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## Building Over The Nation Now Making Increase

NEW YORK (AP) — While the federal public works program is the biggest factor in the construction industry's outlook, F. W. Dodge Corporation reports, in a special study, that privately financed building and engineering contracts were larger in May this year than for any month since May, 1932.

The statistics, covering 37 states east of the Rocky mountains, showed further that the total of \$53,487,500 of private work was only 1 per cent below May, 1932. Both residential and non-residential private work participated in this improvement. "It was only the recent temporary curtailment of government work that kept the May total of all contracts so far below May last year," the study said. "Publicly financed construction contracts in May of this year amounted to only \$23,684,200 against \$22,548,200 in May last year. The end of May found this year 51 per cent behind last year in publicly financed construction but only 30 per cent behind in private work. "There has already been a moderate rise in building material prices, which tends to encourage modernization projects and new small house projects to go ahead. Real estate activity seems to be awakening from its lethargy.

## LOCAL YOUTHS SPEAR SALMON

Two La Grande youths, Bob Helm and Billy Neal, brought home a pair of salmon from Catherine creek Tuesday. Both fish were displayed in the Wagner Hardware Co. window. Helm's catch weighed ten pounds and Neal's four and a half pounds. The season for gaffing or spearing salmon will end at sundown Saturday.

## MELDRUM WILL SEE WORLD FAIR

James Meldrum, of La Grande, left last week for Chicago and other points in the east. He expects to spend some time at the world's fair.

## MILWAUKEE LIKES TWILIGHT BALL

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Twilight baseball has gained such popularity here that attendance at single games frequently exceeds 5,000.

## FIND IT HERE

Copy for this column must be in by 9 a. m.

Reward for information or recovery of boys' bicycle taken from Crystal Plunge, Monday, 1301 W. Ave. 7-12-1 tp.

WASH. DRESSES  
Ladies' 50c to \$1.50  
Children's 25c to \$1.00  
GUARANTEED TO WASH & WEAR  
Norton's Kiddy Shop. 7-1-1 m.

BIRTHDAY PARTY  
Goodwill club and W. E. C. Daughters of Union Vets invited. Saturday, 2 o'clock, Odd Fellows hall. 15c admission. 7-12-2 t.

Cash for '30 or '31 Ford or Chev. sedan. Ph. F. 77 or Main 165. 7-11-3 t.

CARD OF THANKS  
We are very grateful and wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy during our bereavement in the death of our son and brother, Leonard. Mr. and Mrs. Kling Roe. 7-12-1 tp.

SUMMER SALE  
Take advantage of the Summer Sale Prices on Greenheat, Medalion, and Wild Rose Patterns of Dinnerware, now at Richardson's Art & Gift Shop. You can save one-third on your fillings during this sale. 7-10-1 f.

TOM THUMB WEDDING  
I. D. S. Tabernacle, Friday eve., 8 o'clock. 7-12-3 t.

TREASURY DEFALTIMENT  
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY  
Washington, D. C., May 24, 1933  
Notice is hereby given to all persons who may have claims against "The United States National Bank of La Grande, Oregon," that the same must be presented to Hugh Bodmer, Receiver, with the legal proof thereof, within three months from this date. They may be disallowed.  
P. G. AWALT, Acting Comptroller of the Currency. 5-24-3 m.

SCHOOL CHILDREN  
You can get a school paper at the Observer, 5c per copy. 11-2-1 f.

PURE PENNSYLVANIA MOTOR OIL  
65 and 75 cents per gallon.  
W. H. BOHNENKAMP CO. 7-6-1 f.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF UNION COUNTY, OREGON  
In the Matter of the Estate of JOHN BROOKLER, Deceased.  
The undersigned having been duly appointed by the County Court of Union County, Oregon, administrator of the Estate of John Brookler, deceased, and having qualified, notice is hereby given to the creditors and all persons having claims against said deceased to present them verified as required by law within six months after the publication of this notice, to E. R. Ringo, attorney for said administrator, at his office in the West-Jacobson Building, La Grande, Oregon.  
Dated July 3rd, 1933.  
DINA BROOKLER, Administratrix of the Estate of John Brookler Deceased. July 5-12-19-26.

## TODAY IN BRIEF, IN AND AROUND OREGON

AS CHRONICLED BY THE DAILY LEASED WIRE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TO DEDICATE STATE PARK  
SALEM, Ore., July 12 (AP) — The Salem chamber of commerce in co-operation with the Kiwanis and other civic and service clubs, is sponsoring a picnic and dedication of the scenic Silver Falls state park Sunday afternoon, July 23. Leslie M. Scott, chairman

of the state highway commission, will speak.  
WALLA WALLA MAN NAMED  
FORTLAND, Ore., July 12 (AP) — Appointment of W. E. McCorskey, of Walla Walla, as Washington state manager of the home loan bank

board, was announced here today by Russell Hawkins, of Portland, chairman of the national board. He received word of the appointment this morning.  
DROWNED IN SURF  
TAPT, Ore., July 12 (AP) — Before the eyes of her mother, who stood terror-stricken and helpless, Guida McMullen, 23 of Tapt, drowned yesterday while swimming in Siletz Bay. Her body was recovered, but efforts of the coast guard crew from Newport to revive her with a pulmotor were unavailing.

PENDLETON FLIER KILLED  
EUGENE, Ore., July 12 (AP) — George Howard, 22, of Pendleton, a student

at the University of Oregon summer school, was killed here late yesterday when the airplane he was flying over the Eugene airport, crashed. He died at a hospital without regaining consciousness.  
HOWARD was a student pilot and was making a solo flight. He had reached a height of 2000 feet and started to descend. At an altitude of 1000 feet his small monoplane, went in a spin and crashed.

CHURCHILL, MESSENGER SPEAK  
SALEM, July 12 (AP) — J. A. Churchill, president of Monmouth Normal school and L. E. Messenger of Southeastern Oregon Normal school were speakers here yesterday at the annual conference of the Oregon County

## School Superintendents' association EIGHT CASES OF DISEASES OVER COUNTY

Eight communicable diseases were reported to the state board of health from Union county last week. Four were measles, two pneumonia, one scarlet fever and one case of mumps.

Smallpox developed during the last week with 10 cases in Multnomah county, nine in Clackamas and one in Morrow.

THURSDAY  
FRIDAY  
SATURDAY

at **FALK'S**

"THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR QUALITY"

# Annual JULY Clearance

All departments will join in this three-day event with sensational savings on all odd lots and short lines from our regular stocks of quality merchandise.

HERE ARE A FEW OF THE LEADING EXAMPLES OF WHY YOU SHOULD SHOP AT FALK'S, THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he that ruleth his own spirit than he that taketh a city. Proverbs 16: 32.

## FORGING AHEAD

Officers and directors of the First National Bank of La Grande may well be proud of the condition of that lately reorganized institution as shown in the statement published today in answer to call of the comptroller of the currency. The confidence of the public in rising to an emergency and re-opening a banking business here has most certainly not been misplaced.

The local bank shows progress of a most satisfactory type, both in the efforts for quick retirement of its obligation and in service extended to the community.

Other communities in Eastern Oregon have recently had bank openings—through branches of large Portland institutions. Deposits in former institutions in those cities are still frozen and relieved none however by that method of banking relief.

The grit, determination and confidence of an entire community that rose to meet the La Grande emergency some months ago seems well on the way to receive its reward through its own local institution.

Twenty per cent of deposits have been paid. The three "twenties" in negotiable instruments are drawing interest. The twenty per cent in stock seems already to have much indication of return to par.

This newspaper has every confidence in the ability of those who are today handling the destinies of our locally owned banking house. It feels their efforts and accomplishments to date worthy of the highest commendation and praise.

## THIS KIDNAPING RACKET

A survey by the Associated Press reveals that kidnapers, operating throughout the United States, have sought at least \$650,000 from victims' families and friends in the last five months. No one knows how much of that sum has been received, but it is certain that the racket has paid them more than a quarter of a million dollars in that time.

Here, in brief, are the kidnap demands of only the most notorious cases of the last five months: Charles Boettcher II, Denver, Feb. 12, \$60,000; Jerome Factor, Chicago, April 15, \$50,000; Peggy McMath, Harwichport, Mass., May 2, \$60,000; Mary McElroy, Kansas City, May 27, \$30,000; William Hamm, St. Paul, June 15, \$100,000; John Factor, Chicago, July 1, \$100,000; John J. O'Connell Jr., Albany, July 7, \$250,000; August Luer, Alton, Ill., July 10, unannounced at this writing. It is staggering! Amazing!

We hear less of the beer and moonshine racketeers of late, but in their place are these kidnaping racketeers. It seems that now would be the time to make an example of every kidnaper caught — give him the limit under the laws of the state in which the crime is committed.

And if he manages to beat the civil courts, it seems that Uncle Sam might be justified in declaring martial law in some state some day and pass out some of the old-fashioned army type of justice. That's one type of court where clever lawyers are unable to thwart justice with a flock of technicalities.

Those New York C. C. C. workers who were sent back east because of rioting in a Grant county camp found that their rough and ready tactics got them nowhere out west. The west always has been more or less noted for its discouraging of undesirables, and there's no surer way of removing an undesirable than shipping him home. At that, we feel sorrow for his folks upon his home-coming.

"To fly through the country roads in a powerful car at night is to feel that you had escaped into another world," says a writer. And perhaps to find in the end, that you actually have.

A New York navigator has invented a sextant that will find the sun behind the heaviest clouds. He should be able to sell a car-load of these without going off of Wall Street.

"Are hard-boiled eggs beneficial to a girl just over twenty?" somebody asks a medical-advice column. Well, we should think much would depend on whether she was going to eat them or step out with them.

July Clearance Sweeps Through the

# Ready-to-Wear Dept.

**\$17.50**  
Dresses

This is a beautiful group of our finest summer dresses — silks, wools, chiffons, etc., and exactly half price.

**\$8.75**

**\$10.00**  
Dresses

A huge assortment of silks and wools— Every new style detail — Every new shade, and every size.

**\$5.00**

**\$5.95**  
Dresses

You can't afford to finish the summer without at least one of these pretty silk or wool frocks. Most of them may be worn right up until cold weather.

**\$2.98**

All Other Dresses in The Store Will Be Reduced 20% !!!

## ALL SUMMER COATS

Priced in 3 Groups:

**HALF PRICE**

\$10.00 Coats Will be \$5.00  
\$17.50 Coats Will be \$8.75  
\$25.00 Coats Will be \$12.50

**Buy Now!**

ON the average, cotton, lard, silver, copper, tin and rubber advanced about 60% in the period between March 1st and June 1st—and have advanced since! Look ahead... be foresighted! Determine to buy these things which are such wonderful value right now and save money.

Savings in the Men's Dept.

All STRAW HATS

Panamas, Leghornettes and Sengits — in fact every mens straw hat in the store.

**1/2 Price**

**\$5 Freeman Sport Oxfords \$3.65**

Black and White, Tan and White, Tan and Brown and Black and Grey — a value at \$5; an outstanding bargain at \$3.65.

Men's All-Wool SWIM SUITS

formerly to \$4.

**\$1.95**

Columbia Knit suits in a riot of colors — suits that fit correctly — makes swimming lots more fun.

**\$1.95 Eagle DRESS SHIRTS \$1.25**

Collar attached fancy pattern shirts of fine quality broadcloth and madras. Nearly every size included. Buy for future use — they're going higher!

All Other Men's Furnishings Reduced **10%**

Your Choice of Any DRESS SKIRT at **20% Off**

Every new color and every size — \$1.95 skirts now \$1.56 — \$2.95 skirts now \$2.36.

A Large Group of HOUSE FROCKS formerly priced to \$1.95

**Buy One For \$1.** and get an extra one for **5c**

Bring a friend and split the difference — this way you'll pay only 52¢ for your dress... but you'll have to be here early Thursday morning.

Munsing Swim Suits **1/2 Price**

This includes every ladies' swim suit in the store — regularly priced from \$2.95 to \$1.50, these pure wool suits will all be HALF PRICE.

All Ladies' Furnishings Such as Gloves, Lingerie, Corsets, Neckwear, Blouses, Scarfs, etc. **10% OFF**

Entire Stock of Finest WHITE Footwear

**2 PAIRS \$5.**

Pumps, Sandals and Ties of finest kid and suva leathers — Bring a friend with you and each pay \$2.50 a pair.

ALL WHITE ELK SANDALS **\$1.95**  
Formerly to \$2.95

Selby Arch Preservers, Armstrong and Peacock Shoes Reduced **20%**

ENNA-JETTICK SHOES **\$3.95**  
Now Priced at

You Can Now Well Afford Another Hat to Finish the Summer In!

Finest Pattern HATS **\$3.49**

Originally to \$10.

A ridiculously low price for such beautiful hats — every new shape; every new shade; every head size.

Another Large Group Formerly to \$6. Now **\$1.49**

Here's Hat Value! **95c**  
An Extra Hat For **5c**

A large group of summer hats chosen from our regular stock.

All Tams Now **25c**