

### FACINGS ARE PUT ON

### New Structures Receive Final Embellishment.

### READY FOR MAIN BUILDING

### Pier Bases in Place for Great Structure of Olds, Wortman & King at West Park and Alder.

Realty Notes.

The white terra cotta course, to extend to the top of the first story of the Y. M. C. A. building, is being placed in position. The Sacramento red brick facing that is to cover the east and south fronts of the building will be placed as rapidly as material can be furnished. The fronts are to be broken up with the white course, making the scheme one of the most artistic in the city.

Pier bases of concrete are being laid on the site for the Olds, Wortman & King building at West Park and Morrison. The excavation of the block is practically completed, although there is considerable dirt yet to be removed, thrown up in excavating for the pier bases. Steel for the interior of the new building has arrived in the railroad yards and is to be delivered as rapidly as needed. There are now two big derricks installed on the site for handling steel beams and girders.

Washing of the west and north walls of the Meier & Frank building at Alder and Sixth streets is practically completed, making the frontages stand out in handsome proportions. Painters are at work on the south blank wall, giving it a coat of white paint.

Active work is noticed in the corner room of the Lumberman's building at Fifth and Stark streets, to be occupied by the Lumbermen National Bank. Interior furnishings are being installed, and from what can be seen from the outside, the bank will have one of the handsomest banking rooms in the city. Hardwood counters, marble water-closets and mosaic flooring combine to make of the quarters everything that good taste and expenditure of money can accomplish.

Tom Word, ex-Sheriff of Multnomah County, last week negotiated the purchase of 142 acres of farm lands near John H. Hall, former United States District Attorney of Oregon District. The acreage is located near Gresham and was acquired for \$22,000. It is Mr. Word's intention to cut up the tract into small tracts, and as the farm has been cultivated for some years, it is believed the little farms will be most productive. The acreage was secured at about \$200 an acre, which is regarded as a low price for property in that vicinity.

White terra cotta facing has been put on the new Imperial up to the second story, and buff brick are being delivered for other facing of the building. Work on the interior is being pushed along as rapidly as possible.

Work of demolishing the old P. R. L. & P. Co.'s building at Seventh and Alder streets is going forward. The portion near the Oregonian building has been taken down, and the steel for the interior is on the way from Minneapolis and will arrive by the time the site is ready for its installation.

The American Druggists' Syndicate has secured the ground platted as lots 6 and 7, block 71, Court streets, between Tenth and Eleventh streets on Flanders, the consideration being \$14,500. It is the intention of the buyers to erect a three-story brick building on the site.

The Board of Public Works of San Francisco announces that prizes of \$15,000 will be awarded for competitive plans for the proposed new city hall of that city. These prizes are exclusive of the fee that will be awarded to the successful competitor. The building is to cost \$3,750,000.

Joseph Jacobberger is preparing plans for a bank building to be erected at Forest Grove. The building is to have bank quarters and stores on the first floor and offices on the upper floor.

An annex is to be built to the Union Depot baggage department. It is to be 110 feet long by 37 feet wide of one story in height.

Gleibish & Joplin have purchased 2 1/2 acres in Hummer's addition, extending from the sandy road to the O. R. & N. Company's right of way, for which they paid \$9000. It is the intention of the firm to erect an asphalt plant, having recently associated themselves with a Spokane firm. They propose to enter the field as active competitors for paving work. On the tract they will erect barns and mess houses for the men employed.

S. J. Cutting purchased a site 100x100 on the northeast corner of East Twenty-third and Knott streets for \$2500, and it is said will erect a residence.

The Spanton Company reports letting the contract for grading Waldemere to the Oregon Improvement Company. The contract calls for the removal of 30,000 yards of earth. The work is to begin immediately and must be completed before September 1.

H. R. Reynolds has purchased 100x150 feet at the corner of East Twenty-third and Knott streets for \$25,000. It is the intention to erect an apartment house on part of the site, and probably a warehouse on the remainder. The apartment house is to be of brick and of modern appointments. Each of the buildings is to cost between \$30,000 and \$40,000.

The lot 30x100 on the south side of Hoyt, between Twenty-second and Twenty-third, has been handled by Mackie & Brucers. The improvements consist of two six-room flats, with income of \$72.50. Sold by Sol H. Harris to Major M. E. Freeman; consideration, \$5500.

Vanduy & Walton report the sale of the quarter block on the corner of Mead and Water streets belonging to Miss Jostie Davis to A. Brucers for \$2500. The lot is partially improved. It is considered that Mr. Brucers has made a good buy, and he will shortly build a substantial home on the corner lot and remodel the old house on the inside lot. The same firm has just consummated the sale of a lot on Water near East Twenty-sixth street, belonging to Miss Nellie Johnston to William Louks; consideration, \$1300. Mr.

Looks will build a unique bungalow at once.

Vanduy & Walton report several fruit land sales, among them 20 acres to Mrs. Elizabeth Cole for \$1000; ten acres to Mrs. Florence Koch for \$1500; 40 acres to B. F. Hart for \$1000, and 50 acres to a city investor for \$2500. Most of this property is unimproved, but it is the intention of the buyers to clear and otherwise improve their holdings. The last-named purchaser, whose place adjoins the Hood River party that bought last week, will also put out a commercial apple orchard, and is equally as enthusiastic over the country from a fruitraising standpoint.

Mall & Von Borstel report the sale of the northeast corner of East Eleventh and East Everett streets for the Ladd Estate to Lester M. Leland and Andrew B. Kidder. The consideration was \$5000. Leland and Kidder bought for an investment.

C. C. Robbins reports that the brick residence and garage for H. McCormick at East Twenty-seventh and East Salmon streets is advancing toward completion, and will be included the following week. The garage is completed except painting, and is being used by the owner at this time. This is one of the largest, most elaborate homes on the East Side, and will be provided with every convenience known to modern residence construction, and will cost between \$20,000 and \$25,000. He adds that the contracts on the Central Christian Church at East Twentieth and Salmon have been awarded for the inclosing of the structure, and the carpenters, stonemasons, ironworkers and concrete men are rapidly executing their work. This will be a strictly high-class building, constructed with Teno sandstone walls, full concrete basement and Spanish roof, and will cost completed between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

The large residence at 215 Twenty-second street North being erected by C. C. Robbins et al. is now finished, and will soon be plastered and finished on the interior. A part of an old residence was incorporated in this building, but its presence will be entirely lost sight in the completed work, as it was practically rebuilt and worked into the new design. This residence will contain 15 rooms above basement, largest tiled terrace in Portland, with wrought marquee over the entrance, principal rooms paneled full height in mahogany and other hardwoods, and plumbing of the very highest class. A garage will be constructed in conformity with the residence.

H. P. Palmer-Jones Company bought the lot of ground on the East Side recently reported, being lot 2, block 2. This piece was sold for M. W. Fisher to William Reid and is intended for use of the National Ice & Cold Storage Company. It is located at East Washington and East Water streets, and gives the storage concern water frontage. The consideration was \$25,000. About 2 1/2 years ago Mr. Parelius bought the lot for \$2500.

### BIG RULER; LITTLE MAN

### BERLIN LECTURER GIVES ODD ESTIMATE OF KAISER.

### Says His Advancement of State Has Stunted Individualism in German Empire.

BERLIN, May 22.—(Special).—Dr. Hahn, of this city, who is making a lecture tour in Eastern Germany, says in a remarkable way the influence wielded by Wilhelm II. on Germany's cultural and economic life during his 25 years' reign.

"It will be said of Wilhelm II.," says this authority, "that he made his empire great and his subjects small. He is the greatest of individualists and the least of individualities.

"In religion, art and morals, we are all debased in a somewhat hectoring way, to hold opinions similar to the Kaiser's, because these opinions, though they may dwarf the individual's mind, are essential to the growth of a healthy state.

"Healthiness is the order of the day, and by healthiness is meant merely the intolerance of ideas which is natural to the vigorous, unconditioned man. The Kaiser's ideas are all healthy and all commonplace. The noise they make in the world is due to the author's position and to the perpetual repetition, and not to any inherent originality.

"Nevertheless, what Wilhelm II. has done to stunt us mentally he has compensated for by driving rapidly ahead the all-swallowing state. Germans would be very much better off without their Kaiser. But it is equally true that without him Germany would be very much worse off. He is a great ruler and a very little man."

The Massachusetts highway commission has considered this year 132 automobile cases. As a result it has revoked 24 licenses, and has suspended 50 licenses, 78 of which belonged to private owners. It has also placed on file 42 cases. This year 222 persons were injured; last year, 212.

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### PRESENT AT STATE RALLY

### Services Will Be Held in His Honor at Both Presbyterian and Congregational Churches in Portland, May 28, 29 and 30.

Dr. Francis E. Clark, founder of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, is to be the honored guest at the State Christian Endeavor Rally to be held by the First Congregational and First Presbyterian Churches, May 28, 29 and 30. He will address the Endeavorers at 2:30 P. M. on Saturday, the 28th, and on Sunday morning at the First Congregational Church, at 9 A. M. He will also preach at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday night.

The rally will open with a service at the First Congregational Church at 2 P. M. Friday, followed by a service the same day at 8 P. M. Devotional exercises will be held at 9 A. M. Saturday, district organization at 9 A. M. and address by Dr. Clark at 10:30, praise service at 2 P. M. and an informal reception at the First Congregational Church Saturday night. A mass meeting of Endeavorers is to be held at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

About 25 delegates from outside towns will be present. They will be entertained on the Harvard plan, lodging and breakfast. The Southern Pacific and O. R. & N. have provided rates of a fare and a third.

Dr. Clark is 28 years old, having been born in Aylmer, Quebec, in 1881. In 1898 he was adopted by his uncle, Rev. Edward Warren Clark, whose name he took. His preparatory education was received at Kimball Union Academy, Meriden, N. H. He was graduated from Dartmouth College in 1902, after a four-year course. In college he closely identified himself with the student religious organizations, distinguishing himself in literary exercises. In 1905 he was graduated from Andover Theological Seminary and ordained in the Congregational ministry October 16 of the same year. His first church was at Portland, Me.

His congregation rapidly increased and on February 2, 1903, the first Christian Endeavor Society was formed. It was the result of a revival and was organized to train a large number of young people who had been brought into the church in church activities. The second society was organized in October, 1901. In 25 years the society grew to 47,500 organizations, having a membership of 2,500,000. Of these 4,500 societies are in the United States. Dr. Clark is an author as well as an organizer.

### TO REBUILD OLD ATHENS

### Berlin's City Architect to Plan Changes in Ancient Greek Capital.

BERLIN, May 22.—(Special).—Athens, historic capital of grace and beauty, is to be remade by Germany, Herr Ludwig Hoffmann, architect of the city of Berlin, has been commissioned to map out a scheme for the architectural regeneration of the ancient Greek metropolis. He has just returned from a visit of inspection to Athens. The local authorities with whom he conferred there, appear to desire to model their city upon modern European lines, with a system of parks, boulevards, public buildings which will combine to make it more attractive as a tourist resort. Hoffmann hopes to accomplish, while still retaining the best examples of ancient classic architecture, of which Athens contains a multitude.

One of the projects upon which the Berlin builder frowned was what he describes as a "barbaric, fantastic creation, designed to perpetuate Greek heroism, a design for a monumental statue submitted by an Italian sculptor. Although the design has already received first prize from the Athens Municipal Council, Herr Hoffmann hopes to induce them to abandon the idea of erecting it.

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some impromptu lines in the street against a policeman, whom she completely crushed under her vocabulary. The cause of all the row was a very simple operation on the part of her chauffeur, who wanted to change the water in the cooler of her automobile while waiting for Mlle. Polaire, who had entered a house for a visit. A policeman saw him, and was drawing up a written report, with a view to a fine, when the artist happened to come out of the house and saw what was going on.

She naturally took the side of her chauffeur, to the great amusement of the crowd, which at once recognized her. The policeman, rather than succumb to

the two-cornered attack, decided to conduct both the chauffeur and the artist to the nearest police station, where still another report was drawn up, with a view to prosecuting Mlle. Polaire for a public attack on the dignity of a policeman.

American Crooks Abroad.  
LONDON, May 22.—(Special).—The expectation that London was likely to suffer from invasion by an unusually large number of American "crooks" this year has already been borne out by the facts, as many of these undesirable characters are now in evidence, although the "season"

has not really begun. They are chiefly confidence trick experts or cardsharps, and, as their victims are rarely anxious to confess how easily they have been duped, the police have so far been able to do very little towards interfering with their operations.

EX-SULTAN'S SIMPLE LIFE  
Former Turkish Potentate Has Fine View of Sea; Little Else.  
VIENNA, May 22.—(Special).—The

Villa Alstini, the ex-Sultan's prison, just outside Salonica, belongs to the brothers Alstini, who are wealthy bankers. It is a modern building of three stories, and contains 40 rooms. There is a large garden filled with rare flowers, and the sea view is magnificent.

Here Abdul will live with his two sons, eleven wives, two eunuchs, six valets and two cooks. At Yedig Kiosk he had 254 secretaries, chamberlains and aides-de-camp, 470 wives and slaves, 60 Princesses and Princesses, 215 coachmen and grooms, 125 eunuchs, 420 gardeners, 250 domestics, 400 cooks and 1400 bodyguards. The deposed Sultan will be allowed a pension of \$10,000 monthly.

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