

PORTLAND RECORD IN BUILDING LEADS

Year's Operations Will Exceed Those of Any Other Northwest City.

STEADY PROGRESS MADE

Total for Year to Date More Than Million Ahead of That Secured—Only San Francisco Is Ahead in August.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—That Portland will close the year at the head of all Northwestern cities in volume of building operations is the prediction made by the Pacific Builder and Engineer, published in this city, in its last issue.

For the year 1909, Portland's building record for the 12 months was less than a million dollars. Five years later it was a little more than four millions, a gain of nearly a million a year.

In May of 1905, for the first time in its building history, Portland passed the million-dollar mark in one month, and that in less than six years did not exceed that amount.

Year 1907 Remarkable. In 1906 the city issued 2207 permits of an estimated value of \$4,227,971, but this was only a forecast of what the following year brought forth.

It was in the fall of 1907 that the Pacific Builder and Engineer made a complete canvass of the new work put through the building department, and published in the issue of November 9, 1907, with a map and several illustrations some 26 new buildings between Burnside and Main and First and West Park.

The year 1907 was the beginning of the modern steel business block, the passing of the shacks, and consequently a decided advance in the physical appearance of the city.

The following year was one of progress, but not so notable. There were 4572 permits with a valuation of more than ten million dollars, and in July and December the million-dollar mark was crossed.

Another jump was made last year, when the million-dollar mark was crossed six times during the period, and the totals reached \$12,342,555.

The present year has witnessed the largest amount of business ever put through the building department, and twice, in April and in August, Portland jumped into the two million dollar class.

In the month just passed, Portland's permits reached \$2,358,278, the second largest month's building on record north of San Francisco.

Portland's total for the year to date exceeds twelve millions, almost a million more than last year's for the same period. The outlook is favorable for Portland closing the year at the head of all Greater Northwestern records.

FEED FAMINE HITS INLAND

Few Farmers Have Winter's Supply on Hand; Crops Short.

DATON, Wash., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—That a feed famine looms for this winter in the inland Empire is the opinion of many farmers here. A. L. Land, a pioneer farmer who has made a close study of the situation, says he estimates it will cost more to keep a team this winter than it does to provide a living for a family of four.

"Barley straw, which is better for feeding than wheat, owing to its brittleness and hardness, is almost impossible to get now and wheat straw is at a premium. Hay is retailing at \$13 a ton and is steadily advancing. The shortage is due to a light crop of grain, short straw and to the increasing number of corn and soybean crops which make straw unavailable for feeding. Few farmers have a winter's supply of feed on hand this fall."

GIRL-WITNESS RUNS AWAY

Ida West Loves Freedom Better Than Her Mother.

VALE, Or., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—Ida West, the girl arrested some time ago to appear as a witness at the recent term of court against a Murray pool-room robber, who was found guilty, yesterday escaped from the custody of her mother, in whose charge she had been placed.

Despite the search of a posse in the hills, in which direction the girl fled, she has not been located. The girl had been turned over to her mother at the closing of the term of court as her services were no longer required, but she apparently loves her freedom better than her parent. The search is being continued.

RELIEF TRAIN DUE TODAY

Work on Broken Bridge Is Slow. Seaside Still Cut Off.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—Owing to the condition of the river bottom, considerable delay is being encountered in driving the piling for the rebuilding of the railway trestle near the Youngs Bay drawbridge and the indications now are that the first train to be run across to the west side will be one arriving at noon tomorrow.

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Improvements to Highways in Coos County Cost \$200,000.

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Our Hudson Seal Coat, 54 inches long, beautifully lined with all-silk brocade, and with long shawl collar and cuffs, at \$175.

Russian Pony Coat, 52 inches long and lined with Skinner satin, with long shawl collar and cuff, at \$49.50.

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A handsome Russian Pony Coat, 52 inches long, has wide shawl, collar and cuff, with beautiful brocade lining, at \$69.50.

At \$115 is another handsome Russian Pony Coat, 52 inches long, with racoon shawl, collar and cuff, with 4-inch band of same around bottom.

Many handsome Mink Pieces, both large and small, including muffs, and small neck pieces, made in the animal scarf styles, from \$15 to \$50.

Pieces of beautiful matched skins, from \$75 to \$175. Muffs to match from \$55 to \$145.

Beautiful Black Fox Pieces, both single and double scarfs, with or without heads; one would almost think they were lynx; from \$20 to \$65.

Muffs to match, in different styles, from \$20 to \$45. Genuine Black Lynx Neck Scarfs, two skin effects, with head in the back, from \$27.50 to \$95.

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Genuine Siberian Ermine Muffs, natural tail trimmed, with down beds, medium and large size pillow, flat or envelope style, from \$30 to \$95.

Australian opossum, commonly called the chinchilla, in both Neck Pieces and Muffs, from \$35 to \$50. We carry the finest line of mink, fox, Persian lamb, sable, Alaska seal and Hudson seal skins and plates and can make up any neck piece or garment to your order at lowest prices.

Every fur guaranteed to give satisfaction. All Skinner satin linings guaranteed to wear for two seasons.

STRANGE CHASE AT END

GIRL CAUGHT AFTER ELUDING SHERIFF TWO WEEKS.

17-Year-Old Miss Rides Alone Over Lonely Mountain Trails and Prairie to Evade Arm of Law.

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—After more than two weeks of persistent pursuit on the part of the officers of three counties, almost famished with hunger and fatigue, and with only tattered clothing upon her frail body while she rode into fastnesses of the unpeopled mountains or like a phantom when at night she crossed wide windswept prairies in the Big Bend country, the 17-year-old Lizzie Aldridge, wanted by the Stevens County authorities to answer a charge alleging the wrongful and unlawful taking of a team, harness and buggy from a Leon Lake River stable, September 4, was captured at Boundary City last Saturday by Deputy Sheriff Anderson, of Northport, through advice from Sheriff Graham, who had located her at that place. She is now in Colville at a Deputy Sheriff's home.

She was born in Prineville, Or. She hitched a ride to go to her father, who was ill and concluded later to visit her brother at Keller. Learning a warrant was issued for her arrest she fled on horseback into the mountains. She was seen fled, sleeping in deserted cabins or in the open. Then she rode to Almira, many miles south, crossing the Columbia River and giving the Sheriffs the slip.

Thence to Wilbur she rode, across country to Odessa, by train to Spokane and then north to Boundary, a few miles from the British Columbia line.

MURDERER TAKES OWN LIFE

Wife Killed With Hammer; Husband's Body Found in River.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Sept. 21.—A corpse taken from the Fraser River, a short distance below the bridge at Mission, B. C. yesterday, with its throat cut from ear to ear, was positively identified this morning as that of Charles Reid, wanted at Clatskanie, B. C., for murdering his wife two weeks ago. Mrs. Reid was found with her brains battered out with a hammer. Her husband was missing. Northwest Washington and British Columbia have been scourged by Canadian and American officers in search of Reid. The murderer had evidently made his way to the Mission bridge, four miles from the scene of his crime, cut his throat with a razor, which was missing from his home, and leaped into the stream.

BUT \$7 GIVEN IN 10 YEARS

Wife Says Husband Did Not Support Her, Though She's Crippled.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—A new phase came to light in the Kanne divorce suit yesterday, when Mrs. Wilhelmine Kanne filed an answer and cross complaint, through her attorney, J. E. Hodges.

In it, Mrs. Kanne says her husband has acted as though ashamed of his wife and children, has cursed and struck her, and though she is 62 years of age, and her hands are crippled, she alleges that Kanne compelled her to do hard labor in the fields. During the past 10 years, she says, he has only given her \$7.

Mrs. Kanne admits that the property involved is \$60,000, but she strongly denies all of the other charges in her husband's complaint. She asks for \$100 a month alimony.

"Foley Kidney Pills Have Cured Me." The above is a quotation from a letter written by H. M. Winkler, Evansville, Ind. "I contracted a severe case of kidney trouble. My back gave out and I was in pain. I seemed to have lost all strength and ambition; was both ailed with dizzy spells, my head would swim and specks float before my eyes. I took Foley Kidney Pills regularly and am now perfectly well and feel like a new man. Foley Kidney Pills have cured me." Sold by all druggists.

SLAYER HIDES IN WOODS

MAN WHO KILLED ANOTHER IN FIGHT OVER DOG FLEES.

Witnesses at Coroner's Inquest Give Testimony Showing Premeditation by Mock.

MEDFORD, Or., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—J. A. Mock, who killed Jesse Smith in Medford last night, in quarrel over a dog, thus far has baffled his pursuers and is now running free in the mountains between Astland and Jacksonville. No trace was the fleeing man had been discovered up to a late hour this evening. The fugitive is an expert shot and good woodman and known to be a desperate man. It is expected that he will sell his life dearly.

Since the fugitive limps on account of a stiff kneecap he will be readily recognized as soon as he touches civilization. In the inquest held today by Coroner Kellogg over the body of Jesse Smith, Mrs. Mock, wife of the slayer, who may be held as an accomplice, was a reluctant witness. She maintained that her husband's act was unpremeditated.

Against the wife as a star witness for the state was attorney Mary Martin, daughter of one of the eye witnesses of the tragedy, who lives next door to the house in which Smith and his friend, John McMullen, "battered" the little girl said that on the afternoon of the day of the tragedy she had seen her sharpening his big-bladed knife. The little girl and also her mother testified that Mock had said, as he came out of the house after stabbing Smith, that he had done what he had told his wife he was going to do.

Smith had at first refused to give up the dog belonging to the Mocks, at the request of Mrs. Mock. Mock had accused Smith of trying to steal his dog and of calling Mrs. Mock a liar. Smith stabbed both. A scuffle ensued and Mock started to dash before McMullen and Martin, the eye witnesses, realized that Mock had a knife in his hand.

Smith served four years in the Seventh United States Cavalry and several years as a Texas Ranger. His body contains four bullet scars and the marks of one hole cut. Smith received his wounds in the Philippines and in the border uprising in China. In his personal effects a letter was found from Government officials refusing him a pension

RAILWAY IGNORES FINE

Commission Will Make Test Case Against O. R. & N. Company.

COLFAX, Wash., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—The battle between the State Railway Commission and the state railways which are making a test case of the fine of \$1000 and orders given them by the Commission, will be fought out at Colfax, Thursday.

The Commission ordered the O. R. & N. Company to put in a station and

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