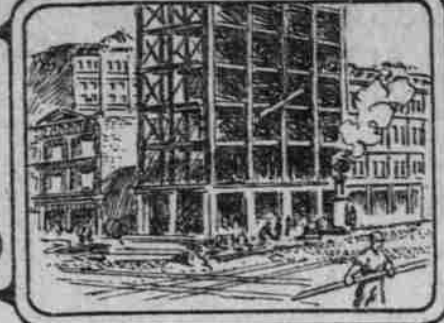


REAL ESTATE AND BUILDING NEWS



BUILDING PERMITS MAKE NEW RECORD

Nearly Double Number Issued Last February Is Reported.

BUILD HIGH-CLASS HOMES

Contractors, Architects and Artisans All Busy Finishing or Starting New Structures in Various Parts of the City.

As noted in The Oregonian some weeks ago, Philip Buchner, treasurer of the Eastern & Western Lumber Company, is

to be supplied. This condition applies to apartments and flats as well.

Permit was taken out last week for the erection of the Oregon hotel annex on Park street. The foundations were completed some time ago and the concrete building is to be pushed forward as rapidly as possible. The building is to be seven stories. Upon the completion of this annex another adjoining will be undertaken.

Mrs. H. C. Martin is to build a \$5000 dwelling on Hassalo street, between East Seventh and East Eighth streets. McHolland Bros. have the contract.

Marshfield has voted to bond the city for \$50,000 to raise a fund for the new school buildings which are to be started about May 1.

Alterations are being made in the St. Charles hotel, including a modern elevator to cost \$1700.

A. H. Lea is having plans made by Kable & Kable for a bungalow of seven rooms to be erected at East Thirtieth and Thompson streets.

William McMurray, general passenger agent of the Harriman lines in Oregon, is to erect a handsome residence at East Seventeenth and Clackamas. The house is to be of seven rooms and two stories in height.

The office of the Perkins hotel is torn up and the older plans are being filed in preparation for extensive alterations in the arrangement. In the mean-

SUBURBAN LOTS SELL READILY

Market in Platted Tracts Is Noticeably Brisk in All Parts of the City.

LOWER PENINSULA ACTIVE

Establishment of Swift Yards and Packing Plant Attracts Attention to Neighborhood Lands of Investors and Builders.

Much interest is being taken in platted tracts in the neighborhood of the projected stock-yards on the peninsula. Al-

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RESIDENCE OF S. MORTON COIN, TWENTY-SECOND AND JOHNSON STREETS.

to build a high-class residence. The site selected is on the west slope of Mount Tabor, where Mr. Buchner owns a tract of sixteen acres. Plans are being made for the building, which is to be of the Colonial style of architecture, and is estimated to cost about \$30,000.

Three modern apartment houses are to be built on Kearney street at the corner of Sixteenth. The houses will occupy the quarter block and the investment, including the lots, will amount to \$40,000. Each building will contain four five-room apartments. The houses are to be built for George Raab, of the firm of Inman-Poulsen.

The Henry-Malloy building at First and Columbia streets is nearing completion. The part to be used as the terminal station of the Salem electric road is connected with the other parts of the building, which is cut up into stores.

John Almeier has completed a four-story flat on Savier street, between Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth. He has also begun the erection of another flat building on Jackson, that is to cost \$1,000.

Builders will be interested in having brought to their attention the excellent work done fifteen years ago in the Captain Kerr mansion at Waverleigh, sold last week to Dr. T. W. Williamson by Sharkey & Co. With heavy foundations and 12-inch walls the building shows no signs of wear and if anything is pronounced to be in better condition than when first occupied by the son-in-law of Plymton Kelly.

Plans have been completed for the building for the Home Telephone Company at Vancouver, which is to cost about \$30,000. Goodrich & Goodrich are the architects.

Henry Gurr is to erect a dwelling at East Seventeenth and Division streets.

C. W. Sherman is building two attractive houses at a cost of about \$200 each in Ravenswood Addition, one on Thirty-sixth and one on Thirty-seventh street. Charles A. Martin has charge of the construction, which is done by day's work.

Offices in the new big structures are being taken rapidly. The Corbett and Commercial Club buildings are filling up, and the Board of Trade, Medical and Beck will soon be ready. No complaints are heard from owners of the older buildings, as they report that as fast as vacated offices are rented again, showing that demand is not falling off. Some of the old buildings in the wholesale district will be remodelled, however, to keep abreast of the times.

It is said the Roman Catholic church has in contemplation the erection of hospitals, schools and churches in Portland during the year that will cost several hundred thousand dollars.

Over 600 building permits were issued last month, the majority being for residences on the East Side. Despite the constant additions to the number of dwellings, renting agencies say there is a greater demand for houses than can

time the desk is located in the front part of the room next the news-stand.

The Board of Trade moved last week into its new quarters in the northeast corner of the Commercial Club building.

A flat building is to be erected by O. W. Gilbert at the corner of Cherry and Wedder streets to cost approximately \$3000.

Frank O'Neill, of the Northern Pacific, has completed a dwelling in Ravenswood Addition.

MANY BUILDINGS GOING UP

East Side Makes Good Showing in New Contracts.

In new building contracts a remarkable showing is made for the east side on the East Side. On Wednesday the permits ran up to \$4,650. For the East Side the largest contract was for the new office for the Forbes Presbyterian church for \$3,000, the contract being awarded to E. L. Sanborn. It means that the new church with its organ and furniture will be ready for occupancy in about 12,000. For the payment of the contractor the main portion of the money has been subscribed and much of it is in the hands of the building committee. On the day this building permit was issued there was also a long list of permits for \$1500 and \$2000 dwellings widely scattered. B. C. Solberg will erect four dwellings on Going street, near Williams avenue, for \$8000, an average of a little over \$2000 for each house.

O. L. Gilbert will build a two-story frame flat on Cherry and Wheeler streets, McMillan's Addition, for \$5000. Mrs. H. L. Martin has started work on a residence on Hassalo street, between East Seventh and East Eighth streets, at a cost of \$3000. George Burchard is erecting a two-story frame dwelling on East Eighth, between Thompson and Spruce streets, at a cost of \$3000. At Sunnyside, on the corner of Belmont and East Thirtieth streets, excavations have been completed for the foundation of a frame building that will cost about \$10,000. Herman Cuke will erect a two-story building on Union avenue, between East Stark and Oak streets. The foundation has already been completed.

Plans are being drawn for three dwellings for Mrs. Wolf to be built on East Mill and East Eighth streets to cost \$2000 or \$2500 each. Dr. J. B. Keefe will erect a handsome dwelling on East Seventh street and Alameda avenue, for which plans are being drawn. It is announced that C. B. Moore, of Salem, will start work on his \$12,000 residence on Holladay Park early this Spring. A four-flat apartment building will be erected for Frank Arnie on East Ninth and East Lincoln streets at a cost of \$4500. The Oregon Real Estate Company is grading eight blocks in Holladay Park Addition and the surplus dirt is being used to fill up depressions east of the park. A large number of new dwellings are being erected in this part of the city. George W. Brown will erect a \$3000 dwelling on East Sixteenth street, near Clackamas street, and Contractor McCellan is putting up a pressed brick dwelling on Clackamas, near East Seventeenth street.

ready two or three new plots are talked of and the older plans are being filed in preparation for extensive alterations in the arrangement. In the mean-

Holladay Park addition is being graded and low portions filled in. Eight blocks will soon be ready for buyers of homesites. In the new part gravel or macadam streets and concrete curbs are to be laid down at once. Several new buildings are already decided upon in this addition.

Real estate firms are better pleased with present conditions in the market than for months past. New firms are going into the business every few days, and the old-established ones are putting in more energy than usual. All report more activity and a better feeling than even the most optimistic predicted. New tracts are being platted in the suburbs, and agents for the older ones are encouraged with the outlook. One firm handling lots to the southeast reports sales equal to the brisk times last Fall, and in other sections there is also good business reported.

Members of the Portland Realty Board and others engaged in the business are to meet at a banquet at the Commercial Club tomorrow night. The long-talked-of exchange will come up again for discussion, and in all probability the question will be settled one way or the other. M. G. Griffin, one of the most active advocates of the proposed exchange, expresses the hope that dealers will now have had time to see the advantages in having an exchange formed, and will enter into the organization at this meeting.

Transfers for the past week averaged over \$50,000 a day. On account of the large majority of recorded documents naming but a nominal figure, the real valuation represented in the transfers is impossible to determine. The fact remains, however, that in point of number transfers are growing, at a rate that clearly indicates a brisk movement in realty, and when correct figures are given it develops that valuations are firmly held.

As examples of what lots are bringing in localities favored by builders of small houses, the following, taken from the week's report, give a fair idea: The fractional lot at the southeast corner of Front and Meade streets, occupied by a dwelling, has been purchased by Max H. Berg from J. P. Coffey for \$200. A. J. Davis has recently purchased an

AMAZED AT CITY'S GROWTH

R. P. SCHWERIN HAS KIND WORDS FOR PORTLAND.

Promises New Schedule Taking San Francisco Boats Down Columbia River by Daylight.

"My attention has been particularly attracted by the impressive evidences of Portland's growth and prosperity since I reached your city a week ago," said R. P. Schwerin, general manager of the Harriman water lines, at the Portland yesterday. "Prior to this visit I last visited Portland in 1904 when, with a party of Californians, I attended the exercises when the ground was broken for the Lewis & Clark Exposition. In the intervening four years the growth of your city has been amazing, not only in the business district on the West Side, but in the residence district across the river. I obtained my first reliable conception of this phenomenal expansion when I visited the City Park and witnessed from the vantage point what has been accomplished."

The visit of Mr. Schwerin to Portland at this time, he declares, is one of inspection entirely. He declined to discuss the plans of Harriman relative to the water transportation service between this city and San Francisco. The San Francisco & Portland Steamship Company is now operating two steamers, the Rose City and the Senator, between Portland and the California metropolis. The company's contract for the Senator, which is under lease from the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, will expire in April, when the Senator may be returned to the Alaska service. In that event Mr. Schwerin is expected

to arrange for a companion steamer for the Rose City on the Portland-San Francisco route before leaving this city next week. Mr. Schwerin said the San Francisco & Portland Steamship Company will announce early in April a new schedule by which its boats would make the trip between Portland and Astoria, both incoming and outgoing, by daylight, in order to give the passengers the advantage of the Columbia river scenery.

Bishop Scadding's Appointments. The Right Rev. Charles Scadding, Bishop of the Episcopal church in the diocese of Oregon, announces the following appointments for the month of March: March 2—Address Woman's Auxiliary, Medford. March 3—"At Home" at Bishopcroft. March 4—Ash Wednesday at St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral. March 5—First Sunday in Lent. Morning devotion at St. Matthew's evening, preaching at St. Stephen's, subject, "Comparative Religion." March 6—Meeting of committee on diocesan seal, 3 P. M. March 8—2 P. M. address Woman's Club, subject, "Gothic Architecture Illustrated in French Cathedrals." March 15—Second Sunday in Lent. Morning, confirmation at the Church of the Good Shepherd; afternoon, confirmation at St. Helena's Hall; evening, St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral. March 16—Meeting of school board. March 17—8 P. M. meeting of committee of arrangements for missionary conference to be held May 20-22. March 18—7:30 P. M. St. Matthew's Church; first lecture on "Church History." March 20—7:30 P. M. St. Matthew's Church; second lecture on "Church History." March 22—Third Sunday in Lent. Morning, confirmation at Oregon City; evening, third sermon on "Comparative Religion," at St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral. March 23—Eugene, a mission for one week in St. Mary's Church; instruction every afternoon; address every night. March 26—Eugene, confirmation in St. Mary's Church; night, fourth sermon on "Comparative Religion," in St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral, Portland. March 30—8 P. M. meeting of the board of missions.

CALL STORY FALSEHOOD

Members of Missouri Society Not Assisting Mrs. Waymire.

Vigorous denial was made yesterday by W. M. Davis, president of the Missouri Society of Oregon, of the published report that the society will contribute to a fund to assist Mrs. Belle Waymire, convicted of conspiring against Mayor Lane, to appeal her case to the Supreme Court. Mr. Davis resents the intimation that the organized Missourians of the state would permit themselves to become identified with any such proceeding. He denounced the report as a falsehood and an insult to the Missouri Society. "The matter of assisting Mrs. Waymire in any way has never been suggested to the society," said Mr. Davis yesterday, "and it would have received no consideration if it had been. We have no knowledge that this woman came from the State of Oregon, and if we knew that she did we would only consider that it was a disgrace to the state. I have always believed that the woman was involved in the scheme to blackmail the reputation of Mayor Lane and the readiness with which a jury convicted her at the trial convinced me of her guilt. "Seneca Fontaine, who assisted in the defense of Mrs. Waymire at the trial, is quoted as saying that several women belonging to the society went to him and assured him that they would assist in raising the funds necessary to take an appeal of the case to the Supreme Court. If he will furnish me with the names of those women I will take steps to have them ousted from the organization."

FOURTEEN BIRTHDAYS IN 60 YEARS.

ALBANY, Or., March 1.—(Special.)—County Commissioner Thomas J. Butler was 59 years old yesterday and celebrated his fourteenth birthday. He was born February 23, 1848. Mr. Butler has never had more than one birthday in four years, and once did not enjoy a single birthday for eight years—from 1896 to 1904.