



# Builders' Guide

## HINTS ON BUILDING



### NEW BUILDING RECORD MADE

A new record of construction was achieved by the Pacific coast during 1925, when 94 leading cities issued a total of 187,950 building permits aggregating \$542,222,292 in costs. This record is six per cent above that of 1924, is 28 per cent above the total for 1922 and is nearly \$5,000,000 greater than the remarkably active year of 1923.

Constituting the S. W. Straus survey are reports from the principal cities of Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and the Vancouver metropolitan area of British Columbia. Every one of these shows gains over 1924 and 1922 and all but California show gains over 1923.

Portland, Oregon's 1925 record, 15,186 building permits involving \$48,476,255 in construction costs, marks the most active year in the city's history.

Medford also reports an increase over 1924 but the other 92 Oregon cities show a slight reduction.

Figures for Oregon cities listed, exclusive of Portland, follow: Astoria, \$962,026; Eugene, \$2,630,295; Klamath Falls, \$1,685,147; La Grande, \$247,573; Medford, \$274,082; Salem, \$1,734,351. Total for Oregon, 1925, \$19,435,181. Total, 1924, \$17,723,628.

La Grande Leads Many.

Yearly figures for other northwestern cities follow: Idaho: Boise, \$392,331; Lewiston, \$497,877; Nampa, \$246,824; Twin Falls, \$172,715; Utah: Logan, \$223,400; Provo, \$242,987; Washington: Vancouver, \$277,208; Walla Walla, \$206,252; Yakima, \$221,492; Hootsland, \$48,500; California: Anaheim, \$181,640; Vallejo, \$176,610.

School Term Extended.

DEARLY, Idaho—The regular meeting of school trustees of the first No. 22, north of the city, will term over (closed) from the 15th to the 17th of this month.

Obituary of Mrs. Seward. Mrs. Seward, who was born in 1850, died at her home in this city on the 15th of this month. She was a devoted wife and mother and was well known in the community.

For 1925 there were seventeen successful candidates for the position of Postmistress Service Officer, among them a young woman of twenty-nine the first of her sex to fill a consular position. She is Miss Patti Pich, Vice-Consul at Amsterdam.

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### Here And There

**BAKER**—Baker Moulding company plans factory expansion program of \$100,000.

**HETPNER**—Farmers' Elevator company making important improvements to local plant.

**MEHFOED**—Queen-Oregon Lumber company plans \$500,000 improvements this year.

**BUND**—Building operations in Bund during 1925 totaled \$414,435.

**GILANTS PASS**—Building program for 1925 reached \$252,121.

**BAKER**—Building record for 1925 is \$474,876, largest in city's history.

Spokane, Portland, Seattle railroad will spend \$1,600,000 for 1926 improvements.

**PORTLAND**—Portland Gas & Coke, Pacific Power & Light, and Northwestern Electric company plan \$2,700,000 improvements during 1926.

**SALEM**—State prison this plant will be greatly enlarged during 1926.

**EUGENE**—Contract for \$100,000 film studio at Eugene, near Eugene.

Resurrection of Chief... given an Alaskan...

Alaska is full of inspiration for the painter, declared Van Empel. "The country is rough and harsh, the characters rugged. It is Nature in a freezing mood."

**White Judges Seat Heads.** WILBUR, Wash.—About 200 persons witnessed joint installation of Woodmen of the World and Neighbors of Woodcraft Friday night.

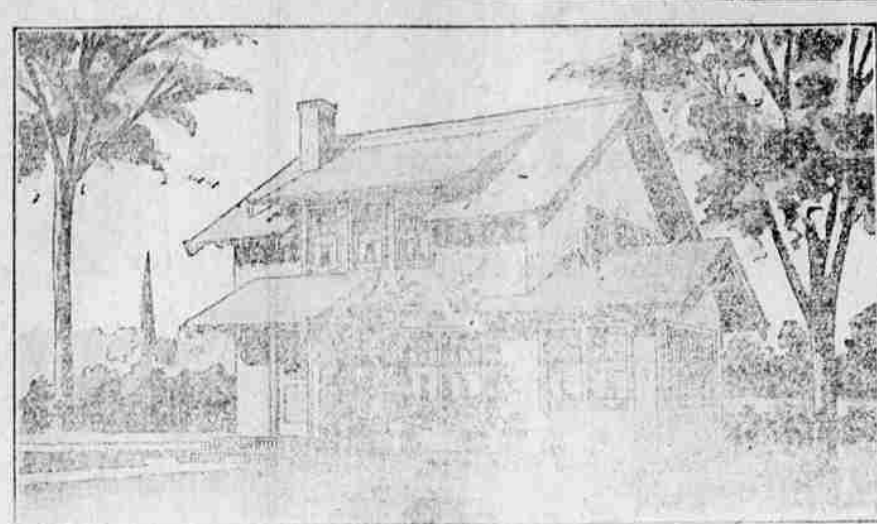
**QUINCY MEN ESTERMAN.** EPHRATA, Wash.—Several men from Ephrata attended a banquet given by the Brotherhood club at Quincy.

**Chamber of Commerce.** The chamber of commerce elected the following officers:

President, V. E. Bjorkland; vice-president, Warren Green; secretary, Larry Nilsson; treasurer, Forrest Cook.

An auto camp site was discussed and a committee appointed to confer with the council at the next meeting. It was decided to hold a banquet for the members and their wives about January 27.

### A Charming Cement Plaster Cottage



One of the most charming and comfortable homes in the city is a new cement plaster cottage located in the heart of the city. The house is a two-story structure with a large front porch and a well-kept lawn. The interior is finished with high-quality materials, including a large living room, a dining room, a kitchen, and several bedrooms. The house is a true gem for anyone looking for a comfortable and stylish home.

**Farm Pointers**  
The present situation on potatoes has made little or no change since last week says the O. A. C. extension radio reports. The potato market has been light and prices have stayed about the same level.

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**Preaches**  
The town of Proulx, City, Ia., has the country's only hotbed-lined pasture. Miss Patti Pich, 19, of Des Moines, occupies the parson of the Christian church there. She is a student at Drake University.

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### HILDEBRANDT TO ERECT DWELLING ON SIXTH STREET

Only one building permit was issued at the city recorder's office during the past week, a check of the records today showed.

A permit was issued January 14 to C. Hildebrandt to erect a dwelling on Sixth street between I and J to cost \$2000.

### TO BUILD HOME.

William Rollins has purchased the Harris French lot on Adams avenue and expects to erect a new modern home as soon as the weather permits, to cost from \$4500 to \$5000. The deal was closed through Weeks & Black.

Professor Richardson of Dartmouth: "A crisis confronts the American college... whose true significance is not always understood. The college is suffering from the result of its own success."

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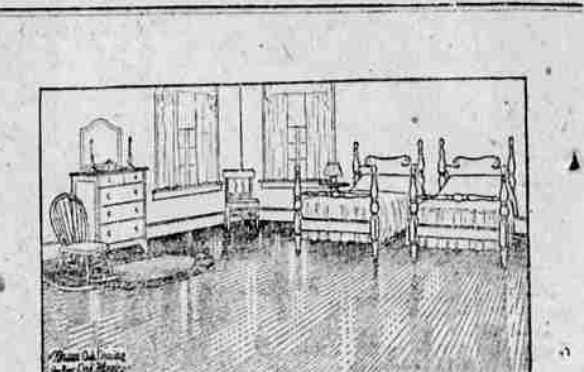
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"All roads lead to Rome"; conversely, no roads lead to Venice. However, an automobile road is now being planned which will lead from Padua to Venice, and will form part of the Padua-Milan highway. Lovers of things historic grown at this modernizing of romantic old Venice. It is a rare thing to find a defunct in the eye of a rabbit.



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