

How to Conquer Housing Crises

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For stocks of plaster, now being held for commercial building, to veterans' houses where needed. The plasterers' local labor union (AFL) agreed to work only on veterans' houses as long as such houses needed and as long as plaster was available for the work. All local dealers agreed to sell 100 per cent of plaster, rock and sheet rock only to priority holders for the duration of the current emergency. These agreements were placed in effect when the first full carload of plaster reached a Yakima lumber yard.

Veterans, at the request of dealers, checked each purchaser's priorities and the dimensions of each house to insure that only the required amount went into each house. Some 800 sacks were distributed in two hours, and plastering crews transferred from commercial building to veterans' houses that had received plaster.

Ready in 15 Days
One Yakima builder, bogged down on 45 veterans' houses, had them ready in 15 days. Encouraged, he has revived plans to start 88 more immediately.

Labor unions in Yakima are studying the problem of increasing the labor supply, for skilled carpenters and plumbers are scarce, and when plaster becomes available to meet needs of all houses there may be a shortage of plasterers.

A press and radio appeal in Eugene made to locate scarce material. Ready scarce plumbing equipment and wallboard has been uncovered. Yakima's 1946 housing goal of 750 veterans' homes is in sight. In the 30 days between Nov. 1 and Dec. 1, some 118 veterans' homes will have been completed; work is going ahead on 454 more; 186 were already completed Nov. 1.

From other parts of the country come reports of community action taken through the mayor's housing committees. Lykens, Pa., has donated a 60-acre tract having utilities available at its boundaries to the mayor's committee for the construction of a veterans' housing project which will serve as a community war memorial.

What Others Are Doing

The Clearwater, Fla., mayor's committee has started planning for the construction of 96 houses on city-owned land at a cost of \$6500 each. The mayor's committee of Dayton, Ohio, in cooperation with the Federal Public Housing Administration, has reached an agreement with five local contractors to pool their combined labor forces one day each week to lend to a company

December 2 Deadline For Police Applications

Men interested in securing jobs as police and firemen in Eugene were urged Saturday to contact the city recorder's office for application blanks, which must be turned in by Dec. 2.

The city will conduct civil service examinations Dec. 10 at city hall in an attempt to fill several vacancies and to build up an eligible list.

Hearing Is Set On Forest Land

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static tax rate, for owners to retain title to their forest lands.

2. To encourage protection from forest fires by aiding natural reforestation of forest-growing lands.

4. To provide a fair and stable annual forest fee to the county governments during the long period a forest crop is being grown to supplement it by the 12.5 per cent yield tax when the crop is harvested.

A bulletin of the State Board of Forestry points out that the law does not provide an option for the owner. Lands complying with the definition of the law may be classified whether or not the owner has applied.

Forest lands upon which there is a mature forest crop in merchantable quantity may not be classified under the law.

No Burning Over Sanctioned

Regulated or extensive grazing, the bulletin explains, is permitted on classified lands in both eastern and western Oregon. However, over-grazing, excessive stocking of sheep or goats which would seriously damage or destroy the young seedlings, would necessitate the return of the land to the ad valorem property tax roll. No slashing or burning of forest cover on classified lands is sanctioned.

The owner's title to the classified land is not impaired. Sale or transfer of the land may be effected in the same manner as with lands under the usual property tax.

erecting temporary re-use houses.

The Eugene-Springfield committee is engaged presently in working out a questionnaire to be circulated throughout the area. This is designed to show how many houses are being held up and just what materials are needed for their early completion. Armed with this knowledge, the committee hopes to be able to work out some plan such as that initiated in other communities, by which the problems can be met and housing enabled to roll ahead.



27 Firms Given Chest Awards

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lighted the beginning of intensive solicitation in every part of Lane county.

All large lumber mills, and many smaller ones, are conducting unit plan canvasses among employees, to enable them to carry their share of the load along with employed persons in the cities.

High Level in Springfield

Early reports from Springfield and Cottage Grove indicate a high giving level by business firms and their employees alike.

Eugene unit firms which are "over the top" include the following:

Economy Grocery, Long-Bell Lumber Co., Mogan Lumber Co., J. P. O'Neill Lumber Co., Treadgold Lumber Co., Twin Oaks Builders Supply Co., Mogan Lumber Co. (Retail), Chase Gardens, Coast-to-Coast Stores, Kaufman Brothers, Pioneer Grocery, C. P. Tillman Co., Small Feed Co., Fire Company Adjustment Bureau, New York Life Insurance Co., Robertson Real Estate Co., Rodman & Hilton, Stenwick & Kok, Kennell-Ellis Studios, Miner Building, Samuel H. Tyler, Eugene Mimeographing Co., Lane County Agricultural Agent, Lane County School Superintendent, Lane County Surveyor's Office, Lane County Farm, and Eugene Post-office.



35% of Springfield In

SPRINGFIELD — Marvin Sanders, general chairman of the Springfield Community Chest, Saturday reported that 35 per cent of the \$10,000 Chest goal was received by his office during the week.

Most final reports have not yet been made, Mr. Sanders said. However, of the firms that have reported, most have increased their contributions nearly 100 per cent over 1945. In only one case has the donation been reduced.

Over \$500 was given by Springfield school children and teachers. Donations from children dropped in the schools, but support from the teachers increased the total by nearly 75 per cent over last year.

Teachers' contributions were high, Mr. Sanders believes, "because they realize the need now for Chest work more than most people."

Chest officials hope to have all unit reports in by Wednesday. Solicitation among small downtown businesses and in the residential areas began last Wednesday.

Wealthy Arab's Death Believed 'Execution'

JERUSALEM, Palestine — A wealthy, 40-year-old Fawzi Housseini, cousin of Jamal el Housseini, chairman of the Palestine Arab High Committee, was murdered Saturday night while touring through his extensive properties on Jerusalem's highest hill.

Police believed Housseini was sentenced to death by an "Arab people's court" for selling land to Jews.

Unknown attackers fired three shots into his body and escaped, police said.

THREE EUGENE students at the University of Oregon won top scholastic honors this week when they were named as members of "senior six" by Phi Beta Kappa. They are William R. Baird (top), Leola Deffenbacher, and Walter M. Gilbert. (Wiltshire engraving.)

LEAVE FOR AMERICA

FRANKFURT, Germany — U.P.

The first group of wives and families of 300 German specialists who have volunteered to work in the United States left Bremen Saturday aboard an American Army transport, the vanguard in a program ultimately expected to send 1000 German scientists and their families to the U. S.

The first great Florentine painter was Giotto (1276-1336), who painted in fresco on walls. Post exchange outlets in the Pacific.

Thanksgiving-A Time to Lift Up One's Heart

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Him due humble and hearty thanks."

Even within the present territory of the United States, there is record of an earlier Thanksgiving service, held in August, 1607, by the Popham colony on the coast of Maine.

Thanksgiving at Valley Forge

But the Massachusetts observance was the first special day set aside for the purpose, and the one which set the pattern of things to come. Thanksgiving days were held in the colonies frequently before the Revolutionary war, and, during those war years, the Continental

Congress appointed no less than eight days of Thanksgiving, which fell in April, May, July, and December.

Washington proclaimed a general day of thanksgiving by the Continental Army for Thursday, Dec. 18, 1777, and again the following May at Valley Forge. Several presidents after Washington proclaimed days of thanksgiving, but in the main the observance was left to the discretion of state governors.

Sarah Hale, editor of Godey's Lady's Book, wrote an eloquent editorial pleading for a national day of Thanksgiving, and also wrote to President Lincoln, who in proclamation set the last Thursday of November as a national Thanksgiving Day.

In it, Lincoln counted the blessings of the nation which existed, in spite of civil strife; fruitful fields and healthful

skies, preservation of peace with other nations were among them (as they are today.)

He said:

"No human counsel hath devised, nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the most high God, who while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy."

In the light of present fear and confusion in the minds of many persons, concerning the atomic bomb, these words of the Civil War president have pertinent application. If those who fear the unknown would at this season of Thanksgiving remember that even this unknown force is "the gracious gift of the most high God" who in everything preserves His omniscient system of checks and balances so that "while dealing with us

Mello Franco Transferred Made as Strike Ends

COOS BAY — The first time up in the West Coast maritime strike, will welcome the first ship in five months here Monday—the Panama Yards from San Francisco.

A French flag was raised Sunday over the ship that sailed the long tie-up here. AFI members helped unload the Mello Franco last summer and it was the CIO longshoremen's strike.

The vessel, re-christened Bayeux as it was transferred to French registry, will start loading Monday three million feet of lumber for France.

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OF THE SELECTED
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- ... Pullman slippers in a matching case of bright red suede\$9
- ... Rhinestones set in sterling silver make clips that add up to a pin\$36*
- ... Three-strand bracelet of hand-set Czech rhinestones\$16*
- ... Small leather address and engagement book, gold plume motif\$6
- ... Red suede wallet\$8*
- ... Gold-plated link bracelet\$10*
- ... Red suede eye-glass case\$3.50
- ... Necklace of fine hand-set Czech Rhinestones\$17*
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