

CORVALLIS CHIEF OBJECTS TO NEW BUILDING RULES

Objections to the new building code now being considered by the state legislature in House Bill 230 were voiced yesterday afternoon by Fire Chief T. R. Graham of Corvallis, while in the city on an official visit. He declares the bill to be the poorest piece of legislation in years and is using every effort to bring about its defeat.

"As you know," said Chief Graham, "most of the laws we have now for the protection of buildings in the matter of fire are the result of efforts made on the part of firemen themselves. The inspections of buildings in this regard are in the hands of the fire marshal's office and therefore every fire chief in every city is directly concerned in these inspections and may be responsible for them. Under the proposed code, the fellows who have to actually fight the fires might as well be out of existence so far as having anything to say about the inspection service."

"In addition," he continued, "this code not only affects the city, but reaches out in the rural districts, telling the farmer just how to build his house or barn. He is subjected to high fees for the inspection of the building by several inspectors, who, in fact, would be "cars" in what they would have the builder do.

"In the cities, there would be no further use for building inspectors and fire chiefs would have no right in condemning fire hazards, this all being done by state paid men, who would do all the work accomplished by the city's own systems. In condemning a fire hazard one man would take the place of several under the hold system, inasmuch that fire chiefs confer with other city officials before issuing the order of condemnation.

"The new code," said Chief Graham, "would create nearly 500 positions for inspectors and inspection heads, and would add at least from 15 to 25 per cent on the cost of construction of buildings. Building permits for any building would have a minimum charge of \$20, which is 20 times as much as the present cost.

EGGS DROP AGAIN BUTTER ADVANCES PORTLAND TODAY

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Egg prices took another drop today and when the result was surveyed values were found scattered all over the market. Standard extras and firsts dropped two cents to 39 and medium extras and firsts 2 cents and 1 cent down to 29.

Butter reversed the egg decline with an advance of half a cent to 47 cents.

Dairy cows are lacking green forage and store bought feed comes high. The butter price reflects the result.

In fruits, the banana market went on a toboggan ride because of quantities on hand. Retail, the fruit may be purchased anywhere from three to four pounds for a quarter, depending upon the ripeness and supply.

California sweet potatoes were about cleaned up. The southern yam is selling at 3 1/4 and 3 1/2 wholesale.

Brussels sprouts and artichokes are firmer.

The orange market remains unchanged on the smaller sizes. The price has perhaps hit its bottom mark for these. The larger sizes are not so plentiful and are holding firm in values.

THE MARKETS

Livestock

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Cattle and calves—Steady; no receipts.

Calves—(500 lbs. down), medium to choice, \$9.50@12; do, cull to common, \$8@9.50; vealers, milked, good to choice, \$13@14.50; vealers, medium, \$11.50@13; vealers, cull to common, \$8.50@11.

Hogs—Steady. Receipts 105.

Sheep and Lambs—Steady. No receipts.

San Francisco Butterfat

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Butterfat 1 c. b. San Francisco, 54 1/2 c.

Produce

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Wholesale prices:

Butter—Extras, half cent higher. Extras, 47c.

Eggs—Lower on all grades. Portland Dairy Exchange (net basis):

Fresh standard extras, 30c; fresh standard firsts, 30c; fresh medium extras, 29c; fresh medium firsts, 29c. Prices to retailers 1 and 3c over exchange prices.

Milk, poultry, onions, potatoes, wool, nuts, hay, cascara bark, hops—all steady and unchanged.

WOMAN STRUCK BY AUTO IMPROVING

The condition of Mrs. G. W. Baker, who sustained undetermined injuries when struck Tuesday evening by an automobile driven by Mrs. Lois Allen of Talbot on the Jacksonville highway, was reported today to be slightly improved. She is resting at her home at the Baker Service Station and Store, and will probably be removed to the Sacred Heart hospital upon further improvement of her condition.

She was struck as she started to cross the highway in front of the approaching Allen car, the driver of which was unable to avoid striking the woman despite efforts to turn the machine away from her. The fender struck Mrs. Baker on the hip and threw her for several feet. She was picked up unconscious.

Daily Meteorological Report

Thursday, February 7
Forecasts
Medford and vicinity: Fair and continued cold tonight and Friday. Lowest temperature about 12 degrees.

Oregon: Fair and cold tonight and Friday.

Local Data

Temperature (Dogs.)	36	17
Highest (Last 12 hrs.)	38	35
Lowest (Last 12 hrs.)	21	17
Rel. humidity (Pct.)	23	66
State of weather	Clear	Clear
Total precipitation since Sept. 1, 1928	8.07	inches.
Sunset today	5:33	p. m.
Sunrise Friday	7:16	a. m.
Sunset Friday	5:55	p. m.

Observations Taken at 5 A. M. 120th Meridian Time

CITY	Highest Temp.		Weather
	Feb. 7	Feb. 6	
Baker City	12	12	Clear
Bismarck	4	2	Clear
Boise	22	0	Clear
Denver	0	8	Clear
Des Moines	32	4	Cloudy
Fresno	52	32	Clear
Helena	4	20	Clear
Los Angeles	54	42	Clear
Marshallfield	42	24	Clear
Phoenix	51	46	Cloudy
Portland	32	18	Clear
Red Bluff	46	30	Clear
Roseburg	38	18	Clear
Salt Lake City	26	8	Clear
San Francisco	51	36	Clear
Santa Fe	36	20	Snow
Seattle	36	20	Clear
Spokane	20	10	Clear
Walla Walla	11	0	Clear
Winnipeg	18	24	Clear

L. W. DICK, Meteorologist.

BUKHUM, Russia.—(AP) The Moscow Institute has established a monkey nursery for the purpose of obtaining animals to aid in experiments with cancer, tuberculosis and other diseases. The present monkey population is 42.

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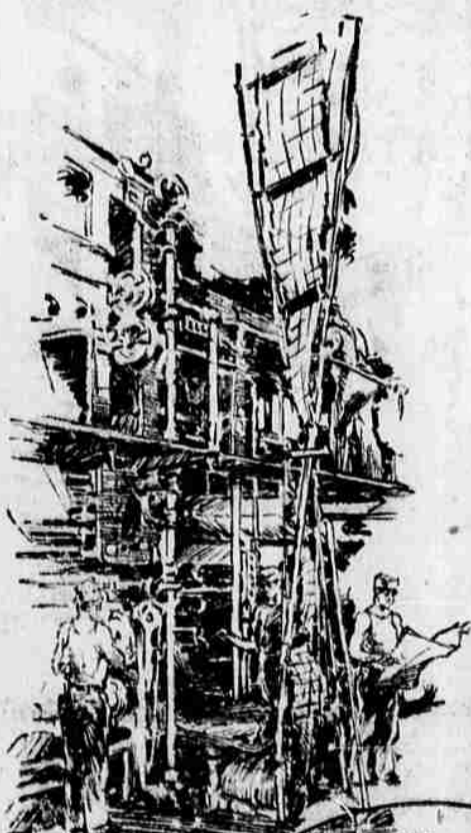
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