



**PHOENIX PLANT** — This picture shows the oil-gas plant which was located about a mile north of Phoenix. It served gas to the cities of Medford, Phoenix, Talent and Ashland. The original plant, which was located at this site, brought gas to Southern Oregon in 1910. The Southern Pacific Company's "Gas Works" sign is still in place beside the railroad track at the station, which is now the site of the Steve Wilson company lumber mill.

### Blue Star Homes Designed for Dad And Whole Family

Most homes are designed with the idea that "women and children come first."

But Blue Star Homes take pains to please the breadwinner of the family as well—and pamper him, too.

Father is sure to like his new Blue Star Home for many reasons. First, because he knows that it was designed for better, happier family living. He also knows that he's getting more value for his housing dollars and getting a home that will be economical to run and easy to maintain.

**What Home Includes**

The home that wears a Blue Star includes a modern gas range with automatic cooking features; a gas water heater capable of delivering plentiful supplies of hot water; and a modern gas furnace that will keep the house comfortably warm at the lowest possible cost. The builder chooses his equipment from among a wide selection offered by leading manufacturers.

In addition, the appliances also wear the Blue Star Seal of approval granted by the American Gas Association Testing Laboratories to appliances that meet rigid standards for safety, durability and performance.

These are just some of the reasons why the man of the house is happy with his selection of a Blue Star Home.

### Utilities Company President Joined Firm 24 Years Ago

E. K. Albert, president of California-Pacific Utilities Company, has been with the firm since 1939, when he was granted a certificate from the Oregon State Board of Engineering Examiners licensing him to practice engineering in Oregon.

He served as chief engineer for the utilities company until 1941 when he was elected vice president and chief engineer for the firm. On July 20, 1953, he was elected executive vice president and on Feb. 8, 1954, president.

Born in San Bernardino County, California, in 1898, Albert was educated in San Bernardino schools, and was graduated from the University of Southern California with a degree in electrical engineering.

**Worked In California**

He worked for the Southern California Edison Company in the construction and engineering department and served in the Army for one year. Albert was in the plant engineering department of the Southern California Telephone Company at Los Angeles until 1922, when he became electrical superintendent of the Aberdeen Light and Power Company at Aberdeen, S.D.

From December, 1923, to September, 1925, he served as electrical superintendent of the Aberdeen Division of the North-



E. K. ALBERT  
Company President

western Public Service Company, and until September, 1929, he was in the general office of the company at Huron, S.D., in the same post.

Albert was electrical superintendent of the Northwestern Public Service Company, Northern Light and Power Company and North Dakota Power and Light Company in the general office at Huron until 1939, when he joined the California-Pacific Utilities Company as chief engineer.

### Pacific Lutheran Band Sets Concert

The Pacific Lutheran University Concert Band from Tacoma, Wash., will appear at 8 p.m. Nov. 26 in Medford High School Auditorium, with Gordon O. Gilbertson, director. The public is invited.

The first portion of the program will include selections by Handel, Bach, Mendelssohn and Wagner.

At intermission "Tournament of Trumpets," by D. Bennett, a well-known contemporary composer and arranger, will be played. The later part of the program will feature a variety of tunes including "West Side Story," "Clarinet Candy," and "Fairest of the Fair," by Souza.

**MAYOR RESIGNS**

**THE DALLES (UPI)**—Mayor Mel Davison announced his resignation Monday night because of what he called "a conflict of interest."

### Ley Associated With Company Since '36

D. J. Ley, who has been associated with California-Pacific University, he worked as a public vice president and treasurer.

A graduate of Oklahoma State University, he worked as a public accountant with the firm of Arthur Young and Company, Tulsa, Okla. He majored in business administration at Oklahoma State.

When California-Pacific Utilities Company was formed in 1936, Ley was appointed auditor and in 1943, he was elected assistant secretary. He was elected treasurer in 1953, and a year later was named a vice president.

During his employment with the company, he has supervised the accounting, tax matters, and assisted with all of the security transaction and acquisitions of new operating properties.



D. J. LEY  
Company Treasurer

### Man Manhandled, Beaten by Women

**DETROIT (UPI)**—An Ohio man told police Monday he was hauled by two women in a car as he was walking down a street, taken to an alley, beaten and robbed of \$17.

Leonard Short, 26, Celina, Ohio, told officers he was accosted after getting in the car with the women.

He said he escaped once from their car and ran down the street but the women chased him, caught him and beat him some more.

They let him go, he said, after taking his wallet.

### New Air Conditioning Methods Using Gas Now Are Available

New methods of year-round home air conditioning using gas for both heating and cooling are now on the market. They include numerous advancements in design and performance to provide compactness, ease of installation and lower operating costs.

Forced warm air systems using gas furnaces are particularly adaptable to addition of central cooling, and manufacturers have conducted extensive dealer training programs in this field. Water chilling units are made for use with hot water heat systems.

Gas is figuring in an increasingly wide variety of all-year

air conditioning equipment. An all-gas absorption-type unit both heats and cools and, in its latest models, combines increased cooling capacity with smaller size.

Gas furnaces also are being teamed with power cooling systems, and among the newest developments is use of a gas engine in a soundproof cabinet outside the house to activate the cooling system.

There are many aspects of a central air conditioning job that can be handled even while the heating system is in full use. Such scheduling will be imperative in view of increased demand, states the American Gas

Association, despite the fact that many plumbing and heating dealers have been expanding their staffs to meet this new need.

To help understand the basic types of gas central air conditioning equipment, the American Gas Association offers the following brief description of each:

**Packaged combination heating-cooling:** This is a compact arrangement of all heating and cooling features in one housing. Included are condensing section, evaporator, fan or water pump, burner and automatic controls. It is usually called a year-round system because it provides cooling in summer and heating in winter. The change-over from heating to cooling is completely automatic.

Installation can be made in the basement or utility room or wherever convenient for hook-up with the duct-work or piping system.

**Matched packages of heating and cooling:** Here the heating and cooling sections are divided into separate units, designed so that one can be added to the other. Usually the heating section is the basic unit and includes the fan or water pump and the main automatic control system, as well as the furnace, or boiler.

The cooling section contains the condensing section and evaporator. When added to the heating section, the combined unit functions much like the packaged heating-cooling unit described above.

**Heating with add-on package cooling:** Many homes have excellent heating systems that were installed without special provision for adding cooling later. To meet this need, cooling systems have been designed for addition to existing heating plants.

Most add-on cooling units take advantage of the fan or water pump and the basic controls already on the heating unit and use it for the cooling operation as well. Usually, however, the fan output must be increased. With cooling added, the combined system functions in much the same manner as the two systems mentioned.

**Heating-cooling systems with remotely located condensing section:** In this arrangement, the major mechanical part of the refrigeration unit is located away from the heating plant. The condensing section can be mounted out-of-doors, in the garage, or any similar location. It is connected to the evaporator by tubing through which the refrigerant flows.

The evaporator (cold section) is mounted in the ductwork where it can chill the air. The system provides heating and cooling in much the same manner as the previously described systems.

### Gaslight Provides Welcoming Beacon

One of the most reassuring sights on a stormy night is the golden glow of a gaslight marking a driveway entrance or standing as a welcoming beacon at the front door.

Only gaslights say "welcome" in such a gracious way. Even when other sources of illumination fail, gaslights continue to operate.

One reason is that gas flows through copper tubing buried underground, unaffected by rain,

snow or heavy winds. This explains why airports, restaurants, shopping centers and other commercial establishments have been turning in increasing numbers to this source of outdoor illumination.

Homeowners, too, like the dependability of gaslights and find them decorative as well. There are numerous styles to choose from in keeping with the architecture of the home—from old Colonial to ultra-modern.

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### State Legislature Sets Session Mark

**SALEM (UPI)**—The legislature has established a record.

Sen. Edward Fadeley, D-Eugene, pointed out the legislature has been in session this year longer than any other in the state's history.

Monday was the 149th legislative day—141 for the regular session, and eighth for the special session.

The record was held by the 1957 session which was in regular session 128 days, and in special sessions 19 days—147 days in all.

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