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LUMBER JACKS OF CAMP 1 HOLD FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET

Brilliant Affair Rich in Decorations, With
Tables Magnificent and Sumptuous

Gallant and Noble Men of the Forest in the Pride of Their
Strength and With the Glow of Health in Their Cheeks
Looked Like Relics of the Days "When Knighthood Was
in Flower," While "Mingled With the Friendly Bowl
Was the Feast of Reason and the Flow of the Soul."

The employees of Camp No. 1 of the Arizona Lumber & Timber Company, marked a new era in the annals of lumbering Christmas evening. Never before in the history of any lumber region have the lumber jacks as a body of harmonious workers of the camp, celebrated Christmas day with a banquet that would have done credit to any organization of men in any section of the country.

It was a happy idea and was carried out through the combined efforts of P. J. Murphy and Chas. W. McLain, the two leading spirits of that camp.

The dining room and kitchen of the commercial hotel was leased by them for the occasion and with their own cooks, and tasty artists presented guests and fellow workers a banquet table never excelled in Arizona.

A temporary arbor was erected from the street to the dining room door of the hotel, trimmed with national colors. On either side was emblazoned in colored letters "Camp No. 1." The interior of the dining room was a pretty scene. The walls were decorated with holly, mistletoe, evergreen and bunting. Two long tables stretched from one end of the dining room to the other. Hidden snugly away in Christmas trees in the rear was the Electric Theater orchestra, whose most excellent music filled the dining hall during the banquet hour.

Old Epicurus himself would have been delighted into ecstasies at the sight of the table, where reposed delicious turkey, roasted brown, roast pig, salad and a multitude of such fixings that only an exceptional menu artist could have compiled and arranged in banquet form.

When the banqueters were seated, A. E. Hackett took a flash light picture of the lumber jacks and friends seated at the tables. Stewart Edward White's famous pen pictures of a lumber jack's life would have been gravely at fault here, for a stranger would never have concluded that this bunch of handsome whole souled, strong men, filled with the red blood of real life, could be loggers according to the generally accepted idea among men unacquainted with them individually.

It was a surprise and a convincing surprise to the people generally, that a lumber jack is thoroughly human, intelligent and entitled to the thorough respect of his fellow men, regardless of what they may have been in year passed.

When the black coffee and big fat cigars had gone the rounds, F. S. Breen, who had been honored with

the position of toastmaster for the occasion, proceeded to prod up a long list of talkers.

Mr. M. J. Riordan, Secretary of the A. L. & T. company, who is always an eloquent and entertaining speaker, spoke of the difference in methods of logging of 2,000 years ago during the building of King Solomon's temple, the cutting and hauling of the cedars of Lebanon by slaves, the birth of our savior who came to free the shackles of slavery and contrasted them with the splendid body of free men, who are advancing every day in the affairs of the world.

Hon. J. E. Jones in a brief period of eloquence, voiced the sentiment of the invited guests in saying that this first annual banquet had only marked the beginning of an association which he hoped would grow and flourish year after year.

Ed T. McGonigle, former superintendent received an ovation from his former co-laborers, which brought the moisture close to the surface. He thanked them and was thoroughly convinced that the spirit of harmony thus started so auspiciously on its way, would be of untold good to all concerned.

Sheriff Francis advised those present that he was the oldest lumber jack of them all, having seen service during the earlier years of logging in northern Arizona. He was evidently delighted with his surroundings and had surrounded all he could hold. He sincerely thought the association thus started should continue from year to year.

Jesse L. Boyce entertained the banqueters with his experiences as a lumber jack and congratulated Camp No. 1 for having planned and carried out such an elaborate affair.

T. A. Riordan, president of the company, was deeply impressed with the fine character of men and the splendid spirit of harmony that characterized their Christmas entertainment and spoke of the years he had been engaged in the woods as a logger. He was surprised, exceedingly well pleased and hoped there would be many more affairs of the kind.

James Wesley Pritchett sustained his reputation as an after dinner orator of no mean ability and was heartily applauded by the lumber jacks.

C. W. McLain and P. J. Murphy both disclaimed the credit for having arranged the splendid affair each placing the credit with the lumber jacks of Camp No. 1. They merely did what they could to help it along. From the response of the lumber jacks it was only fair for

an outsider to conclude that there was a mighty warm spot in each lumber jack's heart for the pair of them.

E. A. Sliker, cashier, in a neat talk, convinced his hearers that he was glad to be among them.

J. V. Howard scored a hit in a brief talk. He said he believed in harmony and it was a splendid season to come together; harmony was profitable not only to employees but to employer as well. Aside from this a wrong impression had grown up that a lumber jack was a sort of missing link in the human family and it was well to relieve that impression by getting better acquainted. He seemed to have thoroughly expressed his views of all lumber jacks present and was heartily applauded.

There were many hearty expressions of good will made in short speeches by lumber jacks including the following:

Chas. McGonigle, Wm. Clow, C. L. Wright, Jas. Hussey, J. V. Anderson, J. B. Barden, Mr. Haines, Mr. Lewelling, Mr. Fleming.

After toasting the officials, Messrs. Murphy and McLain, the toastmaster, and a rousing one for Camp No. 1, all stood and sang "America" accompanied by the orchestra. At the conclusion of the banquet, the guests and lumber jacks proceeded to the electric theater which had been secured by them for the evening. It was an orderly body of men, and the banquet table, elaborate as it was, was no novelty to most of them.

There was no expense spared on entertainment and the most critical could have found nothing lacking from beginning to end. The dinner cost at the least calculation about \$10 per plate and the guest appreciated the entertainment several times that amount. The people of Flagstaff will undoubtedly sit up and take notice when the next affair of the kind is mentioned by the lumber jacks.

Those present were:

T. A. Riordan, M. J. Riordan, Ed T. McGonigle, J. E. Jones, Jesse L. Boyce, F. S. Breen, Chas. McGonigle, E. A. Sliker, J. W. Pritchett, John Francis, C. W. Wright, Chas. Haines, Wm. Clow, P. J. Murphy, Chas. W. McLain, Fred Harrer, Mr. Allen, John Barden, Harry Carter, James Hussey, George Reynolds, Richard Fleming, Wm. Watson, J. V. Anderson, William Erickson, John Joseph-on, Fred Lewellen, Victor Lewellen, Ed Ellingsen, I. A. Castleberry, Robt. Castleberry, Gilbert Finley, J. W. Howard, Pete Movich, Vlas Morezoff, Edward Ericson, Wm. Sjablom, Ole Anderson, Peter Barden, J. R. Reagan, Timofia Shkatbla, Jimmy Russian, Maggie Russian, The unavoidable absence of W. A. Lannom, the esteemed foreman of the camp, was deeply regretted by all present.

The Humbolt smelter will start up March 1st so it is reported. The indebtedness has been paid off and it looks as though this start is in earnest.

Archie Grover, the irrepressible scale stick artist for the Saginaw company at Bellemont, was in the city Wednesday a short time. He has been in the hospital Williams about ten days as a result of a fall which injured his side.

Mr. N. Anderson, the lumberman, came up from Phoenix Wednesday to look after his saw-mill interests here.

"BRONCHO" BRYAN CHAMPION

Issues \$1000 Challenge to Broncho Busters of the World for Contest—Local Riders Win Honors.

Bert Bryan, who won the wild horse riding contest Christmas day and holds the championship belt of Arizona for broncho busting, issues a challenge for \$1,000 a side to any rider of bucking bronchos in the world. The test as proposed by Bryan is that each contestant shall ride twenty horses in a two day's trial, ten horses being mounted each day.

Bryan performed some rather marvelous feats at the broncho busting contest at Eastlake park Christmas. In the wild horse event where each contestant is required to rope his horse and saddle him Bryan saw that he was going to be beaten by that clever rider, Dugan. Bryan had a saddle on his horse and a rope around his neck. He didn't wait for the hackamore but leaped on and subdued the animal without it and won the contest.

The worst horse at the whole show was undoubtedly Wild Cat. He is one of the worst horses ever seen in this part of the country and compares favorably with Steamboat for pure devilishness.

While Bryan holds the championship won at the last territorial fair, there were other men at the busting contest who showed themselves riders of mettle. Crewes is undoubtedly a great rider and Dugan is one of the most daring broncho busters in the world. Joe Isabell rode a sorrel that bucked hard and rode her well. "Tex" Singleton has a reputation all over the southwest. Henry Isabell, a 16-year-old boy, did some clever riding for one so young, but he can't quite be counted in the same class with the other experts who have ridden in tournaments all over the country.

Bryan has ridden almost every bad horse in Arizona and now wants to ride Steamboat. He is willing to bet \$500 that he can ride Steamboat and whip her at every jump, and not be thrown.—Phoenix Republican.

Exciting Basket Ball Game.

The hotly contested game of basket ball between the team of the Flagstaff Athletic Association and the Northern Arizona Normal school's team was won, Tuesday night, by the F. A. A. team, score, 39 to 24.

Flagstaff's line up was as follows:

Bert Babbitt, center, captain
Tom Metcalf, right forward
Earl Slipper, left forward
Joe Wilson, right guard
Harlow Wilson, left guard
Harry Embach, manager
Normal's line up was as follows:
McDonald, center
Prof. Honn, left forward
Charley Dutton, right forward
Prof. Adams, right guard
June Gibbons, left guard
Maurice Blome, manager.
The officials were:
Maurice Blome, referee
Fred Eigenman, umpire
Raymond Babbitt, scorekeeper
Harry Embach, timekeeper

The game was very clean all the way through with a total absence of any quarreling. This speaks well for clean athletics. The Normal had quite a bunch of lively rooters, who disconcerted our boys in the first part of the game, but they did not let this stand in their way long. The hall was packed, even to standing room. Flagstaff plays Williams, New Years day at Williams, and we hope we have the same luck.

CHANGE TRAIN SCHEDULE

Several Important Changes in Present Schedule Will be Made after January 1st—New Train to be Put on.

It is reported that a number of changes will be made in the time of trains after the first of the year when the new fast mail train is put on.

No. 9, a fast mail train on the Santa Fe, now leaving Chicago at 9:30 a. m., and overtaking the Albuquerque No. 1 which leaves Chicago the night before at 10 o'clock, and No. 7, which leaves Chicago the same morning No. 9 does only at 2 p. m., or seven hours earlier is to be continued on to the coast, instead of transferring its load at Albuquerque to the other trains. The westbound trains, except the limited will pass Ash Fork close together early in the afternoon. No. 1, the regular Chicago-Los Angeles train will arrive at Ash Fork about the present schedule time of 12:30. No. 7 will be a little later than its present schedule of 2:45, this being the train at present carrying the through mail. No. 9 the new mail train, will pass Ash Fork about 2 p. m. No. 3, the Santa Fe limited, will vary but little from its present schedule, arriving about 2 a. m.

Going east the passenger trains except No. 10 will pass Ash Fork in a bunch early in the morning with but little change from the present schedule. No. 4 will pass about 4:30 a. m., No. 2 at 2 a. m., No. 8 at 3:30 a. m. No. 10 will become the most available train for passengers from Phoenix as it will pass Ash Fork about 5 p. m. No. 4, however, passing at 4:30 a. m., will be the principal east bound mail train. It is understood that Nos. 9 and 10 under the new schedule will run over the Belen cut off, not passing through Albuquerque.

Christmas at the M. E. Church.

Friday evening the young people of the Methodist church were entertained with a Christmas tree. The church was crowded and a splendid program was rendered which consisted of appropriate exercises by the children of the Sunday school.

The Red Cross drill by the Sunday school boys led by Tommy Dent and Frank Compton deserves special mention. The recitations, responses, and marches by the smaller children were all very creditable and entertaining. During the rendition of the last number on the program Old Santa put in his appearance, and was readily recognized by his great fur coat and long white beard. After telling the children how glad he was to see them, Old Santa proceeded to relieve the Christmas tree of its fruit. He was assisted in distributing the presents by several diminutive specimens of the by window type commonly called brownies. So much of the spirit of Christmas cheer was manifest that the older people enjoyed the event immensely while children enjoyed the affair as only children can.

Double Track to Ash Fork.

Civil Engineer E. E. Ball went through Wednesday with several officials of the Santa Fe on their way to Ash Fork inspecting the road for double track which Engineer Ball says will be laid this spring from Flagstaff to Ash Fork. The contracts for the work will be let by the Santa Fe company January 3, and the improvement work is an assured fact.