

**Inventory of the
Red River Lumber Company
Photograph Album, circa 1920s**



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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Red River Lumber Company Photograph Album,
Dates:	circa 1920s
Creator:	Red River Lumber Company
Abstract:	<p>The Red River Lumber Company was established in 1884 by Thomas Barlow Walker, and first operated in Akeley, Minnesota. Beginning in 1913, the Red River Lumber Company operated a company town and sawmill at Westwood, California in Lassen County. In 1914, the company began a successful advertising campaign the employed the Paul Bunyan tales and images adapted and crafted by artist William Laughead.</p> <p>The collection includes one photograph album produced by the Red River Lumber Company of Westwood, California. The album traces their production process from raw material to finished product and consists of 82 black-and-white uncaptioned photographs from the mid-1920s.</p>
Extent:	0.25 linear feet(1 photograph album)
Repository:	Forest History Society Library and Archives
Call Number:	2900
Language of Material:	Material in English

Historical Note

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Collection Arrangement

1. Photo Album, circa 1920s

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

No restrictions.

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Related Material

[William B. Laughead Papers](#)

Subject Headings

Advertising -- Lumber -- United States

Lumber trade -- United States -- Photographs

Lumber trade -- California -- History -- 20th century

Red River Lumber Company

Red River Lumber Company -- Advertising

Sawmills -- Photographs

Westwood (Calif.) -- Photographs

Administrative Information

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Detailed Description of the Collection

1. Photo Album, 1920s.

These photographs are available through the [online image gallery](#) for the Red River Lumber Company Album.