

state. The timber lands on the Payette are dense and will afford an inexhaustible supply for the mill that is to be erected in Emmett. The company has purchased the Fuller island, and this will be used in connection with the mill which is to be built on land farther down the river. The island will be used as a storage for logs. It is estimated that no less than 50 or 60 million feet of lumber can be housed on the island at one time. It is said by those who are close to the firm that the mill will be a big one, possibly the largest in the state. There will be a payroll of 400 men. It will be the largest of any of the local institutions in this respect. No effort at erecting the mill will be made until the river bed is in proper shape. It is expected this will require all summer and that work on the mill will begin in the fall. This will put it in shape to begin operations a year from this spring.

A few months later, under the caption, "Sawmill Surely Secured," The Index said:

"It has practically been decided by the Payette Lumber and Manufacturing company to build a sawmill at Emmett. This plant will probably be ready for operation by next spring. A meeting of the officials of the company was held in Boise last Friday and a decision was reached regarding the location of the mill. This is the sawmill mentioned by The Index some months ago. The plant will employ 300 or 400 men. Sometime ago the company purchased more than a billion feet of standing timber along the Payette river."

Since then, at intervals of a year or two there have been flurries, caused by the visit here of prominent officials of the company. At the time the above articles were printed it was expected that the mill would be built in the vicinity of what is now Plaza, near Black canyon. The company then owned, and does yet, a large body of land at that point. There the mills were to be located and a town, owned by the company, was to be built. It was expected at that time that the government would build a dam at Black canyon for the diversion of water for the Boise-Payette irrigation project, thus creating a mammoth storage pond as well as a power plant. But, as is well known, the government's plans did not come to fruition, necessitating a change in the lumber company's plans.

EMMETT'S LUMBER INDUSTRY IN PAST.

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logs that he had on hand and closed down the plant. The saw rigging was eventually moved to Oregon and the water wheel was purchased by Faris & Kesi, contractors of the Canyon canal. Thus ended the career of Emmett's first sawmill.

Bayse & Walker Mill.

About the year 1871, John T. Bayse and Sam Warner moved a small sawmill from near Centerville, in the Boise Basin, to the Payette valley, and located it on the banks of the river near Emmettville (Emmett) and sawed lumber for a couple of seasons. This outfit was run by steam power and consisted of a single circular saw. Just how long it was operated by steam is not known, for the flues of the boiler leaked so badly that it was very difficult to keep up steam. John Smearage was the engineer. The power was soon changed to water power. The output was not large on account of the limited market.

In the years 1872 and 1873 Bayse and Walker made their first regular log drives. One of the drives amounted to 200,000 feet. They were assisted in these drives by James Wardwell, Jud Allerton, Dan Downs, John Portlock and Tom Williams, the latter being the boatman and the only living member of the first crew of log drivers on the Payette river. Jud Allerton and Dan Downs made other drives for this lumber firm, but none of them reached the proportions of the first season. One of the drives was late in the fall getting to the boom; in fact, winter had set in. The drive was made by Allerton and Downs for Bayse & Walker. Both the drivers and mill owners were short of funds. The drivers refused to "snake" the logs into the pond until they had been guaranteed their wages. In the meantime Doc Durdge had heard of the difficulty and approached Allerton and Downs with a proposition to advance them \$5 per thousand on the logs if they would put them in his pond. Downs favored the proposition, but Allerton disapproved of it. So trouble was brewing, as these rival sawmills did not feel very kindly toward each other. But Douglas Knox, hearing of the matter, acted as mediator and with the assistance of Merv Gill and Jonathan Smith an agreement was reached whereby Bayse & Walker were to let Allerton and Downs have each alternate 1000 feet of lumber sawed until they had received what was due them for making the drive.

Sometime during the above periods Mr. Walker associated himself with S. K. Goldtrap and purchased Mr. Bayse's interest in the sawmill, but the mill was known as the Bayse & Walker mill until Jonathan Smith and Nathaniel Martin bought it about 1878 and conducted it under the firm name of Smith & Martin. After disposing of the mill to Smith & Martin, Mr. Walker moved a portion of the machinery to Dry Buck, where he had built a sawmill.

Up to this time the mill ditch was not large enough to drive the logs direct into the pond from the river, but they were "snaked" out of the river at the boom into the pond by ox teams. So Smith & Martin enlarged the ditch and pond, thus doing away with the necessity of "snaking"

In the year 1880, Smith & Martin sold the plant to James Wardwell, who erected a new mill adjoining the old one, putting in a double saw rigging, adding a planer and a shingle mill and later sash and door making machinery.

The old Bayse & Walker rigging went to pieces, part of it falling into the river on account of the river banks washing away, and a part of it probably being moved to Dry Buck.

The Wardwell plant was a modern one for those days and did a very successful business, necessitating larger drives each succeeding year. In order to meet a demand that still exists in this community he fitted up the top story of the mill as a dance hall and for public gatherings.

In the spring of 1885 Mr. Wardwell's mill was destroyed by fire, but it was rebuilt with more improved machinery and was operated by its owner until his death on June 5, 1891, when it was sold to Shaw, Cowden & Stevenson of the Caldwell Lumber Co. of Caldwell, who sawed what logs were cut and finally sold the machinery to K. P. Plowman, who moved it to where it now stands, just above the bridge that crosses the Payette river between Sweet and Montour.

The McNish Mill.

The McNish sawmill, which has been absorbed by the Boise-Payette company, has been in existence since 1903, when McNish & Allen bought the logs which W. H. Davis had driven to Emmett, but which the government confiscated. These logs were sawed by McNish & Allen at the Davis mill, which was located opposite the old Goodsell ranch and run by water power. In December, 1903, Ed Allen retired from the firm and John McNish continued the business. The present mill was completed in the spring of 1904, and started operations July 18 of that year. The Index of July 14 contained the following account of the new mill and an eulogy of its owner, with which Emmett people generally at this time will agree was not far-fetched:

"It is very easy for people to sit around and talk about how the only means for Idaho to reach its highest development is through eastern capital, but upon investigation it will often be found that the prosperous sections of this country have been built up by the people themselves. One of Emmett's citizens has shown the right spirit, who through his natural aggressiveness and business integrity has given Emmett its first payroll of any proportion. John McNish, merchant and lumberman, the citizen referred to, has nearly completed the establishment of his large sawmill below town. The mill begins operations Monday. The mill, which is one of the most thoroughly equipped in the state, will employ a force of 35 men. About 50,000 feet of finished stock lumber and laths will be turned out daily. There is enough timber in sight, between 2 and 3 million feet,

to keep the mill in continuous operation until next December, when it will close down to await another supply of logs. The establishment of the sawmill in Emmett has special significance as it means the starting of Emmett's first manufacturing industry and gives the town its first permanent payroll. Lumber from the McNish mill will be shipped to all parts of the state and a few more industries like this in Emmett will create a shipping point unequalled in the state."

The first log drive for the mill arrived July 7, 1904. The Index of April 21 says:

"Lumbermen are beginning to prepare for the big log drive which comes off in June. A dozen men left Monday for Smith's Ferry to look after John McNish's interests and put everything in shape preparatory to the time when the river is high enough to float the enormous timbers. It is estimated that at least fifty or sixty men from Emmett will be employed in the drive. Lumbermen who have worked on the river for years, say the log drive this spring will be the biggest, with one exception, in the history of the river. The exception is 12 years ago when Ed Allen and E. E. Stanley brought 13 million feet of lumber down the river, establishing a record which is not liable to be surpassed for years. This spring at least 5 million feet of lumber will ride the turbulent waters of the Payette."

During the 12 years of its existence the McNish mill has cut approximately 50 million feet of logs, has disbursed a vast sum for labor and supplies, and has been an important factor in the development of the Payette valley because of the liberal policy of its owner toward the new settler in town and country. As an employer of labor, Mr. McNish has an enviable record of never having had a strike during the 12 years he has operated the mill and he retires with the good will of all his former employes.

Last fall the plant was leased to the Michigan-Idaho Lumber company. The mill was nearly rebuilt and considerable new machinery was added, including a band saw and a number of labor-saving devices, and its capacity was largely increased. The lease would have expired the first of next year.

Makes Good Impression

D. W. Davis, candidate for the Republican nomination for governor, made a good impression on the audience that heard his speech Thursday evening. His plan for a taxless state by selling off all state lands and loaning the funds to farmers on long time at a reasonable rate of interest, sounded feasible and appears to be good business sense. Mr. Davis is a pleasing and earnest speaker and he was listened to with the closest attention.

To G. A. R. Convention.

George Gardner went to Pocatello Monday to attend the state G. A. R. encampment. The Relief Corps is represented by Mrs. Steinbower Mrs. Stokesbery, Mrs. Russell and Mrs. O. N. Callender.

Bulletins of Convention.

Manager Carson, of the telephone company furnished a very complete bulletin report of the Republican and Progressive National conventions Friday and Saturday. It was a fine thing to do and was greatly appreciated.

Buys Ranch

F. N. Reimer and son of Pomeroy, Wash., have bought the Crist 160-acre ranch near Box Springs and will make their home there. Mr. Reimer has filed upon a 320-acre homestead adjoining his ranch.

Butter Wrappers at the Index office.

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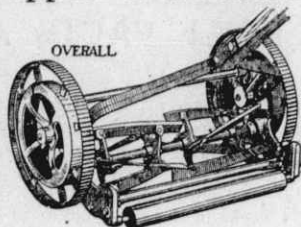
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EMMETT WEATHER REPORT.

A week's record of the government weather station, as furnished by Local Weather Observer H. T. Davis:

	Max.	Min.
June 8.....	86	50
June 9.....	85	50
June 10.....	73	38
June 11.....	73	37
June 12.....	79	42
June 13.....	86	51
June 14.....	90	58

E. C. Keith of Payette couldn't stay at home when he received news of the location of the mill from his son Walter. He and Thomas McComsey set out at once in the latter's car and will remain for the celebration tonight.

President Carson, General Manager Barton, Log Superintendent Cross, Purchasing Agent Bachelder, Attorney Fraser, all of the Boise-Payette Lumber company, and Joel Priest, of the Short Line, were over from Boise Tuesday.

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Have you a pain in the small of the back? Headaches, dizziness, nervous spasms?

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Butter Wrappers at the Index office.

Bowel Complaints in India. In a lecture at one of the Des Moines, Iowa, churches a missionary from India told of going into the interior of India, where he was taken sick, that he had a bottle of Cham-

berlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with him and believed that saved his life. This remedy is successful in India both as a preventive and cure for cholera. You may know from this that it can be depended upon for the milder forms of bowel complaint that occur in this country. Obtainable everywhere.

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