



Building and Improvement



WINTER CHECKS BUILDING WORK

Only One \$100 Permit Issued Here Last Week—Snow Causes Slump

Building activity in La Grande, and elsewhere over the Northwest, has entered the mid-winter period of quiet, according to indications. In this city only one permit was issued last week, that to the Blue Mountain Creamery company to alter and repair a business building on Washington avenue between Fourth and Depot streets, the work to cost \$100.

La Grande's total for the month of November was \$15,420, which was about a third of the total for October and about half that for November, 1926.

Over the coast in general building activity increased during November, a survey by S. W. Stearns & Co., shows. Substantial increases are reported from British Columbia, Washington, Utah, Nevada, and California.

In Oregon only Marshfield and Eugene showed gains in November.

Permits issued during the past month by Oregon cities follows:

Oregon:	
Astoria	\$ 6,315
Klamath Falls	18,325
Eugene	75,750
La Grande	15,420
Marshfield	7,475
Medford	33,755
Portland	1,281,045
Salem	12,550
Total	\$1,547,945

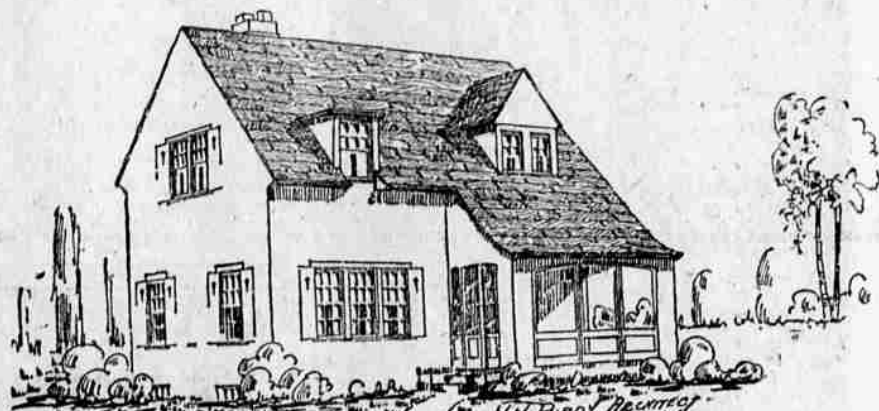
JAPANESE CAN FISH

NACAMET, Japan.—An abandoned brick factory just outside the harbor here has been converted into a fish cannery. Small fish similar to sardines are being packed for sale to the Occidental trade of the Southern Pacific. The Japanese never have been able to compete successfully with American canned fish products and this new enterprise is regarded here as indicating a more determined effort to obtain a large share of trade for Japan.

J. C. Kent of Canby was elected president of the Clackamas county testing association at the annual meeting of the organization held in Oregon City last week.

It takes quite a bit of spirit to move some people, judging from the way bootleggers seem to prosper.

A UNIQUE LITTLE PLAN



By W. W. PURDY

The general sweep of the roof lines, extending down to cover the screened-in porch, gives this little home real class, and taken away the otherwise unattractive appearance due in fact to the small outside dimensions, in comparison to the height.

With its broad frontage to the street, the exterior appears much larger than it really is. Entrance is direct from the screened-in porch, through a vestibule into a small hall, to the right of which is a dining room, to the left a large living room, which comprises most of the ground floor. A stone fireplace is located in the rear of this living room with bookcases on either side.

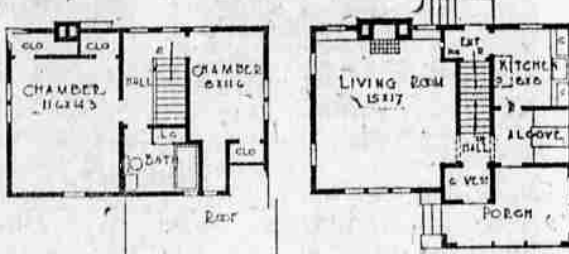
Note the compact little kitchen, the little entry, with space for the ice box, and stairs leading to the basement. There is the usual laundry, fruit and vegetable room, boiler and fuel.

On the second floor are two bed rooms and bath. While the ceilings are cut the wall height is sufficient to give good height for bed or dresser, and the closets are roomy.

Outside walls are of cement plaster over metal lath, with wood shingles stained a brown, trim brown, and white.

The floors are of oak with pine in the bed rooms painted, the in the bath and bathroom in tile kitchen. The roof is painted at about 12,000, exclusive of heating and plumbing.

A culture contest between Harvard and Yale is proposed. Yale is said to have the lead in raccoon coats, with Harvard having a slight edge in open-faced sandalshoes.



MUCH WILD LIFE IN WALLOWA CO.

Game Census Shows Deer and Elk on Increase, Coyotes Decreasing

WALLOWA, Ore., Dec. 12.—The annual game census for Wallowa county, as prepared by the Wallowa national forest office, and announced by N. J. Billings, supervisor, bears out the record that this county is one of the best for game in the northwest, while hunting animals are also present in large numbers, according to the Wallowa Sun.

The practice of counting all the fish, both young and mature, and their offspring, present and prospective, as well as birds of the land and fowl of the air, was discontinued this year, the forest service contenting itself with game, predatory and fur-bearing animals.

There is a noticeable decrease in coyotes, an increase in elk and mule deer, the latter totaling 2850, or a gain of 15 per cent over a year ago.

The complete census of Game Animals:

Elk, 270; an increase of 20 per cent over 1926.



I have so many things to say this morning that it is hard to tell where to begin.

In the first conversation I want to talk to the farmers and their boys—I mean the ones that have redheads. Mr. Farmer, please go out to your chicken coop and get a contract with your hens to have them pay you back in egg production. If you have 75 hens and you buy 30 yards of Lino glass it will take three eggs from each hen to pay for that great amount of Lino glass. That is 60 square feet of lighting capacity and your old hens will be so well pleased that they will begin to pay you some pound interest. You tell them what I said and see if they don't lay bigger eggs and more of them after you have the Lino glass installed.

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The second conversation we will postpone until tomorrow.

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Mountain sheep, 40; same as 1926.

Mule deer, 3950; an increase of 15 per cent over 1926.

Black Bear, 430; same as a year ago.

Predatory Animals

Coyotes, 2150; decrease of 20 per cent.

Bobcats, 500; same as last year.

Mountain Lions, 2; none last year.

Fur Bearing Animals

Beaver, 325; same as last year.

Red Fox, 125; less than last year.

Marten, 350; increase over last year.

Mink, 500; same as last year.

Badger, 1300; same as last year.

Weasels, 1250; same as last year.

Animals killed by man during the year: deer, 250; bear, 20; number of hunters, 640. This is a record of 1 to 2 which is considered very high, in most counties being 1 to 10.

Predatory animals killed other than by the biological survey: Coyotes, 65; bobcats, 45.

Report of Rangers on Deer

Deer seen, sex undetermined, 18.

Tracks seen, 42.

Deer seen without fawns, 43.

Deer seen with fawns, 47.

Fawns seen, 50.

Total deer seen by 8 rangers, 209.

BY-PRODUCTS FROM CULLS

LOS ANGELES.—Cull citrus fruit, which once cost growers about \$2 a ton to throw away, now is being used. Orange juice, oil and dairy food are obtained from cull oranges. Unwanted lemon yield lemon oil, citric acid, citrate of lime and citrus pectin.

According to Professor Lloyd Taylor Herbold of Northwestern University, within fifteen years men will use rouge and carry vanity cases.

Polestrains should be seen and not hurt.

Idol Hints That First Americans Came from East

DENVER, Colo. (AP)—A trio of Tarascan Indian idols, regarded as indicating that the first American inhabitants came from the orient, have been presented to the Colorado museum of natural history by Fred A. Fair of Boulder, Colo. The idols were unearthed on the shores of Lake Chapala, Mexico.

Believed to be older than the Egyptian pyramids, the idols are three of only a few in existence. The Tarascan, progenitors of the Toltecs of Mexico and one of the most ancient races of men, worshipped the statues as gods and the Mongolian features of the idols are considered evidence that the primitive American migrated from the east.

An archaeologist entered into the ritual of one of the primitive tribes and married one of the women before he could learn the location of tombs in which the idols were buried, according to A. D. Hudson, trustee of the collection from which Fair purchased the idols. There are a hundred odd pieces in the entire collection, no two copies of which have an identical pose and head-dress. Head-dresses of widespread feathers on a female figure betoken a goddess or queen, according to fragments of archaeological knowledge which experts have been able to supply to the collection. There are also burden bearers and turbaned priests or warriors, various types of women, some with babies in arms, and even grinning peeples. The faces of all have the hawklike silhouette of the Indian except for the two yellowed figures of slant-eyed, flat-faced, dome-headed east belonging to the Mongolian.

Camilla Horn, the German film actress, just arrived in America, knows only three words of our language, "I love you." Well, in Hollywood, that's all she needs.

COD FISH PLENTIFUL
WASHINGTON.—The catch of cod on the North American Atlantic coast has averaged 1,100,000,000 pounds yearly for the past 30 years, it is estimated. The fish is international, Newfoundland taking 40 per cent of the catch, Canada 20 per cent, France 17 per cent, United States 12 per cent and Portugal two per cent.

Chinese authorities barred the film "The Big Parade." Probably they think the people of China ought to be satisfied with home products.

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Mrs. Emma Stringham is remodeling one of her houses on the corner of 6th and N and will make it into a modern apartment building. Clyde Metcalf is doing the work for her.

Well, we've just seen a team of horses and a survey!

We have just unloaded a fresh car of PEACOCK lump coal. This is the kind that makes less soot and ashes.

Wife—That child certainly doesn't get his temper from me. Husband—No, there's none of yours missing.

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There is a young wife in this town who has been given her choice between a washing machine and a wrist watch for Christmas. And she has chosen the washing machine. We claim that a woman like that ought to have both.

Ed Meyersick has been telling us about his radio. It has 16 dials and there are holes drilled for more. Our radio has only three dials but by golly, we can bring in six stations at once with a howl to boot. Now let's hear about your radio.

All ten thousand dollar bills have been withdrawn from circulation. That is going to make it hard for us lumber men to do business.

The Mt. Glen L. D. S. building is nearing completion. The cold weather of last week kind of slows up building operations.

A friend of ours claimed yesterday that he has lumber in his left leg. We don't claim to know much about such things, but is that possible?

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