

EMPLOYMENT IS BETTER IN WEST

Usual Number of Men Unwilling to Work Found in District, However

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 12.—A survey of employment throughout the Pacific northwest indicates that conditions are gradually improving and that there is now less unemployment than usual for this time of year, according to the 41 employment letter published today. The 41 reports conditions as follows:

"Skilled and experienced help in all lines is hard to locate for jobs offered and it is also difficult to place untrained and sub-efficient workers. There is a large number of these at all employment centers. The usual number of transient and non-residents from the east, not familiar with Pacific northwest conditions, apply daily for work at employment centers. The usual number of men unwilling to work may also be found. Only a few localities are over-supplied with help.

Active Industries

"Industries now active and which give employment to the greatest number of persons are logging, lumber manufacturing, fishing, railroads, highway and building construction, farming and mining. "Portland, Ore.—Weather conditions have slowed down outdoor work a little, but canals and mills and highway work are taking on

some new men every day. "Hoquiam-Aberdeen, Wa.—Employment on Grays harbor is at a high point at present for this time of the year. All sawmills are operating, some on double shift basis part of the time. All shingle mills, with one exception, have also resumed operations. Grays harbor logging camps are nearly all active. Practically all local loggers, sawmill and shingle mill workers are employed.

"Tacoma, Wa.—Employment conditions in all industries show improvement here. The 24 Tacoma sawmills are all running, except Dempsey's. There are only two night shifts in operation: the DeLancey Lumber Co. and the Shaffer Box Co. Logging camps are all active, but many of them are not at capacity.

"Seattle, Wa.—Employment in all lines in Puget sound districts is showing some daily improvement. Logging camps are generally active, getting out logs and building track ahead. Experienced resident loggers are employed. Jobs now offered, especially for choppers and rigging men, are not always taken the first day they appear on employment boards.

Demand Fair

"Bellingham, Wa.—Unemployed men are becoming scarce in the Bellingham district, but the demand for laborers has not yet reached its peak. Within the last two weeks, 200 men have been sent to Alaska for the fishing season, and fish trap crews are growing in number on the sound near here.

"Spokane, Wa.—With one of the most backward springs the inland empire has experienced in many years, all outdoor work is being greatly delayed. Freezing nights, with almost daily high winds, has

retarded the melting of snow, so that nearly all streams and rivers are very low for this time of the year, and operators who depend on the spring drive for their log supply are much concerned. This refers especially to the Priest river country, where the Dalkeith, Diamond Match, Beardsmore and Humbird Lumber companies get their logs. In the Marble creek district, conditions appear to be more favorable. Winter camps have been discontinued for some weeks, and it is expected that it will be some time yet before summer camps can open up, hence many pine loggers are in Spokane making time.

Medford Man New Head Of Yeomen

EUGENE, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP).—George A. Center of Medford, was elected president of the Brotherhood of American Yeomen at the annual election of the state convention which ended here last night. Other officers are: Ellis R. Black, Eugene, vice president; Walter Fry, Silverton, state correspondent; Walter Hapner, Bond, master of accounts; Gertrude Harbit, Portland, chairman.

C. E. Abbin, of Salem, was elected delegate to the supreme convocation at Des Moines in June, E. E. Folke, of Portland, was named alternate.

Out in Salem, Oregon, services are held in the Seawater Chapel. Probably near a golf course.

Ignaz Moselek, president of the Polish republic, is an enthusiastic radio fan.

Rubber King and His Sons



Here is a new photo of Harvey Firestone, rubber magnate, and his two sons, Harvey, Jr., left, and Russell Firestone, now visiting the Pacific coast. They were photographed at Houston, Tex., where they stopped for a day en route. The sons are associated with Firestone in the rubber business.

NEA Houston Bureau

G. W. South Is Awarded A Past Master's Pin

By Mrs. M. F. Raymond (Observer Correspondent)

PONDOSA, Ore. (Special).—G. W. South, formerly of Medical Springs, who now lives at Huntington, returned on business and was here over the weekend. Sunday evening the members of the Medical Springs grange met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Whitten and presented Mr. South with a past master's pin, as he was master of this grange for several years. Mrs. F. E. Whitten, master, made a short talk in presenting the pin, and Mr. South responded with a few words. During the evening 500 was played for a couple of hours, high score prize going to M. P. Raymond and consolation to W. H. Duncan. Refreshments were served at a late hour.

The officers of the local branch of the Primary association went to Baker Wednesday to meet with the La Grande and Baker primary officers. Instructions were given at this time for the payment to be presented in July. The officers making the trip from here were: Mrs. Nettie Larsen, Mrs. Benah Nelson, Mrs. Hazel Lerwill, Mrs. Ester Hansen and Mrs. James Wade.

Guests at the M. F. Raymond home Wednesday were Mrs. Mary Rizer, of Hot Lake; Mrs. J. B. Little and Mrs. A. M. Sibley, of Baker. Mrs. Warren Metcalf entertained 23 little boys and girls Tuesday afternoon in honor of her daughter Marie's sixth birthday. Games were played for an hour followed by refreshments. Many pretty gifts were received by the little girl.

The "busy work" meeting of the relief society was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Larsen Tuesday afternoon. Refreshments were served by the hostess. Mrs. Walla Creasman, of La Grande, was a visitor and 11 members were present.

The local branch of the primary association was reorganized at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Nettie Larsen Monday afternoon. Mrs. Lea Stoddard was elected president to succeed Mrs. Larsen, who resigned on account of moving to Baker soon. Mrs. Ellen Stoddard, of La Grande, and Mrs. Mary Stoddard, of Baker, attended the meeting.

G. H. Harven, a sheep dealer, of Boise, Id., was in this section on business and spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Powers. Herbert W. and Fred C. Eickemeyer, who left last August after spending two years here, returned from Prineville Saturday and will probably spend the summer in this locality.

Mrs. Walla Creasman, of La Grande, is spending a week with Mrs. W. I. Bates.

Mrs. J. F. Sakiet, of La Grande, visited with her brother, D. E. Nelson, and family early this week. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kennedy and children, of La Grande, former residents of this community who have a ranch here, are spending two weeks with their son, Vivian, and family. They are helping get the sheep on the range and the spring work under way.

Mrs. Eli Beaudette returned from Portland Saturday where she

had visited her daughter, Miss Lillian Beaudette, for two weeks. Mrs. H. B. Larsen, who became suddenly ill Monday evening, was moved to a hospital in Baker and underwent an operation Friday. She is reported to be recovering nicely at present.

Mrs. Lillian Brown, of Jarbridge, Nev., is taking the rest cure at Medical Springs and will be here for two weeks.

O. E. Woodson, W. Harvey, L. L. Harrel and Alfred White, cattle men of Cottage Grove, are spending a week with the Robert Wanker family.

P. J. Powers drove to Portland Sunday and returned Tuesday with Mrs. Powers, who has been visiting in and near Portland for two weeks. Her son, Nesten Foye, accompanied her home.

George Ensminger, Of Haines, Passes

BAKER, Ore., Apr. 12.—George Ensminger, 54-year-old resident of Haines, died at his home Wednesday evening about 8 o'clock following a long illness.

Mr. Ensminger was born in Haines Apr. 7, 1875, and lived in that vicinity all his life. He was a farmer by occupation.

The deceased is survived by his widow, Amy Ensminger; four daughters, Mrs. Myrtle Husby of Unity, Mrs. May Vanderventer of Goldendale, Wash., and Oral and Norma Ensminger, both of Haines; his mother, Mrs. Johanna Ensminger; seven sisters, Mrs. Joseph Henner of Haines, Mrs. N. E. Dodd of Haines, Mrs. A. A. Fidler of Payette, Mrs. Fred Wilson of Port-

FAMILIES MOVE TO PONDOSA FROM PERRY

By Mrs. Mary B. Kail (Observer Correspondent)

PERRY, Ore. (Special).—Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Blaylock, Thomas Blaylock and two sons, and Harry Lightheart left for Pondosa last Saturday where they expect to work for the Grande Ronde Lumber company.

Lois Mathison, who has been ill, is reported to be improving at this time.

Mrs. Slegard, of La Grande, visited with Mrs. Joe Sinclair last Friday and also attended the school fair Friday afternoon.

Hand, Mrs. Chester Johnson of Vancouver, Wash., Mrs. Nell Crawford of La Grande and Mrs. A. W. Wall of La Grande; and two brothers, Herbert of Haines and Frank of La Grande.

Funeral services will be held at the family residence this afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. Josie Blackland of Haines officiating. West and company will have charge of the services.

Mrs. J. D. Broughton, mother of Mrs. Burt Kail, left for her home at Roseburg, Ore., Friday after a visit of several weeks here with her daughter and other friends and relatives. She was called here first by the illness and death of her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Muir, of Cove.

The Rev. Mr. Ballua and two friends, of Portland, arrived in Perry the first of the week. They expect to visit friends here for a few days before returning to their homes.

Stella and Warren Lyell, of La Grande, were visitors at the Gerald Pierson home over the last weekend.

Glen Smith, of Pondosa, was a recent Perry visitor. He formerly lived here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Smith, and was employed by the Grande Ronde Lumber company.

The residents of Perry gathered at the William Brown home Tuesday evening and held their weekly prayer meeting.

Harry Goodwell made a trip to the valley the first of the week to get a load of hay for his stock.

Mrs. James Voss and four small children left for Pomeroy, Wash., last Saturday where they will spend

a week or ten days with her aunt. They have not met since Mrs. Voss was twelve years of age, and are anticipating an enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe La Gore recently returned from a trip to Portland.

Mrs. George Baker, of La Grande, was a dinner guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Holden, of Upper Flat, last Friday.

Miss Jessie Voss has been absent from school on account of illness. Merle Blaylock made a trip to Pondosa one day the latter part of last week.

Miss Lola Martin, teacher at Millgard, was a recent guest at the home of friends in town.

The J. B. Weimer family of Five Points Pilling station were recent Cove visitors.

A. F. Ingram, of the Pine Cone Pilling station, has been busy for several days beautifying the grounds adjacent to his filling station and swimming pool preparatory to an early opening of the tourist and swimming season.

The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Fox visited at Imbler, Summerville and Alcega recently.

Charles Ditty and daughter, Lucy, recently visited Mrs. Mary E. Cox.

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