

NOW IS THE TIME TO BUILD AND MODERNIZE HOMES

BUILDING HERE INCREASED BY 160 PER CENT

Seattle, May 15 (AP)—Pacific northwest building activity, as indicated in permits granted by the district's 28 largest cities, was lighter in April than in March but far heavier than for the same month last year, the Daily Journal of Commerce said. Construction estimated to cost \$3,980,537, was authorized in 2,122 projects, as compared with 3,040 projects for \$4,845,464 in March and 2,437 for \$2,299,818 during the comparative 1936 period.

Washington led the four states with 1,817 permits for \$2,015,868. Its best total since January and almost \$700,000 ahead of last year, when 1,369 permits were granted.

Portland led the Pacific northwest cities for the third time this year and broke the \$1,000,000 mark for the second successive month, this time by \$200,840. Its largest single permit was for \$100,000. Seattle held second place with 487 permits for \$916,385, the city's best April total since 1930.

Spokane, in third place, issued more building permits last month than in any previous month in its history, Building Inspector A. G. Hoefler authorizing 476 permits estimated to cost \$372,437. Tacoma, ranking fourth with 193 permits for \$155,499 of construction, saw work started on 14 new homes, Building Inspector C. S. McCormick reports.

Billings, in fifth place for the northwest, followed a record breaking March with an even higher April total of \$144,040, to lead all Montana cities, Salem, Ore., authorized construction estimated to cost \$128,986—166 per cent ahead of last year—to follow Billings. Yakima, in seventh ranking, was one of the few cities to report a lower total for this April than for last, largely because last year's total included two theaters and several schools, Building Inspector E. S. Lath posted a total of \$134,025, as compared to \$218,333 last year.

Klamath Falls, Ore., Wenatchee, Aberdeen and Vancouver, Wash., recorded the heaviest percentage increases over the same month in 1936. The Klamath Falls total increased from \$9,571 to \$76,995, which is 807 per cent higher than the \$13,450 average for the past seven years.

POLK DECLAMATORY CONTEST IS STAGED

Dallas—Virginia Holmes of Dallas won the first prize in division one of the county declamatory contest held at West Salem Wednesday night. Jewel Smith of Valley Junction placed second and Margaret Jean Sears of Bethel and Patsy Leverman of Pedee tied for third place.

In division three, Fred Fix of Parker took first place, Cecile Leverman of Pedee second, Donald Reiver of Falls City third, and Lois De Haven of Dallas fourth. Judges were Miss Margaret Blood, Miss Edith Ross and Mrs. E. A. Utley.

Josiah Willis, county school superintendent, presided.

Riverview Pupils Appear in Recital

Riverview—Mrs. C. V. Clodfelter presented her music pupils in a recital. The following were presented: Plano, Geraldine Cosciow; violin, Gene O'Hearn; piano, David Copeland; violin solo, Virginia Motley; piano solo, June McDonald; violin duet, Robert Dennison, Harry Holeczek; piano solo, Evelyn Kendall; dance, Jeannine Clodfelter; violin, Robert Dennison; piano duet, Norma and Marjorie Miller; violin solo, Ella Hall; piano solo, Marjorie Miller; violin solo, Madeline McDonald; piano solo, Doris Moley; violin duet, Irene Sprague; Madeline McDonald; guitar duet, Evelyn Hall, Nina Marie McDonald; violin solo, Irene Sprague; piano solo, Richard Kendel; violin trio, Irene Sprague, Madeline McDonald, Ella Hall, John Kendel and Dolly Weidner, guitar pupils, were ill.

Club Entertained

Silverton—The members of the Triple Link club met at the I.O.O.F. hall Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Laura Busei presided during the business hour. A committee appointed to purchase a floor lamp for the hall near the piano, and a wood basket, included Mrs. Kathryn Taylor, Mrs. Inez Olsen and Mrs. Frances Gehrke. The group were served a Dutch treat luncheon at Berger's.

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GRANGE ECON CLUB TALKS ABOUT BAZAAR

Union Hill—Mrs. Floyd Fox and Mrs. Carrie Townsend entertained the members of the Grange Home Economics club at their home Wednesday. Plans were discussed and a number of the needwork started for the fall bazaar, May 25 was set as an annual cleanup day at the hall.

Mrs. Townsend presented a Mother's Day and Decoration day program consisting of the origin of Mother's day, reading of Mother's day by Mrs. Leona King Krenz and the origin of Decoration day by Mrs. Bertha Darby, and a song, "Home Sweet Home."

Present were three visitors, Mrs. Frank Dorrler, Mrs. Downing and Miss Elizabeth Krenz, and the following members: Mrs. Victoria Downing, Mrs. Bernice Peters, Miss Thelma Humphreys, Mrs. Pearl Woolley, Mrs. Myra Fischer, Mrs. Eugenia Fischer, Mrs. Jessie Carter, Mrs. Mamie Scott, Mrs. Vera Scott, Mrs. Bernice Petter, Mrs. Alice Rabens, Mrs. Mae McElhenny, Mrs. Geneva Hubbard, Mrs. Leona Hubbard Krenz, Mrs. Bertha Darby, Mrs. Leona King Krenz, Mrs. Christina Jones and the hostesses, Mrs. Townsend and Mrs. Fox. Refreshments were served following the program.

The June meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Myra Fischer with Mrs. Eugenia Fischer as co-hostess.

SCOTTS MILLS GLEE CLUB HAS PROGRAM

Scotts Mills—The Musical Extravaganza presented by the high school glee club and the instructor, Richard Boyd, Thursday evening was enjoyed by a good-sized crowd.

Numbers given were: "Brown Bird Singing," Glee club; trio, Virginia Kennedy, Eunice Chun and Norma Haskins; solo, Richard Boyd; sextette, Helen Green, Virginia Kennedy, Evelyn Weaks, Eunice Chun, Ethelida Lippert, Norma Haskins; solo, Ethelida Lippert; two piano solos, Miss Violet Herigstad, guest artist; one-act play, Norma and Mildred Haskins, Ruth Kella and Ethelida Lippert; reading, Ruth Kella; solo, Richard Boyd; trio, Helen Green, Ethelida Lippert, Evelyn Weaks; "Bells of St. Mary's," Glee club. The pianist was Miss Corinne Moberg.

Stenger Family Has Reunion, Mt. Angel

Mt. Angel—The Stenger reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Stenger, Jr. Present were Mr. and Mrs. A. Stenger, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. John Henry, Sr., and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Henry, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stenger and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Henry and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Stenger and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Lecht and family, Miss Theresa Stenger, Aloys Vennkamp, and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Stenger, Jr.

A beautiful birthday cake with 45 candles was the centerpiece on the large dinner table.

WOODBURN WCTU HOLDS SESSION

Woodburn—The regular meeting of the Woodburn W.C.T.U. was held Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. N. Soule on Young street with Mrs. D. J. Gillanders presiding. The opening devotional service was led by Mrs. C. W. Hatch, director of evangelistic work.

Guest speakers were Mrs. Ruth Toose of Salem who spoke on "Alcoholic Education;" Mrs. Lydia Lehman, who gave a report on the National convention at Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Lillie Lehman, who spoke on the work at the Children's Farm Home, and Miss Luella Baker whose subject was "Raising the Quota in the Million Dollar Drive." Mrs. Lyle

THE HOME DECORATOR

By R. L. Elfstrom
Your Garden

Even the tiniest garden can contain a maximum of beauty and comfort as long as you've a little grass, and a few shrubs. Just spread the color on with a lavish hand—some artificial and some supplied by nature. Even if it's only the back yard of limited scope that the big city dweller proudly calls a garden, the little plot can be a garden indeed.

Of course, there's the big essential—flowers. If the earth isn't right for raising them just grow them in pots—potted plants are "right," even for the most formal and sumptuous of gardens. And then plant those pots in bright colored coats of enamel—blue, yellow, white, green, pink, purple—any you like.

And of course there's that other necessity—a place to sit and enjoy the summer breeze and watch things grow. An old wicker chair, repainted to blend in with those flower pots, with colorful waterproof cushions. Then there's the ever-popular authority. A grand way to repoint wicker furniture is to fill a cleaned out fit gun with enamel and then spray away. It's as much fun as spraying potato bugs off the vines, and it's just as efficient—the enamel will get into every crevice and every crack. Then there's the ever-popular deck chair, bright and cheerful with the same enamel coat. Next, an old table in a new coat of color for the odds and ends—table, chairs, trays, glasses of lemonade, and so on. Or you can make a perfectly grand tea table out of an old wheelbarrow.

WEST WOODBURN HAS CLOSING EXERCISES

West Woodburn—Miss Gertrude Wampole presented her pupils in commencement exercises at the West Woodburn school Monday. Diplomas were presented to Florence Crosby, Margaret Jensen, Virginia Becker and R. J. Chance by County School Superintendent Mrs. Mary L. Fulkerson. Final Palmer method writing certificates were presented to Margaret Jensen, Virginia Becker and Florence Crosby.

The following program was given: Selections by the harmonica band; welcome, Jacqueline Sheridan and Gene Becker; song by Aileen and LaVerna Waymire; play, "A Narrow Escape," R. J. Chance, Norman Zimmer, Florence Crosby, Patrick Smith and Allen Lehman; French doll drill, intermediate grade girls; songs, Doris and Kenneth Waymire; harmonica solos, Norman Zimmer; song, LaVerna Waymire and Jackie Sheridan; skit, "Imagination," Theresa Davis and Norma Jean Sheridan; Dr. Danny and Nurse Nancy Jane, Aileen Waymire and Maxine Davis; tapping, Teresa and Maxine Davis.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY WOODBURN GIRLS

Woodburn—Officers were elected by the Girls' League at Woodburn high school recently. Miss Betty Frenz was elected president, Elsie Bliven vice-president, Pearl Porter secretary, and Edith Peltio treasurer.

Plans were made to hold a "Mother and Daughter day" Tuesday afternoon, May 18, the main feature to be a program, followed by refreshments. Committees appointed were: Refreshments, Cleo Carothers, chairman, Margot Tangen, Georgiana Smith; program, Dorothy Lee Wilkins, Eva Marie Matthews; decorations, Mary Dooper, Virginia Miller, Edalide Reiling; reception, Margaret Lindeen, Mildred Howe and Annette Lytle; cleanup, Mary Jane Dunn, Edith Peltio, Catherine Cowan, Florence Lemery.

Lodge Likes Looks Of Covered Seats

Independence—Lyon lodge of Masons met Wednesday evening with Robert White acting master of the lodge in the absence of the regular master. The seats in the lodge hall have been recovered, being done over in red leather. The matter of rental of the lodge rooms for the purpose of the Rainbow Girls' or Job's Daughters' meetings, was discussed and referred to the board of trustees. A social hour was spent at the close.

W. C. T. U. IN SESSION

Turner—The W.C.T.U. met at the home of Mrs. E. J. Harrison Wednesday afternoon. The group discussed alcoholic education. Members present were Mrs. C. A. Bear, Mrs. M. A. Hill, Mrs. Susan Girardin, Mrs. M. Showers, Mrs. R. O. Willzell, Mrs. A. E. Robertson, Miss Dunice Bear and the hostess, Mrs. Harrison.

WOODGRAFT THIMBLE CLUB ENTERTAINED

Silverton—The Neighbors of Woodcraft Thimble club members were guests of Mrs. Del Bowen Thursday afternoon at her home. Visitors present were Mrs. Roy Keene, Mrs. Jack Scott, Mrs. W. P. Krenz and Mrs. C. E. Rice. Members were Mrs. C. E. Higinbotham, Mrs. Millie Warner, Vera Ottoway, Mrs. Arthur Nelson, Mrs. Bob Scott, Olive Ottoway, Mrs. Henry Storle, Mrs. Del Bowen, Mrs. William Elder, Mrs. John Seeley, Mrs. Elsie Simeral, Mrs. Clarence Plank, Mrs. Miles Ottoway, Mrs. Al Dowd, Mrs. Elmer Hubbard and Mrs. Fred Baker.

Mrs. Millie Warner was given the honor guest gift and Mrs. Minnie Mulkey who has moved to Detroit will be remembered with tokens during each week.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Vera Ottoway in the country and the next card party will be Saturday night, May 22, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Bowen.

THEATRE IS SOLD

Williams—Norman Goodin has purchased the Williams theatre. He has enlarged the screen and will make other improvements such as redecorating and deslating the walls, new lighting arrangements, carpeting aisles and lobby, and adding 70 spring bottom seats.



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NORWEGIAN SUPPER PLANS COMPLETED

Silverton—Mrs. J. M. Jensen and Mrs. A. Raugland have announced their program for Friday night, May 14, when the Ladies' Aid society and the Immigrant Lutheran church will serve an all-Norwegian supper beginning at 5 o'clock, to the public at the church parlors in commemoration of the Norwegian Independence day. The date is May 17, which falls on Monday, but Friday has been selected in deference to the program at the Trinity Lutheran church on Monday.

Rev. J. M. Jensen will be master of ceremonies. The Norwegian national anthem will be sung by the audience in their native language, an accordion solo by George Crockett, a melody of the national anthem of the Scandinavian countries; a vocal solo by Carl Thorkildson at the piano; vocal selection, Alice Odman; piano solo, Violet Herigstad; address of the evening, Rev. O. J. Millum of Silverton; vocal selections by the girls' chorus, directed by Jonas Byberg; vocal number, Ernest Byberg; with Violet Herigstad at the piano; short talks by H. N. Klev and others of the congregation; and the singing of "America" by the audience as a closing number.

MARION TEACHERS' CLUB CLOSES YEAR

Marion—The final meeting of B. C. B. Teachers' club was held at the Wilson home with a 6 o'clock no-host dinner. Members present were Mrs. Gaynette Barnett, Mrs. Leota Sloan, Mrs. Ethel Guivin, Misses Margaret Smart, Nea Edgar, Laverne Whitehead, Mary Gibson, Esther Henningson, Helen Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bestvater, Mr. and Mrs. Clark. Visitors present were Mr. and Mrs. Wayne D. Harding, Mrs. H. E. Russell, Mrs. Lee Smith, Mrs. Connie Henningson and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilson. Mr. Harding presented reading circle certificates for the year's work.

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NEW BUILDING FOR SAFEWAY

Property at Broadway and Belmont has been cleared for a new mercantile building that is to be constructed immediately by J. H. Wrath for the Safeway system, Mr. Wrath announced today.

The new building will be of concrete, 40 x 80 feet in dimensions and one story high. Plans call for its completion by August 1. The cost is estimated at about \$7500.

Mr. Wrath, who lives at 2685 Portland road, recently purchased the property. To make way for the new building an old dwelling house was moved from the property Thursday.

MONMOUTH SEEKING COUNTY MACHINERY

Monmouth—The possibility of the county court granting Monmouth the use of county road working machinery for the purpose of improving residential streets this summer was discussed at a special meeting of the council Thursday night.

Ten thousand feet of streets would be improved along the streets listed as follows: Ackerman, two blocks; Broad, three blocks; Catron, one block; Clay, three blocks; East, one block; Echols, one block; Jackson, six blocks; Knox, two blocks; Powell, one block; West Main, about two blocks; Whitman, three blocks.

The council decided on only one improvement for the Main street business section, giving preference to the residence street work, which accommodates the greatest number. They argued that Monmouth is a city of homes and added desirability to residence life should come first.

Gentle Will Speak To Dallas Grangers

Dallas—The Dallas Grange, No. 769, has completed plans for another open meeting to be held in the library hall May 18. As speaker, the committee has secured Thomas Gentle of Monmouth, and he will speak on the Townsend plan and some of the new developments in connection with it.

Entertainment will also be provided and a lunch and dance will round out the evening. The meeting is free and the public is cordially invited to attend.

CLUB CLOSES YEAR

Officers elected for next year are Miss Mary Gibson, president; Mrs. Cora Clark, vice-president; and Arthur Bestvater re-elected as secretary. Retiring officers are Mrs. Gwynette Barnett, president, and C. D. Chorpensing, vice-president.

Mrs. Esther Henningson was presented with a large box of candy in appreciation of her work in teaching basket weaving.

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