

BUILDING SPURT HERE FORESEEN IN LOT DEMAND

Sale of two lots at the southeast corner of East Main street and Keene Way drive was announced yesterday by Brown & White, realtors.

Bruce Bauer, manager of the retail department of the Timber Products company, was the purchaser and O. B. Morrow of 15 Keene Way drive was the seller.

Almost immediately Mr. Bauer resold one of the lots to H. C. Goldsmith, contractor, retaining the corner lot. Mr. Goldsmith plans to build a modern 3-room bungalow on the property for his home. Mr. Bauer said.

The two lots have a combined frontage of 141 feet along Keene Way street and 128 feet along East Main street.

"I bought the lots as an investment," Mr. Bauer said. "I am quite optimistic about the future of Medford real estate."

Brown & White said that the demand for vacant lots recently has been brisk. The realty firm was of the opinion that considerable home building will be done this spring. Desirable rental properties remain exceedingly scarce, it was said.

Trend observers are of the belief that the model home to be erected here will serve as a stimulus for the construction of houses. That explains, they say, the recent demand for lots.

The committee in charge was proceeding with its plans yesterday for the building of the model home designed to demonstrate what can be accomplished under the federal housing act.

The committee has bought a lot from the city at the northeast corner of West Main and Peach streets as a site for the model home and Frank Clark, architect, is now preparing plans and specifications. The lot has a frontage of 61 feet on Main and 140 feet on Peach.

It was reported in dependable quarters yesterday that several persons are contemplating the building of homes as an investment. These houses, it was stated, would be ready for sale about the time the model home is ready for occupancy so that they would benefit from the market expected to be created by the model home. In other words, it was explained, the model home would have an advertising value that could be capitalized by an investor who had modern houses ready for sale about the time the federal housing campaign reaches its peak.

CALIFORNIA BARS OWN CITIZEN AT SISKIYOU BORDER

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of both the Spanish-American and World wars and draw disability compensation as a disabled veteran, due to tuberculosis contracted in the World war. My disability, coupled with the depression, left me in straightened circumstances and when my sister became ill in Olympia I determined to visit her, traveling as cheaply as possible.

"On leaving a freight train at Hornbrook and going into the town in search of something to eat, I was rounded up along with seven others and taken to the old Hornbrook hotel by men wearing Los Angeles police uniforms and badges. The officers took our fingerprints, wrote detailed descriptions of our clothing and baggage and asked us many questions. As each was questioned the policemen made frequent motions as if to strike us with blackjacks and the whole procedure was carried on in an exceedingly rough manner.

"At 6 p. m., the eight prisoners were given four loaves of bread and a pail of water—that was our supper. There was no running water or toilet facilities in the old hotel, the pail of water being brought in from some place else. We were forced to spend the night on the floor of what was formerly the hotel dining room.

"The next day eight of us were taken to the railroad and the officers attempted to force us aboard a freight train going north. However, the train was moving too fast and we were unable to make it. I received knee injuries in the attempt. Later we were herded aboard another train and while two officers remained on guard, two others got into an automobile and drove to Hill to see that we were all still aboard when the train reached that point.

"I have lived in California for many years, and paid taxes for years in Riverside county. I operated the Siskiyou laundry in Burbank up to 1926 and owned three pieces of property there. Later in Burbank I owned and operated the Super Speed Hand Soap company. I have engaged in building and contracting business in several California towns. My mother has lived at the same address in Hollywood for 30 years. I have never been arrested or in trouble before in California and am anxious to return to my home, but now I don't know what to do, or where to go. What little the police would let me say at Hornbrook seemed to have no effect upon them. Several of the others arrested were also from California and were returning after working in the northwest, but they were all refused entrance."

Taylor showed papers to prove his army service and other claims.

W. T. Pelster, a younger man, had the same experience as Taylor. Pelster, whose business card gave his occupation as painter and paperhanger, declared he was en route to visit a sister and a nephew in San Diego. His nephew, he said, is chief gardener at the San Diego zoo. He had hoped to find work at the San Diego fair, and failing that, to continue on to Dallas, Texas, where the Texas Centennial is in course of construction.

Captain Lee M. Bown and Sergeant W. H. Eilenburg of the state police went to the line Friday to investigate operation of the California transient barrier and also questioned a number of men turned back by the Los Angeles police. Their report was sent into the state police headquarters at Salem.

What action will be taken by state police or local authorities in view of the possibility of a serious backwash of indigents on the southern Oregon border, has not yet been determined, it was said Saturday.

HOLMAN DEFENDS OWN HANDLING OF STATE FINANCES

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liquid, as private funds are, and so administered that they may be made available for present uses—just so long as they are on hand when needed for the purpose for which they were obligated.

"For instance: In 1934 the state of Oregon was on a warrant basis, and paid interest on approximately a million dollars of warrant indebtedness when there was never less than four and a quarter and sometimes seven million dollars in the state treasury. The state received a maximum of only 2 per cent on that money.

"We deposited four and a quarter to seven million in cash in banks at 2 per cent, and we borrowed one million dollars of our own money at 6 per cent!

"That seems to me to be the height of nonsense," the treasurer said. Holman stated that he had been devoting his time, as treasurer, to finding a way to use the tax money already on hand, rather than finding new taxes to levy. In attacking the annual interest bill of approximately 1 million dollars a year (the combined public debt of the state and all its subdivisions—county, city and others), Holman pointed out that that debt was made when money was dear, with interest rates high. He conceived, he said, the idea of refunding the debt on today's market, taking advantage of cheap money.

"I directed such a law be drawn, and now the people of the state of Oregon are saving \$500,000 a year on refunded debts alone."

Treasurer Holman further elaborated on the means he was taking of reducing the tax burden, first explaining the matter of the irreducible school fund, to provide public schools for the children of the state. The money for this fund comes from direct school taxes and escheated estates—the estates of people who have died without leaving heirs, the state escheating the money, which accrues to the school fund.

"The state had never policed this law, and it had run wild," Holman said, adding: "I inaugurated the appointment of an auditor to investigate these estates, less than four months ago. That auditor and his assistant have already turned in approximately \$5,000 in cash, and have discovered approximately \$50,000 more that will be collected for the irreducible school fund."

"Another place where the school fund has been losing money was the donating of sand and gravel from the beds of navigable streams of the state to be sold, and the money given to the school fund. It was adopted on my motion to discontinue exemptions of payment on sand and gravel when used for public works. By that discontinue, we ceased robbing the school fund and the children for the benefit of public works. Let the roads pay their own way, and at the same time benefit the schools," Holman said.

"By adoption of this law we have secured \$2,500 already. In the past four months, I estimate that \$30,000 a year will accrue to the schools from funds that have heretofore escaped us entirely," the treasurer pointed out.

Holman also indicated another point where the two auditors have discovered funds belonging to the state that have for a long time been lying idle in the vaults of justice and county courts. These funds were secured through traffic fines from those convicted of violating traffic rules on public highways. The auditors have already, in four months, turned in \$5,500 in cash from this source, and discovered \$7,500 in dormant fines, Holman said. He advocated that this money be turned over to the road fund.

"Those two auditors are costing the state about \$300 a month, and to date they have turned in about \$25 to each one they are paid in salaries," he said.

NATIONAL DEFENSE WEEK OBSERVANCE URGED BY MAYOR

"National Defense Week," February 12 to 22, will be formally observed in Medford as a result of a proclamation issued yesterday by Mayor George W. Porter calling upon the citizens and organizations to take advantage of this opportunity to study the defense needs of the nation.

"National Defense Week," which embraces both Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays, is sponsored by the Reserve Officers Association of the United States. Medford's committee is headed by Lieut. Philo D. Smith of the local CCC headquarters, and includes many outstanding club and civic leaders.

No parade or similar observance is planned, but patriotic organizations and service clubs are planning to include qualified speakers on their programs during the period, and devote time to an intelligent study of defense problems.

The mayor's proclamation follows: "In keeping with observances being planned in the state and nation, I proclaim the period from February 12 to 22, inclusive, as 'National Defense Week' in Medford.

"Embracing as it does the birthdays of both Lincoln and Washington, the period offers inspiration for patriotic thought and an intelligent study of our national defense needs.

"We of the Pacific coast are residing in America's most vulnerable region, and it is well in time of peace to give careful consideration to our defense problems against the possibility, however remote, of a national emergency.

"The Reserve Officers Association of the United States is rendering a splendid public service in sponsoring this 'National Defense Week.' The people of Medford will be falling in their duty if they do not seize this as an opportunity for sober reflection on the position in which this city and this region would find itself should America's shores be invaded.

"GEORGE W. PORTER,
Mayor of Medford."

LINCOLN SCHOOL GRADS TO FROLIC

Lincoln School service club will celebrate Lincoln night at the school house at 8 p. m. February 14 with an appropriate program. It was announced yesterday.

Everyone who has ever attended Lincoln school, described as the oldest standing school house in Medford, is invited to the event which replaces the customary annual Lincoln tea. It will be an informal get-together where attendants may meet the teachers and renew friendships with old schoolmates.

Past teachers and past presidents of the Lincoln P. T. A. were especially urged to attend. A program has been arranged and refreshments will be served during the evening. Mrs. Dee F. Newton, president of the service club, will preside.

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Local and Personal

Holden North—A. F. Holden was among passengers on the northbound train last evening.

Entertainers Friends—Mr. and Mrs. H. C. High were guests Friday at the home of Mrs. Mary O. Carey in Eden precinct.

From Central Point—Mrs. Edwin Stone, of Stone's Drug store in Central Point, transacted business in Medford yesterday morning.

Confers Here—Capt. Ralph E. Gobel, commander of Camp McKinley, held a conference with officers at CCC headquarters here yesterday.

To Gold Beach—E. G. Narregan, U. S. deputy marshal left by motor yesterday on a business trip to Gold Beach. He expected to return today.

To Butte Falls—L. C. Stewart, purchasing agent for the Rogue River national forest service, went to the Butte Falls ranger station yesterday. Superintendent, regarding specifications for several new buildings being erected there. He was accompanied by Dean Cameron of the Big Pines Lumber company.

Health Unit Meet—Regular meeting of the Phoenix Health unit will be held at 2:00 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Pickle.

With Forest Service—Miss Helen Riggs entered the employ of the Rogue River national forest service yesterday as a telephone operator under temporary appointment.

Medical Meeting—Next meeting of the Jackson County Medical society will be held Wednesday, February 19, at the home of Dr. B. C. Wilson. Dr. Charles T. Sweeney will read a paper. Last Wednesday evening the society met at the home of Dr. F. G. Thayer. Dr. F. G. Swendsburg of Ashland read a paper on "Medicine in the Stone Age."

Visit in Yreka—The Rev. D. M. Clemens, minister of the Church of God, and family motored to Yreka, Cal., Thursday with Arthur A. Winters, touring baker who has been giving demonstrations here at the Fluhrer bakery. While Mr. Winters demonstrated his art in Yreka, Mr. and Mrs. Clemens visited old friends. Miss Aureta Clemens assisted Mr. Winters with his ceremonial work.

At Headquarters—Capt. William B. Ledbetter, commander, and Lieut. H. G. Leatherman of Camp Humburg Mountain conferred yesterday with officers at CCC headquarters here.

Schramm North—A. A. Schramm, manager of the Medford office of the First National Bank of Portland, left on the evening train yesterday for Salem where he will spend the weekend with relatives.

From China Flat—Capt. Harry E. Cooper, commanding officer, Orr Young, project superintendent, and Lieut. Francis O. Neer of Camp China Flat were business visitors at Medford CCC headquarters yesterday.

Study Group Changed—The Mothers Study group of the Jackson school will meet tomorrow morning at 9:45 o'clock instead of tomorrow evening. The meeting will be held in the lunchroom of the school. Care will be provided for young children who accompany their mothers.

Gets Promotion—Earlyn E. Cutler, clerk at the U. S. forest service office in federal building the past year, has been transferred to the state ECW office in Salem and will assume his new duties this week. He won his promotion because of experience in forest service work, said Karl L. Janouch, supervisor. Mrs. Cutler and her little baby will move to Salem shortly.

At Headquarters—Mrs. D. E. Hartman, of Jacksonville, returned on the evening train yesterday from a two-month vacation in Portland and other points, coming back to present at the opening of Mr. Hartman's cabaret in Jacksonville last night.

Canlet To Speak—Capt. Franklin H. Canlet will speak on "Our National Defense" at the weekly meeting-luncheon of the Kiwanis club at the Hotel Medford tomorrow noon. Club members were requested to complete their questionnaires before tomorrow's meeting.

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Card of Thanks

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Obituary

Juston Hartman
Juston Hartman died at his home in Jacksonville, February 5, 1936, aged 67 years, 6 months, 8 days. Born in Bluffton, Ohio, August 5, 1868. He was a familiar figure in Jackson county where he had built a great many of her bridges, also had built over 100 barns in the county. Back in his native state he built a great many oil derricks. The family has resided in Jackson county for forty years. He leaves his wife Alpha, and three sons, Wesley and Loyal of Jacksonville, and Homer J. Hartman of Spokane, Wash.

Funeral services will be conducted from the First Funeral Home Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, with Rev. D. E. Millard officiating. Interment will take place in the Jacksonville cemetery.

Charles Bernert
Word has been received here of the death of Charles Bernert in Reno, Nev., February 7, at the age of 36. He was the son of Mrs. Josephine Travis, of this city, and was raised and attended school in Medford, having made his home here until four years ago.

He is survived by his wife and small son, Mrs. Travis, and three sisters, Miss Clartia Bernert, Mrs. Betty Wright and Georg Ann Travis, all of Medford. The body is being shipped to Medford by burial, and will be accompanied by his mother and family. Funeral arrangements will be announced later with a complete obituary.

Samuel Egger
Funeral services for Samuel Egger, who passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. James E. Howell at 604 Beatty street, will be conducted by Conger Funeral Parlors at the cemetery at Kerby, Oregon, at 2:00 p. m. today (Sunday).

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FIND JOSEPHINE DEMOCRAT GUILTY

GRANTS PASS, Feb. 8.—(AP)—A. Walker was found guilty by a circuit court jury here last night on a charge of larceny by battery.

Walker, county Democratic central committee chairman, planning board chairman and deputy WPA safety inspector, had appealed a one-year conviction in justice court last December on a charge of converting \$10 to his own use purportedly taken from Leslie Cruise for land appraisal fee.

Walker declared the money was for services already rendered and his defense counsel, Charles W. Reames of Medford, charged yesterday prosecution was motivated by political enmity between Walker and S. Sherman Smith, district attorney.

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