of calculation, the trees of Minersville Plot No. 14 were cubed by both methods. It was found that for constant height, both methods gave the same results independent of diameter; but for constant diameter, volume of trees less than about 50 feet in total height averaged 6 per cent higher when cubed by the method used for the Califormia data, though the calculated volumes of taller trees were independent of the method of computation. However, only 19 out of the 267 , or 7 per cent of the trees of all the plots are less than 55 feet tall; so that the difference in method should cärry little weight in explaining any difference between the actual volumes and those tabulated for the species in Oregon and Washington.

Following are the results of the check of the California trees against the Oregon-Washington volume tables:

> Number of trees ................................................... 267
> Aggregate difference .......................................... - 2.4 per cent
> Mean difference -6.2 per cent
> Standard error of estimate 13.4 per cent

Now if the California trees of all sizes have consistently greater or less taper than the Oregon-Washington trees, there should be no correlation between the per cent deviation and tree size. In other words, a blanket correction factor might be applied to the table to arrive at true average volume.

This, however, is not the case. The multiple correlation coefficient between per cent deviation and diameter and height was found to be

$$
r_{1.23}=.485 \pm .034
$$

in which subscript ${ }_{1}=$ per cent deviation of the California volumes,
${ }_{2}=$ diameter at breast-height,
${ }_{8}=$ Total height.

[^5]


Fig. 22.-Comparison of the California tree volumes with the Oregon-Washington cubic foot volume table by diameter and by height.

Site index was also included as an independent variable in the trial correlation, but the coefficient was not materially increased thereby. It seems likely that site quality does not affect taper in comparatively young timber. Differences in taper due to site probably become significant in mature timber only, for several volume tables for mature timber in which site quality is one of the important variables are now in use.

The volumes of California immature Douglas fir compared to the cubic volume table for Oregon and Washington vary with diameter and with height, as shown in figure 22, in which the deviations of the data from the multiple regression equation are compared with the net regression lines for diameter with average height and for height with average diameter. The differences must be due to one or more of the following mensurational factors which make for systematic differentes in volume when the latter is based on diameter at breast-height outside bark and on total height of tree:
a Differences in bark thickness.
$b$ Differences in taper near the base of the tree.
$c$ Differences in taper in the upper part of the bole.
In order to compare taper of the species between the two regions, it is necessary that the basic data be analyzed and compared. For this purpose, the original field data from Oregon and Washington were loaned by the United States Forest Service. ${ }^{15}$

Lower Taper and Bark Thickness.-These factors were analyzed in one operation rather than separately because their effect on volume is dependent upon their sums.

The taper of a typical timber tree is concave towards its axis from the tip downward until a point is reached, usually within the first tenth of its length from the ground, below which it becomes convex toward its axis. The importance of the lower taper from a volumedetermining standpoint lies in the fact that the diameter of the tree is nearly always taken at $41 / 2$ feet from the ground (breast-height), which may or may not be above the point of taper inflection, depending partly upon the size of the tree and partly upon many other factors difficult of measurement and analysis, and too involved for ready application. It thus happens that the diameter at breast-height

[^6]is not satisfactory for accurate volume determination in conjunction with a volume table. But as it comes at such a handy point, practically all volume tables are based upon it.

If the taper inside bark of Douglas fir were the same throughout the upper nine-tenths of its length in its entire range on the Pacific slope, it is evident that trees of the same total height and diameter inside bark at one-tenth height would have the same volume. But if the lower taper and bark thickness differ with latitude, while the upper taper remains the same, their volumes may differ significantly if based on a diameter, outside bark, below the point of inflection, because in one case the diameter measured will be greater than in the other.

The following method was used to analyze the effect of bark thickness and lower taper of the California Douglas fir on cubic volume as tabulated in the Oregon-Washington volume table:
(1) Using the northern tree data, diameter breast high outside bark was correlated with total height, site index and diameter inside bark at one-tenth of total height. The effect of site index was found to be negligible, and was dropped as a variable.
(2) The regression which was found to be linear, was put up in the form of an alignment chart, and a new diameter outside bark at breast-height read for the 267 California trees according to their total height and diameters inside bark at one-tenth height, by referring these measurements to the chart.
(3) Having assigned to each California tree the diameter at breast-height outside bark which it would have had, had bark thickness and lower taper been the same as that of the northern data, its cubic volume was again checked against the volume table, on the new diameter and total height.

The multiple correlation coefficient between per cent deviation of the tree volumes from the tabular for diameter breast high and height was computed to be

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r_{1.23}=.173 \pm .060
$$

a much less significant figure than the correlation based on the original check; but the mean of the per cent deviation $=+4.3 \% \pm 0.8 \%$, which is approximately 10 per cent higher than the original check.

This indicates that in the lowest tenth of length, the California trees have greater taper, greater bark thickness, or both, than the northern trees, for the greater the ratio of diameter at breast-height outside bark to an upper diameter inside bark, the less becomes volume for a given diameter at breast-height, other factors remaining constant.


Fig. 23.-Comparison of form quotations of the California trees with the form quotients of the Oregon-Washington trees by diameter inside bark at one-tenth height and by total height.

Upper Taper.-The upper taper of the Douglas fir material was analyzed by comparing form quotients of the trees from the two regions. For this purpose form quotient is defined as the diameter inside bark at one-half total height divided by diameter inside bark at one-tenth total height. It is evident that the higher the form quotient the closer does the bole approach a cylinder in form except near the tip.

Figure 23 shows the effect of tree size on form quotient for both the northern and the California trees.

It must be concluded that the volume tables for immature Douglas fir in Oregon and Washington-in which the northern foresters have full confidence, as they are based on nearly 2000 trees-do not apply immature trees of the same species in California, because
(1) The California trees have greater basal flare, the tendency of which is less volume for a given diameter at breast-height.
(2) The Califormia trees have higher average form quotients with consequent tendency to greater volume. This is in general, however, more than offset by the loss in volume due to basal flare.

Therefore, since the average taper of immature Douglas fir in California differs from that of the northern states, tables 14 and 15 were prepared.
table 14-Douglas Fir-Volume in Cubic Feet

| Diameter, breast height, inches | Total height in feet |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Basis, number of trees |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 | 110 | 120 | 130 | 140 | 150 | 160 | 170 | 180 | 190 | 200 |  |
|  | Volume in cubic feet |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | 0.55 | 0.80 | 1.04 | 1.29 | 1.55 | 1.80 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| 4 | 0.97 | 1.38 | 1.79 | 2.23 | 2.68 | 3.10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11 |
| 5 | 1.49 | 2.08 | . 2.70 | 3.39 | 4.02 | 4.70 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 22 |
| 6 | 2.07 | 2.90 | 3.82 | 4.75 | 5.63 | 6.28 | 7.18 | - 8.09 | 8.98 | 9.75 | 10.05 | 11.1 | 12.22 | 13.0 | 13.9 | 14.7 | 15.5 | 16.3 | 22 |
| 7 | 2.76 | 3.90 | 5.03 | 6.32 | 7.58 | 8.72 | 7.80 | 11.0 | 12.0 | 13.0 | 14.0 | 15.3 | 16.3 | 17.5 | 18.6 | 19.7 | 20.8 | 22.0 | 16 |
| 8 | 3.57 | 5.02 | 6.53 | 8.18 | 9.80 | 11.30 | 12.6 | 14.0 | 15.5 | 16.8 | 18.1 | 19.7 | 21.0 | 22.4 | 23.8 | 25.2 | 26.7 | 28.2 | 10 |
| 8 | 4.43 | 6.24 | 8.08 | 10.0 | 12.1 | 14.1 | 15.9 | 17.8 | 19.2 | 21.0 | 22.7 | 24.8 | 26.1 | 27.9 | 29.9 | 31.3 | 33.2 | 35.0 | 19 |
| 10 | 5.33 | 7.58 | 9.92 | 12.4 | 14.9 | 17.0 | 19.2 | 21.5 | 23.4 | 25.5 | 27.6 | 29.8 | 32.0 | 34.0 | 36.1 | 38.3 | 40.3 | 42.7 | 24 |
| 11 | 6.35 | 9.00 | 12.0 | 14.9 | 17.7 | 20.5 | $23.1{ }^{\circ}$ | 25.8 | 28.0 | 30.3 | 33.0 | 35.8 | 37.9 | 40.3 | 43.4 | 45.7 | 48.5 | 51.6 | 24 |
| 12 | 7.48 | 10.7 | 14.0 | 17.4 | 20.8 | 24.0 | 27.0 | 30.0 | 32.9 | 35.9 | 39.0 | 42.0 | 45.0 | 47.8 | 50.7 | 54.0 | 56.9 | 60.4 | 14 |
| 13 | 8.56 | 12.4 | 16.2 | -20.0 | 24.0 | 27.8 | 31.6 | 35.0 | 38.3 | 41.6 | 45.4 | 49.0 | 52.2 | 55.5 | 59.3 | 62.4 | 66.0 | 70.0 | 14 |
| 14 | 9.87 | 14.1 | 18.6 | 23.0 | 27.5 | 31.9 | 36.4 | 40.3 | 44.0 | 47.8 | 52.3 | 56.2 | 60.0 | 64.2 | 68.0 | 71.6 | 76.1 | 80.4 | 13 |
| 15 | 11.2 | 16.0 | 21.0 | 26.2 | 30.9 | 36.10 | 40.8 | 45.6 | 50.0 | 54.4 | 59.0 | 63.7 | 68.0 | 72.4 | 76.7 | 81.5 | 86.0 | 90.8 | 11 |
| 16 | 12.7 | 17.9 | 23.6 | 29.5 | 35.0 | 40.8 | 46.4 | 51.5 | 56.4 | 61.5 | 66.7 | 71.8 | 77.0 | 80.9 | 86.8 | 91.0 | 96.8 | 102 | 7 |
| 17 |  | 20.0 | 26.3 | 32.8 | 39.1 | 45.4 | 51.6 | 57.0 | 63.0 | 68.7 | 74.5 | 80.0 | 86.0 | 91.2 | 96.5 | 102 | 108 | 115 | 5 |
| 18 |  | 22.0 | 29.1 | 36.3 | 43.2 | 50.5 | 57.4 | 63.5 | 69.7 | 75.8 | 82.6 | 88.3 | 95.2 | 101 | 108 | 113 | 120 | 128 | 10 |
| 19 |  | 24.2 | 32.0 | 40.1 | 48.0 | 56.0 | 63.2 | 69.5 | 76.8 | 83.9 | 90.8 | 98.1 | 105 | 112 | 119 | 125 | 132 | 140 | 8 |
| 20 |  | 26.7 | 35.2 | 44.3 | 52.6 | 61.0 | 68.7 | 76.3 | 84.0 | 91.4 | 99.0 | 108 | 115 | 122 | 130 | 138 | 145 | 153 | 3 |
| 21 |  | 29.1 | 38.2 | 48.2 | 57.3 | 66.7 | 75.6 | 83.1 | 92.0 | 100 | 109 | 118 | 126 | 134 | 142 | 150 | 159 | 168 | 6 |
| 22 |  | 31.3 | 41.4 | 52.3 | 62.2 | 72.8 | 81.8 | 90.0 | 100 | 109 | 118 | 127 | 137 | 146 | 154 | 162 | 171 | 180 | 5 |
| 23 |  | 33.4 | 45.0 | 56.4 | 67.0 | 78.7 | 88.0 | 97.0 | 108 | 119 | 129 | 139 | 149 | 158 | 167 | 176 | 186 | 197 | 5 |
| 24 |  | 36.1 | 48.5 | 61.8 | 72.2 | 84.0 | 95.0 | 104 | 117 | 128 | 138 | 149 | 160 | 170 | 180 | 190 | 200 | 211 | 8 |
| 25 |  |  | 52.0 | 65.5 | 78.0 | 90.0 | 191 | 112 | 123 | 135 | 148 | 159 | 170 | 180 | 191 | 202 | 214 | 226 | 0 |
| 26 |  |  | 55.3 | 70.0 | 83.8 | 97.5 | 109 | 120 | 133 | 145 | 158 | 170 | 181 | 195 | 208 | 219 | 230 | 242 | 3 |
| 27 |  |  | 59.1 | 74.5 | 89.9 | 103 | 114 | 129 | 141 | 155 | 169 | 180 | 196 | 207 | 220 | 231 | 244 | 260 | 2 |
| 28 |  |  | 62.7 | 79.5 | 95.0 | 111 | 122 | 138 | 150 | 165 | 179 | 191 | 208 | 220 | 233 | 247 | 260 | 276 | 0 |
| 29 |  |  | 66.8 | 84.0 | 100 | 118 | 130 | 145 | 160 | 174 | 189 | 202 | 219 | 232 | 249 | 262 | 275 | 292 | 0 |
| 30 |  |  | 70.6 | 89.0 | 108 | 122 | 139 | 153 | 170 | 185 | 200 | 216 | 231 | 247 | 262 | 278 | 291 | 309 | 0 |
| 31 |  |  | 75.0 | 94.0 | 113 | 130 | 146 | 162 | 180 | 196 | 211 | 229 | 247 | 260 | 278 | 299 | 309 | 326 | 0 |
| 32 |  |  | 78.7 | 98.8 | 118 | 138 | 154 | 170 | 180 | 208 | 222 | 241 | 260 | 275 | 293 | 310 | 326 | 345 | 1 |
| 33 |  |  | 81.6 | 104 | 125 | 146 | 161 | 180 | 200 | 218 | 235 | 251 | 271 | 290 | 306 | 327 | 342 | 361 | 0 |
| 34 |  |  | 86.7 | 109 | 131 | 157 | 170 | 190 | 210 | 230 | 246 | 267 | 288 | 303 | 325 | 343 | 360 | 380 | 0 |
| 35 |  |  | 90.8 | 114 | 138 | 160 | 179 | 200 | 220 | 240 | 260 | 280 | 300 | 320 | 340 | 360 | 380 | 400 | 0 |
| 36 |  |  | 95.1 | 120 | 145 | 168 | 189 | 210 | 230 | 250 | 270 | 291 | 316 | 333 | 354 | 377 | 398 | 420 | 1 |
| 37 |  |  | 99.5 | 124 | 151 | 176 | 197 | 220 | 240 | 261 | 283 | 305 | 328 | 349 | 370 | 393 | 413 | 437 | 0 |
| 38 |  |  | 103 | 130 | 159 | 182 | 205 | 230 | 250 | 273 | 298 | 320 | 345 | 365 | 390 | 412 | 432 | 451 | 0 |
| 39 |  |  | 109 | 136 | 164 | 191 | 213 | 239 | 261 | 287 | 309 | 333 | 359 | 380 | 405 | 430 | 452 | 478 | 0 |
| 40 |  |  | 112 | 141 | 171 | 200 | 221 | 249 | 272 | 300 | 321 | 349 | 375 | 397 | 424 | 450 | 472 | 498 | 0 |
| 41 |  |  | 118 | 149 | 179 | 208 | 232 | 260 | 285 | 311 | 335 | 361 | 390 | 413 | 440 | 469 | 494 | 517 | 0 |
| 42 |  |  | 121 | 153 | 187 | 214 | 242 | 271 | 298 | 324 | 349 | 375 | 406 | 430 | 460 | 485 | 510 | 540 | 0 |
| 43 |  |  | 126 | 160 | 194 | 223 | 252 | 282 | 309 | 338 | 361 | 390 | 423 | 448 | 475 | 502 | 530 | 558 | 0 |
| 44 |  |  | 132 | 168 | 200 | 232 | 261 | 290 | 319 | 348 | 377 | 405 | 433 | 464 | 485 | 522 | 550 | 580 | 1 |
| Basis, No. of trees. | ........ | 2 | 17 | 19 | 26 | 31 | 50 | 36 | 33 | 16 | 11 | 9 | 11 | 4 |  | 2 |  |  | 267 |

The volume is total cubic volume of the stem, including stump and top, but excluding bark.
Basis, 267 taper measurements taken by the Division of Forestry in 1927 from even-aged stands in Mendocino and Trinity Counties.
Age of trees, 30 to 110 years on stump.
Heavy lines in the tables show limits of basic data.

Douglas Fir-Volume in Board Feet

| Diameter breast height, inches | Total height in feet |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Basis, Number of trees |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 | 110 | 120 | 130 | 140 | 150 | 160 | 170 | 180 | 190 | 200 |  |
|  | Volume in board feet |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6.......................................... | 4 | 10 | 15 | 19 | 25 | 30 | 34 | 39 | 45 | 52 | 58 | 66 | 73 | 79 | 87 | 5 |
| 7.......................................... | 10 | 20 | 27 | 33 | 39 | 47 | 53 | 62 | 69 | 77 | 86 | 96 | 107 | 117 | 126 | 16 |
| 8.............................. .............. | 20 | 32 | 42 | 50 | 60 | 68 | 79 | 91 | 100 | 113 | 124 | 139 | 150 | 161 | 175 | 10 |
| 9............................................. | 30 | 44 | 61 | 73 | 84 | 95 | 110 | 125 | 140 | 152 | 167 | 185 | 200 | 216 | 230 | 19 |
| 10.......................................... | 40 | 58 | 81 | 97 | 112 | 128 | 143 | 162 | 181 | 198 | 215 | 238 | 254 | 274 | 295 | 24 |
| 11........................................... | 49 | 73 | 98 | 120 | 138 | 155 | 177 | 200 | 220 | 240 | 260 | 286 | 309 | 332 | 353 | 24 |
| 12........................................... | 59 | 87 | 115 | 144 | 165 | 187 | 212 | 238 | 261 | 287 | 312 | 340 | 368 | 394 | 421 | 14 |
| 13.......... ................................. | 70 | 107 | 140 | 170 | 193 | 220 | 250 | 278 | 306 | 338 | 366 | 400 | 430 | 454 | 493 | 14 |
| 14.......... | 84 | 124 | 162 | 198 | 223 | 259 | 290 | 320 | 354 | 390 | 427 | 460 | 500 | 535 | 570 | 13 |
| 15.......................................... | 87 | 142 | 189 | 225 | 256 | 294 | 330 | 367 | 408 | 448 | 483 | 526 | 570 | 602 | 626 | 11 |
| 16...... .................................... | 111 | 160 | 214 | 254 | 291 | 332 | 370 | 415 | 460 | 500 | 543 | 595 | 642 | 682 | 735 | 7 |
| 17......................................... | 126 | 182 | 240 | 285 | 328 | 373 | 415 | 463 | 515 | 564 | 613 | 665 | 718 | 778 | 824 | 5 |
| 18........................................... | 140 | 203 | 268 | 317 | 365 | 415 | 461 | 518 | 575 | 627 | 680 | 740 | 798 | 860 | 915 | 10 |
| 19.............................................. | 157 | 226 | 298 | 350 | 403 | 458 | 517 | 572 | 634 | 695 | 751 | 817 | 883 | 950 | 1000 | 8 |
| 20......................... ............. ... | 174 | 250 | 320 | 384 | 445 | 505 | 559 | 628 | 700 | 768 | 827 | 900 | $975^{\circ}$ | 1040 | 1110 | 3 |
| 21. | 190 | 273 | 348 | 418 | 482 | 550 | 613 | 690 | 764 | 817 | 900 | 880 | 1070 | 1140 | 1210 | 6 |
| 22. | 206 | 299 | 375 | 452 | 525 | 600 | 662 | 750 | 836 | 907 | 978 | 1070 | 1150 | 1230 | 1300 | 5 |
| 23. | 224 | 323 | 420 | 480 | 573 | 656 | 718 | 812 | 900 | 985 | 1080 | 1150 | 1240 | 1320 | 1410 | 5 |
| 24.... | 240 | 350 | 454 | 530 | 617 | 705 | 774 | 880 | 975 | 1060 | 1140 | 1240 | 1340 | 1420 | 1520 | 8 |
| 25................... | 261 | 378 | 480 | 573 | 664 | 735 | 837 | 950 | 1060 | 1140 | 1230 | 1320 | 1450 | 1530 | 1640 | 0 |
| 26. | 277 | 405 | 523 | 617. | 705 | 807 | 890 | 1010 | 1120 | 1210 | 1310 | 1410 | 1540 | 1640 | 1750 | 3 |
| 27... | 296 | 334 | 560 | 656 | 760 | 867 | 951 | 1080 | 1200 | 1300 | 1400 | 1510 | 1630 | $1770{ }^{\circ}$ | 1880 | 2 |
| 28. | 316 | 463 | 598 | 700 | 815 | 918 | 1010 | 1150 | 1270 | 1390 | 1500 | 1620 | 1760 | 1870 | 2000 | 0 |
| 29........................................... | 335 | 492 | 634 | 741 | 860 | 976 | 1070 | 1210 | 1340 | 1470 | 1600 | - 1720 | 1880 | 2000 | 2100 | 0 |
| 30..................... | 355 | 526 | 670 | 792 | 910 | 1040 | 1140 | 1300 | 1430 | 1560 | 1700 | 1830 | 1990 | 2100 | 2200 | 0 |
| 31.... | 374 | 553 | 715 | 833 | 967 | 1090 | 1200 | 1380 | 1510 | 1650 | 1800 | 1930 | 2090 | 2220 | 2380 | 0 |
| 32................. | 396 | 583 | 754 | 880 | 1020 | 1160 | 1270 | 1440 | 1590 | 1740 | 1900 | 2030 | 2200 | 2380 | 2500 | 1 |
| 33... | 415 | 613 | 792 | 028 | 1080 | 1210 | 1350 | 1510 | 1690 | 1850 | 2000 | 2150 | 2300 | 2500 | 2620 | 0 |
| 34... | 437 | 642 | 830 | 975 | 1130 | 1280 | 1400 | 1600 | 1750 | 1920 | 2100 | 2260 | 2430 | 2610 | 2780 | 0 |
| 35........................................... | 457 | 684 | 878 | 1020 | 1190 | 1340 | 1500 | 1690 | 1850 | 2040 | 2200 | 2380 | 2580 | 2740 | 2900 | 0 |
| 36.......................................... | 480 | 707 | 912 | 1070 | 1250 | 1400 | 1560 | 1760 | 1920 | 2130 | 2300 | 2500 | 2680 | 2890 | 3040 | 1 |
| 37........................................... | 502 | 738 | 955 | 1110 | 1300 | 1480 | 1620 | 1830 | 2000 | 2230 | 2400 | 2600 | 2800 | 3000 | 3200 | 0 |
| 38........................................... | 525 | 770 | 997 | 1180 | 1380 | 1530 | 1700 | 1910 | 2100 | 2320 | 2530 | 2720 | 2930 | 3160 | 3340 | 0 |
| 39........................................... | 546 | 810 | 1030 | 1220 | 1420 | 1600 | 1790 | 2000 | 2200 | 2430 | 2640 | 2830 | 3080 | 3290 | 3480 | 0 |
| 40........................................... | 570 | 836 | 1080 | 1280 | 1490 | 1680 | 1890 | 2080 | 2300 | 2550 | 2730 | 2920 | 3200 | 3420 | 3630 | 0 |
| 41........................................... | 593 | 872 | 1120 | 1340 | 1550 | 1730 | 1920 | 2180 | 2390 | 2640 | 2880 | 3080 | 3330 | 3850 | 3760 | 0 |
| 42........................................... | 617 | 910 | 1180 | 1380 | 1600 | 1800 | 2000 | 2240 | 2480 | 2720 | 3000 | 3200 | 3480 | 3700 | 3920 | 0 |
| 43........................................... | 640 | 945 | 1210 | 1450 | 1680 | 1890 | 2090 | 2310 | 2580 | 2830 | 3100 | 3340 | 3600 | 3810 | 4050 | 0 |
| 44................ ............................ | 680 | 985 | 1270 | 1500 | 1720 | 1950 | 2170 | 2440 | 2690 | 2950 | 3330 | 3480 | 3750 | 3980 | 4200 | 1 |
| Basis, number of trees.......... | 4 | 20 | 29 | 50 | 36 | 33 | 16 | 11 | 9 | 11 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 215 |

[^7]Trees scaled in 16 -foot logs with 0.3 -foot trimming allowance to 5 inches d. i. b. in top by International rule (1/8-inch kerf).
Basis, 215 trees, measured by the Division of Forestry, 1927, in even-aged stands in Mendocino and Trinity Counties.
Heavy lines in the tables show limits of basic data.
Age of trees, 30 to 110 years on stump.


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[^2]:    6 Schumacher, Francis X. Yield, stand and volume tables for white fir in the California pine region. California Agr. Exp. Sta. Bul. 407:1-26. 1926.

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    8 The analysis of stem distribution and construction of stand tables is explained on pp. 32.

[^3]:    9 The check of the volumes of the basic tree data against the volume tables for immature Douglas fir in Oregon and Washington is explained on pp. 35.

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[^7]:    Stump height, 1 foot.

