



Builders' Guide

HINTS ON BUILDING



LAST MONTH'S BUILDING FAIR

During the month of August building permits in La Grande totaled \$21,978, a figure that is nearly normal for this time of the year.

For comparison, figures show that during August, 1924, permits here totaled \$22,282, and 1924 was the biggest building year in the city's history. Compared with the month before the permits show an increase. July's total was \$14,260, \$7,475 less than August.

A goodly share of the August permits were for repairs and alterations although a few new homes were listed in the permits.

Compared with the leading cities of the state, La Grande's August figure does not show up so well.

August building permits included: Astoria \$22,825; Eugene \$286,750; Klamath Falls \$265,295; Medford \$48,214; Portland \$3,544,110; Salem \$131,600. Other cities in the west included: Loman, Utah \$23,800; Provo Utah \$26,600; Vancouver, Wash. \$3,642; Walla Walla,

Wash. \$21,165; Yakima, Wash. \$37,740; Boise, Ida. \$42,675; Twin Falls, Ida. \$13,000.

Portland, Ore., was fourth in permits in the west, trailing Los Angeles, Long Beach and San Francisco.

A grand total of \$48,591,673 in building permits were issued during August in 80 principal cities of the Pacific coast states, which represents a 2 per cent increase over the record of last August and an 8 per cent gain over July's figures, according to S. W. Straus & Co.

Permits

Sept. 5—Permit issued to C. Haughton to erect a wood shed on Monroe between Greenwood and Hemlock to cost \$50.

Sept. 8—Permit issued to Edna E. Reynolds to alter and repair a two-story dwelling on Second between Grandin and Jefferson to cost \$100.

Sept. 8—Permit issued to Edna E. Reynolds to alter and repair a dwelling on Second between O. and Pennsylvania to cost \$100.

Sept. 9—Permit issued to W. C. Kelly to alter and repair the municipal building on Elm between Washington and Adams to cost \$12,000.

Sept. 9—Permit issued to G. N. Spears to alter and repair a frame business building on C between Second and Third to cost \$250.

Sept. 9—Permit issued to J. K. Charlton to erect a garage and woodshed on Fir between T and Jackson to cost \$175.

Sept. 10—Permit issued to C. L. Davidson to alter and repair a dwelling on X between Birch and Depot to cost \$150.

Sept. 10—Permit issued to Joe Thomas to alter a dwelling on I between Seventh and Eighth to cost \$600.

Sept. 11—Permit issued to W. P. Mohr to alter and repair a dwelling on Third between Washington and Adams to cost \$50.

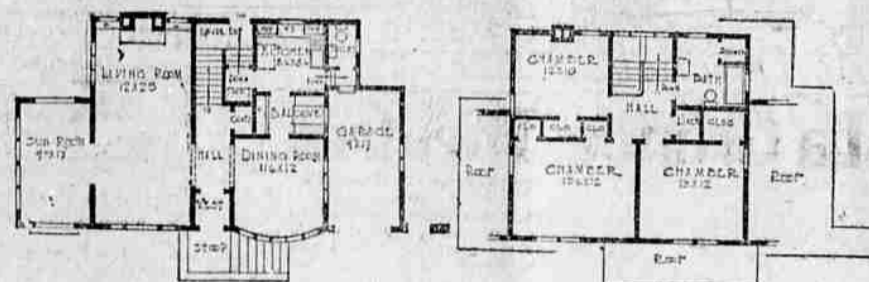
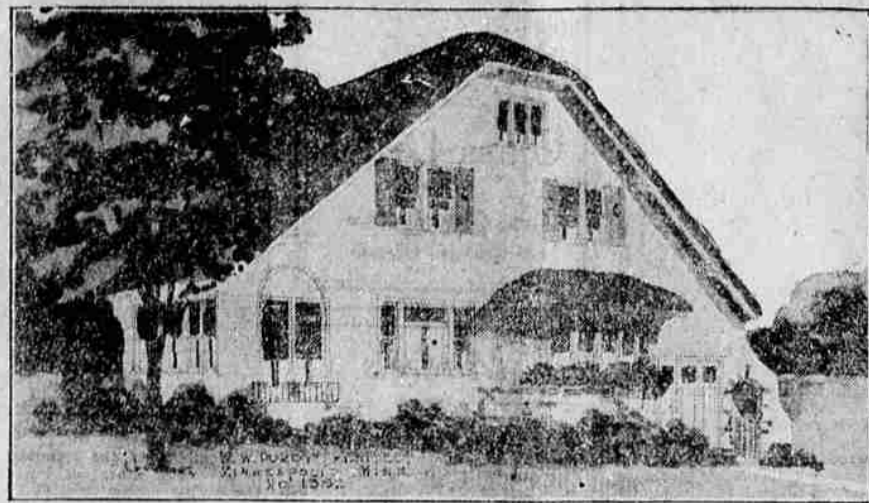
COLONIAL KITCHENS.

Colonial kitchens are in vogue today. An engaging kitchen is one with soft apple blossom walls and trimmings in white and green. To have a well arranged kitchen one must have plenty of cupboards and drawers, and these can often be put in the corners which would otherwise be just space wasted.

LOWERING A CEILING

When the bedroom ceiling is too high, making it a cold and uninviting room, it is a good plan to carry the ceiling color down the walls all around as far as the tops of the window casings, forming a "canopy" which can be separated from the wall with a moulding of a simple line of color.

Thatched Roof Home With Gables



(By W. W. Purdy)

This home, planned for an east-front lot, sloping slightly north and south, permits the garage being built in a part of the home. While this requires an extra wide lot, it adds somewhat to the insurance, yet there are many advantages, especially to the physician, who is called out day and night. This garage is convenient, car always warm, while the long sweeping roof gives the house the appearance of being a much larger home than it really is.

The front steps are convenient to the garage, while the plan provides an entrance from the kitchen, down three steps to a toilet. On the center hall type, it would be difficult to plan a more practical home. Every known convenience has been incorporated in the plan.

In the basement, beside the usual laundry, there is a good-sized amusement room with fireplace.

The exterior walls are white cement plaster, troweled smooth, with thatched roof of variegated colors.

With hardwood floors throughout, linoleum in kitchen, bath, the hardwood trim, balance in pine to paint, it is estimated that this attractive home can be built, exclusive of heating and plumbing, for from \$10,000 to \$12,000.

Demand for Softwood Shows Large Increase

heavy movement of cotton is beginning to cause scarcity of cars for shipping.

Although there has been an increase in southern hardwood production, bookings for the week ended Aug. 22 were two per cent ahead of output, for both furniture and automotive industries are now buying more actively, and demand for building purposes, from mill-work and flooring factories, is well sustained. The oak flooring factories during the week mentioned having booked orders for 27 per cent more flooring than they manufactured. Northern hardwood trade shows expansion, both birch and maple moving well, while there is especially good call for lower grades for box making.

HONOLULU, (AP)—Hawaiian troubadour the wandering minstrel who once filled the island nights with the melodies of the olden days with voice and stringed instruments, have traded their ukuleles and banjos for saxophones and are making "the night hideous with their wails."

This is the statement of Charles E. King, former territorial senator and composer of many Hawaiian songs, who is taking an active part in a movement to revive the ancient custom of serenading by night with ukuleles and other stringed instruments.

"People want to hear the old songs," Senator King said.

"They want to dance, too, and can dance to nothing that has rhythm. But there is nothing in the world which makes lovelier dance music than the songs of the islands, which provide a wide variety of time and rhythm so any sort of modern dance music can be achieved. The tendency now, simply because people do not discourage it, is to play noise. The dance orchestra today, using largely the saxophones, do not produce melody. Sometimes the men who play the saxophones do not know either their instruments or music. But they are

WORKMEN BUSY ON NEW PLANT

The new residence and lumber retail plant of the Claude C. Pratt Lumber company is now nearing completion, representing an investment of approximately \$15,000. The residence faces on Cove avenue near his former location and the warehouse, coal yard and the like are situated to the rear of the house on a two-acre tract.

Mr. Pratt, who started in business here about 14 months ago, declares that the growth of his business demanded a new plant.

The new location gives him a greater opportunity to better serve his patrons and also provides for the natural expansion that will come later.

The residence building, of a bungalow type, has seven rooms, well arranged. The exterior is shingled.

The warehouses, including the paint building, the sash and door, glass, etc., building, a warehouse for kiln dried stuff, and a warehouse for short length lumber, mostly flooring, are now in use. Ordinary lumber that stands the weather is piled outside. Another

K. P. HALL AT WALLOWA IS NEARING COMPLETION

WALLOWA, Ore.—The new two-story Knights of Pythias hall here is nearing completion and it all goes well will be finished by the middle of October. The steam fitting and plumbing work is now being done and the electricians are to start work Wednesday. The stone contractors will be on the ground this week.

Bull Demolishes Fence

Forced Down in Pasture SOIGNIES, Belgium, (AP)—An infuriated bull vented its ire upon a disabled airplane recently and when the animal concluded that its job had been done the machine was beyond repair. The airplane carrying eight passengers from Paris to Brussels was forced down by a defective motor and landed in a pasture 15 miles from Brussels. The bull aroused by the chug-

ging of the motor, made straight for it, while the pilot and passengers jumped out and made their escape in a mad rush across the field. The animal charged the machine again and again and kept at his work of destruction until the passengers got out of the danger zone.

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