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LOGS ARE BEING SENT DOWN RIVER

The Somers Lumber Co. has at last removed the logs which have for so long remained in the river above the dam, and now boats may run up and down the stream freely. The logs were run through the gates in the dam and will be floated down to Somers, notwithstanding they were within half a mile of the mill here, and were cut in this immediate vicinity. The only logs, evidently, that will be sawed at the company's plant here, are those in Whitefish lake.

By opening the gates in the dam the logs which were placed in the Whitefish river last winter, or previous to that time, are floated down the river, the water being thus raised sufficiently to enable the logs to pass over the shallow places. It was for this purpose, chiefly, that the dam was built here, as the company owns considerable timber tributary to the river.

HALL COMPLETED

C. A. Matthews has the lodge hall over his store completed, and a number of lodges are arranging for quarters in the new building. A carpet, which can be taken up easily and quickly, has been provided, and it has also been arranged so that every lodge which occupies the hall may have a locker in which to keep the paraphernalia, and a stall for the goat.

With the number of secret societies now represented in the town both halls should have occupants nearly every night.

BUILD SUMMER HOME

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Geddes expect to begin the erection of a summer home near Point of Pines, on Whitefish lake, at once, and with this object in view have purchased about two acres of land. The land was purchased from Jonathan Loeffler, and adjoins the ground owned by A. E. Long. It is an ideal spot for a summer home. Mr. and Mrs. Geddes, like many other people here, are firm believers in the future advancement of the country in this vicinity, and especially of the lake property.

SAW MILL WILL RUN FOUR MONTHS

Affairs at the Somers Lumber Co.'s mill here are being shaped so as to start the mill early in June, and enough logs have been cut during the past winter to run the mill for about four months.

For the past three weeks eight men have been employed in loading cars of lumber for shipment, and the stock is being greatly reduced. It is the intention to entirely clear out the yard on the north side of the railroad track, and hereafter use only the large yard on the south side.

It is intended also to run the planing mill during the summer, and it will be started just as soon as the orders for lumber justify.

C. E. Davis, who has the contract for delivering logs to the mill, is at work breaking the railroads, and will have the logs on hand at the mill at the appointed time.

H. C. Karow, superintendent of the local plant, has been on the road selling lumber most of the time for several months, and has taken many orders and made arrangements for considerable future business. He was called to Polson this week to take orders.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Mayor E. H. Snyder has appointed the following standing committees in the town council:

Finance—Aldermen McConville, McCabe, Sharar.

Streets and Alleys—Little, Skyles, Sharar.

Auditing—McCabe, McConville, Skyles, Fire—Sharar, Forcum, Little.

Ordinance—McConville, Little, McCabe.

Health—Dr. A. T. Lees, Skyles, Forcum.

Water—McConville, McCabe, Little.

Light—Forcum, McCabe, Sharar.

John Beck, a porter at the Whitefish hotel, died suddenly Wednesday morning. He was subject to asthma and heart trouble, which caused his death. Undertaker J. E. Waggner came up from Kalispell and took charge of the remains.

A. J. WALKER BUYS LAND ON RIVER FRONT FOR BOAT LANDING

A deal which means much towards the development of Whitefish lake as a resort was consummated this week, when A. J. Walker purchased from the Whitefish Townsite Co. a strip of land on the river front for a boat landing. The land lies between the Second street bridge and the school house, which is one of the most accessible points on the river for people of the town.

The work of clearing off this land and beautifying it will be completed this summer, and Mr. Walker has already made arrangements for the building of a large and commodious boat house. In addition to this a fine bungalow residence is to be constructed, which will be occupied by C. E. Davis, who will have charge of the Walker resorts.

It is understood that when the new

resort is completed all the boat business will be transferred from the Lake-view landing. This means that the main boat landing for the lake business is going to be within three blocks of the center of the town, a convenience which will be greatly appreciated by the people of the town, and which will undoubtedly result in a much larger patronage for the lake boats.

In addition to the boat house and bungalow, it is Mr. Walker's intention to build two modern cottages on the land. The boat house is to be equipped for repairing boats conveniently through the installation of a derrick, and a track running up from the water into the building. This will greatly facilitate the docking of boats for repairs, or when it is wished to remove them from the water for any reason.

Besides the improvements which will be made here, a number of new log cottages are to be erected at the Point of Pines resort, which is also owned by Mr. Walker, and upon which Mr. Davis will begin work next week.

Mr. Walker is constantly adding to his holdings in Whitefish and vicinity, and is now heavily interested here. It is his intention to make Whitefish his permanent home in the near future, and for some time he has been closing out his interests in Butte with this object in view.

There are few places that can equal Whitefish lake as a place at which to spend an outing, and this fact is bound to be appreciated and taken advantage of by tourists and pleasure-seekers more and more every year. Mr. Walker is one of those who is far-sighted enough to see this.

START WORK AT ONCE

New Brick Building and Transmission Line to Be Rushed to Completion. Machinery Ordered

Eugene Enloe, president of the Big Bend Light and Power Co., came in Wednesday from Spokane to look after the company's business here. Mr. Enloe states that the plans are all ready for the brick building which is to be constructed in Whitefish, and work on the structure is to start at once.

This building is to be two stories high, and will be used as a sub-station and for office purposes. Outside of the brick work, no contract will be let for its construction, but workmen will be hired as needed and the work supervised by the company.

The work of distributing poles for the transmission line between Whitefish and Kalispell is to start next week. At Kalispell connection will be made with the Bigfork line.

The machinery for the transformer station at Whitefish has been ordered, and will probably be here early next month.

It is the company's intention to be able to supply electricity over the new line by the 1st of August. In the meantime the Whitefish temporary plant will be operated.

Mr. Enloe expects to be here nearly all the time next month, and will personally superintend the work.

OFFICERS ELECTED

The Modern Woodmen of America held a special meeting Monday night, when the following officers were elected:

Consul—H. E. Doebler.

Advisor—E. A. Knight.

Banker—Wm. Ferguson.

Secretary—Jos. P. Wilde.

Escort—Guy Phipps.

Watchman—F. H. Phipps.

Managers—L. P. Bundeson, Percy F. Dodds, W. T. Cole.

W. O. W. MEETING

The Woodmen of the World have made arrangements to meet hereafter in C. A. Matthews' new hall, and the next meeting of the lodge will be held there.

At this meeting the members of the order are invited to bring their wives, daughters or other relatives, and each member may bring a friend outside his family if he so desires. The lodge will hold a short session before the festivities begin. There will be a musical and literary program, refreshments, and later a social dance will be given.

Frank Cheever is the proud possessor of an ideal family launch, which he has built during idle hours the past winter. The boat is 20 feet long, 7-foot beam, stationary top with side curtains, and is equipped with a six-horsepower Gray engine.

A BARITONE SOLOIST

Among the high class selections which will be played by the Whitefish band, probably at the first outdoor concert that will be given, will be a baritone solo, entitled "Execution," and which will be played by Clarence Mabry, with band accompaniment.



Mr. Mabry is the regular baritone player in the band, and handles this difficult selection in a manner that would do credit to any musical organization.

A BALL GAME SUNDAY

Somers and Whitefish Will Meet On the Local Diamond Sunday Afternoon at 3:30 O'clock

The first local baseball game of the season to be played with an outside team will be pulled off Sunday between Somers and Whitefish, and an interesting contest is looked for.

The Somers team organized early this year, and has been playing good ball, according to reports, and it is anticipated that they will put up a fast game. The game will be started at 3:30 o'clock.

Everybody who can do so should turn out to this game. The baseball association has incurred considerable indebtedness in fixing up the grounds, and in order that this may be paid off the games this summer must have loyal support.

The band will probably turn out and furnish music to lead the crowd together, and will be on hand during the progress of the game.

The Whitefish line-up has not been definitely arranged, but the players will be picked from the following:

Donovan, catcher; Hardy, Knapton and McCabe, pitchers; Brown, first base; VanSlyke, second base; Shoaf, short stop; Hamill, third base; Beaudin, right field; Miller, center field; Emard, left field; Coffey, Peterson; Kester and Gutensohn, substitutes.

The interstate commerce commission has handed down a decision in favor of Flathead county lumbermen, which will give them an advantage over the Spokane rate to the east of about 2 1/2 cents per hundred pounds on the average. The new rate will be a decided advantage to the lumbermen of this county.

E. S. Bryant, the taxidermist, was in town yesterday from Columbia Falls.

BAND TO GIVE CONCERTS

Whitefish Brass Band to Give Open Air Concerts During the Summer Months—Band Stand to be Lighted.

Bandmaster Dennis Kelley is getting the Whitefish band in shape for a series of outdoor concerts, which will be given in the band stand at the corner of Central avenue and Second street. The members of the band will donate their services to the town on these occasions, and the concerts may be continued throughout the summer months, probably once a week, if the townspeople show any signs of appreciation of the band's efforts.

Whitefish has a good band, and in Mr. Kelley the band has an excellent director who, although he could easily command a good salary for such services elsewhere, has donated his time to the end that Whitefish might have an efficient musical organization.

The band stand is to be lighted by electricity for these concerts, President Enloe of the electric light company having assured the band that the lights would be installed without charge.

MONTANA CLIMATE IS ALL RIGHT

From a bulletin recently issued by the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railway, we take the following, regarding the climate of Montana:

The climate of Montana is excellent and is usually a great surprise to visitors, who sometimes expect Canadian weather. The clear, dry air is extremely invigorating and, combined with the large percentage of bright days, makes the climate one of the most healthful and pleasant in the world. There are few days in the entire year in which outdoor work cannot be done in comfort.

No one need fear the winters of Montana. They are tempered by the warm chinook winds and by the mountains, and are not as severe as the winters farther east. Stock of all kinds winters in the open with no protection, depending for food upon the nutritious range grasses with the addition of a little hay at times. If Montana experienced much stormy or cold weather the livestock business would cease to be profitable through winter losses. On the contrary, the stockmen of Montana have made millions. In western Montana the winters are even milder than in the eastern part of the state.

Secretary H. J. McCabe of the Chamber of Commerce has a letter from the general immigration agent of the Milwaukee railroad, requesting the names of people or firms in the vicinity of Whitefish who have land to sell. The Milwaukee is listing land throughout the state, the object being to put eastern buyers in touch with western sellers.



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WHITEFISH, MONTANA

RAILROAD NEWS OF INTEREST

Earl Plymate left Tuesday on a trip to Butte.

The big 1800 and 1900 class engines are being painted this week.

Bryce Plymate is painting all the switches and signals on the division.

H. C. McCarthy has taken a position as clerk in the assistant superintendent's office.

Ten of the new 1400 class passenger engines passed through here this week, bound west.

Superintendent of Motive Power Emerson was in town the first of the week in his private car.

Work trains are hauling gravel from the Gildford pit to the Shelby line, which is being ballasted.

Car Repairer Wes Hemming left this week for Iowa upon receiving word of the death of his father.

Passenger Conductor W. W. Walcott has been sick this week, and his run has been taken by Conductor Britton.

The new sidetracks, which have been under construction for several weeks, have been completed, except the ballasting.

A number of suits have been started in Chouteau county against the Great Northern for damages, because the road charged passengers between Fort Benton and Havre full mileage, when, owing to a cave-in in the Teton tunnel, it was necessary to route them by way of Great Falls and Shelby.

Mayfield Returns.

Engineer H. T. Mayfield returned yesterday from a trip to Kansas, Nebraska and points in other states. Mrs. Mayfield remained in Milwaukee for the present, and will return later.

Mr. Mayfield expresses himself as being glad to get back to Montana. He says about the only changes he noticed around the places where he used to live was that the buildings needed paint worse than when he left and the rail fences have fallen down in a few more places.

The examining board left Saturday for Hillyard.

Engineer Chas. Smith was in town this week from the Kalispell branch.

Brakemen Williamson and Jess Dewar have been promoted to be freight conductors.

Engineer R. A. Forcum has been pulling passenger on the west end for the past week.

Clerk Bacon, in the assistant superintendent's office, has resigned his position and expects to go to his home in Minnesota.

A number of new brakemen have been put to work recently on account of increasing business. Some new firemen have also been put on. Business has been extra good for the past two weeks and everybody has been working full time.

A party of nine men, headed by G. F. Barlow, came in from Minneapolis last night and went out on the Somers train this morning. They are a part of the Great Northern engineering corps, according to current rumor, and will assist in locating the work on the reservation.—Bee.

CHANCE FOR RAILROAD UP WHITEFISH RIVER

People who are familiar with the country north of Whitefish state that a railroad north of Whitefish river and thence to the North fork of the Flathead river could find an exceptionally good grade, as there is a low pass between the two rivers north of this town.

It is not probable that this route has ever been pointed out to railroad officials, and it might be a good plan for the citizens of Whitefish to look into the matter.

J. A. Monk is one of the men who has been over this country, and he gives it as his opinion that the line would be more feasible and would encounter less difficulties than a line up the North fork. Not only could a better grade be secured, but the distance would be shorter, it is said.

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