

BUILDING RECORD FOR JUNE SHOWS LARGE INCREASE

Since First of Month 361 Permits Are Issued, Calling for Value of \$776,440; Equals Last Year's Figures.

Building operations in Portland continue on a magnificent scale. At the close of business Thursday last—the half month—361 permits had been issued since June 1, calling for the expenditure of \$776,440. In June, 1910, 358 permits were issued, valued at \$1,481,335, making the total for the year to date, \$14,478,528.

Inspector's Prediction. Building Inspector Horace E. Plummer is confident that this lead will be maintained for several months. He does not look for a marked falling off before December, which month last year broke all records, new construction to the value of more than \$4,000,000 having been authorized by permit.

The blocks surrounding the Olds, Wortman & King block have developed into a storm center of activity.

Investors Buoy. It is probably an exaggeration to say that every lot in the four blocks surrounding the big O. W. & K. structure is being sought by numerous investors, speculators and would-be leasees.

Four Story Building. Strong Bros. are completing a four story building on the quarter block at the northeast corner of Tenth and Alder.

New Structure Planned. The annexation was made last week to John S. Beard, lease of the vacant corner at Fourth and Washington streets has commissioned a local firm of architects to get up the design for an eight story fireproof building to be erected on that site.

County Buildings. On the remaining portion of this block the owners will also build a three story brick building, which is to have a frontage of 63 feet on Washington street, 45 feet on Morrison and 42 feet on Stout.

PANAMA CANAL WAS BARGAIN AT \$40,000,000 (United Press Special Wire.) Washington, June 17.—Contrary to usual custom, Uncle Sam and generally by inlets on full knowledge of values before making a purchase, bought the French Panama canal property, and then ascertained its value afterward.

This sum is made up of the following items: Excavation toward the canal, \$26,389,240; Panama railroad stock, \$9,644,430; maps, drawing and records, \$2,000,000; material and equipment, \$2,112,063; buildings, \$2,054,303; lands, \$1,000,000; use of Pacific ship canal, \$500,000; and roadmaking and clearing, \$100,000.

Like the Oregon Plan. The Ohio legislature has passed the Wyman bill providing for the Oregon plan of electing United States senators through a state wide primary in each party.



Residence of Mrs. D. H. Jones, East Twenty-ninth and Skidmore streets, Alameda Park.

MUNICIPAL ISSUES KEEP SEATTLE'S INTEREST FROM LAGGING

Dirty Lines of Police Department Is to Be Alred Again—Taxpayers Have Chance This Week to Spend \$3,000,000—City Lighting Plant May Reduce Cost to Consumer—Mayor Dilling Runs Police Department to Suit Himself—University of Washington Turns Out Girl Star.

Special Dispatch to The Journal. Seattle, Wash., June 17.—Commencement week at the university has been devoid of startling news features, although it was an event in the lives of 211 young men and women who graduated from Washington's educational center.

The appointment of Frank Stetson as chief of the fire department came as something of a surprise. Mr. Stetson has made his home in this city for a number of years, having left Minneapolis, where he was chief for many years, in 1899. Mr. Stetson is in comfortable circumstances now, and did not seek the position. He was picked by Mayor Dilling on the suggestion and recommendation of a number of Stetson's friends.

After nearly three weeks of the Wapenstein trial, Seattle faces the ordeal of more of the same sifting of municipal lines. The prosecutor has decided to retry the recent case on which jury disagreed, when the former chief of police was accused of accepting a \$1000 bribe for allowing C. J. Gerald and Gideon Tupper to operate a disorderly house.

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pital has a new building and the site of the old structure is ideal for an art building. However, many voters question the advisability of spending so large a sum for this purpose when the city's present great indebtedness is considered.

If a bill recommended by committee is passed by the city council, Seattle will lower the present rates for electric lighting in churches and residences from 8 1/2 cents per kilowatt hour to 7 cents. The proposed ordinance makes no change in the price of electricity in the business district or in the cost of power.

Mayor Dilling is consistent in his policy of brooking no interference with his control of the police department. To this end he has vetoed a bill passed recently by the council providing that no prisoner shall be interrogated against his will.

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The following features of Lyle will prove of assistance in preparing your ad: Lyle is located on the main line of the S. P. & S. R. R.—the North Bank Road—8 1/2 miles east of Portland.

The townsite of Lyle was laid out originally over 20 years ago—a mortgage without release clauses has held back its development.

The above statements are facts. All advertising to be successful must be truthful.

Thirteen Honor Students at O. A. C. Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Or., June 17.—Under the new system of giving honorable mention to students who have shown prominence in scholarship and student activities, 13 honor men and women were announced at the O. A. C. commencement exercises by President Kerr.

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HOT LAKE, OR., PLANS IDEAL SCHOOL BUILDING

Special Dispatch to The Journal. Salem, Or., June 17.—What is an ideal school building? Architects, teachers and hobbyists of Oregon, Hot Lake's boosters want your ideas. Walter M. Pierce of Union county has written to State Superintendent Alderman asking his ideas and also stating that he wants architects and others of the state to offer plans.

school but in an ideal school for state fair grounds in Salem. In the fair grounds school there would probably be an actual school unless the city of Salem care to arrange to use it, but the plan would be built and equipped for exhibit purposes.

Physical Culture Summer Topic. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) University of Oregon, Eugene, Or., June 17.—The registrar of the University of Oregon announces an addition to the schedule of studies announced for the summer session.

Ben Bingham Sued for Divorce. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., June 17.—Mrs. Lila Bingham of this city, has sued her husband, Benjamin Bingham, son of ex-State Senator J. H. Bingham, for divorce on the ground of cruel and inhuman treatment.

Bootlegger Gets 25 Days. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., June 17.—Circuit court adjourned yesterday and the jury members have gone home.

LYLE—LYLE—LYLE—LYLE

Advertisement for Lyle land featuring a large headline: '\$25 for an Advertisement!' and text: 'Everybody reads advertising. The public is the best judge of advertising—this is proven by the fact that the best advertising brings the most results.' It includes details about land location, improvements, and contact information for Keasey, Humason & Jeffery.

Richest Soil Lowest Prices

Advertisement for F. B. Holbrook Co. featuring text: 'Isn't that a combination WORTH WHILE? Especially when there isn't ANY FINER or MORE PRODUCTIVE soil in the northwest.' It lists various land parcels and offers to sell them at low prices.

NEBRASKANS BUY IN TATE'S ADDITION

Advertisement for Tate Investment Co. featuring text: '17 Sales Made the Past Week 12 Were Made to Omaha Parties'. It promotes land parcels with various improvements and offers to buy from Nebraska buyers.