

DELAY IN MAKING ELEVATOR PLANS NOT WARRANTED

Figures of Builders and Port of
Seattle Show Less Time Re-
quired Than Portland Took.

ONLY FIVE MONTHS LEFT

Great Effort and Large Use of
Community Influence Will Be
Required to Build by August.

Interested in the fact that preparation of plans for Portland's 1,000,000 bushel bulk grain elevator required eight months from the time last June when the dock commission engineer asked authority to proceed, and six months after work was actually started on August 20, Mrs. C. L. B. Koller, municipal reference librarian, has secured estimates of time required for preparation of plans and construction of an elevator of 1,500,000 bushels capacity from several sources. Such an elevator would contain 50 per cent more than the structure contemplated for Portland and would involve proportionately more time and labor.

The Barnett & Record company of Minneapolis reported that three months would be required for preparations of plans and eight months to one year for construction of a 1,500,000 bushel elevator.

Seattle Took Three Months
The McDonald Engineering company estimated three to five months for the preparation of plans and eight months to one year for the construction of the elevator.

Three to four months would be time enough in which to prepare plans, but 12 to 15 months would be needed for construction, reported J. S. Metcalf, company of Chicago.

The Buffalo Engineer company of Buffalo, N. Y., stated that six months would be needed in which to complete plans and eight to ten months would be needed for construction of the elevator.

The Port of Seattle reported that the time required for the preparation of plans would be three months—half that taken in Portland—but that an estimate of 11 months had been made as the time required for the construction of a 500,000 bushel annex to the port's present elevator.

James Stewart & Co. of Chicago estimated that only 45 to 90 days would be required for the drafting of elevator plans and that, exclusive of foundation or piling, six months or upwards, working with double shift, would be required for elevator construction under normal conditions.

Great Effort Required
The six reports, condensed, show that but one company in the business of building grain elevators would require for the preparation of plans as much time as was taken in Portland.

It is stated that had work on the plans commenced the first of July, 1917, actual starting of the work on the elevator could have been advanced two months or more, while under present conditions emergency effort involving large use of community influence in appeal to the government, labor and builders, will be essential if the elevator in Portland is ready for the wheat movement of 1918. Bids for the elevator will be opened April 9, after which there will be less than five months until the wheat begins to move.

Baker Drops German From Schools
Baker, Or., March 13.—The local school board Tuesday decided to drop German from the curriculum of the high school, at the close of the present semester.

German Formerly On Kilburn Is Held

San Francisco, March 13.—(I. N. S.)—Officials of the department of justice today are investigating the activities of Hugo Clever, a German, found working within the proscribed area near the United States transportation docks, who admitted that he was an alien aboard the steamer Kilburn last December when that vessel's machinery was found tampered with while en route to this city from Portland. Clever claimed to be an Englishman when he obtained his job. He had no enemy alien registration card. Clever denies any connection with the Kilburn sabotage.

Contract With Girl Violates State Law

Salem, Or., March 13.—Attorney General Brown has officially advised Labor Commissioner Hoff that the employment contract entered into between the Sweet Home, Foster and Cascadia Telephone company and Miss Clara Lewis is in violation of the law which provides that women shall not be employed in telephone offices for more than 10 hours a day or 60 hours a week. Miss Lewis contracted to tend the switchboard, and perform other duties for the company, with office hours to begin at 6 a. m. and end at 9 p. m., with one hour off for meals.

Wets Win Fight In Empire State

Albany, N. Y., March 13.—(I. N. S.)—By a vote of 84 to 64 the New York state assembly Tuesday night adopted an amendment to the Hill-McNab resolution ratifying the federal prohibition amendment which makes the resolution a bill and provides for a referendum on the ratification issue.

It effectually prevents the state from ratifying the federal amendment and is taken as a sweeping victory for the anti-prohibition forces.

14,500 People Killed By Boche U-Boats

Washington, March 13.—(I. N. S.)—A total of 14,500 persons have been killed by German torpedoes hurled without warning into merchant vessels.

This figure, compiled by British authorities, was mentioned for the first time here today by a distinguished diplomat recently arrived in Washington after a visit in New York.

Consolidation Board Gets Roseburg Man

Salem, Or., March 13.—Governor Withycombe has appointed J. C. Fullerton of Roseburg as a member of the consolidation commission to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Austin T. Buxton of Molalla, who resigned because of ill health.

The commission was authorized by the last legislature to study and report on a plan for consolidating and eliminating state boards and commissions.

Golden City Saloons Exempt From Closing

San Francisco, March 13.—San Francisco saloons will not be closed by the recent war department order, forbidding the sale of liquor at "ports of embarkation." Lieutenant A. T. French, representing the war department, announced Tuesday. He received a telegram from Washington saying San Francisco is not classed as a "port of embarkation."

An attachment has been invented to be snapped over skate runners to permit a person to walk over ground without removing his skates.

SHIPYARD WORKERS TO BE REGISTERED AT VARIOUS PLANTS

County Clerk Authorized to Ex-
pend Funds to Establish
Booths Where Needed.

Full authority to establish registration booths in or near the various shipyards of the county, or in any other place in Multnomah county where there is need for them, was granted this morning to County Clerk Beveridge by the county commissioners. In an order authorized by the board an emergency was declared to exist and Mr. Beveridge was given power to spend whatever sum he deemed necessary for the registration of people qualified to vote at the coming elections.

The matter was first broached several weeks ago, but action was delayed until an opinion should be given by District Attorney Evans. The latter recently handed down an opinion in which he stated that the board had full authority to take such action if they deemed it to be an emergency measure.

Mr. Beveridge has been in consultation with a number of the local shipyard owners who have promised their full cooperation with his plan. Volunteer workers from the shipyard office forces will assist Mr. Beveridge in registering the men in order that the least possible expense might be incurred.

The registration of these shipyard workers at their places of employment was first suggested by Mr. Beveridge when he learned that hundreds of men have moved to Portland within the year because of the rapid growth of this great industry. A residence of six months in the county qualifies a person for the voting franchise, and many of these workers are not aware of the fact that they have this right.

It was likewise pointed out that many of these men who work on the several shifts find it almost impossible to visit the courthouse either at day or night to register and for that reason Mr. Beveridge and the other county officials are offering this service.

Because of the fact that volunteer workers will be secured to assist in the work the cost is not expected to exceed \$500 at the outside.

DETERMINED TO ABATE NUISANCE

Property at 82½ North Third Street
Will Be Locked Up if Necessary.

Unless Joseph Glickman, owner of the property at 82½ North Third street, furnishes a bond by April 1 in the sum of \$25,000 that his property will not be used for any purpose other than that for which it was originally intended, the premises closed. This was the decision of Circuit Judge Gatens at the conclusion of the abatement proceedings.

Testimony showed that the place has had a bad record for years. Suit was filed in 1914 by Glickman promising to tear the building down, but failed to do so.

Judge Gatens refused to grant a permanent injunction against John Deller, owner of property at 91½ North Second street, occupied by Jim and John Starlin, Greeks. Deller was able to show that he had ordered the tenants off the place and had abated the nuisance.

FIXTURES ORDERED RETURNED

Bar Fixtures and Glasses Will Not
Be Destroyed, Court Rules

Refusing to order destroyed the bar fixtures and fittings lately in use at 295 East Morrison street in a soft drink establishment, Circuit Judge Gatensben Tuesday ordered them returned to their owner, Joseph Paquet.

The bar fixtures, a beer pump and a number of glasses were ordered destroyed by District Judge Bell January 24. The place prior to that time was run by Thomas Edwards, who was convicted of a violation of the liquor law. Paquet appealed.

Judge Gatensben in giving his decision said in his opinion that Paquet had the knowledge of the use to which his property was being put, and therefore it was not subject to seizure and destruction.

BIG DAMAGE CASE IS SETTLED

J. A. Hoskins Awarded \$10,700 in Suit
Against F. W. Casner.

The litigants in the civil suit brought by J. A. Hoskins against F. W. Casner and the National Surety company for \$24,000 settled the case in the federal court Tuesday. Judge Bell instructed the jury to return a verdict in favor of Hoskins for \$10,700.

Hoskins brought suit against Casner for alleged damages resulting when Casner obtained a writ of attachment for nearly 5000 head of sheep and farm property in default of payment of \$40,000 in promissory notes. Hoskins claimed he had to sell several thousand acres of Malheur county land for \$48,000, because of the attachment, when he previously had refused \$60,000 for the same acreage.

RENTS FARM AND IS ARRESTED

A. J. Downey Charged With Larceny
When Renters Are Refused Place.

A. J. Downey was arrested Tuesday by Constable Mark Peterson on a warrant sworn to by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Stockel of Brentwood, who charge Downey with the larceny of \$50, claiming that Downey rented them a farm at Beaverton and that when they went to have it plowed, they were warned off the place by a neighbor who said he represented the owner.

MAN LONG IN OFFICE OF CITY AUDITOR DIES



Everett E. Smith

Everett E. Smith died Monday night at his home, 175½ East Thirty-fifth street, following a brief illness. He had been employed in the office of the city auditor for the past 12 years and was born in Salem, Or., August 7, 1867. He came to Portland 42 years ago and became a charter member of Portland lodge, Loyal Order of Moose, seven years ago. Mr. Smith was the son of Dr. D. E. O. Smith, a pioneer of Oregon, who died in this city. His widow, Mary E. Smith, also survives him. Funeral services will be held under the auspices of the Loyal Order of Moose Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the parlors of Breeze & Snook, Thirty-fifth and Belmont streets. Final ritual work will be at Riverview cemetery.

Thomas Gallagher

Thomas Gallagher, an electrical mechanic in the employ of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, died this morning at his home, 385 Webster street. He is survived by his wife, Anna Rose Gallagher, and was a native of England, aged 56, and had been a resident of Portland since 1883. Mr. Gallagher has two sons in France in the service of the country, John and Alfred Gallagher, and two sons in Portland, William T. and Harry S. Gallagher. A daughter is Mrs. Orval Bryan. Final arrangements are in charge of J. P. Finley & Son.

Mrs. Emma Wagner

The funeral of Mrs. Emma Wagner was held Tuesday morning at the Holman Undertaking parlors, 844½ Broadway street. Final services were at the Beth Israel cemetery. A large number of friends attended. The pall bearers were W. E. Kierman, C. M. Senofsky, M. Goodman, Fred Wertheimer, Judge G. Tazewell, Judge W. N. Gatens. Mrs. Wagner is survived by two sons, Felix and Lou Wagner, and two daughters, Mrs. S. W. Mohr and Mrs. S. W. Gardner. She was 64 years old, a native of Germany, and had been in Oregon for 22 years.

Lewis Aumiller

The funeral services for Lewis Aumiller, age 70, a native of Bavaria, who died Monday, was held this (Wednesday) morning from the Miller & Tracey chapel. Mr. Aumiller was a lover of flowers and worked among them at his home, 842 Minnesota avenue, until his last illness. He had resided in Portland for many years and is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Lottie Lodge of Tacoma, Mrs. Frank Hoelt, Mrs. P. Fisher and Miss Freda Aumiller of this city. Final services were held at Multnomah Park cemetery.

Dr. William DeVeny

A large number of friends attended the funeral services at the Holman parlors Tuesday afternoon for Dr. William DeVeny, chiropractor of a quarter of a century's residence in Portland. The United Artisans had charge of the services. At Mount Scott cemetery J. E. Werlein, an old time friend, delivered an address. Dr. DeVeny was in his sixty-sixth year. He died last Saturday.

Lad of 15 Sent to State Reform School

Hood River, Or., March 13.—Elmer Mimer, who with Philip Solon placed a large bolt on the O-W. R. & N. track for the purpose of wrecking eastbound No. 18, and for which crime Solon pleaded guilty and was sentenced to a five year minimum term in the penitentiary, was given a hearing before Judge L. N. Blowers today and committed to the state reform school. Mimer is 15 years old.

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PIONEER MILLMAN MEETS TRAGIC END

E. J. Wilbur Killed by Premature
Explosion While Blasting Some
Stumps Near His Mill.

Pendleton, Or., March 13.—E. J. Wilbur, a pioneer sawmill man of this county, met a horrible death Monday while blasting stumps near his mill on McKay creek. News of his death did not reach Pendleton until Tuesday, due to the fact that the body was not found until hours after the accident.

The aged mill man had gone out alone to blast stumps and evidently was killed by a premature blast. The body was horribly mangled. Mr. Wilbur had operated saw mills in the Blue mountains for many years, formerly having owned one at Meacham. The present station of Wilbur took its name from him. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Ella Candish of this city, who was in Portland at the time of the accident.

Hopgrowers Plan To Reduce Acreage

San Francisco, March 13.—(I. N. S.)—A movement inaugurated by hopgrowers to reduce by one-third the hop acreage for the coming season with a view to releasing thousands of fertile acres for the production of essential foods, was discussed by growers of the Sacramento Valley, Santa Rosa and Mendocino, and food administration officials today.

The Mendocino delegation, in a written statement, expressed its desire to reduce the hop acreage provided growers in other sections of the state would do likewise. It is estimated that a total of 4000 acres in California could thus be saved for other crops.

Former Army Chief Will Do Field Duty

Washington, March 13.—(I. N. S.)—Impatient to get into action against the Germans overseas, Major General Hugh L. Scott, former chief of staff of the army and now in command of the Seventy-eighth army division at Camp Dix, left Washington Tuesday for Wristington. He came to Washington to take a physical test, and passed it with flying colors.

President Garfield's Widow Passes Away

Pasadena, Cal., March 13.—(I. N. S.)—Mrs. Lucretia Garfield, widow of President Garfield, died this morning at her home in Pasadena, aged 88 years. She had been in poor health for some time and recently suffered an attack of pneumonia. Mrs. Garfield had made her home in Pasadena for some years and was active in a quiet way, in philanthropic and charitable work, being one of the 13 charter members of the Pasadena chapter of the American Red Cross.

Young Scripps Must Serve in U. S. Army

Los Angeles, March 13.—(I. N. S.)—James G. Scripps of San Diego, manager of a chain of newspapers, must serve in the army. His claim for exemption from army service on the ground that he was managing a necessary industrial business was denied Tuesday by the district exemption board here. There was only one dissenting vote—Colonel Fletcher of San Diego.

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Steamer Kershaw Is Ashore on Atlantic

Boston, March 13.—(I. N. S.)—The Merchants' & Miners' steamer Kershaw is aground somewhere on the Atlantic coast, according to a wireless message received in the Boston office of the line today. Captain McDermott wireless that the 121 passengers are safe and that he believes that the vessel can be floated.

Aerial Mail Service Put Off for Month

Washington, March 13.—(I. N. S.)—Inability to secure adequate landing fields in Philadelphia and New York has caused the postponement of the inauguration of the airplane mail service between Washington and New York from April 15 to May 15, the postoffice department announced.



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