

INCREASE SLIGHT

PORTLAND — Crow's Lumber price index continued to show a slight increase in the two week period ending August 6th, but there were definite signs of a leveling off in key items.

Green standard and better grade fir dimension was described as somewhat weaker today, after advancing sharply a week ago. Prices on two by fours range from \$77 to \$80 at the mill level, while 2 by 10s are in heavy demand at \$2 or \$3 or more. The lower grades of dimension are on the weak side, according to Crow's, though prices have not lost much ground. Big timbers, plank and small squares remained very firm, and the demand for export items was described as extremely heavy.

Kiln dried dimension gained ground in the past two weeks, according to Crow's, with heavier buying from the Midwest a key factor. Pine boards dropped slightly in No. 2 and No. 3 common, but dimension items from the Pine belt par-

tially offset this loss by gaining some ground.

Fir plywood, due to overproduction, suffered a major decline, Crow's said, as most operators moved to the \$76 index price on sanded stock after failing at the split \$75 to \$80 level. Sheathing plywood has been steady.

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HORSESHOE TOURNEY

OREGON CITY — The annual Clackamas county horseshoe tournament will be held at the Clackamas county fair grounds starting at 10 AM, Saturday, August 22, according to an announcement this week by Russell Shoemaker Clackamas county fair board manager. He also announced the appointment of Ted Huff Oregon City as director of the tournament.

Some of the outstanding pitchers who have already indicated that they will take part in the tournament are Eldon Harvey of Canby who was state champion in 1956 and is the present county champion. Harvey was winner

over Bob West of McMinnville, state champion, at the May and only last Sunday at the Seattle Sea Fair invitational horse shoe event lost the championship to West by one ringer. At the present time he says he is slightly off his usual pace and only hitting about 70 per cent ringers. He hopes to pull out of this slump by tournament time on the 22nd.

Other probable entries are Arnold Pedersen, Clyde Riley and Al Kraft of Canby; Perry Davis of Eagle Fern Park; Lauren Hill, the wrong way-turn Boring youth who is gradually coming to the forefront of state horseshoe

pitching; Otto Johnson, the Milwaukie reliable; and John Pickett, the Damascus flash.

Director Huff urged all horseshoe pitchers from dub to expert to contact him to qualify. Two sets of 50 shoes may be shot by each qualifier with their highest score being counted to get into the tournament. Pitchers may have any qualified tournament applicant qualify them or they may qualify at the regular Tuesday night meeting of the Oregon City horseshoe club at Atkinson Memorial park, at any Friday night meeting of the Canby club at the Canby city park, or at the Gladstone Horseshoe club courts east of the Grammar school any Thursday night. For further information they should contact Ted Huff.

"With so many pitchers now being developed in Clackamas county which seems to be the hot bed of horseshoe pitching in the state, it is regrettable that we only have five courts at the fair grounds and therefore will have to eliminate the field to the ten best pitchers," said Director Huff. "However this is a fortunate thing for the spectators as all

ten of the top qualifiers will undoubtedly be able to pitch at least 50 per cent ringers."

Huff emphasized that the county tournament will start promptly at 10 AM in conformity with the general fair program of starting on time. Therefore, the ten top qualifiers for the tournament time. They may also qualify at Clackamas county fair ground horseshoe courts from 8 to 10 AM on Saturday, August 22.

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