

CHANGES ARE MADE IN BUILDING LAW

Council Committee and Master Builders Agree On Vital Alterations--Many Points in Dispute--Materials to Be Inspected.

Seven changes in the proposed new building ordinance suggested by the master builders were made at a meeting of the council's special committee in the office of the fire commissioners this morning. Two suggestions on which there was great controversy were turned down by the committee, notwithstanding the strenuous efforts of the committee of the masters to secure changes. One suggestion was that a new section covering hot-air furnaces and pipes in buildings be drafted, and this was ordered done. J. C. Bayer, a well-known furnace man, will draft the section, which will be presented at a special meeting of the ordinance committee to be held Monday.

The most vigorous complaint of the master builders was against the section specifying that all flues must be lined with fireproof metal, and prohibiting more than one pipe in certain chimneys. This was a point on which the ordinance committee and the architects' committee recently wrangled for five hours, and finally reached an agreement as stated. But the master builders attacked this section hard.

"If that section becomes a law, it will work not only a hardship upon builders here, but will make a house where four rooms are to be heated look like a terracotta factory," said Ernest Kroner, chairman of the builders' committee.

"I cannot agree with that. A builder can obviate that by building all his flues together," said A. K. Bentley, chairman of the council committee.

"Eight out of every ten fires we have are from defective flues," said Fire Chief David Campbell. "And, furthermore, with the law as stringent as it stands, I have to watch every one of you builders like a hawk--and then you violate the ordinances. In New York they fine a man \$5 if the department has to be called out to a fire. And the second time they make it much heavier."

"I think the section should stand," said Fire Marshal W. E. Roberts, representing the insurance companies. And it did stand.

The section arbitrarily demanding that all materials be tested in the future, and that city officials either conduct the test or compel the builders to

certify to the good quality of the material used, was another object of attack by the builders.

"We believe it will discriminate and shut out local materials, and, anyway, tests on certain materials could not be made this side of Chicago. It would work a great hardship," said Mr. Kroner.

"We did not intend that any materials with merit should be shut out, and I feel sure there will be no trouble with this section," said Mr. Bentley. "What we wanted to do was to shut out poor cement, brick, etc., having no merit whatever, but which might be worked in unless we had some provision such as the one under discussion."

The section was ordered to stand, without change.

The present section of the new ordinance covering hot air furnaces and pipes was found to be drafted unscientifically, and was too stringent. The builders' committee agreed to secure the services of Mr. Bayer to draft a new one. The committee will decide next Monday as to whether it will be adopted.

The changes allowed were as follows:

In one-story cottages, with basements of concrete, not over four feet high, 8-inch concrete walls may be used; 2x8-inch studs may be used instead of 2x4.

On bay windows 13 inches wide, instead of a limited of 10 inches, but there must be four feet between bays.

In regard to the mixture of cement, the builders requested a change making a better result, and the specifications were made 4 cubic feet of cement, 12 of sand and 20 of crushed rock or washed gravel.

Bulkheads on wharves and docks will be constructed of two layers of timbers 1 1/2 x 8 inches.

Rain water may be used in all except brick or teneament buildings; in the latter it must be conducted to the street gutter. The original section forbade its use in any house.

Temporary floors in large buildings will be required only to protect workmen on floors below. The old section specified temporary floors for each story.

HERE'S A RARE CHANCE FOR PORTLAND PEOPLE

All classified advertisements presented at the business office of The Journal before noon on Saturday next will be printed free in the Sunday issue.

Provided another insertion of the same advertisement is paid for to run in the Monday issue.

The price is 5 cents a line--seven words to the line, or less than a cent a word.

The Sunday Journal reaches the people and the purpose is to make that fact plain to everybody.

END CAME AT THE EVENING MEAL

COUNTY COMMISSIONER WILLIAM SHOWERS' LIFE SUDDENLY CLOSED, SURROUNDED BY FAMILY--HAD TRANSACTED BUSINESS DURING YESTERDAY.

While he was not in the best of health recently, the sudden death of William Showers, a member of the board of county commissioners, at his home, 447 Montgomery street, at 7 o'clock last evening of paralysis, came as a shock to his relatives and friends. He was the county courthouse in the afternoon, attending to his duties, and on going home complained of feeling very tired. He sat down with his family at supper and was stricken with paralysis before he had eaten a mouthful.

The deceased was one of the best-known residents of the county. He was elected superintendent of streets in 1876 and made such a record that he was afterward elected county treasurer, filling that responsible position no fewer than five times. Then he was elected councilman from the Third ward, where his mechanical education was utilized for the benefit of the city as chairman of the sewer committee for two years. He was elected county commissioner in 1900 and held the position until his death.

Mr. Showers was born near Zanesville, O., February 4, 1834. His early education was obtained in the public schools. At the age of 17 he was apprenticed to his elder brother as a millwright for four years, and took part in the building of many mills and furnaces in Muskingum county, Ohio. His father died in the year of his birth. In 1855 he accompanied his mother to Iowa, working at his trade in that state for a year, when he went to California and worked in the placer mines of Trinity county until the outbreak of the civil war.

He enlisted on the Union side and served at various outposts west of the Rockies from Washington to Arizona. On being mustered out of service at the end of the war he came to Portland and lived here until his death.

He helped build the Oswego Iron Works, the Hayden mill and two sawmills operated by the Oregon & California Railroad company. Afterward he had charge of the timber work in building that track between Portland and California. He worked in the British Columbia country for two years, assisting in constructing a telegraph line. His arm was lost in a planing mill on his return and he had to give up engineering work. In public service he left an enviable record for efficiency and honesty, and his death is regarded as a great loss to the community.

No arrangements have been made for the funeral. The desire of his widow and daughter will attach in this respect. Countesses at various made arrangements this morning for a beautiful floral emblem to ornament his casket.

L. R. Webster, the county judge, en route to Burns, in Harney county, was wired the news of the death. It is possible that a vacancy on the board of county commissioners may be allowed to exist until the next election. In case action by the board should become urgent, Judge Webster and Frank C. Barnes, the other commissioner, could fill the vacancy temporarily by choosing a successor to Mr. Showers.

INES WILL DIVIDE ASIATIC TRAFFIC

AGREEMENT IS REACHED BETWEEN CHINA COMMERCIAL COMPANY AND PORTLAND-ASIATIC COMPANY AND RATES WILL BE MAINTAINED.

J. V. C. Comfort, general manager of the China Commercial Steamship line, arrived in the city yesterday from San Francisco. From now on he will make Portland his permanent headquarters, and is busily employed today looking up offices. Mr. Comfort has spent more than a quarter of a century in the Bay City, during which time he has been connected with the transportation business almost continuously. While not indulging in speculation as to the possible growth of commerce between the orient and Pacific coast ports during the next few years he stated that the outlook is entirely favorable. He believes, however, that the war now in progress will interfere with trade relations to a certain extent. At his conclusion he believes there will be a big revival of business.

The China Commercial's fleet includes the Lothian, the Atholl, the Ching-Wo and the Clavering. While they will be operated in connection with the Portland-Asiatic freighters they will be under separate management. Between the two companies an agreement has been reached by which the same rates are to be charged, and when the new schedule is made up a steamer from each line will sail from Portland every alternate trip. In the future the business will be divided about equally between the two lines. It is the intention to so arrange the schedules as to have a steamer sailing from here every 10 days.

Manager Comfort reports that the Lothian is expected to arrive at Portland Saturday. She is coming from Salina Cruz, Mexico, and did not stop at San Francisco, as it was presumed she would a few days ago. She is light and will begin loading for the outward voyage immediately upon her arrival. The steamer will take out a cargo of four and lumber.

The next steamer to arrive will be the Ching Wo. She is now en route from the Orient to Salina Cruz, and is expected to reach Portland about April 10. It is supposed that the Ching Wo is now almost to Kobe on the outward trip. By the terms of the agreement the China Commercial steamers are not to carry any cargo coming this way.

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who would volunteer has not been accepted in a single instance.

The paper says editorially that all reports that have been made out of the number of convicts who have accepted the czar's terms and been supplied with arms have been for the sole purpose of boosting up the cause of patriotism among the Russian peasants who may be on hand when before the war is over to shed blood for the fatherland.

JAPAN BUYS BRITISH COAL.

(Journal Special Service.)

Liverpool, March 31.--It is reported that an English firm is sending 10,000 tons of coal, ostensibly to China, but its really to Japan, and is getting 23 shillings per ton.

GAMBLERS' BAIL IN CITY'S COFFERS

"Jim" Smith, of the Gem club, and Fred Fritz, corner Second and Burnside streets, are expected to appear in the municipal court this morning. The failure, upon their part to appear enriched the city \$350, each man forfeiting \$175 bail. Smith and Fritz were arrested yesterday afternoon on the charge of operating a gambling house.

CONCERT WAS ENJOYABLE.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church Organ Fund Got the Proceeds.

An excellent concert was given last evening at the Cumberland Presbyterian church, under the auspices of the choir. The proceeds were for the benefit of the organ fund.

The program was given by well-known musicians, including Mrs. W. A. T. Bushong, Mrs. Jordan Purvine, Miss Lina Linneman, Mrs. W. D. Deaver and Miss Cornelia Barker.

Mr. P. I. Packard rendered several baritone solos and also played a solo on the cello.

Miss Bertha Matlock gave an enjoyable reading.

Will Be Severe.

From the Chicago News.

Of course if the congressmen find that they have been bargaining in postoffice privileges they will return a severe report condemning themselves.

FAILURE

To cure indigestion is largely due to the stomach, when in the stomach, it comes inactive, it needs something to mechanically digest its contents, and cathartics, purgatives, etc., are used which give only temporary relief, because they digest by irritating the lining of the stomach.

Modern science recognizes the fact that it is the nerves that furnish motive power to digest the contents of the stomach.

The nerves agitate and mix the food, and stimulate the secretions. When they become weakened they lack energy and indigestion, dyspepsia, sour stomach result.

Dr. Miles' Restorative Nerve will relieve obstinate cases of indigestion, dyspepsia and stomach trouble by strengthening the nerves.

"I had severe stomach trouble. Dr. Miles' Nerve and Nerve and Liver Pills cured me. I can now eat anything without trouble." L. C. O'BRIEN, Winslow-Salem, N. Y.

Money back if first bottle fails to benefit.

FEAST OF PASSOVER SERVICES HELD

In each of the Jewish synagogues of Portland services were held last night and were continued today commemorative of the Passover, one of the most beautiful ceremonies in Hebrew church life. It tells of the deliverance of the 12 tribes from bondage and keeps green the memory that the tribes are to return to Jerusalem.

At the Temple Beth Israel, Dr. Levine read the special holiday service last night, a large audience being present to hear the service and the special musical program that had been prepared. Other services of the memorial were held at 10:30 o'clock this morning, and still other services are to be held this evening.

The Ahavai Shalom congregation is holding its services in the Newcastle building pending the erection of its new place of worship, the services being presided over by Rev. Dr. Abrahamson.

Rev. Adolph Abbey, the new rabbi of Talmud Torah, held services last evening and preached his first sermon today.

FOURTEEN GO THE WAY TO FREEDOM

Once again the eagle eye of Chief Hunt gazed lovingly at the forms and faces of the prisoners released without the orders of a justice, all of the freedmen being victims of the kangaroo court. This morning 14 men walked to freedom. "Guess there are no robbers among these," mused the lord high chief justice of the kangaroo court, as the men lined up for a final inspection. All were accepted for by reports properly filled out.

Two of the victims of the kangaroo court were released one-half an hour earlier than the others. Two others

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RAINCOATS

The Real "Cravenette"

Every coat bears the stamp; coats without it are imitations.

\$18 to \$25

Topcoats

Spring models for 1904 from America's best tailors-shops

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FAMOUS CLOTHING CO.

Morrison and Second Streets

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LUMBER CARGO A RECORD BREAKER

Loaded with 1,218,000 feet of lumber the British ship Cromartyshire has dropped down from the Inman-Poulsen mill to a point below the bridges, where she will remain a day or two before proceeding to the mouth of the river. She is accredited with having one of the largest cargoes aboard that has ever been carried by a ship of her size. The vessel is of only 1,462 tons net register, and she is heavily weighted down into the water. Few vessels of twice her size carry a larger cargo, and a great portion of it is green lumber.

The Cromartyshire was built to engage in the grain trade, but she has carried all kinds of freight. But this is the largest lumber cargo that she ever had aboard. Her destination is Cape Town, South Africa.

It has been a little more than two months since the Cromartyshire arrived in port, and during that time she lost 16 of her sailors by desertion. This number will probably be supplied by the local sailor boarding-house, and in the principal reason for the ship's long stay in port for a few days. The vessel came here from Newcastle, N. S. W., with a cargo of coal.

CAPTAIN GRANG'S NEW POSITION.

Capt. Thomas H. Grang, for many years a master and pilot on the Columbia and Willamette rivers, has accepted a position in the water lines department of the O. R. & N. Co. Until recently he was pilot on the Bailey Gatzert.

CORDWOOD FOR BAY CITY.

Another cargo of cordwood will be taken from the Columbia river to San Francisco. The schooner C. A. Klose has completed taking on a cargo at Patterson's Landing and will leave down as soon as a towboat can be secured.

THE STORE NOTED FOR THE BEST GOODS AT LOWEST PRICES.

Easter-Tide Fashions

MAGNIFICENT EXPOSITION OF NEW SEASON AP-PAREL. A STYLE CHARM--A QUALITY CHARM--A VARIETY CHARM--A PRICE CHARM.

We are anxious to help you make ready for Easter Sunday, and make prices here for Friday and Saturday that should tempt you. Visit with us at any rate and examine our goods we are offering for spring and summer. Read on.

Women's Tailored Suits and Skirts

AN UNEQUALLED REVIEW OF THE LATEST AND MOST AUTHORITATIVE FASHIONS. The most deserving thoughts of the world's best designers have been embodied in the magnificent displays which are now to be seen in unequalled profusion on our second floor. Each line was chosen only after we had thoroughly satisfied ourselves that nothing superior was to be had at the prices. Suits from \$10.00 to \$40.00. New corset-fitting jackets, in tans and black. New Cream Coats. New Black Silk Coats. White Broadcloth Coats. Misses' Jackets. Handsome line of Children's Coats, ages 1 to 8 years, in black silk, cream, blue, gray and broadcloths. Elegant line of Petticoats in black and all new shades. New Alapome Dress Skirts. WE ALTER FREE OF CHARGE AND GUARANTEE A FIT.

An elegant line of the new Mixed Suits, silk bound, gun-metal buttons, skirt with habit back, with Eton jacket effect, worth \$22. Our Easter price \$12.50

Another line of Brown Voile, very latest effect of Eton jacket, tailor-made, finished with silk braid, worth \$20. Our Easter price \$11.50

A novelty line of Misses' Suits, made with Eton and Oxford jacket effects, in light gray, blue and brown. These are worth \$20. Our Easter price \$11.50

Ladies' Walking Skirts, habit back, tailored, colors in tan, gray and black, sold everywhere for \$7 to \$8, but here our Easter price is only \$5.00



Ladies' Walking Skirts, habit back, tailored, all wool, in all the standard colors and new shades. These Skirts are being sold for \$8 to \$10. Our Easter price \$6.50

Another line of Ladies' Walking Skirts. Every one tailor-made, in blue, gray, and black. These Skirts sold for \$4, \$5, and \$6. To make our trade a pleasant Easter, our price only \$2.47

A line of Ladies' Handsomely-made White Oxford Shirtrwaists that are strictly 1904 style, sold the city over for \$2.75. Our Easter price \$1.75

A line of Ladies' Shirtrwaists in Pongee, hand-tailored, elegantly trimmed, in all the new colors. Sold everywhere for \$5. Our Easter price \$3.75

Easter Gloves

Our Glove Department has just received a large shipment of Gloves that was opened up Saturday night and will be placed on sale Monday morning. The very best styles, quality and all the new shades are embraced in this stock. As an index to the entire selling price of this stock we submit a few quotations for Friday and Saturday's selling:

Kid Gloves, genuine lamb, and all the leading shades, our regular \$1 quality. Friday and Saturday 65¢

Pique Walking Gloves, English Derby, regular \$1 value. Friday and Saturday 95¢

Another line, all sizes and colors, regular \$1.25 value. Friday and Saturday 95¢

Our best French Kid, regular \$2.00 quality. Friday and Saturday \$1.50

Thompson & Warner's Corsets

We have just received in a large shipment of these goods and will place them on sale Friday and Saturday for Easter buyers. This corset is recognized as the most reliable and best known corset in the world.

Low bust, long Princess hip, support on hip and front, hook in front to hold skirts down and in shape, lace trimmed, satin bow-knot, silk bust strings in white and drab. A corset which cannot be bought in this city for less than \$4.00. Here Friday and Saturday \$3.45

Another grade, batt front, low bust, hook in front for holding skirts in position, bust strings, fancy trimmed. A corset that sells the city over for \$5.00. Here Friday and Saturday \$2.45

Another with habit hips, bias gored, with supporters in front; colors, black, drab, and white. Sold everywhere for \$2.50. Here Friday and Saturday \$1.25

Another grade, colors, white and drab, long habit, hips bias gored. A corset that is worth and sells for \$1.50 elsewhere in the city. Here Friday and Saturday 75¢

Hosiery

Ladies' and Children's 50c Hose. Friday and Saturday, per pair 35¢ and 7¢

By adding Racine stocking feet, ladies, pair 35¢

Children's, pair 7¢

Easter Ribbons

Wide, fancy Neck Ribbons, for Easter. Friday and Saturday only, yard 10¢ and 5¢

Ruffled Swiss Curtains

That the material in one pair would cost you 75c. Here Friday and Saturday, 2 pairs for 85¢

Comforters--Table Linens

The best authority in the city say we have no competitor in Blankets, Comforters, Table Linens, Draperies, etc. The quality and prices we are showing and making confirm this.

Easter Hats

Our Hat Department has just received a large shipment of Hats that was opened up Saturday night and will be placed on sale Monday morning. The very best styles, quality and all the new shades are embraced in this stock. As an index to the entire selling price of this stock we submit a few quotations for Friday and Saturday's selling:

Black Hats, regular \$1.00 value. Friday and Saturday 65¢

White Hats, regular \$1.00 value. Friday and Saturday 65¢

Another line, all sizes and colors, regular \$1.25 value. Friday and Saturday 95¢

Our best French Kid, regular \$2.00 quality. Friday and Saturday \$1.50

Lawns and Challies

Scotch Lawns and Challies, all new Spring Goods, here and here only, Friday and Saturday 45¢

Ladies' Seamless Vests, trimmed with pure white. Friday and Saturday 50¢

Gentlemen's Furnishings

Our department for gentlemen is teeming with all new goods--just the proper things for Easter.

Shirt Sale--Just Half Price

60c Golf Shirts for 25¢

\$1.00 grades for 50¢

\$1.25 and \$1.50 grades for 65¢

\$2.00 and \$2.50 grades \$1.00

Mail Orders

We prepare all charges on all orders by mail amounting to \$10 or over to a distance of one hundred miles. Prompt attention.

McAllen & McDermott

THIRD AND MORRISON STREETS

THE ONLY EXCLUSIVE DRY GOODS STORE IN THE CITY.

Bazaar Patterns

These glove-fitting patterns have been committed to their former price to 10c. The most correct styles a d best patterns on earth.

GRAND JURY FACED BY VETERANS

AGED FIGHTERS IN INDIAN WARS SUMMONED TO TELL WHAT THEY KNOW REGARDING ALLEGED PENSION FRAUDS--EX-AGENT WOOD UNDER FIRE.

Aged veterans of the Indian wars of 1855-56 are in waiting before the federal grand jury today, where they have been summoned to testify concerning alleged pension frauds which have been perpetrated during the course of the past five years. T. A. Wood of this city, former pension agent, is suspected of being implicated in the frauds.

The grand jury is investigating the charges today, and many witnesses have been summoned to appear. In the lobby of the jury room this morning a score of venerable fighters were gathered awaiting their turns to testify. They were in ignorance of the cause of their appearance, having simply received a summons to be present at 9 o'clock this morning.

"None of us has been called before the jury yet," said one of the veterans, "but we are all quite positive that we have been ordered here to testify concerning the alleged frauds under T. A. Wood, formerly pension agent. He has charge of the pensions of nearly all the veterans, and through him we got what we supposed was due us."

"There have been many rumors, however, that a portion of the money that was ours reached our attorney, but failed to come the rest of the distance. It is in order to investigate these charges that the grand jury has summoned us here today."

"I know nothing about the grand jury's investigation," said Mr. Wood this morning. "I only know that they have subpoenaed a number of witnesses, and guess I am the one they accuse of fraud. I haven't committed any, but certain persons have made the charge, and the grand jury is now investigating those charges. Aside from that I know nothing whatever about it."

There were no indictments returned

by the grand jury today, though many witnesses were called on various cases. In connection with the pension frauds, officials of the court and those connected with the jury maintained the closest secrecy. No arrests have been made as yet, and no true bills have been returned. Wood was indicted before on a somewhat similar charge, but succeeded in establishing his innocence when the case was brought to trial.

J. L. De Young has been indicted by the federal grand jury for robbing the postoffice at Rickreall. The crime is alleged to have been committed March 18 last. When the postoffice and store were entered a suit of clothes, some rings, knives and razors were taken.

Friday and Saturday Special.

Full measure 1/2-gallon bottle of Pacific Cable Bourbon Whisky, \$1.25. Full Measure House, 108 Sixth Street, between Washington and Stark.

ICE CREAM EXPERTS VIE WITH FASHION'S ARBITERS

There are Easter fashions in ice cream as well as in millinery. Dainty creations in glaces, sherbets and fruit-flavored frozen creams are designed to appeal to the exquisite feminine taste as temptingly as does a pretty bonnet in a shop window. As such thought, proportionately, is put into designing new creams for each season as is given heed by the arbiters of fashion in the great millinery emporiums.

On Watch for Novelties.

The head of each ice cream department in the large manufactories of the world always studies up new ideas in advance for every holiday occasion. There are ice cream journals published, the same as there are millinery and fashion periodicals. The more progressive and capable the ice cream manager is of a large establishment, the more time and thought he will give to perfecting dainty and delicious novelties appropriate to special occasions.

Genius for Originality.

Exclusiveness is something aimed after by the ice cream maker for his clientele just as the same object is sought to be attained by every milliner who is any better than a mere imitator. An ice cream artist is always on the lookout for new ideas, and his inventive faculty is always keenly alive in originating specialties. A stock of ice cream ideas is kept on hand, so that when a customer desires anything that is distinctive, original, exclusive--something that never has been tried before--she can be given a variety of original suggestions from which she can make her choice.

At Head of Profession.

The ice cream experts employed in the different manufactories of the foremost in their profession. Each is an authority on the manufacture of ice creams and sherbets by modern methods. With the best materials to work with--pure, rich cream and pure fruit flavors--the ice cream expert produces a grade of ice cream that has been pronounced "perfection" by critical hotel chefs and caterers in the large cities of the east.

Haselwood's Easter Special.

One of the Easter specialties especially designed for the brick ice cream trade in Portland this year, is a cream made of ice cream and sherbet, combined in three colors emblematic of Easter and Springtime. The colors are delicate green, crystal white and dainty amber. These bricks--known as the Haselwood Easter Special, 1904--can be ordered by phone (Exchange 40) at the regular brick price, 50 cents a quart, to be delivered any time wanted. Only pure fruit and nut flavors are used in coloring these ice creams.