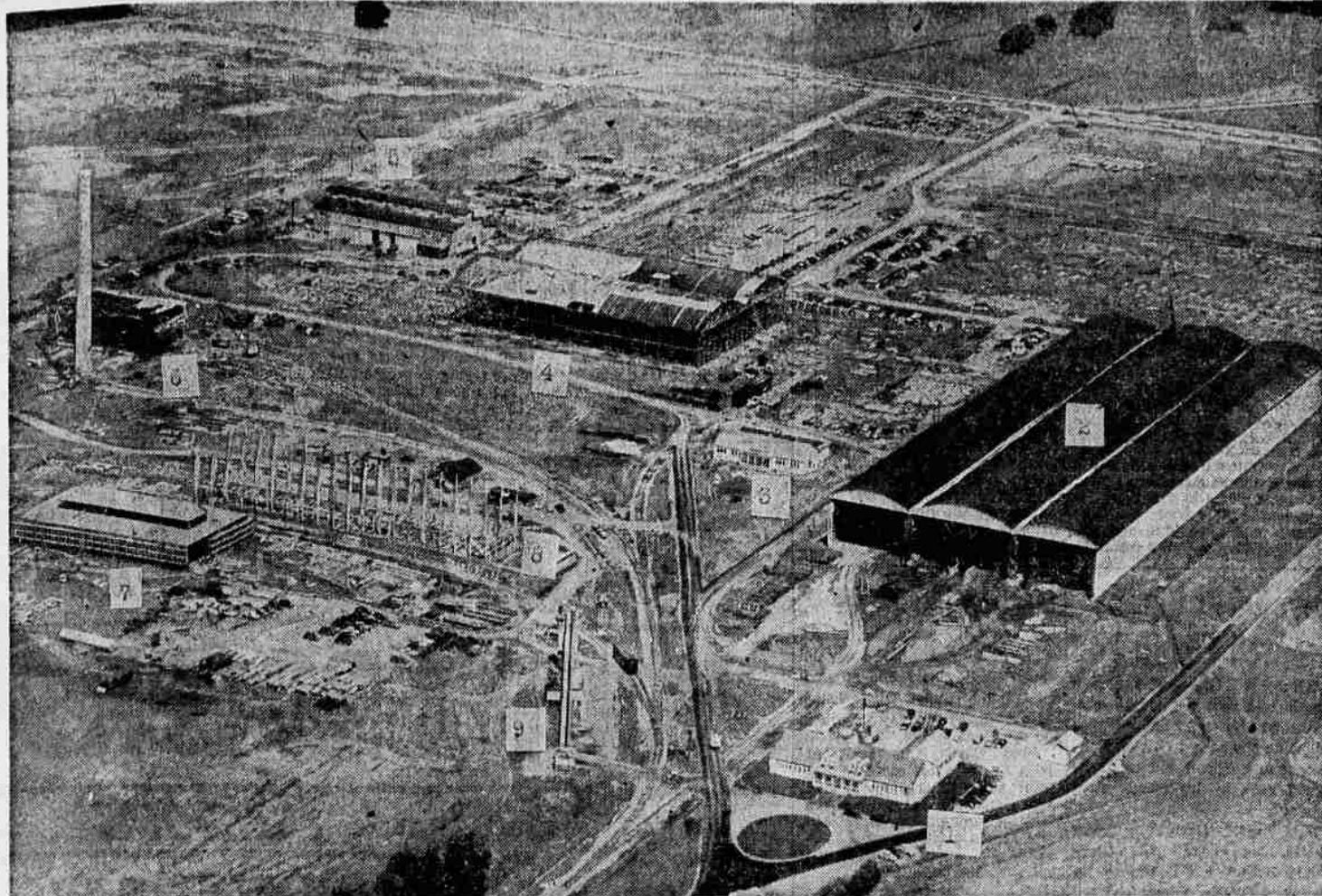


LANE COUNTY BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

By BILL BUCKLEY



Our Staff Photographer caught this glimpse of construction work in progress at the Weyerhaeuser Timber Co., three miles east of Springfield. The entire operation is too big to be shown clearly in one aerial photo, but the principal structures are pictured. Coming in the main gate, heading east, the visitor meets first the office at (1); then at (2), shipping and storage sheds, each of which is 720 feet long and an average of 80 feet wide; (3) the cafeteria which will seat 200 when in operation; (4) the saw-mill itself — capable of putting out 300,000 board feet per day; (5) machine shop; (6) power house; (7) storage and maintenance building for the sulphate pulp mill and container board plant; (8) machine building for the pulp plant; (9) concrete mixer and plant for construction of pulp mill. Just off the photo, in the upper right-hand corner, are two rough-dry sheds, and the mill pond area is in the upper left of the photo. Jon R. Tilcomb, manager, said that the company will probably begin operations next year and will employ over 600 men at peak load. The pulp mill is expected to yield 150 tons per day of container board of the type used to manufacture fibre shipping containers. (Wiltshire engraving).

Timber Sales Are Scheduled for July

The Bureau of Land Management will accept bids for a timber sale from land in Lane County up to 10:30 a.m., July 20. Each sealed bid must contain the amount per thousand feet, board measure, that will be paid for the timber.

Three tracts are included in the sale, having a total appraised value of \$15,196.25. There are a little over 50 acres of timber involved. The timber to be sold consists of 1135 thousand feet of Douglas fir; 20 thousand feet of White fir; 25 thousand feet of hemlock; 100 thousand feet of Western Red cedar; 1970 lineal feet of red cedar poles.

Credit Board To Be Elected

A nominating committee of the Eugene Credit Bureau has drawn up a slate of local business men for election to the board of directors. There are eight places to be filled for a period of one year. Don Goode, district manager of the reporting department of the bureau, said Thursday that the list reflects the general interest of all business men in the subject of credit extension—for it includes the names of prominent retailers in town.

Directors are elected to represent eight categories of business which are listed as department stores, automobiles, finance, grocers and food dealers, medical-dental-hospital, furniture and appliances, builders supply, public utilities and general.

July 12 has been set for opening of the nominations at a noon meeting in the Eugene Hotel. The election will be on July 26 at a similar meeting.

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Farmers Advised to Protect Grain From Insect Damage

With the harvest season approaching, now is the time for farmers to prepare their storage bins so as to prevent loss of grain through insect damage. Robert W. Every, extension entomologist, estimates that insects and rodents destroy about 5 per cent of all stored crops each year.

A bulletin issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture appraises the annual loss to farmers of the nation at 300 million bushels or over \$600,000,000 at today's prices.

Program Offered
County Agent O. S. Fletcher emphasizes the importance of stopping grain loss and endorses the following year-round program for reducing loss by insect damage:

Thoroughly clean your empty bins before refilling them with new grain. And clean up outside of the bins, also.

Don't keep bran, shorts, and other milled feed or empty feed bags near your stored grains. Often they contain insects brought in from the mill.

Before refilling your empty storage bins, spray the floors and inside walls with an oil solution or water suspension containing 5 per cent or less of DDT.

Have your grain as dry as possible when you store it, and as free as possible from broken kernels and dirt.

Build bins and cribs tight to make fumigation easier. Stored grain should be inspected at least once a month. If evidence of insect damage shows up, fumigate at once.

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Bank Clearings Show Increase

The increase in business activity is reflected in one of the business indexes available in Eugene. Bank clearings for the first six months of 1948 have increased a little over ten per cent over the same period last year.

Clearings thus far this year amount to \$51,876,615.49 as compared with \$46,911,154.97 for the first six months ended June 30, 1947. These figures are for the First National Bank of Eugene and the United States National Bank of Portland, Eugene branch.

Eugene Banks
J. W. Wick, assistant manager of the United States National, explained Wednesday that local clearing involves only these two banks. The Springfield branch of the U. S. National does not clear in Eugene.

Figures released Wednesday in Portland indicate that clearings for the Portland banks for the same period have reached a record high. The totals show an increase of almost 50 per cent over the 1947 figure.

Companies File For Incorporation

Articles of incorporation have been filed by four Lane County organizations. Skyline Park Mutual Water Co. of Eugene, non-profit, M. Barber and others. Coquille Manufacturing Co. of Eugene, \$300,000, E. J. Johnson and others.

Central Willamette Gospel Chapel Assn., Inc. of Eugene, non-profit, P. E. Gossard and others; Lynx Flying Club, Inc. of Cottage Grove, non-profit, LeRoy Berry and others.

Changes in Milk Standards Due Soon

Local milk dealers anticipate that it will be at least three weeks before standards for milk and cream undergo any changes at the hands of the state department of agriculture.

New regulations were given hearing last week in Salem and it will take that long to put them into effect. The principal change will be the compulsory use of milk bottle covers, with degrading provisions for dairies which don't maintain standards.

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Increasing Demand for Farm Help And Lumber Workers is Indicate

There will be a greater call for workers in the logging and lumber industry of Lane County following the Fourth of July holiday, according to Guy Lang, manager of the Eugene office of the Oregon State Employment Service.

This is the time of the year when many workers change jobs or leave the industry entirely. Added to this is the demand for replacements due to the vacation period now in progress.

Figures released by the main office of OSES indicate that employment in the industry can be expected to increase about six per cent during the next four months. Lang estimates that the increase in the Eugene area will be about four per cent.

Skilled Workers
The local office has found that requests for skilled workers are hard to fill. There are not

many experienced sawyers, edger men or re-saw workers looking for jobs.

It is estimated that approximately 10,000 workers will be employed by the industry in the county at peak season in September. Approximately 45 per cent of the firms are not supplied with workers by the OSES because they are larger firms with union contracts.

To further complicate the local labor picture, farmers are beginning to require more help in the fields. At the present time cherries are being picked, and the need for workers will increase after the Fourth.

Cherry Pickers

Most sources agree that the cherry crop is pretty poor this year because of the weather, with estimates running as low as 25 per cent of the normal crop. As a result, many workers do not want to go into the orchards because of the lean picking.

"We will be in fairly good shape regarding seasonal farm labor until the last week in July," said Lang. "Then things may get a little tight as the bean harvest begins. The peak of the demand for farm labor should be reached about the end of August."

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Insurance Awards Made

Phil Nordling of New York Life took over the reins of president of Eugene Life Underwriters Assn. at a meeting last week in the Del Rey Cafe. Wayne Harrington assumed the duties of secretary, and Hugh Stewart, treasurer.

Morris Henderson, of the Chamber of Commerce, presented "quality awards" to eleven members of the association who qualified this year. A total of 35 members were present to witness the presentations.

Awards were received by Phil Nordling; John Nelson of Equitable Life Assurance Society of U. S.; C. O. McGee of Provident Life; George Marx of Connecticut Mutual; John Hollingsworth of Mass. Mutual; C. Von Hickman of Northwestern Mutual.

The list is complete with Hugh Ralph Kinder of New York Life; Richard Hopper of Standard Life; Wayne Harrington of Mutual Life of New York and Ira Stewart of New York Life.

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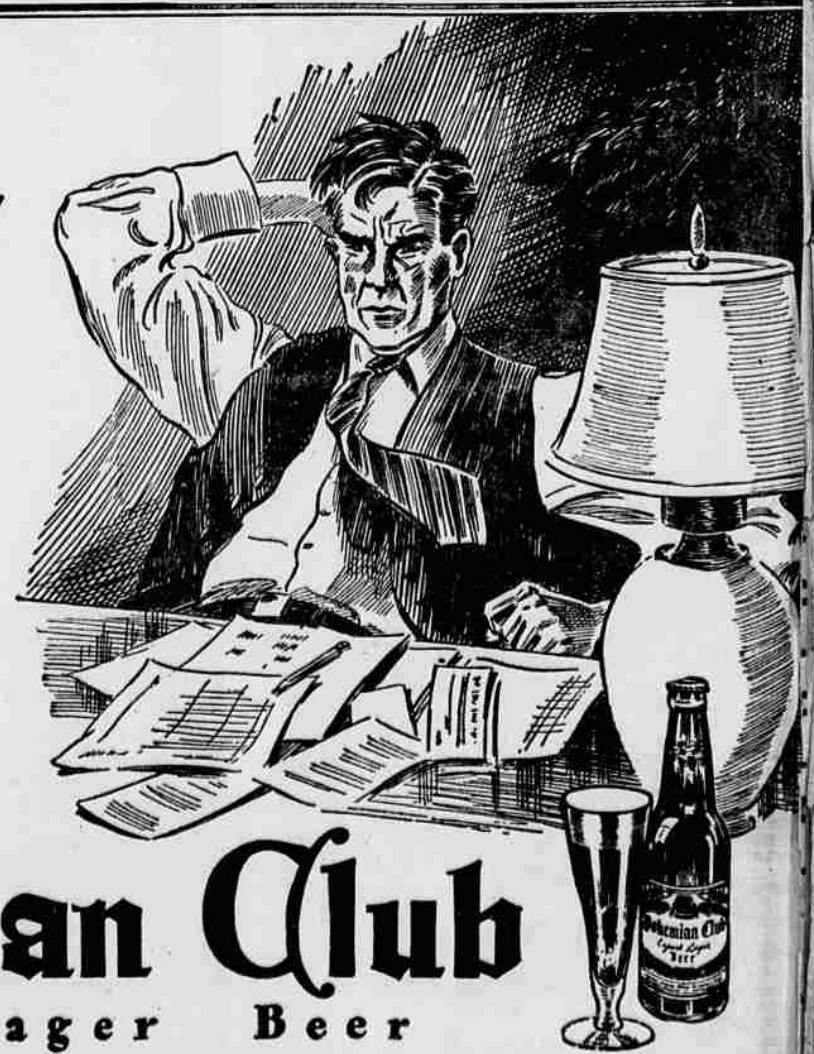
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