

EAST SIDE TO GET ANOTHER BUILDING

Quarter Block at Grand and Salmon Bought.

RAPID GROWTH SEEN

Big Factor in Building Up District Is Believed to Be Ross Island Bridge Plan.

The business section of the east side district is going forward rapidly in the vicinity of Grand avenue and East Salmon street, and the erection of another structure in that district was foretold last week when O. Laugaard, city engineer, purchased a quarter block in the southeast corner of that intersection from the Hawthorne estate. The deal was negotiated by Fred W. Germain, who is handling a large amount of property belonging to that estate in the same section.

A big factor in the building up of that section of the east side is believed to be the plans for the construction of the Ross Island bridge. When the bridge is completed it will place property in the vicinity of Mr. Laugaard's purchase in the central east side section.

Price Not Made Public. The purchase price of the property taken by the city engineer was not made public, although it is known to have been held at \$16,800. It is improved by a two-story frame building with two stories below and flats above. Mr. Laugaard announced that he planned later to remove this structure and substitute a modern fireproof building. Definite plans for this, however, he said, would be announced later. The building to be erected, he said, would probably be a two-story structure.

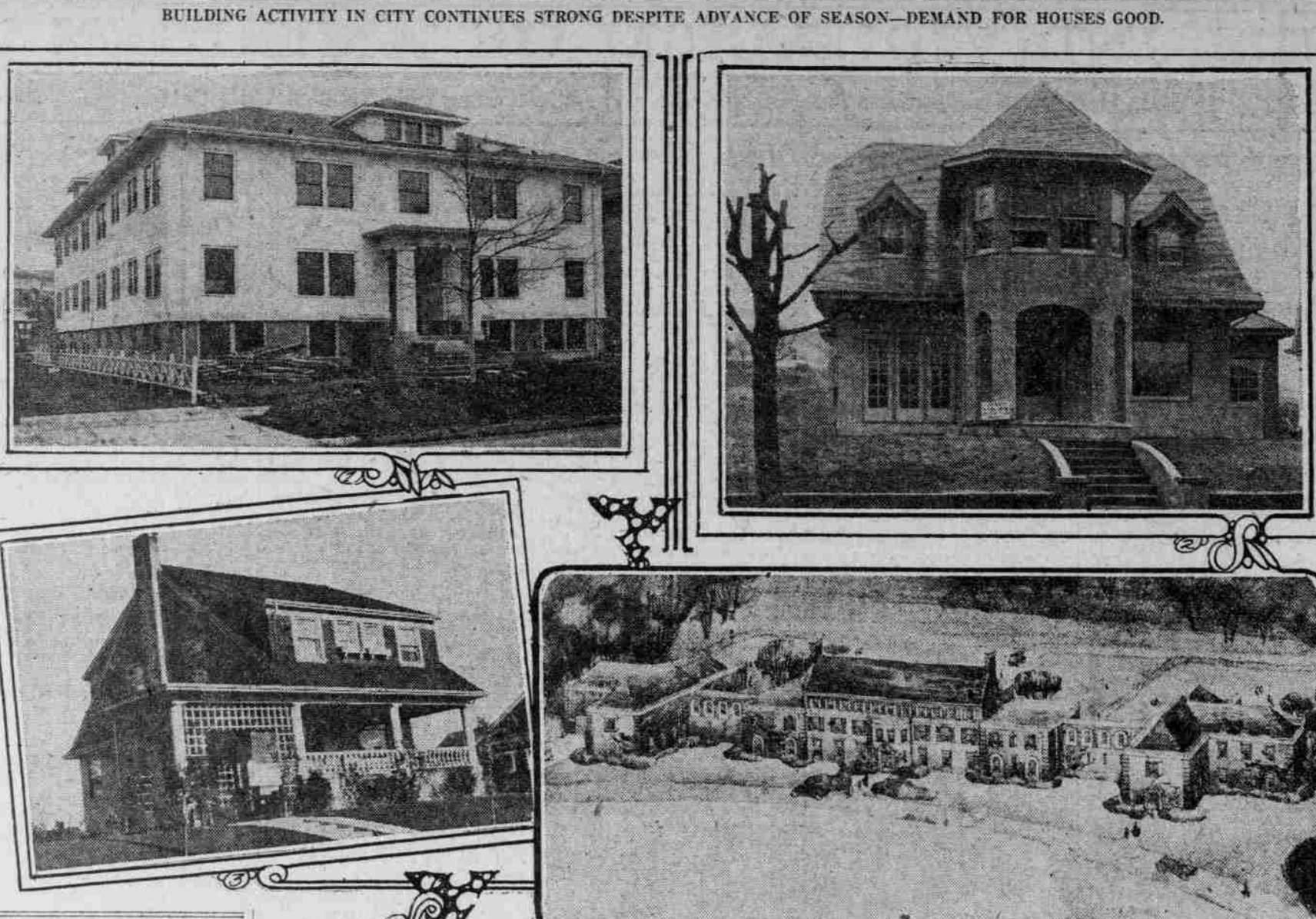
Mr. Germain also recently sold property at the northwest corner of East Sixth and Madison streets for the same estate to the Olson Machine works. The new owner has erected a one-story concrete building on the property. This property was purchased for \$6,000.

Garage Is Completed. Billy Ferguson has just completed a one-story garage on a quarter block at the northeast corner of Grand avenue and Main streets. The site was purchased originally for \$11,000 from the other half of the Hawthorne estate.

A one-story fireproof building has been erected by the Motor Exchange on a site at the southwest corner of Grand avenue and East Main streets purchased from the Ladd Estate company.

The Francis Motor Car company recently purchased the southeast corner of Grand avenue and East Madison streets from Whitney Poles for a reported consideration of \$15,000, and is now erecting a building on the property. This structure is adjoining the company's present location.

CHICAGO GETS BIG BUILDING Straus Company Plans Structure Worth \$12,000,000. A 25-story building, representing an investment in land and building of approximately \$12,000,000, which \$7,000,000 will represent the cost of the new structure, is to be erected in Chicago for their occupancy by E. W. Straus and Company, according to news received here last week.



BRICK INDUSTRY FIRM

PRICE IN NORTHWEST HOLDS STEADY AT \$12 TO \$16. Increasing Orders and Unusual Demand Promise to Restore General Prosperity.

Reports from all over the country indicate a strength in the demand for brick which is unusual for this time of the year, says the monthly digest of conditions in the common brick industry, prepared by the Common Brick Manufacturers' association of America. The report said that orders on the books have not diminished, while stocks are lower than a month ago.

The price of brick holds firm according to the report, and a composite of the country is \$12.82 delivered on the job. The actual range in price is from \$8 in Texas, where there is a destructive price war, to \$19 in Philadelphia and Washington districts, where plants are sold out for the year. Quotations for the northwest section are placed at from \$12 to \$16, which is the same as a month ago.

There are unmistakable indications that the common brick industry of America is taking on a new lease of life," said the report. These indications have been apparent for several months past and are so consistent in their trend that it is safe today to say that this ancient and honorable business, which had its beginning in Babylon centuries before the recording of history, is assuming a business-like men and prosperity that it has not known before.

"This, of course, applies to the industry in the United States. There are some brick manufacturers who will say that it applies to only a part of the country, because they have not yet sensed this revival. But it is not a sectional improvement, it certainly is a substantial inherent betterment which will spread to all plants.

RESIDENCE DEMAND BRISK Local Company Reports Sales in East Side District. A good demand for houses, especially in the Laurelhurst, Rose City Park, Irvington and Alameda districts, is reported by Street, Lawhead & Co. That concern reported the following recent sales negotiated by David Harp and W. E. Whitfield, managers of their Laurelhurst-Rose City Park and Irvington-Alameda offices respectively:

Dutch colonial house at 1165 East Pine street, sold by James Potts to Dr. C. N. Smit for \$10,500. Bungalow at 358 East Forty-fifth street North, sold by Harry Gibbs to George R. Hauksins for \$5,000. New bungalow at 825 Skidmore street, sold by W. B. Cater to J. H. McDonald for \$9,000. New bungalow at 791 East Twenty-fourth street North, sold by S. Peterson to J. H. Boone for \$7,500. New house at 11th and Burnside streets, corner East Forty-third and Hoyt streets, sold by H. McCrum to George Peters for \$5,000.

NEW LEASES ARE MADE

DEMAND FOR BUSINESS PROPERTY CONTINUING. Deals Aggregating Gross Rental of More Than \$400,000 Are Announced.

Demand for commercial locations has continued through November and into December in spite of the approach of the holiday season and the usual unwillingness of organizations to change locations during that period, according to declaration yesterday of B. L. Metzger of the firm of Metzger-Parker company.

A five-year lease by A. Armstrong to Alfred E. Peuther, covering 149-151 Tenth street. Mr. Peuther has occupied a portion of this building for the last three years, and because of the expansion of his business has found it necessary to increase the scope of his activities and take in an additional portion of the building. Mr. Peuther announced that it is his intention to spend several thousand dollars in fitting up a first store which will have no equal on the Pacific coast outside of San Francisco.

A five-year lease by Joseph D. Stenbom to James Meneghini covering the three-story Butte hotel. The Butte hotel is 300,000 feet in size, erected on the southwest corner of Sixth and Couch streets.

A five-year lease by Paul Van Fridrich and Hortense Van Fridrich Taylor to the Harden Press, covering 2,000 square feet of the first floor space in the three-story building erected on the southeast corner of Fourteenth and Burnside streets. The building has always been previously occupied by automotive lines.

A three-year lease was granted by the same parties to the Boston Varnish company of San Francisco, Portland and Seattle, covering 7,000 square feet, immediately adjoining the space leased to the Harden Press. The Boston Varnish company has operated in connection with the Timms-Cress company for the last several years, but, according to Mr. Greene, the head of the organization, who came to Portland for the purpose of closing the transaction, the tremendous demand for the product of the company in this district necessitated that a separate depot be operated, and although there was some doubt as to whether or not Seattle would be chosen, it was finally decided that the advantages offered by Portland were greater, and so the space was negotiated.

A three-year lease by J. E. Durham to H. E. Christensen, covering 2,500 square feet on the southeast corner of Eleventh and Couch streets. Mr. Christensen has been engaged in the repairing of automobiles for a number of years. The Hood River Apple exchange, desiring to unload its product direct to the consumer and having 100,000 boxes of apples to dispose of, had opened several store rooms in the

TIMBER OPERATORS BUSY

SEVERAL BIG TRACTS OF FIR AND CEDAR SOLD. Recent Transactions Declared to Indicate Brisk Business for Coming Season.

A tract of timber in Columbia county containing about 15,000,000 feet of cedar and red and yellow fir was sold recently by the government for \$35,000 to the Nebalism Timber & Logging company. It was announced last week. In Clackamas county Charles H. Burbot bought 655,000 feet of red fir for \$1000, and in Yamhill county L. N. Tompkins bought 4,000,000 feet of red fir for \$210.

A sale of more than 15,000,000 feet of red fir in Marion county to the Silver Falls Timber company of Silverton for \$20,500 was reported. In Clackamas county Earl C. Latourrette bought for a company of timber operators 3,950,000 feet of red fir for \$162,827.

These sales show timber operators are getting ready for a large business the coming year, and continued activity in the sale of government timber is predicted by Frank O. Northrup, receiver of the United States land office for this district. Five patents have been delivered for timber that was sold 50 days ago, this being the average length of time the general land office in Washington requires to examine records.

BUILDING TO HOUSE SHOPS Women's Specialty Establishments to Be in New Structure. A one-story concrete building is to be erected on a site 50 by 100 feet in the northwest corner of Twelfth and Morrison streets for Dr. Neal L. Zimmerman and Mrs. M. Bernice Astoria, who recently purchased the site. The building will have a mezzanine floor and will be divided into five compartments to be tenanted by women's specialty shops.

Leon Buller of the F. E. Taylor company, who is handling the leasing of the building, announced that the home decoration establishment of Bertha Stuart will occupy space in the structure.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU: Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—The total production of lumber during 1921 by Oregon and Washington, according to preliminary statistics just released by the department of commerce, was 5,829,698,000 feet, which is a decrease of 34 per cent when compared with the cut for the preceding year.

LUMBER CUT SLUMPS

NORTHWEST OUTPUT OFF BY 34 PER CENT. Total Production for 1921 Put at 5,829,698,000 Feet in Report of Federal Bureau.

The forest service reports that the decrease in the lumber cut in Oregon and Washington in 1921 compared with that for 1920 was due to lack of demand, low prices and unsatisfactory shipping facilities, and that the indications are that the 1922 cut, while larger than that of 1921, will also be somewhat less than the cut for 1920.

Three years' lumber cut in the two states shown as follows: Oregon—1921, 2,006,782,000; 1920, 3,216,098,000; 1919, 3,577,403,000. Washington—1921, 3,822,916,000; 1920, 5,224,509,000; 1919, 4,961,326,000.

PRINTING HOME IS RISING \$10,000 Concrete Building Is Being Erected on Flinders. A two-story concrete building is being erected for Melchor Raz by W. C. Arthur & Sons at the southeast corner of Fifteenth and Flinders streets under plans prepared by C. L. Goodrich. The structure will cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

The property has been leased to the Independent Printing company for a term of years and that concern expects to take possession early in January. The lease was negotiated by Sidney G. Lathrop.

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SHRINE HOSPITAL WORK WILL BEGIN

Plans Under Way for \$260,000 Structure. EXCAVATION JOB IS LET Building to Be Fireproof, 360 Feet Long and Will Have Three Sections.

Plans are being prepared by Sutton & Whitney and excavation work is to start immediately on the new \$260,000 hospital for crippled children to be erected by the Shriner's at the southwest corner of East Eighty-second street and Sandy boulevard.

It was announced last week that the work of excavation had been let to the firm of Abbott & McCulloch and that this would begin without delay. In the meantime the plans for the building itself are being completed and it is expected that figures for the construction of the structure will be let in about a month.

The building will be a fire-proof structure and will be 360 feet long and portions of it about 100 feet wide. It will be in three sections, the center housing the administration offices, nurses' quarters, boiler room, laundry, kitchen and dining room. This center structure will be connected by corridors to wings on either side, one of which will be for boys and the other for girls.

The hospital will be sufficiently large to house 60 patients and with bedrooms for 20 nurses.

The hospital to be erected here is one of ten authorized for erection under the direction of the Shriner's national board of hospital work for boys and girls. Another is under erection in San Francisco and others are to be erected in various other cities of the country.

Mayor Baker is chairman of the local building committee. It is hoped to have the local hospital completed and ready for operation by next fall.

APARTMENT HOUSE PLANNED

\$18,000 Structure to Go Up on Twenty-Fifth Street. A bungalow apartment house costing \$18,000 is to be erected at 353 Twenty-fifth street for W. H. Ross and N. C. Soule on plans prepared by C. B. Martin.

The building will be of frame construction with stone stucco exterior. There will be three two-room apartments on the first floor and four four-room apartments on the second floor. It will be heated by gas floor heaters.

MARION TAXES INCREASE

Rise in Valuation in County May Offset Amount. SALEM, Or., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The county and state taxes of Marion county for 1923 will be \$32,567.13 higher than this year. This does not necessarily mean, however, that taxes will be higher next year, as the assessed value of the county for 1921 was \$42,091,057, while for 1922 it was \$42,290,019.

The budget as approved follows: State purposes (estimated) \$491,473.95; general fund, \$374,864.54; county school and library fund, \$156,234.40; high school tuition fund, \$423.00; and general road fund, \$118,000. The total is \$1,128,972.89.

Gasoline Cheap in Sweden. STOCKHOLM.—Competition in supplying Sweden with oil, including gasoline for use in automobiles, has resulted in price reductions until the liquid is cheaper in this country than in New York city. As a result the motor car agencies are enjoying a period of extraordinary prosperity. American, Russian, Dutch and German oil companies are active in the competitive field.

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