

BUILDING CODE IN NEED OF CHANGES, BOARD DISCOVERS

Petitions of Theatre Company to Erect Wooden Balcony in Fire Limits Brings Up the Question.

That the new building code which has been in effect only since the first of the year is badly in need of revision was called to the attention of the board of building appeal yesterday afternoon when the Majestic Theatre company petitioned to be allowed to build a wooden balcony in a projected picture show house at the northeast corner of Park and Morrison streets.

Investigation of the code shows that wooden balconies and other forms of non-fire proof building construction for nickelodeons outside of the fire limits are permitted.

"It is quite evident that the nickelodeon regulations will have to be subjected to a sweeping change," said City Building Inspector Plummer today.

SLAYER OF AH FOOK CONVICTED OF MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE

Charles L. Rickers, who was arrested yesterday afternoon while attempting to draw a gun on Harry Mulligan in a saloon at Third and Flanders streets, will be given a hearing on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon on April 8.

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LOGAN CLAY FIRM'S ASSETS ABSORBED BY SEATTLE COMPANY

Five Carriers Have Been Added and Two Trips Will Be Made on Each Day—New Boundaries.

The Western Clay Manufacturing company, one of the largest concerns in Oregon manufacturing sewer pipe and clay products, was purchased today by the Denny-Renton Clay & Coal company of Seattle.

For the purpose of economically administering the local property, a new corporation, known as the Western Clay company, will be formed which will take over all the properties of the Western Clay Manufacturing company.

It is the purpose of the Western Clay company to largely increase the capacity of its Portland factories.

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EAST SIDE WINS FIGHT FOR FREE DELIVERY

Free mail delivery by carrier to a large portion of the east side that has hitherto had to depend upon general delivery was announced today in a letter received by Postmaster Merick.

On May 1 the Arieta postoffice will be discontinued and made a branch of the Portland postoffice.

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LAWYER, SEEKING NOTES WITH GUN, BARRED FOREVER

Frank Westling's Plea That Knockout Drops Made Him Do It, Is Considered No Defense by Judge.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., April 5.—Frank B. Westling, a Harvard graduate, who practiced law here for about 10 years, was this morning disbarred forever by Judge Main.

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RIGHTS OF MAIL CLERKS UPHELD BY LA FOLLETTE

Senator Seeks Information on Claim That Postal Railway Heads Have Forbidden Them Joining Union.

Senator La Follette is the latest champion of the railway mail clerks, clerks in the Thirteenth division, at Portland, have received letters from the senator, dated Washington, March 31, and asking for details of any intimidation or attempts at intimidation that have been made to prevent the clerks from organizing a union.

Information sought. "I desire to secure direct statements from railway mail clerks as to whether, in any way, they have been so threatened or intimidated. If you have been approached, and an effort made to prevent you from joining or force you to withdraw from a union, or to cease your activities as a union man, state fully the circumstances, and be particular to state the date and place where such effort was made and the name or names of any officers or officers who made such effort or were present when you were thus interviewed."

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ANOTHER MEMBER OF ST. MARTIN'S IS DEAD; END VIOLENT

Eli St. Martin, After Day of Drinking, Is Found in Pieces Among Oil Pipes of North Bank Passenger Engine.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Stevenson, Wash., April 5.—After vainly trying in Stevenson yesterday to secure a warrant for saloonmen who would not sell him liquor, then getting enough from some source to make him thoroughly drunk, Eli St. Martin came to a miserable end late last night when train No. 4, the fast North Bank east-bound passenger, cut him to pieces.

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GIRL WHOM DALLES VOTED BEST LIKED IN TOWN, ELOPES

Seventeen Year Old Gladys Heebner's Companion Is Supposed to Be A. A. Carpenter, Lunch Counter Man.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dalles, Ore., April 5.—Warrants have been issued for Miss Gladys Heebner, beautiful 17-year-old daughter of John W. Heebner, of The Dalles, and the girl who was awarded a diamond ring last fall as the most popular young woman in The Dalles, and for A. A. Carpenter, employe in a lunch room in a local saloon, and a married man. They are supposed to have eloped.

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