Several years back, when I walked into the museum office, coming over for a work weekend, I was handed an envelope with a number of photo prints. On it was a date, July, 1947 and it was marked copied from the LSU Library. No other information. I took the photos and scanned them, and returned the originals to the museum. A quick glance and the date told me that the photos had been taken on the Crowell Long Leaf Lumber line somewhere east of Meridian and north of Turkey Creek.

Coincidentally, they were taken in the very same month that the Office Building and Commissary at Long Leaf burned down.

I put the scans into a folder on my computer, and copied each of them into a powerpoint presentation and left them there. A couple of days ago, I got the presentation out and started to look at it. Looking at the photos now, I realized that there was much more going on in the photos than simply loading a log car with the Mc Giffert loader. In fact, the photos raised almost as many questions as they answered.

Follow me through the logic on all of this and see what you see.

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