

# Building and Improvement

## LOCAL BUILDING UPTO \$72,745

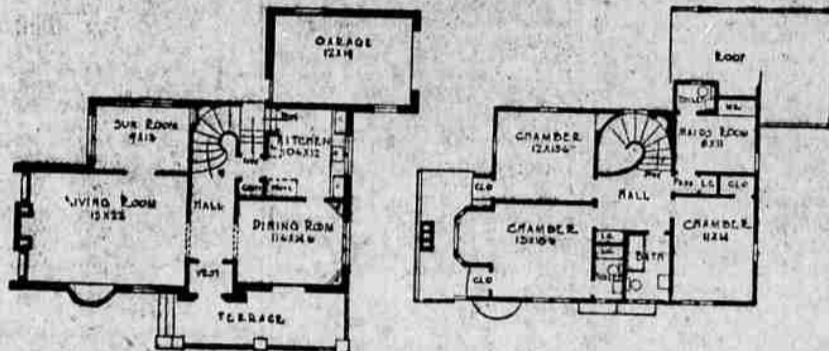
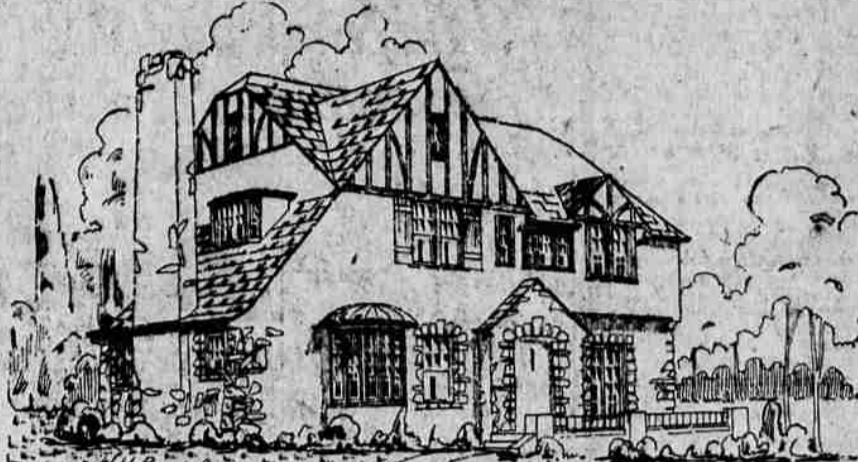
### C. Kelly Takes Out a Permit for \$38,980 State Highway Shops

Building activity in La Grande at last hit its stride with a total of \$42,770 in new construction applied for during the first week of April. This is nearly \$12,000 more than building in the first quarter of the year amounted to.

The biggest permit issued was to C. Kelly, for construction of a new frame and brick one-story buildings for the state highway commission on the departmental shops site. Next was a permit for \$2,500 home.

The first week of April, added to figures for January, February and March, brings the building total in La Grande for 1928 to \$72,745 and, with Mrs. Grace Snyder expected to take out a permit soon for the erection of a brick business building at Adams and Fir, it is expected by city officials that the \$100,000 mark will be reached

## AN ATTRACTIVE HOME OF STONE VENEER



By W. W. Purdy

within a comparatively short time.

**Week's Permits**

Permits issued last week follow:

April 2—J. T. Fitzerald, to alter and repair a home on X between Fir and Greenwood, work to cost \$50.

April 2—H. P. Nelson, for Foley & Hovey, to alter and repair a business building on Depot between Washington and Adams, work to cost \$1,200.

April 4—Harvey Foster Co., to erect billboards on Fir between Madison and Monroe, to cost \$200.

April 5—W. H. Burch, to alter and repair a dwelling place on Twelfth street between J and K, work to cost \$500.

April 6—E. Schweigler, to alter and repair a home on W between Fourth and Dash, work to cost \$40.

April 7—W. C. Kelly, for state highway commission, to erect five one-story frame and brick buildings on Adams between Cherry and Willow, to cost \$38,980.

In this plan, we have a medium sized home, complete in every respect and with a most attractive exterior. The entrance hall in front is somewhat narrower than the main hall, due to the fact that the staircase, circular in design, is placed at the rear, and is most attractive.

Plaster archways are used in many places with a most pleasing effect. The window seat in the living-room, corner cupboards in the dining-room, niches in plaster on stairs are all features that add to the appearance.

On the second floor are three bedrooms, a study and a private bath. The large owner's chamber has a toilet, with linen cupboards, and in addition, a complete bath off the main hall. A garage is attached, heated from the heating plant.

The basement contains beside the usual furnace-room, laundry and storage rooms, a good sized amusement-room, with fireplace, also a toilet.

The exterior walls are of the faced with stone, for the lower portion, with stucco above, half timber work in the gables. The roof is covered with variegated slate, with trim a dark brown and sash painted white.

The floors throughout are of oak, with tile in all baths, and rubber tile in the kitchen. Woodwork oak, stained, with birch on the second floor, a cream and walnut doors. The plastering is rough texture, painted, and stippled in most pleasing color combinations.

## NORTH POWDER PERSONALS

**NORTH POWDER (Special)**—At Hands and wife and daughter motored to Fruithand, Idaho to spend Easter Sunday with Mr. Hand's parents.

Earl Garrison is confined to his home with the mumps.

Verd Young, of Boise, Ida., is here visiting friends and relatives.

Ed Lohetter, of La Grande, was calling on prospects in the Muddy Creek district.

Raleigh Titus, Frank Ballard and wife, and Mrs. Ballard's stepfather all of Homestead, Ore., stopped over at North Powder to visit Mrs. Nettie Titus. They are on their way to Couer d'Alene to work in the mines.

Dora Wilson was taken to the St. Elizabeth hospital Monday.

Ruth Van Halley is employed at the St. Elizabeth hospital of Baker.

Sheriff Breshears was transacting business at North Powder Monday.

Lena Gorham is ill with the mumps.

The P. T. A. association is trying to get 50 per cent of the taxpayers to sign a petition to hire a physical culture teacher in the North Powder school for next year.

Hugh McCall, of the Haines bank, was down Monday looking after the banking interests for Earl

## Rapidly Razing Landmark on Fir, Adams Corner

Workmen are marking rapid progress in tearing down the old Grande Ronde Valley house, on the corner of Adams and Fir street, to make way for a modern, one-story brick business building which will extend 150 feet along Adams and 56 feet along Fir.

The razing of the Grande Ronde Valley house marks the passing of another landmark in the business section. A part of this building was moved from Old Town shortly after the upbuilding of the present business section of La Grande today, and considerable history of this city is linked with the building.

As soon as it is razed, construction of the brick will begin, it is said.

## Nate Zweifel At Kelvinator Meet

Nate Zweifel spent two days last week in Boise attending a meeting of Kelvinator dealers from this territory. A factory sales representative from Detroit gave the dealers interesting information about selling and servicing electric refrigerating machines. It was pointed out that Kelvinator is one of the oldest domestic electric refrigerating machines on the market. Mr. Zweifel is very enthusiastic about prospects for business on Kelvinators in La Grande.

Garrison, who is ill.

Horn to Mr. and Mrs. Andy Tompy a son, Saturday morning. Mrs. Tompy is staying at the home of Mrs. William Lund at Wolf Creek.

Mrs. Ed Senecor, and Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell were Baker visitors Saturday.

The Rev. Father Hargie postponed his services here for Easter.

Mark Turner is salesman for Sam Carney's invention, rack dericks. Mr. Carney has built a factory at North Powder.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Horn, of Mt. Kinley, visited with Jim Utz Sunday. Edwin Hill, of Baker, also visited with Mr. Utz.

Edna Moore was a La Grande visitor Saturday.

Rachel Forstrom and Edna Moore visited several of the North Powder people who are at the Hot Jack sanatorium.

Wylie Dalton has taken over the management of the Motor Service station.



Usually, the more anyone knows, the less they'll tell someone else. Also, the larger the firm, the less racket they make. You can take an old-fashioned Ford car and it will make a bigger fuss than a half dozen Willys-Knights and that isn't speaking very well for myself.

We have a lot of old barn looking buildings. The main store building is nothing but a barn door that rolls back on the barn door track. But we do make a lot of fuss and if we sell a can of paint, we haven't got any better sense than just to spread the news all over the country. A lot of people get so disgusted with it and when they want to buy paint or wallpaper, they can't think of no one else, consequently they come down to buy their paint and wallpaper of the cheap man. We don't care, we don't try to stop them; in fact, we are glad to have them come. The football ad writer weighs 315 pounds and is just as active as the bird they call the crow.

One lady calling up today and said, "Mr. Pratt, you have missed your calling." Then she said something about a commission on a funny paper or something like that, but I couldn't be funny if I wanted to. But I do have a lot of fun selling wallpaper for 1 1/2¢ a single roll and bragging on 100 per cent Monarch pure paint.

If you know of any little kids in the country who don't know the name of the paint we handle, you send them down and I'll give them an all-day sucker and eat it for them myself.

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## THE GARDEN

### PUTTING SNAP INTO SNAPDRAGONS

It is becoming quite the fashion to refer to old-fashioned plants by their botanical names and we hear considerable about antirrhinums. These are nothing more than old-fashioned snapdragons with much more snap than they had in the olden days when they were common in all gardens. Now they have become aristocratic dwellers in glass houses. But they are just as valuable for garden use as they ever were, much more beautiful and stately plants and in a remarkable range of color from pure white to velvety almost black with a bewildering variety of flames, oranges, scarlet, pinks and roses and many variations.

Snapdragons make very slow growth in the early part of their careers and the early seedlings give little indication of the large plants they will make by midsummer. Haste seedlings in cool temperature. They will make up for their loss of early speed, once they are in the garden.

They like rich soil and liberal moisture although in their native state they stand dry conditions and much heat. There are three types, giant, half dwarf, and dwarf and the latest development is a super-compact strain. The half-dwarf sorts are favorite for the garden because of their greater freedom of bloom and because they do not require staking.

The giants grow around three feet tall. The half dwarf 18 inches and the dwarf about a foot.

Beautiful effects are produced by growing the giant sorts, pinching out the tops when they are about six or eight inches tall, staking them firmly, whereupon they branch freely and make a bush two feet through and about the same height covered with spikes of bloom. The spikes are not of the length or size that would be produced if the plant were allowed to grow naturally and devote its strength to the one long spike of giant flower such as the florists grow.

Now snapdragons need now to get bloom by the end of July and for a fine fall display.

## Refrigeration By Electricity Brings Change

The coming of electric refrigeration and its rapid acceptance by the public has raised an entirely new problem for builders to face, according to a recent issue of The National Real Estate Journal. There are several angles to be considered. It is tending to eliminate the refrigerator room. It was brought about a redesigning of kitchens with an eye to routing work, completeness of equipment and saving of steps.

From a builder's standpoint, the important part about this evolution is the fact that housewives have been captivated by this new refrigeration development, the trend now under way in which the sales states. Being primarily salesmen, realtors long since saw that women, after all were the deciding factor in the sale or rental of homes or apartments and have directed their sales plans and appeals to women.

Realtors nowadays give earnest

attention to kitchen arrangement not because of a desire to spend more time and money on that part of the house but due to the very practical knowledge that they must provide a modern kitchen if the home is to be sold.

Dayton, Ohio realtors are even now experiencing the development which sooner or later is bound to reach over the entire country. Some indication of this can be made from the statement that during the past summer fully 50 per cent of the better homes built by realtors on speculation were equipped with electric refrigeration.

Inasmuch as Dayton is the home of Frigidaire Corporation, General Motors subsidiary, electric refrigeration acceptance there is probably more complete than in any other section of the country. It serves as a pointer, however, to the trend now under way in which realtors are giving the public the latest and desired conveniences.

Y Cygol is not of the common run of eclipsing variables, according to Bulletin 858 from Harvard College Observatory. Well, who said it was?



## Convenience and Help

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## Shipments Of 'Ticky' Cattle Halted in U. S.

WASHINGTON (AP)—Acting under authority of the Crisp act of 1925, the federal government will halt all interstate shipments of tick-infested cattle, beginning May 1.

Hitherto slaughter stock has been moved from quarantined areas with only minimum precaution against the spread of Texas fever, a maldy carried to cattle by ticks. The new regulations provide that all animals moved in interstate commerce from tick-ridden territory, for slaughter or other purposes, must be freed of ticks and so certified by an inspector of the United States bureau of animal industry.

Dr. H. A. Ramsay, chief of the government's tick-eradication division, believes the Crisp act will go far in preserving the tick-free area won after long and difficult struggles. The post has been driven from 766 counties, leaving but 225 counties still quarantined because of its presence. Much of the area includes the swamp lands of the south. Because of the almost inaccessible nature of the region and the fact that unlimited numbers of cattle run through it virtually without restraint, Dr. Ramsay believes the most difficult part of the battle has just begun.

"Although excellent progress has been made thus far," he says, "the culmination of efforts to eradicate the cattle tick from the south is expected to require the closest kind of co-operation among county, state and federal officials, as well as ample funds and the active support of cattle owners."

An official appraisal of the damage ticks inflict on the cattle industry of the 225 counties infested shows an annual average loss of \$53,377 for each county. The current cost of tick eradication is placed at \$26,000, showing, Dr. Ramsay says, that it costs two and a half times as much to tolerate ticks as to eradicate them.

A beggar was arrested in New York and found to have three wives. Some day a rich man will be arrested with three wives and that will be news.



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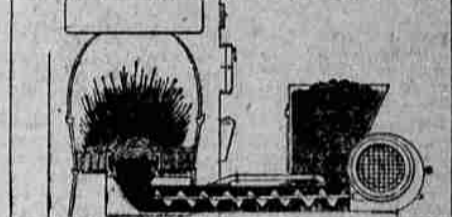
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Visitor at church, to friend, as collection plate is passed— "But that money back in your pocket, Bill! This is on me."

Another shipment of screen doors came in last week. It will soon be time to start swatting the fly. Good screens mean less swatting.

Another time when the car gets washed is when son finds a new sweetheart.

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