

EVIDENCE FOUND ON EVERY HAND

Growth of Portland Matter of Demonstration to Even Casual Observer.

OFFICE BUILDINGS RENT

No Vacant Houses, Despite Remarkable Number Constantly Being Made for Occupancy All Over the City.

BY JOHN J. HARRISON. A hammer is a necessity in building a house, but it is a decidedly poor implement in building a city.

On every side there are evidences of the city's growth, and while it may be said by non-progressive that too much is being claimed, the plain fact remains that hundreds of new houses are being erected and that dwellings are being occupied as rapidly as they can be finished.

How much good the past week's festivities did the realty market is rather difficult to determine. That many visitors came here with intention to see for themselves what we have to offer is unquestioned, and that the town looked good in its holiday attire is not to be gainsaid.

Among the hundreds of visitors there must have been numbers who came to look over the Oregon situation. As to the verdict we may rest assured. Probably never before was there better weather nor such a turnout of everything that exemplifies Oregon greatness.

Increases in the vicinity of Portland seem to be the most attractive realty just now to investors. Several farms in the neighborhood were taken over last week by concerns that will cut up the tracts into five and ten-acre pieces.

Transfers for five days of the week numbered 303, with recorded valuations of \$32,118. Dealers are somewhat surprised at the large volume of business indicated by these figures.

Good progress is being made on the new big buildings scattered here and there over the city. Steel for the Glider, Wortman & King; white enamel and brickwork on the Y. M. C. A.; Arlington Club; concrete forms for the sixth story of the Lewis; brick and white trimmings on the New Imperial; are among some of the more important.

J. C. Cassidy, the New York architect who has been commissioned to prepare plans for the Spalding building at Third and Washington streets, has announced yesterday that the building is to be of 12 stories, of steel frame, floors and partitions of concrete.

FOLDER EXPLOITS EAST SIDE

Business Men's Club Distributes Booklet Among Visitors.

The East Side Business Men's Club issued a neatly printed folder which was presented to the Chicago business men Thursday on their arrival by a committee of 12. The folder says: "You are now entering the new and growing business district of the East Side, a district that has made phenomenal advances in the past three years, and which will within the next 20 years become the leading wholesale and retail business section of the city."

DIVIDES \$2,000,000 ESTATE

Spanish Lady Leaves Heirs in California, Mexico and Spain.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 12.—The will of the late Miss Maria C. DeLaveaga, descendant of a family prominent in California when the state was ruled in Spanish dominion, was subject to Superior Court for probate today.



BLAKE, McFALL BUILDING TO BE ERRECTED AT FOURTH AND ANKENY.

TO SELL SCHOOL SITE

CITY'S PROPERTY ON WILLIAMS AVENUE ON MARKET.

Preliminary Steps for Broadway Bridge Already Planned—To Start Fire Station.

When the old Williams-Avenue school-house is abandoned for the new building now being built on Knott street and Rodney avenue, the Williams-avenue block will be sold if the district receives an offer considered adequate.

Williams avenue has been paved between Alberta street and Killingsworth avenue with hard-surface pavement, and it is planned to pave the street between Alberta and Stanton streets, making it a continuous hard-surface street from Holladay to Killingsworth avenue.

It is the determination of the North East Side Improvement Association, which favored the Broadway bridge project, that there shall be no delay in getting in motion the preliminaries for the erection of the bridge.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Theodore Bernheim, trustee, and wife to Leonore Kisterman, lot 2, block 4, Council Crest Park, \$500. Charles M. Scott and wife to William T. Krebs, trustee, lots 2, 3, 4, Irvington Avenue Tracts, \$100.

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KELSO SERVICE IMPROVED

Telephone System Extended Over County and to Skamokawa.

KELSO, Wash., June 12.—(Special).—The Granger Telephone Company, a local corporation, using the Home Telephone system, has completed placing 75 new phones in the vicinity of Kelso. The mechanism for the central office is also in place.

Lines are now completed and ready for operation from Kelso to Stella, to Oak Point, copper cables with lead sheath being used. A new line from Oak Point to Skamokawa is under construction to be completed within a few weeks.

HARVESTER FIRM IS TRUST

TOPEKA, Kan., June 12.—State Senator H. E. Gaus, who was appointed by the Supreme Court as special commissioner to hear evidence in the case of the state to oust the International Harvester Company from the state, in his report filed today, calls the harvester company a trust, the effect of which has been to regulate and control prices in Kansas.

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MRS. D. BALCH

Mrs. D. Balch is building three five-room cottages on block 34, in Kennton, the Swift townsite on the Peninsula.

G. W. PRIEST

G. W. Priest has started on the erection of seven houses on East Clinton and East Thirty-eighth streets to cost about \$20,000. The location is in the Waverly-Richmond district.

ARCHITECT W. C. KNIGHTON

Architect W. C. Knighton has prepared plans for a home for Professor D. A. Groat to be built at Mount Tabor and to cost \$11,000.

IRA M. PALMER

Ira M. Palmer is preparing plans for a two-story nine-room home, 23x35, which will be built in Irvington to cost \$5000. It will be colonial in design. Mr. Palmer also is preparing plans for a residence for E. A. Clark in the Westmoreland Addition, on Milwaukie road.

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