

### Labor Blamed For High Cost Of Building

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 (AP)—An architect and a contractor testified Friday that the high cost of housing can be traced in part to a slow-down by labor and that in some instances the workers are "actually laying down on the job."

### Community Card Club Has First Fall Meeting

GERVAIS—The first fall meeting of the "500" Community Card club was held in the high school auditorium Tuesday for a no host supper.

### Valley Obituaries

**Lewis Thomas Bockes**  
Amity — Lewis Thomas J. Bockes, 69, of Pacific City, formerly of Amity died October 12, at a Tillamook hospital.

**Joseph Rauscher**  
STAYTON—William Rauscher, Mildred Rauscher and Mr. and Mrs. Art Pepper were called to Goldendale, Wash., by the death of their cousin, Joseph Rauscher, 47, Thursday.

**Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 28, with Mrs. Ernest Andreas, Mrs. M. B. Lucas and Mrs. Edward Becker as hostesses.**

## Church Survives 'Lost' Town

### Little Else Left In Once-Busy City St. Louis

By Stuart Bush  
Two unpaved county roads cross at right angles. The tourist in his shining automobile raises a cloud of dust, obscuring his vision of the unpainted general store or service station at the corners, speeding on his way oblivious even to the faded beauty of a little church that stands amid a row of poplars in a nearby field, that has stood there for 100 years.

Such a town is St. Louis, Ore., today a fertile farming community, situated on the western fringes of French Prairie. Once it had a thriving trade and its townspeople yet called it a bright future. Along its main street a row of commercial buildings faced the proud structure of its new church. There were surveyors, physicians, coopers and blacksmiths. There were shoemakers, bookkeepers, millwrights and gunsmiths. This was St. Louis, Ore., in the 1860s.

Today nothing remains of all this but the church itself. A few legends about the town survive to fascinate the antiquarian, but the main drama of its rise and fall from the early days when the Hudson Bay company sent its first young Frenchmen out from Quebec to establish fur trading, to its dismal destruction when the Oregon-California railroad (later to be called the Southern Pacific) in 1870 gave precedence to other towns by building its main line a mile to the east . . . all this is the story that no one remembers.

Father Bartholomew Delorme had gathered the subscriptions to erect the first mission house in 1844, and he had been glad to give a piece of his own land claim for that purpose. Father Thibeau, 10 years later, noted with satisfaction that wagon trains were bringing thousands of Frenchmen from Quebec and France itself to this promising settlement on the prairie. St. Louis was going to be quite a town!

But later still Father Vermersh learned a new truth. A new era had begun and the world belonged to towns along the iron tracks. He saw St. Louis revert to a small agrarian neighborhood. He saw its buildings decay, crumble and disappear.

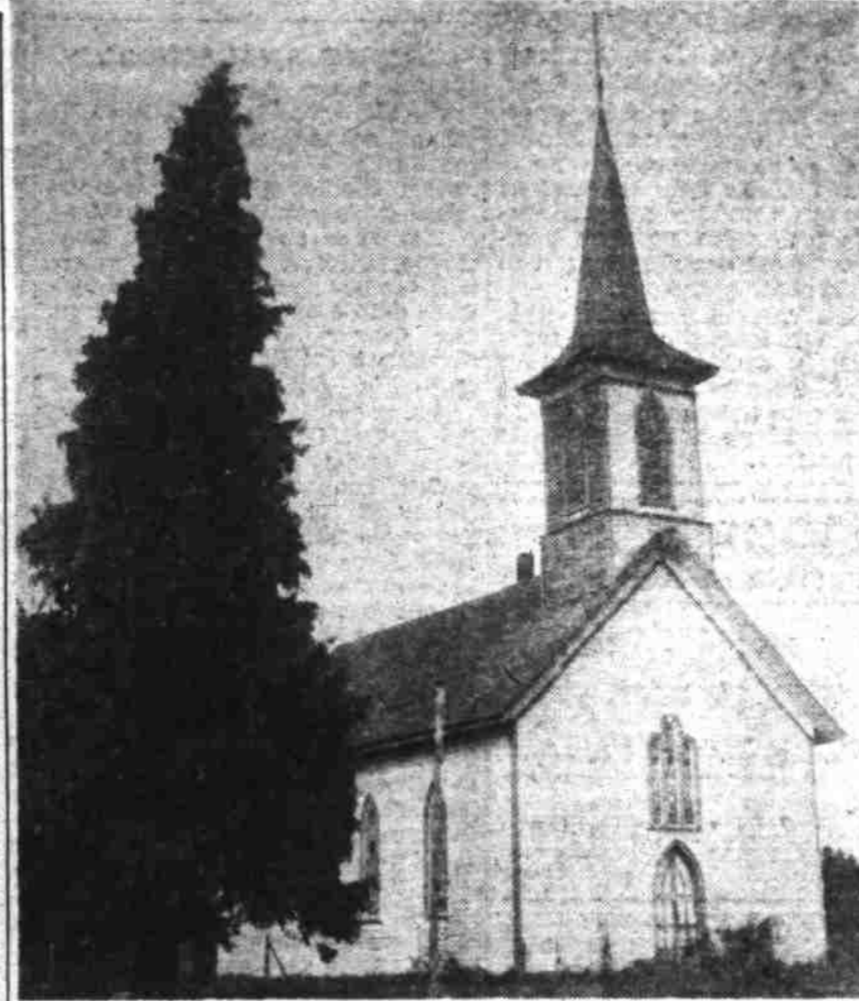
**Tasks Are Divided**  
It is not the task of the Nuernberg tribunals to review the judicial decisions of the Nazi courts in search of errors of fact or law. It is rather to appraise the Nazi system itself, its laws and procedure, putting that system to the test established by the London charter, the enactments of the control council for Germany, and by the evolving rules of international law which have fixed criminal responsibility upon individuals who may be proven guilty of violating the "laws and customs of war," or of committing crimes against humanity "whether or not in violation of the domestic law of the country where perpetrated."

**District BPW Clubs To Meet in Woodburn**  
WOODBURN—Woodburn Business and Professional Women's club will entertain the Central Willamette district conference Sunday. Delegates from clubs in McMinnville, Taft, Newport, Toledo, Corvallis, Albany, Salem, Dallas, Silverton, Lebanon and Sweet Home will attend.

**Fishing Party Visits At Strawberry Farm**  
MARION — A fishing party which included Dorsey Gray and children, Warren and Donna and Mrs. Warren Gray spent the week end at the home of Mrs. Gray's son Kenneth on the Alsea river bottom. He is engaged in growing certified Marshall strawberry plants there and has an estimated three million plants ready for next spring.

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The Picturesque Church at St. Louis

### Judge Brand Tells of Probing Tragic Drama of Nazi Justice; Briton Safety Valve Described

(Editor's note: James T. Brand, associate justice of the Oregon Supreme court who is on leave to preside over a military tribunal in Nuernberg, Germany, resumes his discussion of German "Justice" in the following letter written exclusively for publication in The Oregon Statesman. He also tells of a trip which convinced him anew that "there'll always be an England.")

By James T. Brand  
NUERNBERG, Germany — After an interval of six months it is again possible to report on the Nuernberg trial. At last the case is closed. Next week will be devoted to argument and then begins the task of digesting the evidence and writing an opinion. The transcript of 10,000 pages must be studied, but the more significant evidence is documentary, of which there are 841 prosecution exhibits and 1452 for the defense, many of them of considerable length.

The trial of the high officials of the ministry of justice and judges of the Nazi courts raises problems unique in legal history. The simple cases of the "Woodum" type involved in the trial of the Nazi butchers who murdered their tens of thousands are hard by military tribunals at Dachau and elsewhere in Germany, whereas the cases involving serious questions for the future are assigned for trial before the Nuernberg tribunals.

England is poor and hungry, but the English are rich and well-fed—on traditions, on cheerful, dogged courage, and the will to carry on. The men of Britain are breathing the air of hope and determination—and fog. Some shadows of sunset may fall across the mighty empire, but "There will always be an England."

**Women Hold Meeting**  
GERVAIS — Fifteen members and Mrs. J. E. Walter of Lubbock, Tex., met at the Presbyterian church parlors, Wednesday for the Clara Jones Missionary society meeting.

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### Labish Hunters In Mid State Seeking Deer

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**Home Economics club meets**  
Tuesday at the Labish Center schoolhouse. Eleanor Trindle, Marion extension agent, will begin her demonstration on "pressure saucers" at 10:30 a.m. and prepare lunch for the members at noon.

**Vacation in South**  
The Harry Lovres will leave Sunday for a three weeks' vacation in southern California. They will spend part of their time at the Ralph Badgers in Moravia, Calif.

**Christians Service circle met**  
October 9 with Mrs. Arlo Pugh. Present were Mrs. Vernon Zornes, Mrs. J. J. Leshar, Mrs. E. B. Klumpe, Mrs. R. W. Boies, Mrs. Lyle Klumpe and Lee, Mrs. H. G. Pearsall, Mrs. Harry Boehm, Mrs. Fred Pugh, Mrs. E. M. Boies, Patsy and Jody, Mrs. Orville Klumpe, Mrs. Kathryn Daugherty, Mrs. O. G. McClaughry, Mrs. E. M. Simson, Mrs. W. S. Chandler, Mrs. Phyllis Dunsmoor and Billy, Mrs. Howard Ramp, Mrs. Lloyd Dunsmoor and Mrs. Arlo Pugh.

**Hunt in Steens Area**  
Leaving over the weekend for deer hunting in Steens' mountains were Ray Bibby, Max Bibby, Lyle Klumpe, Art Rasmussen, Harry Boehm, Ruben Boehm and Horace Bibby.

**Mrs. Lyle Klumpe and son Lee**  
flew to Clear Lake, Wash., to visit her parents, the George Ellises.

**Mrs. Harvey Aker has received**  
word that her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Nelson, have sold their place in Spokane and will move to Salem in November. Nelson has been an engineer with the Washington state highway department for many years and now plans to operate his onion land on the Bush place. Dewey Lofery has been renting the farm for several years. Roy Aker has taken a job driving truck for Consolidated Freightways from Salem to Crescent, Ore.

**Red Hills Agriculture Club Plans Show Off**  
ROSEDALE — Red Hills Agriculture Improvement club will meet Tuesday night October 21

at the Rosedale school. Anyone is welcome to come and bring something grown or canned to display. This meeting is expected to attract the interest of those new in the Red Hills. Forrest Cammack is in charge and the refreshment committee is Mrs. Bunse, Mrs. Cammack and Mrs. Edwin Caldwell.

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