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BEND MILL MEN REFUTE TRADE REPORT CHARGE

PINE MANUFACTURERS GIVE STATEMENT

PRICE FIXING DENIED

Western Pine Manufacturers Association Plays No Part in Determining Market, Declared By
L. O. Taylor and H. E. Allen

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The federal trade commission in its report to congress today charged active cooperation to maintain lumber prices by the Western Pine Manufacturers association, the West Coast Lumbermen's association and producers of pine in California.

CHARGES DENIED

PORTLAND, Feb. 15.—A. W. Cooper, secretary-manager of the Western Pine Manufacturers association made a sweeping denial today of charges made by the federal trade commission. He refused to go into a detailed denial.

Direct denials of the federal trade commission's statement charging cooperation to maintain lumber prices were made Wednesday by H. E. Allen and L. O. Taylor, respective assistant general managers of the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co. and The Shevlin-Hixon Company. Both companies are members of the Western Pine Manufacturers association.

Standardization Aim
"The Western Pine Manufacturers association has always been particularly free of any stigma of fixing or maintaining prices or of curtailing production," Allen said. "The association has as its purpose the obtaining of information showing the amounts of lumber shipped and prices paid—in brief, the data which make up any market report."

"Mr. Cooper has covered the situation," Taylor stated. "The association activities have nothing to do with prices. Its function is in the standardizing of grades and sizes, and in furnishing its members with information on sales after the sales have been made, not before."

HOMESEEKERS WILL GET SPECIAL RATE

F. E. Studebaker, traveling freight and passenger agent for the O.-W. R. & N., has received word from Portland headquarters to the effect that the Union Pacific will authorize homeseekers' rates from Missouri river points to all points on its lines in Idaho, Eastern Oregon, and Eastern Washington. A fare plus a nominal amount for the round trip will be charged. Tickets may be secured on the first and third Tuesdays of each month from March to November, inclusive.

PRINEVILLE NAME OUTGROWN, CLAIM

Prineville has outgrown her name, according to Rev. R. M. Galleher, Methodist minister in that town. A title that has any suggestion of the term "village" is inappropriate to a community of that size, now that it has a railroad, a county high school and an irrigation project, the Redmond Spokesman quotes him as saying.

LODGE WOMEN PLAN ON BASKET SOCIAL

Members of the Pocahontas lodge will entertain at 9 o'clock Saturday evening at Sather's hall with a basket social and dance. Ladies attending are asked to bring baskets filled with lunch. The public is invited.

TWO MORE CASES OF SMALLPOX REPORTED

Mrs. Ernest Boylan and daughter Lois are reported ill with smallpox. The Boylan home was already under quarantine. Mr. Boylan having contracted the disease first.

ROADS RELYING ON BEND MILLS FOR BUSINESS

LUMBER ACTIVITY IS IMPORTANT

OFFICIALS ON VISIT

Employment Conditions Better Here Than Elsewhere In Northwest, Says Vice President of S. P. & S. Railroad.

Railroads of the northwest are relying on Bend's sawmill activities for a very important share of their freight business at the present time, was the statement of W. D. Skinner, traffic manager and vice president of the S. P. & S. railroad, in an interview Friday. He, with W. F. Turner, president, A. J. Davidson, general manager, and G. E. Votaw, superintendent of the S. P. & S., were in Bend on a trip of inspection of the road and of business conditions. Sawmills on the coast are active, but most of their output is being shipped by boat, Skinner explained. The railroads must rely upon the interior, and since Bend is the most active manufacturing center of the interior northwest at present, shipments from here are of great importance to the roads.

Find Conditions Good
The officials made a trip through the sawmills in the morning, and interviewed local business men this afternoon, accompanied by J. T. Hardy, traveling freight and passenger agent, and J. C. Wright, station agent here.

Employment conditions are better here than they have found them anywhere else in the northwest, said Skinner, although they are improving on the coast and in the Willamette valley. Portland has the greatest unemployment problem because it is a point toward which idle men seem to gravitate.

Consolidation Considered
Skinner stated that nothing active is being done toward a consolidation of the two lines running up the Deschutes, although it is being considered.

Questioned as to probable construction from Bend south to Lakeview, Skinner said that only Robert E. Strahorn could give an answer, but that he understood that Strahorn is having success in furthering his plans in the east.

A. W. Arnold has requested an audience with officials of the railroad, to lay before them his plans for a branch road to La Pine. Skinner expressed doubt as to the feasibility of the plan, pointing out that such a road as Arnold contemplates would have few advantages over a wagon road.

OIL BULLETIN TELLS OF LOCAL INDUSTRY

Under the caption, "Utilizing Oregon's Juniper Trees," the January issue of the Standard Oil Bulletin prints an article on the plant of the Bend Juniper Products Co., constructed some two years ago for the manufacture of pencil slats. The article, with the four cuts used to illustrate it, covers an entire page in the Standard Oil publication.

SCORING AVERAGE OF BEND BOY HIGH

Arthur Norcott, former Bend high school athlete, has made an average of 12 points in each game of basketball played this year with the Milwaukee School of Engineering team, of which he is captain, according to a clipping from a Milwaukee paper which his mother, Mrs. C. K. Norcott, has received.

POULTRY FANCIER PURCHASES RANCH

George P. Downs of Portland, who has had considerable success as a raiser of purebred poultry, has purchased the E. B. Anderson ranch of Plainview. The deal was handled by Charles Carroll of the Benham Falls Realty Co.

SEND BIG HAY TONNAGE FROM COUNTY FARMS

ASSOCIATION'S PRICE IS \$12

ONLY SURPLUS GOES

Plenty Left In County For Stockmen—Deschutes County Product Brings Highest Price In Portland Market, Reported.

Showing the benefit derived by Deschutes county farmers from the county organization perfected by the Oregon Hay Growers association, no less than 1800 tons of hay have been contracted at a price of \$12 on cars, it was learned last Saturday from D. L. Jamison, county agriculturist, in Bend on his weekly visit from headquarters at Redmond. Of the total contracted, 600 tons has already been shipped, he said.

Of the \$12 price, not to exceed one dollar goes for association charges. As a matter of fact, according to E. E. Butler, of the Grange hall district, county organizer, the average cost has been between 70 and 80 cents a ton.

Deschutes Hay Favored
A sufficient amount of hay is being retained in the county to take care of the needs of cattle and sheepmen who are having to feed during the winter, the shipments being made representing only a part of the county's surplus. At that, members of the association cannot help contrasting the prices they are now receiving with the \$5 to \$7 a ton which was the best many expected early in the fall.

The association has been placing large orders of Deschutes county hay in the Portland market recently at an f. o. b. cars price of \$12, regardless of the fact that Yakima hay with a favorable freight differential of \$2 per ton is being offered at \$8 and \$9 on the same basis, while Hermiton hay is going at \$10.50.

SETTLERS VOTE NEW DISTRICT

Formation of the West Side Reclamation district in Deschutes and Jefferson counties was voted Saturday at the organization election held at Lower Bridge by settlers within the proposed district boundaries. Nineteen votes were cast.

G. E. Stadig and Fred Walter were chosen as directors, while R. S. Towne, J. A. Scott, and I. D. Vedder tied for the third place on the directorate. Which of the three will serve is to be decided later.

FAVORABLE WINTER FOR SHEEP, STATED

The present winter promises to be one of the best for the sheep business that has ever been experienced in Central Oregon, according to Tom Cronin, sheep raiser who was in from his ranch on Saturday. There is plenty of feed, he says, and indications point to a higher price for wool next spring.

BURNS MEMBER OF ELKS LODGE DIES

Word of the death of Harry C. Smith, for many years a resident of Burns, was received this morning by members of the Bend lodge of Elks, of which Smith was a member. Funeral services will be held in Burns at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon.

CLASS PINS DONNED BY B. H. S. SENIORS

Class pins were donned last week by the seniors of the Bend high school. The class has voted not to adopt the gray caps and gowns which have been the rule in the high school here, commencement time.

REAL PROGRESS MADE BY BEND, MILLER NOTES

B. W. L. & P. SHOWING PLEASES

FUTURE IS UNCERTAIN

Director of Bend Public Service Company Concerned Over Power Source Problem Presented by Irrigation Development.

Gratification at the substantial progress made by Bend, satisfaction with the showing made by his company through changing war and post-war conditions, and concern over what he looks on as an eventual complete undermining of the company's investment in Bend through the various irrigation development programs now under consideration, was expressed Wednesday by Kempster B. Miller, director of the Bend Water, Light & Power Co. In a statement made to The Bulletin shortly before leaving Bend after a week's visit in the city from headquarters in Chicago, he expressed a desire to cooperate in reaching a fair solution of the problem.

In his statement, Mr. Miller said: "I have spent the last ten days looking over the general conditions in Bend and examining the affairs of the Bend Water, Light & Power company. I think the people of Bend have reason for gratification at the progress the city has made during recent years. While there has been no great increase in population, signs of substantial improvement are everywhere apparent. The fact that mills and other industries are running full time, and that there is work for all who want it are impressive to one familiar with business conditions in the east."

Rate Stays Low
"I am satisfied with the showing the Bend Water, Light & Power company has made, considering the turmoil and general upsetting of business conditions during and following the war. When we undertook the operation of this property about ten years ago, Mr. Brown, Mr. Foley and I set for ourselves as a standard, the best possible service at the lowest possible rates. It is gratifying to us to realize that we were not compelled to ask for an increase of rates during or since the war, although prices went up by leaps and bounds all over the United States. Our rates are probably as low as any in the United States, with few if any exceptions. This is in part due to the fact that we develop our power in the city of Bend; our power plant is in the center of our distribution system."

"I am of course somewhat concerned about the situation regarding our future power supply. I find that the water board has granted water permits for irrigation that will in effect destroy our power plant by taking away practically all its water. It seems to permit the taking away of our property piecemeal, by the various irrigation interests."

Many Projects Starting
"The North Canal company is about to start impounding water at Crane Prairie; the Tumalo district is planning storage at Crescent lake; as soon as its financing arrangements are made the North Unit will begin work on the Benham Falls reservoir. Each one of those activities will take a part of the river flow necessary to the operation of our plant. While we desire to cooperate in every way possible with the state and the irrigationists in the final utilization of the waters of the Deschutes for the greatest public benefit, we cannot of course submit to any such undermining of our investment. Until the matter is straightened out by making definite provision for repaying us for the property which it is proposed to destroy it will be impossible for us to secure additional money for the construction of a new plant."

"The destruction of this power plant and the proper provision for its replacement is a matter in which the citizens of Bend, no less than the power company, are vitally concerned. The location of the plant

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AGRICULTURAL EXPERTS BRING VITAL MESSAGES IN LECTURES GIVEN DURING FARMERS' WEEK

BURNS MAY BECOME NEW MILLING POINT

Cruise of Government Timber Ordered on Headwaters of Silvies River, Rouses Hopes.

Belief that Harney county's timber harvest is to start before long is held in Burns as the result of the announcement of Forest Ranger Robert Bennett of the Malheur National forest that he has been instructed to cruise all the government timber at the headwaters of Silvies river, says the Harney County News. The work will be started as soon as snow conditions permit.

Burns, it is considered by the News, is the only logical point for the manufacture of this timber.

WOOL GROWERS WILL BE BUSY

To meet with sheepmen using the Deschutes, Cascade, Santiam, Umpqua, and Fremont forest range, E. N. Kavanagh of the district office in Portland, is in Bend to present to wool growers a series of questions ranging from matters of general policy to those connected with individual applications for grazing permits. Among questions which sheepmen are considering at the meetings beginning today are the eradication of scabies, affiliation with the Oregon Wool Growers association, and extending of moral assistance in the matters of tariff, financing, and freight rates.

FATHER AND SON BANQUET PLANNED

A Father and Son banquet, to be attended by Boy Scouts and their fathers, is planned for March 10. Scoutmaster J. Edgar Purdy, Scout Commissioner E. L. Payne and S. W. Moore, secretary of the Scout council, are on a committee with Stanley Darling and Harold Dorr, members of the troop, to arrange the banquet. They will meet Saturday evening at 6 o'clock at the Deschutes garage. New patrol leaders for the Boy Scout troop were elected at the last meeting as follows: Troop No. 1, Robert Keyes; No. 2, Franklin Toomey; No. 3, Paul Johnson; No. 4, William James.

FORM COMMITTEE FOR STATE SHOOT

Organization of the joint committees of the Commercial club and Trapshooting club for arranging details and financing of the state shoot to be held here in June was effected last week. H. E. Allen and R. S. Hamilton represented the Commercial club, and R. N. Buchwalter, Dr. J. C. Vandever, D. H. Peoples and H. D. Innis were present as members of the Trapshooting club committee.

NAMING OF TRUSTEE ENDS LONG SESSION

Conclusion of the two day creditors' meeting in the bankruptcy case of the Farm Products Distributing Co. held before Referee G. C. Morgan, was reached last week with the election of Frank M. Davis of this city as trustee, and designation of George Jones, Bert Shuey, and Douglas Johnson as appraisers.

MRS. MANNY HAS PHOTO OF LINCOLN

An actual photograph of Abraham Lincoln is the property of Mrs. Carrie D. Manny of this city. It is small, but a very excellent likeness of the great emancipator, taken during his presidency. Mrs. Manny received it from an uncle who was a soldier in the Union army.

INTEREST SHOWN IN PROGRAM

DAIRY CHANCE SEEN

Importance of Silo Emphasized in Connection With Stock Industry—Cooperation Between City and Farm Advocated.

Experts in various branches of farm work, coming in the main from the Oregon Agricultural college, are being heard by interested audiences in Bend for the six days covered by the Farmers' Week program. Farm management, the importance of diversification in Central Oregon, cooperation between farm and city, stock feeding, range rehabilitation, boys' and girls' club work, livestock diseases, and methods of rodent control were among the subjects developed during the first three days of the week. Sessions are continuing in the circuit court room in the court house building.

The romance of natural things, the thrilling side of farm and country life, and the bright side even of disease and adversity, are to be sensed in the address of W. H. Lytle, who spoke Monday afternoon. He did not follow a set speech, but rather took up the diseases of stock as they were brought up by those who had actual problems in combating them.

Grub Makes Trouble
Catarrh, a common disease of sheep feeding in corrals during the winter, is known in other localities as "grub in the head," which is more descriptive; for the disease is a larval growth of the sheep botfly, the eggs being laid in the summer and becoming attached to the animal's nose membrane. They grow large during the winter, producing the catarrhal irritation.

Holes bored in logs are filled with silt for the sheep, and coal tar is spread around the hole so that the sheep will get it on his nose, said Lytle in describing the cure. The tar acts as a nose balm; and is effective whether the trouble is a true catarrh or the grub described.

The cure for hoof rot, said Lytle, is to turn the sheep out so that the rotted portion of the hoof will wear off. Then the diseased animal should be run through a trough containing a dip compounded of 5 per cent carbolic acid, 3 per cent of formaldehyde and 2 per cent water. If the animal is too lame to be turned out, a knife may be used in cutting away the rotten part, before the dipping.

Goiter Cure Discovered
Goiter, occurring in human beings as well as among sheep, cattle and particularly goats, in higher altitudes, is most frequently caused by lack of mineral in the water and food. How a cure for it was discovered is interesting. It was noticed that deer and other wild animals were not afflicted with goiter. The only thing the wild life had which the tame animals did not, was the use of the salt licks far up in the timber.

Investigation of the salt licks showed that they contained a percentage of iodine. Iodine was accordingly painted on the backs of the animals, and the goiter tendency disappeared. Iodine was also found to be a cure for the disease in human beings.

Poison Plants Many
Lytle showed specimens of wild onion, lupine, wild parsnip, larkspur and other poisonous plants occasionally found on the ranges and in the pastures of Central Oregon. The only antidote for most of them is potassium permanganate, the amount which a fifty cent piece will hold being mixed in a pint of water for cattle, and all that a ten cent piece will hold for sheep, as a drench.

The stiff lamb trouble is almost entirely due to these poisons, said Lytle. Lupine is a poison only when overripe, which occurs in a wet autumn, the seed, in the form of a bean, being poisonous. The wild onion, or death camas, which the Indians used in committing suicide,

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