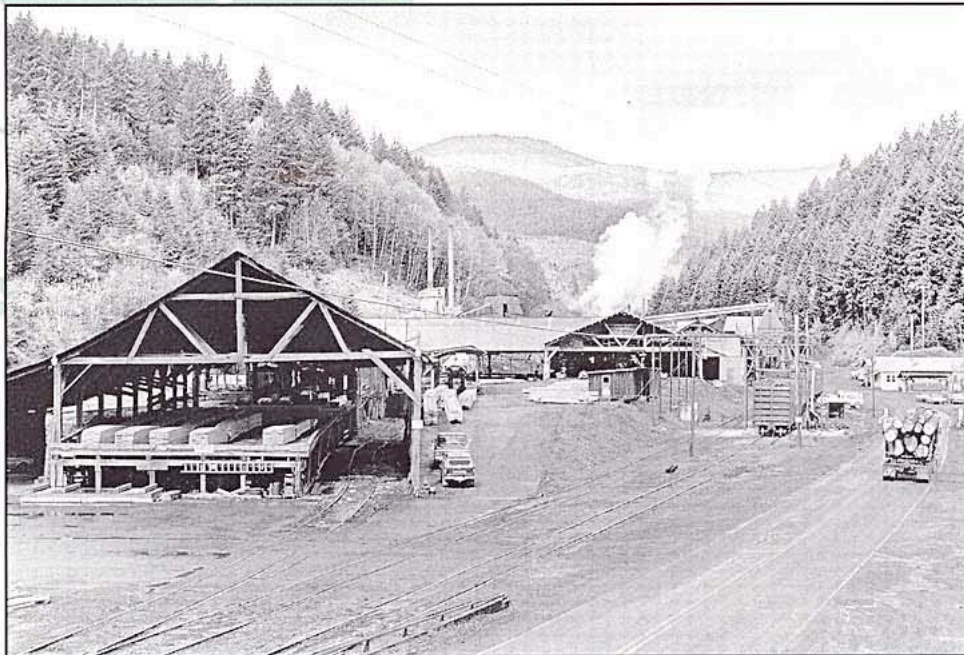


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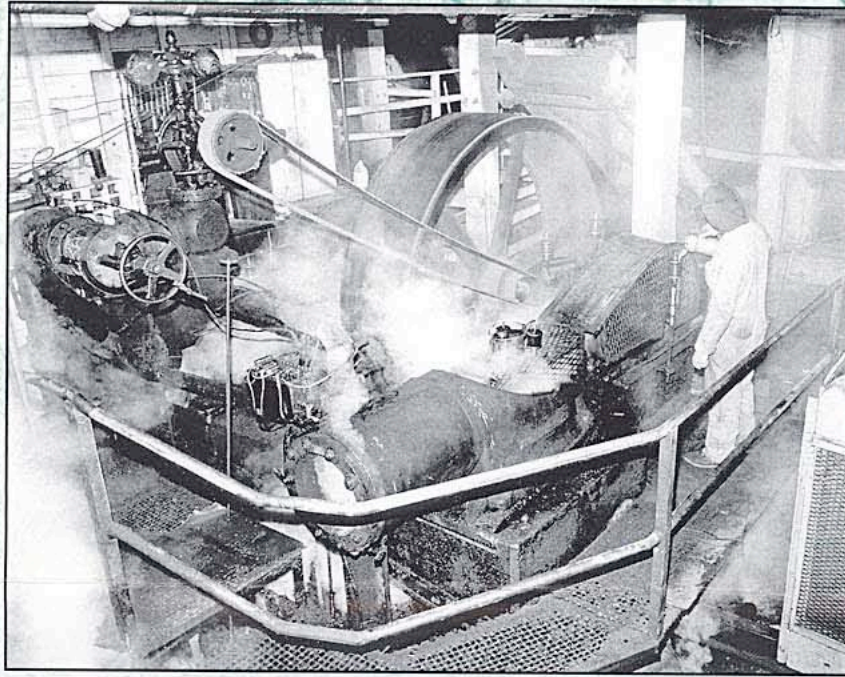
## *Past, Present and Future*

In 1934, the depth of the depression, Ralph Hull started sawmilling by leasing a mill from a friend who had closed the sawmill due to hard times. In 1938 and the winter of 1939, Ralph and one of his employees, drew up plans to build this sawmill, now on the registry of National Historic Sites.

The sawmill is recorded with both the Historic American Engineering Record, and the U.S. Park Service (Washington D.C.). Ralph Hull's history, photographs and drawings of the sawmill are stored in the Library of Congress. Today, visitors come from all over the world to experience the unique sights and sounds of the past.

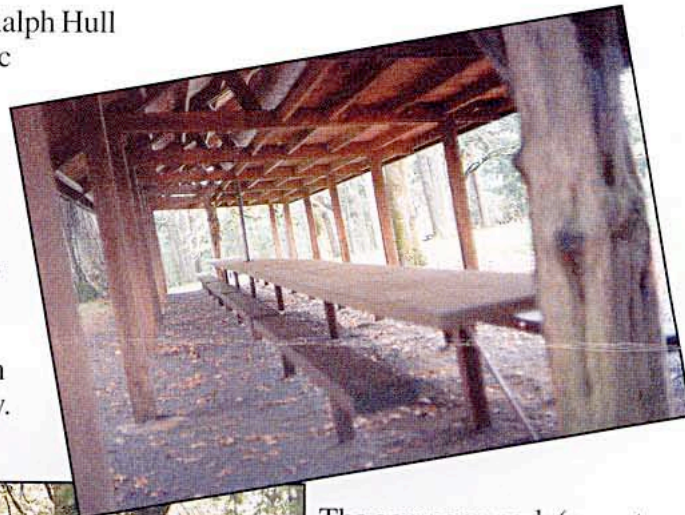






**T**his Ames steam engine dates back to 1906. The engine produces 450 horse power and has two 16" cylinders. Twenty-four cow hides were used in the leather belt running from the ball wheel to the line shaft. Of all the machinery in the sawmill, the steam engine is the most reliable.

On January 1, 1986, Ralph Hull manufactured six picnic tables from a log purchased from the Bureau of Land Management. The tabletops are 85' 10" long, 34" wide and 4" thick. These shelters and tables are located at BellFountain Park in Benton County.



The company park (open to the public), located on the South Fork of the Alsea River, features two tables donated by Mr. Hull for public enjoyment. Other tables are located throughout the Northwest including Avery Park (Corvallis, Oregon), Fishermen Bend, (Mill City, Oregon) and Quebec, Canada.

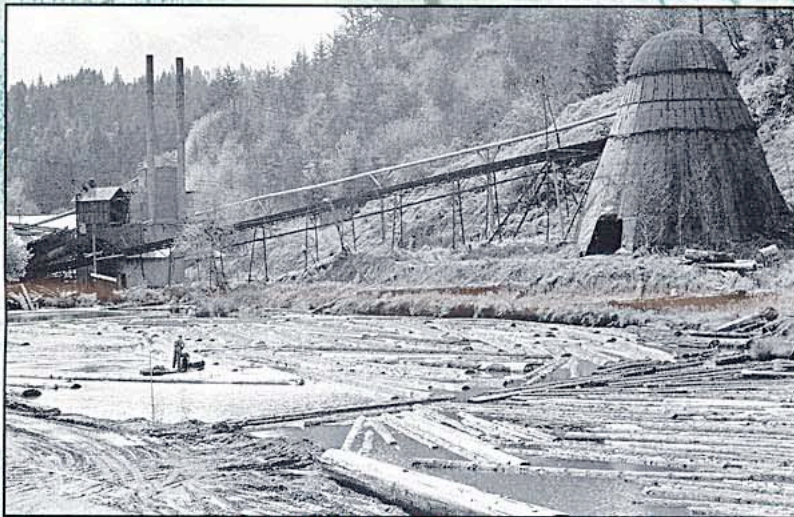




In January 1986, Hull-Oakes Lumber Co. manufactured an 85'x34" long table (above). It was donated to the Boy Scouts of Canada and is now located in their park on Lake Tamaracouta at Mille Isles, (Quebec, Canada).



In June of 1964, Hull-Oakes Lumber Co. shipped this 28"x30"x110' long timber (right), to Memphis, Tennessee. In Spring of 1978, it was moved to Liberty-Land Park in Memphis and made into the **"World's LARGEST, LONGEST Love Seat."**



**T**his sawmill log pond was established around 1919. Originally, the pond man walked the logs using a pike pole to arrange the logs for entry into the sawmill. Later, a pond boat was used. The Wigwam Burner was used to burn unsalable side products. In the late 1960's, the by-products, slabs, sawdust, mill ends and shavings, became marketable products and Wigwam Burners were outlawed. Also shown, is the Boiler Building with two smoke stacks. These early 20th Century facilities are still in use today.





## Growing Trees for a Better Tomorrow

Hull-Oakes Lumber Co. Tree Farm found this 150-year old Douglas Fir tree in the Western Oregon mountains. It is 80 inches in diameter. Hull-Oakes Lumber Co. purchases logs from the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Forest Service and private land owners. Hull-Oakes also reforests their land with approximately 100,000 seedlings each season for future timber.

*Ralph Hull and  
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