

### SHRINERS SELECT SUITABLE SITE FOR CHILD'S HOSPITAL

Selection of a 10-acre tract lying south of Grand boulevard and east of 32d street as the site for the proposed Shriner's hospital for crippled children was announced by Bishop Frederick W. Keeler and John D. McGilvray, members of the national board of trustees in charge of the Shriner's hospital project, just prior to their departure for Tacoma at 4 p. m., Tuesday.

The choice of the site followed two days investigation of tracts offered, during which more than 20 prospects in various sections of the city were examined and their merits for hospital uses carefully compared by the visiting trustees and the site committee of Al Kader street.

**NEAR CITY LIMITS**  
The site selected lies just outside the city limits. Eight acres of the tract belongs to the O-W. R. & N. company and the price agreed upon for this portion was \$2000. Two acres of the tract lying adjacent to the boulevard, was sold recently by the O-W. R. & N. company to Miss Anne Murphy, who cleared one acre and erected a residence thereon. The price paid for the two acre tract by the Shriners was \$2500, making a total consideration of \$18,100 for the site.

With the exception of one acre occupied by the Murphy residence, the tract is covered with a growth of underbrush and small trees. According to A. J. Tain, illustrations potentate of Al Kader shrine, five acres of the ground will be cleared at once as a site for the hospital and the remaining portion reserved for future development. It was possible, Tain said, that the local shrine would erect a convalescent home to be erected in connection with the hospital.

**NEGOTIATIONS CONCLUDED**  
Negotiations for the purchase of the site were carried on by long distance telephone with J. D. O'Farrell of Seattle, president of the O-W. R. & N. company, A. C. Spencer, attorney for the company assisting in the transaction. The site is located at the end of the Ross City Park extension line and is easily accessible to the city by automobile. Water and gas service is available from mains running along 32d street. Plans for the hospital building will be made at once by Eugene Whitney and construction work will begin about the second week in June.

President W. Kendrick of Philadelphia has been invited to turn the first spadeful of earth for the foundation of the new hospital. The invitation was sent by wire Tuesday evening by Mayor Baker as chairman of the local board of trustees in charge of the hospital. The invitation was sanctioned in an accompanying message signed by McGilvray and Keeler as national trustees and by A. J. Tain, illustrations potentate of Al Kader temple. Kendrick was illustrations potentate of the Shriner's during the national convention here in 1920, when the first resolution was passed endorsing the hospital project, and is known as the "father" of the undertaking.

### Attorneys Retained For Bonus Test Case

Salem, April 25.—Ray Shields, Robin Day and Brasier Small, Salem attorneys, have been retained as counsel by Capitol post, American Legion, to prosecute the suit against the state bonus commission to test out the right of the commission to use its discretion in allowing applications for loans. The legion post contends that the commission must allow loans up to 75 per cent of the appraised value of the security offered, when this amount does not exceed \$4000. The commission has been reducing the amounts allowed in a number of loans.

## On the Trail of Grant When He Was at Fort Vancouver



The country about Vancouver is rich in structures connected with the early days of General Ulysses S. Grant, the centennial of whose birth is to be celebrated tomorrow. At the upper left is the Officers' club at Vancouver barracks, the oldest building at the post. In 1852, when Lieutenant Grant was stationed there, the building, which is of logs, had not been covered with boards as at present. It served as the bachelors' quarters for officers, and there Grant lived. Below it is the old house fronting the river, which Grant occupied when he became quartermaster at the post. The house was brought around Cape Horn in sections, there being no sawmill on the coast in those days. Between it and the river lay the potato field, which Grant writes of cultivating in his memoirs. At the lower right, just in front of the quartermaster's house, is the famous old apple tree planted in 1826 and which bore apples in Grant's day. It is in blossom now, although almost 100 years old. At the upper right is the Covington "blockhouse," near Orchards, six miles from Vancouver, and reputed to be the oldest structure in the state of Washington. It is of logs, but has been covered with boards and is now used as a sheep barn. It was a Hudson's Bay company trading post and in Grant's day had two large wings and a huge fireplace, white bricks for which were brought from Scotland. Grant often would ride horseback to the Covington place. Mrs. Covington had a spinnet and the young officers came to dance in the big rooms which now house sheep. The old apple tree in the foreground, with the house, stood during Grant's time. At the lower right is a steel engraving of Grant made when he was a captain and taken from his memoirs.

### GRANT'S CAREER IN OREGON IS RECALLED

"My regiment spent a few weeks at Beale's barracks and then was ordered to Fort Vancouver, on the Columbia river, then in Oregon Territory," the account reads. "During the winter of 1852-3 the territory was divided, all north of the Columbia river being taken from Oregon to make Washington Territory. "Prices of all kinds of supplies were so high on the Pacific coast from 1849 until at least 1853 that it would have been impossible for officers of the army to exist upon their pay, if it had not been that authority was given them to purchase from the commissary such supplies as he kept, at New Orleans wholesale prices. **VEGETABLES ARE HIGH** "A cook could not be hired for the pay of a captain. The cook could do better. At Beale's, in 1852, flour was 25 cents per pound; potatoes were 16 cents; beets, turnips and cabbage, 6 cents; onions, 7 1/2 cents and other articles in proportion. In 1853 at Vancouver vegetables were a little lower. I with three other officers concluded that we would raise a crop for ourselves, and by selling the surplus realize something handsome. "I bought a pair of horses that had grazed the plains that summer and were very poor. They recuperated rapidly, however, and proved a good team to breaking the ground with. I performed all the labor of breaking up the ground while the other officers planted the potatoes. Our crop was enormous. Luckily for us the Columbia river rose to a great height from the melting of the snow in the mountains in June, and overflowed and killed most of our crop. This saved it up, for everybody on the Pacific Coast seemed to have come to the conclusion at the same time that agriculture would be profitable. In 1853 more than three-quarters of the potatoes raised were permitted to rot in the ground, or had to be thrown away. The only potatoes we sold were to our own mess. **INDIANS ARE PEACEFUL** "While I was stationed on the Pacific Coast we were free from Indian wars. There were quite a number of remnants of tribes in the vicinity of Portland, in Oregon, and of Fort Vancouver in Washington Territory. They had generally acquired some of the vices of civilization, but not of the virtues, except in individual cases. The Hudson Bay Company had held the Northwest with their trading posts for many years before the United States was represented on the Pacific Coast. They still retained posts along the Columbia river and one at Fort Vancouver, when I was there. "During my year on the Columbia river, the smallpox exterminated one small remnant of a band of Indians entirely and reduced others materially. "The hospital, established for their benefit, was not a stone's throw from my own quarters. "The death of Colonel Bliss of the adjutant general's department, which occurred July 5, 1853, promoted me to a captaincy of a company then stationed at Humboldt, California. The notice reached me in September of the same year, and I very soon started to join my new command. There was no way of reaching Humboldt at that time except to take passage on a San Francisco sailing vessel going after lumber. **THEORY IS EXPLODED** Reference by Grant to the necessity of traveling up and down the Pacific coast by boat exploded the theory, according to George B. Himes, president of the Oregon Historical society, that Grant stopped at Grants Pass on his way overland to Humboldt, and that the town was named after the officer, who later became president. Grants Pass, Himes explains, was named after a settler of the same name. During the winter of 1852-3 Grant lived in the fort "bachelor officers' quarters" at Fort Vancouver, his wife being in the east. This building was of logs. It still stands, facing the parade grounds at Vancouver barracks. Its logs, covered with boards, are still visible in the rear of the house, which is now used as the officers' club. In the spring of 1853 Grant was appointed camp quartermaster, and he established his quarters in a newer building near the river. This house was shipped in sections from the east, around Cape Horn. The house is still standing and is now used as quarters for ser-

gents in the quartermaster's department. **GRANT PAYS VISIT** In 1830 Grant and his wife, on a tour of the country, visited Vancouver and the scenes of his early services. The occasion was one which many Vancouver folk remember. Glenn Ranick, president of the Vancouver Historical society, was among the school children who lined up to shake hands with the famous soldier and ex-president. Reminiscences of greater historical value are told by a number of Vancouver residents who recall the sight of the slender, uniformed figure of the Fort Vancouver's quartermaster. Mrs. Elizabeth Bird knew the young soldier well, and can recall that Grant often made hunting trips with her husband, Charles Bird, who died in 1910. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Proevstel and Mr. and Mrs. S. Durgan are others who remember the U. S. Grant of 1853. **CHEST IS RELIC** Mrs. E. B. Gardner, daughter of W. R. Anderson, who acquired one of the first donation land claims in the area of the reservation, now possesses an old chest presented to Anderson by Grant when the latter departed for California. Grant was often a visitor at the Anderson home, where the young people of the settlement danced to Anderson's fiddling. Near Orchards, Wash., six miles north-east from the reservation, now stands a log blockhouse, once a Hudson's Bay way station occupied by Captains and Mrs. Richard Covington. Grant often rode on horseback to the Covington block house, where Covington's violin and Mrs. Covington's piano lent a note of culture to the wilderness. This house is now standing, its sturdy logs covered with boards. It is the plan of the Vancouver Historical society to remove the boards in the spring and restore the ancient aspect of the structure. The McLaughlin tree, planted in 1824 by John McLaughlin's gardener, was bearing when Grant was at Fort Vancouver and is still bearing. A London belle, so runs the story, gave seeds to a Hudson's Bay company official at a far-west party in Lewiston. He, Quinberg, county agriculturist, has counted the rings on pruned limbs and asserts 1826 was the date of planting. Mrs. Marcus Whisman was told the story by Dr. McLaughlin and she wrote a poem in which the legend is preserved. **SCHOOL EXERCISES** Commemorative exercises will be held in schools throughout the state Thursday and in Portland schools each member will devote a part of the day to a review of the life of Grant. In Vancouver, Wash., the Vancouver unit of the Women's Relief Corps will hold commemorative exercises. Organizations of the war veterans have arranged for ceremonies all over the country on the hundredth birthday of Grant. Posts of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars in American cities have designated the anniversary "Americanization Day" and have planned patriotic programs. Over the top post, V. F. W., will hold patriotic exercises Thursday night in the Lincoln high school auditorium at 7 o'clock. The meeting will be open to the public and no admission will be charged.

**Harding to Address Townfolk on Grant** Washington, April 25.—(U. P.)—President Harding will deliver the first "Main street" address of his administration tomorrow. From the platform in front of the village store at Point Pleasant, O., he will talk to a gathering of the townfolk and visitors about the great citizen and soldier who was born there.—U. S. Grant.

**MYTHS EXIST AS TO GRANT'S VISIT** (Continued From Page One)  
After leaving the steamer they were taken over the portage railway on the north side of the river to the lower cascades, where the Grant party awaited. Members of the party from The Dalles, according to Mrs. Crandall, made it a point to precisely inquire from General Grant about his visits to The Dalles. **THERE ONLY ONCE** "I was there just once," he is said to have responded. The visit was made to the local post in the year 1853. The time of the year is not known. Grant was then stationed at Fort Vancouver where he is said to have had charge of men who were building the fort structures. He was then a lieutenant. His

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