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LOWER LUMBER RATE IS FORESEEN

Percy Sumner Electric Dogs Prove Successful In Pelican Bay's Mill

Three and One Half Months' Continuous Operation Prove Them Superior to Other Types; No Scarred Lumber

The installation of Percy-Sumner electric dogs on both rigs in the Pelican Bay mill during July was the object of much interest to millmen of this section. Many predicted that the dogs would not prove practical; that they would be too slow, and many other objections were raised.

After three months and a half of continuous operation, the officials of the company, mill foremen, and sawyers declare that the dogs are all that they are claimed to be. They are fully as fast as dogs of other types, according to Superintendent E. H. Pike. Sawyer John Dreher declares that they are fully as fast, if not faster.

A considerable saving is effected, as claimed, by the dogs gripping the cant at the top and bottom, instead of sinking into the sides, as is the case with other types.

The Percy-Sumner dogs are less expensive to operate than air dogs, according to company officials, the chief saving lying in the fact that no air compressor is needed, thus eliminating a 75 HP motor, compressed air tank, and the necessary pipings, besides the cluster of air hose upon the rig.

The Fruit Growers Supply company, Susanville, California, has recently installed two pony rigs to replace two gang saws. Both these small rigs are electrically equipped. The entire East Fir unit of the Long-Bell Lumber company at Longview, Wash., is electrically equipped.

Bedford Says Officers Are Mighty Queer

Unseemly Actions of Coppers Reported By Millman

As evidence of the eccentricity of officers of the law, J. M. Bedford, manager of the Wheeler-Olmstead company, offers the following anecdote:

"I was driving along the Pacific highway at a normal rate of speed, when a motorcycle passed me, pulled in ahead of me, and held out his hand, signalling for a stop. In order not to run the man down, I was forced to stop also, for instead of keeping on the right hand side of the road and allowing me to stop, the fellow insisted on keeping immediately in front of me. I stopped and got out, intending to give him a stinging rebuke for his clumsiness. Imagine my surprise, then, to have the lout declare himself an officer, and claim that I had been speeding along at the rate of 58 miles per hour."

The fine was fifteen dollars.

Lamm and Brother On Hunting Trip in Lake County

W. E. Lamm of the Lamm Lumber company, accompanied by his brother E. C. Lamm, Denver lumberman, left early Monday for Lake county on a hunting trip. They will visit the same region as that in which Mr. Lamm last week secured a fine buck.

E. C. Lamm is the proprietor of a series of fetal yards in Colorado. He is here on his honeymoon, his wife staying with Mrs. W. E. Lamm during the absence of the husbands.

\$75,000 Asked For Lost Arm By Millworker

Company Negligent, Is Claimed in Complaint

PORTLAND—Suit for \$75,000 damages against the Pacific States Lumber company known as the Coos Bay Lumber company has been filed by Owen Smith, who attributes injuries received by him on May 13 to negligence of the company and its employees. He charges that the company has refused to avail itself of the state compensation law.

His arm was cut off at the elbow by one of the company's trains, according to the complaint. Smith stated that a sudden application of the brakes while he was riding on the train threw him from a position he had been told to take on a timber between two trucks. To save himself from falling through a trestle he grabbed the rail. The wheels cut off his fingers. He clung to the rail with the remaining stump and lost another portion of his hand. Each wheel sheared off a portion of his arm before the train was finally brought to a standstill.

Novel Method Used For Manufacturing Shiplap by Swan Co.

The Swan Lake Moulding company uses a very efficient method for the manufacture of shiplap. Instead of resawing the six quarter, and then running the resaw lumber through the matcher in the ordinary way, the stock is first run through the matcher, coming out beaded and grooved. It is then resawn to two pieces of shiplap. This process cuts the time required for the matching by one half.

S. P. INSTALLS AGENCY AT PINE RIDGE FOR MILL

Size of Mill Warrants Placing of Agent to Handle Shipping

MILL WILL START SOON

24 Cars Per Day to be Shipped When Second Band is Installed

The last agency to be added to the Shasta division of the Southern Pacific was established last week at Pine Ridge, formerly known as Asprovo, the mill site of the Forest Lumber company two miles above Chiloquin. The size of the mill and its projected year round operation warrant an agency to handle the company's shipping, according to S. P. officials.

The mill will start December 1, with a capacity of sixty thousand feet per shift, and operate two shifts all winter, and with its dry kiln equipment will start shipping within two weeks of the time the first board drops on the green chain. Counting an average of twenty thousand feet to the carload, the company would start shipping 12 cars of lumber per day by the end of December. Later, when the second band is added to the mill, the total of carload shipments would be twenty four. Work on the installation of the second band will start immediately, according to officials of the company.

Bonanza Good Site For Mill Citizens Say

Log Pond Heated by Nature, Will Not Freeze

That one of the best mill sites in this territory is being overlooked by local millmen is the contention of residents of Bonanza, little town located on Lost river, about 30 miles east of Klamath Falls.

The site, while not at present adjacent to rail transportation, has one advantage possessed by none other in this section.

Lost river flows through the site and at this point the river is heated by warm springs. Throughout the winter a portion of the pond remains open, steam coming from the surface.

Ample timber is declared to be available near the proposed site to adequately supply a moderate sized mill for many years to come.

Birds at Pelican City Also Suffer Strange Illness

The ducks of Tule Lake are not the only birds suffering from botulism, according to data brought to light by the researches of Prof. Dusty Hannon, eminent scientist.

According to Hannon, there are birds of all kinds, sorts, and descriptions suffering from botulism in and around Pelican City. Prof. Hannon offers to show these specimens to any interested health officers.

Matrimonial Service Bureau

In pursuance of its policy of inaugurating higher and better things for the lumberjack, instituting reforms, and generally giving a powerful tug on the moral crosshaul, Lumberlogue has decided to run a matrimonial agency. Realizing that nothing is more uplifting than the pure love of a good woman, Lumberlogue, in response to hosts of queries both from the ladies and the lumberjacks, is this week starting a matrimonial bureau. If you are in age between the cradle and the grave, and able to move under your own power, let us hear from you if you care to meet a person of the opposite sex, object, matrimony or otherwise. In every case, as has been done in the following, the name of the applicant will be kept a close secret.

Lumberlogue regrets that only one lady has taken advantage of the bureau this week, but has no doubt that by another week many will have listed their charms, personal, real and financial.

1. Lady of uncertain age, has own love nest. Is blonde, fleshy, bobbed hair and blue eyes. Has been in business several years, and has nice fortune. Wishes to meet young and attractive logger coming down from woods with a large stake. Object, matrimony.

2. Young man of twenty-four. Red hair, brown eyes, weight 175 pounds, disposition spendthrift, occupation locomotive engineer, salary too much. Can be found around Pelican Bay camp two, or write Lumberlogue. Object, either matrimony or otherwise.

3. Brakeman, Algoma, recently overhauled but good as new. Many new accessories and inventions. Is tall, dark, handsome, and distinguished looking. Object, matrimony.

4. Fireman, Pelican Bay. Short, sandy hair, good complexion, pleasing personality and regular features. Fairly stinky. Wishes to meet dark young lady. Object, matrimony.

5. Setter, Ewauna. Medium height, powerful build, affectionate

character, pleasing personality, blue eyes. Hopes some day to be a sawyer. Wishes to meet active young lady with large fortune. Object, not particular.

6. Sawyer, Wheeler-Olmstead. Remarkably handsome, is married and has had several years' experience. Would secure a divorce if good-looking young woman showed up with a sufficient bank roll.

7. Bull buck, Forest Lumber company. Not much for looks but hell for efficiency. Can give references. Salary not much. Wishes to meet anything, object otherwise.

8. Scaler, Pelican Bay. Medium height, very dark, blue eyes, extremely handsome. Salary, not enough. Wishes to meet business woman with good income, object matrimony.

9. Filer's helper, Ewauna sawmill. Tall, slender, active, medium complexion, blue eyes, salary, will be more in time. Wishes to meet Mary Pickford.

WHEELER HERE
J. E. Wheeler, extensive timber operator, and owner of the Portland Telegram, has been in Klamath Falls during the past week looking over the Wheeler-Olmstead mill and his other interests in this county.

Lakeview Sees Prosperity Looming As Sawmill Owners Announce Plans For New Mills

LAKEVIEW.—Coincident with the whistle of the first Southern Pacific locomotive to be heard in Lakeview will also be heard that of two big sawmills that are promised to be built as soon as standard gauge rail facilities have been provided. The announcement comes in the course of testimony being taken before Examiner Mahaffie at the Portland rail hearing when E. Dusenbury stated that he would construct a mill of a capacity of 20,000,000 feet annually and Frank Boutin announced plans for a mill of similar capacity. —Continued on Page 9.

NO SETTLEMENT REACHED YET IN BIG MILL STRIKE

Aberdeen Workers Still out Following Dispute Over Wages

INCREASES ARE ASKED

Meeting of Committee is Called to Thresh Out All Angles

ABERDEEN, Wash.—The Aberdeen mill strike remains unchanged. The civic committee called together to settle the strike has been unable to arrange a conference with mill operators due to the absence of William Donovan, Sr., owner of the two Donovan mills, who is in Portland.

A meeting of the committee and the strikers has been called. At that time the men will consider the proposal of the committee to establish a \$3.75 minimum wage but not to grant the horizontal 50 cent per day increase to higher paid employees.

Two members of the drop crew were discharged September 23 by the superintendent at Donovan Lumber company's No. 1 mill while circulating a petition asking the company for an advance of 50 cents per day in wages. Four crews employed by this company walked out. Two crews at Wilson Bros. Lumber company struck two days later, after demanding a 50-cent increase.

A demand was made by the drop crew on the management at the Aberdeen Lumber and Shingle Co. for an immediate increase of 50 cents per day for that crew. These men were receiving \$4.70 per day. The management tried to secure conference but was not successful. They demanded immediate action. The management closed the mill down. All the drop crew at this operation were Finns.

The night crew at Schafer Brothers' Mill No. 4 walked out October 2, after demanding a 50-cent increase.

These plants were all paying \$3.25 low. They are all in the same neighborhood. The Aberdeen Lumber and Shingle company had but three men, tiers in the planing mill on this wage, and was paying common labor \$3.50 and \$3.65. Other plants in Aberdeen were paying from \$3.50 to \$4.25 low.

Mormon May Have Taken Champagne To Boxing Match

According to rumors prevalent around the Wheeler-Olmstead mill last night, Mormon King had in his possession two fight tickets, and intended to take Sawyer Jean Champagne to the fight. Lumberlogue was not represented at the fight's last night, so we are unable to give latest reports on this affair, but presume that all went as planned.

Work To Begin By S. P. On Cut-Off Near Black Butte; Will Rush Work

Completion of Project Will Put Mills Here in "Truckee Classification;" Will Mean Big Savings for Shippers

Construction will begin very soon on the most important part of the Natron cut-off from the point of view of the lumber shipper. During the past ten days the Utah Construction company has been moving equipment and building its camp on the south end of the Black Butte cut-off, this side of Sisson, California.

The equipment at present in use on the Natron cut-off will be used there as soon as winter sets in the Cascades, and work will be continued on the Black Butte cut-off throughout the winter months. The snow will not become sufficiently deep to impede progress. The Black Butte job is practically all rock work, and will progress faster when the rock is frozen, and therefore more brittle, than it would in the summer months.

Besides the shortening of the distance from Klamath Falls to Sisson the cut-off eliminates curves, and a climb of one thousand feet. Most important of all, it renders an aid to the purse of the lumberman by putting Klamath Falls under the Truckee freight rates, where it belongs, geographically, instead of under the Pacific coast rates.

Modoc Lumber Spur Will Add To Log Space

Storage For Million Feet To Be Provided

Construction was begun Monday by the Modoc Lumber company on a spur track, an addition to the present one, extending up the Williamson river about three quarters of a mile beyond the present end of the line.

The spur is being provided to give additional log storage space in the Williamson river. At present the river is filled with logs to the end of the spur that extends up the river from the mill. In addition, many thousand feet of logs are now decked along the river.

Work has also begun in preparation for blasting out a channel in the river bed over a reef on which it is believed logs would be caught when floated downstream. Holes will be drilled and powder set during the week, the blast to be fired Sunday.

With construction of the spur up the river, company officials estimated that new pond space for about one million feet of logs would be provided.

The Forest Lumber company pond is one of the best in the northwest, the river current being sufficiently swift to prevent freezing and to allow the logs to float unhampered down to the log haul.

Horan to Visit Washington Town

F. T. Horan, manager of the Forest Lumber company, left early on Monday for Bend, from which point he will go by train to Spokane on business. He will return in about 10 days.

GOES HUNTING
Bill McMillan, who recently returned from Modoc camp, has been on a hunting trip for the past few days.

Breakwater To Stop Ice Jams At Lamm Mill

Serves Double Purpose At Mill On Lake

Ice jams, driven across a six mile stretch of upper Klamath lake by wintered gales, will no longer have the pleasure of sweeping up on the shore of the lake near Lamm's mill, tearing loose the log booms and raising other havoc.

This has been assured by completion of a breakwater, consisting of two parallel rows of piling, between which was sluiced lake bottom material obtained in clearing out the log pond.

The break water serves two purposes, protecting the logs and the buildings along the shore and furnishing an enclosed pond which may be kept free of ice more easily than the old pond, which was merely a section of the lake front.

In former years, before the break water was built, ice piled up on the shore line to a depth of many feet.

Lucky Accident Fills Hole On Oregon Avenue

Two large gobs of asphalt were mysteriously dumped into holes in the road to Pelican City during the past week. Considering the policy of the city in regard to Oregon avenue and Sixth street, it is thought to be an accident, and that the asphalt probably slipped unnoticed from some Warren Construction company truck. As a result, nearly fifty feet of the way can now be negotiated in high gear without damage to motor vehicles.

Walter Henry, of the Pelican City community club, demon Star racer, went hunting for Chinese pheasants early yesterday morning. The trip netted several English sparrows.