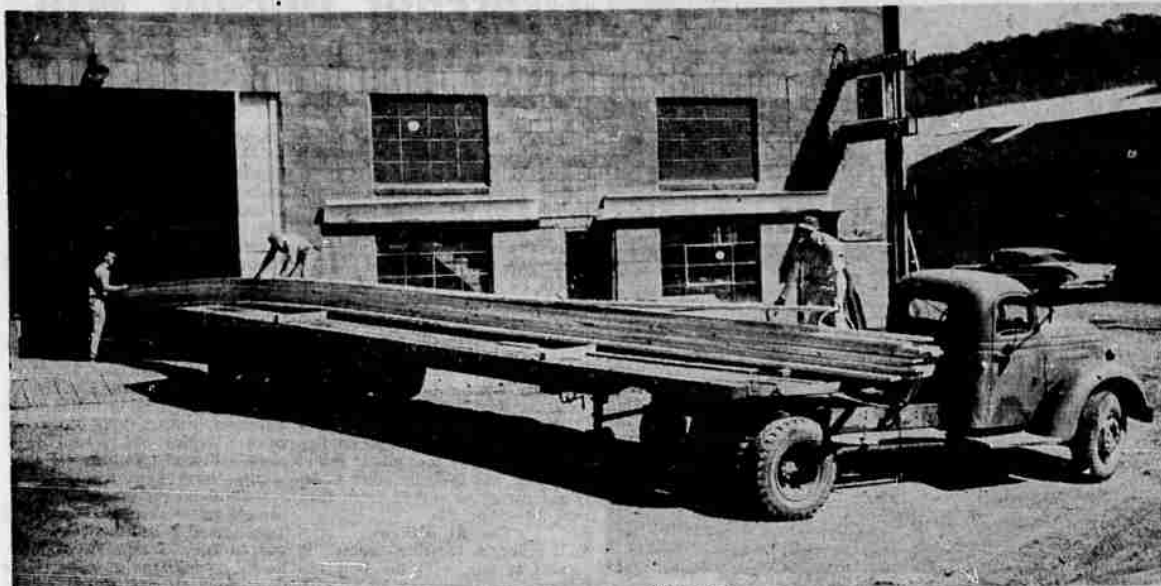
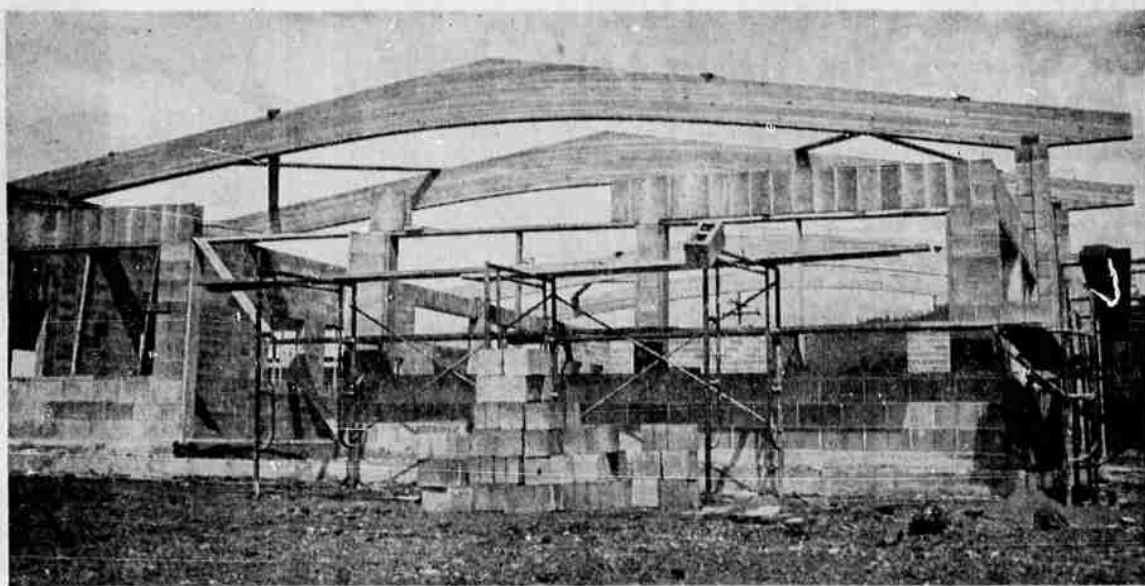


Plant In North Roseburg Makes Wood Laminated Beams



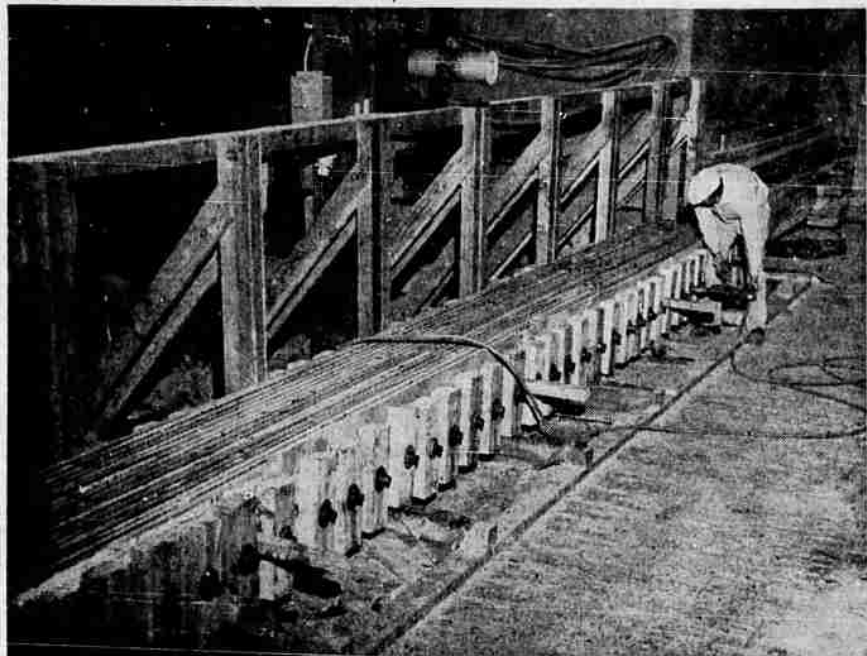
RANDOM LENGTH LUMBER, shown above, is scarfed (bevel cut) then glued together to give any desired length for a laminated beam. Lumber panels which went into the 58-foot beams for the Bill Miller Implement Co. build-

ing are shown being loaded for transfer at the plant of DUCO-LAM. Laminated beams offer flexibility not found in ordinary sawed beams, both for length and design.

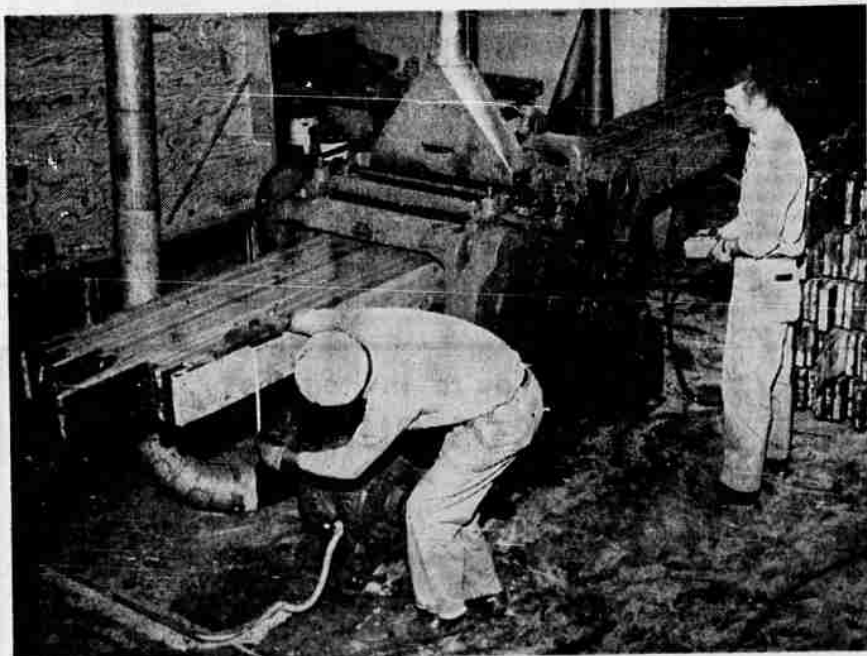


BEAMS IN PLACE—Laminated beams produced at DUCO-LAM plant in North Roseburg are shown put in place as roof supports for the new building which Bill Miller Implement Co. is erecting on NE Stephens St. The beams, 58

feet in length, make possible a building without center posts. Tolerance is allowed for additional weight that may be caused by snow. (Pictures this page by Chris' Studio)



SCARFED LUMBER is run through a glue spreader, then bolted into a rack, shown above where they are pre-shaped for production of laminate beams at DUCO-LAM's plant in the Kiernan Building.



CO-OWNER WAYNE BAUDER of DUCO-LAM in north Roseburg operates the controls of a double surfacer, which smooths the sides to the desired finished thickness. His partner, Leroy B. Palmer, measures the beam for desired thickness.

DUCO-LAM Owners Report Product Demand On Rise

By LEROY INMAN
Business News Dept. Editor

The trend toward use of laminated beams is increasing, and DUCO-LAM, Douglas County's only laminated products plant, is finding demand such that it may have to expand to larger quarters.

Partners Wayne Bauder and Leroy B. Palmer started their laminated products business last July 13 on a part-time basis. It is located in the Kiernan Building at 1611 NE Stephens St.

The operation went on a full-time basis around the first of this year after necessary equipment was installed. They do most of the work themselves, but employ one full-time and three part-time men. Quarters are, however, somewhat cramped, and if demand continues to warrant, they plan to erect a plant that will employ up to 25 persons, the co-owners stated.

Orders From Many Points
DUCO-LAM now is shipping beams all over Oregon and some to Northern California. They are particularly proud of the 58-foot beams produced and shipped for use in the "Trees of Mystery" store building south of Crescent City on the Red Wood Highway in California.

Beams 58 feet long, also, have been produced for the Bill Miller Implement Co. building being erected across the highway from 2260 NE Stephens St. Other beams have gone into the new Salvation Army chapel in Eugene, St. John's Catholic Church, and the high school at Drain and elsewhere.

Many are going for school construction. The new Indian Lanes bowling alley will use shorter length beams primarily for decorative effect.

Laminated beams are engineered for standard widths, Palmer and Bauder, explained. The roof load and length of span determines the depth and the length. Tolerance is allowed for extra weight such as might be caused by snow.

Three Grades Produced
Three grades of beams are produced: 1. Industrial, used for warehouses, industrial building or to give a rustic appearance; 2. Architectural grade, in which large knot holes are putted or plugged; and 3. Premium grade, made of clear, sound lumber, mostly for homes or other exposed beam uses.

For production, random length lumber is taken in its rough state and scarfed (cut diagonally to form joints) to the length of beams desired. These lengths then are run through a glue spreader, and from there are bolted into racks, where they are pre-shaped for the

beam they are designed for.

The lumber remains in the racks for four hours for the glue to set. From there they are run through a double surfacer, where the beams are planed down to the finished thickness. Then the ends are trimmed off. One coat of moisture sealer is used to protect the beam until it can be painted or varnished for permanent finish.

See Extensive Use

The two men expressed the opinion beams could be incorporated into more home construction than now being used, and they plan development along these lines. They claim a considerable saving is possible in use of the beams, in addition to adding to appearance.

There will never be any building material to replace laminated beams, in the opinion of Palmer and Bauder. They point out the warmth of the wood and its versatility, and predict more extensive use.

Both men formerly were employed by Roseburg Lumber Co. Bauder came to Roseburg three years ago from the Monsanto Laboratory, Seattle. He is a graduate chemical engineer. His work was in quality control in the plywood division during his two years at Roseburg Lumber. With his wife and three children, he lives in Winston.

Palmer was with the plywood division of Roseburg Lumber for nine years in a supervisory position. He came here out of the service. He and his wife and nine children live on Roberts Creek Rd. They have a 10-acre place. Their oldest child, a daughter, Jerrolyn, completed her first year at Pacific University this year.

180 School Days May Be In Offing

SALEM (AP)—The state Board of Education is sympathetic to a proposed requirement that Oregon schools be in session at least 180 days a year. The minimum now is 175.

The board heard Cecil Posey, secretary of the Oregon Education Association, say that 80 per cent of the schools now have classes on 180 or more days a year.

Board members said they thought it would be a good idea to boost the minimum to 180 days in order to bring the other 20 per cent of the schools up to the 180-day level.

They withheld final action until September. In the meantime the board's staff will make its own study.

Military Communications Space Job Is Air Force's

WASHINGTON (AP)—Responsibility for developing the spacecraft for a military communications satellite system has been transferred from the Army to the Air Force.

A Pentagon spokesman said this week that it is hoped the system will be in operation by 1964 instead of by 1966, the target date set by the Army.

Labeled "Advent," the program calls for launching three to 10 microwave satellites on an equatorial orbital path 22,300 miles above the earth. The satellites would relay voice and other communications almost instantaneously. They would be entirely separate from the proposed civilian communications satellite program.

The spokesman said the main reason for transferring most of the project to the Air Force is the fact that the Army's proposed 1,300-pound satellite is too heavy for the rockets now available.

The spokesman also said project costs have been running high. The Army already has spent \$170 million on "Advent" and has asked another \$100 million for the coming fiscal year.

The Defense Department also announced that the Air Force will develop a system of some 40 to 50 smaller communications satellites on a polar orbit from 5,000 to 7,000 miles above the earth. The Army will continue to be responsible for "Advent" ground equipment, the spokesman said. He added that some of the parts already developed by the Army will be usable in the new program.

However, the Defense Department said parts of the contracts the Army has granted the General Electric Co. plants in Philadelphia and the Bendix Corp., of Ann Arbor, Mich., are being canceled.

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Methodists Hear County Assignments

Three Methodist churches in the immediate county area will retain their present ministers and three other churches will see a change in ministerial personnel.

The appointments were made at the close of the Oregon Annual Conference of Methodists held last week in Salem.

Returning to their present assignments will be the Rev. H. James Jenkins of Roseburg First Methodist Church, the Rev. Alice

May Woolley of Days Creek church and the Rev. Eugene Groves who serves the Sutherlin and Wilbur churches.

The Camas Valley-Tenmile churches will be headed by the Rev. J. T. Dixon, replacing the Rev. J. C. Johannes; the Rev. Everett Gardner will have the Dillard-Winston church, previously serviced also by the Rev. Mr. Johannes; and the Yoncalla-Elkton churches will have the Rev. Palmer Sorlein as pastor, replacing the Rev. DeWitt Farley.

What Does Ring Mean?

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Rick Nelson says the pearl-and-gold ring he gave Christine Harmon, 17, is a graduation gift, not an engagement ring—but friends say they wouldn't be surprised if an engagement follows.

Miss Harmon, daughter of sportscaster Tom Harmon and actress Elyse Knox, displayed the ring to other graduates at Marymount High School.

She and the 22-year-old teenage idol, son of Ozzie and Harriet Nelson, have been dating for two years.

FOR COWARDS ONLY

BRADFORD, England (UPI)—The Rev. Charles Manchester has refused to marry any more bridegrooms who need courage to walk up the aisle.

"At least half the bridegrooms smell like a brewery and walk to the altar a little bit tipsy," he said. "If I had a couple of whiskies or a few beers the bride and groom would take a dim view of it."

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