

PORTLAND GOES AHEAD RAPIDLY

BUILDING ACTIVITY IS WONDERFUL AT THIS TIME.

Progress Industrially — Building Permits of the Summer Months Are Far in Excess of the Previous Summers.

That Portland, Oregon's great, throbbing metropolis, is making vital progress in every way is emphatically shown from the commercial and industrial reports of the summer. The Oregonian says of the building and shipping activities of Portland:

Portland's industrial and commercial growth knows no stopping. The opening month of the "quiet summer" season, universally complained of elsewhere, shows only increased activity here.

Anti-election rumors that business contest is over have no place locally. Even the pessimist finds himself without fuel for complaint when confronted with a review of trade conditions for the month that ended yesterday. These figures reveal, in many particulars, a healthy increase not only over the business for the month a year ago, but over that of any month during the year.

The stability of this city commercially finds further convincing proof in the active movement of real estate at good valuations. During the last six weeks nine pieces of business property, representing an aggregate consideration of \$1,346,000, have changed owners. In a majority of instances the buildings now standing on the property will be replaced by substantial business blocks.

These sales have served to give the market an impetus, although there has not been a noticeable lull in real estate circles for months. It is an unquestioned fact that the real estate market in this city never was more stable, values more positive or the outlook for further brisk movement at the same satisfactory values more bright. These recent large deals have had the effect of further strengthening an unflinching confidence in property values and the city's future.

During the 26 business days of July the real estate transfers show the sale of property carrying considerations aggregating over \$1,600,000, or an average of \$60,000 a day. These figures include only the actual considerations reported in the deeds, so that the total could be increased by fully 20 per cent and not misrepresent the true market value of the land transferred. That would bring the total of the month's transfers practically to \$2,000,000.

The largest individual deed included in these figures was that recording the purchase by Theodore B. Wilcox of the Yeon property, corner Seventh and Stark streets, for \$160,000.

Permits for 458 Buildings.
Building permits issued during July numbered 458 and represented improvements aggregating \$1,038,360. This was the record month for the year. For the same month in 1907 only 373 permits were issued for improvements amounting to \$760,671.

Included in last month's permits were applications for eight foundations for business blocks. Of the eight, four are to be 10-story buildings. The permits covered only the laying of the foundations, the contractors deferring the matter of securing permits for the superstructures until the initial work of constructing the foundation has been finished.

An idea of the activity in building in this city is furnished by reference to the records in the office of Building Inspector Dobson. During the first seven months of this year building permits have been issued for improvements aggregating \$5,690,945. The record, for each month was as follows:

Construction Work by Months.	
January	298 \$ 625,545
February	413 832,800
March	544 851,845
April	576 980,410
May	374 754,945
June	288 608,040
July	458 1,038,360
Total	2951 \$5,690,945

For the month just ended an increase of nearly 35 per cent is shown in export wheat shipments. The shipments of this cereal for the first month of the fiscal year 1908-9 including flour reduced to a wheat bushels, as compared with 233,550 bushels for the same month in 1907.

No New Kansas Wheat Grade.

The Kansas grain grading commission refused to create a new grade for hard turkey red wheat. The Kansas millers wanted two grades of hard and winter wheat, one for the dark colored, which is a better milling wheat, and sells for five cents more on the bushel, and the other for the lighter wheat. The grainmen mix the two kinds of wheat. The commission announced that no change would be made, as most of the season's crop had been contracted and such a change would mean the cancellation of many contracts. The commission adopted the following rule: "Wheat, any part of which has been subjected to scouring or to any process equivalent thereto, or containing more than one-fourth of 1 per cent of rye shall not be graded higher than No. 3."

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Very Patient.

A doctor, now eminent, was at one time serving as interne in one of the Philadelphia hospitals as well as holding his own with a coterie of rather gay friends. On a certain morning the physician awoke to find that he had sadly overslept. Sleepily donning his attire, he hastened to the hospital and soon a stalwart young Irishman claimed his attention.

"Well, my man, what seems to be your trouble this morning?" inquired the doctor, concealing a yawn and taking the patient by the hand to examine his pulse.

"Faith, sor, it's all in me breathin', doctor. I can't get me breath at all, at all."

"The pulse is normal, Pat, but let me examine the lung action a moment," replied the doctor, kneeling beside the cot and laying his hand on the Irishman's chest. "Now let me hear you talk," he continued, closing his eyes and listening attentively for sounds of pulmonary congestion.

A moment of silence.

"What will I be sayin', doctor?" finally asked the patient.

"Oh, say anything. Count. Count one, two, three and up, that way," murmured the physician drowsily.

"Wan, two, three, fure, five, six."

When the young doctor, with a start, opened his eyes, Pat was continuing weakly, "Tin hundred an' sixty-nine, tin hundred an' sivity, tin hundred an' sivity-wan."—Success.

Taken Unawares.

It is likely that the most embarrassed man in New York could be found last Monday in a Sixth avenue store. He was a mild, inoffensive looking man. He stood leaning over the balcony that surrounds the first floor of the store, looking with interest at the crowd below. Presently his eye alighted on a small boy who was being rushed from counter to counter in tow of a very large woman. Just as he looked down at the boy the boy looked up at him. Instinctively perceiving, with diabolic instinct, what would be his own youthful propensity if he occupied a similar point of vantage, the boy struck a beseeching attitude and called out in imploring accents:

"Oh, mister; please, mister, don't spit on me!"

For a man with no intention of spitting on that particular boy or any one else the situation was certainly awkward, and the man retired in red faced confusion.—New York Times.

Queer, but True.

"For this here splurge," said the caterer, "do the guests know one another well or are they jest passin' acquaintances?"

"Oh, they are intimate friends, lifelong friends."

"Then," said the caterer, "I'll add 20 per cent to that estimate if you don't mind."

"But I do mind. Why?"

"Twenty per cent more for lifelong friends," the caterer insisted. "I'd be out of pocket otherwise. A bunch of friends at a splurge always eat a fifth more than a bunch of passin' acquaintances or strangers. Didn't you never notice that?" he concluded as he rectified the bill. "You might have noticed it from your own experience. Among strangers you're ill at ease, nervous; that takes your appetite away. But with friends you're quite at home, and you eat like a horse."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Moving Pictures.

Moving picture cameras are remarkable pieces of mechanism. The films are only three-quarters of an inch wide. These are in rolls, sometimes 800 feet long. When taking pictures the camera man reels off these rolls just as rapidly as they are unreeled when thrown upon the canvas for the spectator, at a rate of ten or twelve films a second. Moving pictures are simply a number of views thrown upon a white sheet one after another so rapidly that the eye cannot detect the intervals.

An Author Who Hated Water.

Mme. d'Arblay, better known as Miss Fanny Burney, who took such an important place in the literature of the eighteenth century, had an extraordinary and most undesirable peculiarity. She had the greatest aversion to washing and water. Sir Henry Holland was the physician who attended the gifted authoress during the last year of her life, and she confided to him that she had not washed for fifteen years.

Origin of Yankee Pronunciation.

It was these historic Suffolk families who in the seventeenth century took over with them to America the peculiar Suffolk pronunciation out of which has developed the modern seminausal Yankee twang.—London Spectator.

Very Sharp.

Teacher—Now, Johnny, if the earth were empty on the inside, what could we compare it to? Johnny—A razor, ma'am. Teacher—A razor? Johnny—Yes, ma'am; because it would be hollow ground.

The Hard Knocks.

"This old world at best is only an anvil and life a sort of Plutonian blacksmith, that, with varying blows, strikes us into form. The blow that hurts us most may shape us best."

Deeply Affecting.

"And when," said Mrs. Nuvoreeah, "those French pheasants came by singing the Mayonnaise it was too deeply touching for words."—Success Magazine.

Great souls are not those who have fewer passions and more virtues than the common, but those only who have greater designs.—La Rochefoucauld.

If you see it in the East Oregonian, it's so.

OSTEOPATHS IN SESSION.

National Convention Meets in Kirksville, Mo.

Kirksville, Mo., Aug. 3.—Enthusiastic in their adherence to the new school of healing, the nation's osteopaths are gathering here today by thousands to take part in the 11th annual session of the Osteopathic association of the United States and Canada. The oldest school of osteopathy is located here and is the host of the convention.

Dr. A. T. Still, founder of the osteopathic science, who is now in his 80th year, resides here and takes a lively interest in the affairs of the school. He is regarded as the apostle of the new science. Several of his sons and grandsons teach in the school, which has become a great institution.

Three national conventions have been held here since it was first organized in 1897. The last one was in 1901. The convention met at the World's Fair in St. Louis in 1894 and was held last year at Norfolk.

The sessions of the convention will be held in a tent in DeFrance Park, in which the chautauqua program will be given, beginning Saturday. The two meetings overlap on that date, but it is proposed to make it a big homecoming for the osteopaths and former Kirksville people. Some of the most prominent men of the profession will address the convention.

FREE TRADE CONGRESS.

Delegates From Europe and America Are in Attendance.

London, Aug. 3.—An international free trade congress promoted by the Cobden club, was opened today with a reception by Mr. and Mrs. Russel Rea at the Hotel Metropol. Delegates from several European countries and from the United States are in attendance. The congress will meet twice daily for the rest of the week in Caxton hall.

Prof. Bastable, whose books on international trade and public finance make him an authority on the subject will speak on the revenue aspects of protective duties. M. Yves Guyot will speak on the present utility of commercial treaties, and Mr. Franklin Pierce, who has a wide knowledge of the effect of tariff construction in the United States, will speak on political morality as illustrated in the making and operation of tariffs.



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