

POLICE AFTER BOND MONEY

Funds from Forfeitures Belong to Police Relief Fund.

INVESTIGATION IS STARTED

They Say that Bonds Have Been Forfeited and the Money Has Not Been Turned Over as it Should Be.

Officers of the Metropolitan Police Relief Fund association at their meeting on January 2 will start action to recover approximately \$400, which they assert rightfully belongs to them and which to date has not been turned over.

Police officials have been making a quiet investigation into certain cases and have been keeping the matter quiet. One of the officers of the association, however, let slip a statement, and when approached on the subject said the association was going to go after bond money which will aggregate approximately \$400, but refused to talk further on the matter, saying it was not for publication, but that it would be taken up at the meeting next month.

MRS. HARRISON IN CHARGE OF SUFFRAGE HEADQUARTERS

Mrs. Frank A. Harrison of Lincoln will be one of the prominent women in the Nebraska campaign for woman's suffrage during the coming season, as she has been made executive secretary of the headquarters, which are in Omaha in the Brandeis theater building.

Baby Found Dead in Bed. YORK, Neb., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Mrs. E. Amstutz, who lives at Charleston, was prostrated yesterday morning when she found the lifeless body of her 4-month-old infant in bed. It is supposed the little one strangled to death by a gathering of mucus in the throat.

Key to the Situation—See Advertising.

Few Facts About Fireplaces

By Arthur C. Clausen, Architect.

IT HAS been truthfully said from the standpoint of the writer at least that a home without a fireplace is like Romeo and Juliet without a Romeo. There was a time when the fireplace was the practical and necessary means of heating the home. For many centuries the open fire with a chimney to carry away the smoke was accepted without question as the only possible way of heating a home or building, and the idea of providing more economical scientific ways of heating did not engage the attention of inventors until Benjamin Franklin invented his "Franklin stove," which after all was simply a portable fireplace on logs made of sheet iron. His theory being that the sheet iron would reflect the heat, which naturally went back into the chimney and was wasted, and be that much gained. On this many improvements have been made until we have the modern heating plants with which all are familiar.



think of a fireplace they think of a mass, but the writer when he sits about the fireplace on a winter evening watching the contortion of the flames and the juice sputtering from a row of apples, he remembers the fireplace of boyhood. In the days of stoves when heating plants were unknown, where the children were undressed and said their good night prayers, where Christmas stockings were hung, where father told great goblin tales, so that the fireplace seems to him and his meeting about it that completes the home. Considered merely as a piece of built-in furniture, it is an attractive feature.

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Since the fireplace is built for old time make it should be designated in an old time way. No gas logs (the lazy man's excuse for a fireplace) no electric radiators with their cold glare, but a wide deep fireplace of solid masonry with simple and iron, the simpler the better.

It is quite a common thing to give fireplace names and sort of consider them as one of the family. This, of course, is only appropriate when the fireplace suggests the name applied. One man calls his Black Joe, another Old Romeo, the writer has frequently referred to his fireplace as Bill Felt, suggested by the hugeness of its size, but in the light of recent events it may be more appropriate hereafter to refer to it as Woodrow Pluribus. Whether named or not a fireplace should have dignified proportions. Give it a good wall crane on which to set it off and not cramp it into a corner although it were an after-thought and with all let it stand as an indication of the wholesome hospitality of the home.

Third Murder of Week May Result from an Argument

George Floth, who shot and probably fatally wounded Fred Roberts following a quarrel in a pool room at 512 North Sixteenth street Friday night, was brought to the station yesterday by his father, Paul B. Floth, a well known florist. Floth said he shot at Roberts more for the purpose of scaring the latter than anything else. He said Roberts attacked him with his fists and then threw billiard balls at him. He said he had been carrying the gun and pointed the gun at the floor and shot, but it "kicked" and shot Roberts.

WESTERN PART OF STATE IN PROSPEROUS CONDITION

General Superintendent Young of the Alliance and Wyoming divisions of the Burlington is at headquarters. He says that in the western and northwestern parts of the state farmers and business men were never in so prosperous a condition as now. This year they have raised immense crops and have received good prices for nearly everything they have sold. He is looking for many new settlers next spring.

Cady Will Head Golfers. CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—As but one ticket will be presented at the annual meeting of the Western Golf Association here December 18, the present officers, headed by John D. Cady of Rock Island, Ill., as president, will be re-elected.

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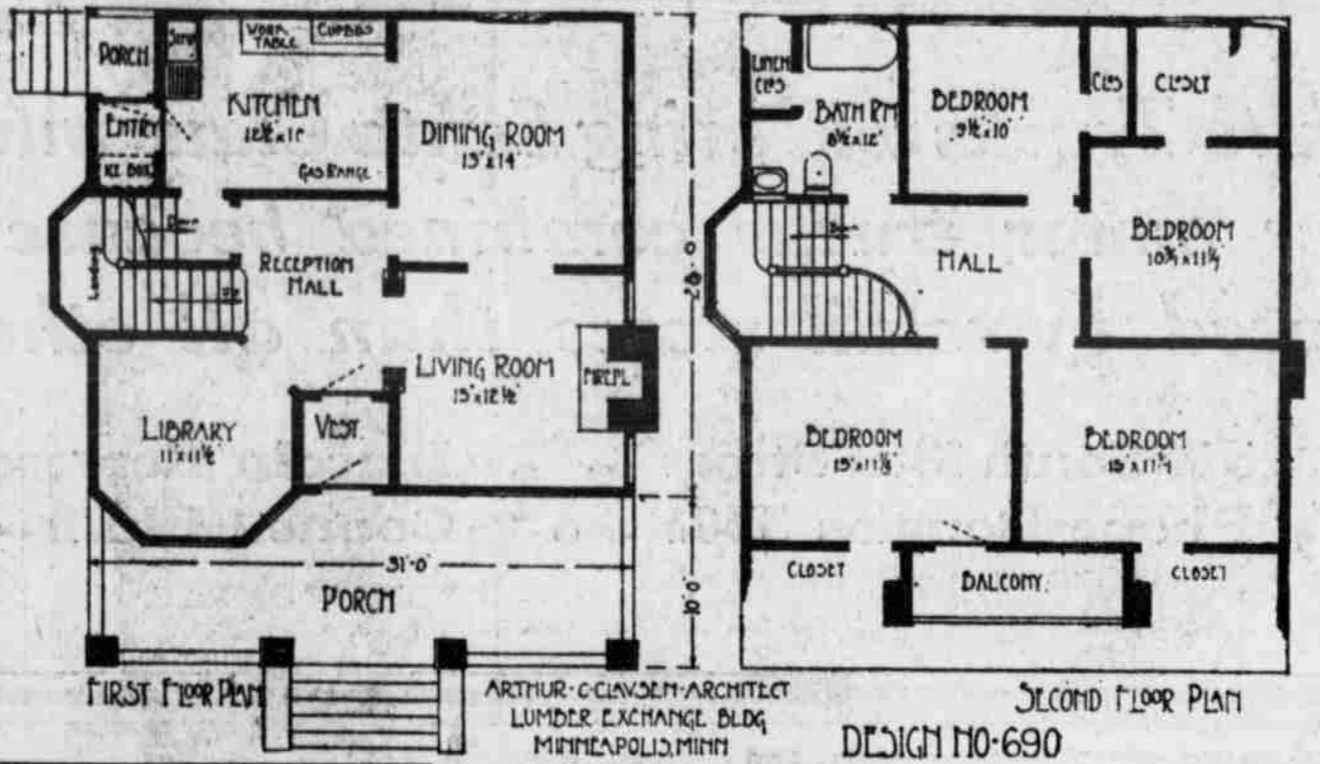
Increase in Building

Building is extremely active all over the country, particularly in the large group of cities the growth and the prosperity of which have come to mean so much to this country. Official reports from eighty-six cities to Construction News shows that permits were taken out in November for 18,584 buildings involving a total estimated cost of \$64,083,323 as against 17,161 buildings representing a total cost of \$56,903,786 for the same month a year ago, an increase of 1,423 buildings and \$7,179,537 or 7 per cent. Of the entire list there were increases in sixty-one and

decreases in twenty-five, the list of cities in which there were increases being much larger than in any previous month for a long time. The cities in which there were losses are widely distributed; in many instances the same cities have shown a long period of activity in building construction or in a section in which the other cities show marked increases, so there need be no apprehension in regard to the condition of affairs in the cities in which there were losses. The figures in detail are as follows:

Table with columns: Cities, No. of Bldgs., Estimated Cost, 1911 Bldgs., Estimated Cost, 1912, Gain/Loss. Lists cities like New York, Chicago, Boston, etc., with their respective building statistics.

Of the larger cities Chicago had an increase of 6 per cent against a loss in New York of 3 per cent, Boston 4, Brooklyn 14, St. Louis 23, and Cincinnati 5. That great group of interior cities upon which such a large part of the country is dependent shows marvelous activity, including Milwaukee with an increase of 66 per cent, Kansas City 132, Omaha 5, St. Paul 4, Minneapolis 3, Pittsburgh 9, Huron 28. Activity characterized every section of country as a whole, the south showing gains in Atlanta 19 per cent, St. Petersburg 2, Memphis 15, San Antonio 16, Louisville 42, Nash-



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