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## HOUSING DRIVE BRINGS CONCRETE RESULTS

### E. Hofer & Sons Announces Construction of from Five to Fifteen Fine Homes

The first bonafide movement toward the solution of the housing problem in Salem became known Saturday with the announcement by Col. Hofer, of E. Hofer & Sons, that plans have been completed, and work will begin soon on the erection of five, ten or fifteen new and modern houses on Winona addition. Plots for the proposed homes have already been staked out in the addition, which is on Center, between Fifteenth and Seventeenth streets.

Decision to build these homes was reached by E. Hofer & Sons after a campaign waged by The Capital Journal for a solution of the acute problem. That they could build a number of homes, thereby selling the property on which they are erected, was realized by Hofer & Sons, and they immediately dispatched a representative of the firm to San Francisco, Oakland and other California cities to gather plans and ideas for the buildings.

Homes costing from \$2500 to \$5000, with lot, are planned for property fronting Center street as fast they can be built and disposed of. Col. Hofer said. The addition, as planned, includes a private driveway on the creek, which will be made by the owners; and the bank of the creek will be parked, and the natural shrubbery utilized and some flowering shrubs will be planted. This will make sites for four beautiful Arcadian bungalows having a frontage south with running water in front of them.

Hofer & Sons will ask the city council to co-operate by making provision in the next budget for a concrete bridge across North Mill creek on Seventeenth street, from Center to Chemeketa street.

It was announced that contractors are now figuring on the plans, and several parties are ready to buy the houses as soon as they can be built.

In discussing the proposition Col. Hofer flayed the latent capitalists of the city who offer to take no part in the solution of the housing problem.

"They hang off," he said, "because they are afraid they won't be able to make anything at it. If I can build this number of houses and make money at it—and I am not going into this to lose—these other fellows with means can do the same thing, and save the city in this crisis."

He pointed out that there are many vacant lots in the city, desirable sites for homes, that cannot be sold because there are no houses on them.

## Adjournment of Congress By Nov. 10 Is Expected

By Raymond Clapper  
(United Press staff correspondent)  
Washington, Oct. 18.—Adjournment of congress November 10, provided action on the peace treaty can be speeded, was considered by house and senate leaders today.

Representative Mondell, house republican leader, has been in conference with Senator Lodge in an effort to obtain prompt ending of the special session. No agreement has been reached, however, owing to uncertainties connected with the treaty.

Textual amendments to the treaty will be disposed of within another week. Then the fight for reservations starts. Leaders refused to predict how long it will take to reach an agreement.

**GLEN MCGONAGAL HOME**  
Glen McGonagal, who before the war was employed here at the Miller garage, has returned from two year's service in the navy. He has gone to Eugene to enter the University of Oregon, after only a few day's visit with his parents at Woodburn.—Aurora Observer.

Washington, Oct. 18.—(United Press)—President Wilson will not be able to see the king and queen of Belgium when they visit Washington, it was announced today by Secretary Tamm.

Tamm issued the following statement: "It is much regretted that the illness of the president will make it impossible for the president and Mrs. Wilson to receive the king and queen of the Belgians and the Duke of Brabant as their guests."

During their Majesties and his royal highness visit in Washington the vice president and Mrs. Marshall will act in the place of the president and Mrs. Wilson as hosts for the government of the United States.

Their Majesties and his royal highness during their visit to Washington will occupy the residence of the third assistant secretary of state.

Washington, Oct. 18.—A statement issued by President Wilson's physicians at 11:30 today said: "The president rested well last night. There is no material change to note in his general condition. No new symptoms have developed."

The statement was signed by Drs. Grayson, Ruffin and Stitt.

Dr. Grayson said Dr. Hugh Young of Johns Hopkins university would again visit the white house today. The president's prostate trouble responded to treatment, Grayson said, and there are no indications at present that an operation will be required.

Grayson said the president showed improvement today and he is hopeful that the gland swelling will not further retard his slow progress toward recovery.

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## BETTER WATER SERVICE NORTH SALEM'S PLEA

Mrs. F. A. English Charges Company With Wilful Disregard Of Needs.

**COUNCIL ALSO SCORED FOR BALD INDIFFERENCE**

Enthusiastic Meeting Also Considers Questions Of Sewers And Paving.

A bomb of defiance was hurled at the city water company, and a challenge of superiority, at a meeting last night of the North Salem Improvement association in the Highland school. Amid a roar of enthusiasm, Mrs. F. A. English, North Salem resident, arose in reply to a motion of Benjamin R. Perkins that a committee be appointed to wait on the city council for immediate sewer construction, and declared:

"It's water that we need first. If we get water the sewers will have to come."

Then she attacked the antagonistic attitude of the council.

"I have been before them with tears in my eyes," she said. "And they laughed and sneered at me."

"Better be careful, there's a councilman in the room," someone cautioned. "I don't care! I mean every word of it," Mrs. English pursued heatedly.

"And when I go to the water company and tell them that I have been to the council asking for help, they tell me—in fact, they told me today:

"We don't care why the city council thinks of doing—we're the whole cheese here now!"

"If that councilman is here," she added pointedly, "I'd like to have him stand up!"

Councilman Utter arose.

"I'll say this," he nodded his head meaningly. "If the water company said it was the 'whole cheese' here, I and the council are with Mrs. English to the finish to fight it out."

"The council stands today as a progressive element in your community, and shall not tolerate any dictation from any one."

## Belgian Rulers Visit Wonders of Grand Canyon

By Don Chamberlain  
(United Press staff correspondent)

With King Albert of Belgium in Grand Canyon, Oct. 18.—Accompanied by Prince Leopold, Count Doltreton and J. M. Wright, King Albert today, went down the Grand Canyon via the Bright Angel corkscrew trail. They traveled seven miles on burros, descending several thousand feet. A pack lunch was served under the scorching sun. The view here was in extreme contrast with that seen in the fertile Yosemite Valley. Here nothing but gorgeous by colored rocks in the sides of the canyons and the sparse rim of trees on top of the granite walls could be seen by the royal party.

The queen, beginning to show signs of fatigue on the strenuous trip across the United States, planned to remain at the top of the canyon riding in a buggy and motoring.

San Quentin Prison, Cal., Oct. 18.—The old man who yesterday in an operation was given energy glands taken from a hanged murderer, sat up in bed today and smoked his pipe.

He complained of a slight headache as the only "hang over." Otherwise he was "feeling fine," he said.

He must remain in bed, however, for from ten to 12 days, to allow the wound to heal. He then will be allowed to walk about. He probably will not be allowed to exercise for four weeks.

It became known that yesterday's operation transplanted two glands to the old man's body, whereas previous operations performed here transplanted only one gland. Because of the double nature of the operation, the old man will be watched carefully to prevent strain.

He must remain known to the public as "the old man." Prison officials refuse to divulge his name, or even his number. It was learned, however, that he was sent up for 80 years from Ventura county in 1902 for murder. He was paroled in 1913, but broke his parole in a few days and was sent back to prison.

He does not know his exact age, but best information places it at between 57 and 60.

Whether the operation will prolong his life, allowing him to serve more of his long sentence the doctors would not predict.

The chief result of the operation, they said, would be seen in his sexual life, but they desired that undue emphasis be not given this feature.

The physicians had desired to avoid publicity at this time in order that their experiments might be fully matured for presentation before the American Medical society.

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## MAYNARD FIRST TO END CROSS CONTINENT RACE

### Pastor Flyer Arrives Back At Mincola Completing Fast Round Trip

Mineola, L. I., Oct. 18.—Lieutenant B. W. Maynard, famous "sky pilot," won the transcontinental air race when he arrived here from San Francisco at 1:50 o'clock this afternoon. He had already won the first leg of the race, reaching San Francisco from Mineola ahead of a large field of contestants last week.

Lieutenant Maynard left Mineola on the first leg of the transcontinental flight at 9:24 a. m. October 8, and arrived at San Francisco at 1:27 p. m. October 11, flying time 24 hours, 36 minutes, 53 1/2 seconds.

On the second leg, Maynard left San Francisco at 1:19 p. m. October 14, and arrived at Mincola this afternoon. Sixty-three aviators started in the race, fifteen from San Francisco.

Twenty-seven of these have been forced to withdraw. Nine of the contestants have been killed.

Great shouts greeted the preacher-aviator when his plane appeared over the field and spiraled toward the ground.

Mrs. Maynard, with her two children, waited at the edge of the group around the landing field. As the big plane came to earth she, with the little ones, rushed toward it, escorted by two officers. Each child carried a big red apple for "daddy."

Maynard turned to his wife immediately when he stepped from his seat. He threw his arms about her and they embraced and kissed each other several times. She children clamored for their father's attention and grabbed his legs and demanded attention. He picked up each little one and planted a resounding kiss on his lips.

Mrs. Maynard appeared to be very happy and as her husband took her in his arms, she said:

"I knew you'd do it!" Photographers and scores of other persons then besieged the flying pastor. He was slapped on the back and his hand was pumped by everyone in reaching distance.

Movie cameras then began to click and the flyer and his little family were compelled to pose repeatedly.

The cheering was resumed when the movie men had their inning.

Shouts of "atta boy" and "oh, you Maynard," came from the crowd.

Sergeant W. E. Cline, Maynard's mechanic, also came in for a warm reception.

Maynard's nearest rival on the second leg eastward was Captain J. O. Donaldson, last reported on route from Chicago to Bryan, Ohio.

Flying westward on the second leg, Captain L. H. Smith was leading. He was last reported between Des Moines and Omaha. Both Lieutenant E. C. Kiel and Lieutenant H. H. Owens were en route from Des Moines to Omaha.

Dallas, Oct. 18.—T. G. Armitage, an employe of the Mountain States Power company, was instantly killed Friday afternoon when a guy wire with which he was working fell across a high tension wire carrying 1300 volts of electricity. The accident occurred at the plant of the company in this city.

Mr. Armitage was endeavoring to straighten a small cable used as a guy wire to one of the big smokestacks when the cable fell across the wire. Eye witnesses to the accident shut off the power immediately but the man was dead when his body was removed from the wire.

Coroner R. L. Chapman was called, but after hearing the testimony of witnesses stated that no inquest was necessary.

Mr. Armitage, with his wife and three small children, came to Dallas about one year ago from Colorado and he had been employed at the power plant since that time. He was considered a careful worker and the accident was one of those unfortunate kind. The remains may be shipped to Colorado for interment.

**Coos County Teachers Ask \$1,000 Minimum Salary**

Teachers of Coos county have organized for the purpose of demanding a minimum salary of \$1000 per year, effective next year, according to E. S. Carlton, assistant superintendent of schools, who has just returned from attending the county teachers' institute at North Bend. The teachers will also ask the school boards to employ none other than experienced teachers. Carlton stated.

## THIEF ESCAPES VARNEY; NOW HE WANTS "JOLT"

"There's no honor among thieves!" This old statement, founded on ironic opinion, was refuted Saturday when Joseph Mayer, 18, confessed accomplice in the burglary of Bishop's store, in this city three months ago, when loot valued at \$24 was taken, gave himself up to Chief of Police Varney and asked that he be given "a jolt" for a confidence long since violated.

Three months ago, Mayer, with Frank Cellistino, 23, who is now serving in the state penitentiary for the crime, broke into the rear of Bishop's store. During the race with local authorities, an when Mayer was caught, burgued with the loot and unable to keep the pace, Cellistino made a complete getaway. Mayer was held in jail.

After a relentless search all over the valley, Chief of Police Varney finally located Cellistino in Portland. He was indicted, tried and committed to the penitentiary for three months.

Before Cellistino's capture Chief Varney, believing in Mayer's integrity, took the youth with him to Portland to aid in the search for Cellistino. While Mayer was in a certain place supposedly inquiring, he made a break for liberty, Chief Varney returned to Salem without his man. This never became known until Saturday.

Several days ago Chief Varney received a mysterious letter from Seattle. It said that Mayer was there, working in a shipyard, and leading a "straight life."

Thursday Chief of Police Varney hastened to the Sound city. All one afternoon he devoted to tracing the mysterious missive. Then he located Mayer in an apartment house. The fugitive, hearing that Chief Varney was there, hurried to meet him and gave himself up.

In his pockets, at the time of his arrest, Chief Varney found a letter addressed to himself. Mayer had written it, and was about to mail it. It told how he (Mayer) had been suffering grand mental agony ever since he had taken advantage of Chief Varney's trust in Portland and broke away. He said that he wanted to see the chief, tell him the facts of the case, and regretted his "unpardonable mistake."

Today, as he sat in the city jail, he pleaded with Chief Varney to give him a "jolt," because "I need it for doing as I did to you."

Local authorities, astonished by young Mayer's actions, are giving him the best of accommodations. He will be removed to the county jail, a more desirable place.

## Oldest Twins In Oregon Observe Birthday Event

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Both the Campbell brothers are still spry in spite of their advanced age and are enjoying good health.

## RELIEF IN SHORTAGE OF CARS IN WEST IS SEEN; TEAL RETURNS

Portland, Or., Oct. 18.—Joseph N. Teal has returned to Portland from Washington, where he went in the interest of Portland rate cases pending before the interstate commerce commission.

He says little directly about how Portland's case is progressing before the commission. He does say that rate changes await the return of the railroads to private ownership, and that a general increase in rates at that time is an accepted prediction.

Teal seats promise of relief from car shortage very soon.

"Car shortage was one of the important matters demanding attention," said Teal. "A relative decrease in car supply and increased business has led to a shortage of equipment in many sections. Owing, however, to being as far away from the sources of car supply, this section is always the greatest sufferer from car shortages. But the matter has been taken up quite vigorously by E. B. Allen, secretary of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, with promise of relief in the near future."

## SUGAR CONTROL BY GOVERNMENT IS NECESSARY

Washington, Oct. 18.—(United Press).—If the sugar supply is taken from control of the governments of the world a shortage is sure to be felt and prices will be high. Dr. Alonzo Taylor told a senate sub-committee investigating the sugar situation today.

Taylor represented the secretary of agriculture at the hearings. He is a former member of the war trade board.

The people of Europe are protesting against government restrictions, but the people of America are consuming what they please, regardless of price, Taylor said.

The committee is considering the bill to continue the sugar equalization board for a year.

Judge William A. Glasgow, of the sugar equalization board, told the committee that the only possible method of a price control was in the licensing system operated during the war, and that unless the board was given full power over the wholesale dealers there would be no use in maintaining it.

Senator Russell, Louisiana, favored purchasing outright the available Cuban sugar crop and fixing prices by a method of publicity, but Judge Glasgow declared prices could no longer be fixed by public opinion.

Senator Harrison, Mississippi, told the committee that he understood Louisiana planters intended to withhold the cane crop if the licensing prevailed, preferring to replant rather than accept what they consider an insufficient profit.

Judge Glasgow said he had heard of no such proposal and that he believed the licensing system could be renewed without serious complaint from the sugar refiners or the sugar interests in general.

## MRS. M'QUEEN DIES AT SALEM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Mary Catherine McQueen, who has been confined at the Salem hospital for some time with illness, died Friday afternoon at the age of 64 years. Mrs. McQueen's home was in Portland, and the body will be forwarded to that city for interment and funeral services, by the Rigdon undertaking company.

Mrs. McQueen was born in Chicago Heights, Illinois, and came to this state many years ago. She is a sister of the late Judge Robert Eakin, and is survived by three brothers, Judge J. A. Eakin and Walter T. Eakin of Astoria, and Herbert of Cottage Grove. One sister, Mrs. Jennie Hanna of Eugene, also survives her.

## Palmer May Visit Oregon On Trial Of Profiteers

Intimation that Attorney General Palmer is soon to visit Oregon on the trial of the wily profiteer, is contained in a letter just received by Attorney General Brown from Clifford L. Hilton, attorney general of Minnesota and president of the association of attorneys general of the United States. The letter states that Palmer will take up the matter of a public meeting in this state with the governor in a few days but so far Governor Olcott has not been apprised of any plans to that effect.

## ARMS SHIPMENT HALTED

Washington, Oct. 18.—Henry P. Fletcher, American ambassador to Mexico, flatly refused to sanction a shipment of arms to the Carranza government, according to a letter read today to the senate Mexican committee.