

MARKS START GERMAN BOOM

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BERLIN, (IN8) — All available reports on building activities from the various provinces of Germany during the last twelve months reveal a decided increase over any corresponding period since pre-war days. Such an increase is a striking fact in "crumbling Germany."

In all large cities and in rural districts, especially in agricultural regions, construction work of a permanent nature is being pressed with energy. In the business centers of Berlin alone a score of handsome buildings are being erected, railroads are being extended and improved streets repaired and pavements laid, and in luxurious homes are springing up in nearly every street. In Unter den Linden, adjacent to the French Embassy, where reports are being drawn up on Germany's ability to pay reparations, an imposing white structure is now being completed by a banking firm.

There is plenty of work for masons, carpenters, plasterers and bricklayers, and while these men are making their land materially more solid they and their families are suffering heavy hardships because of the economic and financial chaos now existing.

Built on Paper
There is reason for this feverish building activity which is so deceptive to visitors, who upon entering Germany are struck by the outward appearance of prosperity. Many of these visitors arrive at the Friedrichstrasse Station, where a gigantic modern stone structure is now under construction to give Germany one of the finest railroad stations in the world. But these foundations of stone are laid by paper marks.

For many months business houses and manufacturers have been trying to put their papers into something substantial. They can build on a reasonable rate and cut their building expenses by contracts which are stowed in fulfillment than the slide of the fictitious currency. Business men who have made huge profits from the war and post-war periods have not been so short-sighted as to let their money go with the mark. They have built homes in which to live comfortably, bought automobiles and jewels and fine clothes, so that if their country goes bankrupt and their business is shattered they will still have their material wealth.

The only fear of this new luxury class is a revolution. If the country can struggle on and avoid the fate of Russia, the restored Germany will have a new and entirely different wealthy class than that which enjoyed the halcyon days before 1914.

Farmer's Better Off

The German farmer is perhaps better off than the American farmer. He has had excellent crops since the war ended, and he has been able to collect huge profits. In recent months he has seen the necessity of investing his paper wealth, and so he has equipped his property with fine buildings and the most modern agricultural implements. He has been able to afford new methods and experiments, and as a result the agricultural class is better off now than ever before in history. The German peasant, who used to be so far behind the times, now enjoys such an independence that he can almost dictate to the cities, and of late he has even refused to sell his goods for the questionable money which has been the only medium of exchange.

The establishment of a new and solid currency will find a new state of economic affairs in Germany. There has been a quiet and bloodless revolution, and the old division of social classes will never be the same again.

Grand Rapids Press: We guess no automobile was ever too battered and wobbly not to be called the "mystery car" if it gets somebody into a scrape.

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KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE NOW INCLUDE HUGHES

OAKLAND, Cal., (AP)—Secretary of State Charles E. Hughes has been made the third honorary knight of the Round Table. It is announced here by J. A. McDonald, secretary of the international board of Loyal Knights of the Round Table. Membership in the honorary knights is limited to 125 throughout the world, in initiation of the number said to have made up the ancient round table of King Arthur.

The Loyal Knights of the Round Table is a luncheon-service club similar to Rotary. It emphasizes local performance of the responsibilities of citizenship, and a co-operative spirit in each community. The Loyal Knights appoint the honorary knights, a tribute conferred only in recognition of exceptional service to humanity. The first two to be elevated to the knights were Thomas A. Edison and J. Edgar Hoover. Then Mr. Hughes was chosen for constructive service in the field of citizenship.

In his acceptance Secretary Hughes wrote: "The honor is highly appreciated, and in view of the organization as a non-political, non-sectarian, friendship club, devoted to loyal co-operative living, and in view of the emphasis placed upon the service of citizens in the performance of public duty, it gives me much pleasure to accept."

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in by 2:00 a. m.

Breakfasts are now being served by our chef, Mr. Newman. Our leader, waffles and coffee, 25c. Palace Confectionery. 12-22-24

Boston Traveler: That old institution, the straw vote, has largely disappeared, but we have more and more straw votes.

Something good at our mid-day lunch at our good fountain Monday and Tuesday, Silverthorn-Wright's Family Drug Store. 12-23-24

Cigars of popular brands and good sellers, \$1.00 a box, \$1.25 a box and \$2.50 a box and on up to \$6.00 a box of 50. You can buy them at Silverthorn-Wright's Family Drug Store. 12-21-24

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Button holes, buttons covered, stamping. Mail orders given prompt attention. All work guaranteed. Fancy art goods, D. M. C. Thread and Baby Wear.

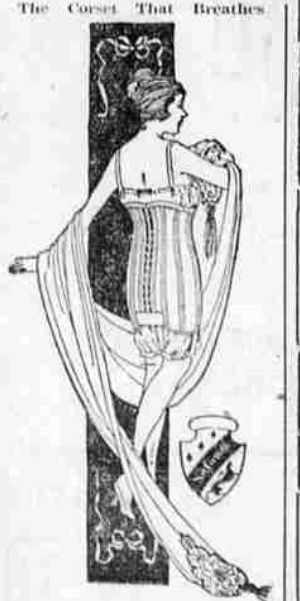
The Stitches and Art Shop,
Mrs. L. H. Norton.
1115 Adams Phone Main 533
9-11-10

This may be remembered as the one in which the graphic arts became paragonistic.

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Notes.
A recital under the auspices of the Episcopal choir will be given December 27th, in Roman hall by Miss Frederica Schilke, lyric soprano.

"La Camille"
The Corset That Breathes



Purse has returned to corsets and decreed that.

Stapleless waist-line. Profoundly abdomens. Waddy hips are gone.

The enlarged waist-line is not popular with women who care about their personal appearance.

Wear a LA CAMILLE and be comfortable. A complete line of the different models always on hand.

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Corsetiere
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Notice.
Call Main 1 for prices on high grade Delicous and Jonathan apples. 12-22-24

Stockholders Annual Meeting.
Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the La Grande National Bank will be held at their banking house in La Grande, Oregon, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1924, at 10 o'clock A. M. At this meeting a Board of Directors will be elected to serve for the year 1924 and such other business will be transacted as may properly offer.

E. L. MEYERS,
Cashier.
12-5-24

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T. J. SCHOGGIN,
Cashier.
12-6-24

One, two and three pound boxes of fine candles, from the best eastern factories. Better buy before they are all sold. You can get them at Silverthorn-Wright's Family Drug Store. 12-21-24

(Question)—"What shall I get the girl for Xmas?"
(Answer)—"A toy sewing machine."

White Sewing Machine Co. Rent and repair. New Policy Bldg. 533-W. 12-12-24

There will be a fine large Xmas Eve dance Monday night, December 24th, Zuber hall. Music by Olson's orchestra. 12-19-24

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Hundreds of subjects, including reproductions of the old masters, Malouin, Masfield, Parish, and W. L. Taylor. Prints, the latest thing in the form of the Pyra Pictures, and Views of Eastern Oregon, all framed in appropriate frames ready for gifts, ranging in price from 75c to \$25.00. The most complete line of framed pictures ever shown in Eastern Oregon now at the Richardson Art & Gift Shop. 12-17-24

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May the Yuletide Happiness fill you to overflowing,
And may your happiness of the past be only a taste of the future happiness in store for you.
Is Our Christmas Greetings From

GLASS DRUGS
IF IT'S SOLD IN A DRUG STORE
WE HAVE IT

The Rexall Store

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TUESDAY—WEDNESDAY

Jack Pickford
—in—
"Garrison's Finish"

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Mrs. Wells dancing classes will continue at Rex Hall every Saturday from 10:30 A. M. to 9:30 P. M. for information call 281 W. 12-18-24

Watch the our candy sale at Silverthorn-Wright's Family Drug Store, where they are specializing on high class candy at 50c a pound. This class of candy is very generally sold throughout the land at 50c and 60c a pound. 12-19-24

A few special packages of pretty very in new patterns of this year's factory run. See them at Silverthorn-Wright's Family Drug Store. 12-21-24

Large Annual Christmas Dance, Zuber hall, Tuesday night, December 25th. Music by Olson's orchestra. 12-21-24

Notice.
Shooting match, two miles southwest of Imbler, at C. C. Conrad's farm, Sunday December 23rd. 12-19-24

Foot Trouble.
Dr. Ingie, Osteopathic physician, uses the "Foot System" for reconstructing fallen arches. 12-20-24

Notice.
Washing done by private family. See a dozen. Called for and delivered. Call 355-J. 12-20-24

A fine line of real hot water bottles and fountain syringes. Hot water bottles that will keep you warm all winter at Silverthorn-Wright's Family Drug Store, where every bottle is warranted for two years. 12-21-24

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A Merry One**
And the New Year bring more prosperity and happiness than ever before,
Is the Wish of

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Machine Works**
Automotive Parts

The Palace

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SAY
SUPERFINE**
MADE WITH MILK
For Sale at All Grocers
La Grande Bakery
Formerly McPherson Bakery
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Cheer**
By a Gift of
**Christmas
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We Have
Many Other New Records
for the
Victrola and Edison
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**We Wish a
Merry Christmas**
TO OUR FRIENDS AND
PATRONS
JOEL'S GROCERY
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The Season's Greetings
We deem it our humble duty to express our appreciation for the loyalty of our friends and customers, and wish you one and all
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PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
WHERE THE THRIFTY THROG
HOOVERIZED GROCERY
2 MOTOR DELIVERIES. MAIN 49

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