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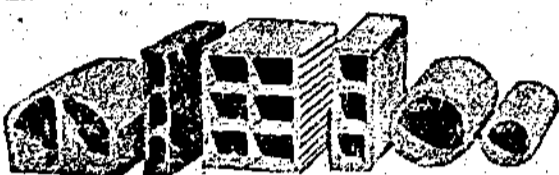
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AWARDED CONTRACT FOR PILE PROTECTION WORKS

Messrs. Robertson, Power & Devey, 502 Yorkshire Building, have been awarded a contract from the Department of Marine for the construction of a pile protection works at the First Narrows Lighthouse. Work will be started at once.

INVITING TENDERS FOR SOLDIERS HOMES

Tenders are being received by the City of New Westminster up to Friday the 9th inst., for the erection and completion of three Bungalows. Plans and specifications may be obtained from the Building Inspector at the City Hall, for which a deposit of ten dollars will be required until same are returned.

LET CONTRACT FOR SHAUGHNESSY HOME

Architects Mackenzie & Bow, 322 Winch Building, have awarded a contract to Messrs. Wise & Watson, for the construction of an eight-roomed, 1½ storey stucco bungalow, to be erected on Sixteenth Ave. West, near Pine Street, Shaughnessy Heights, for Mrs. T. H. White. The new home will contain a sun-room, breakfast room, four bedrooms, living room, dining room, fire place, hot water heating, hardwood floors, concrete basement, etc., and will cost \$15,000.

LOCAL ARCHITECTS TO DESIGN NEW THEATRE

Mr. Charles E. Royal & Associates who are promoting the new theatre planned for the south-east corner of Robson and Hornby streets, have commissioned Messrs. Gillingham & Kerner, architects, 422 Richards St. to prepare the plans and specifications for the new playhouse. The plans will be ready to call for tenders about the end of March or early in April. The new playhouse, which is intended for the legitimate drama and to accommodate the biggest road shows, will comprise a number of decided innovations and the

latest ideas in theatre accommodation and staging. Mr. Royal, who has been working on this theatre project for years, plans to have a revolving stage which will allow of eight complete small sets or four large ones being handled at the same time and thus eliminate all delays in changes of scenes and the presentation of elaborate plays. Options have already been taken on five lots for the fete and this may be extended to take in one or two more lots.

ANOTHER BIG GARAGE FOR GEORGIA STREET

At a cost of approximately \$30,000 another big garage and service station is to be erected on Georgia street. This newest addition to the list of establishments catering to the motor trade, will be erected for Mr. Richard Marpole on the north side of Georgia, just west of Burrard street, and almost immediately adjoining Glencoe Lodge.

The new structure is to have a frontage of 99 feet on Georgia street with a depth of 132 feet. Mr. Marpole having acquired the property some time ago. The contract for the erection of the building which will be of brick and hollow tile construction and one story in height, has been awarded to the Foundation Company, 1322 Standard Bank Building, which has already commenced work on the demolition of three frame houses at present occupying the site. It is expected the new garage will be ready for occupancy by the Nash Motor Company some time in March.

NEW SCHOOL NEEDED IN HAZELMERE SECTION

HAZELMERE—Pleasing proof of the increase in population in this section of Surrey is afforded by an agitation having for its object the opening of another school. It is understood that a school site has been provided for on Mr. Morrison's holding adjoining the Pacific Highway on the crest of the hill leading to Blaine and it is hoped to have a suitable building erected there or in that immediate vicinity.

APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF HOUSE CONTRACT

An echo of the recent assignment of the Veterans Engineering and Contracting Company, Ltd., was heard at the city council meeting Monday, when City Solicitor Jones notified the council of the assignment which was made in favor of Messrs. George Lawlay, George R. Hackett, John Thomas, Allan Ritchie and Howard Walsh. These assignees had agreed to take

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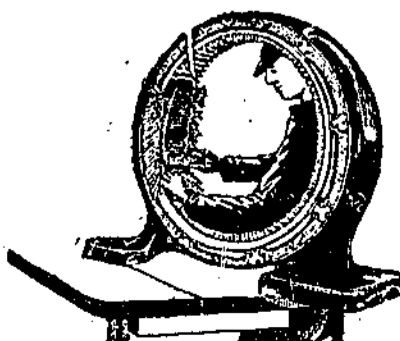
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INDICATIONS POINT TO MUCH HOME BUILDING

It is not at all surprising to those familiar with the intrinsic value of Vancouver real estate to note a general renewal of the public interest in building lots. Realty dealers report more and steadier buying during the last two months than at any time since the war closed, with generally higher prices paid for desirable lots than has prevailed for the last six years or the days of the building boom. Moreover, they are looking for buying now that the holidays are over, and an early "cleaning up" by far-seeing investors on such of these lots that are still to be had at anything like bargain prices. One very marked feature of practically all of these sales of homesites, according to leading realty men, is that long term payments are very rarely asked for. In fact, in the great majority of cases, the transfer of title is made on a spot cash basis—something that was practically unknown or at least very rare out by realtors as another evidence in the "boom days." This fact is pointed out by these building lot purchasers are buying for a homesite and have the money to pay for what they want.

It is naturally to be expected that this increased homesite buying on the part of small investors will be followed during the coming spring by a marked increase in home building by individuals who have felt the pinch of high rents. Many of those who have found it difficult to adjust their home building ideas to the higher construction costs—and have been deferring their plans in the hope of a drop in building material prices—have now come to the conclusion that it is better to start building as soon as possible before these costs go any higher, as vague rumors indicate.

One point on which both realtors, builders and prospective home owners are all agreed however, and that is as soon as material markets become more stabilized and labor conditions more settled, Vancouver will experience the greatest era of house building she has probably ever experienced. These two factors, after all, are the deciding ones in promoting building enterprises, and clearer judgment dictates or at least indicates, that before the new year is very far advanced we may see the present tangle of interests considerably straightened out.

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In no year has November failed to show a slump in activity. It and December are months in which no activity is planned for the existing year and little projection made for the coming year's activity.

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