

Madison's Lumber Retrospective

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forestry's Memory Lane

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August 7, 1964.

Contract negotiations between IWA and manufacturers in Southern Interior of B.C. have broken off. Companies and union were not able to agree on wages, travelling time, health and welfare, seniority, contracts and sub contracts.

Friday, August 21, 1964.

The Federated Co-operatives Ltd., at Canoe, B.C. has acquired Shuswap Timbers Ltd at Sicamous: Eagle Pass Timbers Ltd. at Solsqua is now part of the S.M. Simpson Limited complex at Kelowna.

Friday, August 28, 1964.

IWA workers in Southern Interior have accepted a 37¢ an hour wage increase over three years. The base rate is now \$2.26 an hour

Friday, September 4, 1964.

Hampton Lumber Mills at Boston Bar, B.C. have acquired a sawmill adjacent to them the Keery Sawmills Ltd.

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Sept. 18, 1964.

British Columbia has 14 prospective new pulp mills. In Prince George, the Canadian Forest Products and Northwood Pulp are both preparing mill designs. Cattermole Timber and Alexander Forest Industries have until October 1, to decide if they want to locate in Peace River area. Peace River Forest Industries is looking at Fort St. John. At Prince Rupert is Canadian Cellulose. At Kitimat, MacMillan Bloedel & Powell River are mulling prospects. At Houston, the Bulkley Valley Pulp and Timber Company are preparing to build. Kamloops Pulp is now under construction. United Pulp is surveying the Cariboo and Rupert Enterprises is looking over the Midway area. A joint mill is also being considered at Nelson by Eddy Match and the CPR subsidiary, Pacific Logging Company.

Friday, Sept. 25, 1964.

John Bene, president of Weldwood of Canada Ltd., is the first Canadian director of U.S. Plywood Corporation, Weldwood's American parent.

Friday, October 2, 1964.

H.R. Main, age 68, died this week. Mr. Main was president of Bellingham Lumber and Shingle Company and Terrace Forest Products at Kamloops, B.C. He was born at Richmond, Quebec, and was connected with the B.C. lumber industry for 45 years.

Friday, October 9, 1964.

Financial details of the acquisition of Creston Sawmills and Fort Plywood by Crestbrook Timber Limited, Cranbrook, B.C., were announced this week. Creston Sawmills has been acquired for \$850,000 payable by issue of 150,000 common shares of Crestbrook at \$3.00 and the issue of \$400,000 Crestbrook debentures bearing 6½% interest from July 1, 1964 to Dec.31,1973.

Eddy Match Co. Ltd., whose subsidiary is Kootenay Forest Products Ltd., at Nelson, B.C. has dropped its plans to join Canadian Pacific Railway in building a pulp mill near Nelson, B.C. Eddy announced the pulp project did not look interesting. The CPR which owns Pacific Logging Co. Ltd., at Passmore, B.C., said the withdrawal of Eddy Match will not affect the plans for a \$60 million, 600 ton a day mill project.

Friday, March 5, 1965.

American Lumber Standards, review committee, at Washington D.C., announced that effective March 15, mills shipping 60-20-20 specifications, who do not grade stamp their Utility dimension, must separate this grade from grade stamped Standard and Construction grades.

DuMont Forest Industries Ltd., a potential 50 million feet a year mill is now under construction at Hudson Bay, Saskatchewan.

B.C. Forest Products Ltd., had net earnings of \$11,393,300 equal to \$3.30 a share for the 12 months ending December 31, 1964. This is a 27% increase over 1963.

Production of Spruce and Hemlock plywood totalled 226,087 M square feet during 1964. This is an increase of 29% over 168,002 for 1963, according to year end plywood report of Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Count is $\frac{1}{2}$ inch square foot M basis.

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March 19, 1965.

The Saskatchewan government is trying to sell the chipboard Wizewood Co., plant at Hudsons Bay to a large lumber company. The plant has been losing an average of \$25,000 a month announced Premier Thatcher.

Friday, April 2, 1965.

B.C. Forest Products Ltd., anticipates that its sales this year will show a \$10 million increase over 1964. By 1968 the company expects to do \$100 million volume. The increase is expected to come from newsprint and pulp sales.

Record levels of sales and net income for 1964 was reported in Vancouver by R.G. Rogers, president of Crown Zellerbach Canada Ltd. Dollar sales increased 13% to \$141,808,000

Friday, April 9, 1965.

Well known B.C. lumber manufacturer George Fillinger of Aspen Planers Ltd., at Merritt, B.C. has purchased Saunders Lumber Co. Ltd., and its subsidiary Seton Lumber Co. Ltd., at Lillooet, B.C.

Thursday, April 15, 1965.

Rayonier Inc., reports a 9% increase in net sales to \$154,686,473 and a 47% increase in net profit to \$18,553,178 in 1964.

given in the report. Rayonier Canada sold 81,975,000 board feet of lumber in 1964, a slight gain from 1963.

Net earnings of MacMillan Bloedel and Powell River Ltd., increased 13% to \$41,440,597 in 1964 the highest in the history of the company. Profits compared with \$36,660,068 in 1963 were earned on sales and other income of \$413,308,840, an increase of 18% or \$63,940,497, above the previous year.

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April 15, 1965.

Crown Zellerbach Canada Limited has taken over S.M. Simpson of Kelowna, B.C. Financial details of the transaction were not released.

Friday, April 23, 1965.

A record 1,480,000,000 square feet of plywood (3/8 inch basis) were produced in 1964 by the 11 member companies of the Plywood Manufacturers Association of B.C., the annual meeting was told, an increase of 141,000,000 over 1963. Exports climbed 62% over 1963 to 452,000,000.

MacMillan, Bloedel and Powell River Ltd. has bought the assets of Wizewood Ltd. of Hudson Bay, Sask., a building products manufacturing company operated by the Saskatchewan government. Price paid was \$1,750,000.

Friday, January 22, 1965.

L.L.G. Bentley, vice chairman of Canadian Forest Products was re-elected for his seventh term as chairman and president of Seaboard Lumber Sales Company Limited in Vancouver.

Seaboard's plywood sales totalled 177,014,000 square feet, of which 88% went to United Kingdom. The unshipped order file of plywood totals 70,814,000 square feet.

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Charterhouse Canada Ltd., an industrial investment company, has acquired a 30% interest in United Forest Products Ltd., whose head office is located in Toronto.

Friday, January 29, 1965.

A strike by the inspectors could tie up a majority of mills in B.C. Final figures from P.G.E. shipments for 1964 show a total of 30,671 cars of lumber shipped. This is a reduction of 575 cars from 31,246 in 1963. Shipments for waterborne export totalled 2,735 cars, an increase of 1,019 cars compared with 1,716 cars during 1963.

H.B. Chester Cotter and E.A. McRae, well known Vancouver lumbermen, have acquired Tubafour Stud Mills Ltd., at Quesnel B.C. This mill is the largest producer of KD Lodgepole studs in B.C.

Crown Zellerbach Canada Ltd., reports a net income of \$15.1 million for 1964. This is an increase of 11% over \$13.7 million for 1963.

Friday, February 5, 1965.

Pacific Great Eastern Railway strike which started Wednesday has sharply curtailed lumber shipments from B.C. Most of the green Fir dimension sold in transit comes from mills whose only rail link is the P.G.E.

At Powell River, an expansion of \$90 million is announced by MacMillan Bloedel and Powell River Ltd. This will be followed later by an additional \$60 mil. expansion of the company's newsprint and pulp plant. This is believed to be the largest industrial expansion ever undertaken in B.C.

Weldwood of Canada Ltd., will build at \$2 million plywood plant, to produce 45 million square feet of plywood, at Longlac, Ontario. Kimberley Clark Pulp & Paper Co. Ltd., will supply the logs.

MADISON'S CANADIAN LUMBER REPORTER February 5, 1965

Frank Hardy, Erie Flooring and Wood Products is new president of Ontario Wholesale Lumber Dealers Association.

Friday, February 12, 1965.

The effect of the P.G.E. rail strike, now in its second week, extended into the Prince George Spruce area. Some of the bigger mills have shut down their planers because they lack space to store dry lumber.

The B.C. Labor Federation has asked the provincial government to take over the grading of lumber as a solution to the current PLIB dispute. Unless a settlement is reached this weekend, the 270 inspectors have scheduled a strike for next Tuesday, February 16.

H.R. MacMillan, of MacMillan Bloedel & Powell River Limited has donated \$8.3 million to the University of B.C. This is reported the largest single private gift ever made to a Canadian university.

Karl Minato and Stewart P. Gordon of Vancouver have started a 40 M per shift remanufacturing sawmill on Mitchell Island.

Friday, February 19, 1965.

The PLIB inspectors strike has been indefinitely postponed. A compromise has been reached on a pay increase and the contentious grade stamp leasing. Inspectors are now voting on the terms of the proposed agreement which are secret until the result of their vote is known.

Friday, October 23, 1964.

Total sales of Crown Zellerbach Canada were \$104 million during the first nine months of this year. This is a 12 percent increase over the same nine months of 1963. Net income increased 21 percent to 11.4 million,

Weldwood of Canada Ltd., a subsidiary of U.S. Plywood will acquire the remaining outstanding shares of Canadian Collieries Resources Ltd. at \$13.00 a share.

Friday, October 30, 1964.

East Asiatic Co. (Canada) Ltd., will build a \$60 million pulp mill at Gold River on Vancouver Island. Partner will be Canadian International Paper Co. Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of International Paper Company, the largest pulp and paper company in the world.

Friday, November 13, 1964.

Some P.G.E. mills lose up to 25% in raw material waste caused by inaccurate sawing says the B.C. Research Council also, the current myth of limiting U.K. export to about 25% of output for economic reasons has no basis in fact says the Council

In an acquisition to be completed by March 31, 1965, Merrill Gardner at Williams Lake will take over timber interests of Netherland Overseas Mills at Williams Lake, Quesnel Lake, LaLa Hache and special sales areas.

For the nine month period to Sept. 30, MacMillan Bloedel & Powell River had a net income of \$30,505,640 compared with \$26,005,175 in the same period of 1963.

A third pulp mill in the Prince George area is being discussed between Canadian Forest Products Ltd., who is already building one mill in Prince George in partnership with Reed Paper Group of England, and a German firm named Feldmuhle Akiengesellschaft of Dusseldorf. Also under construction at Prince George is Northwood Pulp Ltd, a subsidiary of Noranda, which has the Mead Corp. of Ohio as a partner.

MADISON'S CANADIAN LUMBER REPORTER November 13, 1964.

Eleven plants across Canada have been CSA certified for construction of glue laminated beams.

Friday, November 20, 1964.

MacMillan Bloedel and Powell River announced this week they have cut the price of newsprint by \$10 a ton for competitive reasons.

Friday, November 27, 1964.

All lumber associations from Saskatchewan through British Columbia have passed a resolution deploring the recent fraudulent grade marking of lumber and urge that lumber standards authorities in Canada and USA require all softwood framing lumber to be grade marked at the producing mill.

At present, B.C. Coast mills do not stamp their Utility softwood sold to U.S. Some mills through the B.C. Interior grade stamp all their Utility. Others will grade stamp at the customers request.

Friday, December 11, 1964.

Wilder Bros. Lumber Co. Ltd., at Radium Junction and Canal Flats, B.C. has been acquired by Revelstoke Building Materials Ltd., Calgary, Alberta.

Friday, January 8, 1965.

Ralph Shaw, vice chairman of MacMillan Bloedel & Powell River Ltd., resigned this week. Mr. Shaw started with the H.R. MacMillan companies in 1928.

Friday, January 15, 1965.

Weldwood of Canada Limited have acquired Northern Studs Ltd., at Lac La Hache B.C. Leslie Bradley remains as sales manager at the mill.

Oregon Pacific Forest Products Corporation have disposed of their holdings in northern B.C. to the Pas Lumber Company (B.C.) Limited of Prince George.