

SALEM IS FORTUNATE IN HAVING BIG MEN IN CHARGE OF PAPER MILL

Men Who Are in Advance of the General Profession in the Making of Specialties and in Finding New Processes and Short Cuts—Men Whose Life Work Is in This Most Fascinating Field of Usefulness to the World

The president of the Oregon Pulp & Paper company is Major F. W. Leadbetter; vice president, Charles K. Spaulding; secretary, Walter L. Spaulding; treasurer, William S. Walton. These men are directors of the company, and the following are the additional directors: E. S. Collins, John H. McNary, E. T. Barnes, Frank A. Andrews, Walter E. Keyes, Truman Collins, Dr. M. C. Findley and C. F. Beyer.

C. F. Beyer is general manager; Thos. B. Armstrong, superintendent of the paper mill; J. B. Wilt, superintendent of the sulphite mill; Bert Gross, foreman of the finishing rooms; F. H. Odum, master mechanic, and in charge of machinery; F. M. Boyton, chief electrician; Jack Luckner, chemist; H. E. Ingers, office manager; W. J. Wilt, timekeeper.

Has Good Management
The operations and business of the Salem paper mill are under splendid management.

Major F. W. Leadbetter, the president of the company, has spent his whole active life in this field, first in the operation, and later in the general management and financing of paper mills.

Charles K. Spaulding, vice president, has realized his dream of seeing in Salem, his home city, a great paper mill, and one with substantial reasons for its success. These two men were the moving spirits at the inception of the enterprise. Mr. Spaulding has been interested in wood working plants ever since he was a very young man. He furnished large supplies of pulp wood to the Oregon City paper mills long before he became actively interested in the Salem plants that bear his name. He knows all phases of wood working, from the trees in the forests to the finished products of the various concerns with which he is connected.

He is still young in years and ambitious in spirit, and while his activities have already conferred upon Salem and the Salem district enterprises using immense quantities of raw materials and employing many hundreds of men, it is predicted that he is to become a still greater factor in the development of these chosen lines. He has not lost his ambition, and his vision is still active and clear.

He Bears the Brunt
The man who bears the brunt of the battle in keeping the whole great paper mill in all its departments in trim for efficient and profitable work is Carl F. Beyer, the general superintendent. He has no hours. He is somewhere on the job day and night; during all his waking moments. It is his life. Mr. Beyer received his technical education in Vienna, Austria, and it was thorough. He commenced his paper mill experience in a plant in Bohemia that turned out the highest quality papers known; linen papers. Then he worked in some of the best paper mills in Germany, Belgium and England. He came to the United States twenty-five years ago, and he had his first experience in paper making in Pennsylvania; making such papers as are turned out at the Salem mill; especially the highest and best grades. Then Mr. Beyer went into the engineering branch; building paper mills in the United States and Canada, and he came to Salem from Canada four years ago. He has helped to make this a model mill, up to date in all particulars; and under his charge, the value of the output of the Salem mill has more than doubled—and it is still growing. It will grow as long as he is in charge.

Mr. Beyer is not a mere mechanic. He is a chemist and scientist. Modern paper making is largely a chemical proposition. One must know his chemistry, and Mr. Beyer does; and the most learn the new things that come up in chemical research almost every day. He knows them. He has seen the progress of the industry, and been a part of it, from the time when fifty feet of paper was wont to be put through a machine in a minute, till now 1000 feet a minute is a common thing. He has listened to stories ever since he was a mere boy about the exhaustion of the raw supply; and he knew all the time there was little in them, for he has known that every vegetable growth in the world that has fiber and can stand up contains cellulose—and cellulose is what the reader has before him in the paper on which these words are printed. The reader sees it in hundreds of other articles of commerce, from combs to golf and billiard balls; but that is another story. Paper is all cellulose, but there are at least four different processes of making it; for instance, graining to get the pulp, and adding the soda and the sulphate processes and the way it is done here. This is the sulphite process, described elsewhere in this paper.

But what the writer is trying to convey to the reader is the fact that Mr. Beyer knows all these things from the ground up, and all the reasons why that any one who knows; and he is learning all the new things that come up—and they will not likely get com-

The sheet is transferred from the wire to the felt and is carried between the rolls of metal or hard rubber and from these press rolls is taken to the dryers.

These dryers are large hollow iron cylinders around which the paper travels in contact with the face of the dryers.

Steam is admitted to the interior of the dryers and the paper comes out at the end of the dryer run thoroughly dry and is subjected to a calendering to give it a firm texture and finish.

In the case of glassine paper a further calendering is necessary.

In making the sulphurous acid with which the wood is cooked, lime rock is placed in towers nearly a hundred feet high and water is allowed to percolate down through the lime rock. Sulphur is burned in a rotary burner and the gas after being cooled thoroughly is submerged pipes passes through a fan which forces it through the three towers one after the other.

The sulphur gas is absorbed by the lime water which is pumped from the bottom of one tower to the top of the other. When this acid has the proper strength it is pumped to storage tanks from which it is run to the digesters as needed.

The mill started operation with one paper machine, but a second machine was added the first year, and a third, the largest of all, in 1922. A fourth is on the program, and four more making machines will finally be employed in the present buildings with only slight extensions.

The main machine and heater room is the most substantial and attractive building of the kind on the coast.

Many new devices have been added from time to time, increasing the product up to 50 per cent on some classes of paper.

Miscellaneous Items
The glassine papers turned out here are water and air and grease proof.

The substance which is called sulphate, extracted from the wood by the sulphite process, is pure cellulose—the same as cellulose combs are made of. The sulphite process takes the lignin from the wood; about 55 per cent of the wood on the average being lignin, which is waste, leaving on the average about 45 per cent of cellulose, or sulphite.

The mill is turning out heavy wrapping papers to wrapping hams, made from a coarse sort of the sulphite, that was formerly wasted. This adds quite a neat sum each month to the income.

Most of the preferred stock of the company is owned by people who live in and around Salem, to whom 8 per cent annual dividend checks are sent monthly.

The fuel is largely refuse from the saw mill of the Charles K. Spaulding Logging company, conveyed direct by mechanical devices—making a cheap fuel.

Most of the above facts, under the heading, "History of the Mill," were furnished by Major F. W. Leadbetter, president of the Oregon Pulp and Paper company. It would require the space of a very large newspaper to describe minutely all the equipment and processes of this great and growing plant.

Improvements All the Time
The Oregon Pulp and Paper company has been making improvements constantly, from the first day of the operation of its mill. It is making a number of improvements now, and this policy will be continued indefinitely.

A new sulphur burner building is now under construction, and later a new Jensen acid system will be put in.

A new drum barker is now in transit from the east for the purpose of washing the wood before it enters the chippers. This will eliminate the dirt and charcoal which collects on the wood in transit to the mill.

Also an order has been placed for an Oliver filter which will replace two set machines now used in the bleach plant to remove the water from the pulp before bleaching it. It will also reduce the labor cost in this department.

Additional pulp screens of the latest type for the sulphite mill are being considered.

A new Claffin refiner for screening has just been installed.

New heaters and a stack of super calenders have recently been installed in the paper mill.

Steel lockers for all the employees in both mills, with dressing rooms and shower baths, have been installed.

All these new installations are being made in order to reduce costs, improve the quality of the product, and to greatly increase production to meet the demand for high grade papers and bleached sulphites.

Another Factory
A number of the men connected with the Oregon Pulp and Paper company have organized the Western Paper Converting company, and this company is already building a large plant on Front street, that will employ a hundred or more people from the start; and eventually will employ several hundred, in making paper boxes and many other forms of paper containers, including envelopes, and also including the printing of these paper containers.

The One—Some men are born great, some achieve greatness, and some—
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FALLS CITY NEWS OF THE WEEK GATHERED BY VERY LIVE REPORTER

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The gift was a very handsome silver tray, lined with blue velvet, containing a silver table service of knives, forks, spoons of different kinds, and other flat table ware, of a dainty pattern, solid silver.

Mr. Schubert, in a few well chosen words, thanked the donors. The entire party adjourned to the lawn outside, where Mr. Hadley secured some splendid pictures of the bride and groom to be, also some group pictures of the entire staff, with Mr. Schubert and Miss Estey included, and holding the two gifts.

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Interesting Commercial Club Meeting
The Falls City Commercial club held its regular meeting in the city hall Sept. 16, with the president in the chair.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. Bills for the past three months audited and ordered paid.

Mrs. Carrie E. Jones, as chairman of the fair committee made a report.

On motion of Mr. Wise, seconded by Mr. Zimmerman, the club extended a vote of thanks to the fair committee and those who helped them in making the fair a success, for the splendid results obtained.

Special thanks are due the members of the committee, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. George Lowe, Mrs. H. Mather Smith, Eldon Frink, and Hal Thompson, and to O. A. Land, Harold Wagner, Paul Starr and Natalia Munyon. Mr. A. Land assisted with the building of booths, also with music the afternoon of the local fair. Mr. Wagner designed and built the fountain, and planned all the decorations, and Paul Starr worked with him in building the fountain and in other decorative work. Miss Munyon assisted the committee in decorations, also helping with the musical program Tuesday afternoon, and worked with the committee in packing the exhibit for Dallas, also in decorations, and in placing the exhibits down there.

The president appointed Mrs. Robert L. Griswold chairman, and Mrs. H. M. Smith a member of the entertainment committee to fill vacancies caused by removals from the city.

The secretary reported the recent visit to Falls City of Mr. M. H. Bauer of Corvallis, a member of the state fish and game commission, who resides in Albany, and that the club might be able to secure some one from the commission to come and show slides of wild life in Oregon, and talk to those interested. The president appointed a committee to arrange for a date, when an open meeting will be held, probably in Victory hall.

The secretary was authorized to answer questionnaires from the state chamber of commerce regarding new industries wanted in Falls City. With electric power available the club will be ready to answer questions from anyone interested in new investments.

Civil War Veterans Meet
George Klierem and son Robert, father and brother of Mrs. R. G. Muck, visited in Falls City last Friday. Mr. Klierem is a Civil war veteran and while here met "Uncle Jim" Rundle, George Tice and John S. Hart, all veterans, who enjoyed his visit very much. Mr. and Mrs. George Tice and Mr. Klierem were guests of "Uncle Jim" at the Falls City hotel, where they enjoyed a fine dinner together, afterward going to the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Starr to call on Mr. Hart. Not many years ago the badge of the veteran of the Civil war was not an uncommon sight; today we seldom find more than one or two men in a small community wearing this service badge.

Canning Company Employees Give Manager Schubert Surprise
Last Wednesday afternoon, Manager H. M. Schubert and his fiancée, Miss Mary Estey, were called into the work room of the cannery, where they found all the employees awaiting their arrival. Mr. Virgil Hadley, superintendent, made a witty presentation

speech, handing Mr. Schubert a very nicely done up package, but upon opening the package a collection of knives, cutlery, etc., used in the cannery was found. After the merriment subsided, Mrs. M. A. Pugh said: "On behalf of the employees of the Falls City Canning company and I take pleasure in presenting Mr. Schubert and his bride to be with this present from the cannery staff."

The gift was a very handsome silver tray, lined with blue velvet, containing a silver table service of knives, forks, spoons of different kinds, and other flat table ware, of a dainty pattern, solid silver.

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the weekend with her father and sisters and brothers in Philomath.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Thomas spent a few days at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Frink, while Mr. and Mrs. Frink went to Neskowin for a short visit at the home of their son, Harold.

J. R. Ford and small son drove up Saturday night from Eugene, spending the week end with his mother, Mrs. Lydia Ford, and sister, Nellie Sears.

Albert Morgan suffered a painful accident last week while engaged in logging for the Griswold-Grier Lumber company. The ax with which he was working slipped, striking him on the knee, cutting a deep gash. He will be laid up for some time.

Mrs. Myrtle Loughhead was the guest of Nellie Sears for the weekend.

Mr. Rice, new field secretary of Oregon for the Christian Endeavor society, came up from Turner last Sunday, visiting the local Christian Endeavor society last Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Eberhart, whose home is in Salem, visited Falls City and vicinity last Tuesday, looking after property interests near here. They were well pleased with the town, and gentler roads between here and Dallas? They were strongly of the opinion that a good market road would help more than anything else in the development of this end of Polk county.

Next Friday evening the ladies of the aid society of the Methodist church will give a musical and social evening at the church. A silver offering will be taken.

Monday night, at 8 o'clock, Sept. 26, will be the first meeting of the Parent-Teacher association for this school year. All parents, all teachers, and all others in the community interested in the welfare of the schools are cordially invited to be present, and, if not already members, to become members of the association. Committees will be appointed at this meeting to carry on the leadership of the different departments.

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FARM REMINDERS FROM THE COLLEGE

Three Things Bees Must Have; Selecting Potato Seed; Dusting Wheat

(Following are paragraphs from a current bulletin of the department of industrial journalism of the Oregon Agricultural college.)

Three conditions are necessary for successful wintering of bees in any locality, says H. A. Scullen of the experiment station. The first is that there be a liberal supply of young workers produced during late August and September; second that there be ample stores of honey in the hives during winter months; and, early spring; third, that ample protection for the colony is given against winter cold and moisture.

The sooner owners of apple and pear trees damaged by cankers apply a spray of Bordeaux the better, the Oregon experiment station finds. This is the best method known of preventing infections of apple tree anthracnose, and European canker on apple and pear trees, and peach blight and die back as well. Growers have found August to be the best time for this application, but it is not too late yet for results.

Plenty of time still remains for potato growers to go into the fields and select the best sections and best plants in these sections from which to get seed for the

A piece of stone the size of a baseball, believed to be a small meteor, fell through a skylight in an office building in Philadelphia. It resembled pumice stone.

Scientists in Melbourne, Australia, are attempting to make alcohol, to be used as a substitute for gasoline, out of waste molasses.

Powerful Yet Gentle Poslam Heals Eczema
Poslam is the most concentrated of skin remedies, yet its medication is so safe and gentle that it may be used freely, even on a baby's tender skin. It stops itching INSTANTLY and quickly overcomes a tormenting, disfiguring eruption. At all druggists—only 50c.

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