

NEW HOSTELRY IS COMPLETED IN YEAR

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during the opening of the spring actual building on the new hotel started. Between 30 and 40 men were working at this time and the forms for concrete were made.

Men Kept Busy

During the succeeding summer months approximately this same number of workmen were kept busy building. This made up a payroll between \$300 and \$400 weekly.

Following the construction of the basement and first floor forms the pouring of concrete was started. This brought out the possibilities of what could be done. More construction was necessary before the second floor could be poured. This was done all during the summer months during the latter part of September the roof of the super building was reached. When the last load of concrete covered the final vacant spot on the roof, the promoters heaved a sigh of relief.

However, this was only part of what was to come. With the massive structure looming out as a mere ghost contractors started the more delicate and intensive process of interior

MANAGERS OF NEW EUGENE HOTEL



Harry Hutton (left) and F. A. Clark

MANAGERS ASSURE SUCCESS OF HOTEL

Harry Hutton and F. A. Clark, lessees of the new Eugene hotel for a period of 15 years, assure the traveling public that the management of the establishment will be on a par with any hotel of the Pacific coast and in keeping with the public spirit and civic progress that has made possible the new local hostelry.

Both managers are men of wide experience in hotel management, possessing a thorough knowledge of operation, a keen insight into the needs of hotel patrons and the financial resources to make this possible.

From its inception more than two years ago Mr. Hutton has been active in promoting the Eugene hotel, giving advice on building plans based on his experience in this field and imbued with the desire to put through the hotel project with due regard to local demands of the present and to have an establishment capable of providing for future needs of hotel accommodation here.

That this determination to do all possible to bring the hotel plan to a successful issue and provide a program of management that will prove pleasing and progressive has been fruitful is indicated by the dedication tonight of the new enterprise and the well-laid details that mark the handling of the business.

Mr. Hutton, who previously resided in Eugene before returning here two years ago, formerly owned and managed the St. Francis hotel at Albany, Oregon. He was previously in the hotel business at Denver, Colorado, being associated with the Pleasanton and Adams hotels.

Mr. Clark also has the experience of many years in the hotel business both in the east and at Portland where he opened the Clyde hotel and later opened the Ritz hotel there. The Clark hotel is another project in Portland put through by the new Eugene manager, the Clark later being changed to the Morse when Mr. Clark sold out his interests. He was formerly associated with the Planters hotel at St. Louis and the Cadillac hotel at Detroit, both hosteltries with national reputations.

Interior Is Worked

Interior construction took up the winter portion of the bleak winter months until now the last bit of concrete and the last piece of lumber is in place. The once bleak and ghostly structure shines forth as the splendid goal toward which this company worked.

The super structure of this building the foundation from which the beautiful lines were derived cost approximately \$70,000. This includes \$10,000 worth of steel reinforcement and the material in place. Gravel and sand from the Wilford Sand and gravel company was used in enormous quantities as was lumber from Alex. Bushong and company. The cement alone caused an expenditure of \$12,000.

Elevators Installed

Patrons of the hotel will be carried from the spacious lobby to the floor above by two up-to-date Otis elevators which were installed at a cost of \$5,000.

There are 183 rooms in the building which average about 12 by 10 feet floor space. However, the majority of rooms are largely of individual type.

Each room was planned as an outside room with bath and lavatory. The woodwork trimmings in the dining and living rooms are products of local lumber companies.

The dining room which will be turned into a gloriously decorated room for dances as the occasion demands, is covered with sawed oak flooring. The pillars in the lobby were trimmed in Philippine mahogany. This deals with the work of the decorators and lends a note of comfort and satisfaction to the wearied traveler.

Other Projects Ahead

With it is as another project put behind the firm Hargraves and Lindsay are turning their well-matched construction ability toward several other large building projects in the city. They now have under their watchful eye the work of renovation of the old Castle theater building in which the Bank of Commerce will make its new home. This being done at a cost of \$50,000. The Gamma Phi Beta sorority on 15th and Hilliard street at a cost of \$40,000 is nearing completion. The work on the Matlock building at a cost of \$25,000, the Union high school at Marcola, \$14,000; Yoran Apartments, \$14,000; Swan residence, \$10,000; Westminister house, \$14,000, and several social residences for various amounts is being done.

This large building program constitutes an expenditure of approximately \$200,000 by various individuals and companies throughout the city.

Equipment Purchased

To substantiate its belief in Eugene the company purchased a supply of modern equipment for handling large buildings. This equipment includes hoisting trucks, hoists, concrete mixers and everything used in connection with large and small construction work.

Beside having office space in the new Mixer building the contractors have ample storage space in a warehouse on 5th street, where they keep a hand ready to overcome sudden changes in market and shipping conditions. This alone saves enough time in construction to substantiate the keeping, stated Mr. Hargraves.

Both men are strong boosters for Greater Eugene, and own fine homes in several parts of the city.

Hargraves and Lindsay have an excellent reputation and it was gained through honest building and square dealing. In their motto, they say, both men are capable in building and followed the building game all their lives. They come from families of builders and have a natural inclination to create and build.

Many Men Employed

At present employment is given to about 100 men which creates a week-

ly payroll of \$5,000. They believe in hiring local men and keeping in circulation as much as possible the capital which they spend within the limits of Lane county.

Mr. Hargraves believes that Eugene is still in the embryonic state in regard to building and expansion. He says that within a few more years Eugene will reach a population near 35,000. Even then it will not stop, he stated. "This city is situated among excellent farm lands beside being a possible railroad terminal," he says. "This means that approximately 5000 people will come to Eugene which in turn will bring another 5000 or more." He bases these figures on the increase in population on the fact that when a city begins growing and expanding that people will come to reside and bring with them other industries which will make

it possible for more and more to find employment.

Guard Man First To Eat At Hotel

The honor of enjoying the first bite of food to come from the kitchen of the new Eugene hotel goes to the representative of the Guard, who happened in just as a pan of macaroni was being extracted from the oven. The writer can indeed testify to the efficiency of the new electric oven, which is a feature of the kitchen.

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