



Building and Improvement

BUILDING TOTAL PASSES \$30,000

New Construction During March \$18,370—Active Second Quarter Seen

March building permits in La Grande reached a total of \$18,370, the largest of any month during the first quarter of the year. The amount, compared with February and March of 1927 seems small, but is regarded as normal for cold, wintry months when ordinary building projects are held in mind usually until April or May.

During January permits totaled only \$6,400 and in February the amount was even less—\$420. Added to the March figure this makes a total of \$25,190 for the first three months of 1928.

Total Now Above \$30,000
However, with April only three days old, this figure has already come to more than \$30,000, the result of the issuance of a \$1200 permit to H. P. Nelson yesterday for alterations and repairs to the Oregon Hardware company building, which is owned by Foley & Bouvy.

The permit calls for extensive alterations and it is expected that it will be made in the near future. Workmen are already busy in the building.

In addition to this, the state highway shops will be constructed in La Grande this spring and summer by W. C. Kelly, contractor, whose bid of a little less than \$25,000 was the winner. A permit for this may be issued in the near future, possibly this month, local people believe.

Still another building project has already been announced, and workmen are on the job starting the work of raising the Grande Ronde Valley house to make way for a modern, one-story brick and concrete building to be erected on this

site by Mrs. Grace Snyder.

Local observers, figuring an average of building permits and these two larger projects, expect that the building total will near the \$100,000 mark within the next quarter—and possibly go higher.

The only permit issued last week was on Mar. 29 to W. Lane, to alter and repair a business building on Jefferson avenue between Hendrick and Greenwood streets, work to cost \$40.

THE GARDEN

THE POPULAR RADISH

Radishes are probably the most widely grown vegetable in home gardens. They are hardy enough to withstand frost, and so can be sown immediately the ground is workable. Within three weeks after the seed of the earliest varieties is sown, a crop can be harvested.

A light rich soil is best, but not too rich in nitrogen; and always a location in the full sun. The earliest varieties are olive and globe shaped, such as Twenty Day, and Scarlet Globe. The earlier a variety, the quicker it turns pitifully after maturity, which requires that they be eaten without loss of time.

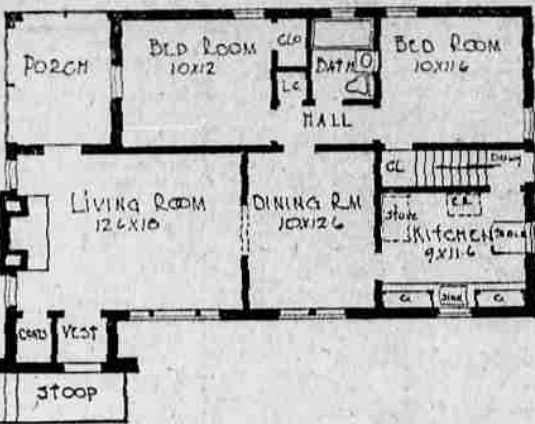
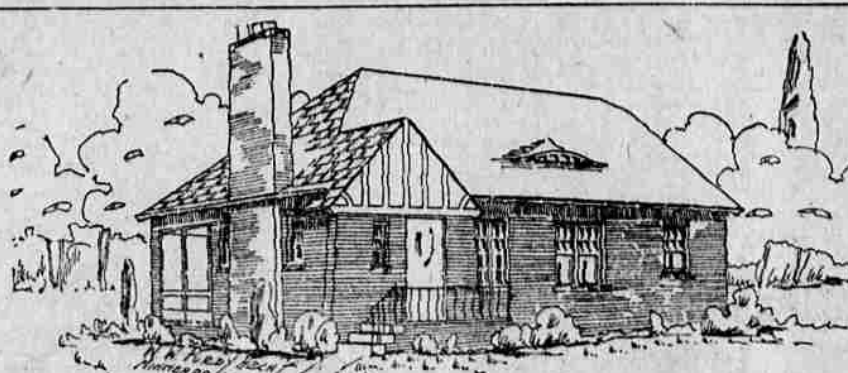
Varieties taking longer to mature, are likely to be better in flavor, and to be shaped like carrots. Such are the Strassburg and Chatter varieties, which are grown for a summer crop. Teale is a long summer variety mild in flavor.

Improvement in radishes has been chiefly directed to shortening the season, and developing a mild flavor. Those who prefer the mild globe type may obtain a succession of crops by sowing every week in the spring, but they cannot expect to carry the harvest through the hot summer weather.

For color effects on the table, red, yellow and white radishes may be grown. In the fall, the giant winter radishes will supply the table late into the winter with huge, mildly flavored fruits.

Radishes may be sown just as

A BRICK BUNGALOW



By W. W. Purdy
A broad frontage to the street gives the appearance of a home being much larger than it usually is. In the case of a narrow lot, this plan could be set the long way of the lot, and answer the purpose, the chimney and porch would then be across the front.

Entrance is from the stoop, through a vestibule, into the living room. The fireplace and French door opposite the entrance leading onto the porch, at once meet the eye of the observer.

The general plan, while not unusual at all, is of the two bedroom and bath off a small hall. The rooms are fair size, with cross ventilation, good wall space and ample closet room.

A stair leads to a full basement, while another stair leads to a ventilated attic, reached from the closet of the rear bedroom. The room in the rear is gabled, so that a dormer is unnecessary at this point.

Using the best materials throughout, oak floors and trim, finished in birch stained and painted, rough plastered walls tinted, the cost is placed under \$5,000, exclusive of heating and plumbing, and with brick for the exterior walls, asphalt shingles on the roof. In the using of brick, one eliminates extra painting, and this type of construction makes a warmer house than the frame or the frame using metal lath and plaster.

The new owners of the ship are well known in La Grande and have been exceedingly interested in aircraft for a long time. Both boys were among the first to register as students under "Hap" Roundtree's tutelage when the flying school was first established here and they were among his high class pupils during the continuance of the school. When Pete Kingsley was out in his little airplane Sunday afternoon looking about the field, all at once he decided he would fly. Eye witnesses declare that it was as pretty a take off as Lindbergh himself could make in his "Spirit of St. Louis." When the new aviator got up in the air about 20 or 25 feet, it dawned on him that "Tommy" was a tricky bird and perhaps he had better take him back to his cage, but in landing he missed his calculation in some way, hit the fence and now "Tommy" has to go back to the hospital to have his broken wings repaired, a new propeller supplied and his wheels put back where they belong.

The plane that Kingsley was operating is one that was formerly owned by Eddie Kivette, of Boise, Idaho.

Sometime last February Kivette brought the little fellow from over the mountains and landed at the field here with the intention of going on in a day or two to points west and south. Instead of making his westward flight he made negotiations with Pete Kingsley and Mike Sullivan, who then became owners of the little craft that

has the name of performing as many stunts as a round-up mustang. The new owners dismantled their newly acquired possession, hauled it to La Grande where they had the coughs and wheezes removed from the motor, the rattles from the wings and other repairs made in general, and when "Hap" Roundtree took him out for a test flight Saturday afternoon he looked and acted as healthy and as docile as any little airplane can look and act after it had gone through so much.

In his mishap Mr. Kingsley was unhurt, the plane having been only a few feet from the ground when it fell. The plane will be repaired immediately.

NORTH POWDER PERSONALS

NORTH POWDER (Special)—The Beacon light which has been erected on the tower is now working.

The Parent-Teacher association will hold its monthly meeting Friday, April 6, and will be honored by the district vice president, Mrs. MacPherson, of La Grande.

Eddie Murphy, former resident of North Powder, who has been away several years, is back calling on his old friends.

Mrs. Stella White and Mrs.



I don't know which way to turn—I am either rattle-brained or I don't know who I am. There are people on every side and they are just waiting their turns for wall-paper. We just sold another big order of wall-paper for a five-room house for \$9.18 and they got one or two pretty nice selections, at that.

The Royal coal is sure going good today.

The women are getting just a popular around this place as men. I don't know of anything that will bring women quicker than good wallpaper sold at a cheap price. Even though it is muddy down this way a woman will save enough money to buy herself a good pair of rubber boots. Well, it is kind of funny after all. My mother was a woman and I also married a woman. I suppose that is the reason I like them so well. Some of these aristocratic women that live in the office now are giggling so much that I just can't think of another thing even though my old piano does need tuning.

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Gen. Ballard motored to La Grande Friday.

Mrs. Blanche Forstrom was taken to the Hot Lake sanatorium, Saturday. Mrs. Forstrom is suffering from inflammatory rheumatism, caused from the flu. Her condition is quite serious.

The little child of Jake Simons is very ill with intestinal flu.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Moore were Baker visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Monday transacted business in Baker Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hutchinson were also Baker visitors.

HILGARD PERSONALS

HILGARD (Special)—Among those who attended the dance in Buchanan Saturday night were Alta Harris, Leonard Ferguson, Eva Welmer, John Price, Marie Sanford, Emory Ferguson, and Verda Ferguson.

Alta Harris, accompanied by her father, left Sunday for Baker where she will spend about a week visiting relatives and relatives.

Mr. Keefer from the Mt. Emily camp was a Hilgard visitor Monday.

Emory Ferguson and John Price were among the La Grande visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Salling visited Mr. and Mrs. Alex Matheson Monday.

Hilgard was visited by a snow-storm Monday night, but it has nearly melted by this time.

Mrs. Edith Abie who has been visiting relatives in Pennsylvania for the past month, returned to her home here Thursday.

Mac White from La Grande was a Hilgard visitor Thursday.

Vera and Vernon Wilson are reported on the sick list with the mumps.

Reb Brown returned to his home here Saturday from The Dalles where he has been employed.

Stock Exchange To Have Holidays

NEW YORK Apr. 3 (AP)—Embattled bulls and bears of Wall Street Monday were granted a holiday recess when the board of governors of the stock exchange voted to close the market on Good Friday and Saturday. The curb market and most of the commodity exchanges took similar action.

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Did your roof leak last week during the rains and snow? Ours didn't—we just put on a new roof.

She dropped her handkerchief. "I'll get it," I said. And now I am wearing a bump on my head—Because she tried to pick it up, too.

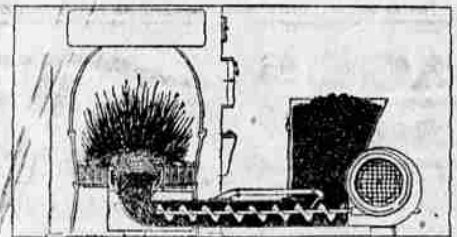
Call us up for an estimate on a new oak floor for the living room. Even if you aren't figuring on a new floor—call us up anyway—you may want one some time. You can buy clear oak flooring cheaper than you can buy the cheap rag.

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