



Building and Improvement



BUILDING TOTAL NOW \$644,205.00

Permit Taken Out Yesterday for New \$90,000 Apartment House

On the first day of April—last Friday—La Grande was more or less quiet because its building permit total for the first three months of this year were past the half million dollar mark. Today, only four days later, the total had reached the figure of \$644,205.

Just a few hundred dollars less than \$100,000 permits were taken out from April 1 to the morning of April 2. Included in these was a permit for a \$90,000 three-story brick apartment house to be built on Washington and Third by S. T. Henderson and G. P. Brown, of Portland. Last week, they announced that the building would cost \$75,000 but decided later to take out a permit for \$90,000.

Several Home Permits

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in the past few days also.

The permits issued last week, from March 28 to April 2, follow:

Mar. 28—H. B. Venable, to build garage on Depot between Birch and Fir, to cost \$100.

Mar. 28—S. N. Smith, to build chicken house on W between Greenwood and Spruce, to cost \$50.

Mar. 28—P. R. Appleby, to build two-story dwelling place on the corner of First and Pennsylvania, to cost \$19,990. H. P. Nielsen, contractor.

Mar. 29—W. C. Perkins, to erect steel building on Adams between Third and Fourth, to cost \$400.

Mar. 29—Mrs. Fritz Nash, to alter henhouse on First between A and B, to cost \$5.

Mar. 30—Lydia P. Grundy, to alter and repair a two-story dwelling on Third between Jefferson and Grandy, work to cost \$400.

Apr. 2—John Keller, to erect one-story home on Alder between Division and Lake, to cost \$1500.

Apr. 2—H. A. Bennett, to erect one-story dwelling on Adams between Box Elder and Willow, to cost \$4,500.

PERRY PERSONALS

PERRY. (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. George Robertson and son, Morris, recently visited at the Jack Higgins home in La Grande.

Mrs. Ed Lark and Mrs. James Smith were recent La Grande visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Ballantyne and children were in La Grande Wednesday.

John Starr recently visited his sister, Mrs. Billy Watson, at her home in La Grande.

Mrs. Laura Johansen and daughter, Clara, and son, Harry, were La Grande visitors Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Alice Ferguson is on the sick list.

D. Lowe and family, who have been living on Upper flat, moved to lower flat the first of last week.

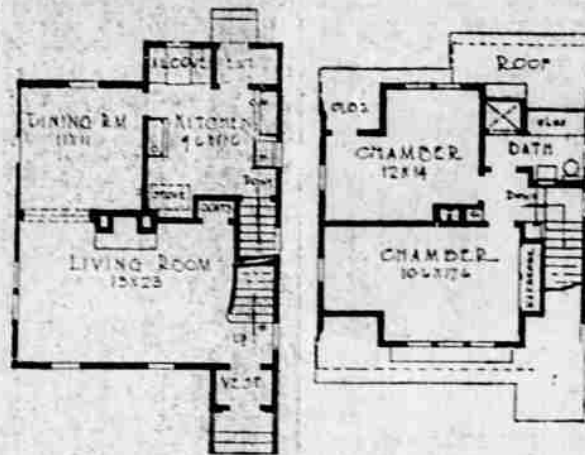
Miss Golda Fishman has returned to her home in La Grande after visiting friends here for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith were La Grande visitors last week.

W. W. Gray, of Elwood, is now a Perry resident.

Horace J. Nelson was at the Pine

A COLONIAL COTTAGE



THE 1927 GARDEN STYLES—IV

Space is the chief problem and chief drawback in planning the exterior decoration of the home. A great majority of us have 25 foot lots, a smaller majority, 180 feet, or some intermediate frontage, and much smaller number have frontages of more than 180 feet. The estates and big places are the minority. It is quite useless to try to make a small lot a miniature or imitation of a large estate.

The naturalistic school is pretty well ruled out on the small lot because the boundaries are so definite.

Avoid too deep plantings, especially if the front yard is shallow. If it is only 20 or 25 feet or less from the sidewalk to the front door, a single row of shrubs is sufficient, curving out to meet the entrance walk from the foundation. Shrub plantings must be kept bright with hedges planted in annuals to cover the summer months. Most of the shrubs bloom in the spring and after that furnish foliage only which makes a good background for annuals.



ILLUSTRATION SHOWING SOME OF THE 1927 GARDEN STYLES AND PLANTINGS.

It is a pity that the best we can do is to avoid stiffness or too apparent artificiality. The chief problem is not so much in the planning as in the execution. There is a definite lack of architectural individuality in the average home and the designing and planting of the grounds must be relied upon to give it such individual and pleasing character as it may possess.

The majority of home owners purchase their houses already built. They have nothing to say about the location of the house on the lot and the division of space, and must take it "as is." The exterior decoration can start very conveniently and practically at the foundation of the house and work out.

There is a tendency in such garden work to regard the foundation of the house as the feminine leg was regarded during the mid-Victorian period, something that must be concealed at all hazards, and heavy planting to hide the foundation and "give the property to the ground" is advised. As 25 houses are subdivided into 100, the foundation is subdivided into 100, and the result is a small place out of drawing.

The best idea in foundation planting is to use plants to soften and harmonize the lines of the house and to create variety.

A little bedding of low-to-medium height shrubs with hedges and taller ones to vary the skyline and avoid monotony is best, leaving large

or spaces here and there for groups of stately lollyhocks, one of the finest of foundation decorations, a few potches of tall annuals or bulbs.

UNION PERSONALS

UNION. (Special)—Miss Ella Purcell, of Reno, Nev., arrived at Union Tuesday morning for an indefinite visit with her aunt, Mrs. E. K. Purcell.

Mrs. Anna Horton, of Spokane, Wash., arrived at Union Tuesday for a few days visit with her father, Ed Conarty and two sisters, Mrs. W. R. Phillips and Mrs. Roy Hoed.

Mrs. Bingham, who has been making her home at Rupert, Ida., the past winter has returned to Union where she will reside.

Miss Rita Hess left Wednesday for La Grande, where she has accepted a position in the railroad office.

Dr. T. C. Gilmore and C. L. Caldwell returned home Tuesday evening from coast points where they have been the past ten days.

Mrs. E. P. Stephenson and little son have returned to their home in Portland after three weeks visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Leonard S. Davis.

Dr. Mark Fay and Dr. W. K. McCown, of Hot Lake, have opened an office in room No. 110 in the Union hotel.

Mrs. Leonard Davis and small daughter, Patricia, and Mrs. Louis Bisher returned home Friday evening from Portland, where they have been visiting.

Miss Marcia Fay, who is a student at the University of Oregon, has returned to Eugene, after spending the spring vacation here with her mother and other relatives.

Miss Thelma Hess spent the week end at Ontario visiting her sister, Mrs. C. E. Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gilhousy are visiting here at the home of her father, Ed Conarty, and two sisters, Mrs. W. R. Phillips and Mrs. Roy Hoed. Mr. and Mrs. Gilhousy are en route to California from Spokane, Wash., where they plan to make their home.

Mrs. Edith Fay has returned to her home at Union after spending the past week visiting relatives and friends at Eugene and Portland.

Mrs. Charles Spencer and daughter, Joakita, and son, Joe, and Claude Whitlock, of La Grande, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Knight.

EUGENE GETS ASTORIAN

EUGENE, Ore., Apr. 5 (AP).—Harry B. Johnson, principal of the Astoria high school was last night elected principal of the Eugene high school, at a special meeting of the Eugene school board. Johnson's salary was fixed at \$2,000.

J. G. Swan, present principal of the Eugene high school, has accepted a position as principal of the Wheeler union high school in Tillamook county.

PEACHES WRITES SONG

NEW YORK.—Peaches apparently is trying in vain to be a revenue producer. Anyhow, she is credited with being the author of a song, "When Planning Youth Marries Old Age." It will be sung in her vaudeville act, tears and yams and all, not to make money, she says, but as an object lesson.



It is time to buy stuff, while a foot still holds out in La Grande. All the tools may be gone before you know it, and then you will pay more. Hold your nail and fencing orders. Save a few of your cream checks. Get ready to strike quick. Also be ready to send your boy on the old cayuse to your neighbors that have no telephone.

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Here And There

SALEM.—Fraternal Temple association buys site for new lodge building.

CANYONVILLE.—Reno, Nev., company plans commercial ore reduction plant here.

EUGENE.—Coast canning organization will build plant here, spending hundreds of thousands of dollars for plant and machinery; S.

It will spend \$500,000 for new machine shops.

KIAMATH FALLS.—Two new modern store buildings will cost \$15,000 each; new Henderson apartments costing \$75,000 to be erected.

GOLD BEACH.—Durham chain will build modern store structure here; new sanitarium and hospital will cost \$20,000.

OREGON CITY.—Work begins on \$100,000 new apartment house.

EUGENE.—Zellerbach Paper company will build branch house here.

REDFORT.—New 17-room hotel being built at Siltcoos Bay.



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