

PEOPLE WONT PAY MORE TO IMPROVE FIRE DEPARTMENT

So Says Mayor Simon When Told Fire Underwriters Recommend Portland Expend \$600,000 for Equipment.

I haven't read the report of the National Board of Fire Underwriters yet," said Mayor Simon this morning, "but I am told that it has made recommendations for improvements in the fire fighting service that would cost \$600,000. The expenditure of such a vast sum of money for the purposes recommended, at this time, would be ridiculous.

COURTHOUSE WING WILL BE FINISHED IN JUNE, HE SAYS

The greatest delay has been occasioned in the erection of the steel frame. The steel was furnished by the Pacific Iron works, a local concern. It is upon this concern that the greatest part of the blame is placed for the long delay.

ranged to take the top floor. The original plans called for an eight story building with a steel frame work.

The United Engineering & Construction company has the contract for erecting the steel, after it had been furnished by the Pacific Iron Works.

Mr. Whitney, supervising architect, said this morning that everything possible is being done to speed the completion of the structure.

PORTLANDERS HEARTILY ENJOY TWO DAY FESTIVAL

long time in the memories of those who heard. Dr. William Hiram Poulkes, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, has been ill. He was not able to preach yesterday.

other organized agencies for helping the needy in sending out big baskets full of good food, in finding dolls for children and in giving clothes to the otherwise forgotten.

AERIAL WARFARE TO BE ON VIEW AT DOMINGUEZ FIELD

cluded their explosion except by the concussion provided by a drop from a considerable height. He will maneuver as if a fortification or a battleship were his objective, and the aerial attack will have all the characteristics of grim reality.

Arch Hoxsey is the hero of the aviation team. The intrepid youngster added to the laurels he already won by ascending yesterday to a height of 7500 feet in an atmosphere that was fog saturated and bitterly cold, and after shutting off his motors, plunged to within 500 feet of the earth before righting his planes.

The Christmas day program at Dominguez aviation field, in spite of the threatening weather, was a success. Every visitor added to his following by the feats he performed, and each managed to carve his way into the prize money.

PRISONER GIVES OFFICER SLIP AT DEPOT; ESCAPES

hold of the counter in the marshal's office for support. "I was to bring him here to you and he worked the same old game on me. To think I'd fall for such an old one! I have only lost one other man in 20 years of town marshaling, and that one died on me."

commodating, and they visited Lomax. He told his client he would have to spend six months in jail until the next federal grand jury was in session.

LLEWELLYN IRON WORKS PARTIALLY REDUCED TO RUIN

The explosion. He is confined to his bed but his injuries are not serious. Three men seen running away. The authorities are searching for three men whom William Vine, night watchman for the Lacey Manufacturing company's plant nearby, saw running away from the iron works shortly before the explosion.

Mayor George Alexander visited the damaged plant late last evening. He was taken over the ruins by dynamite experts, who explained to him the exact position of the dynamite and gave their reasons for believing this explosive had been used.

the staff and laid the fuse were not familiar with the building. Accusation Against Union Men. "Our plant has been dynamited—that is certain," said Secretary John Llewellyn of the company today.

BLOW SAFE IN NEW HEILIG THEATRE; GET \$2100 CASH

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5 FARMERS' LINES TO LEAD TO PENDLETON

only two telephone lines leading into Pendleton from the farming country east and south of Pendleton, there will soon be five. The old "never" and "light" lines are being fitted out, new subscribers are being fitted out and the three new lines will be in service soon after the wire arrives, which is now expected daily.

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tid up, the gold and silver in canvas bags and the currency in convenient packages. In the interior of the safe there is a strong box in which we kept a bundle of old theatre programs dating back to the revolution. This box was not locked. The contents were found scattered all over the floor.

HUBRICK TO PRISON; BAND LEADER RECOVERS

Frank Hubrick, who attempted to shoot his 15-year-old daughter Ruth, has been taken to Walla Walla, following advice from Governor Hay directing such a step, to serve out the balance of his paroled sentence of one to 14 years on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

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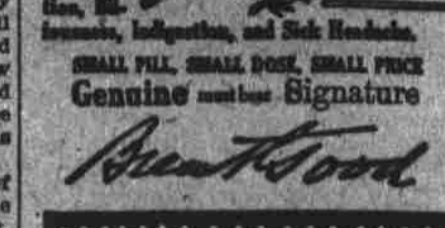
now set and all that remains is to put up the wire. This has been ordered and is expected daily.

MAN CONFESSES THEFT AND SENT TO ROCKPILE

A. H. Morrill of 411 Commonwealth building yesterday claimed a quantity of silverware that had been taken by the police from John Shank, a vagrant, several days ago.

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