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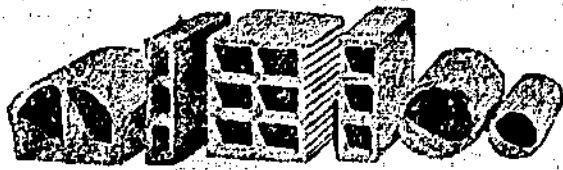
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C. F. ROBINSON TO BUILD HOME FOR MR. GRIFFIN

Architects Mackenzie & Bow, Winch building, have just awarded a contract to Mr. C. F. Robinson for the erection of a handsome frame and stucco residence for Mr. J. Y. Griffin on Connaught street, Shaughnessy Heights. The new dwelling is to cost in the neighborhood of \$14,500 and will be an eight-room, two-story structure with full concrete basement, hardwood floors throughout and heated by a hot water system.

Mr. Robinson plans to start work at once on the excavation for the foundation and basement.

AWARD CONTRACT FOR NEW HOME AT MAGEE

From among a number of close bidders, Architects Townley & Matheson have awarded a contract to Mr. A. L. Ramage, 1350 Sixth Avenue East, for the erection of a five-room bungalow at Magee station, Lulu Island, for Mr. E. Robertson. The new home is to be of frame and stucco construction and will have hardwood floors throughout. It will be heated by hot air and in addition will have a handsome fireplace. The cost will be approximately \$5,000. Contractor Ramage is arranging for an early start on the new dwelling.

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR VIVIAN CREEK BRIDGE

SOUTH VANCOUVER.—As the lowest of nine tenders submitted for the erection of the new bridge over Vivian Creek on Marine Drive, Commissioner F. T. Gillespie has awarded the contract for the structure to Mr. G. C. Hopper, 2339 Main street. The figure submitted by Mr. Hopper was \$3,750, plus another \$195 for painting with creosote, which makes the total cost of the bridge \$3,945. The figures submitted in the nine tenders ranged from \$3,750 to \$9,350. Mr. Hopper will start work on the bridge immediately.

PLANS ARE READY FOR E. & N. RAILWAY DEPOT

VICTORIA.—Mr. C. E. Firth, local agent of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway, received and now has on display the plans for the new depot which the C. P. R. plans to erect soon on

Fitzwilliam and Franklin streets. The building will be quite an imposing one of brick veneer and rough cast exterior, a length of 150 feet and a width of 38 feet. It will be two stories in height with two double revised wings to make provision for future extensions. Ample platform space is also provided in the plans, nearly all the area between Fitzwilliam and Franklin streets outside of the building being laid out for platform. It is expected that tenders will be called for the new depot shortly.

PLANNING UNIQUE TILE AND STUCCO BUNGALOW

Something decidedly different and unique in the way of a tile and stucco bungalow is now being planned by Architect H. H. Simmonds, Carter-Cotton building, for a prominent Vancouver citizen. The owner of the projected new dwelling has secured an excellent site at the corner of Thirtieth avenue and Highbury streets, Shaughnessy Heights, from which a magnificent view of the entire city and English Bay is obtainable. The new home will be a model of its kind in the way of interior arrangements and modern conveniences.

Architect Simmonds is now preparing the plans and will be calling for tenders soon. The house will have five rooms on the ground floor with provision for two rooms on the upper floor. It will be designed with hardwood floors throughout and practically the entire interior in oak trim; the paneling, beams, etc., being all in this hardwood. A full concrete basement is also provided with hot water heating and tile baths. A feature of the house will be the number of built-in fixtures, which will include built-in sideboards, writing desk and similar features that will all tend to make it a model and decidedly up-to-the-minute home.

YEAR'S BUILDING SHOWS BIG INCREASE SO FAR

Despite the temporary decrease in building activity in the city during the last two months, the value of the building permits for the first five months of the year so far shows an increase of slightly over 100 per cent. over the same period last year. The monthly report just issued by City Building Inspector Bird shows that the value of construction authorized this year since January 1st has now reached the gratifying total of \$1,388,645, which is just a little more than double the aggregate for the same period in 1919, which amounted to \$672,550. During the past month there were a total of 140 permits issued which have a total value of \$226,647. This

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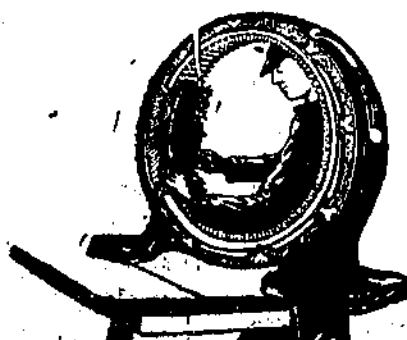
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QUESTION OF SKYSCRAPERS IS NOW AGITATING LONDON

Will dear old ultra-conservative London build skywards? That is the question which is today agitating the minds of architects and builders. At a recent meeting of the Royal Institute of British Architects the need of higher buildings for London was the great subject of discussion.

The London building act at present limits buildings to a height of eighty feet—except in special circumstances. It is to combat this limitation that the Institute went into a thorough discussion of the advantages and otherwise of tall buildings for business, for living purposes, and several prominent architects gave their views.

The president of the Society, Mr. J. W. Simpson, announced that he was in favor of amending the present building act, while Mr. Delissa Joseph, a very well-known English architect, advocated the erection of buildings 200 feet high abutting on open spaces, around parks and commons and along the river front.

"This is the only solution of the street traffic problem and the matter of dearer fares on the car lines and underground," said Mr. Joseph during the course of his remarks. "London is overflowing and building must take an upward tendency, especially in the central area."

Sir Martin Conway, who has attained much fame as an Alpine climber, said that one day in New York recently had converted him from his former British prejudice against the "skyscraper." "The higher the building the greater relief from noise, dust, groundfogs and microbes," said Sir Martin. "Skyscrapers in London will save the metropolis from spreading indefinitely over the counties. I see no reason why huge buildings could not be built in which aggregations of people could be more comfortably housed than they are today. Each of these buildings could be provided with its own co-operative store, its school, theatre, cinema and restaurant. If London continues to grow at its present rate of progress, it will soon be impossible for anything excepting an expedition, to get out of London."

The suggestion for the erection of skyscrapers has, of course, not yet made any marked general appeal to the somewhat stolid and very conservative British mind. The subject has, brought out a number of humorous cartoons in some of the leading journals, while

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POINT GREY SHOWS BIG HOME BUILDING MOVE

The Point Grey building inspector's report for May gives a striking evidence of the popularity of that municipality as a residential suburb for Greater Vancouver, for the home-building movement has been very marked during the past month. The 35 new dwellings for which permits were issued during May have a total value of \$170,050. This is not only a record for the municipality but is also practically double the amount involved in the construction of dwellings in Vancouver during the same period.

There were also 22 garage permits issued during May which will cost \$7,355, while permits were also issued to 13 alterations and repair jobs which represent an outlay of \$19,035, making the total value of the permits for the month \$196,440, as compared with \$103,390 for May, 1919. The total value of permits issued for the first five months of the current year now aggregates \$849,170.

DROP IN LUMBER PRICES MAY BOOST BUILDING

Some very marked cuts in lumber and shingle prices announced by Puget Sound mills, consequent upon the falling off of eastern lumber demand, is expected to be followed locally by some reductions in lumber and perhaps material prices. Contractors and builders declare that any move in this direction coming at the present time would prove an excellent stimulant for the building situation as it would tend to boost construction activity which has been experiencing somewhat of a slump of late, due mainly to high material costs.

Even if there should be no material reductions in local prices, it is claimed that the slackening off of the export market will result in local dealers and builders standing a better chance of getting supplied with material with some promptitude instead of being curtly informed that they may have to wait indefinitely for supplies contracted for months previously. It has been the delay in supply of material that has been holding up construction activity just as much as high prices, according to well known local builders who speak from bitter experience.

TENDERS INVITED FOR PAVING OF RIVER ROAD

The Minister of Public Works, Victoria, is inviting tenders for the resurfacing of the River Road along the north side of the North Arm of the Fraser river, from Eburne to near



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New Westminster. Notice of the tender appears elsewhere in this issue. The plans and specifications for the resurfacing and road repairs may be seen at the office of the district engineer, Vancouver, in the provincial court house.

GOVERNMENT TO BUILD WHARF AT KUSKONOOK

Tenders are being invited by the federal department of public works at Ottawa for the construction of a floating wharf at Kuskonook, B. C., in the district of Kootenay on Kootenay Lake. The bids on this work will be received up to noon of Friday, June 15th. Plans and forms of contract can be obtained at the office of the district engineer at Nelson and at the post-office at Kuskonook. No tender will be considered unless made on official forms.

CITY ASKS TENDERS ON REPAIRING OF STREETS

City Engineers F. L. Fellowes is calling for tenders for the hard surfacing and general repairs to a number of streets in the city. Notice of the tender appears elsewhere in this issue. Tenders will be received up to June 8. This work, which was recently authorized by the city council as part of the year's programme of general street paving and repairs, will involve an estimated outlay of nearly \$63,000. The tenders will be submitted to the civic board of works and the award will be made by that body.

ARCHITECT BELL TO AWAIT BANK JOB AWARD

PENTICTON.—Mr. R. B. Bell, of the firm of Bell & Curtis, architects of Vernon, has arrived in the city and will remain here until the tenders for the addition to the Bank of Montreal are opened. Mr. Bell is stopping at the Hotel Incola and any architects tendering on the work of desiring any information about it will be supplied with all details possible upon application to Mr. Bell.

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