

NEW PANAMA BUILDING LEASED; TENANTS NOW OCCUPY OFFICES

Height of Handsome Six-Story Structure May Be Increased to Eight Stories—Cost of Building Already Is \$105,000—Construction Is Thoroughly Modern.



TWO STORIES MAY BE ADDED TO STRUCTURE THAT COST \$105,000.

THE six-story Panama building at the northeast corner of Third and Alder streets, which has just been completed, was transferred yesterday, together with the ground lease, from Fritz to the Panama Building Company, composed of Paul Wessinger and associates. The consideration announced was \$125,000. The building was designed for store and office purposes, the first floor being cut into stores and the upper floors into offices. It has been completed and is now being occupied by tenants.

The lot is owned by Mrs. Kate Strode, Mrs. Rose Bridges, Mrs. Anna Herrick, V. K. Strode and J. B. Bridges, Jr. The terms of the ground lease are, first five years, \$1250 a month; next five years, \$1500 a month; following five years, \$1750 a month. There is a provision in the lease extending it for five years at the rate of \$1450 a month if the lessees add two stories to the building during the first 10 years. It is the intention to add these stories if conditions warrant. The building cost \$105,490.

story from the United States, every account of hard times or labor trouble, is printed in all of the papers of the country in big headlines. Whenever there is a hard-luck story comes back, about men walking the streets of Pacific coast cities out of employment, it is played up as strong as possible. In spite of this, however, there is annually a huge movement of the best and most enterprising people out into new countries.

CITY FIGHTS FOR WATER

OFFER OF \$3500 BY COUNCIL
FINALLY FORFEITED.

After Court Decision, 22 Property Owners Assert Rights to More Flow Than Is Found.

NEWBERG, Or., Sept. 20.—(Special.)—This town has a publicly-owned water system which supplies water of the best quality. Part of it is brought from a mountain spring and a few years ago the City Council took steps to increase that source of supply. An offer to buy a spring situated about four miles from town was made. The city offered \$3500, which was not accepted. A commission was appointed to set a value on the spring and a report was made to the Council fixing the value at \$2000. The owner refused to accept this amount and appealed the case to the Circuit Court, and it finally reached the Supreme Court. It is said that he lost out there by the failure of his attorneys to look after the case.

A few weeks ago the city let a contract for the digging of a ditch for a main from this spring in order to utilize the water. A force of men was set to work, whereupon an injunction suit was brought by 22 land owners through whose property water from the spring flows. They claimed a gross withdrawal of 260,000 miners' inches of water each 24 hours. The case was tried before Judge Holmes at McMinnville this week. Attorney Van Wickie, of Salem, appearing for the 22 complainants and City Attorney Chapin for Newberg. Thirteen witnesses were examined for the complainants and one for the city—the City Engineer. He testified that in the stream running through the land of the complainants there are only 175,000 miners' inches of water each 24 hours; that there are three other springs flowing into it in addition to the main spring, and that a measurement of the water in the channel below the lands of complainants shows that only 4000 miners' inches are diverted during 24 hours. Under this evidence the court decided in favor of the city.

This particular suit was based upon claims of prior diversion of water. Suits for riparian rights claimed by these land owners are yet to be heard.

PORTLAND'S NEED IS TOLD

W. D. Fenton Says Deep Water Is City's Hope.

"Portland needs but one thing to make it possible for her to become the premier shipping center of the world in future years—and that is the opening of the Columbia River to heaviest ocean ships," is the statement made yesterday by W. D. Fenton, who has just returned from a four months' trip in Europe, during which he visited the principal cities of the British Isles, France, Italy, Germany and Holland.

"In all the trip I found no city that in my judgment possesses the permanent natural elements of greatness in a big commercial way, that are to be found here."

NORMAL CLASSES GROW

ATTENDANCE AT MONMOUTH IN FIRST WEEK IS 200.

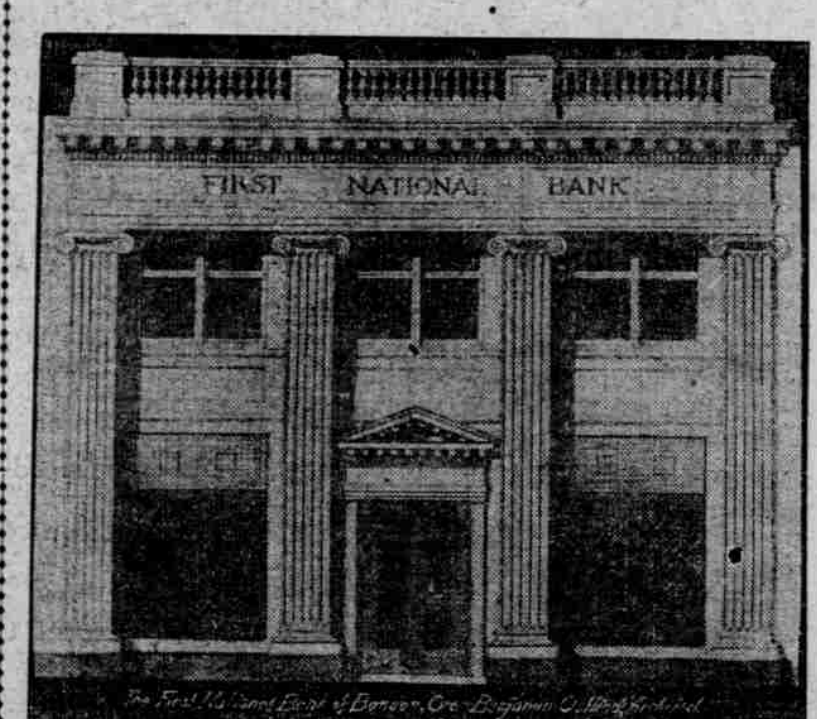
Bids Are Opened for New Gymnasium, Construction of Which Will Be Hastened Along.

OREGON NORMAL SCHOOL, Monmouth, Sept. 20.—(Special.)—The first week of school here for the new year closed yesterday. The attendance is the most gratifying feature of all as nearly 200 students have enrolled. This is about the total enrollment for the whole of last school year. Some of the students who left Oregon when the Normal Schools were closed down and entered training schools in other states, have returned and will take their diplomas from Monmouth.

The opening days were greatly saddened by the tragedy which befell two of the most popular instructors of the school—Misses Harlow and Fridt, who lost their lives on the ill-fated steamer State of California in Alaskan waters. The new teachers chosen to fill the vacancies are taking hold vigorously.

Many needed improvements have been made in the buildings and everything points to a prosperous year. Bids were opened yesterday for the new gymnasium.

BANDON FINANCIERS TO PUT UP \$18,000 STRUCTURE, ONE OF FINEST CONCRETE BUILDINGS IN COUNTY.



NEW HOME OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

BANDON, Or., Sept. 20.—(Special.)—The First National Bank is erecting a new building here, which will be one of the finest structures in the county. The building is located at a point where its imposing front will show to good advantage, and the appearance of the City of Bandon will be much improved.

SUBURB'S GROWTH BIG

STANLEY DISTRICT ATTRACTS MANY SETTLERS.

Lands Are Subdivided and Buyers Engage in Intensive Farming. Car Service Satisfactory.

One of the prosperous suburbs of Portland surrounds Stanley station on Johnson Creek, on the Gresham Electric line, just south of the Mount Scott district. The land adjacent to Johnson Creek, between Mount Scott and Sellwood, is very fertile.

Many properties have been subdivided into smaller tracts, on which suburban homes have been built. Between Errol station and Stanley station at least 50 new homes have been built on these acreage tracts. These home-builders raise poultry and have fine gardens, and reach Portland by the Gresham and Estacada carlines, which make hourly trips at the present time.

South of Stanley is the Wichita district, east of Milwaukie, a suburban territory of great prosperity. Land is moderately priced and a greater portion of the larger tracts have been subdivided in smaller areas. Three new schoolhouses have been built in this territory, the Harmony, the Wichita and the Ardenvale, the latter having just been completed and opened. It is a four-room modern structure and cost about \$5000. On the south, settlement has gone beyond the city boundaries and extended into Clackamas County. The gap between Portland and Oregon City is rapidly closing up so that soon there will be a continuous settlement between Portland and Oregon City.

Homes Are in Demand. Demand for homes has been brisk during the past few weeks, according to C. De Young & Co. This firm reports the following recent sales: A five-room modern bungalow in Vernor, located on East Twentieth street, North, for E. T. Land to J. B. Duvic, of Seaside, for \$2500; five-room modern bungalow, situated on Blandina street, near Albina avenue, for B. H. Miller to W. T. Newby, for \$2500; six-room modern bungalow on Almsworth avenue, between East Thirteenth and East Fourteenth streets, for W. W. Woodworth to Emma D. Bach, for \$2800; four-room modern bungalow on

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CLARKE GETS EARLY START

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 20.—(Special.)—To boost the Clarke County fair and prepare plans for the fifth annual fair next year a mass meeting has been called at the Vancouver Commercial Club rooms Saturday afternoon, September 27, by J. O. Wing, president-manager of the fair association.

The board of directors and all officers connected with the association will be present and committees will be appointed to get to work on special lines. Stock will be offered for sale, and already \$2500 worth of shares have been subscribed, to be paid for when a certain amount has been sold.

TOLEDO CLUB TO JOIN NATIONAL BODY. TOLEDO, Wash., Sept. 20.—(Special.)—The Toledo Commercial Club expects to take a membership in the National Rivers and Harbors Congress as a result of the visit to this city of Professor W. D. Lyman, state director of the organization. Toledo is Lewis County's only point having water transportation, being at the head of navigation on the Cowlitz. The boat service out of here gives splendid shipping facilities for the crops of the tributary territory and the subject of river transportation is of great local interest.

SCHOOL GROUNDS IMPROVED. JUNCTION CITY, Or., Sept. 20.—(Special.)—The School Board has had installed paper towels for the lavatory instead of cloth towels. There has been a room fitted in the third story of the high school building for a lavatory. Many improvements have been made on the public school grounds, swings, trapeze, etc. The members of the School Board of Junction City are Jake Miller, Jesse Sorensen and L. Jensen, chairman.

PROGRESS IS MARKED

SOUTH MOUNT TABOR MAKES RAPID GROWTH. District Has Many Advantages for Homebuilding, in Opinion of H. L. Idleman.

"No section of the city has experienced such steady, healthy growth as has South Mount Tabor during the last few years. People with an eye to both health and beauty have located here. They own their own homes, breathe the ozone from the myriads of flowers and shrubs that adorn the velvet-clad lawns, and wonder how people can be content living in stuffy apartments downtown," said H. L. Idleman, a member of the Portland Realty Board, yesterday.

"Some of the sturdy old pioneers settled here 30 years ago and used to walk the three miles into the city, do their shopping and hoof it back again in time to feed the chickens, tend to the horses, milk the cows and then be ready for a good, hearty meal. One old resident told me he had shot elk right here on Mount Tabor."

"But how different now! With the advent of good street-car service, hard-surfaced streets, a splendid school and a well-equipped playground, we feel quite 'civilized.' The extension of the Hawthorne carline to East Seventy-fourth street and Twenty-ninth avenue has opened up a fine residence district, which is now developing fast and where property is cheap."

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