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PROWLERS ARE FRIGHTENED BY RESTAURANT MAN

Would be Robbers Prowl Around Sixth Street Offices Thursday

Last Thursday evening two suspicious looking characters were loafing around the Ewauna Box company's factory and office between the hours of 10 and 12. The watchman ordered them off the property for smoking cigarettes. They left the Ewauna premises, but hung around the Quick Lunch restaurant for some time, finally walking up the street, inspecting the Union Oil company's office, and stopping by the People's warehouse.

B. A. Dahlein, proprietor of the Quick Lunch, was watching the two men, and when they stopped by the warehouse Dahlein ran over to the Union Oil office and warned the bookkeeper, who was working overtime that evening, that they were about.

Apparently the men became frightened away by Dahlein's watchfulness, and made no attempt at robbery, which from their actions they undoubtedly contemplated. In a year, from March 1924, to March 1925, the Quick Lunch restaurant was robbed eight times. Mr. Dahlein now sleeps in his restaurant, and keeps a watch dog with him. Dahlein stated that he is awakened at all times of the night by men prowling about his establishment.

JOIN GOLF CLUB

Superintendent E. H. Pike and Yard Superintendent Bob Harrison of the Pelican Bay Lumber company have joined the golf club. Last Sunday Harrison drove to Medford, where he played on the Medford golf course.

DOWN FROM CHILOQUIN

Jake Steiger, logging operator, was in town from the Steiger camps above Chiloquin last Wednesday.

LOGGING CAMPS OF KLAMATH CO. SHIP HEAVILY

Total Cut of County Approximately Two Million Feet Per Day

An average of around one hundred and sixty cars of logs per day is being moved over the Southern Pacific every day to the mills of Klamath county.

One hundred and twenty of these cars are shipped from Kirkford, from the camps of Pelican Bay, Modoc, Algoma, Shaw-Bertram and Lamm Lumber companies. Ewauna Box and Wheeler Olmstead bring the total up to an average of one hundred and sixty cars each day, the Ewauna camp being at Lumberton, between Kirkford and Chiloquin on the main line, and Wheeler-Olmstead's spur joining the main line above Chiloquin. Allowing a little better than ten thousand to a car, this would bring the log cut of these companies to, say, 1,750,000 per day.

This estimate does not include the Chiloquin Lumber company, which uses its own railroad line to the mill at Chiloquin, the Big Lakes logs from the Lee camp, Douglas Puckett's camp on the west side of upper Lake, the McCullom mill below Keno, Kitt's mill, the Shasta View Lumber and Box company, the Long Pine Lumber company, the Crystal Lumber company, Kruse's mill, Prentice Puckett's camp, the Campbell Towle Lumber Co., and several others throughout the county.

It is safe to say that the lumber and logging companies of Klamath county are selling and shipping timber at the rate of two million feet per day.

Paul Bunyan Was a Mighty Hunter And a Great Lover of Good Dogs

What is cap without a dog? Paul Bunyan loved dogs as well as the next man but never would have one around that could not earn its keep. Paul's dogs had to work.



As a hunter, Paul would make old Nimrod himself look like a city dude lost in his guide. He was also a good fisherman. Oldtimers tell of seeing Paul as a small boy, fishing off the Atlantic Coast. He would sail out early in the morning in his three-mast schooner and wade back before breakfast with his boat full of fish on his shoulder.

About this time he got his shot gun that required four dishes of powder and a keg of spikes to load each barrel. With this gun he could shoot geese so high in the air they would spoil before reaching the ground.

Tracking was Paul's favorite sport, and no trail was too old or too dim for him to follow. He once came across the skeleton of a moose that had died of old age, and, just for curiosity, picked up the tracks of the animal and spent the whole afternoon following its trail back to the place where it was born.

The shaggy dog that spent most of his time pretending to sleep in front of Johnny Inkslinger's counter in the camp office was Fido, the watch dog. Fido was the bug-bear (not bearer, just bear) of the green horns. They were told that Paul starved Fido all winter and then, just before payday, fed him all the

hunt or catch rats. It took a good dog to kill the rats and mice in Paul's camp for the rodents picked up scraps of the buffalo milk pancakes and grew to be as big as two year old bears.

Elmer, the moose terrier, practiced up on the rats when he was a small pup and was soon able to catch a mouse on the run and finish it with one shake. Elmer loafed around the cook camp and if the meat supply happened to run low the cook would put the dog out the door and say, "bring in a mouse." Elmer would run into the timber, catch a mouse and bring it in and repeat the performance until, after a few minutes work, the cook flourished his hand enough for a mouse and would call the dog in.

Sport, the reverable dog was the really best hunter. He was part wolf and part elephant hound and was raised on bear milk. One night when Sport was quite young, he was playing around the horse barn and Paul, mistaking him for a mouse, threw a hand axe at him. The axe cut the dog in two but Paul, instantly realizing what had happened, quickly stuck the two halves together, gave the pup first aid and bandaged him up. With careful nursing the dog soon recovered and then it was seen that Paul in his haste had twisted the two halves so that the hind legs pointed up. This proved to be an advantage for the dog learned to run on one pair of legs for a while and then flop over without loss of speed and run on the other pair. Because of this he never tired and anything he started after got caught. Sport never got his full growth. While still a pup he broke through a four feet of ice on Lake Superior and was drowned.



LENGTH OF COOLING SHED INCREASED BY THE EWAUNA BOX CO.

A hundred foot extension is being added to the cooling shed by the Ewauna Box company. Trucks from the kilns that the planing mill crew is not ready to run may be run up this extension, and left until required. The roof of the planing mill will be extended to cover the addition, and the wall removed so that lumber that is to be shipped rough may be loaded without passing over the conveyor chain to the planer, and being pulled from the

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EWAUNA TO ADD FIVE KILNS TO DRYING PLANT

Construction to be Completed About the First of September

Ewauna Box company is adding five more kilns to its drying plant. Ten kilns are operating now, with a capacity between fifty and sixty thousand per day. The addition of the new kilns will bring the capacity of the drying plant to between seventy five and ninety thousand, depending upon the thickness of lumber cut and the shifts run.

The kilns to be installed are the same as the other ten, Northwest Blower kilns, and they will be installed by the Sawmill Engineering and Construction company. Piles for the kilns were driven some time back, and the company expects to have the kilns completed by September 1.

The additional capacity of the kilns will more than care for the drying of the shop and better grades and allow rush orders of common to be put through without gumming up operations.

BACK FROM VACATION

Glenn Heatherington, Pelican Bay grader, returned from Baker last week after spending a two week's vacation visiting with friends and relatives there.

TIMBER BUYING ACTIVE DURING THE PAST WEEK

Four Deals Completed and a New Mill Planned for Lake County

Four timber deals were consummated in Klamath and Lake counties last week, probably influenced by the railway activity during the past month, which has culminated in the arrival of the Hill line surveying party.

Prentice Puckett purchased the timber on a section of land lying between the source of Willapson and Sprague river, containing approximately 3,000,000 feet, from the Yamaas Land and Cattle company.

The Hovey Timber company purchased 1599 acres of government script timber land from F. A. Hyde for a consideration of \$20,000. The land lies in eastern Klamath county and Langell Valley.

A small tract of land, evidently a mill site, was purchased by Favell and Utley, realtors and timber brokers of Lakeview. The reputed mill site is near the junction of the north and south forks of the Sprague river. Favell and Utley frequently buy for the Weyerhaeuser interests, and there is considerable speculation among lumbermen over the deal. The site, however, is not suitable for an operation on the Weyerhaeuser scale, and since the Weyerhaeuser company has a mill site on Klamath river it is unlikely that it is behind the deal.

There are two other lumber company's with large timber holdings in that section, the Booth-Kelly Lumber company, and the Hovey Timber company. It is known that the Booth-Kelly company would like to dispose of its holdings in this section, which probably aggregate eight or nine hundred million. The Hovey Timber company recently added 4599 acres to its holdings in this county, and unless Favell and Utley are buying the site for speculation, it is possible that the Hovey Timber company is behind the purchase.

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Logging Firm of Applegate and Bunyan Logged Aspen Mountain

Captain O. C. Applegate and Paul Bunyan logged off Aspen Mountain the year of the Blue snow. Everything was going along splendidly, until the Blue snow got so deep that the captain and Paul had to put up a scaffolding and add a length to the cookhouse stove pipe every morning to get draft. In spite of this, they made excellent progress until the pipe and scaffolding got so high that it took the captain a half day to get up and down.

Then Paul installed the Aurora Borealis, and operated three ten hour shifts, and Captain Applegate worked twice as hard as formerly to make up for the half day he had to spend on the stove pipe. Everything was lovely then, and they expected to finish the thirty first day of February, until one bright moonlight evening they heard a horrible grating, and looked up through the flashing rays of the aurora borealis to see the moon hung on the top of the stove pipe.

Captain Applegate, at great risk to his life, owing to the uncertain

light of the aurora borealis, dashed up the scaffolding and removed several lengths before the moon could be dived from its regular path. Thereafter the Captain devoted his entire time to the stove pipe. He would climb the scaffolding in the morning, add a length so that it would draw above the snow, return to the ground in time for dinner, and climb up again in the afternoon in order to remove the top lengths for the safe passage of the moon.

Applegate & Bunyan had set their hearts on finishing the job before February 30, so they decided to alter the calendar that year, cutting out the thirtieth day of February, and advancing it till the next year. Next season, however, they forgot to put it back.

The truth of this story is vouchered for by Captain O. C. Applegate, and by the well known fact that there are but 28 days in February except leap year, when there are 29.

HANNEN AND NELSON ARE CAPTURED AND SECURELY CHAINED

Last Thursday afternoon cries of "Stop Thief," aroused the people of Pelican City. On running to the doors the people saw the supposedly respectable Dasty Hannen, poet laureate of Pelican City, being pursued across the hills back of town. The rumor flew from house to house that Hannen had robbed a bank, but it turned out later that he was merely being pursued by a herd of Elks, who were trying to gather him into the fold.

After capturing Hannen, the antlered posse overcame Pete Nelson, and returned to town with both victims. Nelson was chained in front of the Gun store, and Hannen in front of Gertrude's millinery store.

Nelson declares that he had quite a battle to keep the ladies from carrying him away, chains and all. The men, however, declare that a string of people strung in and out of the gun store, inquiring whether the queer animal in front was a high-behind or a tigermunk, and where it was caught, and what bait was used.

The men of Pelican City and the Elks are agreed, however, that the ladies greatly admired Hannen. Nearly a score stopped to inquire where he got his head gear. Hannen is contemplating presenting a bill to Gertrude and company for services as a model.

TO MEDFORD

Noel, Turner, planer boss for Pelican Bay, drove to Medford and back Sunday.

LOCAL BANKER FINED FOR ATTEMPTING TO STOP FOREST FIRES

At a recent meeting of the Rotary club, W. E. Lamm, president of the club distributed verses to be read in connection with national forest week. Most of the verses dealt with forest fires and their prevention. After they were read, J. A. Gordon, president of the First National Bank, rose from his chair, declared that he had been deeply affected by the verses, and moved that the Rotarians place themselves on record as favoring fire prevention by quitting smoking for the summer months.

Several voices cried "fine him, fine him!" and President Lamm administered a fine of fifty cents. This may seem rather harsh treatment for one sponsoring a worthy cause, and might put the Rotary club in a rather peculiar position. But members of the club state that Mr. Gordon uses smokeless tobacco, which puts another face on the affair.

BESSLER IMPROVES

Tom Bessler, of Lamm's mill, who has been in the Klamath General hospital with a severely sprained ankle for the past week, will be discharged from the hospital today or tomorrow. Bessler sprained his ankle playing baseball.

SAWDUST BURNING STOVE

L. T. Frost, formerly of Denver, Colo., now resident in Portland, is placing on the market a stove for burning sawdust. Eight pounds of sawdust will produce heat for four to five hours.

Lumberlogue Apologizes

Lumberlogue wishes to apologize for an attempt at jocosity in regard to the methods employed by Pierson & Son in initiating their Star touring car in the light of the following letter received from them.

Editor Lumberlogue:

We noticed an article in a recent issue of the Lumberlogue that is rather sarcastic about the way we break in cars. To the layman, it may seem odd, but as we have been breaking in cars since '72 we feel that we know our stuff. As an illustration of how this works:—On a recent trip to Klamath Falls, we brought this car to a full stop on the curve at the beginning of the Algoma hill. Then we started it, and at the speed of ten miles per hour we through out the clutch, shut off the gas, and coasted to the top. Our speedometer registered 55 miles just as we reached Lookout point. Let some of these wise birds duplicate this feat before they begin to criticise others that know their business.

Pierson & Son.

P. S. This was done without a carburetor. Lost ours just as we were going out of the garage and didn't know it until we got back.

Son.

P. S. S. The Kid doesn't know, but I had the emergency brake on all the way up, because he is rather a reckless driver.

Dad.

JAMES STEVENS WRITES VOLUME ON PAUL BUNYAN

Lumberjack-Author Publishes Interesting Book of Logger's Tales

Paul Bunyan, by James Stevens, recently published by Alfred A. Knopf, is a highly entertaining collection of logging camp legends of the redoubtable Paul, beginning with the finding of Babe during the winter of the Blue Snow, and chronicling the marvelous exploits of Paul, Babe, Hels Helson, and the other members of that mighty organization until its tragic disintegration under the evil influence of the mechanically inclined Ford Fordson, and of women, who claimed Paul's loggers as fathers for their children.

The book is excellently written, containing several beautifully imaginative descriptions of fantastic happenings, particularly those dealing with the Winter of the Blue Snow, the Kingdom of Kansas, and New Iowa. This virtue of the book is also its chief defect; for the Bunyan stories, to be at their best, must be told in short, crisp, matter of fact verbiage, and if written, a style as near colloquial as possible adds to their charm.

Mr. Stevens gives the only plausible explanation of the growth of the Paul Bunyan legend that we have heard. He traces Paul Bunyan back to Paul Bunyan, a mighty French-Canadian who fought against the English in the Papineau Rebellion of 1837. The French-Canadians exaggerated the exploits of this logger and fighter, believing seriously their own distortions. Then the American lumberjacks of the northern states re-exaggerated the tales, burlesquing the Canadians, and enjoyed the sport so much that Paul grew to stupendous proportions.

The book contains some very amusing satire. Bab Babbitson is self explanatory; Prof Sherm Sheraton, the advocate of the moral Nordic Mond, and Ford Fordson, the mechanical genius, are certainly conceived very thinly.

Mr. Stevens, who has been a lumberjack, a dirt-mover, a hard rock man, and a skinner, knows lumberjacks, of the old order, which is rapidly vanishing. And he has admirably caught the pathos of the passing of the old white pine-jacks in his last chapter, when Paul and his heroic crew are left alone in their camps, all the loggers having deserted Paul for woman, and for Ford Fordson with his ten hour day and his mechanical donkeys.

The book may be purchased thru any book store, or ordered direct from Alfred A. Knopf, 730 Fifth Avenue, New York City. The price is \$2.50 plus postage.

VICE PRESIDENT OF LONG-BELL VISITS KLAMATH

Accompanied by J.M. White and C. W. Murphy of Weed Lumber Co.

J. D. Tennant, vice president of the Long-Bell Lumber company, C. R. Fleming, assistant to Mr. Tennant, C. M. Murphy, logging superintendent for the Weed Lumber company at Tennant, and J. M. White, general manager of the Weed Lumber company arrived in Klamath Falls from Tennant Friday morning, and left shortly after lunch for Weed by way of Asland.

"Just driving through, is all, and stopping at the Big Basin branch," said Mr. White.

Mr. Tennant, and his assistant, Mr. Fleming, will attend the meeting of the board of directors of the Long-Bell Lumber company to be held shortly in San Francisco.