

ESTIMATE IS BIG

Outlook Points to Enormous Fair Crowds.

MAJORITY FROM THE WEST

Paid Admissions May Reach Two-Million Mark.

EXPECT MUCH OF PORTLAND

Exploitation Department Will Make Efforts to Get a Million Paid Admissions From Western Country.

Announcements made yesterday by the exploitation department of the Lewis and Clark Exposition show that all previous estimates of the probable total attendance at the Lewis and Clark Exposition are undergoing a revision.

Working on this theory the department has decided upon a new line of operation. Realizing the impossibility of making estimates on Eastern territory, the new plan applies only to the Western country.

There are reasons for believing the country named will measure up to the million mark. In the first place, appropriations have been made by every neighboring state except Nevada.

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RAIN OF MATCHES

Two Boys of Commercial Club Celebrate.

FALL AMONG PEDESTRIANS

Dropped From the Eighth Floor of the Chamber of Commerce Building and Ignited on Striking the Sidewalk.

Third street had a rain of matches yesterday afternoon. Parlor matches, they were of the large, red-headed kind and heavy. They fell all the way from the eighth floor of the Chamber of Commerce building, and for several minutes they had the busy crowd at Third and Stark streets gawping what new kind of celebration was in progress.

PREDICTS A GREAT FUTURE

Leonard Storror Talks of Portland's Certain Growth.

Leonard Storror, of San Francisco, general superintendent for the Pacific Coast of the Postal Telegraph Company, is in Portland for a few days inspecting the offices in the Northwest.

ALBERT J. APPERSON DEAD.

Pioneer of 1847, and Indian War Veteran Passes Away.

Albert Jefferson Apperson, pioneer of 1847, Indian War veteran, and for many years a resident of McMinnville, died yesterday morning at the family residence, 2044 Park street, after an illness of two weeks.

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Home Made

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Royal Baking Powder helps the house wife to produce at home, quickly and economically, fine and tasty cake, the raised hot-biscuit, puddings, the frosted layer-cake, crisp cookies, crullers, crusts and muffins, with which the ready-made food found at the bake-shop or grocery does not compare.

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WILL NOT EXTEND

No Present Prospect of Road Building.

PLANS OF THE O. R. & N.

General Manager Worthington Declares That the Road is in Good Condition, and No Changes Contemplated at Present.

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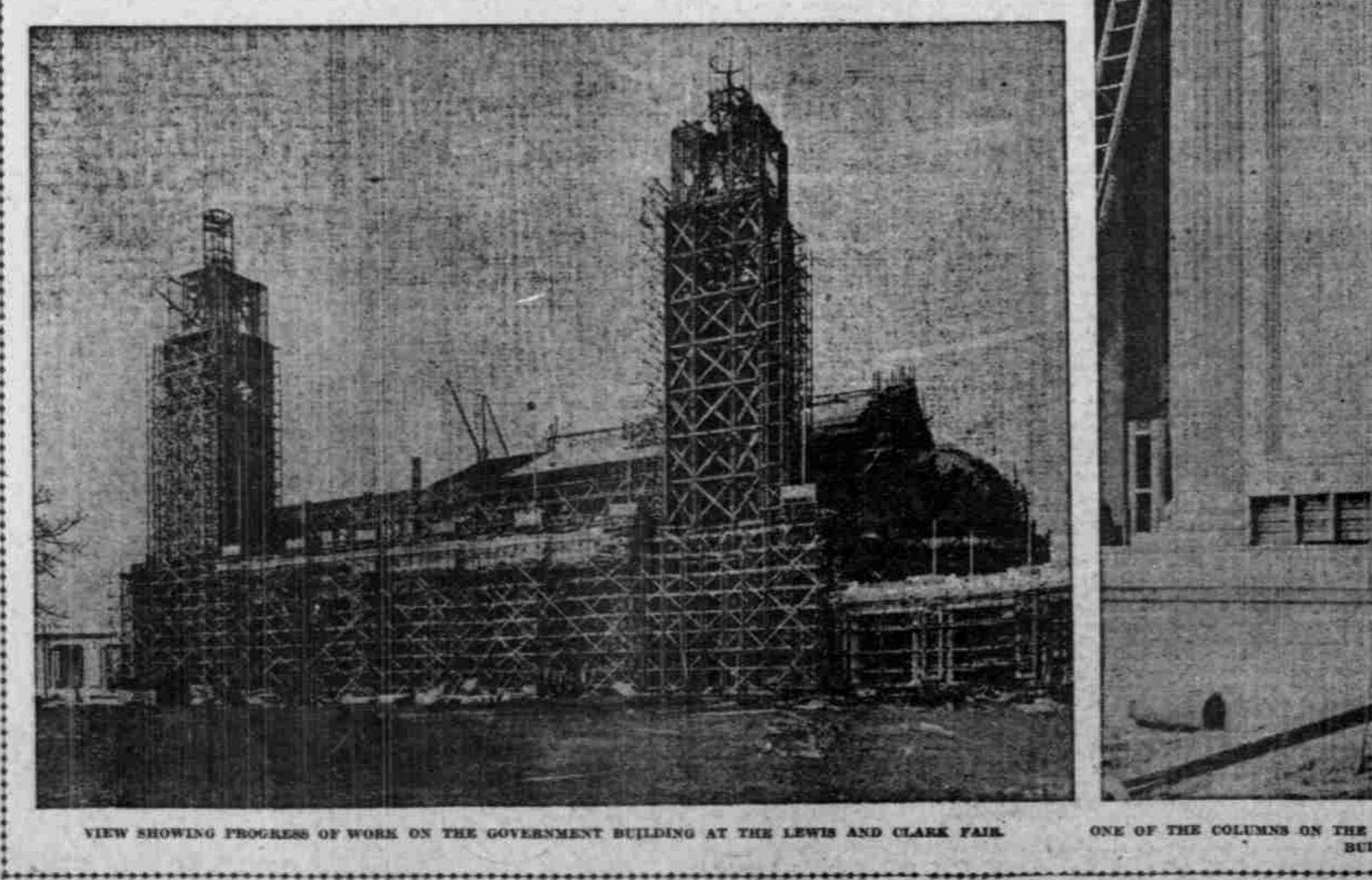
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VIEW SHOWING PROGRESS OF WORK ON THE GOVERNMENT BUILDING AT THE LEWIS AND CLARK FAIR.

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