Summary Information

Title: Timber Type Maps of Angelina County Lumber Company for Southland Paper Mills, Inc.
Collection Number: 2005:002
Creator: C. D. Shy and Company
Collection Dates: undated
Extent: .25 cubic feet (1 oversize box)
Language: English

Collection Abstract:

The *Timber Type Maps of Angelina County Lumber Company for Southland Paper Mills, Inc.* is a bound set of 86 maps showing timber types growing on surveys or grants owned by Angelina County Lumber Company in the following East Texas counties: Angelina, Jasper, Nacogdoches, Hardin, Liberty, Newton, Orange, Polk, San Augustine, Tyler, and Trinity. The map legends indicate that houses, schools, churches, roads, pipe lines, high tension lines, railroads, and fences, may be depicted as well. The surveys were created by C. D. Shy and Company of Memphis, Tennessee. They are undated but were probably created during the 1940s.

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Biographical/Historical Note:

Both Angelina County Lumber Company and Southland Paper Mills were integral businesses in the Lufkin and Deep East Texas economies. Employing large numbers of people and taking advantage of the area's vast timber resources, these companies relied heavily on timber surveys and maps to run their business and manage supplies. It appears that this volume was a united attempt to summarize and detail local resources.

In 1888, German immigrant Joseph H. Kurth purchased a sawmill from Charles L. Keltys in the town known as Keltys, which is today a part of northwest Lufkin. In 1890 Kurth, Simon W. Henderson, Sr., and Sam Wiener founded the Angelina County Lumber Company. In 1900 Kurth and his partners founded the Angelina and Neches River Railroad Company to serve the sawmill's logging operations. The mill operated until 1966 when it was purchased by Owens-Illinois, Inc., who closed the mill and opened a plywood plant constructed jointly by Angelina and Southland Paper Mills, Inc.

Southland Paper Mills was established in 1938 by Charles H. Herty and Ernest L. Kurth after Herty, a chemist from Georgia, developed a process for making newsprint out of southern yellow pine wood. Paper production began in January 1940, and the Angelina and Neches River Railroad was the paper mill's main shipping company. Southern Pine Lumber Company and Arthur Temple were instrumental in the company's early success and its constant supply of timber. In 1977 St. Regis Paper Company purchased Southland, which was later bought by Champion International in 1984. It was later purchased by Donohue Industries who sold the mill to Abitibi Consolidated in 2000.

Collection Scope and Content:

The collection is comprised of a single volume of bound timber type maps, showing timber on land owned by Angelina County Lumber Company, created for Southland Paper Mills, Inc. It was created by C. D. Shy & Company of Memphis, Tennessee. The maps measure approximately 19.5" x 15.5" x 1." The volume is undated but was likely created in the 1940s.

There are 86 maps divided into 14 sections, mostly by county, and includes: Angelina, Jasper, Nacogdoches, Miscellaneous Index, Hardin, Liberty, Newton, Orange, Polk, Miscellaneous Index, San Augustine, Tyler, and Trinity. There is also a section called Polk L. D. Land. They show the type of timber growing on a given survey or grant using color codes, and also show bodies of water such as creeks. The map legends indicate that houses, schools, churches, roads, pipe lines, high tension lines, railroads, and fences, may be depicted as well. The first three sections are alphabetically indexed by survey or grant and includes the abstract number, acreage, estimate page, and map number. The two Miscellaneous Index sections contain a similar alphabetical Index of Timber Types for the sections that follow.

Arrangement: The collection is arranged and described at the collection level.

Subject Terms

Topics

- Forest products industry -- Texas, East
- Paper industry -- Texas, East
- Timber -- Texas, East -- Maps

Corporate Names

- Angelina County Lumber Company
- Southland Paper Mills (Lufkin, Tex.)

Genres

- Maps

Locations

- Angelina County (Tex.)
- Hardin County (Tex.)
- Jasper County (Tex.)
- Liberty County (Tex.)
- Nacogdoches County (Tex.)
- Newton County (Tex.)
- Orange County (Tex.)
- Polk County (Tex.)
- San Augustine County (Tex.)
- Trinity County (Tex.)
- Tyler County (Tex.)

Access and Use

Access Restrictions: There are no restrictions on this collection.
Acquisition Information: Accession 2005:002 was donated by Charles Mott of the Temple-Inland Land Department on January 6, 2005.
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Box 1

Book 1 Timber Type Maps of Angelina County Lumber Company for Southland Paper Mills, Inc.