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This Was Logging

Far back in pioneer days, the bulky cameras of Darius Kinsey made superb pictures of the timber epic of the Pacific Northwest, exclusive of the pine belt.

Some 200 of the Kinsey pictures appear in a volume, "This Was Logging!" brought out this fall by Superior Publishing Co., Seattle, Wash., with a running commentary by Ralph W. Andrews, Seattle writer.

The volume, with its refreshing pictorial journeys back to the days of bull teams and big wheels in the Northwest woods, is a memorial to the late Dee Kinsey.

"In his field, Dee Kinsey was the equal of Matthew Brady in his, which was the Civil War—and that is good enough."

This is the tribute paid Darius Kinsey by Stewart Holbrook, nationally known writer.

And from another nationally known writer, James Stevens, who once worked in the Bend pine mills, comes this tribute:

"Away back yonder, the Paul Bunyan camera of Darius Kinsey caught and kept the most pictorial views of the big timber epic in the Northwest. Ralph Andrews' collection of Kinsey's finest work forms a powerful picture book of yesterday's people and trees in the region."

Residents of the pine areas may find some complaint in the designation of this work as a story of Northwest logging. The pine country, so far as we can determine, is by-passed without a picture.

Bend does receive mention in a quarter of a page chapter, "Early Oregon Logging", but it would have been best if that chapter had been omitted. The date of the coming of the two big Minnesota pine operations to Bend is wrong, and Sam Blakely and Jack Meister were logging superintendents, not mill managers.

And it was the Union Pacific and the Oregon Trunk, not the Great Northern, that battled for rights of way in the Deschutes gorge in the race to reach Bend with rails. Two tracks were constructed in the Deschutes gorge. It was at Metolius, on the plateau, that the rail magnates got together and moved into Bend on a single line.

But that chapter in "This Was Logging" is exceedingly brief and certainly does not detract from the photographic excellence of the volume.

There is need for a companion volume dealing with the pioneer and present story of the pine industry. For this task we nominate Paul Hosmer, who, we are sure, has more than 8,000 negatives in his file and a great story in his book of memories.

"Century Drive" Shrinks

It is best, possibly, that the pioneer name "Century Drive," for the road from Bend west to Elk Lake is being replaced by a new name, Cascades Lakes Highway.

Thirty-five years ago, the mountain route was given its "Century" designation because the loop route, from Bend out over Dutchman flat, southwest past Elk lake and back to U. S. Highway 97 and Bend, was approximately 100 miles long.

Through the years, the length of the loop route has been whittled, and now we are reminded by Myron H. Symons of the Elk Lake resort that another drastic cut in distance over the north sector of the route has been made.

The distance from the Bend city center to the Elk Lake lodge in earlier years was 36.0 miles. Over the new route, now graded the entire distance into Elk lake, the distance is 31.9 miles.

One of the biggest cuts in distance through the new construction was between Devils and Elk lakes. The new grade is 1.2 miles shorter than the old road that took shortcuts through dense groves of trees.

Time, as well as distance, has been slashed through completion of the Cascades Lakes Highway into Elk lake. Thirty years or more ago, the drive from Bend to Elk lake took about half a day. Only recently a Bend motorist reported he made the trip in 35 minutes.

In logging the new route recently, Mr. Symons noted that he took it easy, because the road was icy in spots. He made the drive from the Pilot Butte Inn corner in Bend to the Elk lake resort in one hour!

In its day, the Century Drive won recognition in the Northwest as one of the region's most scenic routes. The new route not only cuts distance and time, but enhances that scenery.

Quotable Quotes

The Communists have continued their repressive measures, and I believe the (Chinese) people would welcome an invasion by Chiang Kai-shek. — The Rev. Ernest Hotz, released by Reds.

The Russian is no seven-foot giant, but he is a strapping fellow with the ability to mass-produce. — Maj. Gen. Frederic Smith.

The South is now in the early years of its greatest period of change and ferment. As never before, industry is growing in our midst. . . . We shall, whether we like it or not, be offered to undertake for greater governmental responsibilities. — Texas' Governor Strivers.

Creation of a Negro republic in the South is the Communist goal. — Bryant Bowles, foe of racial integration.

Forgive Us if We Seem to Be Cautious, But—



Ila S. Grant's Sage Brushings

You may not be any happier about it than I am, but this is the first day of December, and that's that. At this time of year we wish we had the money we spent on last summer's vacation. We realize that it's almost as bad to spend all you make as it is not to make all you spend. December is the month when the mailbox is full of Christmas cards, soap coupons, fuel bills and income tax forms.

It's just a little bit ironic that December's birthstones, the turquoise and the amethyst, symbolize prosperity. They are blue tinted lightly with green — like ladies whose neighbors get milk coats for Christmas.

Because an ancient Persian king discovered a turquoise mine on the eve of a victorious battle the stone is considered symbolic of victory or a fortunate event. The word "turquoise" is derived from "Turkis," meaning Turkey stone, for this gem was one of the first to reach Europe through Turkish gem markets.

Although the turquoise has been significant in many cultures and countries, it was the most treasured of all gems in Tibet. It is found in Persia, Egypt, Turkestan, Australia and the United States.

The zircon, alternate stone for December, has been known since before the days of Christ and was once believed to contain magic power against evil spirits and poison. Ceylon and Siam are chief sources of zircons.

As though to bear out the significance of December's good luck stones, the birthday list for this month includes such famous contemporary names as humorist James Thurber, painter Henri Matisse and popular leading lady Mary Martin. In the historical spotlight are Sir Isaac Newton, English philosopher and mathematician; Eli Whitney, inventor of the cotton gin, and Louis Pasteur, famed French chemist. President Woodrow Wilson ate birthday cake in December, and so did New

Pope's Condition Slightly Better

VATICAN CITY (UP) — Vatican sources reported a slight improvement today in the condition of Pope Pius XII.

The ailing pontiff arose at 7:30 a.m. and heard a mass recited by German Jesuit Father Robert Leiber in the private chapel adjoining the papal apartment.

Then the Pope retired to his study where, seated in a deep easy chair given to him by Roman Catholics in Buffalo, N. Y., he received an official of the Vatican secretariat of state for a regular daily report on Vatican affairs.

An official announcement yesterday that the Pope will attend ceremonies closing the Marian Year Dec. 8 was taken in Vatican circles as an encouraging indication of his improvement.

Brazil, Haiti and Mexico once were empires.

Cold Weather Seen for Region

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chances for a white Christmas this year may be a little better than usual in most parts of the country.

The Weather Bureau's 30-day forecast said precipitation, which could mean snow, is expected to exceed normal during December except in the extreme Southeast, Pacific Northwest and Rio Grande Valley.

As for the cold weather to go with the precipitation, the bureau said below normal temperatures are indicated for the western half of the nation, with lowest temperatures in the Northwest.

HEARSE HASTE

MANCHESTER, Conn. (UP) — State police arrested Joseph Curtin, Jr., of Hartford on a speeding charge. Curtin was accused of doing 70 in a 50-mile-an-hour zone. He was driving a hearse.

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PIPE DREAM
HARTFORD, Conn. (UP) — Harold A. Newton smelled smoke when he arrived home and called the fire department. As the fire truck pulled up, Newton became red-faced and explained: "The fire was right here in my suit coat pocket. I forgot about my pipe being there."

GOOD DOLLAR
OMAHA, Neb. (UP) — Columnist John Koffend of the Omaha World-Herald reported to his readers that the dollar bill still is good. Noting that the bill is only a promissory note, Koffend mailed one to the U. S. Treasury and demanded his silver dollar. It arrived promptly.

GOOD TIP
JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — T. B. Hilton, long-time elevator operator at the Hinds County courthouse, has directed hundreds of couples to the marriage license bureau with this advice: "If you can remember the way you feel right now, then you will have a happy marriage."

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