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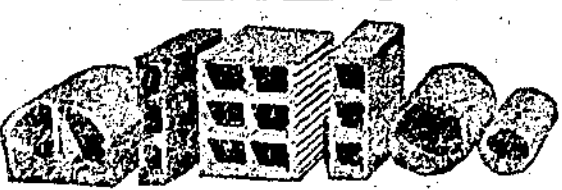
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**VALUE OF BUILDINGS FOR FEBRUARY TOTAL \$65,810**

Building Inspector MacKenzie's report for the month of February, 1919 is as follows:

Repairs & alterations	55	\$ 27,020
Dwelling houses	11	240,185
Apartments & rooming houses	—	—
Factories & warehouses	5	12,400
Offices & stores	1	2,200
Total number of permits for February, 1919	72	
Total value of buildings for February, 1919	—	65,810
Total number of permits for February, 1918	45	
Total value of buildings for February, 1918	—	55,415
Total number permits 2 months, 1919	142	
Total value of buildings 2 months, 1919	—	144,007
Total number permits 2 months, 1918	102	
Total value of buildings 2 months, 1918	—	108,540

**CITY'S GROWTH SHOWN BY CIVIC STATISTICS**

While the year is comparatively young yet, the two months that have already passed indicate that the city is fully living up to the wartime predictions of its after-the-war growth. This is shown in an unmistakable manner by the returns from the three most important departments of the city's service, for the period covering the first two months of the year. In civic license fees, building permits and waterworks receipts a very healthy increase is shown in each case, which seems to point to increasing activity for the coming summer months.

Civic fees, under the provisions of the amended Trades License By-law, show over 100 per cent. increase for the first two months of the year. Last year only \$5,464 was taken in by the license department in February and \$51,000 for the first two months of 1919. The receipts for the past month were announced on Saturday of Inspector Jones, as \$34,018 for the month and the record sum of \$107,274 for the first two months of the year.

In the value of building permits there is practically a 40 per cent. increase in the value of the permits issued for the first two months of the year. The figures for 1918 are 102 permits in January and February, aggregating \$108,540 in value, while for the past two months this has climbed to 142 permits totalling \$144,007 in value. During the month there were 72 permits of a total value of \$65,810 issued, as compared with 55 permits valued at \$55,415 in February, 1918.

Waterworks receipts, the most reliable indication of all of the number of new families that have occupied homes in the city, shows a very healthy increase too. The receipts for February up to the end of the rebate period on Friday, were \$30,512.95 as compared with \$74,241.81 in the same month last year. For the two months period the figures are also very expressive, as follows: 1918, \$103,995.46; 1919, \$117,143.40, and the latter figure does not include the belated mail checks which are credited to March account.

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**DILATORY FIRE PROTECTION METHODS.**

Fire Chief Carlisle and City Building Inspector McKenzie are to be commended by every sane and progressive citizen for the energetic stand they are taking in regard to protecting the lives of those who live in apartment houses which happen to be located over garages. The same commendation, however, will not be accorded by all citizens to the action of the aldermen, who, sitting as the civic fire and police committee on Wednesday, calmly tabled a report brought in by these two city officials which recommended immediate action in the closing up two garages located under apartment houses, which were characterized in the report as "dangerous fire traps" and which not only did not comply with the city's garage by-law

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but endangered the lives of large numbers of people who lived in the apartments above them.

It may possibly be urged by the Aldermen in deferring action on the report and ordering a complete report of all garages in the city which do not comply with the by-law, that they wished to deal in a comprehensive manner with the whole question. But that does not absolve them of the personal responsibility, as pointed out by the chairman, Ald. Elkins, of the lives of the occupants of these apartment quarters in case of an outbreak of fire in any one of these three places which have been so unequivocally declared to be "dangerous fire traps" by the city's two public safety experts. It would have been far more in keeping with aldermanic caution and public safety to adopt the two city officials' recommendations and close up this trio of "fire traps" and order a report covering other possible similar sources of danger to be submitted at the earliest opportunity.

As matters now stand, at least two weeks and possibly more will elapse before any action is taken on these three garages or any others. And in the meantime the city officials who are discharging an unpleasant duty and carrying out the instructions of the city council and its by-laws, get practically no support from those in authority to whom they should naturally look to for every support. And supposing a fire breaks out in one of these places in the meantime, with a resulting loss of life. Upon whose shoulders would lie the responsibility?

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Residences	each 4,000	Angus Ave.	Macaulay & Nicoll
Rick Building	7,000	Seymour St.	E. C. Tel. Co.
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Bungalow	7595	1435 15th Ave. W.	H. D. Christie
Residence	35,000	S.E. Cor. Maple & Magee Rd.	C.H. McFarlane
Powdered Fuel Plant	\$39,000	Dowell St.	B. C. Sugar Refinery
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Residence	8,000	Shaughnessy Heights	P. W. Racey
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to recognize its part in the adjustment is the problem. A sale of 4000 tons of pig iron is noted for export and Cleveland reports an inquiry for 5000 tons from China. One 300 tons a cut of \$1.30 from \$21 per ton was made by an Eastern furnace, but 3000 tons for Italy was withdrawn on the price account.

B. C. INCORPORATIONS. During the past week, certificates of incorporation have been issued by the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies in respect of the undernoted concerns: Jervis Copper Company, Limited, \$500,000; Vancouver; Leech River Hydraulic Mining Company, Limited, \$100,000; Vancouver; The Winter Harbor Canning Company, Limited, \$50,000; Vancouver; Thorne & Cooper, Limited, \$10,000; Vancouver; Hartley, Limited, \$10,000; Vancouver; Harrington & Cameron Company, Limited, \$10,000; Vancouver; Western Minerals, Limited, \$30,000; Vancouver; Poak Hing Co., Ltd., \$19,000; Vancouver; Cluff Shoe Company, Limited, \$30,000; Vancouver; Huron Securities, Limited, \$10,000; Vancouver; Skeena Mining & Milling Company, Limited, \$250,000; Vancouver; Baskin & Stedman, Limited, \$50,000; Nelson; Dickson Importing Company, Limited, \$10,000; Vancouver; Province Oil & Gas Company, Limited, \$250,000; Vancouver; The Nanoose-Wellington Coal Company, incorporated in State of Washington is registered to do business in B. C., \$1,500,000; head office, Vancouver; The Dome Mountain Lumber Company, Limited, incorporated in Alberta, is licensed to do business in B. C., \$30,000; head office, Dome Creek, B. C.; Beattie Noble, Limited, \$25,000; Cranbrook.

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