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Blondy Knoder Cuffed 'Em in the Gulf of Mexico for Old P. Bunyan

Blondy Knoder worked for Paul Bunyan the spring the rain came up from China at the camp at the junction of the Big Onion and Cockeye Creek. Blondy says Paul had a terrible time getting his logs down that spring, and if the rain hadn't come up from China he probably never would have gotten them all down.

Paul made the big mistake of locating camp without starting from the mouth of the Big Onion and following the mighty river to its source. When the spring thaw came Paul went down to the mouth of the river to look things over. He was completely at a loss what to do when he found that the Big Onion was a mere creek at its mouth. Paul walked up stream that day four hundred miles before the river began to be of any size. The first tributary flowed in just four hundred miles from the mouth, but from there the rivers joined the Big Onion every few miles; by the time Paul got to the famous Powder river fork, which was a mile deep and a foot wide, the river was no wide that even Paul could hardly see across it. At camp Paul had to use a telescope to see the other bank, and ten miles above camp the river got so wide that it took Paul a whole minute to wade across it.

Paul returned to camp late that day after looking over the river, and having formed no definite plan for the rafting of his logs when the river dwindled down near its mouth.

Paul decided to split up the drive into one hundred small drives. Johnny Inkslinger had the total scale all added up, but the first small drive was delayed several days while a trainload of ink could be

hauled in for him to total each small drive separately.

Finally Paul started the logs down the river. Everything went splendidly till the logs went around four hundred miles from the mouth of the river. Then Paul rode Babe upstream a couple of hundred miles, turned around, and galloped him back down stream. The logs were washed clear out to sea, and it took Paul three days to gather them together again. He did this by carrying his river pigs out in the ocean, and starting each man for the shore with fifteen or twenty logs. It was a simple matter for them to cuff fifteen or twenty logs back to shore, although the last day the water got so hot from the spinning logs that Paul felt the crew on fish that floated to the surface, perfectly boiled and salted.

Paul avoided this difficulty on the ensuing drives by walking Babe slowly down the river.

But all this was slow work, and Paul was worrying about the approach of the dry season.

However, one morning the camp awoke to see the rain from China shooting up out of the ground to a height of fifteen or twenty feet. There was no much water that Paul had no difficulty in rafting down the rest of his logs in one drive.

Blondy got dissatisfied after the big drive was over, and quit. Brimstone Bill, the bullwhacker, hated to see Blondy go, for he had promised to collaborate with Brimstone in writing another Skinner's dictionary. Brimstone thought he had all the words a skinner ever used in the first one, but after he met Blondy he found that he didn't have half of them.

It's a Long, Long Trail After Pay Day Rolls Around

The State Highway commission recently erected highway signs at the city limits of Klamath Falls and Pelican City. At first it was thought that a terrible mistake had been made, for the sign at the boundary of Klamath Falls reads "Pelican City, 2 Miles," while the one this side of Pelican City reads "Klamath Falls, 1 Mile."

The State Highway department, however, declares that these signs were put up after long and careful consideration, and consultation with some of the best known characters of Pelican City. Without exception, those Pelicanites interviewed declared that it was but one mile to Klamath Falls, but that it was always two back to Pelican City, and that on pay nights it was much farther than that.

Women's Club of Pelican City To Give a May Dance

The Pelican Bay Women's club is giving its first annual May dance Friday evening at the club house. Three hundred invitations have been sent out, and a record crowd is expected.

Honston's orchestra will furnish music for the affair.

Tractor Men Visit Local Cat Agency

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Robinson and H. S. Tharpe arrived in Klamath Falls Saturday from Oakland, California, where Mr. Robinson and Mr. Tharpe are identified with the Robinson Tractor company, C. J. Best distributors.

The C. L. Best Tractor company and the Holt Tractor company have consolidated as the Caterpillar Tractor company of America, but no announcement was made by the officials of the Robinson Tractor company as to whether the new company would continue to manufacture and distribute both lines.

Mrs. Robinson returned to California Sunday. Mr. Robinson and Mr. Tharpe left for Chiloquin, Kirkford, and Bend Tuesday, after spending several days conferring with Al Gravenstein, local representative of the Robinson Tractor company.

DOWN FROM LAMM'S

Mr. and Mrs. William Clement were in Klamath Falls Tuesday from Lamm's camp transacting business and visiting friends. Mr. Clement is timekeeper at the Lamm logging camp.

EWANNA PRESIDENT HERE

C. D. Crisler, president of the Ewanua Box company, arrived in Klamath Falls last week. Crisler will spend the summer here.

BUNYAN FEST

Last week Walt Ward of the Ewanua camp, and some unidentified genius held a mighty session in the Chiloquin barber shop. All of the printable and unprintable exploits of Mr. Bunyan were related by the two artists.

ACCIDENTAL SHOT WOUNDS MAN AS CAR LEAVES ROAD

Gus Kutrubis Struck by Bullet From Pistol; Discharge Caused by Force With Which Car Collided With Stump

To have the car in which he was riding crash head on into a stump on the Ashland-Klamath Falls highway and at the same time be struck behind the ear by a bullet from an automatic pistol carried in his lap was the experience of Gus Kutrubis last week.

Kutrubis was returning from spending the week-end in the Rogue River valley with Jim Dedeman, when something went wrong with the steering gear of Dedeman's car, causing it to leave the road and crash into a stump. Both men were so surprised and excited by the ac-

League Will Open Sunday

Algoma to Play Lamm - Pelican Bay at Tennant

From present indications, the Timberleague will get off to a flying start next Sunday. Pelican Bay will play Tennant at Tennant Sunday, and Algoma will play Lamm's mill at Algoma.

Manager Davis, of Algoma, is whipping his team into shape as rapidly as possible, and declares that Algoma will be ready to play ball next Sunday, although the team will still be rather green.

Both Algoma and Lamm's mill have been putting their fields in condition, and Lamm's has a bleachers erected behind home plate. In the practice game a week ago Sunday, both Lamm's and Algoma showed good baseball, but of course both teams were in need of practice, and made many errors.

Lumberlogue has dropped out of the League entirely, and will be connected with it merely on the secretarial and publicity end, except for the awarding of a silver trophy cup to the winner at the end of the season.

The only drawback to the Timberleague as it now stands is the brevity of the season. A four team league does not make a very long season, but if thought advisable by the league members they may play around once more after the season, as now outlined, if finished.

SHELVIN-HIXON BAND WILL GIVE RADIO PROGRAM

To be on Air from Portland Oregon Station June 18

Between the hours of 9 and 10 o'clock at night on June 18, the Shelvin-Hixon band broadcast from KGW. This is the information received by Frank R. Price of the Shelvin-Hixon company from the radio department of the Portland Oregonian, which set aside an entire hour for the lumberjack band which is to compete for honors at the rose festival.

Algoma Joins Timber League

Algoma Lumber company has definitely decided to join the Timber league, and the manager is getting equipment ready for the season, giving the team practice, and getting ready to play ball on the twenty-fourth.

Lamm's Mill and Algoma played a week ago Sunday, Lamm's winning by the score of 18 to 16.

If another team is not ready to enter the league before May 24, Lumberlogue will withdraw, leaving a four team league.

Walter Henry To Take Degree For Medical Service

Walter Henry, of the Pelican Community club, declares that he deserves the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Sunday morning Henry dispensed a whole bottle of Bromo Seltzer to the boys who had been attending to their pay day duties the evening before. In fact, Saturday school was disturbed several times by members of the club clamoring for attention.

Henry declares that if he does not get the M. D. degree, he will apply for the degree of B. S. T. (Bromo Seltzer Distributor.)

SHAW-BERTRAM RESAW RAISES CUT TO 155 M

The resaw installed by the Shaw-Bertram Lumber company has boosted the cut of the two shifts between twenty and twenty-five thousand feet. Without the resaw, the plant was cutting around 130 M. Now the mill is averaging around 155M with two eight hour shifts.

Twelve More Courses Are Still Open

There are still a number of free correspondence courses open this month to fellows in the lumber industry who want to take this course through courtesy of the Lumberlogue.

Through arrangement with the National Lumber Manufacturers' association, Lumberlogue is permitted to give 25 free correspondence courses in lumber each month. Since Lumberlogue first started, more than the quota has been subscribed each month; in fact, so great was the demand the first month that 50 courses were granted.

If you are employed by the lumber industry in the Klamath country, or in Northern California, just send your name and address to The Lumberlogue, in care of The Evening Herald, and your name will be placed on the list. It costs you absolutely nothing. You get a free correspondence just for the asking.

PELICAN SHIPPING 35 CARS PER DAY

Pelican Bay camps are shipping about thirty-five cars of logs per day. Camp 1, the cat camp, under Jack Sampson, has about 120 men; Camp 2, the wheel camp, under Bill McMannus, has about 110 men. Camp 3, the railroad camp, has a section crew of eighteen men doing railroad repair work.

The track layer is laying new steel. Jim Johnston is running No. 2 on the track layer.

ANDERSON INJURED

Word has been received in this district that Billy Anderson, traveling freight agent for the Chicago Great Western, was seriously injured in San Leandro, Cal., about two weeks ago. Billy was crossing the street to board a street car when he was struck by a speeding automobile. He spent eight days in the hospital and is still unable to be around. He is a monthly visitor at the mills here and his failure to show up last week was accounted for by a letter to Walter P. Hannon, of the Algoma Lumber Co., giving an account of his accident.

VISITS ALGOMA

Ray Hofberger of the Modoc Lumber Co. was an Algoma visitor Friday. Ray is out buying lumber to fill orders on file which his company was unable to fill after the disastrous fire which destroyed the Modoc mill. Hofberger states that in all probability the mill will be rebuilt this fall and that a double band equipment will be installed.

DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL

Frank Kelly, who was severely injured three weeks ago when a truck load of lumber fell on him, is able to be back at his place with the Algoma Lumber Co., after a fortnight in the hospital.

Paul Bunyan Logged Through Some Pretty Chilly and Snowy Weather

The winter of the Deep Snow everything was buried. Paul had to dig down to find the tops of the tallest White Pines. He had the snow dug away around them and lowered his sawyers down to the base of the trees. When the trees



was cut off he hauled it to the surface with a long parbuckle chain to which Babe, mounted on snowshoes, was hitched. It was impossible to get enough stove pipe to reach the top of the snow, so Paul had Big Ole make stovepipe by boring out logs with a long six-inch auger.

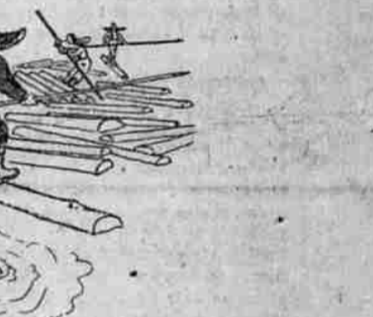
The year of the Two Winters



they froze clear to the bottom. They never would have thawed out if Paul had not chopped out the ice and hauled it out on shore for the sun to melt. He finally got all the ice thawed but he had to put in all new fish.

The next year was the year the rain came up from China. It rained so hard and so long that the grass was all washed out by the roots and Paul had a great time feeding his cattle. Babe had to learn to eat pancakes like Benny. That was the time he used the straw hats for an emergency ration.

When Paul's drive came down, folks in the settlements were astonished to see all the river-pigs



they had winter all summer and then in the fall it turned colder. One day Big Joe set the boiling coffee pot on the stove and it froze so quick that the ice was hot. That was right after Paul had built the Great Lakes and that winter

ELECTRICIAN IS SEVERELY BURNT AT LOCAL PLANT

Leland Couch was severely burnt about the face Thursday at the Shaw-Bertram factory when testing a ground on the new electrical equipment. Couch, an experienced electrician, knew that he was in danger, so he stood on a box and kept his face when testing out the ground. The current flashed out more than two feet, and Couch undoubtedly owes his life to his care in standing on the box and shielding himself as much as possible.

MODOC PINE CAMP RUNS HALF SHIFT

The Calamus camp of the Modoc Pine company has been cut from fourteen sets of falliers to six sets. Although no statement has been made by the company, it is evident that it plans to run the camp on half shift until another mill can be built.

A GOOD MAN GONE WRONG

Report has it that John Stalling, Ewanua filer, after watching the Hula girls at the carnival the other night, declared that they sure shook a mean bunch of sea grass. His friends say that he would still be watching the girls if his wife had not found him.

VISITS TOWN

Joe Trushton spent Saturday evening visiting with friends, returning the same evening to Ewanua camp.

DOWN FROM ANNA CREEK

Art Wimer, logging contractor for the Anna Creek Lumber company was in town on business Monday.

BIG LAKES MILL RUNNING NIGHTS

A night shift was added Sunday evening by the Big Lakes Box company at its sawmill. Between thirty and thirty-five men will be added to the payroll.

Big Lakes made the high average of 73M per eight hour shift last month, which is exceptionally high for a single band mill without a gang of resaw.

MARKET IS SHOT TO PIECES SAYS PELICAN BAY MAN

The pop and candy market is in a precarious condition, according to information received by Lumberlogue from Camp Clerk Chas. Hagen, of Pelican Bay camp number one. "The supply far exceeds the demand," said Mr. Hagen yesterday. "There is practically no steady buying—I would say that it is distinctly a buyer's market." When quizzed as to his explanation of this condition, Mr. Hagen stated that, in his opinion, the departure of Marion Masten from camp had caused the slump.

RAILROAD MAN VISITS

Charles F. Burnett, agent for the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad, was a visitor at the northern mills during the past week. Mr. Burnett was in eastern Oregon during the heavy wind storms and he states that automobiles and other vehicles were carried along by the wind for hundreds of feet.

LOGS FOR CHILOQUIN

Pete Beck, who was running a camp for the Modoc Pine company on Spring Creek unit, is now logging with his tractor and wheels for the Chiloquin Lumber company.

KLAMATH MILLS SHIP HEAVILY

2400 Cars of Lumber and Box Shook Shipped During Month of April

Shipments of lumber, box shock, lath, moulding, and other mill products were three times as large for the month of April as for the month of March. During March approximately 800 carloads of lumber, box shock, and other lumber products were shipped from Klamath county. Shipments for April totaled 2400 carloads.

SUGAR PINE TREE RESISTS ROT FOR TWO SCORE YEARS

In recent advertising material distributed by the California White and Sugar Pine Manufacturer's association appears an affidavit signed by Albert Philp concerning a sugar pine log felled by him near Sugar Pine, California. Philp felled the tree in 1884, and made shakes from a portion of it. Now, after more than forty years exposure to the elements, the heart wood of the tree is as sound as the day it was felled.

An interesting local side light on this matter is the fact that shakes are being made along the Ashland-Klamath Falls highway from Sugar pine logs felled for the highway right-of-way. The clear logs are worked readily into clean, bright shakes. The remainder of the logs are being worked into fire wood.

LYMAN MOURNING FOR NUT LOSSES

Camp Clerk Discovers That He Has Made Horrible Mistake

Full mourning is being worn by Lee Lyman, camp clerk at Pelican Bay Camp 2 these days. Lyman recently received a shipment of choice canned English walnuts, which he figured to sell at thirty cents per can. Lyman was overjoyed to be able to sell the walnuts at so low a price, for there was, he figured, a good profit in them at that figure. Recently, however, he found that he had made the mistake of selling them for just one half of what he should have. The price per can is now sixty cents, and Clerk Lyman is considering raising the price of near beer to break even.

Bob Kessler Does Lefty Cooper For Amusement of Boys

Bob Kessler did a Lefty Cooper at the hands of W. Henry of Soda water fame to the amusement of Pelican Club members Monday evening. Kessler explains his defeat by pointing out that pay day had just passed, and that he was in very poor condition.

And This Happened Close To Keno, Too

Glenn Parker, alleged merchantile prince of Pelican City, and Tim Buchanan, chief engineer, spent three days in Medford last week receiving the Consistory of Masonry. It is understood that they plan to spend a week in Klamath Falls Saturday in company with Al Fiddler, box factory regent, when they will cross the burning sands to Mecca under direction of the Shrine.

They were accompanied to Medford by Pehel Deizeil and Art Leavitt. When returning from Medford Saturday evening, they were stopped by an object lying in the road at Keno. Thinking that it might be one of the famous four legged deer found in that section, the party stopped to examine it. It was, however, merely a man who had gotten tired and laid down in the highway. He laid hold of the car when they stopped, and pulled himself to his feet.

"Sairight. Didn't know who you were, but didn't want you to run over me."

WILL SELL INSURANCE

J. L. Alexander has left the Pelican Bay Lumber company, where he was time keeper at camp two, and will sell health and accident insurance for the Mutual Benefit Health and Accident insurance company of Omaha.

NIGHT SHIFT ADDED

J. R. Brown, planerman in the Algoma factory, has charge of the night shift in the factory. The night crew was added during the past week in order to get some rush orders on the road.

VISITS ALGOMA

Frank D. Leo, lumberman of Klamath Falls, was a visitor at the Algoma mill during the past week. Mr. Leo has been down with the flu and his Algoma visit was the first day he had been out for two weeks.