

Lumber Magazine Predicts Great Future for Klamath

A recent issue of the American Lumberman, devoted two pages to a description of Klamath Falls and the lumber industry in the Klamath basin—saying:

This city is destined to be, in the not far distant future, the center of one of the greatest lumber manufacturing regions in the country, for there are already marked indications of the development of lumber manufacturing operations in this section that will mean much to the lumber industry of the west.

Tributary to Klamath Falls in what is termed the "Klamath region," including privately owned, forest service and Indian department timber, there is estimated to be in the neighborhood of 30,000,000,000 feet of standing pine, and if there is assurance of a market for it a number of large mill operations will be developed. The plant at the Pelican Bay Lumber Co. here is the largest manufacturing operation, but others are increasing their sawing facilities and are planning to enlarge their operations still further. Among these are the Algoma Lumber Co., at Algoma, nine miles north of here, and the Modoc Lumber Co., at Chiloquin. The latter concern acquired some months ago a large tract of timber about 75 miles east and a little north of Klamath Falls in what might be termed the Lakeview district and it is planned to erect there a large modern plant during the next few years in addition to increasing its capacity by building a new mill at Chiloquin the coming winter. It is also within the possibilities that the Long-Bell White Pine Co. will within the next few years arrange for manufacturing the timber on the extensive tract acquired a couple of years ago from the Oregon Land & Livestock Co., the remainder of which was taken over by the Modoc Lumber Co.

Probable Railroad Building
Already there are a number of smaller mills that have gone in the last year on or near the Strahorn railroad running out east from Klamath Falls, which the builders intend ultimately to extend to connect up with the Oregon, Washington Railroad & Navigation Co. and the Hill interests at Bend, as well as to cross the bunch grass country to Vale in eastern Oregon and join with the Oregon-Washington there. In fact there are many possibilities for railroad connections for Klamath Falls that will result in the development of the lumber industry of this great timber region. The Strahorn road may go on to Lakeview, one hundred miles east. That point is the terminus of a narrow gauge running north from the Western Pacific railroad not far from Reno, Nev. It is believed that the Western Pacific may eventually secure the narrow gauge line running to Lakeview and broaden it, thus making an eastern outlet for the lumber made in the Lakeview region. Then, too, the Southern Pacific may extend

its line from Westwood north to connect with its line running from Weed, Calif., to Klamath Falls and on north to Kirk.

It has long been the dream of the railroad prophets of this region that the Southern Pacific extending north from Klamath Falls 40 miles to Kirk would be extended on through the Cascade mountains and connect with the branch of the same road extending southeast from Eugene to Naton and on toward the Cascade mountains. This was the idea of that great railroad builder, E. H. Harriman, for many years head of the Southern Pacific and its allied railroads, but his death, the war and other things seemed to put an end to consideration of the project.

Wonderful Growth of Klamath Falls
Klamath Falls during the last year has shown more building improvement and growth in substantial ways than any town of its size that was not affected by a "war boom." Its growth has been steady and has been backed by the actual needs of the community. Streets have been paved, in both the business and the residential sections, and new business blocks, beautiful and artistic bungalows and business structures of all kinds add to the general appearance of substantial growth. In spite of it all, the housing question is just as serious in Klamath Falls today as in the cities of the Pacific coast and the east.

Company Is Enlarging Operations
At Chiloquin are located the Modoc Lumber Co. and the Chiloquin Lumber Co. E. A. Blocklinger is at the head of both the Chiloquin Lumber Co. and the Dorris Lumber & Box Co., Dorris, Calif., south of Klamath Falls. Much of the lumber cut in this plant at Chiloquin is made into box shooks at the Dorris plant.

At the head of the Modoc Lumber Co. is J. O. Goldthwaite, formerly of Portland, who a few years ago took hold of the Modoc Lumber Co. and has made a substantial concern out of it, cutting nearly 40,000,000 feet this year, with plans to construct a new mill in place of the old one for operation some time next season. The power plant now under construction

will be equipped with two 1000-kilowatt generators, one of which will furnish power for operating the plant and the other for running the logging railroad, which will extend into the timber about 17 miles. The logs will be brought in by an electric locomotive.

The Modoc Lumber Co.'s new sawmill will be equipped with either two bands and the present gang, or three bands, the present mill being equipped with a band and a gang. The mill was operated this year two shifts until early in the fall. A 20-compartment dry gin will also be constructed.

The plant of the Klamath Lumber & Box Co., at Klamath Falls, formerly the Klamath Manufacturing Co., has been running two shifts, turning out 20,000,000 feet this year, a large part of which goes through its box factory. This is the plant formerly owned by the late Co. Robert A. Johnson. It was sold last spring to the Earl Fruit Co., of Sacramento, which uses box shooks extensively in its business. Joseph Di-Giorgio, of Sacramento, is president of the company and W. H. Trauer, also of Sacramento, is vice president and general manager. Gus A. Krause is secretary and local manager. H. F. Davis is his assistant and cashier. The same interests also operate the Pine & Lumber Co., Yakima, Wash. The Klamath Lumber & Box Co. has been running two shifts the last season and its year's output will be about 20,000,000.

Great Box Manufacturing Center
The manufacture of boxes is a big industry in this section. The output of the smaller sawmills goes to the box factories at Klamath Falls, Dorris and Bray. In fact the total daily output of box shooks in this section is estimated to be about 675,000 feet, or a total of 27 carloads, not including the box plant of the Weed Lumber Co., at Weed, Calif., which is just outside of what is commonly known as the Klamath district. The following are the plants:

- Big Lake Co., Klamath Falls, 90,000 feet.
- Chelsea Box Co., Klamath Falls, 100,000 feet.
- Klamath Lumber & Box Co., Klamath Falls, 100,000 feet.
- Ewauna Box Co., Klamath Falls, 125,000 feet.
- Algoma Lumber Co., Algoma, Ore., 80,000 feet.
- Dorris Lumber & Box Co., Dorris, Calif., 45,000 feet.

Associated Box & Lumber Co., Dorris, Calif., 60,000 feet.

Bray Lumber & Box Co., Bray, Calif., 70,000 feet.

The Ewauna Box Co., Klamath Falls, has the largest box factory in this section and this year it will handle about 35,000,000 feet of shooks. C. B. Crisler is president of the company; Fred Schallock, secretary and Claude H. Daggett, vice president. Mr. Daggett looks after the selling and is an authority on the box situation in this region. The Ewauna Box Co. last winter built adjacent to its box plant a sawmill which started in May and has a daily capacity of 65,000 feet, a large part of which is used in the box plant.

The Big Lake Box Co., consisting of Merl West, Birge Mason and A. J. Voge, will put through its box factory here about 24,000,000 feet this year. This concern also has constructed a sawmill in connection with its box plant, with a capacity of about 50,000 feet daily. The Chelsea Box Co., the third box plant here, was bought by the Growers' Packing & Warehousing Association not long ago. C. F. Setzer is manager of this plant.

An Old Timer Here
A well-known Oregon lumberman is George A. Stephenson, now secretary of the Swan Lake Co., of which Alfred Collier is president. This concern is cutting about 6,000,000 feet this year at its new mill at Swan Lake, about ten miles from Klamath Falls. The lumber is hauled by the Strahorn road. George Stephenson has a lot of good friends among north coast lumbermen. He comes of the Stephenson family of lumbermen, of Menominee, Mich., and Marinette, Wis., but has been in the west the last ten or 12 years, a considerable part of the time at Coos Bay, Ore. He was one of the organizers of the Valley Lumber Co. at Klamath Falls a year or so ago along with Henry and Robert Davis, formerly of Eau Claire, Wis., and sons of Henry D. Davis, of that place. He severed his connection with the Valley Lumber Co. when he went into the Swan Lake enterprise early this year. The Valley Lumber Co. operates a small mill near Klamath Falls.

The saddle Mountain Lumber Co. has built a mill out on the Sprague river, 37 miles from Klamath Falls. The Strahorn railroad is expected to be extended soon to within four miles of the mill, which is equipped with a circular and is expected to say a couple of million feet of logs on hand in the Sprague river this fall. F. Hill Hunter, the Klamath Falls mill builder, has had charge of the construction of this plant. He also built the mill of the Big Lake Box Co. and is looking after the construction of several other new mills in this section. The Saddle Mountain plant is located at what will be the junction of the Strahorn road and the Sprague river. This plant will cut about 60,000 feet a day and it is the intention to replace its circular saw equipment with a band mill later on. Capt. J. W. Siemens, a pioneer banker of Klamath Falls, is president of the Saddle Mountain Lumber Co.

There is a "flock" of mills along the first 20 miles of the Strahorn road, running out in an easterly direction from Klamath Falls. These mills are not all on the railroad, but haul their output to the railroad for shipment. They include the Swan Lake Lumber Co.; Schultz & Parks; White Pine Lumber Co.; Parker & Hammaker; Doe & Quigley; the Grisez mill; the Saddle Mountain Lumber Co.; D'Armond Bros. Lumber Co.; Nine Bros. Lumber Co.; the Hammaker Mill, besides the recently burned plant of the Crane Lumber Co. It is estimated that increased output of the mills in the Klamath region for 1920 over 1919 will be 118,000,000 feet.

New Mills Underway
The Klamath Pine Manufacturing Co. is putting up a single band mill on the lower end of upper Klamath lake just north of and adjoining the plant of the Pelican Bay Lumber Co. D. W. Doe, the manager of this plant, is an old time western lumberman. Fifteen years ago he was sales manager for the John O'Brien Lumber Co., at Somers, Mont. He was one of the founders of the Dawson Lumber Co., Libby, Mont., now the Libby Lumber Co. He was on Coos Bay for a time and had charge of the construction of the new plant of the Apache Lumber Co., at Cooley, N. M. The Klamath Pine Manufacturing Co. as this concern is called, is being equipped with a circular, but it is proposed to replace it with a band later on and also to add a gang. Its site occupies 40-acres and F. Hill Hunter, of the Sawmill Engineering & Construction Co., is building the plant.

The Shaw-Bertram Lumber Co. is another new plant under construction on the shore of Lake Ewauna, south of Klamath Falls. The officers of this company are J. R. Shaw, president of Klamath Falls; A. W. Norblad, of Astoria, Ore., secretary; W. G. E. Smith, Portland, vice president, and W. J. Bertram, Klamath Falls, treasurer. The company is incorporated for \$150,000 and Robert S. Shaw, of the Robert S. Shaw Lumber Co., Portland, a brother of J. R. Shaw, is a director and is interested in the company. He was formerly for years manager of the Hammond Lumber Co.'s operations at Astoria, Ore., and was president of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association during 1919. J. R. Shaw was manager of the Hammond Lumber Co.'s operations at Mill City, Ore.

The Shaw-Bertram Lumber Co. has an excellent site and will build a mill equipped with a single band to start with. This concern last summer purchased a unit of over 100,000,000 feet of excellent pine timber on the Klamath Indian reservation, not far from Kirk, and the logs will be brought into Klamath Falls over the Southern Pacific. Mr. Bertram was formerly manager of the Gooch Lumber Co., at Gooch, near Mill City. It is expected the new plant will be in operation early next spring.

The Lamm Lumber Co., whose plant is at Modoc Point, 19 miles north of Klamath Falls, recently installed a new Corliss 22x36 engine made by the Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co. This will give it more power so that it may also add an automatic trimmer and a lath machine. This concern turns out about 60,000 feet daily, which will give it an output of over 12,000,000 feet this year. The Big Lake Lumber Co., operating a mill and retail yard at Klamath Falls, not long ago received a consignment of western red cedar posts from the E. T. Chapin Co., Spokane, well known shippers of "lifetime" posts. These were without doubt the first split cedar posts to come into Klamath Falls and have proved very satisfactory. Heretofore native lumber has been used for posts. W. H. Klingenberg is manager of the Big Lake Lumber Co., having succeeded Merl S. West a year or so ago, when the latter decided to devote all his time to the Big Lakes Box Co., in which he is heavily interested. Mr. Klingenberg was formerly with the West Tarlock Lumber & Box Co., at Turlock, Calif., and was also at one time with the Thurman Door Co., at Madras, Calif.

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SUMMONS Equity No. 1224

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR THE COUNTY OF KLAMATH.

Charles G. Swartzfager, Plaintiff, vs. Hannah Simpson, also known as Hannah Swartzfager, Defendant.

To Hannah Simpson, also known as Hannah Swartzfager: In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the 24th day of January, 1921, that being the last day of publication of this summons, and if you fail so to appear, answer, demur, plead or otherwise move, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in his complaint, to-wit: for a decree of this court annulling, setting aside and decreeing as void the said marriage between plaintiff and defendant, and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem meet and equitable and proper.

This summons is served upon you, the said defendant, by publication thereof in The Evening Herald, a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in Klamath Falls, Klamath County, Oregon, for six (6) consecutive weeks (seven (7) insertion,) the first publication being December 13, 1920, and the last publication being January 24, 1921, by order of the Honorable D. V. Kuykendall, Judge of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Klamath, and the said order was made and dated the 28th day of October, 1920.

All process and papers in this proceeding may be served upon the undersigned residing within the State of Oregon, at the address hereafter mentioned. WALTER C. VAN EMON AND AUGUSTIN DONOVAN, Attorneys for Plaintiff, Address: 209-10 Willis Bldg., Klamath Falls, Ore. Dec. 13-20-27—Jan. 3-10-17-24

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