

Building and Real Estate

FORTY PLACE APPLICATIONS FOR COLLEGE

Forty applications for entrance to institutions of higher learning have been filed in the local high school office by KUHS graduates. The majority of the applications are from members of the class of '39, but a few are from students who have been graduated from high school several years. Oregon State college will claim most of the students with the University of Oregon in second place.

Oregon State has received 17 applications from Klamath students while the University of Oregon has received seven. Klamath students will also attend Sacramento Junior college, San Francisco Junior college, Reed college, Pacific university, Linfield college, University of Washington, and Santa Clara.

The following students have applied for Oregon State: William Wales, Earl Kent, Robert Worstell, Richard Beane, Horace Getz, Rosemary Sloan, Marjorie Johnson, Leo Molatore, Kay Dunbar, Buford Sparks, Leland Metz, James Hunt, Betty Stebbins and Marjorie Lekberg.

The following have applied to the University of Oregon: Phyllis Foster, Jerry O'Callaghan, Virginia Bubb, Lester Thayer, Joe Kennedy, Eldridge Anderson, Bob Nicodemus, Pat Clark and Barbara Johnson.

Santa Clara: Lyman Lundell and Roscoe Robinson. University of Washington: Dawn Everett and Isabelle Bishop. Linfield: Ruth Melas. Armstrong: Wendell Aubrey. Marcell Newman and Karlene Schubert.

Sacramento Junior college: Yvonne Peterstetter and Raymond Bellant. Pacific university: Doreen Rutts and George Dudley.

Southern Oregon College of Education: Clyde Zumwalt, Duane Monroe and Constance Hanson. Reed college: Mary Margaret Scott.

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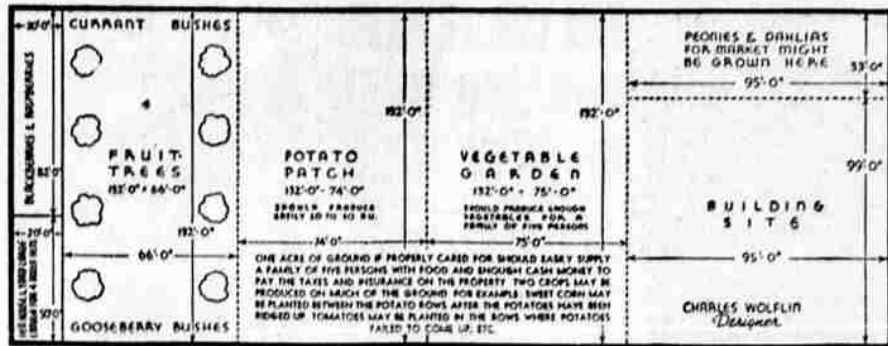
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Here's Design For "Home-land" Acre



Plan Made for Subdividing Acre for Small-Income Man

This week Western Homes foundation issues a plan for subdividing a "home-land acre," as the fifth in its series of designs of acreage homes for families of small but independent income. The plot design is by Charles Wolffin, Evansville, Ind., lumberman. In blueprint form it was distributed to thousands of industrial employees in the midwest who had short workweeks or were subject to seasonal layoffs. This was the inauguration of the building industry's home-land program, which Western Homes foundation is now applying in six northwestern states.

"Many industrial workmen have savings to meet down payments on a FHA insured home loan," says W. C. Bell, foundation chairman, in explaining the program. "But if they are not guaranteed steady employment and regular monthly income, they cannot meet the requirements of FHA and the banks. Throughout the nation such men form a large group of family breadwinners. To quote from a statement by Mr. Wolffin in 'Wood Construction':

"The turning of the leisure of this industrial group into productive channels constitutes a national problem, and the readiest solution is in the hands of the retail lumber dealer who has it in his power to guide these families into the promised land of home ownership and financial independence." In supplying designs, Western Homes foundation is providing the basis for a home-land program in each community.

The diagram published here-with shows a one-acre plot in eight divisions. Authorities state that this plan, if properly carried

through, will afford the occupant a substantial addition to his annual income. Different divisions and other crops would of course be necessary on the basis of different soil, climatic and other conditions. The Wolffin plot design is simply intended as an example of what may be done in the way of careful acreage planning.

The largest division of the property is reserved for the home proper, which can be anything from a small unfinished "shell" costing as little as \$500 to a complete small house costing from \$2,000 to \$2,500. In the Wolffin plan, a small corner is reserved for peonies and dahlias. These or other flowers will provide a cash crop in most local markets. Three other large subdivisions are allocated to a vegetable garden, a potato patch, and a fruit orchard. A vegetable garden 12 by 75 feet may produce enough vegetables for a family of five persons, while a potato patch of similar size may yield upward from 30 bushels. Room for a poultry house and for a berry patch is also provided.

The basic home-land program, according to building industry spokesmen, is the most practical approach to the housing problem of workmen who to an increasing degree are going to be only partially or periodically employed in the industry, either through the shorter workweek or increased mechanization of industry. Western Homes foundation supports the program as a means of maintaining American home standards for low-income families and of furthering the ideals of American citizenship.

Many New Uses for Wood Developed at Laboratory

Many millions of dollars are saved each year to the wood industry of the United States by patents granted to the employees of the U. S. forest products laboratory at Madison, Wis.

During the 29 years that the laboratory has been engaged in finding new and better uses for wood and its products it has been granted 82 U. S. patents. This is an average of nearly three patents a year. These patents cover everything from gas mask charcoal to waterproof coatings for butchers' wrapping paper. All branches of the wood industry, including paper and veneer manufacturers, have shared in the benefits from these researches and patents.

At the time the laboratory was established in 1910, there was little knowledge of the underlying principles of wood seasoning or of practical ways of drying wood, but the kiln drying and wood-seasoning methods worked out there have yielded an estimated saving of about \$10,000,000 annually. Patents granted to laboratory experts on wood pulping and paper making processes have been of great benefit to the paper industry. Casein glue formulas developed there have resulted in large savings each year to the woodworking trades.

One of the recent patents granted the laboratory is the making of a plastic from wood waste. Sawdust, for instance, is mixed with chemicals and cooked, then ground into a fine powder and formed into various shapes by heat and pressure. Such articles as tile for floors and side-walls, panels for automobiles, radio cabinets, electrical control boards, dishes, and many others can be made from the material. Employees whose work has been patented have not received one cent in pay from the patents. All patents are made for public use, but are patented to safeguard the public from individuals

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REPAIRS SHOW UP IN WEEK'S BUILDING LIST

The city building inspector, Henry Schortgen, reported a number of small permits issued during the past week, indicative of the consistent repair jobs which have featured the permit book this summer.

Following are the permits for jobs and several small homes issued this past week:
H. L. Brown, 1321 Johnson avenue, reroofing roof, \$100.
C. W. Howry, move and repair building at 101 East Main street.
Fred Lekberg, contractor, lot 1, block 12, Hillside addition, Lawrence and Eldorado streets, new residence, \$3000.

Donald Martin, brick siding to residence, 2450 Orchard way, \$250.
R. C. Horton, 635 North Eleventh street, brick siding to residence, \$600.

W. E. McDaniell, 2436 Darrow street, foundation to residence, \$150.

W. E. Daniel, 1915 Main street, foundation to residence, \$150.

A. Hudson, lot 19, block 19, Riverside addition, new residence, \$2500.

C. M. Reynolds, 2110 White avenue, garage and wood shed, \$100.

W. Eckton, 532 North Fourth street, general repairs to residence, \$150.

C. A. Wright, lot 16, block 40, Hillside addition, new 5-room residence, \$4000.

PLANNING HELD TO BE VITAL NEED

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Pointing out that the urban family lives in a neighborhood as well as in a house and that therefore good residential building must begin with community planning, Nathan Straus, administrator of the United States housing authority, today announced the publication of "Planning the Site," described as the first authoritative manual on community site planning ever issued in this country.

The principles and practices presented are drawn from the experience of technicians in designing over 250 USHA-assisted, public housing projects now under way in every section of the country and in communities of all sizes. Illustrated with 35 diagrams and 5 plates, the manual is designed to serve as a text book to architects to improve quality and cut costs of large-scale housing projects, private as well as public.

Of special value to planners are the case studies of actual USHA-assisted project sites, showing first the preliminary plan, next the revised plan, improved, and finally, the completed project.

It will take at least two years to get back to a balanced budget, —U. S. Senator Robert Taft, Ohio, tossing his hat in the ring.

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RESIDENTIAL NEEDS HERE STILL GREAT

Although there has been greater activity in home building in this area during 1939 than for many years past, the needs of Klamath families have not begun to be satisfied, according to Frank Ira White, real estate man connected with the office of Chilcote & Smith.

While a check of the city building permits would show exactly the number of homes built in Klamath Falls this year, there is no way to determine how many residences have been built in the suburban districts, White said. A drive through the areas surrounding Klamath Falls would open the eyes of many people to the amazing development outside the city limits. Scores of new homes are being constructed all the time, he stated, so that a tour of the suburban sections at any time would reveal building activity to a degree startling to most city dwellers.

The need for homes, White pointed out, is not a boom, but is a healthy and natural demand. For the last 13 months the number of houses for rent has been small and this, he said, is responsible to a great degree for

the fact that most homes built by contractors for sale have been snapped up to a large extent before they are completed.

The demand for homes is steady, White said, and will not be satisfied for some time to come. Many people are building their own homes, but in every section of this area, including Klamath Falls, contractors are erecting houses and selling them. This is especially noticeable in St. Francis park, he said.

"One of the most outstanding changes in buyers' wants is the increasing demand for larger homes," White commented. "Until recently, most prospective home owners desired three or four rooms. Now they want homes with five to seven rooms, and the demand has not yet been met."

There is a steady demand for suburban acreage, particularly improved land, White said, although sales of tracts for building purposes continue popular. White believes that home building activity will continue for an indefinite time, particularly because there is no indication of a boom, but, instead, a natural demand that cannot be met this year or next.

If ever a time comes when radio is censored, then the press will follow; then free speech will be lost; then freedom of religion will be invaded. — Walter M. Harrison, Oklahoma City newspaper editor.

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Information should be furnished to D. O'Connell, Chief Special Agent, Southern Pacific Company, 65 Market Street, San Francisco, California, or to the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, One Eleven Sutter Building, San Francisco, California, or 301 Continental Bank Building, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Signed,

J. H. DYER,

Vice President in Charge of Operations, Southern Pacific Company, San Francisco, California, August 15, 1939.