

PORTLAND AHEAD IN CONSTRUCTION FOR NOVEMBER

Other Cities in United States Show Heavy Falling Off for Last Month Compared to 1916.

CITIES SHORT OF HOUSES

Abnormal Business Conditions Have Upset Law of Supply and Demand in Eastern Towns.

Building construction for November was in actual volume perhaps less than one half that for November, 1916.

Perhaps the most serious phase of this unfavorable showing is that present construction is not keeping up with requirements.

Cities in Need of Houses

That law of supply and demand is now superseded by the abnormal business conditions, so that, generally speaking, the current construction work is far behind the actual necessities.

Portland's showing for November was strikingly different from the rest of the country, the increase for last month showing a gain of more than 200 per cent over the building record for November, 1916.

Reports Cover Many Cities

The following table presents the reports in detail.

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Russell Home is Sold

Among the important realty transactions of the week is the sale to H. M. Farrar of the Russell home at 648 Gerald avenue.

TIPS TO THE HOME OWNER

OREGON DOOR CO. SASH AND DOORS

General Insurance BONDS

McCargar, Bates & Lively

OUT-OF-TOWN REALTY DEALS

Eugene—Lane county may be made the immigration point of hundreds of eastern farmers as the result of a land deal which was completed recently by the Great Western Land company.

Penelton—Nine hundred and sixty acres of land near Pilot Rock has been sold by George Campbell to Penelton & Duff.

Joseph—J. E. Himelewitz of Joseph, Walla Walla county, has purchased the Elmer Alkin ranch on Pine creek, The deal involves 640 acres of land and 57 head of cattle and horses.

REALTY SALES ARE FEWER AS HOLIDAYS ARE DRAWING NEAR

Some Residence and Lot Deals Are Included in Transfers for the Week.

Little real property changed hands in Portland last week—the approach of the holiday season apparently putting a stop to even the restricted movement that has been noticeable here since the November Liberty bond drive.

Louis Nicolai sold to A. Young the west 50 feet of lots 7 and 10 in block 22, Sherlock's addition; consideration \$2500.

N. M. Anderson has closed negotiations with Thomas W. Adams for the purchase of the half of lot 16, in block 11, Lincoln Park annex.

A. Altman has purchased from W. T. Harlow the north 1/2 of lot 10 in block 6, Ravenswood, paying \$1150 for the parcel.

M. Owens has sold to John M. Peterson lot 8, in subdivision of lot "N" in St. Johns Heights. Sale price \$1600.

James Parks has taken title to a lot in St. Johns Heights. The property was sold by A. O. Beaman for \$1800.

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AVIATORS COME TO PORTLAND

Harry Park, Licensed Pilot, Sees Probability of Establishment of Club Houses for Planes.

POPULAR USE IS MANIFEST

Few People Have Any Idea of the Marvelous Uses This Air Traveler Will Be Put to After War.

Travel by airplane will become popular in the United States after the present war, according to Harry Park, proprietor of the Ross City Printery.

The present and future status of the airplane in the everyday affairs of mankind is being discussed by the thinking men of the world today in a much larger measure than ever before.

The airplane as an instrument of war, both as a carrier of guns and bombs, and as an observation vehicle of the air, is already known to the average reader of the newspaper.

"At this time a list of available sites are being listed at distances of about seven or eight miles apart, thus affording a prepared ground within the reach of an aviator at any time whether he desires to land or to take off, or on which to make a forced landing caused by engine trouble, lack of fuel, etc.

Even though these stations were isolated from nearby towns or settlements as the case might be across some of the vast wastes between our eastern and western coasts, this service, it is expected that farmers who can spare from two to four acres of level land will do so and make for themselves a home which will be (the farther away the more likely) they will always have a surplus of gasoline and oil which could be sold to the air traveler, as this commodity would necessarily have to be kept on hand in large quantities for use in tractors and automobiles needed on the ranch or farm.

The greater probability is that there will be many travelers to provide for and not individually but many in single machines carry a number of passengers.

The truly great Caproni machine, one of which carried eight passengers recently from London to New York, is simply a forerunner of what we may expect as an everyday occurrence in the near future.

Not only will these proposed landing stations be a necessity for air travelers, but if local in character, they will also be a boon to automobile tourists.

Club houses will be maintained at points 150 to 200 miles apart, and possibly with the exception of a few, and contemplated, gross continent-wide travel in a very short time will be taken as a matter of course rather than considered an extraordinary feat of endurance as now.

These same houses would have apartments or numerals painted on their roofs by which, by air mail, consulting his map on the map-board in front of him, would be able to tell in a few minutes the location and a glimpse at his fuel gauge would know whether to land or not.

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