

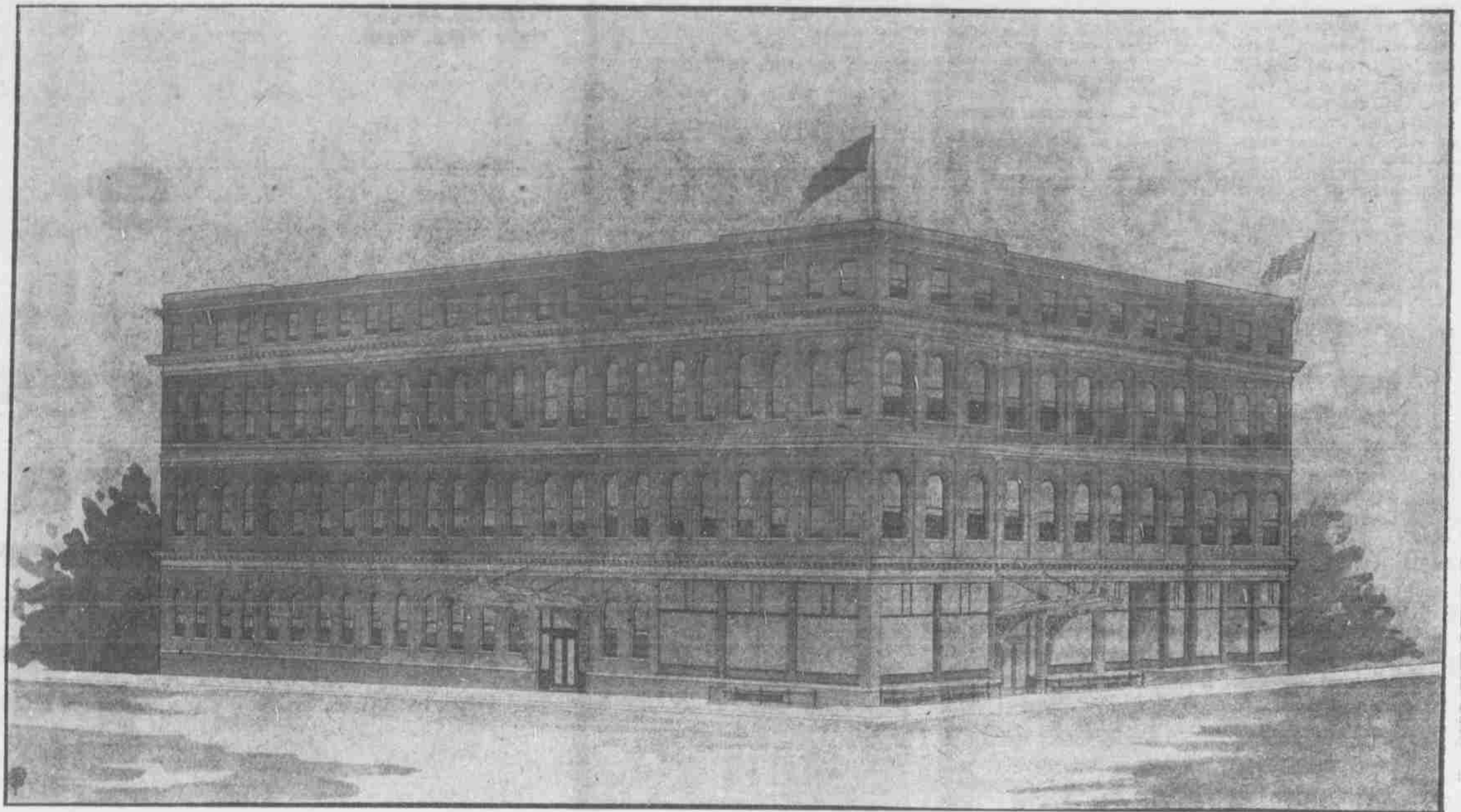
SALEM TO HAVE MODERN FIRST-CLASS \$150,000 HOTEL

CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN MARCH 1ST

On Salem's Magnificent New
Hundred Room Hotel.

Plans of Louis R. Hazeltine Have
Been Adopted by the Hotel Cor-
poration—Some Remarkably Pro-
gressive Features.

A corporation was formed during the past year known as the Willamette Hotel Co., with Fred Steusloff, president, T. B. Kay, vice president; J. W. Wilson, secretary; and J. R. Linn, treasurer; and this company purchased the half block south of Ferry and East of Commercial, on which the old Willamette hotel stands. The stockholders are such well known firms and Salem business men as Steusloff Brothers, Catlin & Linn, T. B. Kay, Dr. W. H. Byrd, J. W. Wilson, Ray Farmer, Chas. L. McNary and Jos. Baumgartner. The company has been getting plans and specifications from a number of architects and have finally decided that the plans for remodeling the building and bringing it up to the requirements of a modern hotel that have been prepared by L. R. Hazeltine of Salem are far superior in every detail to any that have been submitted and the officers of the corporation are more than pleased with them. The accompanying illustration is a view of the structure as it will appear after it has been remodelled. The lobby will be 45 by 65, cornering on Commercial and Ferry streets, and it will be on a par with anything of the kind in Portland. Half of the lobby will be divided by arches and given over to ladies waiting and rest rooms, reading rooms, etc. Ladies can go through to the clerk's desk without going through the crowded part of the lobby where the men are. The clerk's desk is situated so as to command a complete view of coming and departing guests



Plans for New Hotel, Designed by L. R. Hazeltine, Architect.

from all doors. In the center of the lobby will be an immense fireplace which will add greatly to the beauty of the room. On Ferry street will be located the new dining room, in the same place as the old one. At the east end will be a balcony for musicians, under which will be a beautiful little alcove where regular guests can be served with meals when the dining room is crowded. Besides the main dining room there will be a ladies and gentlemen's grill room, up to date in every respect. Where the old stairway now stands, the entire space will be devoted to a light well from the roof down, at the bottom of which there will be a reading room with an art glass ceiling. Upon en-

tering the hotel one proceeds on a level with the walk into a vestibule, and then a few steps ascend to the main lobby floor. The hotel will have 75 bedrooms, twenty-one baths arranged to serve 51 private rooms. The balance of the rooms will be served by two public baths on each of the three floors. The rooms are so arranged that they can be used singly or in suites of from two to seven rooms with private corridors connecting them so that guests never have to enter the main corridor to go to the different rooms in a suite. This is a feature which only a few of the finest hotels in the country possess. From the lobby a broad staircase leads to the rath-

skeller, bar, billiard room and barbershop in the basement. Back of these on Ferry street will be eight of the finest sample rooms in the west. In the whole building there will not be a single inside room, bath room or toilet. All have outdoor light and air. There will be a telephone in every room. Work will probably start on the new building about March 1st, and end about Sept. 1st. The company will lease the building to a first-class hotel man if they can find one. If none can be had they will operate it themselves. Their aim is to make it one of the most widely known and comfortable hotels on the coast.

Something About the Architect.
Mr. Louis R. Hazeltine, who recently opened his offices in the Mur-

phy building in this city has been favored with many important commissions during the few months he has been here. A mere glance at the list of works undertaken by Mr. Hazeltine who came to Salem a perfect stranger, bought himself a home and went to work at his profession, will convince any man of his ability. At present he is doing nine buildings for the state, including two residences at the asylum, a steam laundry of brick constructed on up-to-date modern principles, an amusement and dining hall of brick at the asylum farm, reconstruction of shops at the state prison, etc., etc. Also residences for Henry and Milton Meyers, for E. Hofer, for Ellis Pur-

Sketch of Salem's Most Modern Banking Establishment--The U.S. National

This modern up-to-date structure is the first absolutely fire-proof building that Salem has any record of, and with its white faced pressed brick front and stone trimmings and general contour presents a very imposing and attractive appearance, reflecting great credit upon the architect and owners of same.

The corner room is occupied by the bank and is furnished with all the modern conveniences incident to modern banking. The counters of Italian marble, mahogany and grill work are thoroughly artistic in every sense of the word and not excelled in workmanship within the state.

We note in passing through the room that the ladies of Salem have not been forgotten as evidenced by a "rest room" complete with all accessories and dedicated to their use. At the rear and accessible from bank lobby and State street entrance is a large handsomely furnished room for the use of the out-of-town friends of the bank as a place of meeting, either as individuals or in bodies representing the numerous rural organizations so necessary for the protection and welfare of farmers and fruit growers.

The vault proper built of reinforced concrete and railroad iron, lined with chrome steel, guarded with massive doors installed by the Mosler Safe Company of Hamilton, Ohio, the leading manufacturers of bank protection out-fittings, and three Yale time locks indicate that the management were determined

that the funds intrusted to them should be thoroughly protected from the yeggman and burglar. Seemingly that nothing should be lacking in equipment within said vault has been placed a nest of solid steel. Deposit boxes are provided for the storing of valuable papers for the use of which a nominal charge is made. This is an innovation for Salem and that it is appreciated is evidenced by the fact that they are being so rapidly taken that the demand threatens to exceed the supply.

Taking the quick service elevator we find that we are in the midst of a goodly bunch of Salem's foremost legal, medical, dental, real estate and other professional business men and women occupying the numerous spacious and handsomely equipped office rooms with gas, electricity, hot and cold water, careful janitor and elevator service accompaniments.

In constructing this splendid building the stockholders of the United States National Bank have given expression of their confidence in the solidity of Salem and their faith in the unparalleled resources and bright future of the Willamette Valley and have demonstrated the fact that their funds thus invested will give larger returns than can be had in outside markets—the building already assuring them of its being a good income paying proposition besides furnishing vastly improved facilities for the transaction of their growing business, and that their banking methods please the people generally. The United States National has set for its motto, "A greater and more beautiful Capital City," and have demonstrated a willingness to do their part.

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Growers of Flowers, Palms, Ferns, Tropical Plants

Ruef Brothers of this city have developed a business in growing flowers and plants second to none in the state, and a beautiful flower store at 123 North Liberty street in the new Catlin-Linn block. They operate six greenhouses on the Garden road, two 30 by 100 feet, and four 20 by 100, constructed on the latest plans and heated by steam. They produce some kinds of flowers like asters and chrysanthemums on a large scale and ship large quantities to Portland besides filling orders for cities and towns all over the Willamette Valley. There is always a flower show on Liberty street worth visiting. The finest Califor-

The Old Reliable Quaker Nurseries

The Quaker Nursery of this city has recently sent \$10,000 worth of young fruit trees to Medford, also a carload to Sheridan besides \$6,000 worth of stock delivered here at Salem. And still J. Warring and I. N. Ridgway are taking orders. Mr. Warring has offices in the Gray block, and Mr. Ridgway in the Bush bank building. Any one wanting ornamental or fruit trees will find them at the aforesaid places ready to take orders for the ever-reliable Quaker Nurseries of the Capital City.

Salem Proud of Having Good Set of City Officials

From the mayor, to the men who clean the streets, the people of Salem are proud of their city officials and employees. The mayor is an up-to-date and progressive man, and one of the best known public men in the state. Chief of Police D. W. Gibson has the longest record of almost continuous service in that position or any man in the state. He is a horse fancier and takes delight in a fine mount, and generally rides on all public occasions one of the finest horses in the city. His force consists of Day Captain Larry Murphy, Night Captain J. A. Poland, patrolmen Jack Whitlock, Sam Burkhardt, Frank Jory, and Amos Long, Sanitary Inspector.

The other city officials are W. A. Moores, City Recorder and Police Judge, whose term expires in one year, but who has become an almost indispensable factor in the city administration. Chas. F. Elgin is deputy recorder and book-keeper. Frank Meredith is treasurer and license collector with one year to serve. J. B. Perrott is city engineer and J. A. Pooler, street commissioner. Mr. Pooler has made one of the best officials the city has ever had. He has established a new record by building the first concrete bridges with labor under his direction, saving the city large sums of money and inaugurating the new policy of permanent structures under ground to match the more perfect hard surface streets that are being laid in this city.

The Salem fire department has a reputation all over the Pacific coast. At its head is Jas. A. Darr, fire chief; Engineer S. Deneer; Driver W. H. Phillips, Chemical Engineer Pete Graber; Driver Wm. Iwan; East Salem Station Engineer Wm. Wolf; Driver E. L. Townsend. The city of Salem also maintains a first class city library, many of the books being free.

The city contemplates construction of fire stations in North and South Salem, and will purchase sites and erect engine houses this coming year.

Live Young Real Estate Firm Doing Large Business

Sales the past year, \$165,000. Deals on last month amounting to \$50,000. Ambitious to make it a quarter of a million in 1910. These three paragraphs tell the story of what can be done and what

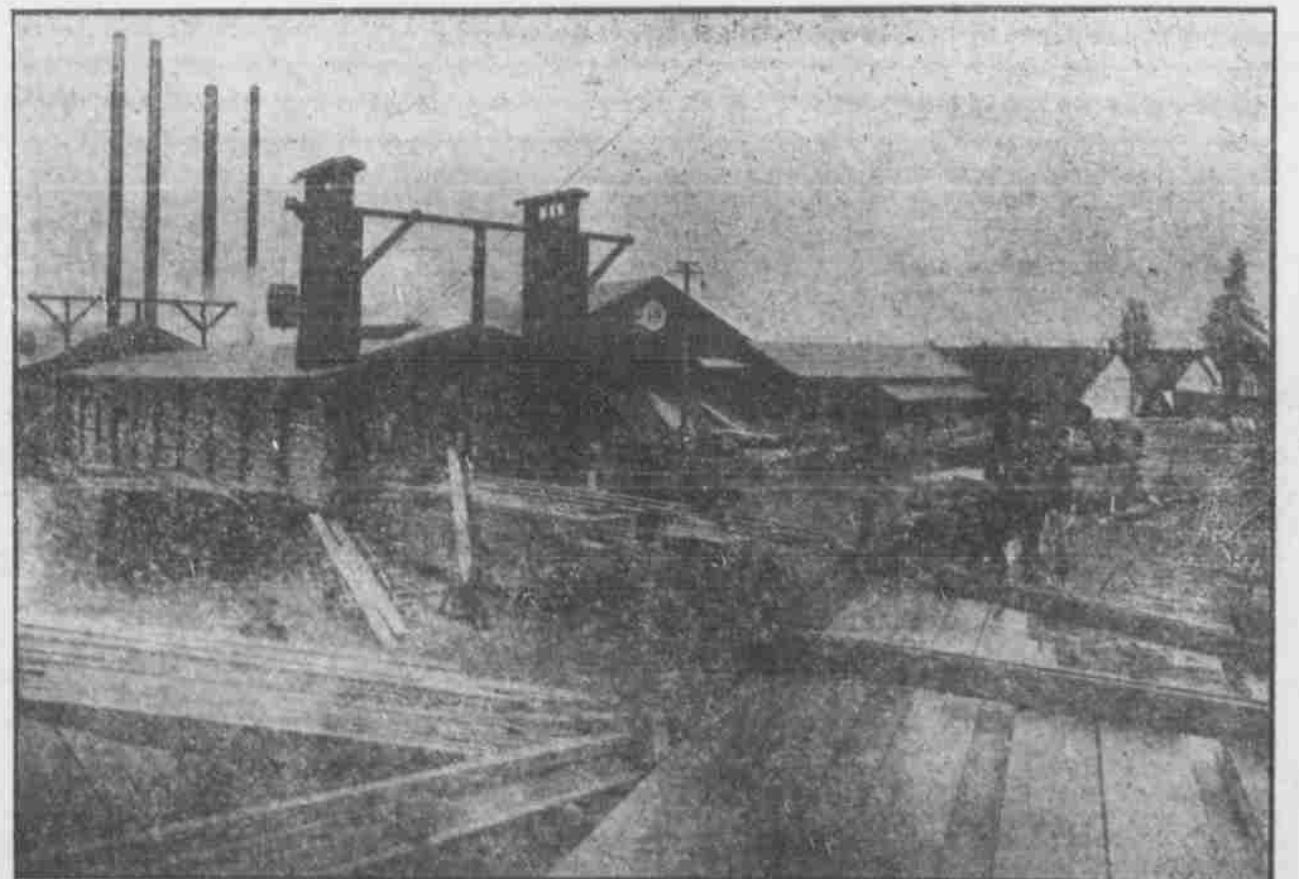
has been done by one of the live young firms handling Salem dirt the past year at the Capital.

Louis Bechtel opened his real estate books March 23, 1907, at 373 State street—all odd numbers and mascots for the good luck that followed in selling an \$1,500 house and

lot a few days afterward. The new firm of Bechtel & Bynon are at 347 State street, again a lucky number, judging from the way business is pouring in on them. F. S. Bynon is a newspaper man and real estate expert of large experience at Los Angeles and in Oregon. He has been

connected with some of the largest firms in the two states and understands modern methods of promoting the sale of property that has real merit back of it. The firm will handle no other kind and resorts to no deception or trickery so often found in real estate fakirs methods.

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