

YARDSTICK HOUSE WILL BE BUILT TO SPUR VET HOUSING

Gov. Snell Turns Ground for
Start of Project Here Fos-
tered by C-C and Unions

Governor Earl Snell, while in Medford Friday, broke ground for the "yardstick house" of the veterans' housing project sponsored by the Jackson county Chamber of Commerce, organized labor, and other organizations. The "yardstick house" will be constructed on a lot at Dakota and Grant streets, donated to the project by the Medford Realty board. Photographs of the actual breaking of ground were taken by Verne Shangle and will be published in the near future. A worker's permit was presented to Gov. Snell by Ethel Rush, secretary of the Central Labor Council.

Others present were Charles W. Crary, business manager of

the Electrical Workers union; Earl Garfield, secretary of the Carpenters' local; George Patuck, business manager for the Carpenters' local; Verne Bailey, secretary to Charles Crary; Joan Millard, employee in the local Carpenters' union office; Col. Elmer V. Wooton, state director of the Selective Service; W. H. Fluhrer, president of the Chamber of Commerce; E. L. Scott, chairman, and Diamond L. Flynn of the Veterans' Housing committee; and Verne Shangle.

Plans and specifications for the house were prepared by R. A. Berry of Medford and Howard R. Perrin of Klamath Falls, their services being donated. Organized labor is donating its services for the construction work and business institutions of the city are donating the material. The City of Medford is placing its equipment at disposal of the committee for grading, etc.

The foundation will be laid the first of the week, and it is the expectation of the committee that the house will be started Saturday morning, March 9.

Sponsors of the project emphasize that while construction of the building is to be of a permanent nature, it is not to be considered a completed house but can be converted into a garage and utility room when material is available to complete

the house, or it can be used as a guest house in the future.

A great deal of favorable comment has been received regarding the project, the sponsors report, and Governor Snell complimented the people of Medford on their initiative and the fact that they were trying to help themselves rather than call for outside assistance.

The sponsors of the "yardstick house" are hopeful that business institutions in Medford will voluntarily contribute the material necessary without solicitation, thereby reducing the time necessary for completion of the project. It is also the hope of the sponsors that Medford business houses will furnish the house so that when it is placed on display for the public to inspect, it will be complete in every detail. Plans for the util-

mate disposal to some veteran are incomplete and can not be announced at this time, the sponsors said.

The urgent need for homes for returning veterans has been the motivating influence of the program, and the sponsors feel that it will not be necessary to urge the public to assist in making it successful. It is the hope of the sponsors that the "yardstick house" will influence owners of vacant property in Medford to follow some such a plan to provide emergency homes for our veterans. All donations toward the project should be made to the Chamber of Commerce, and any information desired may be had at that source.

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The victims, both married were Russell Koontz, 43, official of the Empire Stone Quarry company and former Sunday school superintendent in the Christian church, and Mrs. Phyllis Coleman, 33, who worked in a creamery company office.

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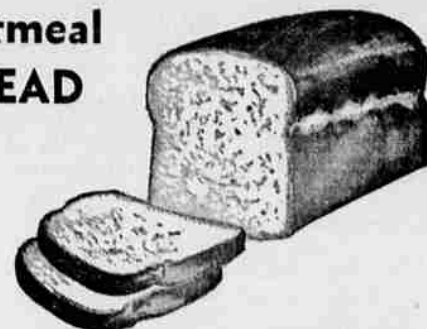
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