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BOHNENKAMP CO. TO MAKE REPAIRS

\$2,500 Permit Taken Out
at City Office—First
Since Jan. 21

The W. H. Bohnenkamp company, applying for a \$2,500 building permit at the office of City Recorder J. E. Stearns, broke the "spell" that has existed in reference to new construction in La Grande since Jan. 21, when the last previous permit was issued. The cold and snow resulted in a cessation of building activities, except work on buildings started last year, and during the month of January only three permits involving \$170, were issued. The new permit brings the year's total to date to \$2,670.

The Bohnenkamp company plans to alter and repair their four-story

building on Adams avenue between Elm and Elm street, and the permit includes use of the street.

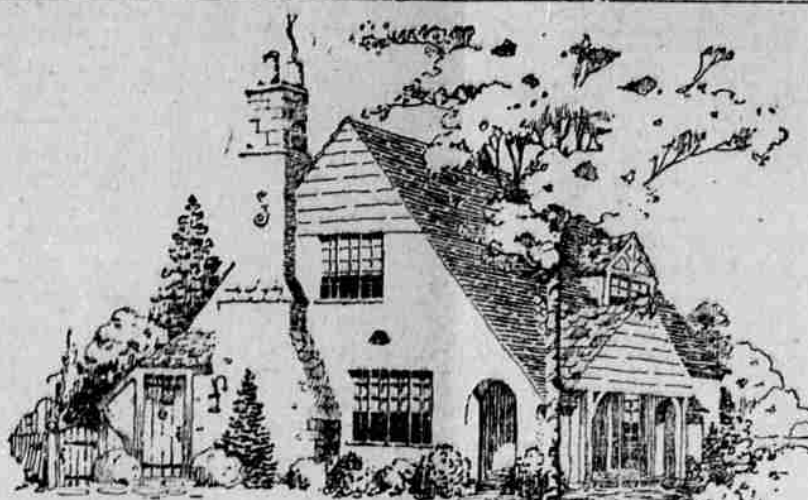
Deeds, Mortgages Figures Are Given

A check of the number of deeds and mortgages filed in Union county for the month of January in 1928 and 1929 has been prepared by the Abstract and Title company of La Grande, from the records at the county court house.

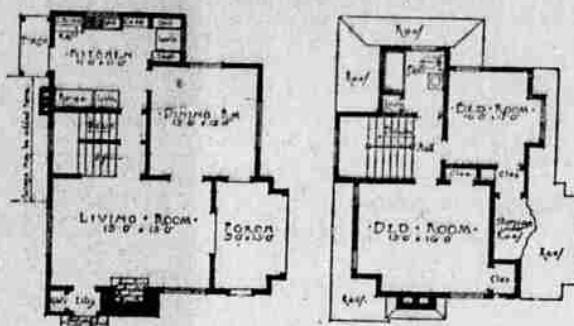
Last month the number of deeds filed was 40 while in January, 1928, the total was 53. The number of mortgages filed in January, 1929, was 44 while in January, 1928, the number was 36. The amount of the mortgages for January this year was \$136,251.29 compared with \$167,819.55 in the corresponding month last year.

J. A. L. Hyde, New York man, paid \$35,000 for some 100-year-old wall paper the other day. This ought to be a tip to you on what your landlord is up to.

A PERFECT HOME



No. 1527 Chester, J. Disque Architect



By Chester H. Disque

A perfect home indeed is this, with its massive stone chimney of ancient English origin, topped with its chimney iron and lantern. The sloping base of the chimney and the rugged roof of the porch and entry, assisted by the heavy oak batten door with its crude wrought iron hardware, serve to give the house that nestling home-like feeling.

Note the compact and convenient kitchen and nook. The living-room fireplace, with its flagstone hearth and ash chute, is indeed very attractive. The doors are heavy batten type with very narrow oak casing.

The second floor plan is very compact with ample furniture and closet space in both rooms. There is a plastered arch over the built-in bath tub. Useful storage space is beneath a portion of the roof. Casement sash painted olive green are used so as to contrast with the cream-colored rough stucco of the exterior and to harmonize with the stained half timber work, clapboards, and wood shingle roof which varies in color from a yellowish gray to a deep olive green. The little vermillion colored birdhouse over the living-room windows completes the color composition. Hardwood floors are used in the principal rooms.

Service stairs near the kitchen lead to the cellar, which has a cement floor and the usual service fixtures and hot air furnace. The garage may either be located in the basement or on the side where the windows on the side leading to the windows on the side leading.

It is estimated that this house can be built for between \$8,500 and \$7,500, exclusive of heating and plumbing.

THE GARDEN

MANAGING THE SOIL.

Garden soil is, to a great extent, what we choose to make it. It is merely a matter of how much labor a gardener is willing to put into it. Unless there is a deep subsoil of clay which makes draining a matter of time, the ordinary gardener can have about the sort of soil he wants. Heavy soil may be lightened and light soils may be made more moisture retentive. Lightening heavy soil is easier or accomplishing and a shorter task than incorporating enough decayed vegetable matter in a light soil to make it moisture retentive.

The soil may be acid or alkaline

at the will of the gardener to suit plants he desires to grow. Unless it is a sour soil, this feature gives concern only to gardeners desirous of growing rare plants which require special soil conditions. For the average garden a sweet soil—that is one in which there is lime—is the chief requisite.

Heavy soils are best broken up by the use of crushed limestone well spaded in, the incorporation of sand or even the use of sifted coal ashes. This breaks up the soil mechanically and makes it more porous. In addition to these mineral substances, the digging in of decayed manure or compost helps to make the soil more open.

This latter procedure is the chief means of making light, sandy soils more retentive of moisture but it must be a continuous process over several seasons as sandy soil seems to eat up humus. An application of clay will be of some assistance.

Even ploughing and spading also helps to break up heavy soil by letting the air into it. Ordinarily good garden soil requires no more than an annual spading and fertilizing to put it in shape for gardening. The deep digging and trenching recommended by shifting gardening authorities has been found by actual practice to be largely unnecessary labor as there are none of the vegetables which need roots to the depth that the trenching method prepares the soil.

The main preparation of the garden is a good spading and breaking up of the lumps to find the best place for planting seeds or setting out plants.

John D. Rockefeller has started mixing nickels with his dimes in gifts to acquaintances and friends. This bull market probably isn't going to last much longer.

February Cold Most Severe In 10 Years, Cove

By Mrs. Leona Price

(Observer Correspondent)
COVE, Ore. (Special)—February of 1929 has been the coldest February in ten years according to the report from the U. S. department of agriculture weather bureau in Cove. The thermometer registered from 2 to 5 degrees below zero for the four nights from the 7th to the 10th inclusive. The only other time it has gone below zero in the ten years since the bureau was established in Cove was Feb. 17, 1920, when it dropped to three degrees below.

A fire, which is thought to have started from a spark, burned a hole in the roof of the house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Squire Thomas. The fire was discovered before it gained much headway and was extinguished before much damage was done although a few garments were burned.

A score of 28 to 33 in favor of Cove was made in Elgin Thursday evening by the Cove girls basketball team.

The Rev. W. F. Shields, deputy grand master of this district, will meet with Cove lodge No. 91, A. F. and A. M. next Wednesday evening. Miss Lela Martin expects to return the first of the week to Hilgard to resume her school work.

On account of the burning of the school building the store will be used for this purpose.

Ted McCallin is hauling hay for Jack Fletcher from the Lee Childers place in Lower Cove. The

continued cold weather is causing quite a shortage of hay.

The cold weather and bad roads did not interfere with the high school chorus practice but when the pianists, Lee Ellen Breshears and Lola Brothers, who are also on the basketball team, left for Elgin Thursday evening, chorus practice had to be postponed.

An all day meeting of the club women for the purpose of sewing will be held Wednesday at the home of Mrs. J. R. Price. The club is sewing for Mrs. Eva Weimer Price who lost everything in the fire which destroyed their home at Five Points recently. A pot luck dinner will be served at noon.

A letter of thanks from Miss Ida Warnick, Baptist missionary in Nicaragua, for the Christmas present from the Grande Ronde association was read at the Dorcas meeting Thursday. Seventeen members were present. Feb. 15 was set aside by the Baptist ladies everywhere for prayers for the evangelists of the world. This meeting was held at the Baptist parsonage.

Weekly meetings will be held during Lent at the Episcopal parsonage at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoons.

Charles Graham, baby son of the Rev. and Mrs. T. F. Graham, has been ill of the flu.

The losing side in the eighth grade spelling contest is giving a party for the winners Feb. 15 in the domestic science room.

A Valentine party given Thursday evening by the Ladies Aid was reported as very successful. Valentine games were played and refreshments were served to about 40 persons.

A birthday party in honor of

Inez Towle was given Wednesday. Little Miss Inez is four years old. Those present were Betty Koger, Betty and Marie Light, Alice Towle, Charles Edward Hefty and Alfred Hartley. A birthday cake and ice cream were served to the little folk. Inez was born on Friday, Feb. 15, and was chosen as the mascot of the Cove orchestra of which her father was a member at that time.

A very good time was reported at the Epworth league party Wednesday evening, held in the Sunday school room. Mrs. Lena Towle and Mrs. Lillian Allen were in charge. Games, valentines and refreshments were the entertainment of the evening.

The Valentine party given by the

members of the Eastern Star Wednesday evening was attended by 40 members and guests. Merrill Conley sang "One Fleeting Hour," by Dorothy Lee, and "You Tell Me Your Dream." Valentine games and radio music were the entertainment of the evening, after which refreshments were served. The children in the lower grades had the usual valentine boxes which were much enjoyed.

STOCK MAN DIES

COODEN, Utah, Feb. 18. (AP)—Claude N. Claude, president of the Stockgrowers' Inc., and former resident of Billings, Mont., is dead here. He was well known throughout the west.



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By Williams



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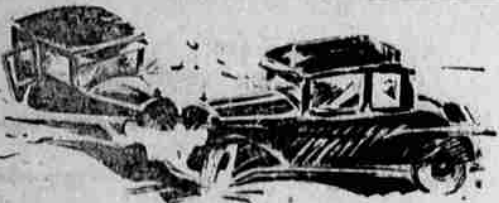
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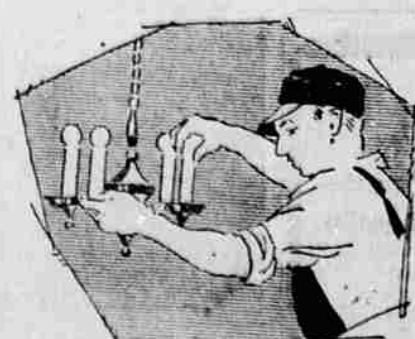


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