



## Colors Are Approved for Decorating Modern Well-Equipped Kitchens

A blue Dutchy kitchen, with geraniums on the window sill and blue checked gingham curtains has long been the vague dream of many a little bride-to-be, and then someone comes along and tells her to make her kitchen "white and sanitary" and she regretfully drops the dream of her vivid-color workshop.

As a matter of fact, there is something reminiscent of hospital wards in an all-white kitchen, and it certainly is apt to be a glaring and depressing place to work. Some years ago kitchens were drab and dingy, with flaring gas jets and wooden cupboard doors, behind which the utensils were packed.

But gone are the days when it was the ugliest room in the house in the maddest menage it is the important workroom, where mother spends much of her time, and she may have it as gay and attractive a place as she desires.

Of course, efficiency must have first place, but it can be successfully camouflaged with charm and color; there is the combination of misty gray walls and deep lilac floor, furniture painted gray-green and gaily flowered cretonne curtains to add a brighter note.

Blue woodwork against ivory walls, with ecru curtains flounced in the same blue gives another attractive effect, and the floor in such a kitchen may be painted black, and relieved by a vivid braided rug. After all, black or red or green is just as easy to keep clean as dead white or oak, so why not, if your fancy turns that way?

### Press Addition Lots Are Being Sold Swiftly

The recently opened Press addition, lying between Capitol and Madison, the Tilt road and the railroad track, are moving in a highly satisfactory manner, according to R. A. Harris, who has charge of the sales. The addition is owned by Mr. Harris, T. M. Hicks and Dr. H. E. Morris. Among recent sales reported are to Forrest L. Hidday, of the Marion hotel, sold through W. M. Pennington; Homer N. Butler, through Brown & Johnson; two lots by I. H. Vincent, re-sold by the Halseth brothers by Mr. Harris. Mr. Vincent does not contemplate building, but said that "the property looked good to him as an investment."

### McCourt Residence Sold To Mary L. Boeschen

Mary L. Boeschen Saturday purchased the residence of the late Justice John McCourt at 1311 Court, for a consideration of \$11,500. The property, which consists of four modern apartments, was purchased through Childs & Bechtel and is being held for an investment.

Mrs. Veva B. McCourt, the wife of the late Justice, will leave for Portland with her son, John McCourt, Tuesday. Mr. McCourt who was admitted to the Oregon bar this year, will enter the law business in the firm of Robert McGuire, who was a deputy under the late Justice McCourt when the latter served as United States district attorney.

Mrs. McCourt and Mr. McCourt will make their home at the Rose Friend apartments, at Broadway and Jefferson.

### Clever French Find Way To Beat Inheritance Taxes

PARIS, Sept. 25 (AP)—A law was passed in France recently making the legal adoption of children relatively easy of accomplishment, and the new measure is resulting in loss of revenue to the government.

Inheritance taxes in France are heavy. On a fortune of 1,000,000 francs a nephew who inherits must pay 400,000 francs to the state, a grand-nephew, 441,000 francs, an unrelated inheritor 482,000 francs, but a child pays only 123,000 francs.

Adopted children rank as real children, so it has become the habit of testators to adopt distant relatives and friends to whom they desire to leave money.

the use of bright paint will transform the cans and jars into things of beauty, and bring light and color into the earstwhile drab room.

There should be a shelf for the cookbooks and recipe cabinet, the bowl of flowers, the clock and other odds and ends. There should be a comfortable low rocker, cushioned with bright color, in which it is so restful to sit while shelling peas perhaps, or quartering peaches. The high stool may be tucked beneath the sink, awaiting its occupancy when you must be brought on level with sink or table. There is no reason, then, why the little bride or the older housekeeper cannot have a kitchen sanitary, convenient and charming all in one, and it is to be transformed this week, this is the room where the new era will begin!

### Steps Being Taken for Ultimate Zoning Plans

Preliminary steps toward zoning and city planning have been taken by the special committee appointed by the Marion-Polk County Realty association, of which W. G. Krueger is chairman. These steps consist of a request for more and definite information.

A letter was sent to J. M. Griggs, chief of the division of building and housing, department of commerce, at Washington, D. C., asking that any literature or information on the subject be forwarded to Salem.

Efforts are to be made to obtain several of the Portland men who have been ardent advocates of the plan for speakers at the weekly luncheons of the association.

## SALEM IS WINNER OVER COAST CITIES

Newcomer Travels Thousands of Miles Before Making His Selection

Competing with every city of equal, lesser and greater population along the coast, the desirability of Salem as a home site appealed to Charles Wiper and he decided to cast his lot here.

Mr. Wiper has spent the last six months between British Columbia and the Mexican border, looking for what he believed to be the best possible location. A few months ago he came to Salem, became interested in the community and then devoted the last three months to organizing and perfecting the State Saving & Loan association, the announcement of the organization being given in the Statesman Saturday morning.

Through the agency of Becke & Hendricks, local realtors, Mr. Wiper has purchased the Dr. Fred Ellis residence at 1005 North Summer. His family have been in California for the last two months waiting for the transaction to be completed and last night joined him here. Mr. Wiper is taking immediate possession of his new property.

Officers for the new association will be elected at a meeting of the directors Tuesday night, Mr. Wiper said yesterday.

## NATIONAL SURVEY FOR FARM LANDS

Will Measure New Prosperity Section By Section and Record Sales

A national measurement of the extent to which the present notably improved prices of farm products have already been registered in new activity in farm sales in every section of the country will be made available through a survey of the farm land market which is now being made by the national association of real estate boards.

The survey will base its findings on the number of farms sold during 1924, as compared with 1923 by real estate dealers in each section forming the association's farm lands division, on comparison of the considerations paid for these farms per acre, and on the degree of market activity now evidenced in each section. In extension of these findings and plumbing the less measurable indications of future farm market conditions the survey will record the general sentiment of each section of the country toward its own farm land values.

This sentiment will be recorded as it is represented by the attitude of the farmers themselves, the attitude of the local banks toward farm loans, the number of foreclosures during 1924 as compared with 1923, and the causes which have been prominent in bringing about the necessity for foreclosures.

The survey will be a collection of the experience and observations of men specializing in farm lands, each within the single county with whose situation he is most familiar.

Change in farm prices over the period 1920-1924 will be measured for comparison with the change of the year just past.

### Building Report for Northwest Keeps Up

A grand total of \$375,999,455 in building permits were issued in 82 principal cities of the seven Pacific coast states during the first nine months of 1924. An analysis of the figures shows that, exclusive of Los Angeles, the volume of building exceeds that of the first nine months of 1923

by 4 per cent and that of 1922 by 32 per cent, according to the Pacific Coast section of the National Monthly Building Survey of S. W. Strauss & Co.

The greatest relative gains were made in Oregon, Washington and Arizona. Idaho, Nevada and Utah cities report reductions from last year, while all but Nevada show substantial gains over 1922. Eliminating the preponderant Los Angeles figures, which amount to 39 per cent of the California total and 30 per cent of the seven states total, 58 California cities report a slight increase over 1923.

A total of 137,445 permits were issued during this period. As compared with the previous year's total and with the cost items, this indicates a slight reduction in the number of major projects. Analysis of the figures indicates that during 1924 a larger proportion of major buildings have been built in San Francisco, Oakland and Seattle than in 1923 but that the proportion was yet greater in 1922 in Oakland and San Francisco, while in Los Angeles, Salt Lake City and Portland the proportion was greater than in 1922 but smaller than last year.

In Los Angeles 39,688 permits were issued calling for a construction cost of \$117,412,082 during the past nine months, 19

per cent less than for the same period last year but 31 per cent greater than for that of 1922. The 15 municipalities of the Los Angeles metropolitan area show the same ratio of reduction from last year but a 21 per cent gain over the year before.

San Francisco issued 7,984 permits during this period at a cost of \$39,858,900, 16 per cent more than for the same period of 1923 and 12 per cent more than

for the like period of 1922. In the San Francisco Bay area, 14 municipalities issued 18 per cent more than during the first nine months of last year and 25 per cent more than for like period of 1922.

Portland's 11,990 permits calling for \$22,781,700 in cost is 13 per cent over last year's comparative figures and 22 per cent over those of 1922.

Oregon		
Astoria	231	\$ 1,139,430
Eugene	545	2,466,990
Klamath Falls	413	1,483,565
Portland	11,990	22,781,700
Salem	373	1,472,935
Total	13,552	\$29,344,620

### Farm Properties are Sold By Local Realtors

Farm and residence properties are moving, according to Becke & Hendricks, who report several fine transactions during the last week.

In a trade and sale, E. T. Pierce has disposed of his 80-acre farm six miles from Salem on the Pringle road to B. M. and Carrie George, who turned in a 10-acre tract in southeast Salem. The

total consideration involved was \$13,500.

Another deal completed was the purchase of a 2 1-4 acre tract 5 1/2 miles north of Salem on the Pacific highway by Ralph Kletting, advertising manager of the Statesman, from Ronald Jones. The property is known as the Wittlycombe place.

J. A. Waggoner has purchased the Ralph Hein and Harry Hammes residence at 1180 Madison for a consideration of \$2850.

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