

Larger Projects Up Building Total

New Housing Construction Lags in City

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Although residential building in Salem and its immediate environs has decreased in volume during the past several months, the slump in this type of construction is being taken care of by the erection of the larger type units.

Six million dollars are involved in projects that are already under way, have reached the blueprint stage or are contemplated for construction during the next several months.

FIGURES NOT AVAILABLE

Because there are no regulations governing the construction of residences in the suburban areas, such as building permits and inspections, no central agency is available where information can be secured.

This is in contrast to the City of Salem where the engineer's office issues permits for construction as well as demolition.

Since most of the desirable city lots are already occupied with dwellings, information concerning the cost of homes in the metropolitan area apparently will await the formation of county-wide building code. The Marion County Planning Commission recently came up with a set of rules and regulations. So far nothing definite has developed.

BIG SCHOOL PROJECTS

The larger building projects already under way are topped by the two junior high schools authorized by the Salem School board. Combined costs of the two structures is \$2,334,640.

Another sizable project is that of State Farm Mutual which is building district offices off Claxton Road at a cost of \$700,000. Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. is constructing a \$482,000 addition to its plants on State street while a new building at the State School for the Blind represents an investment of \$400,000.

CHURCH BUILDING

Work is well under way for St. Mark's Lutheran church at Marion and North Winter streets. This enterprise carries a price tag of \$446,000 and will be one of the most modern structures of its type in the city.

Also announced this week by Paulus Bros. Packing plant, subsidiary of Dole Hawaiian Pineapple Company, were plans to construct this summer a \$350,000 addition to the firm's present warehouse space.

The warehouse will be adjacent to existing property of the company located at the northeast corner of the plant at South 14th and Oxford streets. Construction is to start shortly with completion estimated for August 1.

A building to house the Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. at Center and North Cottage streets will cost an estimated \$50,000.

Bids will soon be called for additions to the Liberty and Salem Heights public schools. Estimated costs are \$110,000 and \$170,000 respectively.

A financial drive to raise funds with which to construct an addition to the Methodist Home on East Center street is under way. The board of trustees has purchased the William Wechter property immediately to the west of the present plant where the new wing will be constructed at an estimated cost of \$250,000. The trustees hope to start work in the fall.

BUILDING NEARLY DONE

Western Paper Converting Co. expects to move into its new plant on Pringle road early in June. This plant is costing an estimated half million dollars. Charles A. Schaefer, North Front Street premises which will be vacated, are for sale.

Over in West Salem, construction of two additional units to the Oregon Turkey Growers Assn. plant is still in the planning stage. W. T. Grout, general manager, said the cost would be \$250,000.

At Fairview Home, the contractor will wind up within the next two months construction of three units to the huge plant, costing approximately \$800,000. Dr. Irvin B. Hill, superintendent.

Construction of an intermediate prison for the state is well into the planning stage but actual work may not start until 1958. This project will cost well in excess of a million dollars.

Mother Gives Baptism Rite To Injured Tot

KANSAS CITY — Mrs. Clarence F. Allen knelt beside her 3-year-old son in the street yesterday and administered the Roman Catholic rite of baptism after running to a telephone to get instructions from a priest.

The boy was hit by an automobile. He is in critical condition with fractures of the skull, collarbone and left leg.

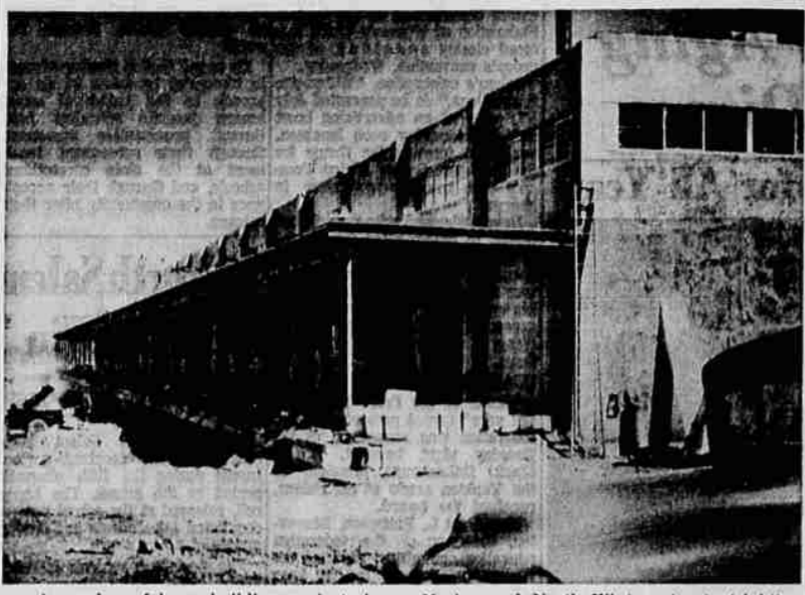
"I baptize thee, Clarence F. Allen Jr. in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost," Mrs. Allen sobbed.

She sprinkled water on his forehead from a plastic cup.

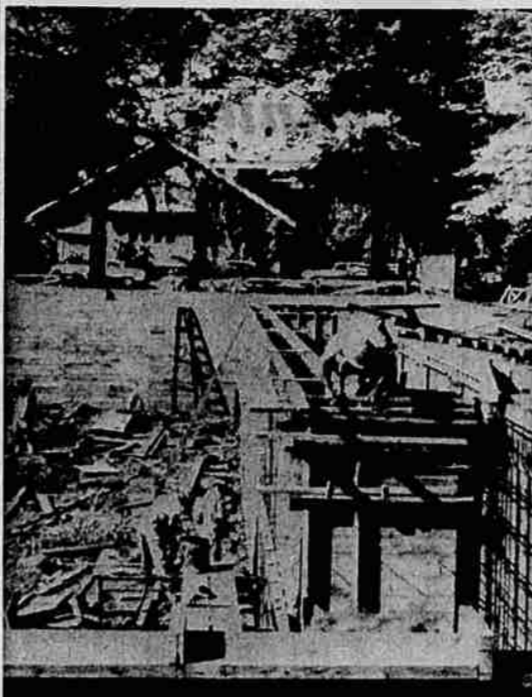
"She had done everything exactly right," said the Rt. Rev. J. J. Downey, who arrived a few minutes later and rode to the hospital in an ambulance with Mrs. Allen and Clarence. "In an emergency, anyone can perform the rite by following instructions."

Mrs. Meta Boyd, 34, said Clarence popped out from behind a parked car into the path of her machine. "I didn't see him at all."

Major Buildings in Various Stages of Construction



A number of large building projects in the Salem area include the Western Paper Converting Co. plant on Pringle Road (above), virtually complete and excavation for St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Marlon and North Winter streets (right). The former represents an investment of approximately \$500,000 while the church plant will cost an estimated \$446,000. (Capital Journal Photo)



49 Competing For Crown of Mrs. America

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Forty-nine of America's top homemakers marched into model kitchens Wednesday to demonstrate their skill at dessert making, cake baking and cooking the kinds of meals they'd serve if husband's bosses came to dinner.

Women from 48 states and the District of Columbia are competing in the annual Mrs. America contest to select the nation's best homemaker. The winner will be crowned Saturday night after she has proved her all-around ability as a cook, seamstress, ironer, talker and speaker and has shown she is a woman of poise and charm.

The 1956 Mrs. America, who is here to see her successor take office, ran into some difficulties this week. Two small sons of Mrs.

School Aid Cut To \$1.5 Billion

WASHINGTON — The House Education Committee Wednesday cut a compromise two billion dollar school construction bill to \$1.5 billion but delayed a final vote on the measure until Thursday.

Rep. Metcalf (D-Mont) called it "an attempt to get a bipartisan bill that would completely meet with the President's approval, and we expect the President's support because of that."

Chris Maelis of Portland came down with chicken pox. The child accompanied her for a Florida vacation but have had to spend most of their time in bed.

Ike to Reduce Air Requests

WASHINGTON — Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R-N.J.) said today President Eisenhower is scaling down his foreign aid requests to "the minimum consistent with our own national security."

Smith, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said he believes Congress will vote about \$3,800,000,000 in military and economic assistance for the fiscal year starting July 1.

The President originally asked for \$4,400,000,000, but has since suggested reducing that figure by 500 million.

Boiler Factory No Longer Noisy

PHILADELPHIA — The International Brotherhood of Boiler-makers — blacksmiths to day spiked a popular old saying — "noisy as a boiler factory" — as something which simply isn't true any more.

"A lot of people think we still pound away in crude, caveman fashion, in an atmosphere where you can't hear yourself think," said a trade spokesman at the brotherhood's quadrennial convention.

"Whereas the fact is we're in the near-automation stage, and before long we'll be playing an important part in the use of atomic energy for peacetime purposes. Our changeover to modern technology means the phrase-makers will have to figure out a new simile for a deafening noise."

Conservatism of U.S. 'Shown in Its Architecture'

LOS ANGELES — The United States is becoming quite conservative, says Mexico City architect Felix Candela, and this is reflected in its architecture.

Candela has been pioneering for five years in thin, reinforced concrete shell structures, mainly for factories, warehouses and churches. He says that although his designs might be regarded as spectacular here, in Mexico City they are considered functional.

"We're certainly not afraid to try something new," he told an interviewer, "probably because the development of our country is only beginning."

Only Minor Columbia Flooding Forecast

PORTLAND — The Weather Bureau River Forecast Center said Tuesday only small flooding should result this spring from the about average runoff in the Columbia River.

Hydrologist Anthony Polos said the river should reach a peak of from 18 to 22 feet in the Portland-Vancouver, Wash., area. The estimate is virtually unchanged from that made a month earlier.

Water at that level probably would flood only pasture land. The May report issued by Polos said dikes would protect Bonners Ferry, Idaho, where the Kootenai River is expected to crest at from 39 to 34 feet.

Polos said the Northern part of the Columbia Basin received less than normal precipitation in April, but added it already had ample water.

The water-shy southern portion of the basin got above average rain, he said.

Dean Certain A-Radiation Can Be Tamed

WASHINGTON — Gordon Dean, former chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, said Wednesday nuclear radiation "is something that we all must learn to control as we learned to control fire in prehistoric ages."

And, Dean added, he is "confident that with the tools of modern science and with an enlightened public opinion there is nothing to fear."

The former AEC official, now senior vice president of General Dynamics Corp., made the comments in a speech prepared for the Health Insurance Assn. of America which is meeting here.

Dean mentioned programs in the United States and Europe designed to harness nuclear power, and added:

"The rapid increase in the number of nuclear power plants should not be viewed with fear and alarm, nor should any of us jump to hasty conclusions regarding the possible dangers of radiation to the health of our nation."

He said that although he thinks men will learn to control radiation "this does not obviate the necessity for careful planning, adequate training and the strict implementation of established safety rules."

Wife Deserved Drink in Face, Judge Decrees

PHILADELPHIA — Businessman Russell Seery was perfectly justified in throwing the contents of a highball glass into his wife's face and complaining about her cooking, the Pennsylvania Superior Court ruled yesterday.

The court refused the divorce plea of Mrs. Florence Nola Seery, whom Seery, a furniture dealer, married 28 years ago.

She had accused her husband of indignities and cruel and barbarous treatment because of the highball incident and his complaints about her cooking.

The Superior Court, noting that the highball affair occurred after Mrs. Seery "submitted" to kisses of a guest at a party, said the record fails to support her charges. In view of Mrs. Seery's own admission that she didn't like housework, the court found "the criticism of her cooking was justified."

LEGALS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR THE COUNTY OF MARION. Probate Department, No. 1689. CITATION

In the Matter of the Estate of JOSEPHINE H. HALL, Deceased. TO: PHYLLIS H. ELRED. IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear within ten (10) days from the date of the service of this citation upon you, in Marion County, Oregon; and within twenty (20) days from the date of service of this citation upon any other county of the State of Oregon; and personally served; and within twenty-eight (28) days from the date of the first publication of this citation, if the same be served by publication; or if served outside of the State of Oregon, but within the United States, then within four (4) weeks from the date of service of this citation upon you, to show cause, if any exists, why the above-entitled Court should not make an order for the sale of the hereinafter described real property, as prayed for in the petition of the Plurality Trust Company, as administrator of the estate of Josephine H. Hall, the above-named decedent, why said petition should not be granted and said order and license should not issue and why said real property should not be sold at private sale. That said real property is more particularly described as follows: to-wit:

Commencing at the Northeast Corner of a tract of land deeded to Josephine Hibbard Hall, the deed thereto being recorded in Volume 136, Page 410, Marion County, Oregon; Records of Deeds; thence North 3 chains to lands of Gertrude Hibbard Currier; thence West along the South line of Gertrude Hibbard Currier's land 34.65 chains to East line of County Road; thence South 6' 23" West along said East line of County Road 2.53 chains, more or less, to the Northwest corner of said Hall tract; thence East 36.02 chains to the place of beginning, containing 17,963 acres, more or less, all in the Donat- ion Land Claim of King Hibbard and wife, in Township 7 South, Range 1 West, Willamette Meridian; and

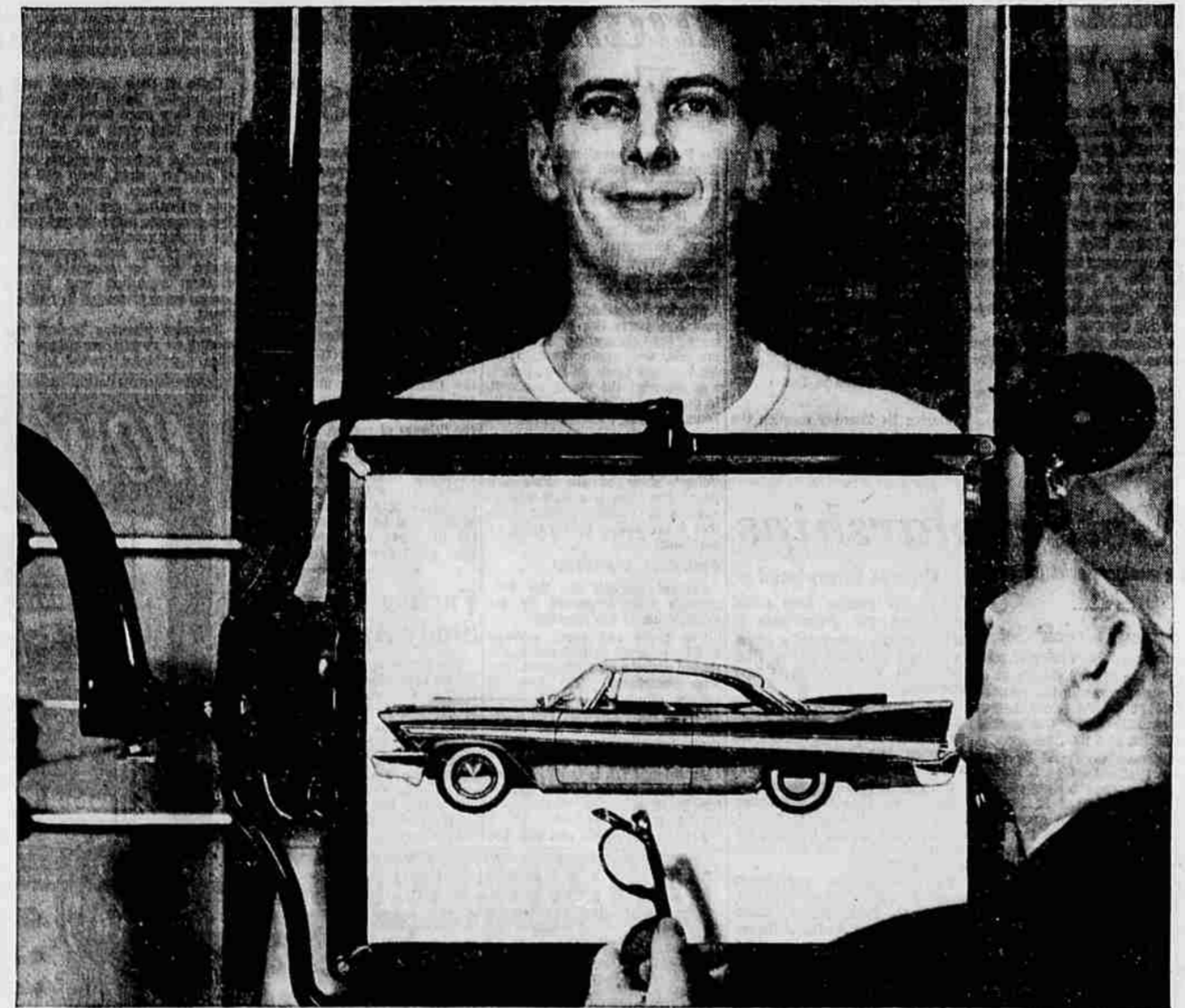
Also Beginning at a point on the East line of the King Hibbard and wife Donation Land Claim 19 chains East and 24.47 chains South of the corner of Sections 16, 17, 20 and 21, in Township 7 South, Range 1 West of the Willamette Meridian; Marion County, State of Oregon; said beginning point being the Southeast corner of Mrs. K. L. Hibbard's land; thence West along the South line of Mrs. K. L. Hibbard's land 36.02 chains to the East line of the County Road known as the Craighton in Salem and Silver-ton Road; thence North 6' 23" East 7.15 chains along the East line of the said County Road; thence East 25.27 chains to the East line of the King Hibbard Donation Land Claim; thence South 7.11 chains along the East line of said Donation Land Claim to the place of beginning, containing 25.00 acres of land, in Township 7 South, Range 1 West of the Willamette Meridian.

SAVE AND EXCEPT the premises described in deed from George F. Hall and Josephine H. Hall, husband and wife, to Roland Kuenzi and Tilde Kuenzi, husband and wife, dated December 23, 1942, and recorded on January 2, 1943, in Volume 266, on the 25th day of December, Records for Marion County, Oregon.

WITNESS the Honorable Val D. Sinner, Circuit Judge, and the seal of the Court affixed this 19th day of December, 1956.

H. C. MATTHEWSON, County Clerk. By: J. M. Oldenburg, Deputy. Date of First Publication May 11, 1957. Date of Last Publication May 22, 1957. May 1, 6, 13, 22.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the Circuit Court for Marion County, Oregon, Probate Department, her Final Account as Executrix of the estate of ARTHUR BRADLEY, deceased. No 1688, in said Court, and said Court has fixed Monday, June 10, 1957, at 9:15 a.m., in the Circuit Court Room, in the County Court House at Salem, in Marion County, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing and final account and all objections thereto. Dated this 8th day of May, 1957. CLARA A. BRADLEY, Executrix. Estate of Arthur Bradley, deceased. ROYAL C. GLOVER, Attorney, Salem, Oregon. May 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5.



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