

HIGH COSTS DELAY BUILDING PROJECTS

Plans to Erect New Banking Building at Broad and Sansom Streets Deferred

NEW HOME FOR SHRINERS

Millions of dollars' worth of building projects are being indefinitely held up by the labor situation and the high and uncertain cost of sites and building materials.

Contracts held by architects and builders, for which plans had actually been drawn, are in a similar state of suspension. Many of these new buildings and improvements were projected for the central portion of the city. As an example, the Fidelity Trust Co., owing to the inadequacy of its present building at 825 Chestnut street, for accommodation of its growing business, had planned for some time to put up a great banking institution on the site owned by it at the southeast corner of Broad and Sansom streets.

The high cost of building has had a deterrent effect on the plan, however. Where it had expected to begin operations in a short time, plans for this development are now nowhere in sight. Officials of the company deny that they have abandoned the project, but on the other hand they are unable to state when the improvement will be started. According to the arrangements which had been made, the lease on the Forrest Theatre, which occupies the Broad street site, expired this year, after which time the playhouse was to have been razed to make room for the new building. Now the lease for the theatre will be renewed for at least another year.

The Fidelity on Monday effected a consolidation with the Logan Trust Co., which gives it another banking building at 1431-33 Chestnut street. It had been determined by the Girard Trust Co. to use the site of the Little Hotel Wilmet and an adjoining property which it owns to build a wing on South Penn Square to accommodate the demand for increased space which its business is now making. But from present indications officials of the bank say they will have to rest content with their present building at the northwest corner of Broad and Chestnut streets.

Conditions Called Unsatisfactory "It is a very unsatisfactory condition of affairs," said Edgingham B. Morris, president of the company, "but we will have to do the best we can until conditions change. We have contemplated the new wing for some time, but when we will be able to build it is almost impossible to tell from present indications."

Limited space has compelled the Philadelphia consistory of the Order of Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite to seek larger quarters than the present ones at the southwest corner of Broad and Race streets. For the past two years industrial members of the order have been looking around for other sites, but all plans have now been temporarily abandoned pending a more favorable development of the building situation. "Certainly we would like to go ahead and select a new site and build," said George Kendrick, 3d, commander-in-chief of the consistory. "But who is going to spend money now when property prices are going out of sight, labor is cutting up and material is not only increasingly high in price, but it is also uncertain?"

"We are not the only ones affected. There is lots of big building that would be going on right now, or at least in the very near future, right here in the heart of the city, if conditions were any way normal or stable. "Shriners Plan to Build "Yes, prices of building have gone way up," said Charles Bair, a noble of the Mystic Shriners, "but that isn't going to deter us from putting up a new building. We have completely outgrown the present building on Spring Garden street below Broad and simply must have more room. "We have bought a plot of ground between Twenty-second and Twenty-third streets facing the Parkway and we are going to build there. We will probably start building within the year. If the money we have at hand is not available, we shall build anyhow. We have \$1,000,000 back of us, if it is needed. But there is one thing certain. We must have the new building and we are going to have it."

MAYOR'S MESSENGER WINS

Daniel M. Baxter is First in Civil Service Examination Mayor Moore today was the first to congratulate Daniel M. Baxter for having passed first in the examination for Mayor's messenger, a job which pays \$1200 a year with a 20 per cent bonus. Baxter, who lives at 4118 Baring street, and is a follower of Blakely D. McCaughey, has been holding the appointment provisionally. His passing average was 84.9. Two provisional appointments announced were those of John P. Martin, 1804 Thayer street, assistant storekeeper, Bureau of Health, \$1500 and bonus, and Walter Mason, 917 Walnut street, inspector Electrical Bureau, \$1560 and bonus. Miss Grace Watson passed first in the examination for director of the educational department of the Philadelphia General Hospital, at \$1200 year and bonus. Her general average was 89.5.

Freight Cars Squeeze Brakeman Squeezed between two freight cars, Melvin Beeve, a brakeman, of Mullica Hill, N. J., was hurt internally early this morning at the Camden terminal of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway. He was admitted to the West Jersey Homeopathic Hospital.

CREW FACES DEATH FOR 70 DAYS AT SEA

Men Land at Wildwood After Perilous Voyage—Were on Short Rations

CUTTER RESCUES VESSEL

Weak from exposure and lack of food, the crew of the three-masted schooner Jenn Campbell pulled into Wildwood, N. J., late yesterday in a lifeboat after an experience of seventy days at sea, during which their craft was blown from its course six times.

The crew abandoned the Campbell off Hereford bar when they caught a glimpse of land. Members of the crew told a harrowing tale of facing death by starvation and drowning for several weeks as they tried to keep their craft in its course. The schooner left Port of Spain, Trinidad, January 14, and ran into its first storm when about three days out. Two more storms were encountered in the succeeding two weeks, each gale blowing the little craft farther from its course.

All available loose wood aboard the vessel was burned in an effort to signal ships that might have been in the vicinity. Food on the ship was running short and the seven members of the crew were put on emergency rations. Then the Campbell encountered a fishing smack and was given a supply of hard tack and water. The crew lived on hard tack and water alone for nearly two weeks, but the supply of both became exhausted just a day before the vessel reached Hereford bar.

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Captain Richard Crease, of coast guard station No. 32, was notified by the crew and a coast guard cutter was sent to rescue the abandoned ship. The Campbell was towed to Cold Spring harbor by the cutter Pequot, where the ship was loaded with provisions and the crew cared for. The vessel, which was bound for Philadelphia, was a cargo of dry wood, will be towed to this port later. The schooner belongs in Nova Scotia.

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