

Rib Lake Company is Logging Heavily

The Rib Lake Lumber Company is carrying on extensive logging operations east of Medford, and it is estimated that the Company will have cut about 40,000,000 feet of logs this year, as compared to 27,000,000 a year ago.

James Peterson has already put in three million, Herman Kleinschmidt a million and a half, Carl Krueger over a million, and other jobbers from eight to nine hundred thousand. There are nine jobbers along Trunk line 61, and eight along Trunk M.

The company is leaving some small timber and growth on the lands, which is of fine clay loam, excellent for farming. The company has been selling directly to farmers and many purchases along Trunk line 61 have already been made.

The company is cutting hemlock and hardwood and is shipping the logs from its own camps directly to Rib Lake, while logs from the jobbers' camps are being decked along the right-of-way of the Rib Lake Lumber company's tracks. Three million feet of hemlock have been dumped into Rib Lake. All the hemlock logged this winter was peeled last summer. At the present rate of cutting, all the company's land in the town of Corning will have been cut over in about twenty years.

Camp 19, which is located near 28-31-4 will soon be through and will be moved to 36-32-4. A spur has been extended to this new location. A new camp will be built in 32-32-4. Camp 18 has another year's logging at its present location after which this camp will be moved farther north.

All the camps have experienced healthy conditions thus far and twice the amount of logs have been put in thus far compared to last year at this time.

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CAMP 19
MOVED!

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Rib Lake

From the Herald:

The Rib Lake Lumber Co. is building a new camp, to take care of as high as 125 men. It will be known as Camp No. 20, and will be located about 15 miles southeast of Rib Lake. It is expected that the camp will be used about four years, logging a section a year from same. Charles Peterson is foreman and Dan Pelon is cook at the camp.

Fire Tuesday Destroys Jim Peterson's Camp

Timber fires, fanned by Tuesday's strong breeze, destroyed the Jim Peterson camp on Rib Lake Lumber Company land east of the Lincoln County line. This is the camp where Mr. Peterson and a large crew of men carried on extensive logging operations last winter. It is located east of Goodrich, north of State Highway 64.

The timber land being swept by fire is that piece of the Rib Lake Lumber Company's holdings located east of the Taylor-Lincoln Counties line and between State Highway 64 and County Trunk M.

Mill Shuts Down so Men May Fight the Fire

The large saw mill at Rib Lake was shut down yesterday and the entire day and night crews were hurried out to the scene of the spreading fire to help the men already on the job. A force of 300 were fighting the flames yesterday. The fire is near the company's Camp Eighteen.

Manager Williams of the Rib Lake company was in Medford Tuesday night gathering up all the available shovels and other tools needed by the men in the woods.

Peterson Has Large Loss

Mr. Peterson lost considerable property Tuesday. All the camp buildings and camp equipment, shingles, tanks, etc. were destroyed. He intended to use this camp again next winter.