

Two New Business Buildings To Rise in Hollywood District

Two new business buildings Wednesday were added to the list for fast-developing Hollywood district in north Salem, with the issuance of city building permits for a new store building and a drive-in restaurant.

Frank Chatas, Hollywood theatre owner, received a permit for an \$11,800 one-story building at the rear of the theatre building. The necessary change of location of the theatre fire escape is nearly completed and ground breaking for the new building started Wednesday. Chatas said occupancy of the building is not yet decided but that it can be divided into three shop spaces for separate tenants or used for a single store.

Drive-in Restaurant

Meanwhile, work started up Fairgrounds road two blocks (adjacent to Miles linen mill) for P. R. Johnston and O. R. Berry, both newcomers to Salem, who will open a drive-in restaurant there. Building cost is estimated at \$5,000. The partners came to Salem recently with their families after having been in the restaurant business in Kansas and Texas. Johnston lives at 1710 N. Capitol st. and Berry is buying a house this week.

Four New Houses

Permits for four new houses were issued this week to L. W. Rath for a house at 110 Judson st. estimated at \$4,800; T. J. White, 2175 Maple st., \$3,500; Ralph C. Lee, 1145 Oxford st., \$5,000; Ernest Book, 1885 E. Nob Hill st., \$5,500.

Other permits for alterations and re-roofing: Chemeketa lodge IOOF for altering the hotel at 187 N. High st., \$700; Tom McNeill, 840 Rose st., \$700; Eloise Jones, re-roofing at 440-442-446-448 Water st.; Chester Pickens, 625 Thompson st., \$100; Leroy Mitendorf, 2130 Myrtle ave., \$200. W. C. Winslow was authorized to move a house from 246 S. Cottage st. to 1270 N. Winter st.

Interim Road Board to Meet

First regional meeting of the Oregon highway interim committee of the 1947 legislature will open in Portland Monday and continue for two days. Multnomah, Washington, Columbia, Clackamas and Yamhill counties will be represented.

The opening session will be devoted to an outline of traffic plans of the public roads administration, the U. S. forest service and the Oregon state highway department. County and city representatives will appear at the Monday afternoon session.

Eleven other regional meetings of the committee will follow in various sections of the state.

Representative Pat Lonergan, Portland, a committeeman, said these meetings would provide an excellent opportunity for Oregon county and city officials to advise the interim committee of their local traffic problems.

Exchange Club Told of Need for Special Schools

The need for sufficient special schools for pre-school age youngsters and for maladjusted children was pointed out Wednesday noon by Dr. Lawrence Riggs, dean of Willamette university, in a talk before the Salem Exchange club at the Salem hotel. His message coincided with American Education week.

Well-equipped kindergartens for pre-school youngsters are needed in Salem and elsewhere, but such an undertaking on a public school basis must wait for more trained teachers and more school funds, Dean Riggs said. He added that another local obstacle is lack of space in existing school buildings.

The speaker also told of his work in cooperation with the Marion county health department in operating a local clinic for maladjusted children. He expressed the opinion that specialized schools are needed to adequately care for such youngsters.

Pamphlet to Total C. of C. Year's Work

Salem Chamber of Commerce will summarize its activities of the past year in both a membership meeting and in a booklet, it was voted by the chamber board of directors which closed its term at a meeting in the chamber offices Wednesday night. President-elect James Walton is in charge of arrangements for the progress report being planned for the near future.

Manager Clay Cochran informed members that a plastic manufacturing firm which utilizes wood wastes is eyeing a Salem location, with no actual negotiations in progress.

Cochran also asked carryover and new board members who attended last night's session to be thinking about enlarging the chamber dining room facilities. With membership near 1,500, Cochran said, overflow crowds for the Monday noon luncheons are more frequent than before. This week about 260 members heard U. S. Rep. Walter Norblad speak at the luncheon meeting and 30 others who missed lunch for lack of space heard the address via radio in the chamber office lounge. Chamber luncheons are held in the chamber's own dining room.

Trial Set on Pinball Charge

Trial in the case of Mrs. Ethel McIntire, Salem route 4, charged with possessing, displaying and operating a game of chance, has been set for December 9 in Marion county district court.

Mrs. McIntire, owner of the Alder Springs club on highway 99E about one mile south of Salem, pleaded innocent to the charge in district court Wednesday.

She was arrested Monday night by two Marion county deputy sheriffs who said they observed her paying off a pinball machine winner in cash. She was released in \$100 bail.

Illness Blamed For Aumsville Man's Suicide

The body of William J. Witt, 54, of Aumsville, whom Marion County Deputy Coroner Virgil T. Golden said hanged himself, was found Wednesday morning in an oak grove on the Macleay-Shaw road.

Marion County Sheriff Denver Young, who investigated the tragedy, said that Witt had parked his car at the entrance to the grove which is across the road from the residence of Fred Goffin, route 5. Witt then apparently slashed his left wrist with a par-

ring knife. Sheriff Young said, and, leaving the auto, proceeded to the grove about 100 feet away and using his belt and strips from a jacket, hanged himself.

A note left in the car and addressed to Mrs. Ruth Witt, wife of the victim, indicated that illness prompted the act, Sheriff Young said.

Coroner Golden estimated that the act occurred sometime Tuesday evening or night. The body was discovered about 8 o'clock Wednesday morning by Andrew Meierhoffer of Aumsville and Goffin. They notified the state police who in turn informed Sheriff Young.

The body was removed to the Wedde mortuary in Stayton. In addition to the widow, Witt also is survived by a brother, Otto Witt of Mill City.

Legionnaires Plan Initiation

Formal initiation ceremonies for members of Capital post 9, American Legion, will take place at Legion hall Monday night at 8 o'clock.

The ceremonies will be conducted by Arthur Johnson, captain of the degree team. Ira Flicher will be master of ceremonies of a program honoring the post's past commanders following the initiation. A panel containing the pictures of all the post's past commanders, living and dead, will be presented.

Guests who have been invited include Gov. John Hall, State Commander Jack Marris of Sutherlin, and all Oregon department

officers and neighboring post commanders and staffs. Refreshments and a lunch will follow the program.

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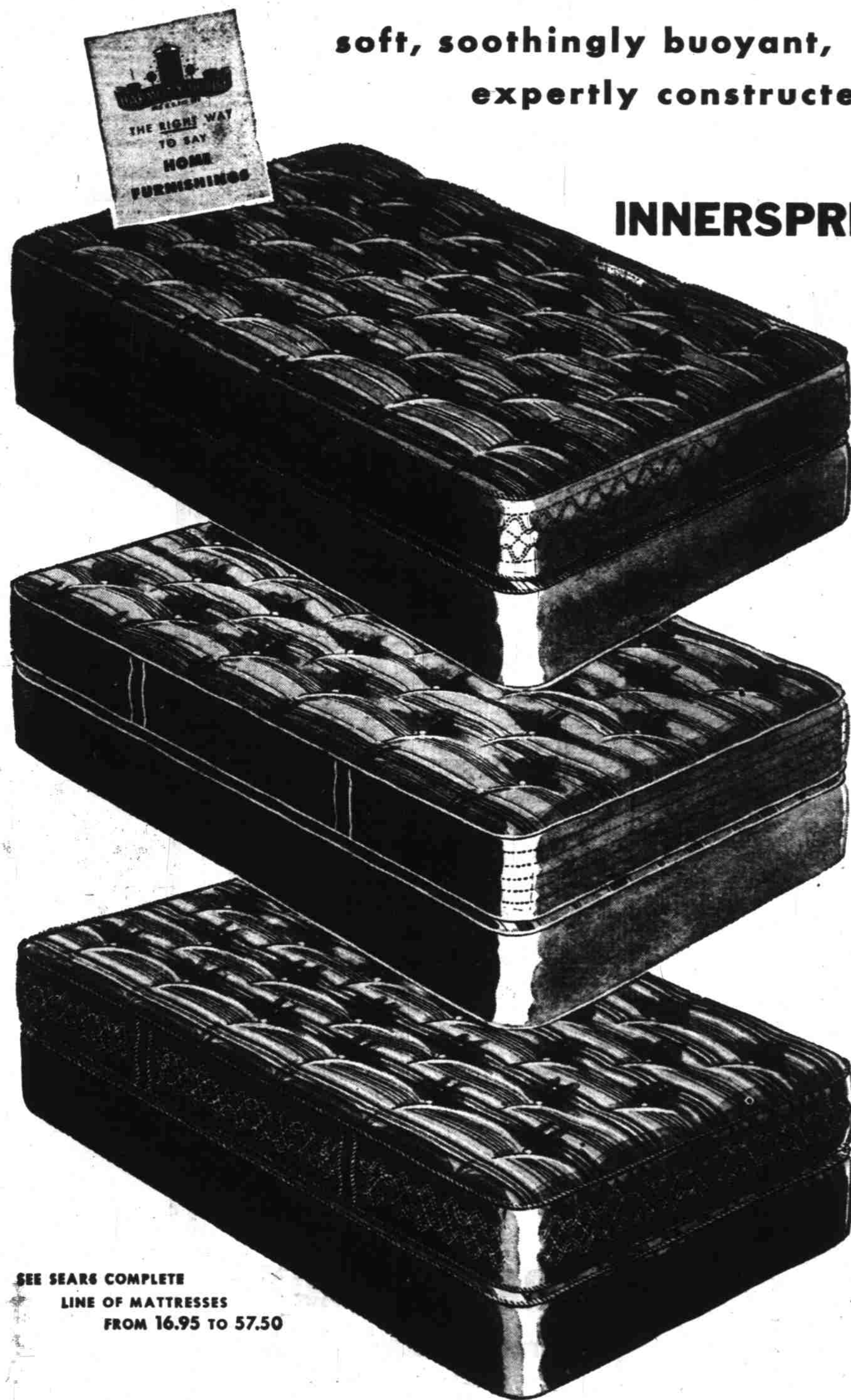
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