

Lumber News

BY F. H. ROSENBERG.

Died Chicago on November 21, 1909, J. Defenbaugh, editor of the American Lumberman, at the age of 55 years. Mr. Defenbaugh was known wherever lumber is manufactured or wherever it is sold, be it in the United States, Canada or Europe. He was a man of broad mind, and while not himself a lumberman was identified with everything pertaining to the lumber business. In the matter of the increased freight rates on eastbound lumber Mr. Defenbaugh with his paper was an enthusiastic supporter and fighter for the millmen, and in the matter of the reduction of the tariff on lumber from Canada, in which some of the Eastern interests were determined to have no tariff, Mr. Defenbaugh with his insight into matters was selected as the chairman of the committee that had the fight in charge for the retention of the duty. He was one of the first members of the Order of Hoo-Hoo his number being six. He had served in the highest office of the order, having been Snark of the Universe. He is a man who will be more than missed in lumber circles and The Sentinel as well as the members of Hoo-Hoo in this section, and all lumbermen, join in extending to his bereaved ones their sympathies.

Pacific Coast and Inland Empire.—The most active demand in the interior trade is for the railroad timber and car stuff. Four out of the great western railway systems lately were reported to have placed large orders for fir timber and car stuff. One order was for 18,000,000 feet and another was for 17,000,000. The activity of railway construction, with the necessary increase in equipment, assures a good demand for timber and lumber. Activity in the carrying forward of irrigation undertakings, with resulting settlement of new land, are promoting the use of a large amount of forest products throughout the Coast and mountain country. The California and foreign demand is constantly absorbing a large percentage of the product of Coast mills. The larger cities of the northern coast, like Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and other aspirants for first rank, are requiring increased amounts of lumber for their upbuilding. A feature of present conditions on the North Coast is that upper grades are in excellent demand as compared to the lower. In San Francisco dealers in white and sugar pine are booking all the eastern orders they can take care of. Stocks are small at mills in the Portland district. Mills are declining special cutting orders.

Advice from Puget sound and Columbia river points indicated a good volume of coast and off shore movement. In Washington the yard trade is rather quiet, and, like that east of the mountains, is for current consumptive demand rather than for stocking for the future. Oregon shows a large volume of home requirement from the growing towns and the farmers. Irrigation is opening up new lands in Oregon and Idaho, and many of the smaller interior mills are cutting to satisfy the demand thus created. Logs are in better supply at Puget sound points as well as on the Columbia river. The eastward movement of mountain pine and Coast product is fair. Fir and spruce are being delivered to eastern factories in volume. The railroads and car factories are demanding much lumber of both kinds. Red cedar siding is selling well. The redwood trade has made a good showing this season and the outlook is promising.

The sheds of the valley mills contain very small blocks of worked stock and the yards are low on most items of rough stock. This corresponds exactly with the conditions of stocks in Portland, and thus represents a very encouraging feature in considering the outlook. The valley towns, especially the city of Cottage Grove, show marked improvement during the past two years and the local business throughout the valley has been excellent. Immigration has been very extensive, requiring new homes and merchantile houses. The residences are attractive and commodious while the business houses are of a permanent, substantial character.

A prominent buyer in Salt Lake territory wrote a letter of protest against the practice of forwarding odd lengths to all the mills he had business with and he received a flood of replies stating the mills were going to stand by the odd lengths proposition and the buyers' conversion was instantaneous, as evidenced by the tone of subsequent letters. Wholesale dealers in Los Angeles handling cargo receipts have also circulated a protest, but mills are making strong replies that the practice of odd lengths will be put into effect notwithstanding as considered entirely practicable.

No matters of particular interest during the past week have happened at the mills in the immediate surrounding country. All report running full time and inquiries coming in steadily, and that the outlook for business is very

good. Prices hold up well. C. F. Walker reports the demand for cedar pole piling and mining timbers in keeping with the inquiry for lumber as fairly good.

L. S. Hill of the Brown Lumber Company is at present in Southern Oregon on a business trip.

Walter Zimmerman was in town the early part of the week and reports the sale of a Donkey engine to the Row River Lumber Co.

H. G. Utley of the Simonds Mfg Co. was in town on Wednesday and reports that with all the mills in his territory business is very good. He states that the Simonds people carried off the honors at the Alaska-Yukon fair, which speaks highly for them.

Al Zurell, with Fischer Bros, Lumber Company who is well known here, is the proud father of a fine girl, and we understand that since the arrival Marcola is too small for them and that they intend to move to Springfield.

ASKS SUPPORT OF PEOPLE.

The Sentinel Solicits Co-operation of Community in Paper-making.

It is the constant aim of the management of The Sentinel to make a newspaper in the truest sense of the word, and to this end the co-operation of everybody resident of Southern Lane county is earnestly solicited. If you have an item of news, whether you reside in city or country, send it to The Sentinel, resting assured that it will be appreciated. It is not within the province of the so-called country newspaper editor to cover the entire field individually, and the financial resources of such a publication are insufficient to employ paid correspondents, and therefore the voluntary assistance of a public-spirited community is necessary to the making of a first-class community newspaper. Since The Sentinel's advent, two months since, it has been tendered many appreciated courtesies by the citizenship of Cottage Grove and the immediately surrounding country, but its thirst for news is hard to quench, and it not only urges a continuance of these favors by those who have so liberally responded to our needs, but requests that others follow in their wake and contribute their mite to The Sentinel's news columns.

Cottage Grove, let it be said without egotism, enjoys the reputation of supporting the largest weekly newspaper in the State of Oregon outside of Portland, and that newspaper is The Sentinel. Dozens of publications throughout the commonwealth have commented favorably upon this feature, and it is a standing advertisement for the enterprise, progress and public-spiritedness of the citizens of Cottage Grove, without whose liberal support it could not be. That The Sentinel is appreciated there can be no doubt in the mind of the publisher. Its advertising columns not alone attest this fact, but its increased subscription list is further evidence. It is gratifying to state that during the months of October and November eighty-seven new subscriptions were taken without solicitation. The advertiser cannot fail to realize the advantages to be derived from a large circulation; it is what he wants and must have to get results.

DOINGS AT DIVIDE.

This Prosperous Community Furnishes Goodly Batch of News.

Mrs. Geo. Miller has been sick with a severe cold for past week, but she is able to be around again.

The Perini Bros. shipped a car of piling last week.

Mr. N. Lewis was seen in Divide last Monday.

Geo. Miller, the shingle man, is working day and night, trying to supply the wants of his many customers.

Pete Tonole butchered a fine beef last week.

The Southern Pacific Company has a gang of about twenty Japs repairing the damages done to their property by the recent high waters.

School is progressing nicely with twenty-three pupils enrolled.

Mr. Lee of Leeville is planking the road from his sawmill to Divide. Mr. Lee is one of those fellows who doesn't stop for a little rain or mud.

Mr. Chapman has a car load of timbers ready to load as soon as he can get the car

The Measuring Party.

The measuring party given Tuesday night at Phillips hall by the ladies of the Methodist church was one of the most pleasant social entertainments of the season. About 100 persons were present. Two charades were given.

"The Old Maids' Tea," and "The Wax Figures," each covering a period of about twenty minutes. They were an enjoyable feature of the evening. Mr. Harry Short was awarded the prize for the tallest man present, and Mrs. Kiser the prize for the shortest lady. Thirty-five dollars were netted.

Entertains Methodist Ladies.

Mrs. N. E. Compton entertained the ladies of the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon at the home of her sister, Mrs. F. D. Wheeler. There were about twenty present. After the missionary lesson, a social hour was followed by refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Compton will leave about January 1 for Iowa, there to take up their residence.

PROPERTY REVERTS

Stockholders of Fruit Company Fail to Liquidate.

MAY YET REDEEM BY PAYING

Meeting Held at the Commercial Club Rooms Tuesday Afternoon With a Fair Representation.

The stockholders of the Cottage Grove Fruit Company held a meeting at the Commercial club rooms on Tuesday, the purpose being to devise ways and means for raising money to liquidate its indebtedness. As no funds were available for the purpose, the company defaulted payment and the property reverted to Mr. J. I. Jones, to whom about \$2,500 was due. The company, however, may yet redeem the property, if it so elects, by making the payment.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Military Club will give a "masquerade ball" at the Armory Christmas Eve, for which arrangements are now making. Several prizes will be offered the details of which have not been worked out.

Among the several bridges in Lane county destroyed by the recent freshets is the one across McKenzie River at Belknap Springs. No one was at the resort at the time of the flood, and the news of the washing out of the bridge did not reach here until yesterday.

At the recent business meeting of the Epworth League thirty three members were received. Last Sunday evening there were ninety-three present at the devotional service. A great revival of interest is manifest in this young people's society.

The Knights of Pythias, after work in the third rank Friday night, partook of an oyster supper, which was greatly enjoyed. This lodge has been greatly revived of late.

Milk and Cream wagon—Commencing Wednesday Dec 1, the new management of the Cottage Grove Creamery put on a delivery wagon and milk, cream, buttermilk and Cottage Cheese will be delivered to any part of the city, or it can be had at any time by applying or phoning to the creamery. 34-35.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Bowers of Monroe have returned home, after having visited relatives here.

Mrs. Eva Ellis spent the first of the week at Yoncalla.

B. Applegate ate turkey with Yoncalla relatives last Thursday.

Mrs. Walter Mason and children have gone to California to take up their permanent residence.

Do your Christmas shopping early. The recent flood carried away about half the fence around the Eugene ball park.

A Write-up of Cottage Grove.

A splendid write-up of Cottage Grove was published in The Eugene Register last Sunday, a large part of the data being credited to The Sentinel. The Register is not one of those hidebound newspapers that can see no good outside of its own, but is broad-minded in its views. And let it be mentioned, incidentally, that is this class of publications that reach the highest pinnacle of success.

Handsome Decorations.

It has been said that the shoemaker's children are without shoes, and the blacksmith's horse goes unshod. This may or may not be true, but it is certain that the paperhangers' store does not go without decorations, a least in the case of W. R. Waters. He has just completed an interior job at his place on east Main street that is decidedly creditable to him.

Plan Entertainment.

The Christian Endeavor of the Christian church will give an entertainment at the Armory December 17, at which time two short plays, "Old Sweetheart of Mine," and "An Interrupted Proposal," will be given, interspersed by elocutionary numbers by Mrs. Ora Hemenway.

Notice of Road District Meeting.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the taxpayers of road district No. 60 for Lane County, Oregon, will be held at the Residence of B. M. Hawley the 28th day of December, 1909, at the hour of 12 o'clock of said day.

The object of said meeting is for the purpose of submitting to the taxpayers of said road district the question of voting a levy of an additional tax upon the taxable property of said district for the purpose of improving the roads of said district.

This notice is signed by at least ten per cent of the taxpayers of said district.

B. M. Hawley.
F. J. Hard.

The Vesuvius Mines Company.
By F. J. Hard, Secretary and Manager.

THE CASSOWARY.

A Peculiar Bird That Fishes With Its Feathers.

Habits of the cormorant and of the fish hawk are generally known. Their methods of taking fish are very much like those of birds of prey. But the cassowary fishes according to a method of its own. A well known naturalist witnessed its operations on a river in the island of New Britain.

He saw a cassowary come down to the water's edge and stand for some minutes apparently watching the water carefully. It then stepped into the river where it was about three feet deep and, partially squatting down, spread its wings out, submerging them, the feathers being spread and ruffled.

The bird remained motionless and kept its eyes closed as if in sleep. It remained in this position for a quarter of an hour, when, suddenly closing its wings and straightening its feathers, it stepped out on the bank. Here it shook itself several times, whereupon a quantity of small fishes fell out of its wings and from amid its feathers. These the bird immediately plucked up and swallowed.

The fishes had evidently mistaken the feathers for a kind of weed that grows in the water along the banks of the rivers in this island and which much resembles the feathers of the cassowary. The smaller fishes hide in these weeds to avoid the larger ones that prey on them.—Exchange.

THE MOON.

Its Visual Size No Greater When It Is High Than When It Is Low.

The artist has to choose between scientific truth and "convention" when he sets out to paint the moon. A three-penny piece fixed at a distance of six feet from the eye (say at the end of a horizontal six foot pole, the other end of which is made to press the lower edge of the eye socket) will just cover the disk of either the sun or the moon hanging in the sky. It is an absolute fact that this is true whether the moon (or the sun) be high in the sky or low down near the horizon.

The real "visual size" of the moon's disk is no greater when it is low than when it is high. No one who reads what I have just written will believe me. Every one thinks that he knows that the disk of the harvest moon or of the setting sun occupies a larger space in the sky when low than when high. This is due to a judgment or mental process and is an erroneous one. The eye is not at fault, but the curiously untrustworthy mind is.

What, then, is the painter to do? He yields to prejudice and often paints the low moon or low sun of a size which compared with scientific fact is ridiculously exaggerated.—Sir E. Ray Lankester in London Telegraph.

Her Choice.

They were sisters-in-law and reasonably well disposed toward each other. One was the mother of George, aged six months, and the other was the mother of Marian, aged six months and four days. It was impossible that a slight parental rivalry should be altogether concealed.

"Marian does not seem to grow very fast," said the mother of George, with a suggestion of commiseration in her tones. "George is much taller" (height being measured in inches).

"Perhaps he is," replied the mother of Marian coldly, "but Marian weighs more."

"Oh, well," responded the sister-in-law, with a smile of high bred superiority, "of course I should not wish George to be gross."—Exchange.

A Frank Estimate.

To many persons who are not actors the stage seems a delightful and fascinating place. In a book called "The Actress" Louise Closser Hale, herself an actress, tells some of her experiences with girls who envy her her profession. One day one of them from behind a counter in a shop said, "I should have went on the stage."

"She evidently wanted to talk, and I strove to be interested," says Miss Hale.

"But see how tired I am," I said to her. "I have to work very hard as it is, and I had to work much harder to gain what little recognition I have had."

"Oh, yes," she responded, complacently gazing at herself in a mirror. "But, you see, I have talent."

Dangers of Handwriting.

A young man is bringing an action against a graphologist in Paris for substantial damages. A pretty heiress, to whom he was engaged to be married, showed a specimen of his handwriting to the graphologist and asked for information. This is the reply she got: "If you should meet the man who wrote these lines upon your way through life avoid him. He is an egotist and a fool, has a bad temper and a despicable nature. The existence of the woman who has the misfortune to marry him will be a Calvary." The marriage has been broken off; hence the action.

Her Usual Remark.

"What did Mame say when her father gave her that new gold watch?" asked one gladsome girl.

"Oh, the same thing that she always says. She remarked that she was having a perfectly lovely time."—Exchange.

A Good Shot.

Mr. Juggins—a black cat came to our back fence last night. Mrs. Juggins—Did it bring you good luck? Mr. Juggins—That's what it did. I hit it the very first time I fired.

Man's chief wisdom consists in knowing his follies.—Rochefoucauld.

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