

1/20/38 - The machine shed at the Natzke camp near Merrill, burned to the ground recently destroying 2 diesel tractors, other tractors, and equipment. There was no insurance on the building or machinery.

2/3/38 - Rib Lake Lumber Company Ends Second Year Under Present Management: The Rib Lake Lumber Company observed the 2nd anniversary under its present management Jan. 25. Two years ago the U.S. Leather Company<sup>X</sup> the title of its plant, lumber yard and timber and land holdings to its present owners. Present officers of the company are H.P. Woodson, President; Jack Mylrea, Vice-President; H.S. Morrison, Secretary; and Frank Handeyside, treasurer and general manager.

3/10/38 - (Goodrich) Tony and John Mikulencak came down from Natzke's camp to spend the weekend visiting with their mother.

5/19/38 - Rib Lake Lumber Company Accused of Price Fixing By Federal Commission: Charges that many of the big lumber companies in Wisconsin and northern Michigan have been guilty of conspiracy in fixing hardwood lumber prices were issued Sunday by the Federal Trade Commission in Washington. The Rib Lake Lumber Company of Rib Lake was included among the 24 manufacturers and their trade association, the Hardwood Institute, named by the commission, according to the Associated Press.

6/1/38 - Rib Lake Lumber Company Receives new Safety Flag to Inform About Accidents: The Rib Lake Lumber Company has received a new safety flag which will be raised to let the public know when an accident occurs in the plant, how serious the accident is and in which department it occurred. Three strikes on the pole indicate the severity of the accident, the flag lowered to the top stripe will indicate a loss time accident of less than 2 weeks duration; the second, a loss time accident of 2 weeks duration and not more than 3. the bottom stripe, a loss time accident of more than 3 weeks duration. The foreman of the department in which the accident occurs will lower the flag to the appropriate stripe and attach the color designating his department to the rope below the flag. The flag and color will remain in that position for 3 days. The colors chosen by the foremen of the departments follow; Mill-green, shop-blue, yards-white, planer - orange, outside activities - red. Black will be used with the department color in case of a fatal accident. A flag raising ceremony was held May 25. The Rib Lake High School band marched in formation to the Co.'s safety office. Speakers at the ceremony were Frank Handeyside, General Manager of the Co., and H.A. Ladwig of the Employer's Mutual Insurance Co. of Wausau.

8/4/38 - Rib Lake Sawmill Placed on Four Day Week Basis Monday: The Rib Lake sawmill Monday began operating 32 hours per week, increasing its activities from 3 to 4 days a week. Frank Handeyside, general manager of the Rib Lake Lumber Co. announced. If the lumber market improves, the plant will be operated on a 5 or possibly 6 day basis. The mill is expected to begin cutting hardwood this weekend.

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