

WAREHOUSE STRUCTURES BIG BUILDING FEATURE

A notable feature of the heavy building improvement now in progress in Portland is the large number of warehouses that are under way in both the North Portland warehouse district and in the full territory on the east side of the Willamette. It is not an over estimate to say that the new construction of this character now under way will involve the expenditure of not less than \$500,000, while the warehouses for which plans are being prepared and on which work is being prepared for the laying of another half million. Included in this estimate are two garages which are going up in the district north of Ankeny street.

The largest warehouse building now under construction in Portland is the big structure at the corner of Burnside and Ankeny streets, bounded by Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Davis and Everett streets. This is to be a four-story reinforced concrete structure, 500 feet square, with a full concrete basement, arranged for storage purposes. It is to be a three-story structure, 150,000. The W. P. Fuller company has taken a long time lease on the building and will occupy it as soon as it is completed.

Six-Story Concrete.
At Park and Everett streets, the Labbe estate has begun the erection of a six-story, reinforced concrete building, to be occupied as a salesroom and warehouse by the Bismarck-Frank Drug company. The building covers a quarter-block and will cost \$100,000. The interior of the structure is to be supported with steel columns, those for the basement and first story having already been delivered on the ground.

Work on the E. H. Wempe brick garage at Seventh and Couch streets is progressing favorably. The foundation is in and the walls of the first story are nearly up. This is to be a two-story structure and will cover a quarter-block. This is the second brick garage to be erected at that point by Mr. Wempe. The other one is at Burnside and Seventh streets and is occupied by H. L. Keats company. E. G. Crawford, a Vancouver, Wash., banker, who recently purchased the property at the southeast corner of Fifth and Ankeny streets, has commissioned an architect to draw the plans for a three-story warehouse of reinforced concrete, to be erected on that site. The building will be of fireproof construction and will cost approximately \$40,000.

The F. S. Harmon Furniture company has completed the foundation for a new six-story furniture warehouse at Fourteenth and Johnson streets adjoining a four-story warehouse formerly built by this company.

The St. Clair Provision company's steel reinforced concrete building, at the north end of Everett street, is well under way, the foundation having been completed, and work on the walls begun. This is to be a six-story building, and for the present will be but two stories high, although the foundation and walls are to be of sufficient

strength to support four additional stories.

Paper Company's Warehouse.
At the northwest corner of Fourth and Ankeny streets, the foundation and a part of the walls of the first story of the Pacific Paper company's warehouse have been completed. This structure is to be of the heavy burning or mill construction type. It will cover a quarter-block, is to be six stories high and will cost about \$75,000.

On the opposite corner, across Ankeny street, the Pacific Paper company's warehouse, a four-story salesroom and warehouse, covering a quarter-block, is in Portland and will be completed in the near future.

After two months of preparation the five-story Mitchell-Lewis and Staver warehouse at Seventeenth and Thurman streets is about ready to start on its two block journey west to Nineteenth street. The entire building has been underpinned and now rests on steel rollers. The temporary tracks of steel rails and the big cable and drum is being put in place. It is estimated that not over a few days will be required to move the heavy structure to its new site.

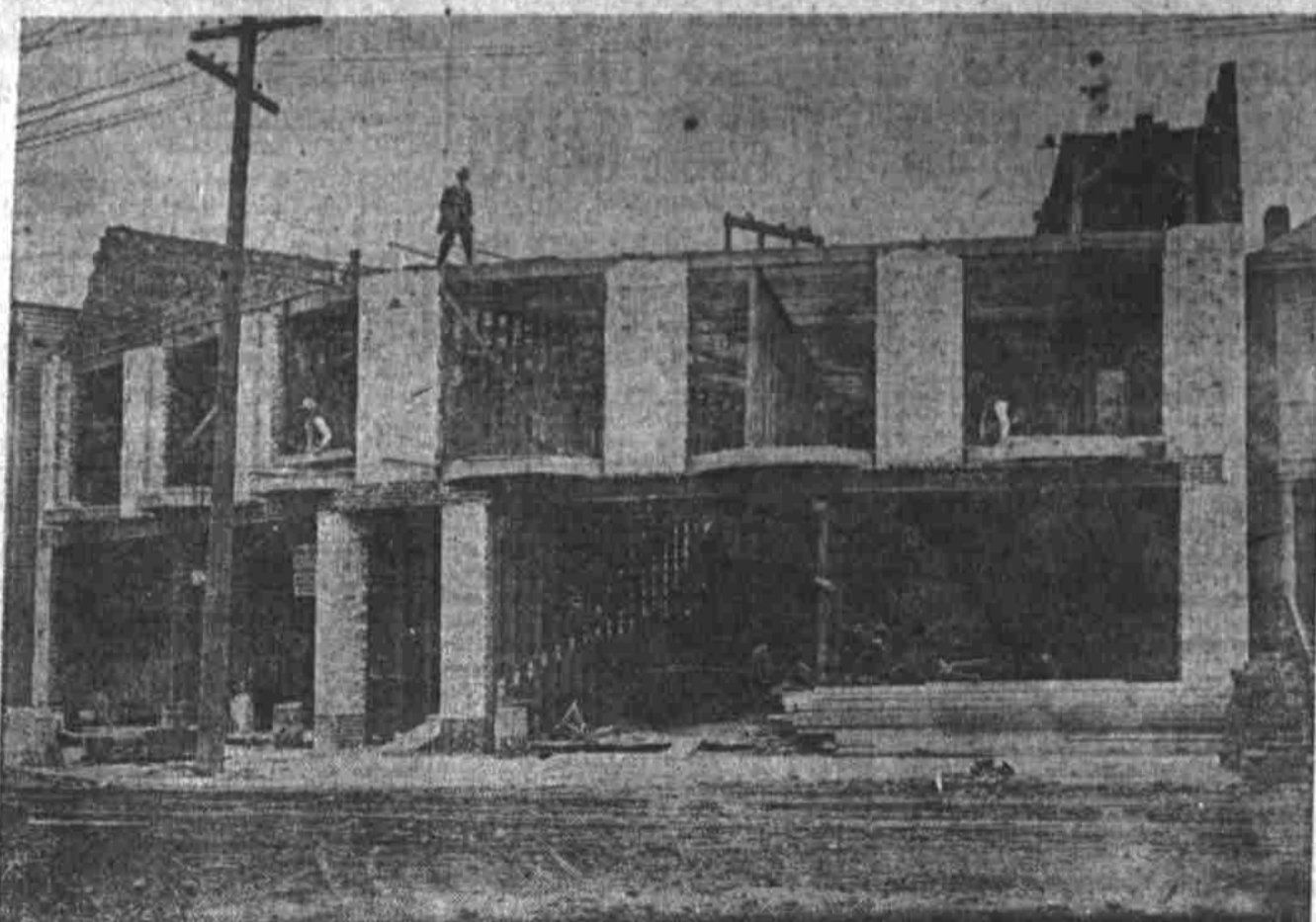
This is the largest building moving proposition that has ever been undertaken in Portland, if not in the northwest. While it is not an unusual undertaking, it is one that required a great deal of skill and is attended with a heavy expense; the contract price for moving the building about 500 feet in the neighborhood of \$20,000.

In the east side warehouse district are a number of warehouses under construction. At East First and East Yamhill streets, Devlin & Wallace have commenced the erection of a 100x100 warehouse, to be a three-story structure, two stories high with a full height basement. The John Deere Plow company is soon to erect a large warehouse and salesroom in the same vicinity.

Other Structures Completed.
The Oliver Chilled Plow works has just completed a two-story brick warehouse at the corner of East First and East Taylor streets. The building is of brick construction and covers a 100x100-foot site.

Milton Miller, a Seattle capitalist, who last year purchased a site on Union avenue, between East Burnside and East Couch streets in Portland and will immediately begin the erection of a three-story building on the property. What the building is to be has not yet been adopted, it is probable that it will be a reinforced concrete building with a dressed stone front. While Mr. Miller is inclined to limit his building to three stories, he is not averse to putting up a six-story structure, if suitable tenants can be found.

These improvements are by no means all that is going in the line of warehouse buildings in Portland. There are several smaller structures under construction in the district north of Everett street and west of Fifth, buildings for the most part having a front of 50 feet and a height of two or three stories.



Scherer Building, Larabee Street, Near Holladay Avenue.

THE MILLS SOON TO BEGIN WORK MANY CONTRACTS LET FOR NEW RESIDENCES

Revival of Railroad Construction Creates Demand for Material.

The mills throughout the country will soon resume operations as a result of the revival in the demand for material for the numerous railroad construction projects under way. For nearly a whole year have most of the mills been in idleness while stocks on hand have been disposed of to the best possible advantage. Several contracts have been closed during the week and others are expected to follow soon.

Among the mills that will resume operations in the near future are several in the Lewis river district where perhaps more ties are cut than in any other one district along the coast. One firm in that district disposed of about 30,000 ties a few days ago for California.

The lumber market is gradually improving and it is reported that several large orders were placed during the past few days. There is said to be a strong demand for car stock which goes to show that the Oregon timber trade is all the more active. The Harriman people have invited bids for furnishing several million feet of lumber. The early date and a number of mills in Portland have submitted figures.

Values Are Going Up.
Mills are not anxious to book orders for future delivery because of the gradual increase in values and it is a well known fact that much business of this class has been turned to America. The local demand for building material continues good and reports of similar nature have been received from all parts of the Willamette valley where the building industry might be said to be booming.

The Oregon fir or pine is steadily becoming introduced in new markets as shown by the following article from the Wellington, New Zealand, Times: "Valuable information respecting the market for Oregon pine in New Zealand, which has recently been shipped south in large quantities by the agent of the New Zealand government in Vancouver. He says that according to the reports of the American consular agent in Dunedin, inquiries among the merchants and millmen there disclose the fact that the lower floor of Oregon pine is in demand in New Zealand as not a cause for alarm in that part of the New Zealand market. The very little Oregon pine which is being imported there are such unlimited quantities of marketable timber in that part of the world that the American article gaining a hold on the market."

Lumber to New Zealand.
"One Dunedin merchant attributed the existing low price at which Oregon pine could be obtained in New Zealand to the recent financial stringency in America. The price was now down to bedrock and the early experience would be that it would rise again and then the question of the importation of American lumber being imported would diminish considerably. Another factor responsible for the heavy shipments of the American timber was the difficulty in obtaining kauri timber."

"As a result the merchants had turned their attention to Oregon pine, and the opinion was expressed that this was not displacing the New Zealand red pine (rimu) and was not to be considered a serious matter. Consistently the timber had been found in Oregon which was 90 per cent cheaper than kauri and could be had at a uniform rate up to 40 feet long and 14 inches wide in New Zealand was not available in these sizes or lengths without considerable extra cost. The Oregon timber was much preferable to red pine in the case of the building trade, for its strength, etc., on account of its rigidity, combined with its lightness, which was a great factor in handling."

DOUBLE FLAT TO GO UP ON KING STREET
J. D. Young has commissioned Architect Richard Martin Jr. to prepare plans for a double flat to be erected on King street near Davis. The building is to be two stories high, each of the flats will contain two rooms and a bathroom. The building will cost about \$5,000. This will be the first building to go up on King street since the late 1800s. The property was recently purchased by a local syndicate, subdivided and sold out to investors. Most of the flats were erected in the late 1800s and are in a state of decay.

NEW CHURCH TO GRACE LOTS IN LADD TRACT
The First United Evangelical church has disposed of its property at East Tenth and East Sherman streets and has purchased two lots in the Ladd tract.

Among the contracts let this week for the erection of dwellings are the following: E. S. Routledge, for a \$3,400 cottage for Mrs. J. Ferguson Jr. in Greenway addition; W. L. Morgan, for a \$4,500 flat for A. C. Going, Eighteenth street, between Lovejoy and Marshall streets; A. C. Meyer, for a \$10,000 residence for H. L. Chapin, Wasco street, between East Sixteenth and East Seventeenth streets; alteration to St. Johns Episcopal church to the amount of \$2,000, corner of East Fifteenth and Multnomah streets, Sellwood, G. H. Elkerton, contractor; L. Jennings, for repairs and alterations to Richard Williams' warehouse at 711 Front street—estimated cost \$2,500; H. C. Morris, for a \$2,000 cottage for Albert Meyer at Vernon Veluth & Pierce, for a \$2,000 dwelling for George W. Faber, East Seventh, between A. and Thompson streets; H. C. Morris, for a \$2,000 cottage for F. A. Blackmore, East Forty-fifth street, between Hancock and Broadway; C. Zeigler, for a \$2,200 dwelling for Isabella Collins, corner Minnesota and Fay streets; A. P. Smith, for three dwellings to cost \$2,000 each on East Thirty-second street, between Hawthorne avenue and Main street; U. D. Lewis, for two \$1,500 cottages for C. H. Piggott, Virginia street, between Miles and Nevada streets; E. Grimshaw, for a \$1,000 cottage for J. E. McCallay, Sumner, between Concord and Denver streets; B. F. Hart, for a \$1,200 cottage for E. A. Hoot, East Seventy-fifth street, between East Ash and East Burnside streets; W. D. Smearinger, for a \$1,000 cottage for Mrs. Alice Harris, Omaha street, between Killingsworth and Jessup streets; Alexander Muir, for a \$7,000 addition and alterations to Walter F. Smith residence at Twenty-first and Jackson streets, Portland Heights; R. B. Rice, for a \$10,000 residence for A. C. Ruby in Holladay Park; J. M. Wallace, for \$10,000 alterations and repairs to the Peterson & Roberts building at Front and Davis streets.

COSTLY HOMES ON EAST SIDE FEATURE OF WEEK'S CONTRACTS
W. A. Lee has contracted with L. Watts for the erection of a two-story frame dwelling at the corner of East Twenty-first and Brasse streets. When completed the building will cost about \$4,500.
K. Tuerck is having a handsome frame residence erected on Harrison street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets. The building will cost \$5,000 and is being erected by Contractor F. Barth.
A. S. Anderson will soon let the contract for a two-story cottage to be erected on East Eleventh street, between Tillamook and Thompson streets. The structure will cost about \$3,000.
Dr. Cardwell has begun the erection of a three-story residence on East Thirty-first streets, C. E. Duke is preparing to build a \$2,500 residence.
J. M. Wallace has begun the erection of an attractive frame residence on Bancroft street, between Court and Washington streets, Portland Heights. The building is of the bungalow type and will cost about \$3,000.

RUSH WORK ON NEW WAREHOUSE START WORK ON NEW APARTMENT
Work on the foundation of the warehouse and salesroom for the Pacific Paper company at Fourth and Ankeny streets is making good progress. The excavation has been completed and the mounds for the concrete foundation are being filled. The concrete pier foundations have all been completed and work on the superstructure will begin in a short time. This is to be a five-story building and will cost about \$20,000.
It is announced that Blake, McFall & Co. are preparing to erect a modern wholesale and warehouse structure on the east half of the burned livery stable area adjoining the Marshall-Wells Hotel. The character and size of the improvement to be made on this site has not been definitely settled.
Architect Kroner is setting up the plans for a business house to be erected by W. H. Holmes on Williams avenue between Russell and Stanton streets. The building will be two stories high, the lower floor to be devoted to store purposes and the upper floor arranged for a rooming-house.

CHICAGO ALSO IN AERIAL FLIGHT SHACKS ON THIRD
Resolving not to be outdone by New York builders, Chicago has come to the front with the announcement that one of the largest office buildings in the world is to be erected at once in the city. The building is to be a skyscraper and is to be erected by the People's Gas, Light & Coke company at a cost of \$10,000,000. The site is on the corner of the present office building of the corporation at the northwest corner of Highland boulevard and Adams street. It is a 100x100-foot site and will occupy a site that is 196 feet on Michigan avenue and 171 feet on Adams street. The building is to be a skyscraper and is to be erected by the People's Gas, Light & Coke company. It is to be a 25-story building and will cost about \$10,000,000. The building is to be a skyscraper and is to be erected by the People's Gas, Light & Coke company.

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MOSSBACKISM ADMITTED

One Citizen Found Who Doesn't Object to Term Being Applied to Him.

Declaring that "those best able to pay for street improvements and those who have the most money also have the most moss on their backs," A. Van Hommesen appeared before the street committee of the city council yesterday to fight for the improvement of East Seventeenth street, to which remonstrance had been made. The committee finally overruled the remonstrance, which was presented by Waldemar Seton and S. B. Lintinicum. The improvement covers nearly a mile of the street, and most of the property is owned by the streetcar company and one or two other large property owners. There are only a few families living on the street and Seton protested that the improvement is unnecessary at this time and will only prove a burden. He stated further that within a few months a sewer will be placed in the street, which would necessitate tearing up the improvement.

Seton was followed by S. B. Lintinicum, who represented one of the large property owners, and protested against the improvement at this time, declaring that the street commenced nowhere and ended at the same place. Lintinicum was followed by Van Hommesen, who represented the streetcar company. He stated that the improvement of the street was necessary for the health of the city and that he would travel from the northern to the southern part of the city.

Doesn't Object to Moss.
Van Hommesen then declared in his reply to Lintinicum and Seton that the property owners who have the most money also have the most moss on their backs. His statement was decidedly a provocation, which he reiterated was unnecessary, but that he did take strong exceptions to being called in the platonic classes. He said that he had never before been so rated, and that he had not done anything or acquired

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NURSES' HOME TO COST \$25,000

Martin Winch to Erect a Structure at Fourteenth and Market.

Portland is soon to have another nurses home, making two institutions of this kind in the city. The new building is to be erected by Martin Winch on a corner lot at Fourteenth and Market streets. It will have a ground area of 48 by 100 feet, and a height of 40 feet and will cost between \$20,000 and \$25,000.

The interior arrangement will be up-to-date in every particular and being constructed with especial reference to the comfort and convenience of nurses. Every room will be equipped with a full folding bed and enclitic. The building throughout will be heated by steam, and running water, both hot and cold will be provided.

Architect W. L. Morgan has just completed a second set of plans for this structure. The first plans having been destroyed in the fire which partially destroyed the Abington building.

Building Permits.
Mrs. L. Schuman, erect store, Willamette boulevard, corner Van Hooken, \$1,000; L. Schuman, erect dwelling, Willamette boulevard, corner Van Hooken, \$1,500; Worthington & Kennedy, erect dwelling, East Washington, between East Thirty-eighth and East Thirty-ninth streets, \$1,000; N. Moner, erect dwelling, Mildred, between East Tenth and East Eleventh, \$2,500; Ole Grunander, erect dwelling, East Twenty-first, between Mildred and Sursum, \$1,500; Sparks, erect dwelling, East Madison, between East Fortieth and East Forty-first, \$2,000.

sufficient money to be placed in the class with the rich at this time. Father Gregory also spoke in favor of the improvement, and said that it was necessary for the poor people who have to traverse that portion of the city to get their places of work. He said that he got to work in the morning, and people have to walk in mud and water, and he believed the time had come when the street should be so improved that this condition would not exist.

Seton also replied to Father Gregory, and in a speech filled with humor denied possession of the wealth that had been thrust upon him by the men in black. He stated that he had spent considerable money to place a good walk in front of his property, and ended his remarks by stating that "such would suffice for the feet of the poor people who have to traverse that portion of the city."

OUR FIDO'S GONE; WHO DO YOU THINK'S GOT 'EM?
Tray, Blanch and Sweetheart all are lost today and there is a great flocking to the newspaper offices with want ads offering rewards for the return of lost dogs and no questions asked. What questions there are should probably be directed to the dog pound. At the end of the time for issuing licenses expired Wednesday, and the following day the dog catcher made his first trip around the town. He gathered several dozen hapless canines and carried themeping off to the dog pound, where they will be kept until next week, and unless rescued be led to the death chamber.

To date 294 male and 12 female licenses have been issued by the city clerk. Last year 178 female and 1,877 male dog licenses were issued. It is not believed that the number of dogs in Portland has decreased, but instead that many have neglected to secure new licenses. Four-foot coal seam yields 4,628 tons of fuel.