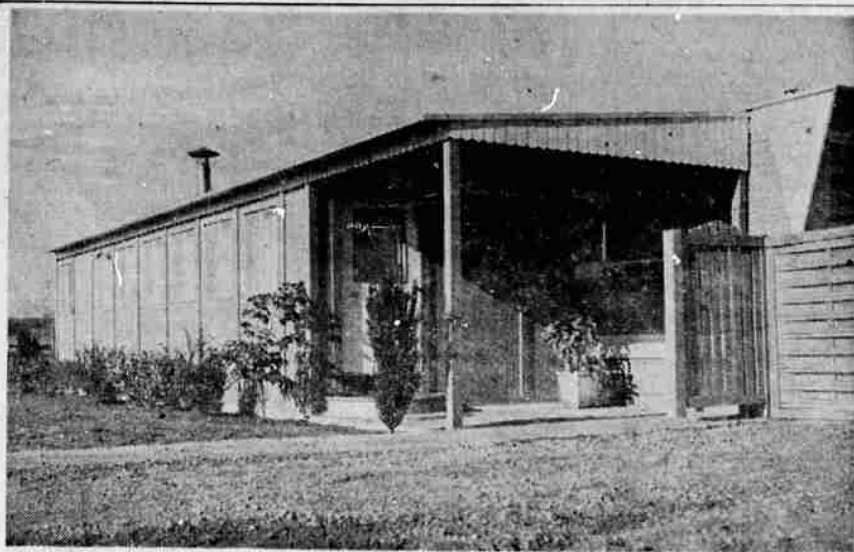




EXPERIMENTAL HOME—An experimental home called the shell-house is the invention of the Mt. Pitt company. The home combines strength with portability, and a 16 by 40 version of the home can be put together

by four men in only 40 minutes. The above home is shown being used as a supplement to a trailer house. One of the homes will be on display at the Crater Lions Sportsfair, May 5, 6 and 7.

Experimental House Will Be on Display at Sportsfair at Armory

An experimental "shell-house" will be on display at the Crater Lions Sportsfair and Home and Garden show at the Medford Armory, May 5, 6 and 7. The house could be the forerunner of a profitable new enterprise for the Mt. Pitt company.

A 16 by 40 foot version of the shell house has been put together in about 40 minutes by only four men. The house is based on an idea by R. V. Steuteville, superintendent of the Mt. Pitt company.

The house has the advantage of being both strong and portable, two factors not previously found together in home construction. Its inventors claim it is so simple that it is virtually impossible for even an untrained person to make a mistake.

Self-Aligning
All parts are self-aligning. Grooves are already in the studs and plates to receive and hold the wall components. Nails are not used in construction, but bolts are placed in several key locations to hold the structure together.

No special handling equipment is necessary during construction, as all components can easily be lifted by hand. All the parts of a 12 by 20

foot building can be hauled to a job site in a pickup truck.

Possible Markets

Several possible markets exist for the shell-house, including use as cabana homes on house trailers, vacation homes, farm buildings, garages, carports and low-cost housing.

But, the Mt. Pitt company

points out that the project is still under development, and several problems remain to be worked out before it could be marketed.

The Douglas Fir Plywood association and the Fiddes-Moore company of Portland have been assisting and encouraging the Mt. Pitt company in the project.

Water Sports Take Prominent Place

Water sports are taking a more prominent place in the spare time activities of many southern Oregon and northern California residents.

Activities connected with water include swimming, skin diving, boating, fishing, and water skiing. And there are an abundant number of lakes and streams throughout this area which provide ideal locations.

Water skiing is one of the most rapidly developing sports, and with the addition of Howard Prairie lake, and the enlarged Emigrant lake, more water surface is provided.

Lake Shasta, in northern California, and Klamath lake, just east of the Cascades, are

popular among many residents of this area.

Another large body of water will be added to the recreation site list in northern California when the Trinity dam project is completed. It will provide a lake about as large as Lake Shasta.

During the next few years, lake recreation facilities may be added in this immediate area should the Rogue Basin project be approved. Several lakes would result in Jackson county.

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