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LUMBER LEVELS

With the approaching Fourth of July annual shutdowns, pending freight rate increases, and strike threats, the lumber market generally showed a leveling trend, according to Random Lengths, Eugene weekly lumber market letter.

Demand has not picked up, however, and all potential major price influences, for the moment at least, are on the producing, rather than the consuming end of the industry.

Were retailers holding large order files, there would be a heavy concentration of buying, but such is not the case this year.

Good assortments of green dimension are moving well, but any variation from attractive tallies necessitates substantial price reductions. The California board market remains sluggish, and it appears that this situation will continue indefinitely.

There is a slight pick-up in demand for timbers and cutting, but market activity is still behind that of 60 days ago. Stud prices are holding, but stock is not moving in any increased volume.

Mills shipping both green and kiln-dried lumber report a constant volume of new business, mostly for fill-in or specific job items. The usual pre-Fourth of July buying spurt was not apparent this year, and pressure for quick shipment was lacking.

Plywood plants adopted a \$70 index price on quarter-inch AD stock last week, a \$2 reduction for sanded stock. The reduction is due to an excess of production over demand, a condition which has prevailed during the last several months. Sheathing has not been affected, and continues to be the strongest segment of the plywood market.

ENGINEER ARRIVES

Mr. and Mrs. Morton Sweeny of Portland arrived in Brookings last week. Mr. Sweeny is an Army Engineer in charge of the construction of the Chetco jetties.

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