



Building and Improvement



TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED \$9,025

Two Call for Dwellings to Be Constructed at a Cost of \$3000 Each

Building permits totaling \$9,025 were issued during the week ending Saturday, June 18, considering the lower than last week, when the total amounted to \$11,540 were issued.

Two of the permits were for residences valued at \$3000 each. The permits were as follows:

June 14—L. W. Whitman, to erect a dwelling on Cedar street between Grand and Jefferson, to cost \$2500.
June 15—L. W. Whitman, to alter and repair a dwelling on Bond street, north to cost \$300.
June 16—C. W. Davis, to alter and repair a dwelling on Bond street, north to cost \$300.
June 17—H. K. Chaffin, to alter and repair a dwelling on T. between Greenwood and Spruce, work to cost \$250.
June 17—P. A. Rasmussen, to alter and repair a dwelling on Cherry street between Adams and Jefferson, work to cost \$250.
June 17—Grant Christensen, to alter and repair a dwelling on Z. avenue between Greenwood and Spruce, work to cost \$300.

AN ECONOMICAL COTTAGE



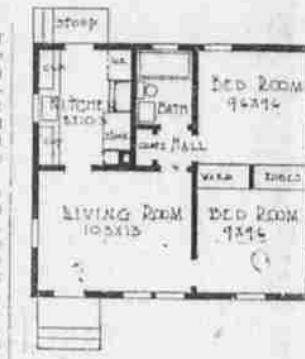
By W. W. Parly

How much better is the owner of a small cottage home like the one pictured, than the renter of an apartment. The cost of this attractive little cottage is placed at \$2,500, exclusive of heating and plumbing. With plumbing and stove heat, this home should be built for \$3,000.

With four rooms, all medium size, two bed rooms, this home is large enough for a family of four. The kitchen is well arranged, the chimney so arranged as to serve the kitchen stove, as well as an air tight heater in the living room.

There is no basement, but a trap door is located in the kitchen leading down to a hole about 10x10 for storage purposes only. Another trap door is placed in the ceiling of the kitchen so as to get access to the attic.

The house is well constructed, set on three rows of cement blocks, all on a concrete footing, ventilation holes with screens are provided for. The floors are double, using a factory maple floor for the finished floor. The trim throughout, plastered walls.



target for insect attacks and the worst enemy in the striped potato bug which often attacks and riddles it if not caught in time, and in other seasons for some reason seems to ignore it. Weak paries green or arsenate of lead solution should be sprayed on the plant as soon as any of the eating pests appear. Where only a few plants are grown it is an easy matter to knock

The Garden

LATE PLANTING OF EGG PLANT

The eggplant is about the last vegetable to be set out in the spring garden bed. It should not be set out until after the tomatoes, if the weather doesn't rip the tomatoes, then it is safe for the eggplants, as they are tender. Garden experts now advocate growing eggplants in pots and transplanting them two or three times before they are set in the garden, thus developing a heavy root system and carrying the plant under the protection of the cold frame or the spent hot-bed until it has developed good size and vigorous growth.

To lay these full, quota, which isn't more than three or four full-sized eggs per plant, the eggplant demands rich soil and abundant moisture. The eggplant makes rather heavy growth and needs plenty of room. Set them two feet apart in rows two and one-half to three feet apart. Half a dozen plants will be sufficient for the average small garden.

As soon as it is exposed to the outside world, the eggplant is a

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FIGURES LOWER THAN IN 1924

Building Activities in the U. S. Below Last Year: Total \$1,662,782,043

Building activities throughout the United States have slipped back to levels somewhat below those of 1924, according to official records of building permits issued since the first of the year in the principal cities of the country and made public by S. W. Strass and Co.

In 500 cities a total of \$1,622,784,943 building permits were issued since January 1 compared with \$1,816,378,000 last year. In 1924, when only 468 of these cities were making reports to S. W. Strass and Co., permits amounted to \$1,536,632,123 or \$21,000,000 more than 500 places reported this year.

The consistent way with which new building operations in all parts of the United States are settling down was also brought out in the May records of 451 cities amounting to \$22,843,897 compared with \$27,727,440 in May last year, a loss of more than 18 per cent.

Building permit figures have, with the single exception of Feb., 1927, been on a steadily descending scale since last June, according to reports made to S. W. Strass and Co. The loss last July, compared with the same month of the previous year, was 11 per cent. Since then the monthly losses have been as follows: August, 9 per cent; September, 1 per cent; October, four per cent; November, 11

per cent; December, two per cent; January, 12 per cent; February, five per cent; March, five per cent; April, 13 per cent; May, 11 per cent.

Even in the special group of 25 cities where the greatest volume of building is in progress, May fell three per cent below the same month last year, 10 per cent below 1925 and showed only a negligible gain over 1924. For the five months period, the 25-city group was three per cent behind the 1925 record, the figures for the respective periods being \$3,944,420,414 this year and \$4,070,834,892 last year.



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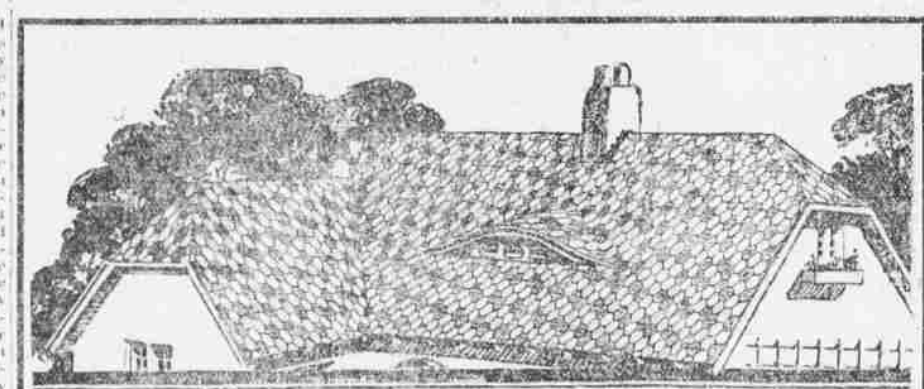


There are several things that I wish to mention in my ad this morning. I don't know what my ad is for unless it is to serve the public, because the people of the Grande Ronde Valley have given us all the business we can successfully take care of with four trucks, running at Ford speed. The other day we made mention in our ad about the city councilmen, not checking this, but that these were plans. We received many comments on this little mention and quite a number have asked if we wouldn't look into the following question: "Shall the city of La Grande create an indebtedness in the sum of \$15,000.00 for the issuance of negotiable coupon bonds of the said city, bearing interest at the rate of 5%? Now just to cut all this out talk out and speak common old Missouri language, this \$15,000.00 would be used in extending an 18-inch iron pipe line from K. Avenue about Second street to Jefferson to replace the old worn out rotten wooden pipe that has served its time and ought to be pensioned. From what I can find out the pipe is badly to burst at any time, cutting off the water supply of the city and causing a great flood. Also, I am not very fond of drinking water that runs through rotten wood. \$15,000.00 is a great sum of money—it is about the amount of money that the Pratt Lumber company takes in about four months and a half. We have seven children and probably nobody likes them as well as we do and I wouldn't have one of them take uphold fever from drinking the tea that comes from rotten water for \$15,000.00 or that amount multiplied by 100,000 more. Everyone I've talked to is the only sensible thing to do is to write a big "Yes" after this question.

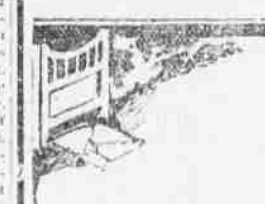
One of our friends called on Saturday and said he was out on a country road driving and he noticed there was a load of some kind of material being hauled into the country and to thought there was a red flag on the back but when he came up closer to the truck, he said he wasn't out that it was Red Iron Piping. He had a good hearty laugh. Well, sir, the stuff is being hauled all over the valley. The price and quality does the work.

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