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BIG YEAR AHEAD FOR BOOTH-KELLY

Manager Dixon Predicts Era of Prosperity; 800 Men Now Employed

With the production now in excess of 300,000 board feet per day, which is at the rate of over 90 million feet a year, the Booth-Kelly Lumber company looks forward to a very prosperous year, states A. C. Dixon, manager. Over 800 men are now employed in the mill here, at Wendling and at the company's several camps. About 400 men are employed at present in Springfield, 275 in the camps, and about 125 are doing reconstruction work in the mill at Wendling.

The plant at Wendling, which was partially destroyed last summer by fire, will be reconstructed and ready for operation about the last of May or early in June. This will increase the cutting capacity of the plant greatly. New machinery for a modern up to date mill is now being installed. The entire plant will then be run by electricity.

Three Shifts to Continue
The plant here will continue to run three shifts until the Wendling mill is ready to start, states Mr. Dixon.

"The future of the lumber industry is very promising," says Mr. Dixon. "Demand for lumber is greater than the supply at present, and will likely continue for some time."

Production of lumber up until the holiday season has continued the pace set by the industry in the last several months. C. C. Crow in his current issue of his "Monthly Summary" has listed 398 mills in Oregon and Washington. Of this number 301 on December 15 were in operation and were cutting 104 per cent of what the entire number might cut under normal conditions. Of the 241 mills with a daily output of 50,000 feet or more 304 were running and were cutting 119 per cent of what the entire number would ordinarily cut.

Bright Days Ahead
Regarding market conditions Crow's summary says:
"If the present trend of conditions holds out there are some very bright days ahead of the lumber industry in the Northwest."

"The demand from every quarter is excellent and there is every reason to believe that cars are going to be plentiful by the end of another 30 days. This means that there will be plenty of profitable business and plenty of cars in which to ship it."

"Much to the surprise of everyone the middle western agricultural and stock-raising sections have come into the market for large blocks of yard stock, which they are finding it difficult to place. The demand for all kinds of factory lumber was never better. Enough car material is already in sight to supply the mills with all of the orders for this class of stock they can get out for the first half of 1923."

Atlantic Coast Booms
"The Atlantic coast business continues to boom along without a break in spite of unfavorable weather conditions. The Atlantic coast is coming to know fir, to like it and demand it as well as to know hemlock. New fields are continually being reached by extended back hauls from Atlantic ports. It is predicted that the Atlantic coast will take considerably more Pacific coast lumber next year than it has this year. Consumption there has already passed the most optimistic estimates."

"California is again buying heavily, both by cargo and rail. The inland territory in the northern and central parts of the state, have become reconciled to the advances which took place when they were out of the market during the early fall months. The export business is improving steadily especially with Japan, whose volume of purchase of 'squares' is increasing weekly."

Mills Behind in Orders
"There is little doubt that prices will remain firm even though cars should suddenly become normal, for it would take at least 30 days for the mills to ship out the stock they have on hand already sold if they did not cut a stick in the meantime. Owing to the immense amount of business now being offered, with what will be developed the first half of 1923 seems well provided for. A new order of production has been the highest ever known to have come over the Pacific coast, there has been less shortage of labor and less difficulty in reviewing the year 1922 shifting about than was ever known."

Oneontas Trim Wendling 30-24

In an usually rough, but very speedy tussle, the Oneonta Athletic club of Springfield was victorious over the Wendling team by a count of 30 to 24 last Friday night at the Wendling hall. While the team work and floor ability of the Springfield Quint was superior to that of the five from the upper valley town, the game was not decided until the final whistle.

Both teams showed the results of careful training and practice, and were in prime condition for the mix. R. Murray, of the Oneonta squad was easily the outstanding star of the game, converting 18 of the 30 points for his side. Van Dunn also played a stellar game at center for the victors.

For Wendling, Hufstader showed the most speed, and at all times was a dangerous man on the floor. Roach was their mainstay at guard.

This is the first time since the erection of the new 4L hall at Wendling that the home team has suffered a defeat on their own floor. This is due in part, the losers claim, to the fact that three of the Springfield squad, Van Duyn, C. Barber and T. Barber are ex-Wendling stars, all three having played several games, and spent a season or more practicing on the 4L hall floor.

The Oneontas recently lost the season opener to the C club of Eugene by the low score of 31 to 36. The next game will probably be played here January 5, the details of which will be announced later.

The lineup last Friday at Wendling was as follows:

Springfield	Wendling
R. Murray	F. Boldstrom
C. Barber	Hufstader
Van Duyn	C. Barber
T. Barber	G. Roach
Davidson	G. Page

HARRY ANTHONY TO HEAD ODDFELLOWS DURING 1923

Harry Anthony was chosen Chief Patriarch of the W. B. Pengra Encampment, No. 47, I. O. O. F. for 1923, at a meeting held last Friday night. Other officers elected were: Senior Warden, Oswald M. Olson, Junior Warden, John Ketels, Sr.; High Priest, E. W. Walker; Scribe, H. A. Korff; and treasurer, F. F. Barnard.

Installation of the newly elected officers will take place January 18, at which time the appointive officers will also be designated.

LINCOLN SCHOOL PROGRAM IS VERY WELL RECEIVED

The annual Christmas program, in which all grades took part, was the feature of the Parent-Teachers meeting held last Friday afternoon at the Lincoln school. The program was very ably rendered, and showed the results of careful training and excellent supervision on the part of the teachers.

A large group of parents and others heard the program, which consisted of a large variety of Christmas songs, recitations and special stunts. The children, under the direction of Principal C. E. Lambert and other teachers, worked very hard preparing for the occasion, with the result that every number was very well received.

Miss Olive Bassett, of Newberg, stopped over for a day with her aunt, Mrs. F. E. Louk, the first of the week. Miss Bassett was on her way to Sacramento, California, where she is to accept a position in the filing department of the state capitol building.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Vaughn have rented rooms in the Vitus building where they will make their home. They have been residing at the Alta Vista apartment house in Eugene.

It must be remembered that two very decided lulls in buying brought on by breaks in transit markets were weathered with scarcely a change in prices on stock for mill shipment, something unheard of before.

Conditions Improving
"Every branch of the lumber industry seems to be becoming more and more stabilized. The mills have at last begun to realize that the prices they are to get for their product rests entirely in their hands. The wholesalers are gradually developing into specialists and are thus better able to serve the mills. Even the loggers and lumberjacks, with improved living conditions, are becoming more content, as is evidenced by the fact that during the current year when production has been the highest ever known on the Pacific coast, there has been less shortage of labor and less difficulty in reviewing the year 1922 shifting about than was ever known."

\$10,000 GIVEN TO U. O. LOAN FUND

Mrs. Alice Wrisley, Asbury, N. J. Donates Fund for Use of University Students

Ten thousand dollars in cash was the Christmas gift made to the University of Oregon today by a friend of the institution who lives 3,000 miles from Eugene. The donor is Mrs. Alice W. Wrisley, of Asbury, N. J. She has requested that her gift be used as a student loan fund.

The sum is the largest benefaction received by the university since alumni and others gave \$28,000 in September to launch the endowment campaign of "Ten Million Dollars in Ten Years."

President P. L. Campbell of the university is the originator of a plan whereby the Wrisley gift of \$10,000 may be used as a guarantee fund upon which to base loans ranging from an aggregate of \$50,000 to \$100,000. Thus the original gift, under the plan, may be made five to ten fold more effective than is usually the case with such gifts.

A number of individuals in recent years have made gifts to the university to be used as student loans. Exclusive of Mrs. Wrisley's gift, there is \$11,238 available for loans. President Campbell is investigating the possibility of making this sum, also, a basis for increased loans. With the Wrisley \$10,000 benefaction and the \$11,238 loan fund as guarantee funds, it will be possible, it is believed, to base loans amounting to \$200,000 at the maximum with perfect safety to the university. The record of students in repaying loans made by the University of Oregon and, in fact, other institutions, has been exceptional, according to President Campbell.

Under the new plan, a student who finds it necessary to borrow in order to continue his college education, will give his own note and obtain the signature of two friends as endorsers. It is proposed that the secretary of the loan fund will make a personal study of such application and will also keep in close touch with students who have made loans during their college career giving them such advice and counsel as may be warranted. This counsel is not intended to embarrass them in any way, but rather is to establish friendly relationship which will be of real service to the student who is working his way through college.

The secretary of the loan fund may be able to find in the high schools promising boys and girls without means to go to college. After discussing the matter with parents and friends of the high school students, arrangements may be made to provide such funds as may be necessary to supplement moneys the students themselves can command.

The principle of gifts made to the loan fund has been increasing through the interest in recent years. One former Oregon student who was compelled to borrow in order to complete his course made a gift to the university loan fund of \$1,000, after he had paid the principal and interest of his loan. This former student is now on the economics faculty of the University of Texas.

Besides Mrs. Wrisley, those who have made loans to the university in large amounts in former years are: J. C. Almsworth, R. A. Booth, class of 1911, Thomas Condon, Max Handman, John F. Kelly, A. S. Roberts, Ben Selling, and D. P. Thompson.

OTTO WHITTENBERGER IS INJURED AT B-K MILL

Otto Whittenberger, employee of the Booth-Kelly Lumber company suffered a seriously crushed hand when a huge weight fell upon while at work for the company Wednesday.

Four men were necessary to remove the weight from Whittenberger's hand. Dr. W. H. Pollard rushed Mr. Whittenberger to the Eugene hospital where it was necessary to take ten stitches in the palm of his hand.

After his hand had been dressed, Whittenberger was able to return home.

According to Dr. Pollard, it will be necessary for Whittenberger to discontinue work for at least a month.

Florence and Esther Furuset, from California, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Furuset, of West Springfield.

HUGE CHRISTMAS AFFAIR SUCCESS

Springfield Organizations Unite in Monster Community Yuletide Event

"The most successful community Christmas celebration ever held in Lane county," was the way a visitor enthusiastically commented on the exercises held on 4th street, near A, last Saturday evening. A crowd estimated at over 1500 attended the celebration. About 900 gifts were distributed by the committee in charge, and it was stated by those in charge that not a child in Springfield was missed, and several came around for a "seconds helping."

The entire affair was planned and carried out by a committee headed by M. B. Huntley, and composed of members of all organizations in town. The success of the meeting, states Mr. Huntley, was due not only to the committee, but to the whole-hearted support given by the townspeople.

Duties Well Performed
Each organization was allotted a certain duty to perform, and in every case they "came through" according to Mr. Huntley.

The tree for the affair, a large, plentifully-foliated fir, was provided by the W. O. W., the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen attended to the decorations, and the Springfield school children put on the program.

The fire company furnished "Santa Claus," the Ladies of the 3Ls, the Rebekahs, and the Willing Workers arranged the presents, the American Legion auxiliary attended to the distribution of the gifts, while the American Legion raised the funds and supervised the various details connected with the affair.

The program was excellently rendered, and was well received by the huge crowd which thronged the street.

The program was as follows:
Song—All Hail the Power of Jesus Name—everybody.
Invocation—Rev. Sater.
Up On the House Top—all children.
Duet—Star of the East—Charles Lambert and Myrtle Harvey.
Exercise—First and Second grades and Mrs. Lambert.
Song—Hang up the Stockings—1st and 2nd grades.
Holy Night and It came upon the Midnight Clear—High School glee club.
Address—Rev. Luther.
Music—mixed quartet—Christian church, male quartette M. E. church, choir, M. E. church, and Baptist church.
Benediction—Rev. Yarnes.
Entrance of Santa Claus, and giving out of the presents.

P. M. STROUD LOSES EYE IN LABORATORY BLAST

Word has been received here that P. M. Stroud, former principal of the High school here, lost the sight of his left eye in a laboratory explosion at Kapsowin, Washington, where he is superintendent of schools.

A large piece of glass struck Mr. Stroud in the eye, and the injured member had to be removed at a local hospital.

WINGED C TEAM DEFEATS CHASE GARDEN 49 TO 9

The Winged C basketball team, of Eugene, in a fast and clean game, easily defeated a team from the Chase Gardens last night by a score of 49 to 9. The game was played on the High school court here.

Following is the lineup and summary of the game.

Chase Gardens	Winged C
F. Chase 0	F. Stewart 11
C. McPherson 0	B. McLean 3
B. Chase 0	F. Smith 20
Griffith 8	G. Snyder 6
E. Chase 1	G. Nelson 6

Substitutions: Chase Gardens, L. Chase for B. Chase; Winged C, Coleman (4) for Snyder, Snyder for Nelson.

Carroll Morrison, of Portland, returned to that city yesterday after a visit here with his brother E. E. Morrison.

Dr. S. Ralph Dippel, dentist, Springfield, Oregon.

The family of F. E. Louk spent Christmas day at Creswell with Mrs. Louk's brother, H. A. Howe and family.

Local Legion To Welcome Owsley

Members of the Springfield post of the American Legion have been extended an invitation to participate in the reception to be tendered National Commander Alvin Owsley at Eugene on January 4. The National commander is now on an inspection trip of the west.

A monster reception has been arranged at the armory in Eugene to which all ex-service men, members of the Women's Auxiliary and citizens are invited. The commander has expressed a wish to meet as many of the business men of Lane county as possible.

A dinner, to which only members of the American Legion are invited, has also been arranged at the Hotel Osburn for 6:30 p. m. on January 4. Two delegates from each post in the county will be in attendance.

O. M. Olson, head of the local post of the American Legion, urges all former service men in Springfield to attend the exercises in Eugene in honor of the commander. He also wishes to urge a full attendance at the meeting of the local post scheduled for Sunday, January 7.

OVER \$2000 IS DIVIDED AMONG EUGENE FAMILIES

The fund which was raised in Eugene and Springfield for the families of Iver Johnson and James Church, which amounted to over \$2,000, was apportioned just before Christmas by a committee selected from the Eugene lodge of Elks, the Salvation Army and the Eugene Chamber of Commerce. The committee first paid all outstanding bills, and then divided the money.

Part of the fund was also given to Henry Nestle's family, since the tragic drowning of Mr. Nestle left them in unfortunate circumstances.

Eight members of the Johnson and Church families were fatally burned in a fire which occurred at the Johnson home early in the month, and all their possessions were also destroyed at this time.

Mr. Johnson is able to be about town now, and his little son, the only remaining member of his family, is recovering at the hospital. Mr. Church who was severely burned, is slowly recovering.

MASONIC LODGE INSTALLS OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR

The local lodge of the Masonic order held installation of officers Tuesday night. The officers elected for the coming year are John T. Ketels, worshipful master; C. A. Swartz, senior warden; B. A. Washburne, junior warden; C. E. Wheaton, secretary; Theron Cogill, senior deacon; Oswald Olson, junior deacon; Levi Neet, junior steward; and Fred Louk, tyler.

The officers were elected at the meeting held December 12.

FIVE ARRESTED DURING WEEK BY SPEED OFFICER

Five arrests and a total of \$47 in fines is reported for the week by the local court, in charge of Vina McLean, city recorder.

The arrests and fines are as follows: W. A. Fischer, speeding, \$10; Norman Anderson, speeding, \$15; R. E. Mosher, parking too near hydrant, \$2; H. R. Pressnett, speeding, \$10; Harry A. Withers, speeding, \$10.

Mrs. Frances Mitchell left Saturday for Hood River to spend a month with relatives there.

Installation and initiation at W. O. W. Hall Tuesday, January 2, 1923.

Miss Grace Male is spending this week with her parents here. She is a teacher in the schools of Portland.

Glen F. Woolley, of Modesto, California, is visiting with friends and relatives in this city.

E. W. Collins and son Edgar, of Marshfield, are visiting at the home of the parents of E. W. Collins in Springfield. Mr. Collins and son came a week ago and expect to extend his visit two weeks longer.

Mr. Fenner Travis, formerly employee of the Commercial State Bank of Springfield, who has been making his home in Idaho for several years, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Travis, who are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Travis, is their son Hobart Travis, of Sacramento, California.

UNION CONVENTION DOES GOOD WORK

Much Accomplished at Meet at Lebanon Dec. 21-23, Say Lane County Delegates

The 12th Annual convention of the Farmers' Educational and Cooperative Union, which was held last week Lebanon December 21 to 23 was largely attended and many important problems discussed, according to Lane county delegates who attended the session. Activities and membership of the league extends throughout Oregon, Southern Idaho, and a very active interest is taken in the organization.

Two main topics were discussed at the meeting, marketing and legislation. It was also decided to push the organization of the body vigorously.

H. C. Jackson, representing the county union, was placed in charge of organization work for the Union, and is already at work upon plans for rapid expansion.

Several Sessions Held
The business sessions were held in the city hall, with open public meetings, the first and second evenings in the First Methodist church, which were very largely attended.

One outstanding feature of the convention was the fact that the delegates were truly representative of the varied agricultural enterprises developed in the territory covered by the convention.

The expression was voiced by the older members in attendance that this convention stands out greater in many respects than any heretofore, in comparison of the mighty problems confronted and actual accomplishment of the purposes of the convention. No subject was passed over with indefinite decision as to the course to be pursued.

Barrett Addresses Meet
The national president, Chas. S. Barrett, was present during the first two days and delivered the public lecture Thursday evening, covering mainly the history of the organization and immediate program upon which it is working.

To a packed auditorium Friday evening, Governor-elect Walter M. Pierce delivered the second public address, taking for his subject "Farm Problems and Their Solution." The following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year:

President, Herbert Egbert, The Dalles; vice-president, A. G. Rempel, Dallas; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. G. B. Jones, Monmouth; executive board, W. W. Harrah, Pendleton; C. J. Whitaker, Cambridge, Idaho; A. R. Shumway, Milton; H. C. Jackson, Springfield; F. F. Ingalls, Dufur.

Jackson To Head Expansion
The executive board placed the state organization work in the hands of H. C. Jackson.

The 1923-convention was secured for Lane county, at which the attendance of President Barrett is again expected, through convention date arrangements with the Washington and California state unions.

The entertainment of the visiting delegates to the Lebanon convention was under the auspices of the locals comprising the Linn county union, which received the hearty co-operation of the citizens of Lebanon. Special mention is due the ladies of the Linn union for the banquet given in the banquet room of the First Christian church.

The following is the Lane county delegation and unions represented: W. L. Wheeler, county union; H. C. Jackson, county union; Ralph Laird, Mt. Vernon; E. R. Hogan, Mt. Vernon; V. C. Chase, McKenzie river; A. E. Davis, McKenzie river; M. J. Butler, Camas; Fred Wallace, Jasper; C. E. Jordan, Trent; Ed Petty, Cloverdale.

Mayor Is "Kidnapped"
An interesting feature of the convention, relates C. S. Jackson, a delegate from Lane county, was the "kidnapping" of the mayor of Lebanon. The delegates also "stole" the fire wagon, and rode the mayor to the meeting to hear Governor-elect Pierce address the Union. The whole affair was taken in good fun, and the stunt was enjoyed immensely by all the mayor included, states Mr. Jackson.

Although the next meet was scheduled tentatively for Eugene, farmers in the vicinity of Springfield are planning to bring some of the sessions over here. The date has not yet been decided upon.