

Kinzua, Hudspeth among high bidders in timber sales

H.B. Rudolph, Forest Supervisor of Umatilla National Forest, announces the sale of three Supervisor size timber sales and four District Ranger size timber sales sold during the month of May.

Hudspeth Sawmill Co. purchased the Tick Salvage Sale of an estimated 470,000 board feet May 5 at the Ukiah Ranger Station. Of the three bidders present Hudspeth Sawmill Co.'s bid of \$46,181.80 was high with the final bid prices per species being \$111.11 for ponderosa pine and \$44.00 for Douglas-fir and other species.

On May 15 at the oral auction for the Rail timber sale three bidders attended, with high bid going to Kinzua Corporation for a total value of \$801,000.00. This sale of an estimated 3,500,000 board feet was appraised at a total value of \$385,812.00. The final bid rates per thousand board feet by species was \$266.00 for ponderosa pine and \$158.00 for Douglas-fir and other species, an average of \$118.74 per thousand board feet above the appraised value. The sale is an area of 665 acres located on the Heppner Ranger District in Grant County.

The Bench sale of an estimated 80 thousand board feet sold on the Pomeroy Ranger District to J.B. Lumber Co. for a lump sum amount of \$13,210.40, the only bid submitted on May 16.

The Peep Creek timber sale was purchased by Louisiana-Pacific Corp. for \$733,941.00 for an estimated 8,400,000 board feet of timber. The final bid rates per thousand board

feet was: Ponderosa pine, \$103.00, western larch and Douglas-fir, \$89.50, white fir and other species \$93.12; lodgepole pine \$41.09. There was one other bidder present. The timber was appraised at a total of \$727,379.00 and is located on the Dale Ranger

District in Grant County.

The Heppner District Ranger sold two sales: Potamus L.P. on May 22 and Wall Creek Salvage on May 23. Potamus L.P. is an estimated volume of 440,000 board feet of lodgepole pine and other species appraised at \$46.62 per thousand

board feet and sold for \$57.57 per thousand board feet to Louisiana-Pacific Corporation, the high bidder of two bidders present. The sale area is located near Penland Lake in Morrow County. The Wall Creek Salvage sale was purchased by Brooks-Scanlon,

high bidder of the two bidders present, for a total value of \$112,120.00. The sale was appraised at \$89,254.00 for an estimated volume of 560,000 board feet of timber. Final bid prices per thousand board feet is: ponderosa pine, \$216.00; Douglas-fir and other species,

\$182.00. The sale area is located in the upper part of Wall Creek, south of Bull Prairie Lake in Grant and Wheeler counties.

On May 24 Ellingson Timber Co. presented the only bid received for the Redboy Again timber sale located on the

Dale Ranger District in Grant County. The estimated volume of 4,500,000 board feet sold for the appraised value of \$287,795.00. The per thousand board foot price by species is: ponderosa pine, \$117.59; Douglas-fir and western larch, \$67.53; white fir and other

species, \$70.52. An estimated 200,000 board feet of lodgepole pine sold for \$20.05 per thousand board feet with an additional volume of 600,000 board feet of lodgepole pine, presented as an optional bid item selling for \$0.50 per thousand board feet.

Childers receives VFW award

Harvey Childers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cleo B. Childers of Ione, has won the Outstanding Student and Citizenship Award at L.H. Bates Vocational-Technical Institute in Tacoma, Wash.

Childers received a plaque and a dinner in his honor for winning the award. He was chosen for the honor from among 2,600 students attending the school. The award is sponsored by the Veteran of Foreign Wars.

A 1976 graduate of Ione High School, Childers will graduate from the Tacoma institute in September, with a degree in diesel mechanics.

Austin Smith visits in Heppner

Austin I. Smith, retired, Portland, was in Heppner visiting his mother, Letha Archer, and his old friends and former classmates Monday through Wednesday of this week.

He came to the Gazette-Times to see how it had changed since he used to help there after his days at high school. He also worked for Ferguson Brothers, for Vaughan and Goodman and on ranches around town, when they were mostly sheep ranches.

Mrs. Smith, who accompanied him here, taught in Heppner as Esta Miller from 1927 through 1929. They have lived in Portland since 1932.

Austin was formerly employed by Safeway Stores and by the Portland Memorial Mausoleum. He still works a little as a special security guard.

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