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Two shots of Southern Pine Lumber Company's new first aid car in use at Diboll on a 24-hour basis. Ed Watson is seen getting ready to take off on a call to any place on the plant, the woods, or in the town where ambulance service is needed. This is just another of the many new services that Southern Pine Lumber Company is providing for its employees and the people of Diboll.

Company to Give Scholarship To Stephen F. Austin College

Southern Pine Lumber Company has announced that a college scholarship at Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College, in the department of forestry, would be given to a graduate of Diboll high school who may qualify for such scholarship, and in the event no Diboll high school student does so qualify or in the event Diboll high school graduates should not wish to take advantage of the offer, to a graduate of any other high school or a resident of any other community in Angelina County who may desire an education in Forestry and qualify for the appointment.

The complete announcement is as follows:

"In recognition of the fact that timber is one of the main sources of wealth throughout the great East Texas area known as the "Big Timber Belt" Southern Pine Lumber Company of Diboll, Texas, hopes to aid in the process of conserving and growing timber in the most efficient and economical manner. In conformity with this thought, the aforementioned company recognizes that the future of the timber industry, and, for that matter, the future of much of the economic life in East Texas depends upon the type of men who establish the policies and determine the practices of timber growing and timber cutting in the years ahead. Accordingly, this company has established a scholarship in Forestry for boys who wish to specialize in this work at Stephen F. Austin State College, Nacogdoches, Texas. This scholarship will be granted every 4 years, beginning in 1949. A scholarship will yield the successful applicant a total of \$1000 over a four year period. The first year the applicant will receive \$100; the second year \$200; the third year \$300; the fourth year \$400. In order for a successful applicant to be eligible for a renewal for either the second, third, or fourth years, however, he must make a passing average in all of his college work, must be in the upper half scholastically of students taking forestry at Stephen F. Austin State College, and must conduct himself in such a manner as not to reflect discredit on the College or the profession. The conditions regulating the granting of a scholarship are as follows:

(1) To be eligible for initial consideration, a boy must be in the upper half of his high school graduating class as regards scholastic marks.

(2) First preference, other things being equal, will be given to a graduate of Diboll High School or a resident of Diboll. In the event, however, that a graduate of any other high school or a resident of any other community in Angelina County has a marked superiority, he will be given due and thorough consideration. If, for some reason, there is no properly qualified applicant from Diboll or any other place in Angelina County, then full consideration will be given to any qualified student from the "Big Timber Belt" of East Texas.

(3) The scholarship will be awarded by a committee composed of the General Manager of Southern Pine Lumber Company; Diboll, Texas, or a representative appointed by him, the Head of the Department of Forestry at Stephen F. Austin State College, and the President of Tex-

as Forestry Association, or a representative appointed by him.

(4) An applicant should write first to Head of the Department of Forestry at Stephen F. Austin State College not later than July 15. In this letter he should include a transcript of high school and-or college grades, a certified statement from his high school principal and-or college registrar stating that he is in the upper half of his class scholastically. This letter also should contain at least two letters with respect to his character, personal habits and stability from people not related to the applicant. Still further, the applicant should present, in not over 150 words, some of his most outstanding accomplishments and activities, together with a statement of why he is applying for the scholarship.

(5) After all applications are received and reviewed by the Committee, those who are selected for further consideration will be asked to write an essay of not more than 1000 words on some phase of forestry, or the timber industry in East Texas, and to appear before the Committee for a personal interview."

When the first student completes his course in Forestry at Stephen F. Austin State College the next scholarship will be granted and so on. In the event a student fails to complete his four years but drops out, say, at the end of the first or second years, another applicant will then enter the college after having first qualified himself—which will mean that one student at all times will be in the school of Forestry with a scholarship from Southern Pine Lumber Company. This is another of the many fine things the Company is doing for its employees in an effort to give an opportunity to young men who desire to make a career of Forestry.

George Smith Makes Radio Talk

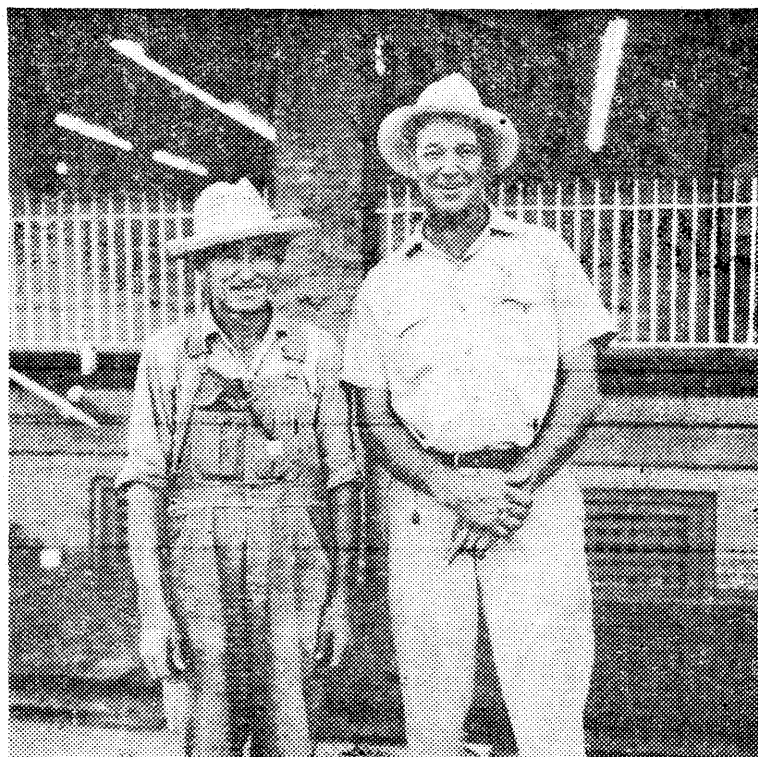
George Smith of Diboll, first Vice President of the the T. B. Association, made an address on June 12, at 9:15 a. m. over radio station KRBA in Lufkin. His interesting talk on the subject of Tuberculosis was praised by a great many people for its clarity, its educational value, and in the manner in which it was presented over the air. We quote it in full as follows:

"Ladies and gentlemen: Tuberculosis can be cured. That is a fact. Luckily, the majority of people who get TB manage to win their fight against it. But some don't. That is a fact too. That's why it is so important to play safe and do exactly what the doctors say you must do in order to get well.

It would be fine if we never had to mention deaths caused by tuberculosis. Nobody is interested in the black side of the picture. We want to think about living, being healthy and happy, enjoying a pleasant and useful future. But we would be very blind and foolish if we forget that there can be a dark side to TB. What we want to do is to make sure we stay on the bright, hopeful side. When people do lose their battles with TB, it's because they do not know the facts, or because they shut their eyes to the facts, or because they wait too long before they put the facts to work for them.

Looking at the brighter side we see that mankind as a whole is winning its fight against TB. In the early 1900's TB used to lead all causes of death. By 1944, the death rate due to TB was only one-fiftieth what it was in 1900. A great improvement, but still a long way to go.

How can the toll of unnecessary illness and death be stopped? First by early diagnosis. Second, by prompt, thorough treatment. TB used to be called the disease of youth. Fewer young



Pictured above are the smiling countenances of two members of the carpenter crew—Ellis Williams, left, and E. A. (Slim) Stephens, foreman. Behind them is a part of the new and ultra-modern Southern Pine Lumber Company store that these two played a big part in building. Maybe they're grinning so happily because it's all over!

people are dying of TB nowadays than ever before, but TB still causes more deaths than any other disease between the ages of 15 and 45. So it is still the disease that is the greatest threat during our most promising, productive years.

And no age seems to be safe. TB goes right on claiming victims into old age. Middle-aged workmen are especially hard hit. Many elderly people who have TB and don't know it, cause thousands of new cases. They blame their cough and constant throat-clearing on what they call their "bronchitis" or some other seemingly innocent sickness. But all the time they have TB. Every day they spread TB germs. There are more old people with TB now than ever before because more people nowadays are living to reach older ages.

What must I do to get my health back, you will ask. The sanatorium or tuberculosis hospital is the best place for anyone to get over TB. There they can keep faithfully to a program of complete rest. Well-balanced meals that are planned to build up the body and fighting powers will be provided. The sanatorium is a refuge where everything is provided for the comfort and aimed at one thing—complete recovery.

The TB sanatorium has especially trained doctors and nurses. There one doesn't have to worry about spreading TB germs to family and friends and fellow workers. He will be at home there with others who are making the same fight, the same journey back to health. He will be protected against the well-meaning but thoughtless visitors who, if he were in bed at home, might interrupt and spoil his rest that is his chief ally against TB. He will be protected against the danger of catching colds and other illnesses from visitors which might complicate his condition.

At the sanatorium he will be taught many important things, such as:

How to live so that TB will not return to cause further lay-ups. How to act so that when he leaves the sanatorium those about him will be safe. How to carry on the old job or perhaps a new one better suited to his condition.

We must remember that curing TB is a full-time job. Part-

time will not do! This is no time to take chances. Those who do, gamble their future, throw away their dollars, and endanger their family as well as the general public. Another important thing to remember is that finding TB early is half the battle. Having a chest X-ray once a year is the one sure way to find TB early. Your TB Association is making it possible for every resident of Angelina county to have a chest X-ray once each year. Consult your doctor or your tuberculosis association as to when and where you can avail yourself of this opportunity.

Heat Sickness

In essence, heat sickness is not the result of extremely high temperatures alone, but is caused rather by the excessive loss of salt in the human system due to perspiration.

Workers and athletes are familiar with the symptoms of heat sickness. At first, the individual suddenly experiences an "all gone" feeling—extreme muscular weakness. If unchecked, this usually leads to violent cramps and even complete collapse. Yet the remedy for heat sickness is simplicity itself for it is only necessary to replace the salt lost as a result of perspiration.

When an employee takes from four to six ten-grain salt tablets during a shift, they protect him from the violent affects of this common hazard. The tablets are easy to take, are quickly absorbed, and they provide a sure safeguard.

During the hot summer months that are with us now, take a little bottle of salt along with you if no salt tablets are available and when you drink water take salt with it. You will find you do not tire as quickly, you will feel better at the end of the day, and you will be protecting yourself against heat sickness or "burning out" in a simple, easy-to-take form.

Remember that heat exhaustion is due to the loss of salt in your body. Replace that salt several times during the day with a salt tablet or from a bottle of salt in your pocket!

The world is in quite a state of ferment, and no one can tell whether the result will be champagne or vinegar.

Company to Pay 10% Bonus in July

A bonus will be paid sometime during the month of July 1948, the exact date to be announced later, to all employees of Southern Pine Lumber Company, Temple-White, and the TSE, who are in good standing as of July 1, 1948.

The bonus will be 10% of the amount each employee has earned during the second quarter (months of April, May and June) of the year 1948.

The Company paid a 10% bonus for the entire year of 1947 and this will be the second bonus paid on a quarterly basis for the year of 1948.

FOUR NEW COCA-COLA MACHINES ARE INSTALLED

In a recent check of the Coca-Cola vending machines at the dry-chain and planer it was revealed that in 51 days, 317 cases of Coca-Cola had been sold in each of the two machines—the proceeds from which are going into Southern Pine Lumber Company's Employees Welfare Fund. On each case of Coca-Cola sold, the Welfare Fund nets a profit of 40c less the cost of replacing lost bottles.

As was pointed out in a former issue of the Buzz Saw, these Coca Cola vending machines, obtained from the Lufkin Coca-Cola Bottling Company, are being paid for out of the profits from Coca-Cola at the rate of \$15.00 per month. At the end of 20 months, Southern Pine employees will own the machines.

During the past week four new Coca-Cola machines have been installed on the plant at Diboll, making a total now of six machines.

Everybody is urged to patronize these coke machines, being careful to replace the empty bottles in the cases. At the rate we are going now with only two machines, the Employees Welfare Fund will be receiving a sizable sum of money each month which, of course, will be used to help those in need who are unable to help themselves.

The Company urges everybody to patronize the coke machine in the store instead of buying

the cokes from the market. When we put a nickel in the machine we are buying the cokes from ourselves and retaining the profits for the Welfare Fund and the people of Diboll.

Four new coke machines have been installed as follows: Mill 2, Mill 1, the Office and Store. In other words, we now have a total of six machines and it is planned to have at least one more as soon as it becomes available.

Take your nickels out to work in the morning and patronize these coke machines, and when you are in the store—this is straight from Arthur Temple, Jr., too—get your cokes at the vending machine instead of at the market. The Welfare Fund needs the profits from these machines in order to build up a sufficient cash reserve to meet the future emergencies of individual employees and, therefore, let's do our part by giving these machines our soft drink business. And remember—be careful to, put the empty bottles back in the crates because when a bottle is lost it must be paid for out of our profits.

The cooperation of everybody in this matter will be highly appreciated because it is important that we build up this Welfare Fund to the point where it will be able to take care of every needy case which might arise in the city of Diboll.

Local Student to Take West Point Exam

Carl Webber Ferguson, son of Mrs. Jimmie Ferguson, and salutatorian of the 1948 Diboll High School graduating class, has been selected by Congressman J. M. Combs of the 20th district of Texas as a candidate for admission to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point.

On June 16th Congressman Combs wrote Carl Webber that the Civil Service Commission would conduct its annual con-



gressional examination for designation to the United States Military Academy on Monday, July 12, 1948, and advised him he had selected him to be one of those to take the examination. The examination on July 12 is the first step toward obtaining an appointment to West Point. After that Carl Webber will have to satisfy entrance requirements either by examination, of transfer of credits and when this is completed his formal appointment will be made.

The examination will be held in Lufkin and Beaumont. The Congressman has advised Carl Webber that he will make all the arrangements in order for him to participate in the examination to qualify for this fine opportunity.

An Acre of Timber

Statistics released by the Texas Forest Service disclose that an acre of valuable Texas timberland burns every minute of every hour of every day the year round. And 99 per cent of the fires are caused by man. It is almost unbelievable that a half million acres of timber lands are burned, mostly through carelessness and ignorance each year.

The housing shortage could be materially decreased with the lumber that normally would be produced from the fire-destroyed acreage. And the money it represents would pay off many a farm mortgage or put a sizable number of boys and girls out in the world with a college education.

Timber in 31 East Texas counties, covering 9,000,000 acres, is protected by the Texas Forest Service. Five million acres of desirable forests in 35 other counties is not protected.

Twice as many fires occur in the unprotected counties and the over-all loss is six times greater than the loss in the protected area.

Texas spends less than three cents — actually 2.6 cents — per acre to protect its forests in the region blanketed by the forest service. To take in the other 5,000,000 acres and to improve timber conditions in all of the East Texas timberbelt, the forest service has mapped a five year plan.

It's going to cost each Texan 19 cents by 1951 to put the plan in operation. It will start from its present ebb and scale upwards gradually.

Right now, Texas and Texans are losing \$2,500,000 a year in forest fires. More than 1,000,000 acres of idle stump land and poor farm land is scattered over East Texas, which could produce valuable timber crops.

The growth of timber in com-

mercial woodlands is only half of what it could be.

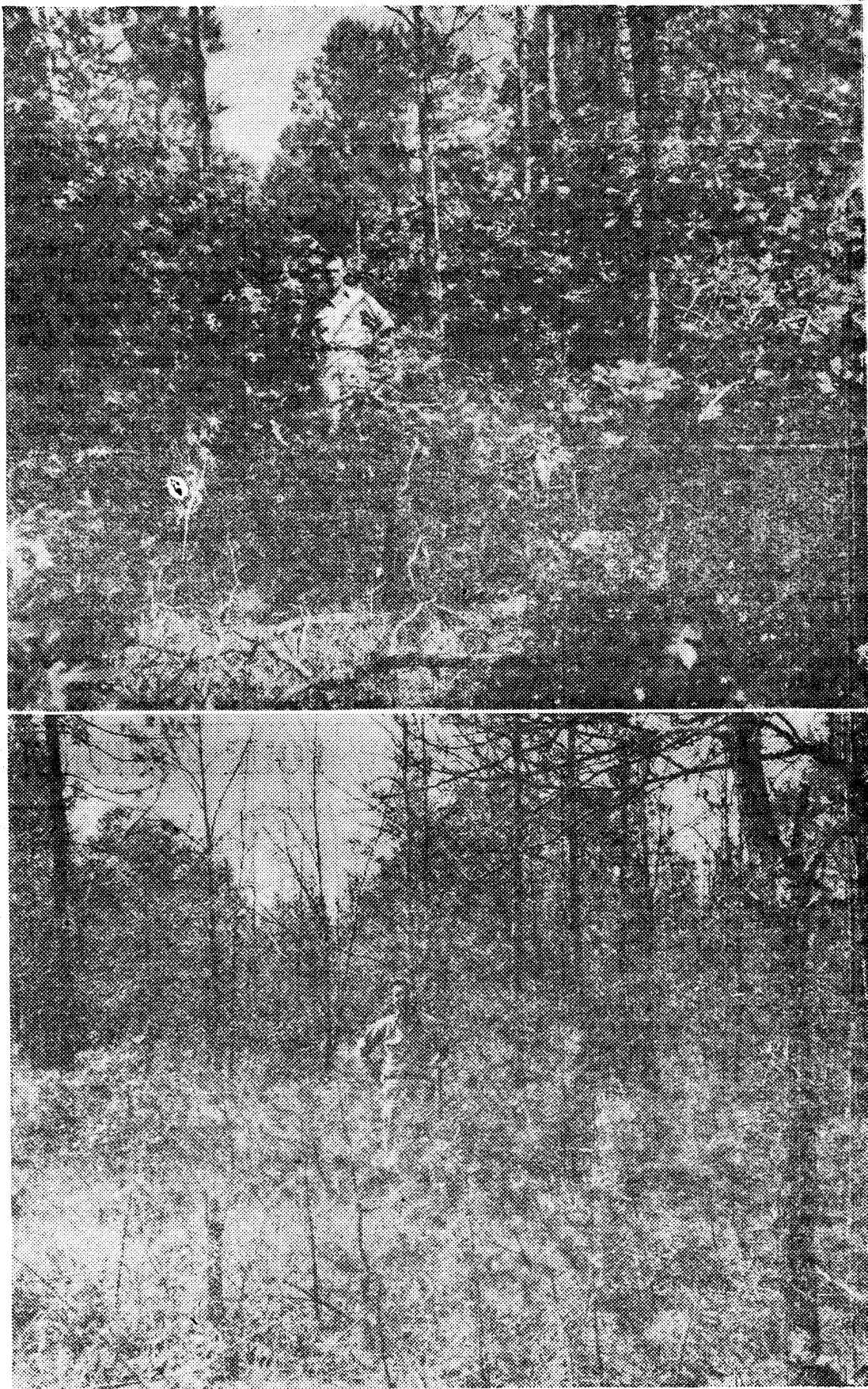
The forest service with its five year plan intends to solve those problems.

The best ways to grow timber will be determined; new uses for Texas timber will be developed through research; new techniques will be taught timber and lumber operators; forest fires will be controlled on 14,000,000 acres and seedlings will be grown to reforest idle lands and to build windbreaks and shelterbelts.

What is this Texas forest service? It has been a branch of Texas A&M college since 1915, when it was authorized by the only forestry department in the nation that is part of a land grant college.

The idea of the forest service is making trees work for the good of the most people.

Headquarters are located here with J. O. Burnside as chief. Here are two radio stations, a forestry



Pictured above, Kenneth Nelson of the Timber Department is shown in the top photograph standing in underbrush that one year ago was cleared away by chopping. In the lower photograph he is standing in a tract directly across the road from the road from the one in the top picture where the underbrush and undesirable hardwoods were poisoned with Ammate in order to give the young pines growing space. After a year the land cleaned up by the chopping method has grown back in brush and undesirable hardwoods while on the tract the poison was used the desired result—living space for the more valuable pines—has been obtained. This Ammate tree poison is applied by the simple method of chopping a small wedge near the roots of the tree and pouring in about a tablespoonful. It is much more effective, much more economical, and a given tract of timber can be thinned out with it in much less time than it can be thinned in any other way. This is another of the many programs of experimentation being carried on by the Land and Timber Department of Southern Pine Lumber Company to insure the maximum growth on its timber lands.

Cub Scout News

The big swim meet for cub scouts is tentatively set for July 12-17 in Lufkin. Cubs will be taught to swim each morning of that week with a contest to be held on the last day. Keep in touch with your Den Mothers for

research laboratory, woodworking shops and maintenance sheds.

The service owns two planes equipped with radios for aerial firehunting. Twenty-one special jeeps outfitted to fight fires are scattered over the 31 county area.

The Indian Mound nursery at Alto each year grows 3,176,000 tree seedlings for use in Texas timber production by private individuals. It is part of the forest service.

The forest service thinks it can nearly double the amount board feet of lumber produced and can cut fire damage in half in the unprotected area.

all the details. We hope to have 100 per cent attendance at the swim meet and we guarantee that every cub will have the time of his life.

Attendance at the Cub Scout meeting has dropped lately probably due to the heat, vacations, and loss of memory, but if all parents will help to remind their cubs to attend they will really get a lot out of the meetings. Some of the Den 2 cubs missed out on a big ice cream spread about a week ago. Let's don't miss any more.

Den 1 meets Thursday afternoon, Den 2 meets on Friday, and on July 2 and 9th, they will all meet with Mrs. Tallie McCall. Remember that July is the month we cook outdoors and all the cubs are urged to come out and have fun with us while they learn many interesting things about scouting.

COME ON OUT! LET'S MAKE OUR ATTENDANCE IN JULY 100 PER CENT!

Forty-Six Company Drivers Win Awards

Forty-six truck and automobile drivers from Southern Pine Lumber Company will receive safe driver awards or certificates during the month of July according to Mr. Frank Wettstein, Safety Engineer, Employers' Casualty Company.

Six drivers will receive the one year safe driver's certificate as follows: R. Carraway, Claud Davenport, Arthur Grant, Cecil Ryans, J. C. Sheffield, and W. H. Tiner. Seven drivers will receive a two year safe drivers certificates as follows: S. F. Wheeler, E. A. Stephens, W. E. Smith, Floyd Franks, A. J. Elliott, B. J. Musick, and Victor Powell.

Six men will receive the three year safe drivers certificate and a lapel pin; E. V. Stewart, Jimmy White, H. J. Harper, J. E. Dowdy, C. E. Breazeale, and J. T. Smith.

Twenty-seven men will receive

the four year safe drivers certificate as follows: N. B. Hall, C. P. Willis, F. S. Simpson, Edgar McAdams, Arthur White, W. M. Burchfield, George Thompson, W. E. Jordan, McHenry Kimmey, L. B. Breazeale, Dave Kenley, Cecil Walton, Kenneth Nelson, J. E. Strickland, Richie Wells, D. W. Glass, Lee Estes, W. W. Jackson, George Smith, Clyde Thompson, Jess Parker, Hugh Timms, Henry K. Waller, E. Burchfield, and C. E. Harper.

The above forty-six Southern Pine vehicle operators, believe-it-or-not, have driven a total of four million three hundred and eighty thousand miles without an accident! This represents one hundred and seventy-five trips around the earth at the equator. That means almost two hundred thousand round trips to Lufkin

from Diboll! If that's not safe driving then we would like for somebody to tell us what safe driving is.

According to Wettstein, these safety awards will be made sometime very soon at a dinner to be held at Boggy Slough Club House. The exact date will be announced later.

Everybody joins together in congratulating these Southern Pine Safe Drivers who have operated all told, one hundred and forty-six years of safe driving when you add up the awards for each of the forty-six men. And that meant driving on the highways, roads, and railroad tracks (Yes, we even have trucks on tracks!) without an accident of any kind during the entire period of time. It is a record that we are all justly proud of and one we want to continue to maintain without fail.

Raymond Willis, New Purchasing Agent for Southern Pine

When Clyde Thompson was made superintendent of Logging Operations and the job of Purchasing Agent became open, Southern Pine Lumber Company had a man in the shops with every qualification needed to fill the job and fill it well.

So, ladies and gentlemen, meet the new P. A.—Raymond Willis.

Raymond has had just about every conceivable type of Saw Mill experience, both in the woods, on the plant, in the power house, and in the shops. He came to Southern Pine Lumber Company from Camden on March 22, 1925 and his first job was dogging on the back end of the long side carriage at mill 1. Later he set blocks and did everything in the mill except saw and file before he was finally transferred to the Supply House in 1933 to replace George Pedigo Johnson who had been called from his job by Uncle Sam to fight the battle of Miami Beach for the duration.

In November 1945, upon the return of Warrior Johnson, Raymond went into the shop as a boiler maker—the job he held until June 14th when he received his promotion to Purchasing Agent for both Southern Pine Lumber Company and—on large quantity items—Temple Lumber Company at Pineland, too.

Raymond Willis was born on a farm in Tyler County near Woodville on January 21, 1900. He ran up and down the cotton rows until he was 19 but in the meantime completed his high school education. From there he went on to Sam Houston State Teachers College at Huntsville for two years then with the Gulf Products Company in the Electrical department under their chief engineer H. C. Holt. After that Raymond worked for the Fidelity Lumber Company at Doucette, Texas, with the master mechanic in the power department for 19 months, then to W. T. Carter at Camden where he sawed logs, drove trucks, swamped, and did everything else in the woods that was necessary for the logging operation.

While at Camden Raymond married Miss Emma Rasberry of Groveton. They have two children, Raymond, Jr., and Ellav—now Mrs. Alvin Fox, wife of Alvin Fox who is a first class welder at Southern Pine Lumber Company's shop here in Diboll.

As most everybody knows, Raymond Willis has one of the most constructive hobbies of them all—books. If all the books he has read during the past 20 years were stacked one on top of each other, the flag pole out in front of the store by comparison would look like a very thin dime. And what he reads isn't fiction or funny books. His dish is history, autobiographies, and things scientific. He is a real student of geography too, and can tell you at the snap of the finger such things as the exact height of the pyramid of Cheops in Egypt, the length of the great wall of China, the deepest point in the Pacific Ocean, the problems of compressibility in supersonic airplane flight, and a great many other things that require lots of research and thousands of thousands of hours of reading—all of which he considers great fun.

Raymond says that he has another hobby. Yes, hunting. But several of the shop boys tell me that they have caught him on numerous occasions out in the woods with his hound tied to

bush, his gun lying on the ground, while he propped up against a tree and—yes—read a book.

Raymond always has been the great believer in systematizing everything one does. For example, when he took over as purchasing agent on June 14, he made arrangements with Southland Paper Mills, the Lufkin Foundry and Machine Company, Texas Foundries, The Ford Motor Company, The Chevrolet Motor Company, and various others, visited their plants, visited their purchasing agents with a view toward finding out points in their office set up, their method of buying, and everything else he could get from them in the way of information. He wasn't completely satisfied with that little tour so he went down to Houston and was taken through the Purchasing Offices of such places as Peden Iron and Steel, Hughes Tool Company, and six others, then down to Beaumont where he was shown the set up at Norvill Wilder and three or four supply houses there. Then he sat down and figured up the best points in the many purchasing methods of them all, combined that with the already good purchasing set up here, then settled down to work.

In other words, Raymond wanted to find out what everybody else was doing, determine whether or not anybody had a more efficient system than we already had, stir everything up that he had learned in an effort to come out with a streamlined efficient purchasing system that would really be hard to beat. And we will give you some good odds that Raymond will have one that is not only among the best, but also that he will be one of the best himself.

The promotion of Raymond Willis is another example of the opportunities that exist in Southern Pine Lumber Company for men right here in the family who apply themselves, study, and aspire to get ahead. Then, too, with each passing year there will be more and more better jobs becoming available throughout our organization simply because our Company is expanding, acquiring more and more timber, planning improvements, plant additions, and new industries for Diboll which will use the products of East Texas timber. There will be more and better jobs available right here in Diboll and these jobs will be filled by men in our organization if they can qualify for the opening when the openings occur.

We want to extend our wholehearted congratulations to Raymond Willis and wish him the very best of luck in his new work. There is no question but what he will make a success because he has the ability, the experience, and the will to keep driving ahead—and then, too, Raymond is the type of fellow that just naturally does a good job of anything that he undertakes. He's an all around good fellow, a fine citizen, and one of the best employees in our organization.

Our hats are off to you Raymond, so get in there and keep wheeling!

The smart man is he who not only knows that he doesn't know much, but knows enough to keep

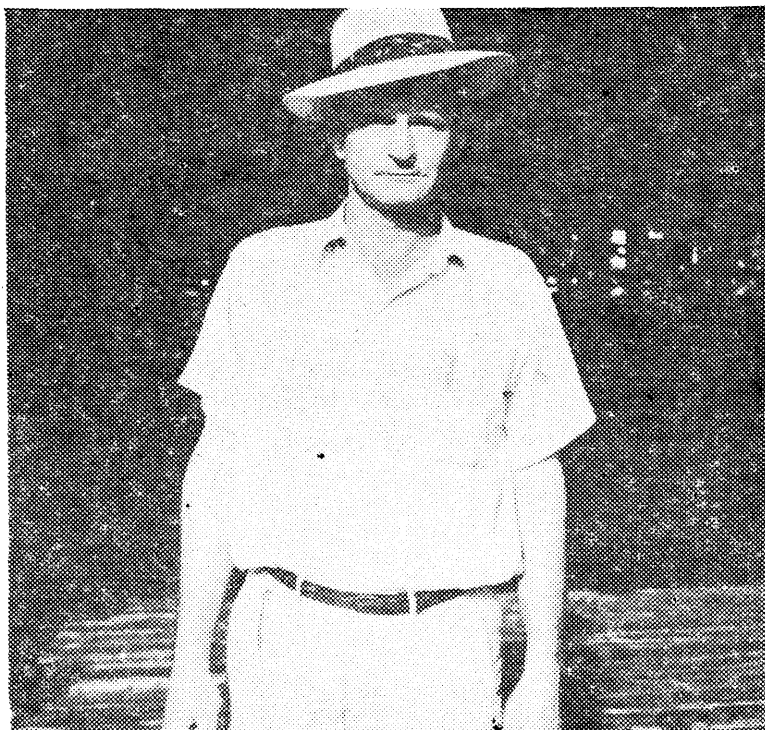
Diboll Boy On Cruise

R. C. Thompson, son of Clyde Thompson, is a midshipman in the Naval Reserve. He graduated from Stephen F. Austin High School, Houston, last year and got into the Naval Reserve program through aptitude and physical examination. Under this program he attends the University of Texas for four years taking Naval Science along with his other studies. Each summer he takes a trip on a United States Navy fighting ship. At the end of four years he is commissioned an Ensign and then serves two years in the Navy in that rank. He is then put on inactive duty with the commission of Ensign at which time he will return to the University of Texas and complete his law degree.

R. C. sailed from Norfolk, Virginia on June 5th, with midshipmen from the U. S. Naval Academy, on the U. S. S. Columbia, a cruiser. They docked at Lisbon, Portugal, on June 25, then took off for Gibraltar and the Mediterranean. In the Mediterranean the Columbia will dock at at least two North African ports in Algeria or Tunisia, then to Italy where two or more ports there will be visited. The midshipmen will be granted various shore leaves at each stopping place and will visit, among others, the city of Rome.

The return trip will be made on the U. S. S. Macon and present plans are to dock at Norfolk, Virginia, the starting point, on July 31st. Soon after that date, R. C. will be back in Diboll to pay another visit.

KNOW YOUR FOREMAN



Pictured above is E. P. Ramsey, car line foreman, who has been with Southern Pine Lumber Company approximately 18 years. With thirty men in his crew Ramsey has the responsibility of loading all lumber that leaves the car line at Diboll and loading it carefully and correctly. His son, E. P. Ramsey, Jr., age 19, also works for Southern Pine Lumber Company in Ed. Strickland's gang in the summer and attends the East Texas Baptist College at Marshall during the school term. He is studying to be a minister. Ramsey's main hobby is fishing and he claims to be able to catch them when everything including dynamite fails. According to Raymond Martin, you can always tell when Ramsey is approaching even though you can't see him, by the sound of his shoes hitting the dolly run. Martin says that they are so big that Lefty Vaughan has to contract with the manufacturer to get them built and on several occasions has gotten a letter back returning his order and saying "There must be some mistake, we manufacture shoes, not canoes." Anyway, here is Ramsey, a good man and a good foreman.

SOUTHERN PINE STORE STARTS WEEKLY SALES

Southern Pine Lumber Company's store at Diboll began a weekly two-day sale during the first part of June—every Friday and Saturday—in an effort to provide groceries, produce, and market items to the people of Diboll at the lowest possible cost.

Each week on Friday and Saturday from thirty to forty different items in the three departments of the store are put on sale to the public. Practically all these items are sold at absolute cost. Kirk Drew has announced that these sales will continue and that the people of Diboll will be able to shop here as economically as they can in

any town anywhere in this area. Southern Pine Lumber Company has one of the most up-to-date stores in East Texas, remodeled throughout, and built on the self service plan. Practically anything that can be found in the super food stores even in the larger cities can be found here at home and at prices as low or lower than those of food stores anywhere in this section of East Texas. If you are not already a regular customer of the Company store, Mr. Drew invites you to come by and compare the prices and the quality with those of any other store in this area.

SMOKEY SAYS—

BREAK IT!

Remember—Only you can PREVENT FOREST FIRES

Rat Tales . . .

By GEORGE (RAT) JOHNSON

Everybody is looking forward to the big Southern Pine Lumber Company employees barbecue on July 3rd. This barbecue was announced several weeks ago and since then the various committees have been meeting to make arrangements for plenty of good beef with all the trimmings, music, speaking, and a lot of other entertainment. It will be the first time in several years that the people of Diboll have been treated to such a big feed and it'll bring back memories of the old days when the 4th of July was really a wild day in Diboll.

Quite a few old timers here in Diboll remember when the Company and the employees would put on a barbecue and ask the world to be there. Sometimes it would look like the world had come, too, because the people would be counted, not by the head, but by the acre. Greased pigs would be turned loose and the prize of the day won by the first person to catch one. There were potato races, old fiddler's contests, greased pole climbing, wrestling matches, and lots of fights that were not scheduled nor printed on the program. In the afternoon there was always a big baseball game with an average of two fist fights per inning. Then at night the citizens would put on their tight shoes and gather for a dance.

During the day a certain percentage of the men would get steamed up on fire water, continue to take a nip or so along late in the afternoon then at night before the dance, go after it in earnest. As a result, on more than one occasion they got hold of poisoned spirits and continued to live thereafter by sheer accident.

One time when Sammy Parks and Buck Warner were the Co-managers of the baseball team, they had a 4th of July game matched with Livingston. That particular year Livingston had a jam-up first class baseball club and Buck and Sammy were worried for fear the opposition would trample Diboll in the dust by a score of at least 50 to nothing. It seems that they were short of good players and just didn't have anybody who could get on base unless he was walked. It so happened that just about this time a young man drifted into town who said he was consistently a 400 hitter and inquired as to the possibilities of getting on the team. Buck and Sammy, after being brought to with cold water, gulped, "Son, if you can just hit 200 you're hired!"

A lot of cash money had been bet on this baseball game, incidentally, so the spirits of the Diboll supporters went sky high when the news spread that a fence-busting stranger was in town and would appear at the ball park against Livingston on the 4th of July. Buck Warner, then the shipping clerk, gave the stranger a good soft easy job at the planer, got him a house to live in and assured him that if there was anything he needed or wanted that it would be quickly obtained.

The day of the big ball game they put the new man in right field on defense and in the clean up position in the lineup. The first time he came to bat the crowd greeted him with a mighty roar. He was a fine strapping fellow who looked every inch the part of a potential big leaguer. He stepped up to the plate. The opposing pitcher wound up and cut loose with a fast ball right over the middle. The mighty bat-



man hacked at it like a man chopping wood with an ax, missed the ball at least four feet, and hit the plate and broke the bat. And it was the best bat Diboll had.

On the next pitch he tried to duck but stuck his head over the plate, was beamed, and knocked colder than a wedge. At this point Buck and Sammy were both trying to wake him up by rubbing his arms, pouring ice water on his head and shaking him in such great haste that the spectators began to get the idea that the valiant hero had possibly been killed. But sure enough he sat up, shook his head, put on his cap and started toward first base.

He had taken about three steps when Buck Warner shouted at him, "No! No! not that way! This way!" and lo and behold he was pointing at the gate that led out of the park.

When asked why they were in such a hurry to wake him up, Warner and Parks said that they were both so anxious to get rid of him they didn't want to lose any time. They wanted him awake and away as quickly as possible.

Another big 4th of July baseball game was played between Diboll and Carmona at Carmona. Everything went along fine until the 6th inning when the entire Diboll infield engaged themselves in fisticuffs with the opposing team. The net result was (1) the game lost, (2) the Diboll infielders beat up, (3) half of the team struggling back to Diboll two days late.

A long time ago on another 4th of July my Father donated six head of hogs to the picnic. Whether they were actually his hogs or not I never found out; however, they were in his mark and that gave it at least the appearance of being legal. After he had dressed the hogs he told me to drive them down to the barbecue pit in the wagon and hurry back. There was a bunch of men doing the cooking and spinning yarns while the barbecue sizzled over the hot coals. I got to listening to what they were saying and forgot all about bringing the wagon back, so my father sent Aden, my brother, down to get me. Aden also liked these yarns so he forgot to tell me what Pappa had said and that he was waiting on me, so to make a long story short the old man came down in person to recover his team, his wagon, and his two sons. After working me over with a heavy leather belt until he gave out, I was then sent to bed at 3 p. m. and missed out on the whole affair. But I would have had to stand up the rest of the afternoon anyway, so I don't suppose it was so bad after all.

The barbecue used to be cook-

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Windy Winder, Our Civil Engineer

Jule Delmer Winder, Southern Pine Lumber Company's Civil Engineer, was born in Nacogdoches in 1896 and started to school, he says, at the age of four in the first grade there. At the age of nine, his father, a contractor, decided that he was much too old to be a water boy and put him—he says—to driving a team of mules. Somebody else had to harness the mules because Winder was much too small to be able to reach up high enough to do the job, but as far as driving them, he was just as tough a mule skinner as ever "thowed a whup". At the age of 16, he says, the job of drag line operator came open and he took it. From there he went on to various and sundry jobs working for his father, a member of the partnership of Rice and Winder, and at the same time going to school nine months out of the year in an effort to get an education.

Windy Winder was—he says—one of the toughest boys ever raised in Nacogdoches county. Small though he was, he was the terror of the neighborhood and when his father moved one of his saw mills to the community of Fitzey Switch, it was only natural that after a few months, our hero became known as "The Fiest of Fitzey Switch." He says.

But back to his early school days. He not only started to school at the age of four, he also had to walk three miles to get to the school house, every day. After eleven years, eleven grades and approximately twelve thousand miles of walking back and forth to school, the young scholar graduated with honors at the age of 15, then entered a teachers normal which was at that time located in Appleby, Texas.

Windy says that at the age of 18 he had all the schooling he thought necessary and again entered the construction business with his father and his father's partner, Mr. Clifton Rice, who immediately made Windy superintendent of the whole works. For ten years he ran the outfit with his father and Mr. Rice looking on from the sidelines, and was known as Winder the Wizard as the result of so many seemingly impossible construction jobs he had completed in record time and with the greatest of ease.

During World War I, Winder enlisted in the Navy as an engine man and wound up after a short time—he says—as an Ensign Navigating Officer.

Among the hundreds of different types of work he engaged in throughout the years, he once tried farming in the 1920's in Fort Bend County, Texas. He wasn't an ordinary farmer, however. That is, he didn't intend to be one; instead, he visioned himself a "Gentleman Planter." After one year went by and eight thousand dollars went down the drain, Winder decided that he had better leave the farming to the farmer and go into another business.

Back into construction work in 1921, Winder toiled on the I&GN Railroad building this and that for two years, then to Arkansas where he became district Engineer of the State Highway Department with headquarters in Fort Smith. He built concrete highways, bridges, and a reputation for being a first class engineer in every respect.

When Southern Pine Lumber Company formulated plans for remodeling the town of Diboll,

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I Might Be Right

The Company is throwing a barbecue on July 3rd for employees of Southern Pine, Temple-White, and the TSE that will be a "whing dilly" and no doubt about it.

It will be held across the highway on the East side of Diboll at the Scout House Grounds—where there will be lots of room and lots of shade and if the weather continues as hot as it has been lately we will really welcome both.

The Honorable Martin Dies, former United States Congressman from this district and one of the outstanding speakers in the entire country, will make the principal address. The barbecue will begin at 10:30 a. m. and Mr. Dies will speak at 11 a. m. After his speech the food will be served which will include potato salad and several other delectable dishes—and everybody will eat while listening to the music of a band coming to Diboll especially for this occasion.

At least two thousand people are expected to attend this Southern Pine family barbecue on July 3rd. All employees of Southern Pine, Temple-White, and the TSE are cordially invited to be there with their families. There will be music, the address of Mr. Dies, plenty to eat, plenty of ice water, then after all that there will be a double header baseball game starting at 1:30 at the Diboll Millers park which will also be free.

Remember—the big affair will begin promptly at 10:30 a. m. Saturday morning, July 3rd, Mr. Dies will speak at 11 a. m., the food will be served at 12 o'clock on the dot, and the baseball game will start at 1:30. Let's all turn out and make it the biggest thing of its kind ever staged in the history of Diboll!

If ever a town was taking on the New Look, it's Diboll. Street improvements on both sides of town are well under way and the difference in the appearance of the town is almost unbelievable. Our new engineer—Windy Winder—mapped out his plans, figured all the drainage problems, got his men and equipment together, and really went to work to lift the face of Diboll and make it look like the real town that it is. And this is just the beginning. It's a pretty swell thing to be working for a Company like Southern Pine who has enough interest in its employees to do the many things now under way to better the living conditions and improve the appearance of our community. The thing about it is this: we know now that Diboll will be here a long, long time and that Southern Pine Lumber Company has sufficient timber reserves to insure that the Company will never cut out. The Company, therefore, has engaged on a long range program to make better jobs, better working conditions, and better living conditions for the men and women who together make up this great Southern Pine family.

A town, a Company, or an individual is either going forward or going backward. There is no such thing as standing still. You either make progress, or you go in the other direction. Southern Pine Lumber Company is a company that tells us what they plan to do—selective timber programs, housing projects, town improvements of all kinds, etc., then DOES IT. In other words, we can depend upon the management of this Company

100 per cent and the reason we can depend on it is simply because throughout the past 54 years the management has proven to its employees that it will back up what it says. And that really means a lot.

Incidentally, the circulation of the Buzz Saw has risen from 650 copies—which was the number we had printed of the first issue—to 2000 copies of this issue. Of course, we mail out several hundred to various concerns, individuals, and other publications (a big majority of the mailing list being former employees of Southern Pine who like to get news of the old home town, but about 1400 copies are distributed in Diboll. Last month we had 1500 copies printed and at the end of the first day every copy was gone.

In other words, our paper is being read by a lot of people. That suits us just fine because the more the merrier.

The safety record for the first six months of 1948 ending today is the best safety record that Southern Pine Lumber Company has ever made. We have had fewer accidents for the first half of this year and the accidents we have had have been less severe than during any other six months period. We should all be very proud of this record because it shows that the employees of Southern Pine Lumber Company are really SAFETY CONSCIOUS. An accident that could not have been prevented is a rare one indeed and most of them occur simply because somebody commits a careless unsafe act. Let's all go into the second half of 1948 with a determination to make it even better than the first half and the complete year an all time record. I think one of the best ways to prevent accidents is to be a little scared all of the time—a little scared that those logs might fall off the truck you are loading or unloading, a little scared that the tree you are cutting down might bounce back, a little scared that the weak plank will give way, a little scared that if you are not careful every minute of the day you might get hurt.

All of the pictures in this issue of the Buzz Saw including the front page, were taken by Shirley (Pierre) Daniels, the official Southern Pine Lumber Company photographer. For a rank amateur, we think they are pretty good, especially considering the fact that Shirley has had only about two months experience with the camera. If anybody knows of anything or any individual that they would like to see a picture of in the Buzz Saw, contact Daniels and the chances are you can talk him into taking the photograph. If it turns out O. K., and if the subject is one we think would interest the people of Diboll, we will publish it.

PERSONALS

Barney Gofns writes from Sanitorium, Texas, where he is in the hospital that he is getting along fine. He is having the Buzz Saw sent to him each month and when he reads this we all want him to know that we miss him very much and that everybody in Diboll is pulling for him and hoping for his speedy recovery. Barney is one of the best liked men in our town and we are anxious to have him back with us just as soon as possible. Just remember, Barney, we all think about you and hope to see you soon.

Around the Town

(By FREDDIE, Pinch-Hitting for E. M. BRADLEY)

Rev. W. T. Broxton, pastor of the Shiloh Baptist Church, held a youth revival from June 14th through June 18th, and his efforts were rewarded by having 23 come into the Church. Rev. R. B. Moody, pastor of Perry Chapel CME Church with the CME chorus went over to the Baptist Church on the night of June 21st and rendered a fine program. This program, incidentally, netted \$37.11 which was a fine contribution to the Church to go into the building fund.

Rogers celebrated the first anniversary of his skating rink on June 18 with a semi-banquet at 9 p. m. It was one year ago exactly that Rogers and the three carpenters he had helping him raced against time to have the rink ready for the 19th of June. Many said that he couldn't make it by the 19th, but Rogers kept hammering at the nails and at his helpers urging them to hurry up and came in a day ahead of time. On June 18, 1948, those who took part in the brief ceremonies consisted of W. J. Jackson, Oree Brazil, and a number of others.

Rogers Cafe was jumping during this 19th of June in the fashion of Jersey Joe Walcott during his fight with Joe Louis on the night of June 25, but unlike Jersey Joe, Rogers Cafe didn't quit jumping in the eleventh round or the eleventh hour. They just kept on wheeling and dealing and everybody had a wonderful time. Rogers Cafe is still very much the center of amusement, good eats, refreshments, and the meeting place for practically everybody.

Joe Diamond's place has taken on the new look and he seems to be satisfying his customers with his good barbecue, and the regular good old Joe Diamond service for which he is noted. Diamond has been in some kind of business ever since he has been in Diboll, and with his present place has built up one that anyone would be proud of. It is said that he can open up a Cafe five or six miles deep in the woods and break even with it at least.

Mathies place has also taken on a face lifting and whenever you take a notion for a frozen bottle of pop, stop in at Zekes and he is always glad to serve you. Go around and talk with Mathies—he makes conversation almost as easy as he does his sales.

Sarah Jackson, daughter of Lee Newton, went to school in Diboll when the late Sealy Pitts was the source of all knowledge. Your truly being a classmate (and almost twin mate—we have the same birth year, month, day, etc.). Sarah was a very nice looking girl and very smart in her subjects in school. She was noted for a sweet and wonderful voice that thrilled many an audience. She is married and makes her home at 319 South Palm street, Brawley, California.

Johnnie May Randal is also a local girl and attended school here in Diboll. She is the daughter of the late John Jones. Johnnie is married and has a son and makes her home at 3017 Hare Street, Houston 10, Texas.

T. W. Randolph, son of Amos Randolph, is a local boy and went to Houston during the war and started working at a defense plant. He is now driving an inter-state truck which sometimes carries him from New Orleans, Louisiana to New Mexico. T. W. is married and has one daughter five years old. He

makes his home at 1505 Hamb-len Street, Houston, Texas, Phone M-81757. T. W. also went to school here in Diboll.

Ernest Robb is the son of the late Emmerline Robb and a first cousin to Sarah Jackson. Ernest

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Dragons Split Double Header

After losing five straight games, the Diboll Dragons broke even with the Lufkin Foundry team by winning the second game of a double header during the June 19th week end. Behind the steady pitching of Crawford who gave up five hits and struck out eight men, and the hitting of C. P. (Crank) Griffin, who collected three hits, drove in three runs and scored two times, the Foundry beat the Diboll Dragons on June 19th by a top heavy score of ten to one. F. Randolph was the only man to get two hits for Diboll and the entire team only collected five. John Mathies was the losing pitcher for the Dragons.

On the next day, June 20, it was the Foundry team with five hits, and four of those were as scratchy as a cat. In fact, Williams didn't give up a single base knock until Jellie went to sleep in left field in the sixth inning and let an easy fly ball fall at his feet. In this game, Cade, Jeff, O'Ree, F. Randolph, and Williams all got two base knocks each.

Here are the box scores for the two games:

June 19th							
Lufkin		AB	R	H	PO	A	E
McClenton, ss		4	2	2	3	1	1
Isaac, cf		4	2	1	2	0	0
Griffin, 2b		5	2	3	1	3	0
Trimble, rf		5	1	2	0	0	0
Beninon, 1b		4	2	1	10	0	0
Williams, lf		4	0	0	1	0	0
Scott, 3b		4	1	1	1	2	1
*Cleo		1	0	0	0	0	0
Caudy, c		5	0	0	9	1	0
Crawford, p		4	1	1	0	5	0
Totals		40	11	11	27	12	2
*Struck out for Scott in 9th							

Diboll	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Bussey c	2	0	0	3	0	1
Allen, ss	1	0	0	2	3	
O'Ree, cf	3	0	0	0	2	0
Jones, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
F. Ran'lph, 3b,c	4	1	2	9	2	1
Barnes, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Tinker, 1b	1	0	1	7	0	2
Lewis, 1b	2	0	1	5	0	0
Jellie, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Roach, 2b	3	0	0	0	5	1
Mathies, p	3	0	1	1	0	0
Totals	27	1	5	27	12	6
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June 20th										
Lufkin	AB	R	H							
McClinton, lf	4	0	1							
Isaac, cf	5	0	1							
Griffin, ss	4	0	0							
F. J., 2b	0	0	0							
Trimble, 1b	4	2	1							
Mark, 2b	1	0	0							
Crawford, 2b, p	1	0	0							
Scott, 3b	4	1	1							
Joe D., rf	1	1	0							
Handy, c	4	0	0							
Benimon, p, 1b	4	0	1							
Totals	32	4	5							

Diboll										
AB	R	H								
Cade, 2b	5	0	2							
Jeff, ss	5	2	2							
O'Ree, cf	3	2	2							
F. Randolph, c	4	1	2							
Barnes, rf	4	0	0							
Allen, 3b	1	1	0							
Jellie, lf	4	1	0							
Lewis, 1b	4	0	0							
Williams, p	4	0	2							
Totals	34	7	10							

Pay Day Date Changed in June

Beginning in the month of June, Southern Pine Lumber Company announced that Pay Day will be on the 5th and 20th of each month instead of on the 15th and 29th as has heretofore been done. When the 5th or 20th falls on Saturday or Sunday, pay day will be on the Friday before. This change in dates for pay days gives all of us our pay ten days earlier than we have been getting it under the old plan.

JUNE 19TH-CELEBRATION AT DIBOLL BIG AFFAIR

The 19th of June celebration with free dinner on the ground, sponsored by the Brotherhood, was a success. The meat was cooked on a special built pit which our community is very proud of. The pit was built by the Company several years ago and it is a pleasure to prepare a barbecue. From the compliments one hears about the taste of the meat, the cook (Kiddo Phillips) really operated in the style that would do credit to any chef anywhere. Dave O'Neal and his official staff strung along

with the usual committees to construct this program and carry on the activities which were enjoyed so much by everybody. The official staff consisted of Dave O'Neal, Chairman; Jack Mainer, Assistant Chairman; Elkin Amstead, Chaplain; Robert Nash, Treasurer; Finis Henderson, Secretary; Freeman Goldman, Secretary.

The Committee men were Charlie King, Clay Joshua, John Thomas, Oree Henderson, Willie Copeland, Jesse Taylor, Henry Mitchell, Bruce Armstead, Levi Rish, Jack Armstead, and yours truly.

Yours truly ate with the baseball players after the game and you talk about a jam session, bull session, and reaching and grabbing, it took place at this serving. The Lufkin centerfielder, Isaacs, related during the session that if Kiddo Phillips could do as much with horse meat as he could with beef, it would be perfectly alright with him if they started serving Old Paint like they tell me they have been doing in Houston.

Anyway, the June 19th celebration really went over big and everybody had a wonderful time. The crowd was not as big as it had been in the past, but this was because so many simply came over, got the barbecue and took it home, down on the river, and here and there, instead of staying and milling around with the crowd. Anyway, nobody failed to get plenty of real delicious food and that fact alone would make any celebration such as this one, worthwhile.

The pictures of some of this group appear in this issue of the Buzz Saw. Yours truly is missing in them, however, because I had to be at the railroad station to meet a friend when the pictures were made.

To put on such a celebration as we had on the 19th of June there must be considerable money raised from some source. Now men may raise cane, corn, cotton, etc., but when it comes to raising money, I am reminded of the time the boy and his uncle went into town from the farm to watch some girls perform as expert pistol shots. The boy said to his uncle, "You see those women with those pistols, they can shoot a quarter right out from between your fingers." "Well", answered his uncle, "if they don't get it one way they'll get it another."

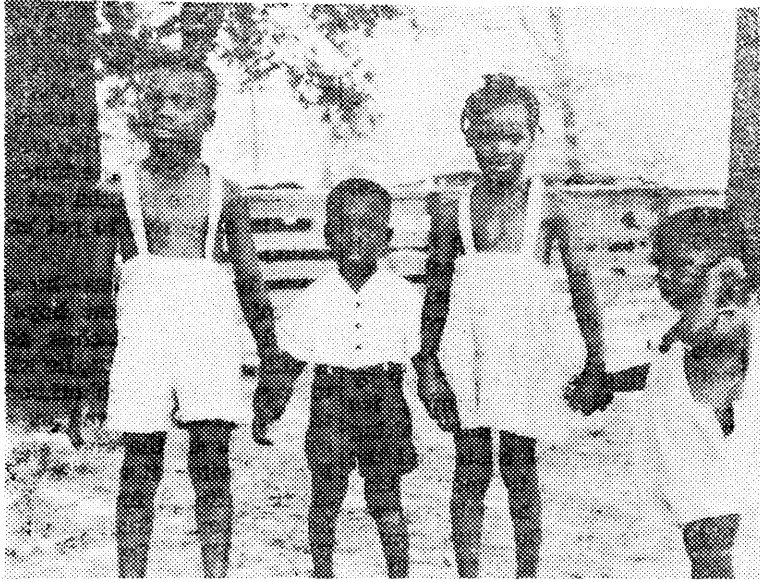
So this is where the women came in—Dave O'Neal figured that if he appealed to the women folks he could get the money raised simply because women folks are more expert in that than any other thing. And Dave proved to be right.

The committee of women named by Dave were Leavie Smith, Adell Jones and Fannie Washington. The three of them raised \$140 and received cash prizes of \$5.00, \$3.00, and \$2.00 each in the order named for their efforts. (See what the boy's uncle meant? They'll get part of it every time).

Among other things, the Company donated \$150 cash, twenty-five crates of soda water, and three hundred pounds of ice to insure the success of the celebration. This was even more than the Company's contribution of last year and I think I voice the sentiment of all the people when I say that Southern Pine Lumber Company has our whole-hearted thanks and appreciation

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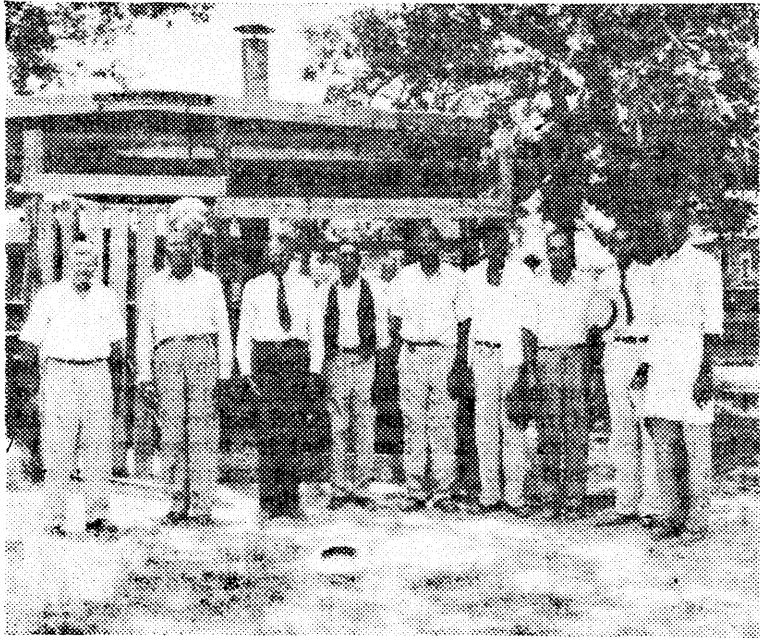
How About Some Barbecue?



Arnette, Lewis, Arnette and R. B. Williams—children of Robert Williams of Diboll.



Elwin Phipps with a plate of barbecue in one hand and soda water in the other, getting ready to settle down to some plain and fancy eating.



Officials at the big June 19th barbecue held at Diboll. See how many you can pick out.

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Celebration —

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for what they did—and what they always do—to make the 19th of June the gala occasion which it was.

You know, when you get right down to thinking about it, the Company we work for is more than just a Company. It is sorta like a father to a large family—with something like 650 children. That's the number of employees on the payroll here at Diboll and everyone of us are working together for the same Company, all together as a team. We know our Company well because for the past 54 years it has been here as a source of employment for two or three generations of men and women in Diboll. We all—together with the Company—have been through hard times. During the depression, when things got so bad that saw mills and other businesses all over the country were shutting down completely throwing their employees out of work and without any means of a livelihood, this Company never did shut down at all even though they were losing lots of money every time a wheel turned or a piece of lumber came out of a machine. Let's look back and remember those things. Who could we go to then for help when we needed help so badly? Who stuck by us and kept our jobs going, even though for only a few days a week? Who told us: "Things are bad for us and they are bad for you but if we stick together we will weather the storm"? Who was that talking to us then? It was Southern Pine Lumber Company and what they told us was the truth. They kept the mill running and we kept our jobs going and we went through those terrible days and came out a little groggy but still on our feet. We all stuck together—the Company with us, and us with the Company, and if we always do that we will never be sorry, because we will be better off in a thousand ways.

Professor W. J. Jackson who spoke at the July 19th Barbecue, and also Dave O'Neal, brought out the point I am trying to make when they said that Southern Pine Lumber Company—our Company—had proven its fidelity and its loyalty to us throughout the years and that they are continuing to prove it by bettering the living conditions of the town, improving the streets, and doing so many other things to make Diboll a finer place in which to live and work. Time and time again the Company has come to the assistance of its employees generously and willingly and asking nothing in return except loyalty from us and mutual good will.

I like this Company; I always have liked it, and I always will, and if I didn't like it I would leave here and try to find a company to work for that I did like. Doesn't that make sense? I believe it does.

Anyway, after the speakings, old and young, big and little, tall and short, lean and fat, gray and bald, started flying into the barbecue. Looking down the table, I noticed one fellow who was carrying his hands up and down so fast it appeared he was beating a tom-tom in an Indian war dance. That old boy was really storing away the beef.

They came out with the cold soda water and when they start-

ed opening it you would have thought that Junior and the little fellow next door were at war with their pop gun because they really opened it fast. Following the dinner everybody went over to the baseball game between the Lufkin Foundry and the Diboll Dragons.

The usual kid (goat) was missing this year and it was beef all the way—but you didn't hear anybody beef about it all being beef because it was really well cooked by Kiddo Phillips, the head chef.

People were here from several different states such as New Mexico, Arizona, Louisiana, Arkansas, and California, and everybody seemed to be enjoying themselves to the utmost with their friends, relatives and old acquaintances.

Civil Engineer

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the first thing they had to find was a man with experience in road construction, blueprint work, sewerage planning, drainage problems, and a dozen or so other things. J. D. Winder was contacted and he came here to tackle the job. We can all see for ourselves what he has done already in the way of street improvements and during the next few months we will see much more, because the Company plans to really remodel the town and no doubt about it, Winder, together with D. D. Devereaux, will get it done.

Winder married Mildred Richards of Diboll. Mildred is the daughter of Mr. Jim Richards who works at the Texas South-eastern Railroad in Diboll.

We welcome Old Windy to Diboll not only because we need his engineering ability here in the Company, but also because the company needs his general know-how. He is a pleasant and a likable fellow. And if you are lonesome and feel like talking to someone, or listening to someone talk to you, look Windy up. He is a fast man with the spoken word.

At times it's better to be what you ought to be than to be yourself.



Who is it—Frank Wettstein. Yes (), No (); Sidney Parker. Yes (), No (). Alright, then WHAT is it? Answer in fifty words or less.

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is also a local boy and attended school here. He did several hitch-hikes in the army after the first World War and says that he really likes the army—said it will make a man out of you if you will just let it. Now, sure enough, he is back in the service and lives at 920 Nunzie Street, Algiers, Louisiana.

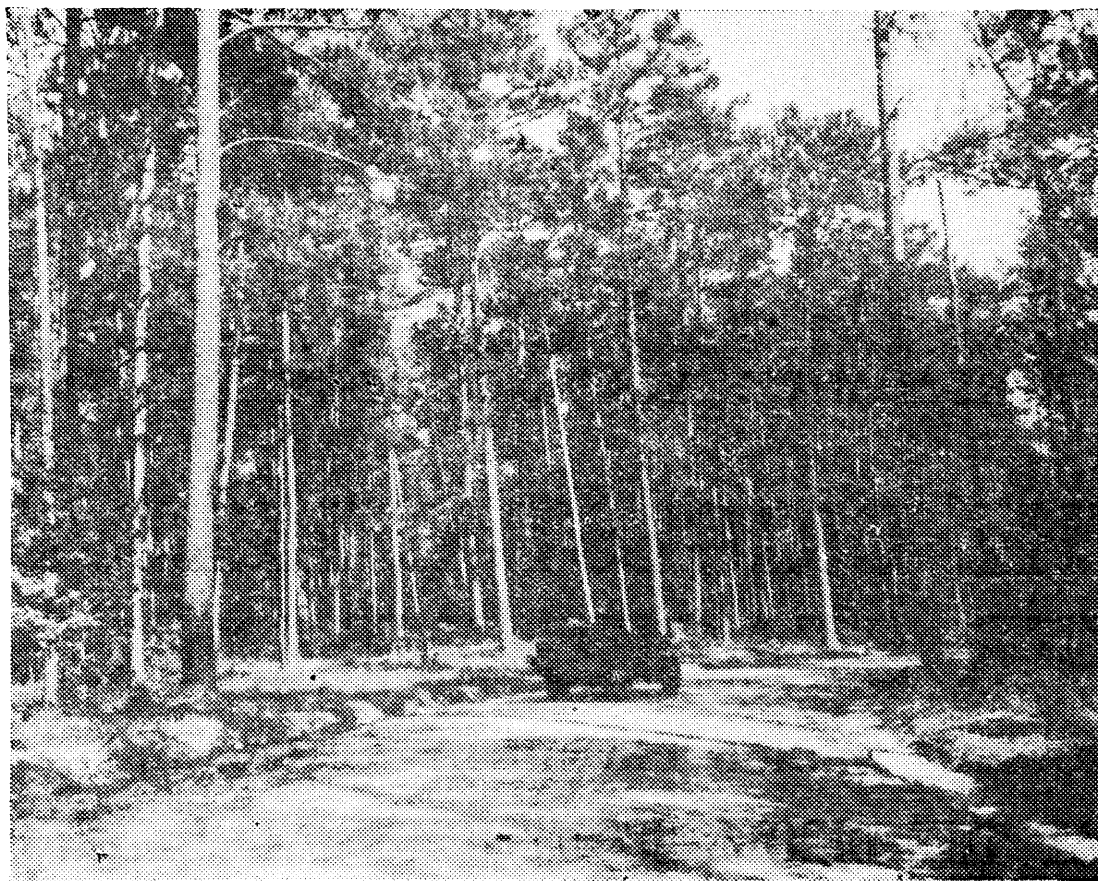
Sergeant George Baker worked at the Planer Mill here for a long time, both on the car line and in the send in. He carried the bill in the pick up crew on the car line and later went over to the send in as a bill carrier for the sizer. George finally decided to go into the army and at this writing has been in the service for 20 years or more. He is near the age of retirement. George is married and makes his home at 665 Agart Street, Oakland, California.

Melvin Weathers is a local boy that attended school here, at the same time that yours truly did. Melvin went to work soon after leaving school and was one of the best employees on the payroll. He was versatile and could do almost anything all over the plant and was therefore useful as a pinch hitter on practically every job where he was needed. He left here and went

to Houston and later to Kansas City where he now makes his home at 1212 East 16th Street, Kansas City 8, Missouri.

Wilk Peters worked on the car line as a loader man and later went into the job of putting away flooring from the flooring machine. He decided he would go to school and started saving his money and before you could say Joe Louis he was in Texas College and was there to stay. After leaving Texas College he got a job as librarian in Cleveland, Ohio, which he held until recently when he accepted the same job at Tuskegee. You may reach him at this address: Wilk Peters, General Delivery, Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama.

Columbus Washington worked at the mill tailing the saws and put in part time helping Chester Willis around the store. Columbus went to work pretty early after leaving school also and saved his money and prepared to get married. He finally did tie the knot with Florence Hurdle and they moved to Weede, Calif., where they stayed until the war then came down to Sacramento, Calif., where he was employed on a defense job. They now make their home at 2317-A 4th St., Sacramento, Calif.



Improved logging road through Southern Pine Lumber Company timberland.

Rat Tales —

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ed 48 hours and during that time they would walk out in the woods a couple of hundred yards, shoot squirrels and deer and add them to the beef, the goat, and the hogs on the grill. The result was a real menu.

Incidentally, at these old-time 4th of July celebrations they would have a dance on a big platform right out in the sun and it would start at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. After about three or four rounds to the tune of a couple of fiddles and a strong guitar, the dancers would be soaking wet with the water running out of their shoes. Unless the platform was built unusually strong—and it never was—the rhythm of the dancers would soon have it swaying like a diving board and all you had to do to keep in tune with the music was to hold on and hope it didn't fall.

Now for a shop personality.

We have told you several times choice little items about one Jim Vance, a sixty-five year young employee. Well, now he has issued a challenge to all comers and goers, for a dancing contest. He says he has a partner who has helped him win several contests in the recent past and adds that all you have to do is name the dance and they will do it. Some years ago, Vance says he went to Mexia, Texas, and entered a contest that finally narrowed down to two couples. He and his partner, of course, was one of the two. They danced and danced and kept on dancing and finally it looked like the thing would end in a draw. Jim and his partner had done about forty different steps—including several different jitterbug numbers—and the other couple had matched them dance for dance. Finally he thought of the spider walk and when he and his partner started doing that one the crowd went into a stampede, the other couple stopped bewildered and threw up their hands while the judges walked out with the blue ribbon and the first prize. He wants to know now if anybody is willing to show up at the July 3rd Company barbecue with a partner and accept his challenge.

Let's all turn out 100 per cent for the barbecue, get plenty of good free vittles, hear lots of good music, and listen to Martin Dies make a speech. He is one of the best orators in the country and this is a good opportunity for all who have never heard Mr. Dies to come out and listen to a speech that will really be a speech. In addition to that, there will be a free double headed baseball game, lots of other entertainment, and we will guarantee that you will meet all of your friends. Southern Pine Lumber Company is putting this barbecue on for the enjoyment of their employees and it promises to be the biggest affair of its kind ever held in Diboll. I'll see you there.

PERSONALS

George Hardin recently got a couple of ribs broken when he slipped and fell against a brace. The mill over there doesn't seem natural without George around. It's sorta' like having the carriage missing, or something.

If you want to hear some tall tales of rough sledding, talk to George Thompson or Bonnie Brown about the operation down at Hull. George summed it up pretty well when he said "This Hull deal is really Hull".

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