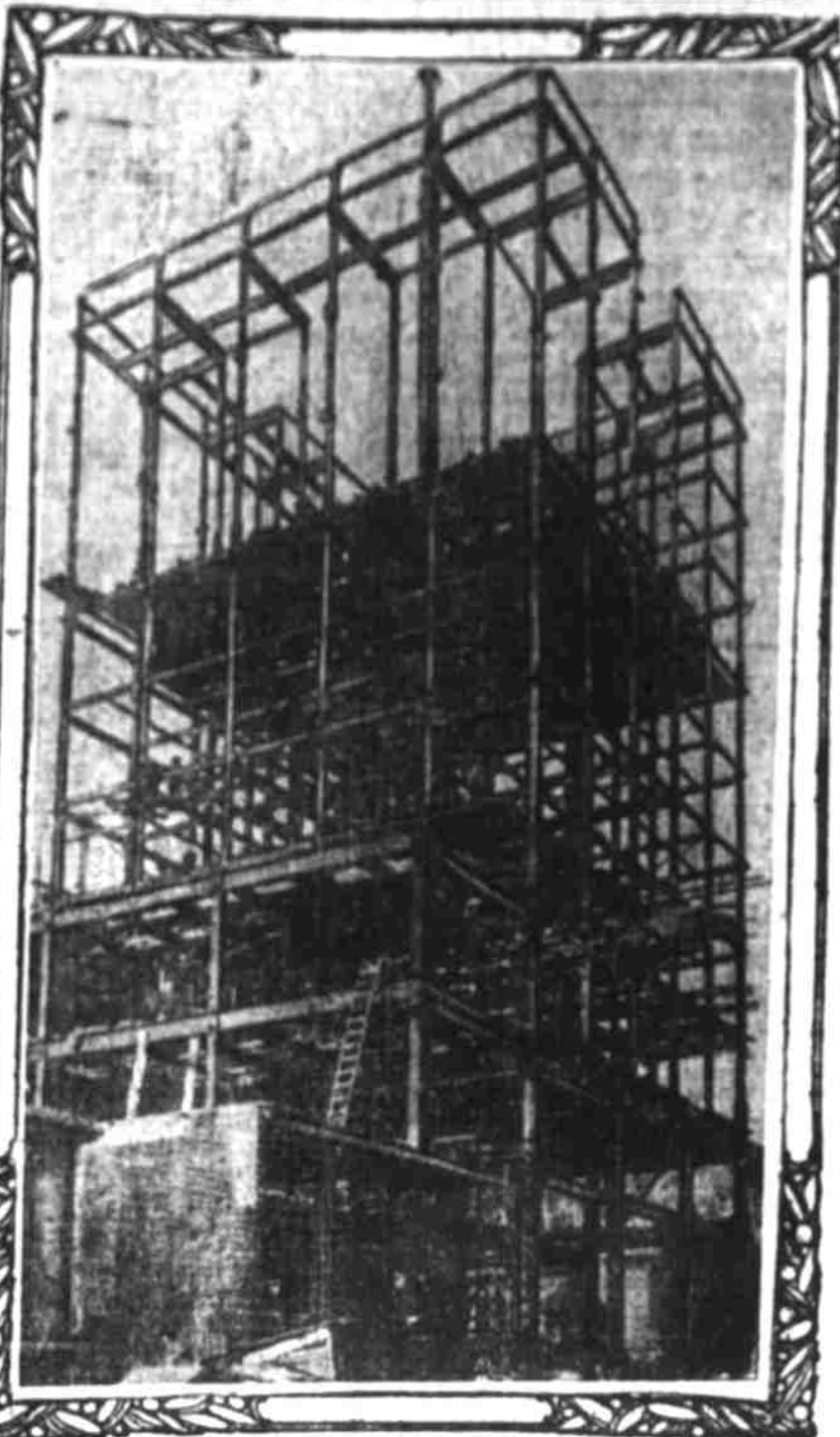
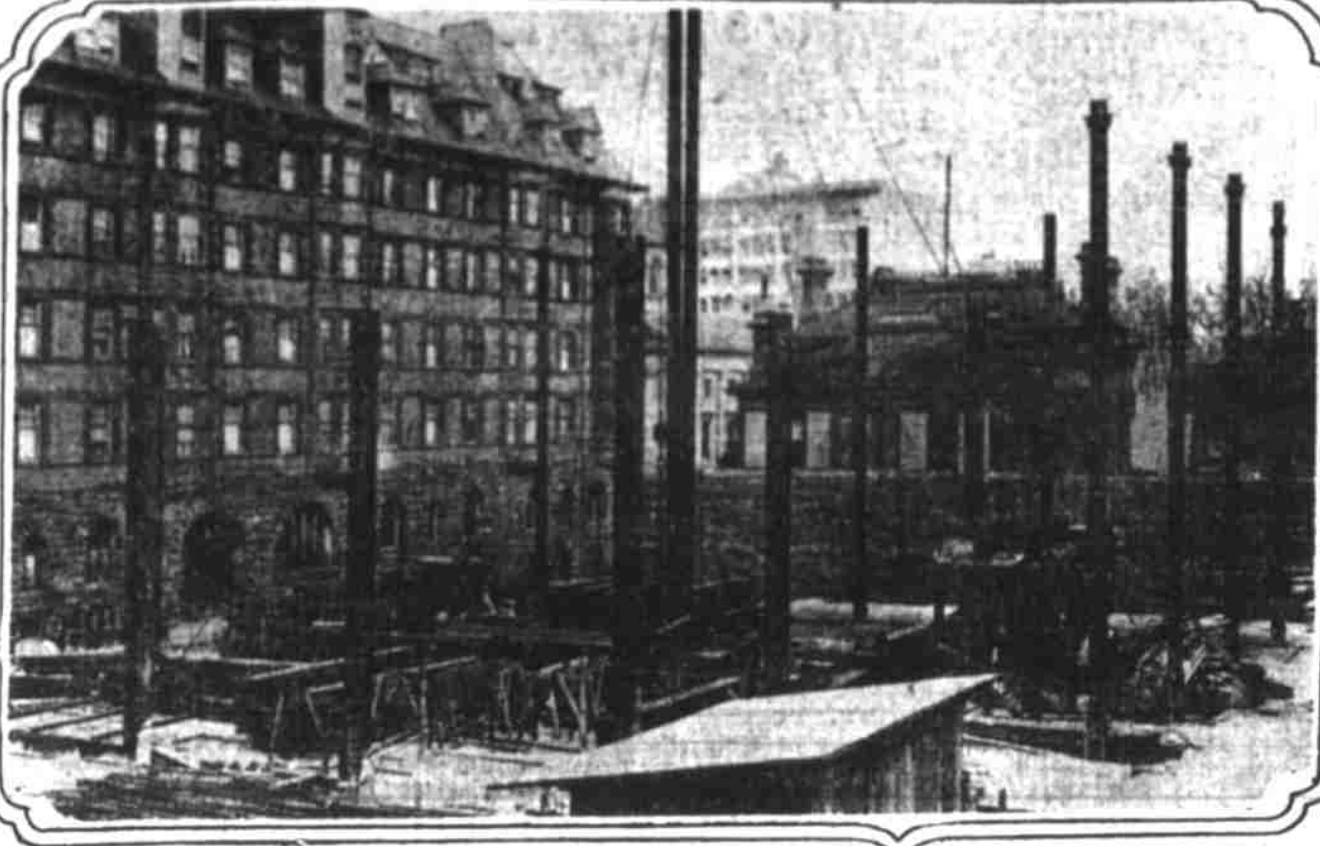
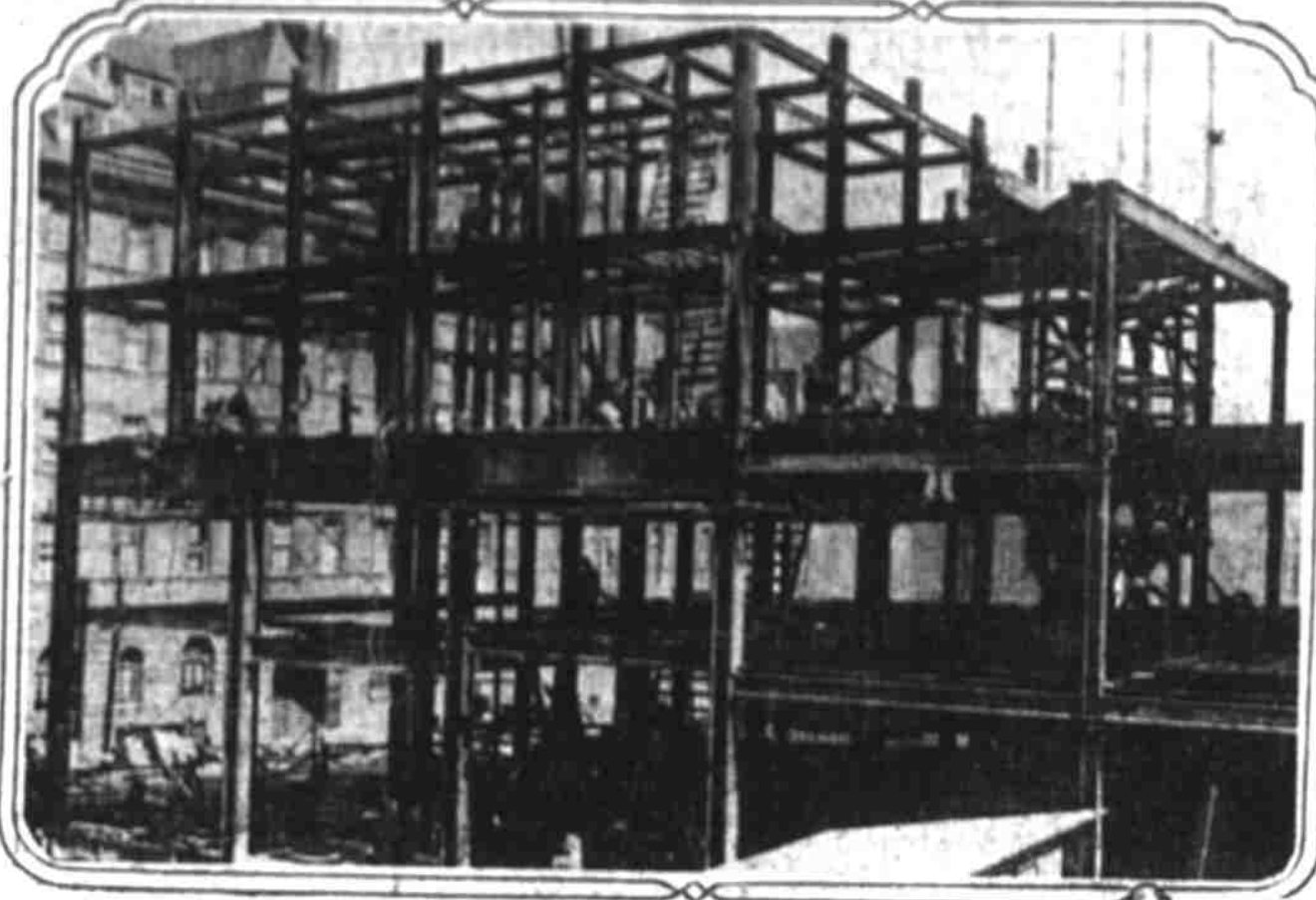


# Remarkable Progress Noted in Construction of Journal Building



Picture at left shows the new Journal building as it is today with eleven stories of the steel frame up and riveted. The top picture at right shows the building as it was one week ago, with four stories of the frame in position. The remarkable achievement made by the Dinwiddie Construction company, in completing seven stories of the steel frame in one week is the record for this class of construction in Portland. The lower picture shows the building as it looked March 23.



## GERMAN TROOPS SENT TO COAL STRIKE DISTRICTS

Berlin, Germany, April 6.—Three regiments of infantry, four squadrons of cavalry and a battery of machine guns has been dispatched to the coal strike district in Westphalia. The war office decided to act on receipt of information from the police to the effect that they feared they were no longer able with the forces at their command to cope with the lawless conditions which have arisen.

## Ex-Millionaire Appointed Clerk

New York, N. Y., April 6.—Hugh H. Moore, who was worth more than \$1,000,000 in the early eighties, was yesterday appointed clerk of the eighth district municipal court at a salary of \$3000 a year.

## PACIFIC IRON WORKS

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Veteran California Naturalist Climbed Mountains of South America and Africa; Found What He Sought.

New York, N. Y., April 6.—A man who is 74 years old took a fancy to a strange tree that grows in the wild mountains of Brazil and went all the way to Europe to have a look at another tree that he wanted to see.

He is John Muir, the California naturalist, who spent the most of his life traveling in strange and remote mountains and forests studying the mysteries of nature. He knows every valley, mountain, rock, stream and tree of California, as a New Yorker knows the places of interest along Broadway.

Although he has traveled far and wide, his name can never be dissociated from the Yosemite valley, over which he is the guardian.

Last May he left California to make a trip to South America and Africa to look at the araucaria and adamania trees, and he has just reached New York after locating the mountains where those trees exist.

"You wish me to tell all about my trip? But I can not tell you all. There are so many things that it would take me one year to go through my notes," he said, smoothing down his long white whiskers.

"But you can tell me something particularly interesting and wonderful," asked the reporter.

"Well, everything was interesting and wonderful. I once saw a picture of the araucaria, and I wanted to see it. All I could learn from books was that it exists somewhere in Brazil. It is the most wonderful species of tree in existence. It has survived many geological periods. We found its leaves in rock formation.

I left New York on August 12, last summer and went directly to the Amazon river. And I sailed on the river 1000 miles to Manaus. The Amazon is the mightiest flood of running water in the world. It is not so long as the Mississippi, but it carries more than twice the quantity of water. And the forest along the Amazon—it is the heaviest and most impenetrable in the world, the largest piece of wild forest in existence.

But the soil in the basin is very fertile, and some time it will be cleared for the benefit of the human race.

I made a general observation along the Amazon, and then came down to Rio de Janeiro. I entered the beautiful harbor and saw the beautiful city, but I don't care for cities, and passed through it in the mountains. I traveled almost 400 miles in the mountains. I found the araucaria in great abundance. Its leaves are about one inch at the base, but the point is so sharp that it cannot climb the tree without injuring itself and that's why it is called 'monkey puzzle' by the natives.

Then I went to Buenos Ayres, and from there I crossed the Andes by train and went into Chile. At Santiago I made inquiries of botanists as to where I would find the araucaria. I learned that in the southern part of Chile the trees are called 'huilce' and 'huilce' are plentiful, and I started out with only the information that it is somewhere in southern Chile. I traveled over 500 miles south of Santiago, and I found a forest of the araucaria. And I found enough of the araucaria, and I sailed to Europe to take boat to South Africa.

From Cape Town I went through the mountain district of Rhodesia. The general foliage and mountain formations there greatly resemble those of the Yosemite valley. At Victoria Falls I found a tree which is called 'babob' and also 'digitata' because its leaf looks like five fingers stretched out. This tree grows sometimes to over 30 feet in diameter and the leaves are like those

## TWO BOYS INJURED BY LIVE ELECTRIC WIRE

While playing on the river bank at the foot of Rhone street, Donald Heimel, 540 Rhone street, and Stanley St. George, 747 East Eighth street, came in contact with a live electric wire and were seriously if not fatally burned.

## Florence Officers Chosen

Florence, Or., April 6.—Town officers were elected here Tuesday. J. W. Bergman, with the Lane County State and Savings Bank, was chosen president of the board of trustees. The other officers chosen are: Trustees—E. A. Heath, T. H. Phillips, G. F. Schroeders and J. F. Saff; recorder, D. E. Severy; marshal, G. C. Campton. D. E. Severy is the only one who is not a new man.

## Seattle's Alaska Trade Shows Remarkable Awakening

Steamers for North Leave Unusually Early, Crowded to Capacity; Fishing Fleet Carries 5000 People to Canneries on the Alaska Coast; First Steamer for Nome About June 1; Seattle Times to Build New Home; Millionaire Promoter Jailed; Workmen's Home New Municipal Feature.

(Special to The Journal.) Seattle, Wash., April 6.—Not in several years has Seattle's Alaska trade opened so briskly as during the last month. Every steamer for the north has left with all passengers and freight accommodations filled to the limit and for all of this month there will be a heavy exodus to southeastern Alaska. In addition to the regular liners a half dozen tramp steamers and an equal number of barges in tow have been dropped here for various points along the Alaskan coast as far west as Dutch Harbor. This unusual activity is due to the growth of the salmon industry and the development of the whaling business. It is estimated that 22 new salmon canneries are being erected along the Alaskan coast.

More than \$1,000,000 of new capital has been invested in the business this spring, having been attracted by the prosperity of the canners during the last three or four years and particularly in 1911. All the Puget sound shipyards were turned out salmon tending during the winter. Some of these have gone north under their own power, while others have been transported on the decks of the freight steamers. It is estimated that 5000 people left Seattle during the last month to work for the salmon country. Many of these are Chinese under contract. Practically every barge owned on Puget sound, most of which were idle last year, has been engaged for either the whaling or salmon business this season.

Supplies for Whaling Stations. A considerable fleet of hulks is active on routes north under tow carrying material for canneries and whaling stations. In the whaling business much foreign capital has been invested. Norwegian in particular. One company, which is establishing a large whaling station at Port Armstrong, has a large Norwegian steamer coming out from Norway bringing Norwegian labor skilled in whaling, and supplies for the business. Another foreign company will establish a station near Dutch Harbor, Aleutian Islands, while others will whale closer to Cape Flattery.

The codfishing fleet, consisting of nine sailing vessels which wintered on Puget sound, put to sea this week. Altogether the activity in Seattle preparing for the season has reminded old timers of 10 or 12 years ago when the Klondike and Nome helped to build Seattle's present foundations.

The prospects for the Nome season are not so encouraging. There will be no early steamer for Norton sound this year and the first sailing for St. Michael and Nome will be about June 1. No additional tonnage will be placed on this route as conditions do not warrant it. However, the Skagway liners have already carried north a large army of

Puget sound, it is true that some who purchased from Hillman made money, but the great majority of losers were the ignorant or strangers who planted their money in useless land. Hillman has piled up a great fortune by his operations, but he has now cast off his brazen attitude and announces that he is ready to take his "medicine." To add to his other troubles, his attorney has sued him for \$25,000 for fees.

Mayor Appoints First Woman. Mayor George F. Cotterill has ingratiated himself with the women voters by appointing to the library board Miss Adele M. Field, who is the first woman to receive an appointive office in the city of Seattle. In making the announcement the mayor said: "Since the establishment of equal suffrage in this state it has seemed to me a public duty, as well as an opportunity for helpfulness that when any position appropriate to a woman and of honor or service to the community, it would be my duty and my privilege to appoint a woman who could fill such a position." Miss Field has taken an active part in the woman suffrage fight and is a writer of note, having written a number of books on China, in which country she was an educator for many years.

At least once each month the city advisory board is to confer with the mayor and solve knotty municipal problems. The board is composed of the mayor, controller, corporation counsel, city treasurer, president of the council and chairman of the public works board. In the past its functions have been largely nominal as it has met but twice in five years. Mayor Cotterill will also ask the nine members of the council and the six members of the board of public works to meet with the advisory board and give their aid and counsel. It is expected that this plan will work out satisfactorily.

To Aid Workmen. Seattle's workmen's home was opened this week. The institution will feed and lodge men willing to work while they are awaiting employment. The home stands near the city stockade, where city prisoners are worked. The main building has a long and sleeping room with accommodations for sleeping 32 men. The officers of the home will work in conjunction with the free municipal employment bureau, where employees will try to get positions for the unemployed. The workmen's home is the idea of ex-Mayor G. W. Dilling and he modeled it after one of the Minneapolis public homes. While awaiting work, the men are asked to assist in clearing 125 acres of city property which is being converted into parks and playgrounds and into a garden for raising vegetables for the use of city prisoners.

Hillman's real estate promoter, found guilty of using the mails for fraudulent purposes, means that the millionaire, who has made a fortune in Puget sound real estate, will shortly begin serving a sentence of two years in the federal prison on McNeil's island. Hillman's methods had been questionable for years and it was not until a local newspaper began an attack upon him that the federal authorities took action. The conviction has been largely due to the efforts of United States District Attorney Elmer E. Todd, who has fought the millionaire in face of many handicaps. For years Hillman had been in more or less trouble with his clients and frequently he has been the defendant in civil suits.

Hillman advertised extensively, exploiting barren sites where he promised railroads and steamships, but his would soon be operating. Most of these sites are still covered with stumps and the buyers cannot give the property away. Due to the rapid growth of

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