

TRAMP-STEEL-BOOK ORDERED

Commission Moves to Act Against Owners.

BOND SALE AUTHORIZED \$750,000 Issue Voted to Provide Funds for Continuing Harbor Development Work.

The Taylor-street dock, owned by the Ladd Investment company, and used as a freight warehouse and landing place for river steamers by the Dalles-Columbia line and the Kelso Transportation company, was ordered condemned by the commission of public docks at a meeting of that body yesterday morning.

A resolution was also adopted by the commission requesting the city attorney to take legal action against owners of condemned structures who have failed to remove them, though an extension of time until April 1 was allowed the agents of the property at 225 Front street, used as a warehouse by the Panama Copper company, on a statement from the agent that the owner of the property is in the east and the lease of the premises does not expire until April 1, 1920.

\$750,000 Bonds Authorized. The issuance and sale of harbor development bonds in the amount of \$750,000 to provide for expenses necessary for the continuation of work now in progress was authorized at yesterday's meeting. An ordinance providing for the sale of the bonds was drawn up by the city attorney.

The purchase of United States certificates of indebtedness in the amount of \$750,000 was authorized by the voters at the development of the Portland harbor. As a measure of economy the bonds are to be sold only as funds are needed.

New Oil Tanks to Be Built. The sale of \$750,000 worth of harbor development bonds will provide funds for constructing new oil storage tanks to increase the storage capacity by 10,000 gallons, the purchase of oil barges, the construction of an open pier at the west side landing of the lower Albina ferry and the continuation of construction on the grain elevator, the St. Johns municipal terminal and the Smith-street terminal in the Columbia river. Practically all of the aids to navigation, established and chartered by the city, under the lighthouse service, have been carried away or damaged.

ICE SWEEPS BEACONS AWAY Lighthouse Officials Mourn Loss of Columbia Marks.

Gloom pervades the office of the thirteen lighthouse district in the custom house as the result of the ice in the Columbia river. Practically all of the aids to navigation, established and chartered by the city, under the lighthouse service, have been carried away or damaged.

Ship to Return to Honolulu Run.

HONOLULU, T. H., Dec. 18.—The Matson Navigation line's Matsonia, which has been in war service since early in 1917, is coming back to its San Francisco-Honolulu run on December 31.

Pacific Coast Shipping Notes.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special)—The steamer West Alsea, which arrived here last afternoon and will load at the A. J. West mill, Aberdeen, California.

SEALED MILK CANS 26 POUNDS Steel Vessels Expect Little Trouble in Future.

DOWN STEAMERS ARRIVE Cutter Algonquin Loses Lifeboat When Rose City Bumps Her During Ice Battle.

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ROSE CITY BUMPS CUTTER. The parade of the coast guard cutter and the steamer Rose City and Curacao through the ice in the Columbia was marred Wednesday by a slight accident, it was learned yesterday.

DELAID SHIPS ARRIVE WINTER STORMS ON ATLANTIC REPORTED SEVERE.

Hulls of Vessels Are Covered With Ice, Rigging Coated With Sleet and Furnels Salt-Caked.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Substantial evidence of the fierce winter storms which have prevailed for the last two days along the coast of the Columbia river and Europe was shown by eight big passenger liners which arrived at the pier today.

FRESHET IS HELD UNLIKELY Weather Man Says Snow Along Willamette Melts Slowly.

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MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS.

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COLLISION HEARING BEGINS.

An investigation of the collision at Astoria November 29 by the steel ship Reuce and the tugboat Centaurus was begun yesterday by the local United States steamboat inspectors. It is expected the results of the hearing will be announced today.

CHRISTMAS SPECIALTIES Good Groceries at Low Prices.

OREGON WALNUTS, 40¢ per lb. or 3 lbs. for \$1.10. BRAZIL NUTS, 40¢ per lb. or 3 lbs. for \$1.10. CITRUS PEEL, per lb. 45¢. LEMON PEEL, per lb. 40¢.

OLIVE OIL, Antonior Extra Superfine Virgin Oil, per gal. \$1.25. MINCE MEAT, Tea Garden Brand, 10-lb. tins, \$1.90. PLUM PUDDING, Richardson & Robinson, 1-lb. tins, per dozen, \$4.70.

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Continuation of Building Programme Indicated by Purchase of Plant No. 1. Marriage Licenses. BIRKENFELD-RICHARDSON—Frank Birkenfeld, 25 Columbia boulevard, and Louise Richardson, 18 Washington hotel.

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