

BUILDING ACTIVITY IN EVERY PART OF THE S. MAKES FINE SHOWING

Tremendous Activity Indicated in Reports From 70 of Leading Cities.

PERMITS ARE TABULATED FROM N. Y., Shows the Greatest Gain in Month, the Records Show; Percentages.

The building industry in the United States made a remarkable showing during November.

According to official reports received by the American Contractor, Chicago, from 70 principal cities, a tremendous wave of activity has spread over the country.

Building permits issued for the month show a total of \$60,129,375, as compared with \$34,342,475 for November last year, making an increase of 75%.

This great increase is somewhat exaggerated, however, as construction work a year ago was greatly depressed by reason of the war.

The reports, however, show much greater activity and the execution of long-delayed building plans. Only 15 of the 70 cities report decreases.

An increase of 5% is shown for the 11 months of 1915, as compared with the same period of 1914. For the year the total is \$629,204,144, last year it was \$605,864,119.

The greatest gain for the month is reported in the Bronx, New York, with 44% increase in building permits.

Philadelphia, however, reports a loss of 53%. Permits were issued last month for \$210,595, as against \$453,830 last year.

Plans for the proposed St. Joseph's Catholic church, to be built in Roseburg, executed by Joseph Jacobberger, Portland architect, have been approved. Construction will begin in the spring.

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Real Estate Transfers.

- Title & Trust Co. to Wellesley Land Co. L. 21, 22, 23, 24, 35, 36, B. 1. 147 1/2. ...

Roses for Border to Roads to Crown Pt.

It is proposed to border the roads that lead to Crown Point on the Columbia river highway with double rows of Portland roses before the first day of the Rose Festival, June 7.

E. J. Jaeger, chairman of the Rose Festival directors committee, on Wednesday announced his plan.

The people will be advised as to the varieties which may be planted and be blooming by the time of the festival.

At the main turns in the roads unique guides may be erected—rose arches, in addition to the customary arrows, which may also have floral decoration.

The committee will have the cooperation, said Mr. Jaeger, of eight or ten of the leading nurserymen.

To the committee will be submitted the suggestion that wild roses be placed at appropriate places on the highway into the gorge of the Columbia.

Special floral decoration will be planned for Crown Point.

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Freeman, L. T. to B. Havelock. 10 1/2 acre, bet. Emerson and Killingsworth ave.; builder, T. Hathaway; 1125.

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SEATTLE LOOKS FOR TERRIFIC GO ON ICE TUESDAY

Rosebuds and Metropolitans Play Much the Same Slam Bang Game.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 13.—(P. N. S.)—Persons with a distaste for carnage are being warned here today not to attend the hockey game between the Portland Rosebuds and the Seattle Metropolitans tomorrow night.

Both the Seattle and Portland clubs play hockey of the slam-bang variety.

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WIND BLOWS AS THE THIRD SPAN SWINGS INTO BRIDGE POSITION

Three Tugs Handle Barges in Good Shape in Spite of the Elements.

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 13.—The third completed span of the Columbia river bridge was floated out and set into position yesterday afternoon.

A stiff wind, which sprang up just after the span had been lifted on the barges from the construction dock, caused a little trouble, and had it not been for three tugs, the floating operation would have caused the barges and span to drift into the railroad bridge.

The barges drifted downstream quite a distance during the time the span was being turned around and while the tugs were taking their positions on the downstream side of the barges; but as soon as the tugs secured these positions, the tremendous mass of steel began its upstream trip.

Work on the assembling of the span from the abutment on Hayden island to the first pier in the river is progressing rapidly, and in a short time this will have been completed.

This will make four completed spans on the south end of the main river bridge.

Clark Fair Grounds Sold.

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 13.—The Clark county fair grounds, together with the buildings, were sold Saturday by Sheriff E. S. Blesker to creditors of the fair association who held mortgages on the premises.

C. H. Falk bid in 7.09 acre, on which he held a mortgage, his bid being \$2931.89; near George H. Young, who in 18.50 acre, which he held several years ago, at \$8126.95, this amount including costs.

Just what disposition will be made of the association is not known. Several acres in the county are to be put on a granite farm, which would be strictly agricultural and which would eliminate various amusement features.

It is also understood that a movement is on foot whereby the members of the association hope to devise some means of financing the proposition and conduct it on a smaller scale.

Ferry Was Grounded.

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 13.—The Columbia river stood at 5.3 feet above zero this morning at the Northern Pacific dock, showing a drop of eight-tenths of a foot during the past 24 hours.

The ferryboat City of Vancouver ran aground on Hayden island on its first trip this morning and the ferry company was engaged in pulling it off from its resting place.

Edward Woodruff, the unscrupulous lawyer, acted drunk most of the time and this character was portrayed cleverly Elizabeth Ross as the muck raker in the comedy "The Spoilers," which was played at the Grand opera house, and John Sumner as Dextery got a laugh out of every sentence.

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Experiment With Apples.

Dayton, Or., Dec. 13.—A carload of apples was received by the Dayton Evaporating & Packing company of this city from Payette, Idaho, to be experimented on to test their value in the evaporated state.

New York Sugar and Coffee.

New York, Dec. 13.—Sugar, centrifugal, 4.80. Coffee spot, New York, No. 7 Rio, 7 1/2c; No. 4 Santos, 9 1/2c.

FUNERALS \$75

Beautiful adult plumb or broadcloth casket, containing rug, glass, mirrors, cushions, etc. Price for \$80, \$90, \$100.

Higher priced funerals in proportion.

We make our own caskets. Laid assistant. Private funeral chapel.

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Charges so moderate as to astonish you. All work under expert supervision and guaranteed. We desire to secure an experienced mechanic.

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\$450 Alameda Lot

sacrifice. 50x100. E. front on 25th st. near Prescott. bonded for \$245. H. Dorr E. Keasey Co., Main 1189. 232 Chamber of Commerce bldg.

MONEY TO LOAN

On City and Farm Properties in All Sections at Current Rates. Hartman & Thompson, Bankers Corner of Fourth and Stark Sts.

AUCTION SALES TOMORROW

At Baker's Auction House, 156-168 Park St. Furniture, etc. Sale at 10 a. m.

MEETING NOTICES

STATED conv. of Washington commandery, No. 15, Tuesday evening, 7:30. Officers: H. B. MARTIN, Recorder.

Vital Statistics

MARRIAGE LICENSES Elmer E. Nickerson, Vermont, Or., legal and Clara McKown, 312 Second street, legal.

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