

BUILDINGS TO COST

\$1,050,000 PLANNED

J. J. Parker Takes Two 50-Year Leases on Sites.

MAJESTIC IS INVOLVED

New Theater Proposed as Well as Business Block on Alder Where Bachelor Quarters Will Rise.

Two new business blocks to be erected the coming year and involving an expenditure of \$1,050,000, were announced by J. J. Parker yesterday following the consummation of transactions which have been pending during the last month.

A 50-year lease on the present site of the Majestic theater having been obtained from the Brooke estate, J. V. Henner, architect, is already working on plans for a modern business block which will include a new Majestic theater. Construction may commence in December. The building will be at least 10 stories and the construction cost will be \$750,000. The property has been leased to Hamilton & Sears of 5 per cent on \$1,000,000. Interested in this project are Mr. Parker, his partner in two local theaters, the firm of Jensen & Von Herberg, and H. T. Moore of Tacoma, representing the John S. Baker interests of that city. Mr. Moore and Mr. Baker are partners in Tacoma with Jensen & Von Herberg.

\$300,000 Building Planned.

The second building soon to be constructed by Mr. Parker will be at 10th and Alder streets, on the present site of the Pollyanna cafeteria. Mr. Parker holds a 50-year lease on this site known as the Hamilton & Sears property, and plans the coming year to erect an eight-story building on it at a cost of \$300,000. The ground floor will be constructed for business tenants, while the other floors will be made into bachelor quarters.

Mr. Parker took the lease on this property, which is 75 by 190 feet, in June, 1919, on rental basis of 6 per cent of \$150,000 each year, plus taxes. His judgment in backing this location has recently been corroborated by the Elks, who have purchased a site on 11th and Alder, just back of the Seward hotel, for new club headquarters. Further evidence of Mr. Parker's faith in Alder street, which he believes is the fifth avenue of Portland, is the 50-year lease which he took on the southeast corner of Alder and Park streets. On the second floor of this location in 1918 he opened the Rialto billiard parlors at a cost of \$75,000. H. P. Davenport, general manager of the Brunswick-Balke-Coller company, said when its elaborate fixtures were installed that the Rialto was without doubt the finest parlor of its kind in the world.

Thirteen Years' Lease Closed.

Renewal of his lease on the second floor of the corner of Broadway and Washington street, where he operates the Waldorf billiard parlors, was taken last week by Parker for 13 years. The new lease stipulates a rental of \$1000 a month, just treble that which he paid when he originally leased the property in 1907. At that time he came here a stranger and was required by Jennings & Co. to give a chattel mortgage on the \$50,000 fixtures which he installed in the Waldorf. The original lease was for four years, and in 1911 it expired. Jennings & Co. refused to take any security for the nine-year lease which has just expired and again has been renewed.

In 1911, when Mr. Parker first renewed his lease on the Waldorf, he also leased the corner site where the Gunst cigar store is now located and the corner basement now the location of Leighton's Dairy lunch. He installed a bar and elaborate fixtures and called it the Waldorf buffet. The white tiling now in evidence in the restaurant was put in at that time.

Forfeiture Is Paid.

In 1914 prohibition by the vote of Oregon wiped out of existence the Waldorf buffet. Mr. Parker had given no security for his lease on this location, and, although many saloonmen repudiated their debts, having no assets with which to pay them, he paid a forfeiture of \$13,500 to be relieved of his lease, which called for \$275 monthly rental. He still has six years to run. As a result of the dealings with Jennings & Co. he has no instance call for security on his lease. Another phase of the amusement business was added to Mr. Parker's interests when, in 1918, he purchased from Edward P. James the Majestic theater on Park and Washington streets for \$20,000. Mr. Parker installed a new program at a cost of \$20,000 and made further alterations approximating \$3500.

Although he was new to the theatrical game, Jensen & Von Herberg, largest motion picture theater owners in the northwest, approached him last September to purchase Majestic stock. He sold one-half of the Majestic stock to Jensen & Von Herberg on the basis of \$125,000, representing the entire value of the theater. At the same time he acquired one-third interest in the Peoples Star theaters, the total stock of which was valued at \$140,000.

It is interesting to note that 26 years ago Mr. Parker started his business activities with a capital of \$250, which he invested in a cigar store at Battery and California streets in San Francisco. He had acquired his small original capital by "hopping bells" at the Palace hotel in that city. He came to Portland in 1907.

BACON SALES ARE QUICK

North Bend Residents Buy Ton of Army Meat—Want More.

NORTH BEND, Or., April 10.—(Special)—More than a ton of army bacon and 50 blankets, the first consignment of surplus army supplies to be received here, were displayed within a few hours after being placed on sale by Postmaster McGuire at the postoffice yesterday. The bacon was in slabs and cans and sold at 20 and 23 cents a pound.

An additional consignment of two or more tons of bacon and a large number of blankets will probably be ordered by the city.

Communist Case Postponed.

Argument on a motion for arrest of judgment in the case of Karl W. O'fer, Fred W. Fry and Claud Hurst, convicted communist labor party leaders, was postponed yesterday until next Thursday by Circuit Judge Morrow. W. S. U'ren, attorney for the convicted men, was until Wednesday to file his motion for a new trial and may argue that at the same time as the other motion. The latter is based on the contention that the criminal syndicalism law is unconstitutional in that it attempts to define constructive treason, a thing which Mr. U'ren argues should be left to federal courts.

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E. L. FRENCH THINKS STATE WILL CARRY MEASURE.

Republican Aspirant for Lieutenant-Governor of Washington Pays Brief Visit to Portland.

Edward L. French, a successful prune grower of Clarke county, Washington, and an earnest advocate of the "back to the land" movement, has announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for lieutenant-governor of Washington. Mr. French, who is at present in the state senate, has been prominent in Washington state politics for a dozen years or more, having served four years in the house of representatives and being now in his eighth year as a member in the senate.

Mr. French, who has been engaged in prune raising for the past 35 years, now resides on his 100-acre prune farm six miles east of Vancouver and recently purchased additional land to clear and plant trees.

"I have been doing and intend to



Edward L. French, Clarke county orchardist, who is seeking republican nomination for lieutenant-governor of Washington.

continue to do all I possibly can to make the land more attractive," declared Mr. French while in Portland yesterday, "and I hope to see the time shortly when the country people will have just as fine educational facilities for their children as are offered in the cities.

In the recent session of the Washington state legislature Mr. French sponsored the soldiers' bonus bill without the referendum attached. The measure was finally passed by both houses with the referendum, however, and, according to one member of the legislature of Washington in the fall. It carries \$15 to each Washington man for each month in the service.

"I am confident the measure will pass," said Mr. French. "While we cannot ever repay in money the men who made the great sacrifices demanded by the war, a large number of us in Washington look upon it as providing a means by which we can give the men who served a little

token of our appreciation of the great work they did."

WAR RECORD IS DESIRED

Questionnaires Sent Out to All Reed College Men and Women.

A complete war record is being compiled by Reed college of all its graduates, undergraduates, ex-students and instructors, both men and women. Questionnaires have been sent out asking for complete information concerning branch of service served, length of service, transfers, overseas service, reconstruction aide work or service with the various relief agencies.

TEACHERS MAY ALL QUIT

Deadlock Approaching in Connection With Centralia Schools.

CENTRALIA, Wash., April 10.—(Special)—Centralia's school teachers are nearly complete at this time, but more information is needed about Reed ex-students. Questionnaires are also being sent which are intended to obtain from all former Reed students a history of their work since leaving college.

The school board is preparing a salary schedule of its own, providing substantial increases, although not coming up to the demands of the teachers. The board's proposition will be offered to the teachers next week, and, according to one member of the board, "they can take it or leave it."

SALARY BILL FOR VOTE

Hood River Measure, Affecting Superintendent Gibson, Approved.

HOOD RIVER, Or., April 10.—(Special)—While an initiative petition and bill, submitting to electors of the county at the May primaries a measure for increasing the salary of County School Superintendent Gibson, was not filed in strict technical conformance with the letter of the law, Attorney-General Brown, following a personal conference with J. H. Hallett, local attorney, has agreed to prepare the ballot title.

The campaign for increasing Mr. Gibson's salary, enabling him to devote his entire time to school work, recently came into being almost spontaneously.

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SLAIN DEPUTY IS BURIED

SERVICES HELD IN PORTLAND FOR ROBERT CARL SCOTT.

Tribute to Character and Work of Dead Man Is Paid by Rev. F. C. Lasletto.

Robert Carl Scott, Seattle deputy sheriff and former Portland detective, who was shot and killed in a battle with bandits on Rainier boulevard in Seattle last Sunday, was buried in Portland Wednesday. Services were held at the Edward Holman company chapel Wednesday afternoon, and burial was in the Rose City cemetery. Rev. F. C. Lasletto, pastor of the Glencoe Baptist church, paid an eloquent tribute to the character and service of Mr. Scott. He mentioned the work which the man had been engaged in the greater part of his life for the enforcement of law and order and referred to his devotion to duty.

Pallbearers were old-time friends and associates of Mr. Scott, while he was in this city. Deputy District Attorney Delch, who was associated with Mr. Scott when the latter was working on state prohibition cases out of the district attorney's office in this city, and who acted as one of the pallbearers, in speaking of the dead deputy sheriff referred to him as a man who always "got the goods" on the men he went after.

Mr. Scott was 31 years old. His wife, Mrs. Pearl Scott, had been staying with relatives in this city.

CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED

Christian Science Edifice Now Free From Indebtedness.

Second Church of Christ, Scientist, of this city announces dedicatory services will be held next Sunday, April 18. Large obligations have been paid off during the last year and the church is now free from debt. It being the rule among Christian Science churches that they do not dedicate until free from debt. Second church is now ready to dedicate its building.

Three services will be held, the first at the regular morning hour, 11 o'clock, the second at 3 P. M. and the third at 8 P. M. A cordial invitation to any of these services is extended to the public.

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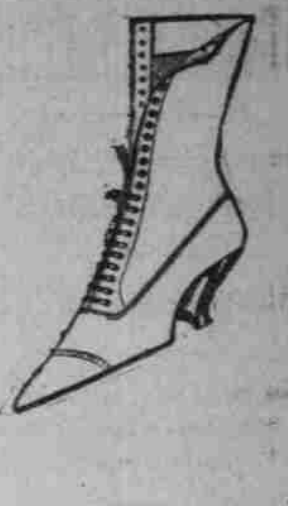
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