

Yakima

New City Building--The city has bought of T.J.V. Clark and A.F. Switzer property on Front street for a new city building. The city clerk advertises in this issue for proposals. The building is to be of brick, two stories in height, thirty feet front and eighty feet deep, and is to be completed this season--Yakima Herald, North Yakima, W.T., August 22, 1889.

Landmarks.

(Hitching posts)

Ranchers are finding an inconvenient situation in North Yakima as a result of the street and sidewalk improvements there being few places in the business district where horses can be hitched when driven to the city.

As North Yakima depends on the ranchers trade for its support to a vast extent, some provision should be made for hitching racks and for rings in the concrete sidewalks that the visitors can tie their horses and not be forced to leave rigs several blocks from the trading places.

The city has made no special arrangement as to posts and racks where there is paving. The ranchers believe they should be replaced possibly with an iron structure to be certain of its permanency.

The Yakima Herald, June 3, 1908.

Yakima Hotel 1889

...There are fears our hotel accomodations will be inadequate, at least until the completion of the new Bartholet hotel...Wednesday the number of people stopping off at Yakima was so great that cots were required in the parlor of the Hotel Yakima...

--Yakima Herald, August 15, 1889

Landmarks

Wednesday afternoon a fire broke out in what is known as the old Bartholet house, a frame structure on Front street. A widow lady, Mrs. Wall, was the occupant of the lower portion of the building with her family, the upper part being empty. Miss Wall, a young girl of about 16 first noticed smoke coming from the closet in which she kept her clothing but how or in what manner the fire started is a mystery.

The building was soon wrapped in flames and a stiff gale blowing from the northwest threatened to spread the flames.

.....The building was owned by Frank Bartholet who was absent in Spokane at the fruit fair. It was insured for \$1,000, and was valued at about \$2,500. The building was added to at various times by Joseph Bartholet, Sr. in old town, the oldest part being built 18 years ago--Yakima Herald, Oct. 14, 1897.

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Locations

A three story brick building with basement 25 x 90 feet will be erected on South First street on the site of the Hotel Varian destroyed by fire Thursday.

Announcement was made to this effect Friday by Frank Mullins, business agent for his father, Pat Mullins, who owns the building. The work will be undertaken at an early date. -The Yakima Herald, May 12, 1909.

Landmarks

The frame building moved from old town nearly 18 years ago by C.E. McEwen and occupied by him as a harness and saddlery store at No. 206 Yakima avenue caught fire about 3 o'clock Saturday morning and was completely destroyed.

The occupants of the building were James Barnes, real estate and Grafton & Barnes (Earl J) who conducted a cigar and tobacco store in which most of the stock was destroyed by fire and water.

The building was owned by Orlando Libby who estimates the loss at \$1,200 with \$1,000 insurance. The loss and injury to the stock and furniture is estimated at \$2,600 on which there is \$2,000 insurance.

The building occupied a position between the Janeck brick building and the Weed stone block and the protecting thus afforded materially assisted the firemen in controlling the flames although the awnings and window frames of those buildings were somewhat scorched owing to a high wind from the north...The Yakima Herald, January 10, 1904.

County Hospital

Instead of erecting a small building at the county poor farm to take care of the county patients in invalid homes with the \$4,000 provided in the 1925 budget for the purpose, the county may erect a larger hospital costing several times this amount to take care of all of its hospital patients according to a decision reached by the county commissioners this afternoon.

In going over the proposed plans drawn up by A. Lundstrum, architect, they found that the \$4,000 appropriated would be insufficient to erect any kind of a suitable building. They decided it would be more efficient to construct a building costing at least \$20,000 which would care for all county hospital cases which now cost the county more than \$5,000 a year. Provision for the additional expense will be made in the tentative budget for 1926 and the taxpayers will be given an opportunity to express their opinions on the proposition--The Yakima Republic, July 16, 1925.

Locations

"The Rainier," Thos. Lund's new saloon, was opened on Thursday.

The building is a new one story stone situated near the corner of Yakima avenue and front street, and displaces a frame structure used in late years for a restaurant but in early days was occupied by the Republic. The new building will greatly add to the appearance of Front street--Yakima Herald, July 8, 1902.

George W. Wilson has purchased the two lots on the corner of Yakima avenue and Third street, east of the Hotel Yakima and will soon commence the erection of a large brick business block thereon.

There will be three commodious store rooms, two fronting on the avenue and one upon Third street. The lots are now occupied by the band stand.

Mr. Wilson until recently has been ranching in the Wide Hollow but has disposed of his property interests there and moved to the city.

The plans for the new block to be erected by Ditter Bros. and O.A. Hechter on the lot fronting on Yakima avenue between the Ditter and Clogg blocks are now completed and it is expected that the contract will be let within a day or two. The block will be a two-story brick, 50 x 100 feet and conform in appearance and type to those adjoining. The upper floor will be used for hall purposes while the lower floor will be arranged for store purposes--Yakima Herald, July 8, 1902.

North Yakima, July, 1889.. Portland Oregonian

Yakima making rapid progress, as many as 200 buildings will be erected there this summer, irrigation thoughts starting stronger.

Yakima Herald May 2, 1889--2,000 inhabitants, thirteen valleys
'Necessity for irrigation, except along streams lands needs fructifying influence of irrigation. Farmers providing ditches.
Selah Ditch company canal from Natchez river thirty miles above its mouth. 20,000 acres being improved.

Moxee company takes canal near North Yakima, supplies 2,000 acres in Moxee. ~~Don~~

Immediately about North Yakima are Union, Hubbard, Ahtanum, Schanno and other ditches.

A year ago, town half its size, bid for state capital, lacked but one vote of passage in lower legislative house. Original plat of city reserved state capital grounds and other buildings. (West Shore)

Four years after arrival of NP P. J. Flint wrote:

"By far the largest number of the present citizens of Yakima City will remain here under any circumstances. The churches, Christian, Catholic, and Congregational vowed they would stay through their pastors and trustees. Rev. E. V. Dixon, pastor of Congregational church wrote "Truth crushed to the earth will rise again."

Pastors replying to statement in Oregonian that Yakima City was picking up traps and moving to new location "If the saloons can be persuaded to move the whole town will gird up its loins as one man and go hence."

Last blow to Old Town, election of 1886 when voters decided to change county seat. ~~C. O. O. O. O.~~ Courthouse was moved in 1887. Yakima City had 196 residents in 1890 compared with 700 at its peak

Union Gap named in 1870, Charles Schanno and his party camped at mouth of Ahtanum Creek and put up a sign reading Union Gap, because of union of Ahtanum with Yakima

Yakima Hotel

The register and books of Yakima's new hotel were found in the bay at Tacoma last week. This has a suspicious look but the greater mystery is that the landlord didn't drown himself with the books. The discovery was made a month after the grand opening and the poor man perhaps thought it better to drown the books than himself. The beggarly array of names on the register told the sad tale so that a post mortem was unnecessary. Bats now hold high carnival in the Yakima hotel.

--Ellensburg Capital, Sept. 3, 1889

History

In the wrecking of an old frame house near Jerome and Sixth avenue some of the history of early-day Yakima was brought to light today after having been hidden in the walls since the halcyon days of 1883. "o

"orkmen who have been on the job found the wallboards covered with newspapers of the period and took interest in finding the most ancient.

The wrecking of the house, sold by the school board has caused old-timers to become reminiscent.

James T. ~~Haynes~~ Haynes now more than 60 years old, came here 31 year ago from Ellensburg and found the house in question already beginning to look weatherbeaten from the burning summer sun and windstorms which fanned up and down the valley in those days.

It was his recollection that a man by the name of Parrish built it and lived there for a while with his family. His surmise is confirmed by J.W. Walters residing nearby in his own home which was built in 1880.

Parrish had built another house nearby and those three buildings were the only ones between that section of North Yakima and Old Town, he says. Walters recalls helping to plow the first furrow in the old Union Ditch. The house is now a mass of boards, lath, plaster and tattered papers.

Among these papers was a tattered remnant of the St Louis Republican, dated December 8, 1887--December 15, 1924.

Clogg Building

Sunday law

The Sunday law was invoked here for the first time last Sunday. A.E. Howard, who has the contract for putting up the Clogg building was the first offender made to observe the day as the law makers of this state have said it shall be observed.

To gain a little time and to outwit nature in the way of getting ahead of possible rain Mr. Howard set his men to work on Sunday morning to put the roof on the building. Work was going along smoothly when the sheriff put in an appearance with the necessary documents in his possession to put a stop to it.

When the papers were served Mr. Howard called his men off and quite for the day--Yakima Herald, Tuesday, Nov. 26, 1901.

Geographical center

Three hundred active and alert men were present Tuesday evening at the second meeting of the West Side Improvement association and the membership was boosted to the 176 mark and the tide is still rising.

As a matter of fact men were enrolling themselves under the banner as late as midnight.

The meeting appointed committees and outlined some of its work in addition to completing the organization. The enthusiasm over the question of a city hall site for the west side was contagious and not one of those present doubts that the new structure now proposed will be erected west of the tracks.

It has been demonstrated to the members of the association that the geographical center of North Yakima is now at Yakima and ~~Center~~ Second ~~Street~~ avenues and that it is moving westward. It had been demonstrated to them also that the westward march of the city population is remarkable

Toward the close of the meeting a patrolman of the city police force put in an appearance. This is said to be the first patrolman seen on the west side for 40 days and 40 nights and was taken by the members present as an augury of success. A vote of thanks was tendered to the chief of police... Takima Herald, Feb. 22, 1911.

Locations

City Hall

Just five minutes before 1 o'clock Tuesday morning the city council adjourned after a warm session in which the concluding action was the selection of fifty feet at the corner of First and A streets for the city hall site.

The vote was on the majority report of the special committee on the selection site, made by Carter and Brown and stood four in favor to three against the site.

The report was received earlier from the committee recommending the northeast corner of First and First--Yakima Herald, Feb. 8, 1911.

Locations

Scudder

Marshall Scudder is to build a reinforced concrete building at the corner of B and First streets. The building is to be a new home for the Read laundry. It will cost \$14,000, will be 50 x 140 feet, basement and one story. The work has already commenced.

Operations are now in progress in removing the building which occupied the site and the work of construction of the new laundry will follow as soon as possible. When the machinery is installed additional machinery will be added and the laundry will be kept abreast of all the needs of the company in such a rapidly developing community as this.

With the removal of the laundry from the building at present occupied by it there will pass in all probability one of the pioneer structures of this city.

The present laundry building at A and First streets is one of the buildings which was moved here a quarter of a century ago from Yakima City.

Since the city has had a building inspector that inspector has had his eyes on the Read building and he is not satisfied with it.

It may be said in view of the fact that the laundry is moving and that the structure is an old one that the time cannot be long when a new structure will replace it.

A report in circulation that Miss Read proposes to replace it by a brick building was declared by Miss Read to be premature--
The Yakima Herald, Oct. 27, 1909.

Homes-Landmarks

F.B. Shardlow

One of the most handsome and comomdious of the larger homes now in course of construction is that of F.B. Shardlow .

This fine three story frame structure is located at 404
(Second and D)
North Second street. The house conains about 12 rooms and will be fitted with every modern convenience that luxury and comfort could demand.

The lower fl r is divided into four unusually la ge rooms, two of them the living room and dining room, having la ge bay windows which afford a wide outlook and light up the rooms in splendid shape.

A brick fireplace in the living room will add much to the comfort and cheer of the occupants while in summer the wide front porch will bemuch enjoyed.

Upstairs there are several sleeping rooms, a sewing room and a screen d in porch for sleeping. On the third floor three rooms will be finished off and will be abundant storage space.

The house is now being lathed and will be ready about January 15. Mr. Shardlow stated today that the cost when completed will be about \$12,000. W.H. Burwell of this city is contractor and architect--The Yakima Republic, Oct. 28, 1910.

Locations

Alaska building

Plans have been prepared and contract will be awarded within a few days for the construction of a two-story business block on North First avenue between Yakima avenue and A street next to the seed building.

The building, which is to be known as the Alaska block is to be build for Mrs. R.A. Carbonneau, owner of the property. While it will have only two stories for the present, the foundation and walls will be constructed with a view to the addition of either three or four stories within the next few years.

The Alaska block will have a frontage of 25 feet and a depth of 140 feet. It will be constructed of either stone, brick or concrete. A.K. Thompson, the architect will receive bids on all three materials and a decision as to which shall be used will be made.

The front will have cut stone piers up to the top of the second story and will be terra cotta from there up. The cost of the two stories is expected to be about \$15,000 / The Yakima Republic, October 21, 1910.

Locations
Sloan building

The contract for building the Sloan block on the corner of First street and Yakima avenue was let to W.T. Stewart last week.

The contract price was not given out for publication but it is somewhere between \$12,000 and \$15,000. The excavation has already been done and the superstructure will be commenced as soon as possible--Yakima Herald, June 3, 1902.

Culture..Locations

Art..Homes..

One of the most attractive and best decorated homes in the city, if not the state is the residence of W.F. Wohlstein at 806 North Second street.

From the front to the back porch from the ceiling to the floor all that is modern, neat and beautiful in home decorations holds sway in a perfect blending of oil.

The porch is an attractive face with imitation marble pillars and ceiling decorations in trellis, grapes and grape vines. The hall is a place of art with ceiling decorations of landscape scenes from Switzerland and Cupids. In the drawing room the decorations are roses in perfect colors and blending.

The dining room effect is carried out in fruits representing many varieties and birds.

Throughout the entire residence the touch of a master hand is shown in decorations which were painted by Mr. Wohlstein who is a recent arrival from San Francisco. All of the work is done in oil and a feature is that the decorations and ceilings can be washed off with water if they become soiled..

The bath room is well arranged with the tub painted to represent a pond with ducks and swans floating in the water. The painting on the tub is naturalness itself.

Mr. Wohlstein expects to go into business in this city.

Some of the finest residences in California have been decorated by him-The Yakima Herald, Nov. 4, 1908.

Yakima building

The new depot is a thing of beauty and each day adds some fresh attraction. The unsightly old depot that has for years been an eyesore will in a few days be moved across the track and out of the way of traffic and locomotion.

Near by A.E. Larson is building a one-story stone structure on the avenue for rental business purposes. The building will be 25 x 90 feet. The cost will approximate \$2,500. Wm Bissell Bros., the architects will have it completed in the near future.

Bissell Bros. are also erecting for Ditter Bros. a splendid business block on the avenue opposite the postoffice which will be ready for occupancy by Ditter Bros. dry goods emporium on or before September 1. As has been stated, the Commercial club will occupy the upper floor. Size of the two story building, with cut stone columns and pressed brick front, will be 50 X 100. Cost of the building will be \$10,000.

The same architects have nearly completed a residence for Phil A. Ditter on Fourth street. The style is composite American, twelve rooms, all modern improvements, electric lights, gas and heating apparatus. There is a basement under the whole house. Two circular porches and an oval window ornament the residence and make it cozy and homelike. The place will be ready in six weeks and costs \$3,500.

It is situated in a charming neighborhood, on the corner of Fourth and D streets.

Bissell Bros are also engaged in erecting a stone building one story on First street near Macdonald's furnishing store for P.Y. Heckman. It will be 25 X 60 feet and cost \$3,000.

Alex Miller has commenced what bids fair to be one of the handsomest residences in the city. It is to be built in colonial style on the eligible site on the corner of Second and C streets. The cost is estimated by the builder, W.W. Felton, in the neighborhood of \$4,500. The house will be 42 x 50 feet.