

BUILDING TOTAL REACHES \$15,950

Two Permits Taken out in Week—F. A. Balmes to Build \$2,000 Home.

Two more permits, totaling \$2,400, were taken out in La Grande last week, one for the razing of the H. K. O'Brien warehouse near the U. P. Depot, and the other for the construction of a new residence building on Alder street.

This brings the total for February to \$6,900 and the total for 1929 to \$45,950, a much greater figure than for a corresponding time in 1929.

The razing of the warehouse is already under way, with a considerable number of workmen employed. This is necessary to make room for the new U. P. depot to be built in La Grande this year.

The permits issued last week, according to the city records, follow:

Feb. 12—William Henderson, for H. K. O'Brien, to wreck two-story frame warehouse on Jefferson between Depot and Elm, work to cost \$400.

Feb. 13—F. A. Balmes, to build a dwelling place on Alder street between N and O avenues, to cost \$4,000.

DEATH RATE IN U. S. GAINS FOR MEN OVER 37

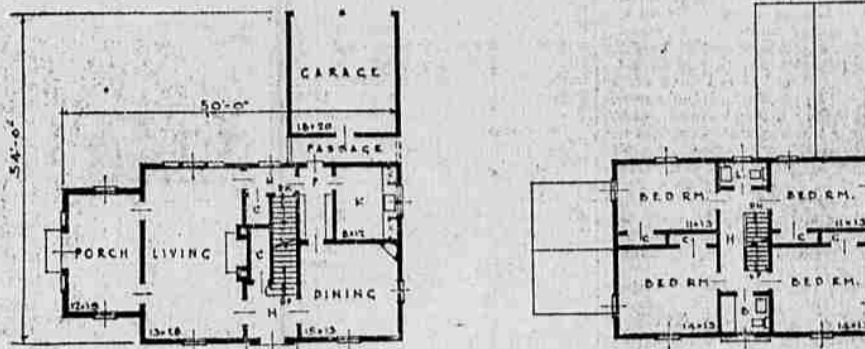
NEW YORK, (AP)—Dr. Eugene Leman Fisk, medical director of the Life Extension Institute, told members of the office Executive club that the death rate of Americans beyond the age of 37 is on the increase while other civilized countries show an improvement at every period of life.

He also declared that in this country the man over 40 suffers particularly from "such chronic ailments as those affecting the heart, blood vessels and kidneys" and that these diseases were on an increase in this country and on a decrease elsewhere. He said his statistics were based on the years from 1929 to 1928.

TAFT ABOUT THE SAME

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 (AP)—William Howard Taft was said by his physicians to be resting quietly today and that there had been no material change in his condition.

COLONIAL HOME FITS MODERATE SIZED LOT



By the Associated Press
This early Connecticut colonial style home, suitable for a lot from 75 to 100 feet in width, has marked simplicity of construction with the exception of detail emphasized in the outside front entrance and inside fireplace.

BEFORE THE MINK

TUESDAY PROGRAMS
The National Broadcasting company program for Tuesday follows: 8 to 9 a. m., Happy Time; 9:45 to 10, home service talk; 10:30 to 11:30, Woman's magazine; 12:30 to 2, School of Air; 2:15 to 2:30, flag talk for children; 4 to 4:30, voter's service; 5:30, Around World program; 6, concert; 7, fifty-piece orchestra concert; 7:30, vaudeville hour; 8:30, Amos and Andy; 8:45, John and Ned; 9, concert album; 9:30, concert; 10, Spotlight review.

The Columbia Broadcasting system program for Tuesday follows: 7:30, orchestra; 8 to 9, Paul Whiteman's orchestra; 9 to 9:30, Mr. and Mrs. drama; 9:30 to 10, Modern Melodists; 10 to 12, dance music.

Alas—I don't know which girl to take to the picture show. Will—Why not toss up? Alas—I have but it didn't come out right.

Improvement Gossip

Mr. and Mrs. Nate Zweifel went to Portland this weekend on business.

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San Francisco
KPO (630ke) 5:50, news; 6, concert; 7, dance music; 8, opera company; 9, Cecil and Sally; 9:10, musical capers; 11 to 12, dance music.

Los Angeles
KFI (640ke) 5:45, stock market; 6, NBC; 8:30, concert orchestra; 11, news.

Salt Lake City
KSL (1530ke) 5, novelty program; 5:30, NBC; 9, mixed quartet; 8:30, NBC; 10, dance band; 11, Midnight hour.

Denver
KOA (530ke) 4:30, market; 5:30, NBC; 8:45, concert orchestra and male quartet; 9:30 to 11, NBC.

Oakland
KGO (750ke) 5:30, NBC; 11 to 12, dance music.

Seattle
KJR (970ke) 5, musical program; 7, musical comedy hour; 8, ensemble; 9, quintet; 10, sunshine hour; 11, Vic Meyers orchestra.

San Francisco
KFI (640ke) 5:45, stock market; 6, NBC; 8:30, concert orchestra; 11, news.

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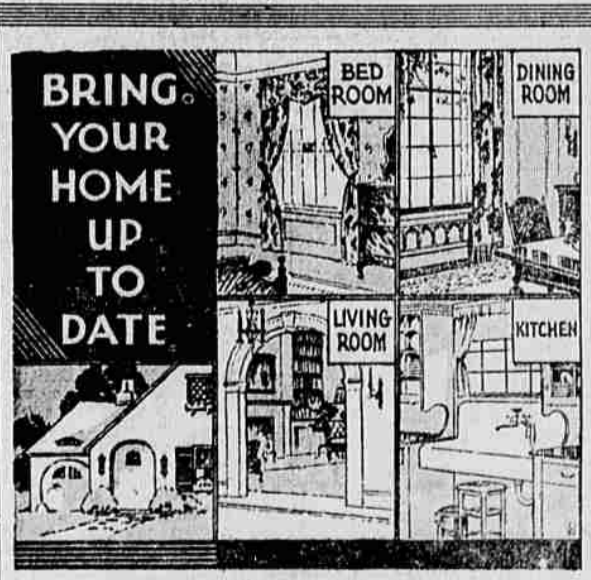
are the large flowering, long-stemmed sweet peas and are a great improvement in comparison with those older types of a few years ago.
It is a truth that your sweet peas will be no better than the soil preparations you make for them. It is a common practice among successful sweet pea growers to dig a trench 18 to 24 inches deep and mix thoroughly with the soil, barnyard fertilizer, sheep manure or in the absence of these a liberal quantity of steamed bonemeal and a few pounds of agricultural sulphur.
The soil should contain considerable humus such as leaf mold or any other organic matter. In freshly turned soil, open a furrow three or four inches deep, sow the seeds in the bottom of the furrow at the rate of about one ounce to about 30 or 40 feet. Cover the seed to a depth of one inch, firm the soil to the seed, leaving a loose mulch of soil on top. Do not sprinkle or irrigate for with proper planting there should be sufficient moisture to germinate the seeds without the application of additional water. Sprinkling ruins the soil surface, excludes the air, and sometimes causes poor germination.
Provide a trellis and train the young plants up as soon as they have tendrils. While the plants are young they should be thinned, to give them room to develop. The flowers should be picked every day after blooming season commences. If left to mature seeds the flowering season will be shortened, for once the plant has succeeded in maturing its seeds, it has completed its life cycle.
It is well to keep the sweet peas thoroughly watered for the first few weeks of their growth, but when the blooming season begins, too much water may cause the buds to fall from the stems, in which case sprinkling or irrigation should cease, and cultivation should follow, leaving a loose mulch of soil on the surface. Do not cultivate too deeply or too close to the plants themselves as there is danger of disturbing the root system.
Sweet peas are one of the most popular garden flowers. Where the winters are mild they may be sown during the fall and winter months and in the higher altitudes or colder climates in the early spring. The cultural directions are very much the same in either case. The selection of seed may well be determined by following advices of better class seed houses which usually offer a selection of the choicest colors and varieties.

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THE GARDEN
A SWEET PEA PROGRAMME
For a continuation of bloom, the second planting of sweet peas may be made during February. In the higher altitudes even as late as March is desirable. For outdoor growing of sweet peas in California the Early Flowering Spencer type has been developed. These



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