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OREGON CITIES GO INTO SLUMP

Only Klamath Falls and Portland Have Increase in January Building

Only Klamath Falls and Portland had heavier building during January of this year than in January, 1928, a survey by S. W. Straus & Co. shows. In spite of the fact that many Oregon cities lagged behind, the January total of building permits issued in Pacific Coast cities shows for the first time since last June a substantial increase over the corresponding figure of the previous year. The past month's total is a per cent above the January total for 1928.

A grand total of 9,365 permits for buildings to cost \$31,451,860 issued during January, is reported from 104 cities—the highest monthly total since September.

Portland, Ore., was 152 per cent higher than January, 1928 and 96 per cent above that of December.

The Oregon cities follow:

City	Permits	Total
Albany	6	4,310
Astoria	4	4,356
Baker	2	2,575
Eugene	14	13,515
Klamath Falls	29	86,310
Marshfield	7	12,650
Medford	20	33,335
La Grande	3	170
Portland	517	2,482,220
Salem	11	22,975
	601	\$2,663,740

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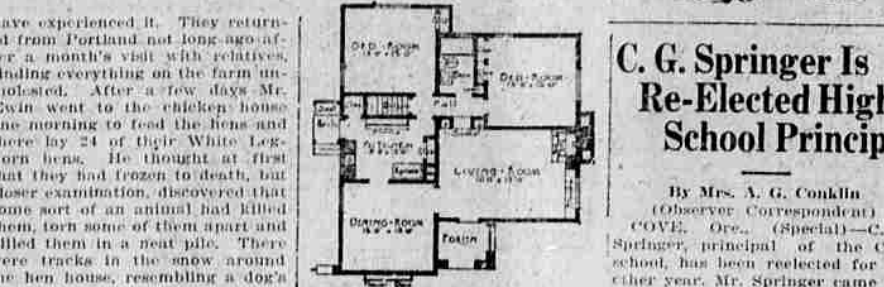
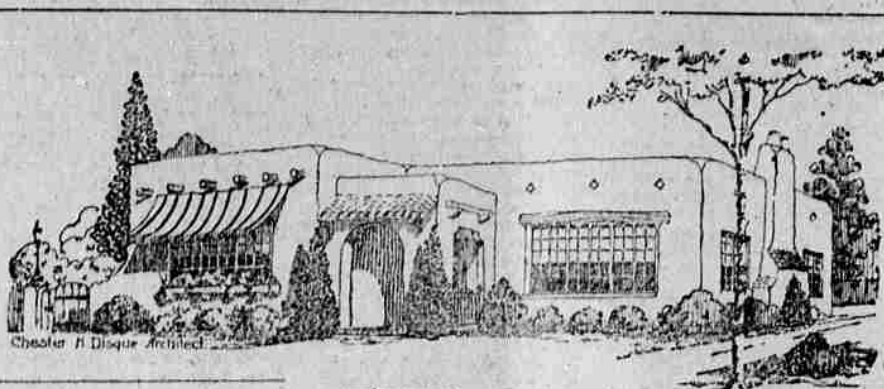
Ladd Canyon Is Cut Off Due To Heavy Snowfall

By Mrs. Charles Grandy (Observer Correspondent)

LADD CANYON (Special)—The people of the Ladd Canyon neighborhood were cut off from the rest of the valley for a time, owing to the heavy snow. The south wind blew so much of the time that it was absolutely impossible to shovel the snow, so no one stirred from their homes except the owners of the two milk dairies and the man who delivers the cream for nearly all the farmers in this vicinity. They all found it very difficult to make the trip to La Grande. One milk man managed by storing his delivery truck in a neighbor's barn on the market road, bringing the milk that ran on a sled through the fields and the other managed to get through by hitching a team to his truck until he reached the market road. The dairy men had to go every day and the cream man every other day. The cream man found it the most difficult as he had to go around the foot hills to gather up all the cream. He used a sled, his horses floundering many times during the trip, as the road was usually unbroken. He is still forced to make his trips in the sled. Residents of the community say that it is not a very pleasant experience to be snow bound, and that they appreciate more than ever the telephone and radio.

If there is such a thing as bad luck, Mr. and Mrs. Sherrell Ewin, La Grande during February, the heavy snow and cold weather holding back contractors.

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have experienced it. They returned from Portland not long ago after a month's visit with relatives, finding everything on the farm unmolested. After a few days Mr. Ewin went to the chicken house one morning to feed the hens and there by 24 of their White Leghorn hens. He thought at first that they had frozen to death, but closer examination, discovered that some sort of an animal had killed them, torn some of them apart and piled them in a neat pile. There were tracks in the snow around the hen house, resembling a dog's foot, only smaller. There was one lone hen that had escaped seemingly by keeping vigil over the rest. Most of those who have heard the story are at a loss as to what have been a job out. The building is nearly new, and quite large and long, as they used to keep a large flock of chickens, but after reducing the flock the building was divided in two, but had not been removed and the animal probably crawled in between where it had been sawed. Mr. and Mrs. Ewin were counsel with the fact that the rest of their hens were roosting in the barn and were unmolested.

The two big trucks are in operation again, hauling logs from up in the canyon to La Grande, the last three days.

The mumps have subsided here and the latest victims, Francis Beale and Elliott Austin, have fully recovered.

Mrs. Leona Mitholland has been here the past few days visiting with her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Fortson. She has been spending the winter in Portland.

Mrs. Mary L. Connell has received word from her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Tucker that they were driving here for a visit as soon as the weather broke. They live at Medford, Ore.

Frances Ferguson has been absent from school several days, owing to illness, but is much improved.

The Get-together club was entertained by Mrs. Sherrell Ewin, Feb. 7 after having been postponed for two weeks, owing to the snow. The afternoon was very pleasantly spent at needlework and general conversation which Mrs. Ewin served a two-course luncheon to her guests.

Hondini died two noon. He was just the man for the job of governor of Oklahoma.

ONCE OPPONENTS, NEIGHBORS NOW



President-elect and Mrs. Hoover, at Belle Isle, Fla., kept pretty completely in seclusion until came Sunday and church-time. Then they went to worship at the Unity Community church at Miami Beach and here you see them leaving after the services. Only a few miles away from Mr. Hoover's pre-inaugural residence, his recent companion opponent was vacationing at Coral Gables, and a meeting between them was arranged. Pictured below on the golf course are Alfred E. Smith, left; William F. Kenney, his life-long friend and Democratic Chairman John J. Raskob, right.

C. G. Springer Is Re-Elected High School Principal

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin (Observer Correspondent)

COVE, Ore., (Special)—C. G. Springer, principal of the Cove school, has been re-elected for another year. Mr. Springer came here from Antelope, where he had been principal for two years, his work having been so satisfactory that the board feels very fortunate in being able to secure Mr. Springer for another year.

The third baby since the new year, was born here Friday, Feb. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Alexander. Both mother and baby are reported to be doing nicely.

The road is now open to La Grande and traffic is about normal again, and although mail is always late, it is arriving daily. However, numerous horse-drawn sleighs are in evidence as no other mode of travel is possible where the snow plow has not been working.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Monavick, of Seattle, who have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Harris for the past two weeks, left on Thursday for their return trip home.

Invitations are out for a Valentine party at the Masonic hall on Thursday evening, Feb. 14. The women of the Order of the Eastern Star will be hostesses.

The monthly meeting of the M. Fanny grange that should have been held on Saturday evening, Feb. 2, was postponed for two

supported on standards of old Moorish design. The roof is flat and is a good grade of built-up roofing, sufficiently insulated to insure comfort within. This construction has proved to be most satisfactory and economical for houses of this type.

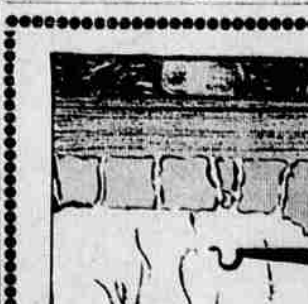
Two very unusual features are to be found in the living room. The corner fireplace, balanced by the bookshelves is as distinctive as the bookshelves to be found framing the opening from the living room to the service hall. The twin closets in the main bedroom, linen closet in the bathroom and the peculiar layout of the kitchen, together with its porch, are features worthy of consideration.

Oak flooring of random width is used in the principal rooms. Most of the woodwork that is ordinarily found around the doors and windows has been eliminated, depending upon draperies, tapestries and Spanish lighting fixtures for mural decorations, using the old ivory tinted sand finish plaster as a background.

Tile floor, of course, is used in the bathroom; casement windows throughout; cellar and porch floors cemented; and the usual laundry and heating apparatus are in the basement, but so arranged that a garage may be contained therein in case the grade of the lot permits.

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We Learn a Lesson from Lincoln

From commonplace environment to the highest gift within the power of the American people, Abraham Lincoln rose by adhering to his ideals of right and wrong, honesty and integrity. Thus he inspired confidence and thus we can all do, for no man or institution is poor that is blessed with confidence.

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weeks and will be held on Feb. 16. Mrs. C. E. Bertsch went to La Grande on Friday to visit her sister, Mrs. Klopfenstein, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Comstock went to La Grande Friday to do some shopping and also to bring their daughter, Ruth, home for the weekend. Miss Ruth is a student at the Sacred Heart academy in La Grande.

Merrill Conley and Gilbert Miller left on Monday for Portland. They were delivering a carload of horses that had been sold there.

Mrs. Royal Conley, who has been spending the last week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Glen, near Hilgard, came home on Friday. She expects to return Sunday and spend another week with her parents.

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PRINCE TO WED

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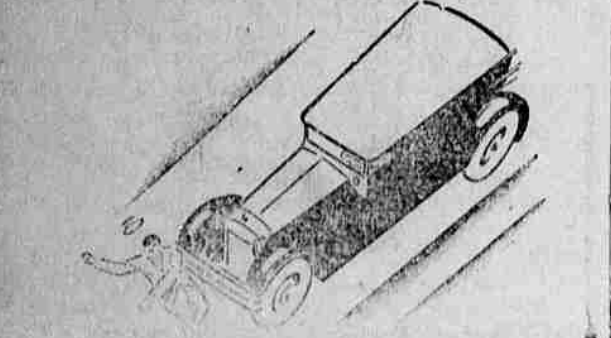
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OF ACCIDENT Who Pays Damages?

Too often it's Jimmy's education, Mary's musical career, or some much needed new equipment for the business, that really pays damages awarded the victim of an accident. One never knows what a difference a few thousand dollars can make in his business or in the life