

# COURT HOUSE STEEL BIDS ARE SEEN

### County Commissioners Find Northwest Steel Co. of Portland Will Furnish Structural Metal at Low- est Figures.

The Northwest Steel company of Portland is the lowest bidder on structural steel for the new courthouse. When the bids were opened by County Judge Webster and the commissioners this morning this firm was found to have submitted three alternative bids, the difference being in the time stipulated for delivery of the material, and each of these bids was lower than any competitive firm submitted.

The first bid is an agreement to deliver the material at the building site within 21 days for the second floor, 14 days for the third floor, and 14 days to complete deliveries in 99 days for \$24,000. For a longer period in delivery the firm bid \$2,500, and for 90, 120 and 180 days the bid is lowered to \$31,144.

A bid of \$34,000 was submitted by the United Engineering & Construction company of Portland for deliveries of a. b. trusses in 10 weeks, 11 weeks and 14 weeks respectively. The Minneapolis Steel & Machinery company of Minneapolis, Minn., bid \$27,200 for deliveries in eight, 11 and 14 weeks at the building site.

The bids were based on an estimate of about 600 tons of steel required, making the price around \$60 per ton. Judge Webster said he had no idea as yet whether the bids were high or low. After they have been reported on by the architects and the board has consulted experts on steel regarding the new structure on the Fourth-street side of the present building. The only thing likely to interfere with early work on the building is the threatened injunction suit of the east side, who want it on their side of the Willamette.

# DICKERSON TRIAL ON SEPTEMBER 8

### Slayer of Harry Garrett Will Plead Self-Defense and Unwritten Law.

B. B. Dickerson, the slayer of Harry Garrett, will face a jury to answer for his life on September 8, the second day of court after the summer recess. This date was fixed by Presiding Judge Bronough in the circuit court this morning. Dickerson's defense will be a combination of self-defense and provocation under the unwritten law.

Issie Dangfield, colored, who was indicted by the grand jury on the charge of assault with a deadly weapon, pleaded guilty this morning to the reduced charge of simple assault and was fined \$100.

Vernon M. Ballard, accused of larceny by bailee in failing to deliver a gold watch worth \$75 to A. B. Brink according to the terms of his trust, was arraigned and allowed until tomorrow to plead.

# BROTHER EVIDENCES FATHERLY INSTINCT

Some time before 6 o'clock this morning word was sent to the police station that a boy was being held at the Cliff Inn, on the Lannton road. The patrol wagon with two officers was immediately dispatched to find J. F. Schmidt, 27 years of age, beating his brother, Willie, aged 15.

The older Schmidt explained that Willie had run away from home and refused to return. He was persuading him to go back with a stick. Both were sent home.

# Australian Age Pensions.

Melbourne, July 1.—The old age and invalid pensions act, which was passed by the federal parliament in Australia today. The act provides that every person of 65 who is permanently incapacitated for work will be qualified to receive a pension. By proclamation, women of 60 years may be qualified. The act provides for invalid pensions as well as those for old age. The cost to the commonwealth is variously estimated at from \$7,500,000 to \$9,000,000 a year.

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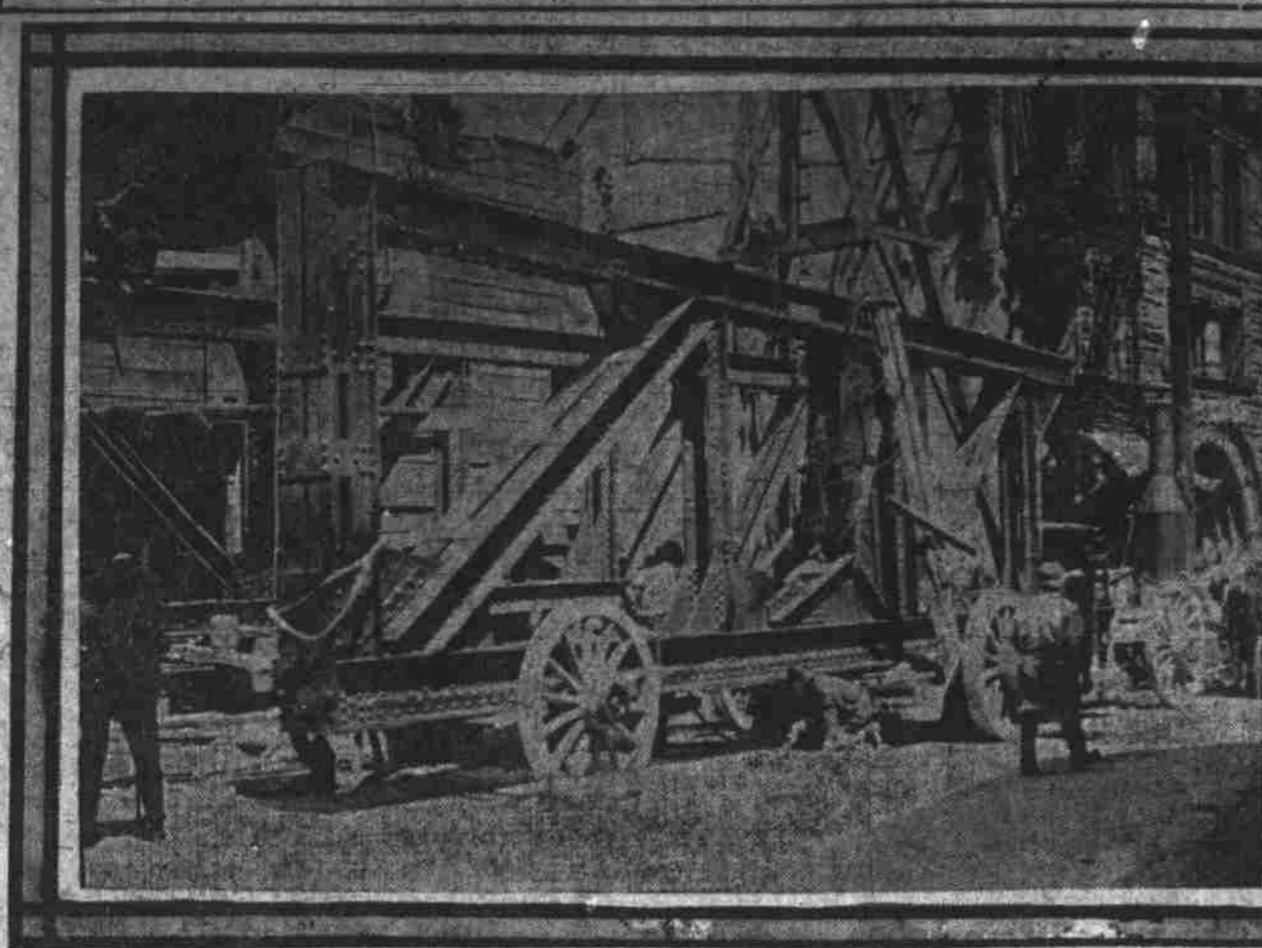
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# Heaviest Trusses Ever Hoisted Into Place



Hoisting Huge Trusses Into Place at Electric Power Building, Seventh and Alder Streets.

Four of the heaviest steel trusses ever used in Portland construction, are being hoisted into place above the machinery room of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co.'s big office building at Seventh and Alder. These trusses weigh 44,000 pounds each and they are to be used in transferring the center load of the building to the outside piers.

They were designed by Portland construction engineers and were fabricated by the Minneapolis Steel company. Their cost, laid down in Portland, was

nearly \$4000 each, or about 60 a pound. A special hoisting apparatus of great strength had to be erected, with which to lift these huge masses of steel above the machinery room and place them in position. The additional cost of this building, by reason of the necessity of protecting the heavy machinery in the crane room with steel trusses will approximate \$30,000.

The Hurley-Mason Construction company, which has the general contract for the P. R. L. & P. Co.'s building,

employed eastern construction engineers to make careful tests of the steel used in manufacturing these trusses. From the time the molten metal was taken from the steel converters until it was finally rolled into shape and cut, and the Portland contracting firm was furnished with analyses through the various stages of the test.

As soon as the difficult work of putting these trusses into place has been finished the work of building the superstructure will proceed rapidly to completion.

tions in the country have been engaged for the carnival. Balloon races, the famous Hoyt family, also the largest gorilla in captivity in this country. His manager will back him to throw any wrestler in Portland or anywhere else. There will be all together about 16 different variety shows and free attractions besides a large 60x20 open air pavilion.

M. Joe Meyer is manager of the exhibit and has given it his whole time and attention for the past six weeks.

# TOO WEAK TO BEAT HER HUSBAND

### Mrs. Case Says With Regret That She Did Not Strike Him.

"Did you strike him, as he has testified?" was one of the questions propounded to Mrs. Florence Case on the witness stand at the circuit court this morning. She and G. Lewis Case are each contending for custody of their child.

"That is one thing I am ashamed to have to deny," answered Mrs. Case, dramatically. "I am ashamed that I did not make him measure his length on the floor, but I did not have the strength to do so. No, I did not strike him, and I am ashamed I didn't."

Case looked down at the floor as his wife hurried this in his direction, as though she feared that she might yet try to make up for lost time. She was not through with her verbal contest here for divorce.

The idea of his saying that he tickled a child two months old to make it laugh, she exclaimed in exasperation, she never saw him play with the baby was to slap its legs.

Mrs. Case, who is a schoolteacher, working last term in Clark county, Washington, delivered her testimony throughout with demonstrative effect. She was careful in her enunciation and her grammar, and each sentence was delivered as though it were part of a recitation.

Mrs. Case, answering her husband's charge that she pointed for weeks at a red cross in the street, pointed more than two hours, and then for just cause, because he had made some insulting remarks and she had allowed her \$24 per month to pay rent and household expenses, when over \$30 was required.

The witness said she was Frank in saying that she was quite satisfied that her husband should have a divorce, but she wanted the child.

Mrs. Case obtained a divorce from her husband, Sherman Case, last January, but she had her default set aside and the case sent here for trial on the ground that she desired to prevent her gaining knowledge of the suit, although he knew where she was.

"I am fighting for the custody of the child, not a divorce," she said this morning. "Of course a divorce will go with it, but the child is the object."

Testimony in chief on both sides was finished this morning. This afternoon rebuttal testimony in Case's favor is being heard. She is charged with cruelty. She came back with allegations that he was cruel to her, and that she should be granted the divorce.

# STEAMER ISLETON BURNS AT STOCKTON

Stockton, Cal., July 1.—The California Transportation company steamer Isleton, formerly used between San Francisco and Sacramento, burned to the waterline in Stockton today.

The fire broke out in the oil room and underneath the engine room shortly after 3 o'clock, from a leak in a pipe. The firemen battled desperately for over half an hour, but were unable to reach the seat of the difficulty owing to the great volume of black smoke which poured from the hold. Finally the flames broke out on the deck and soon the entire steamer was a mass of flames. Then the work of the firemen was turned to saving the steamer sheds nearby.

The Isleton arrived this morning at 7 o'clock from San Francisco. Her cargo had been unloaded and the crew was preparing to remove her to one of the mills to take on a cargo for the return trip this afternoon. The loss will be many thousands of dollars.

The Isleton was a handsome two deck single stack passenger steamer, built six years ago for the old Dutch company. Manager J. W. Glenn of the California Transportation company estimates that the loss will be over \$100,000. The steamer cost \$65,000 and the furnishings and fixtures will increase the loss.

At noon the fire was still burning fiercely. The boat was cast adrift to save the steamboat pumps and offices, an attempt was made to scuttle her, to save the hull if possible.

While fighting the flames, Assistant Fire Chief Murphy and Hoseman Shaw fell into the channel and narrowly escaped drowning.

St. Joaquin was brought to the scene to assist in fighting the blaze. Stockton's entire fire department was called out.

# PERSONALS

Elwood Mead, business manager of the Commercial West, a financial weekly published in Minneapolis, is in Portland this being his first trip to the Pacific coast since the Lewis & Clark fair. Mr. Mead said he was astonished at the remarkable growth Portland has experienced since the exposition and thought that there was nothing in the country to compare with this awakening. He will be here several days, making a study of financial and commercial conditions with here.

# RECORDS SHOW GREAT INCREASE

### Building Permits and Realty Transfers for Half Year Reach Big Totals.

Both building permits and real estate transfers for June, 1909, exceeded the totals for the same month last year. The realty transfers were nearly \$600,000 greater, while the building permits show a gain of \$24,235. For the two months these figures are as follows: Permits, June, 1909, \$955,300; June, 1908, \$841,065; transfers, June, 1909, \$1,124,656; June, 1908, \$572,835.

For the first half of this year the volume of new construction as shown by the records is \$1,640,000 greater than the total for the first half of 1908. The figures are as follows: First six months of 1909, \$3,008,262; same period in 1908, \$1,377,810.

There is every reason to believe that the volume of new building for the next six months will at least equal that of the first half of the year.

Construction work is now under way on buildings in the business center, for which permits have not been taken out, that calls for an expenditure of at least \$1,500,000. This includes the 12-story office building on the Ladd corner at Third and Washington, and the nine-story office building of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company at Seventh and Alder. Nor is there any indication that the immense volume of residence construction now in progress will lessen during the next six months.

# J. C. STUBBS IS PORTLAND BOUND

### Head of Harriman Passenger Department to Spend Time in Portland.

J. C. Stubbs, vice president and traffic director of the Harriman lines, will arrive in Portland from his headquarters at Huntington, where he will meet Mr. Stubbs and accompany him to Portland.

An vice president in charge of traffic, Mr. Stubbs is the "whole" of the Harriman lines, and it is thought that he is coming at this time to look over the ground prior to the commencement of passenger service by the Harriman line between Portland and Seattle.

It is probable that he will confer about the operation of the joint lines with Pacific coast officials of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern during his western trip.

# JAMES P. RYAN IS NOW ADMINISTRATOR

James P. Ryan was this morning named administrator of the estate of his mother, Mary Ryan, who died on March 28, leaving a personal property worth \$1570 and real estate valued at \$10,000.

The heirs, besides the petitioner, are five other sons and daughters, Mrs. Mary Manake of Huntington Beach, Cal.; Maurice W. Ryan of Los Angeles, Mrs. Ella Ensminger of Seattle, and John C. Ryan and Jerry B. Ryan of Portland.

# EAST SIDE FAIR TO BE A BIG EVENT

Portland is assuming every day more and more of a metropolitan character. There was a time, not so very remote, when a one ring circus was an attraction for a season, but today it would scarcely attract a "whoop" if marched up Washington street. These days there must be something doing all the time or Seattle would say our town is a dead one.

No one is the Rose Festival over the east side takes up a carnival and manufacturers' fair. And it promises to be one of the real big events of the year. Last year the Catholic Young Men's club got up a carnival to raise funds to complete a clubhouse they were building for the young men of the east side. It was such a success that this year the whole east side is behind them in an effort to make a bigger success of a carnival and manufacturers' exhibit.

The fair opens July 15 and will continue for 10 days. It will be held in the big park block of the club on Williams avenue and Stanton streets. A more slightly place could not be secured in the city nor one more centrally located. Some of the very best attrac-

# CONSUMPTIVE IS DAD GROCERYMAN

### Market Inspector Reports Store at Sixth and Hall a Public Menace.

City Market Inspector Sarah A. Evans, in her report to the health board for the month of June, states that the grocery store kept at Sixth and Hall streets by a man in the last stages of tuberculosis has been pronounced a menace to the community by Dr. Mason, city bacteriologist. The market inspector says that if the store is ordered closed by the board, some provision ought to be made to provide for the family dependent upon the storekeeper.

"There is reason to believe," runs a section of the report, "that certain butchers shops are using preservatives to keep meat from spoiling. There have been a large number of complaints from persons who have been made sick of eating such meats. This should emphasize the city's need for a chemist and a chemical laboratory."

"Summing up the results obtained since the establishment of the position of market inspector I may say that the great majority of merchants have come to realize that cleanliness pays. They now see the beneficial results of inspection and cooperate with the inspector."

"The market ordinance in force here has been indorsed by the National Federation of Women's clubs, an organization whose membership is 400,000. Tacoma has recently adopted a market ordinance similar to ours and I am in receipt of letters from other cities asking for information as to its effects in practice."

# ANNIE ANDERSON SAYS ANKLE WAS INJURED

The damage suit of Annie Anderson against the city of Astoria is in progress before Judge Wolverson in the United States district court. The plaintiff claims to have suffered a severe injury of the ankle, caused by falling from a defective sidewalk.

C. J. Franklin, charged with refusing to be sworn in a hearing before the register and receiver of the Portland land office, was discharged by United States Commissioner Cannon this morning. Franklin was defendant in a contest case and when called upon to testify refused to take the required oath. The United States commissioner could find no law making it a crime to refuse to be sworn.

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Men's white hemstitched Handkerchiefs, extra nice quality, narrow hem; the kind you pay 10c and 15c for; yours for **5c**.
- 47c Ea**  
Men's French ribbed Shirts and Drawers, extra fine grade, colors pink, blue and natural; the kind you pay 75c and \$1 for. Yours Friday and Saturday, **47c**.

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