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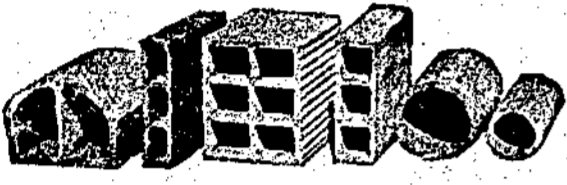
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### CONTRACT AWARDED

FOR HIGHWAY BRIDGE

The Honourable the Minister of Public Works has awarded a contract to Robert Moncrieff, Kent Hotel, Victoria, for the erection and completion of a highway bridge over the Shuswap River at Enderby. Mr. Moncrieff's tender was \$16,400, being the lowest of three submitted.

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### WILL INVITE TENDERS FOR

GRADING AND SIDEWALKS

Point Grey council has decided to proceed with grading of the boulevard of Maple street and East boulevard, south of Forty-ninth avenue, and will invite tenders for the installation of the four-foot-wide cement sidewalks. The necessary by-laws will be prepared and presented at the next meeting of the municipal council.

### FINE STUCCO BUNGALOW

PLANNED FOR BURNABY

Fred L. Townley & Robt. M. Matheson, Associate Architects, 325 Homer Street, will award a contract on Monday for the erection of a modern Stucco bungalow and garage for Mrs. A. S. McRae, Burnaby.

The new home will have seven rooms, hardwood floors, full concrete basement, two fireplaces and a hot air-heating system.

### POINT GREY TO ASK FOR

\$10,000 MORE FOR HOMES

POINT GREY—In view of the fact that the \$30,000 already allotted to Point Grey for the erection of new homes for soldiers under the provisions of the Soldier Housing Act, is about exhausted already and will not be sufficient to enable the houses already under way to be completed, the municipal council at its meeting Tuesday, decided to ask the provincial government for another \$10,000. Accounts amounting to \$3,437 in connection with the erection of soldier homes were passed by the council.

### PLAN TO REPAIR

ESQUIMALT ROAD

VICTORIA—City Engineer F. M. Preston reported to the Council Tuesday night that it will cost \$5,000 to resurface Esquimalt road, and \$15,000 to maintain it in a passable condition until Spring, and \$15,000 to regrade and resurface it. The matter was referred to the Mayor, who will withhold action pending a conference with Hon. J. D. King, Minister of Public Works, and Victoria's members.

### IMPROVE BUILDINGS

FOR SOLDIERS ON FARM

MATSQUI—Many important alterations and improvements are being carried out at the former hygienic dairy farm buildings which was recently purchased by the government. In order to fit it for soldier settlement and a new agricultural training centre for returned men. Additions have been made to the dormitory and dining room accommodation until there is now room for over 100 men, and it is probable that further space will be added soon as a number of returned veterans who have been receiving agricultural training at the Dominion experimental farm at Agassiz are to be moved down to the Matsqui centre shortly.

More barn and stable space will be necessary soon, as all the stock and equipment of the dairy farm has been purchased and is being assembled at the farm, while this is to be still further added to by equipment from the Agassiz farm. It is the intention of the Soldier Settlement Board to farm over 500 acres and thus give employment to a large number of returned men, besides those taking the three months course in agriculture.

### WESTERN UNION TO BUILD

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One of New Orleans prominent architects tells this story, which he says is not original except as he appears were passed by the council.

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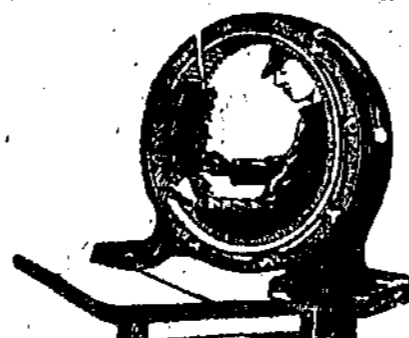
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**WHAT WILL STIMULATE BUILDING?**

There is dire need for more houses, more apartments, more buildings of all kinds. Not alone in Vancouver, but from villages, towns and cities all over the continent comes the cry for more building.  
In response to this urgent demand, various plans have been advanced for the stimulation of building. Perhaps that which has received wider approval than any of the others is the proposal to exempt buildings erected now from taxation for various terms of years, usually from five to seven. This proposal, which is simply a version of the old form of single tax, and one with which Vancouver taxpayers are quite familiar, is an artificial stimulant, and a stimulant which has little to recommend it. It would probably cause more buildings to be erected for a time—as it undoubtedly did here. But these buildings would have been erected, exemption or no exemption. Furthermore, exemption from taxation of on class of capital will only throw a heavier burden on the rest. If building is exempted, this does not mean that the revenue will not go to the city or the government as the case may be, but only that an equivalent amount of taxes must be secured from some other source. Taxation is high here now, and an even, rather than an uneven distribution of the burden is the desirable thing and is exactly what is aimed at by the taxation commission which holds sessions here soon.

The trouble with building is the very same trouble that is causing high over the country. Sugar coating the prices and slackened production all trouble will not remove it—even if sugar is getting almost as precious as gold. Any remedy that will do good must strike at the very heart of the reason for lack of sufficient building. That trouble is high prices of materials, high prices of labor, and uncertainty as to when labor will take it into its head to strike, legally or otherwise.

Any contractor will tell how unions have curtailed the number of brick that can be laid in a day; of how production has been slackened up under the influence of the false theory that the less work a man does, the more men will be required to do it and, therefore, the more jobs the less unemployment.

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**TAKING FIGURES FOR COTTAGES AT PORT MANN**  
Tenders for the erection of two (2) Cottages at Port Mann are being received at the office of the District Engineer, Canadian National Railways, City, up to November 29, 1919.

**INVITING TENDERS FOR FERRY LANDING**  
Tenders are being invited by the Hon. the Minister of Public Works up to December 3rd, for the erection and completion of Ferry Landings near Agassiz and Rosedale, B. C., on the Fraser River. Notice of tender appears elsewhere in this paper.

**FINE HOME PLANNED FOR WEST POINT GREY**  
Architect Joseph H. Bowman, 716 Yorkshire Building is preparing plans for a ten-roomed Dutch Colonial residence to be erected in West Point Grey for a prominent local business man. As soon as plans are ready for tenders, notice will be given in the Record.

**EXTENSIVE ALTERATIONS FOR GRANVILLE ST. BLOCK**  
Selected tenders will be asked for this week by Architects Gardner & Mercer, 327 Birk's Building for extensive alterations and additions to the building occupied by More & Wilson at 556 Granville street. An attractive new store front is being planned and several interior structural alterations will be made. The premises will be occupied by David Steele Ltd. as soon as the improvements are completed.

**TELEPHONE DATA**  
NEW INSTALLATIONS

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Carter, Dr. Edwin D., R. 418, 736 Gran. St. Sey. 3760  
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CRANES.  
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Downing, B. F. from 2043 4th West to 2041 4th West. Sey. 624  
Coast Quarries Ltd. from 712 327 Hast. W. to R. 911, 327 Hast. W. Sey. 2434  
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**INVITING TENDERS FOR DEMOLITION OF BRIDGE**  
Tenders are being invited by the Hon. the Minister of Public Works to December 1st, for the demolition and disposal of No. 30-Squamish Valley Bridge. Notice of tender appears on page 4.

**FILE PLANS AT OTTAWA FOR BRIDGE NEAR BRISCO**  
Plans have been filed at Ottawa by the Provincial Public Works department for a proposed new bridge over the Columbia River, near Brisco Station, B. C. Tenders for the erection of this bridge will be called for some time in December, notice of which will appear in the Record.

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Gardiner, William Fred., 718 Granville. Sey. 3974  
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Henderson, A. H., 615 Hastings W. Sey. 724  
Houeyman, & Curtis, 820 Hastings W. Sey. 1628  
Matheson, Robert, 509 Richards. Sey. 1604  
Palmer, Howard C., 410 Hastings W. Sey. 7177  
Parr & MacKinnon, 130 Granville. Sey. 7111  
Sharp & Thompson, 110 Hastings W. Sey. 2614  
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