

WEATHER

Highest yesterday — 48
Lowest last night — 40

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BUILDING RECORDS SHOW GROWTH MADE BY THE CITY OF ROSEBURG DURING YEAR 1922

Building Permits Issued During Past Year Total More Than
for Both Preceding Years Together—State Loans
to ex-Soldiers Stimulates Construction
of New Homes

Roseburg's growth and progress during the past year is shown in no better way than by the building activity which has been going on within the city during the past year. Building activity means business progress and the fact that Roseburg building records during the year show more money expended for new construction than in both of the preceding years together, clearly demonstrates that the city is advancing in a very satisfactory manner and at a pace which deserves pride to the hearts of its residents.

The year just closed has been one of unparalleled activity from the standpoint of the construction of buildings. It is also quite noticeable that the building done is along diversified lines and is not confined to special classes, as was the case during the years 1920 and 1921.

In 1920 the permits issued totaled \$117,610. Of this amount \$81,100 was spent for the construction of buildings devoted exclusively to business purposes. In the following year, 1921, it was the reverse. The city had become badly crowded for living quarters and consequently nearly all of the building reported that year was in the nature of residence construction. A total of \$126,380 was spent for new buildings that year, and only \$47,070 was spent for buildings of a business nature.

During 1922, however, the building of residences has continued even at an increased rate. Many new homes have been built in various parts of the city. The new Laurelwood addition to the city was thrown open and several attractive homes were built in that section, which is rapidly becoming one of the choice residence parts of the city. Some of the Hamilton property in Overlook was also placed on the market and a number of attractive homes were built there.

It is a pleasing fact to note that much of the building has been done by young men who have had service in the armed forces of the United States and are now taking advantage of the bonus loan fund of the state and are becoming permanently established in this community. A large number of veterans of the World war have built homes here during the past twelve months and these young men now have a decided interest in the future development of the city.

Out of the \$318,860 spent this year for building the sum of \$102,750 represents new homes, which have cost from \$1,200 to \$4,000 each. There have been no houses built of a value exceeding \$4,000, so that it may be plainly seen that the housing condition in the city is rapidly improving.

One great factor in the year's building program was the construction of the Kohlman apartment house, which is now nearing completion. This building alone cost almost as much as all of the buildings constructed last year. It is a beautiful structure and will accommodate 48 families. It is thoroughly modern in every particular, fireproof, and electrically equipped throughout. Roseburg has long felt the need of such a building and gladly welcomes the announcement that the apartments are now being occupied.

There have also been several other attractive buildings finished this year. The Knights of Pythias only recently completed their new lodge temple, which is of reinforced concrete construction. The Church of Christ Scientist is soon to occupy the new church building, upon which the finishing touches are now being made. Two new service stations have been built, one by the Roseburg Service Station company and the other by the Standard Oil company. A permit

was issued last month to the Shell Oil company for a \$12,000 substitution in this city, but owing to state rulings the company was not allowed to build upon the site chosen, but it is possible that a permit for construction on a new site will be sought later. The issued permit was not counted in the building records for the past year. A \$10,000 garage building was built by A. L. Aiken early in the year, the building now being occupied and known as the Central garage. A \$9,000 garage is now under construction at the corner of Pine and Cass streets and will be occupied by the Durant agency. The building is being constructed by G. W. Rapp.

In addition to these, many permits were issued for garages, sheds, and for small business buildings in various parts of the city, a total of 125 permits being issued during the year. The value of permits issued each month as compared with the previous year was as follows:

	1922.	1921.
January	\$11,550	\$ 5,207
February	14,700	5,000
March	29,500	12,000
April	15,900	7,550
May	138,710	16,100
June	21,750	12,000
July	17,300	6,400
August	10,775	5,000
September	14,150	10,275
October	12,100	15,635
November	6,115	15,635
December	2,450	13,455
Total	\$318,860	\$126,380

CLIMATE OF UMPQUA VALLEY WONDERFUL

Although other parts of Oregon reported heavy snow fall, sleet storms and most unusual weather during the past month, the Umpqua Valley boasted of the most ideal climate in the state. Not one flake of snow made its appearance and while other sections of the country suffered from the effects of Old Man Winter's grip this valley was enjoying regular spring weather. A former resident of Montana, making a trip from that state to the coast over the northern route, states that he passed through snow and sleet storms almost continually until reaching the Umpqua Valley. Upon entering this valley he was greeted by green fields and sunshine. Passing on through the valley he again met the snow drifts and was convinced that Douglas county was the favored spot of the universe, he turned back and has decided to locate here.

ENDURANCE RACE BEING RUN TODAY

Leaving Eugene at midnight last night more than a score of motorcycle riders started on the grueling 36-hour endurance run which will take them from Eugene to Portland, Portland to Roseburg and then back from Roseburg to Eugene. This is not a race of speed but one of careful driving and endurance. Checking stations have been listed every few miles and the drivers must arrange to be at these stations exactly on schedule time. Each driver starts with 1,000 points. One point is deducted for every minute he is early or late at a checking station and many other penalties are imposed so that it will be a very difficult matter to come through with a perfect score.

The riders are scheduled to reach Roseburg at 3:45 p. m. this afternoon. They will check in at the Harley-Davidson station on Douglas Street and will remain in the city for an hour. Machines will arrive every five minutes after the first one reaches the city, the riders having left Eugene at five minute intervals. John Roberts and Harry Fletcher, two local motorcycle riders are competing in the race which is made up largely of Eugene and Portland riders.

P. E. Nygren, of Portland is in the city for a few days, to visit with friends and relatives. Mr. Nygren is a former resident of this city.



TAIT'S CABARET IN FRISCO IS RAIDED

(Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—Tait's-on-the-Beach, an exclusive resort, known over the entire Pacific coast, was raided by federal prohibition agents early today during a monster New Year's celebration. Much liquor was seized on the tables and many of the guests were arrested.

STAR WITNESS IS BELIEVED KIDNAPED

(By United Press.)
MER ROUGE, La., Jan. 1.—Investigators probing the murders of Fatt Daniels and Thomas Richards feared today that H. L. Teegeston, important prosecution witness has been kidnaped by masked bandits and met the same fate of the other two men.

Teegeston has been missing since the night of December 28th. Many prosecution witnesses have been spirited away from the Morehouse parish, but the authorities considered Teegeston immune from terrorist reprisals.

TURKS PREPARING FOR ACTIVE WARFARE

(By United Press.)
ATHENS, Jan. 1.—Angered by the allies firm demands, Greek military preparations and the latter's refusal of "dishonorable peace," the Turkish nationalists are concentrating for an attack on Constantinople, Mosul and other strategic points, according to reports today.

They are also preparing a drive toward the Bosphorus unless the Greeks and allies back down, according to reports.

NON-WAR PACT IS IDEA OF GERMANS

Chancellor Cuno Makes Plan
Known in Hamburg Speech
—Is Vain Proposal

FRANCE REJECTS PLAN

Huns Pledge Faith to Refrain
From War for Generation
Unless Populace Votes
for More Bloodshed.

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Chancellor Cuno of the Berlin government in a speech at Hamburg today has revealed Germany's vain proposal for preserving European peace. He would have no war in Europe unless decided by a referendum of the people in the countries concerned.

Pledges Huns Faith.
HAMBURG, Jan. 1. (A. P.)—The proposal by Germany to France for a non-war pact among all the powers interested in the Rhine which France rejected, was made in the belief that a stable peace in Europe was attainable only if the nations decided to stand on the foundations of reality. Chancellor Cuno declared in a speech before the Hamburg Bourse yesterday.

He said that Germany proposed a solemn pledge of faith that for a generation none of the powers would wage war upon the others without a specific authorization from all their people in popular referendum, and that some world power not interested in the Rhine should act as trustee of this pledge. Germany advanced this to ally France's fears in the reparations situation.

Made Known to Hughes.
PARIS, Jan. 1. (A. P.)—The German ambassador to the United States suggested the non-war agreement to Secretary of State Hughes, who did not transmit it officially to the French government. It was said semi-officially here today.

Here From Medford—
Mrs. Paul Patton, of Medford, is spending a short while in this city, visiting with her mother, Mrs. Fred Williams.

NEW YORK CABARETS RAIDED BY POLICE

(Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Federal prohibition agents and the New York police joined hands in the first successful attempt to dry up New York's New Year's celebration. Practically every cafe, restaurant and cabaret on Broadway were raided. About 100 arrests were made.

TWO KILLED, SIX INJURED IN WRECK

(By Associated Press.)
FORTH WORTH, Texas, Jan. 1.—Two persons were killed and six hurt when two automobiles collided at a crossing here today.

SARAH BERNHARDT HAS FAINTING SPELL

PARIS, Jan. 1.—Sarah Bernhardt, who was thought to be making excellent progress towards recovery, had a series of fainting spells today. Her physicians are greatly worried.

CULVER FUNERAL AT CAMAS VALLEY

The funeral of the late James Culver who was killed by a neighbor in a brutal murder last week was held Saturday afternoon at Camas Valley. Special permission was secured from the highway department to bring the body from Myrtle Point to Camas Valley over the Coos Bay highway and several of the relatives accompanied the remains on this hard journey.

The service was attended by a large number of the residents of the valley and by relatives and friends from Roseburg, the deceased being held in high esteem here. He came from one of the most respected pioneer families and by his own life maintained the honor of the family being highly respected here and in his own community. The body was interred in the family burial lot in the Camas Valley cemetery.

PEARE ADMITS CULVER MURDER

Is Willing to Discuss Details
of Crime With Coos
County Officers

QUARRELED WITH WIFE

Refuses to Disclose Location
of Still Where He Made
Moonshine Which
Led to Crime

That L. W. Peare, the murderer of his wife and James Culver, a neighbor, is willing to discuss the crime in all detail and withholds only one piece of information, the location of his still, is the word received from Myrtle Point where Peare is held in jail.

Peare has signed a written confession of the murder, according to word received here and has been willing at all times to discuss the details of the brutal killing. However, the officers have been entirely unable to persuade him to tell where the still, in which he made the moonshine which caused him to become intoxicated, is located.

All of Peare's statements regarding the crime itself have been corroborated. He and his wife had been drinking, both being under the influence of liquor at the time he commenced beating and choking the woman. Their daughter several years ago married Carl Bushnell formerly of Camas Valley, but now a resident of Kitchen Canyon. There was some difficulty between Peare and his son-in-law and the older Culver was considering a law suit. His wife objected, Peare says and this started an argument which finally resulted in his striking and choking her. That he hit her several times in the face was shown by the bruises upon the body.

When Mrs. Peare became unconscious Peare said that he put her in bed and attempted to revive her but that he was unable to do so. She died at about 10 o'clock Wednesday night.

The next morning Peare killed his dogs and cats. Did so he said because he was afraid they would fall into the hands of someone who would mistreat the animals. He then went to the home of Culver with the evident intent of killing him. Culver was quite dead and Peare waited until his victim got inside the house with a load of wood and then fired, the bullet striking Culver in the side. Culver started toward Peare and then fell and Peare shot his neighbor in the head.

He then started after his neighbor Samuel Stevens who overpowered him and then trussed him up until the officers came for him.

Peare had a bad shock after he was taken to Myrtle Creek by the officers. The two bodies of his victims were in the morgue and he was taken to the door by the Coroner and that of Culver he threw off his fronted by the corpse or his wife and that of Culver he threw up his hands and shook with terror at the sight.

He left a sort of a will which he had written on a piece of paper evidently intending to kill himself when he had completed the slaughter he had planned in his mind. In his will he said that he wanted his farm to go to Joe Knight and he left \$5 to each of his two daughters.

POWER SITUATION IS BETTER TODAY

The high water in the North Umpqua brought about by the heavy rains Saturday night and Sunday receded slightly today it was reported. The power plant, which was put of commission for a short time yesterday was able to furnish power to the greater part of the city last night and Manager Jennings reported today that power will be furnished to the entire city tonight. When the high water put out the plant yesterday, the emergency steam plant was immediately put into use and by the time darkness came power was provided for all essentials. The southern part of the city only was without lights and tonight the entire city will be lighted. Manager Jennings requests patrons to conserve power as much as possible in order that everyone may be served. Patrons are especially asked to discontinue the use of electric hot water heaters during this emergency. Each heater draws the equivalent of twenty 4-watt lamps and for each heater disconnected means that the power company can furnish twenty homes with one light each. The condition is rapidly improving Mr. Jennings says, and all the homes in the city can be lighted if all patrons will cooperate in saving as much power as possible.

Dr. A. F. Sether, returned from Portland this morning after spending the past few days, attending to business matters.

BOOZE-RUNNERS SLIP ONE OVER

Fifteen Rum Boats Sneak Into
Gotham-Harbor With
a Big Cargo

VALUED AT \$7,000,000

Prohi Vessel Was Tied Up at
Dock and Engine Taken
Apart—Much Cheer
for New Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—With the sub-chaser Hansen, "federal dry navy," of the port of New York, tied up at the Battery with engines disabled, the narrow was left unguarded tonight long enough for fifteen rum runners to slip into port with nearly seven million dollars worth of liquor for New Year's, the police department was advised.

The 15 little vessels are believed by prohibition officials to have aboard at least 60,000 cases of liquor they represent only a part of the fleet of rum laden craft which since a few days before Christmas have been lying outside the three-mile limit, awaiting opportunity to run the gauntlet into the city.

Federal Prohibition Zone Chief Appleby was amazed when he learned that the Hansen, flagship of his "dry fleet," was tied up at her pier.

Thought Vessel on Patrol.

"I thought she was out patrolling the narrow," he explained. Appleby immediately got in touch with Captain John H. Dymart, commander of the Hansen. It developed that a mysterious order had been received on the Hansen to have her engines repaired, but the authority for the order could not be learned. The rum chaser then went to her dock and her engines were taken down.

All this followed discovery in the crews quarters of the Hansen today of twenty cases of liquor, alleged to have been part of cargo of 70 cases seized on the schooner Linnie Bell, several days ago.

Informed Engine Dismantled.

When Appleby told Captain Dymart that since the Hansen had been docked under her own power, she should be put to sea at once to watch the liquor smuggling craft, he was informed the engine was dismantled. Besides said Captain Dymart, the removal of members of the crew in connection with the 20 cases had left him too short handed to start on patrol.

With the Hansen out of the way, Appleby tonight endeavored to press every available small boat into service to head off the blockade runners. He said the narrow was guarded by police patrols and the coast guard men also were vigilant.

Piers in the North and East rivers and along Brooklyn and Staten Island waterfronts were under sharp scrutiny of customs men he said, and while the dry navy's smaller craft would not be able to compete with the smugglers in the outer bay, they would be able to give a lively chase in the harbor.

Appleby said he did not believe there were now more than two or three large liquor vessels off the three-mile limit within striking distance. There had been ten or fifteen reported between Cape May, N. J., and Boston before the storm, but he was satisfied, he said, that some of these craft had gone to the bottom of the sea.

MANY ATTENDING FOOTBALL GAME

Great interest is being shown in the Corvallis-Toledo football game being played at Corvallis today. The Toledo high school team is considered the leading high school team of the east and the husky easterners are now on a trip to the west to meet the leading teams of the coast. The Corvallis high school team was considered one of the best in Oregon and was picked to meet the visitors in this state. The game was originally scheduled for Medford, but Corvallis finally managed to secure the honors of this contest and as a result the rival teams met there today.

A large number of local fans went by train and automobile to the college town today for the purpose of witnessing this game to determine the high school championship of the country. The Corvallis team is composed of heavy and experienced players and is a representative of Oregon to meet the eastern eleven.

NEW YEAR'S EDITION

Copies of the New Year's Edition of the News-Review may be had at this office wrapped and ready for mailing at five cents each. This edition is filled with many excellent articles from prominent farmers, stockmen, fruit experts and other lines of industry, and each gives his own individual experiences and opinions, and in his own language, so that a copy of this splendid issue will be just the thing to send to your friends East, or to send in answer to any inquiries you may have concerning Douglas County. The issue contains 38 pages, and carries a lot of useful information that is a real boost for Douglas County. Send or phone in your orders early.