



### NATION'S BUILDING TOPS 2 BILLION MARK

#### Quarriesmen's Survey Reveals Firm Increase Over The Country

Chicago, May 1.—National building construction for the second quarter should exceed the two billion dollar mark on the basis of projects proposed and those already begun, according to a report yesterday by the Indiana Limestone Quarriesmen's Association. It was based on a nationwide survey.

"For April," says Thomas J. Verlin, president of the association, "construction for the whole country totalled about \$675,000,000, according to preliminary figures."

"Greater activity is apparent in large structures, particularly office buildings and hotels. A moderate gain in public works was likewise noted."

"A gratifying soundness underlies the building industry. True there are no signs of a new boom. But neither are there any signs of a serious falling off in volume. The fact that in recent years the building course has been materially stabilized, it is confidently believed, that by virtue of this stabilization the extreme peaks and valleys have been permanently fastened out."

"Signs point to a well-balanced condition, with moderation the dom-

inant note. Underlying soundness of general business was proved during the recent period of hesitancy, after the violent downturn of securities prices. The construction industry gave an excellent account of itself by not swerving from its charted course.

"Considering the projects now proposed and those already under way it is reasonable to expect a building volume with a value of at least two billion dollars during the second quarter of this year. Moreover there would seem to be enough work pending to keep the construction machinery in high action for the remainder of the year. While it is true that the building increase over the same period last year has not been uniform in all sections, delayed programs in many districts are now being inaugurated."

"In New York's metropolitan area, where about 20 per cent of the building activities of the entire country are now in progress, and in New York State itself, construction figures for April showed more than 50 per cent increase over the same period last year."

**A Slight Increase**  
"In the New England States the volume for the month ran about equal to last year. The Middle Atlantic States show approximately 10 per cent increase over last year. The Pittsburgh district, including western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky, report a slight decrease. In the central west activity has about kept pace with the huge volume last year. Greatest expansion is shown in the southeastern

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#### Edison Officials Say Engineers Are Ready To Start Work On Southfield

The signing of a contract between the Southfield Township Board and the Detroit Edison Co., for the lighting of roads in various parts of Southfield Township, including Southfield Superhighway, was announced Saturday by William B. Isenberg, secretary of the Southfield Park Improvement Association.

"This means," said Mr. Isenberg, "that within a short time Southfield superhighway will have lights the entire distance of six miles from Detroit's city limits to the limits of Birmingham. The contract calls for the placing of 91,000-candlepower, overhead lights on the superhighway."

Officials of the Edison company declared the engineering department is in a position to start almost immediately upon installation of the lights which will be of the most modern type.

"The terms of the contract call for the erection of lights about 200 feet apart, which will mean the placing of 15 or 16 in each mile."

"This improvement is a result of the efforts of our association in getting the lighting question on the ballot at the last election.

"It is a part of the program of

the Southfield Park Improvement Association to obtain all city improvements for the 31-square mile residential district which our members have co-operated to develop as a restricted home community in Northwest Detroit.

"Lighting of roads in the entire district was approved in the election."

### Exhibits Two Highly Valued Engravings

Two famous old engravings, both of the Civil War period are on display in the office of C. L. Miesner on the second floor of the Field Building.

The first, a large premium engraving taken from the "Independent," was executed by F. B. Carpenter, a well known engraver of the early 40's. The engraving has remained in the most minute detail, all of its original clarity. Titled "The First Reading of the Emancipation Proclamation before the Cabinet," President Lincoln is pictured reading the historically famous document to his cabinet members who include such characters as Stanton, Seward and Wells.

The second engraving on display in Mr. Miesner's store is one in the original by A. F. Fellows taken from the famous painting "The Old Mill Stream," by Duthie. Fellows placed his name in the lower right hand corner of his work thus indicating it as the first engraving made from the original painting. Only originals are thus marked.

## A Sign of Building Time

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states where building has increased 75 per cent over last year. The Northwest also shows rapid strides, figures for last month indicating an increase of 67 per cent. Texas more than doubled the volume of last year.

"In point of volume the building in 20 cities, New York leads with Chicago, Detroit, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, Cleveland, Baltimore, St. Louis, Boston, Milwaukee, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, Seattle, Kansas City, Dallas, Indianapolis, Minneapolis, Buffalo, New Orleans, Atlanta following in the order named."

STATE OF MICHIGAN—Circuit Court for the County of Oakland, In Chancery.

Isaac J. Ierzig, Plaintiff, vs. Miran Alexander, William Alfred Olive Walker, Edmund D. Cobbs, A. C. Baldwin, Samuel D. Lambly, William W. Smith, the unknown heirs of Charles F. Cobb, the unknown wife of Henry Deshaun, Charles F. Cobb, Jerome B. Galloway, or the unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, successors and assigns of each of them, and the undersigned Christiana Clara B. Bradford and Margaret B. Bradford, his wife, Defendants.

At a session of said Court held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, on the sixth day of April, A. D. 1936.

Present: Honorable Glenn C. Gillespie, Circuit Judge.

On reading and filing the Bill of Complaint duly filed in said cause, and the affidavit of A. Floyd Blakelee, attorney for plaintiff, from which it satisfactorily appears to the Court that the defendant, or any of them, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, successors and assigns, an necessary and proper parties in the above entitled cause; and

It further appearing that after diligent search inquiry and investigation it cannot be ascertained, and it is not known whether the persons named in said complaint are or are not defendants, or any of them are living or dead except Augustus Earl Cobbs, Clara B. Bradford and Margaret Bradford, his wife, or where he, she or they may have been living, or whether the right, title, interest, claim, lien or possible right has been disposed of by will; and further, that the present whereabouts of said persons, their heirs-at-law, personal representatives, devisees, legatees, successors and assigns are unknown and the Postoffice addresses of some of them can be ascertained, nor can it be ascertained whether any of them are minors or incompetents, except as aforesaid.

On motion of A. Floyd Blakelee, attorney for plaintiff:

It is Ordered, that the appearance of each and all of the foregoing defendants be entered in this cause within three months from the date of this Order and in case of their appearance, or the appearance of any of them, that they cause their Answer to the Bill of Complaint to be filed within fifteen days after service of this Order, and their attorneys, or that plaintiff cause a copy of this Order to be personally served upon each of said defendants herein, at least twenty days before the time prescribed for his, her or their appearance.

Countersigned:  
BURTON P. DAUGHERTY,  
Clerk.  
By MARY COBB,  
Deputy Clerk.

Please Take Notice, that this suit, in which the preceding Order was made, involves and is brought to quiet the title to the following described lands to in the Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, and more particularly described as follows:

The East 1/4 of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of Section 6, also the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of Section 6; and the Southwest 1/4 of Section 6, of the Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, all in Town 4 North, Range 8 East. P. R. D. BLAKELEE, Plaintiff. Business Address: Attorney for Plaintiff, Pontiac, Michigan. 51-57

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Oakland County, Michigan, on the 23rd day of April, A. D. 1936.

Present: Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

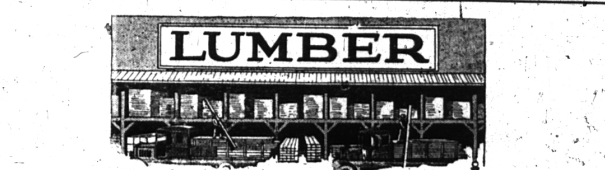
In the Matter of the Estate of Russell C. Lane, Deceased.

Jane Stockwell, administratrix of said deceased, having filed in said Court a petition, praying for the examination and allowance of her account, and a copy of the bills and decrees, and a copy of the charge of said administratrix, and the discharge of said administratrix.

Ordered, that the Clerk of said Court do hereby appoint for her said petition, to be given by publication of a copy thereof to be given by publication of a copy thereof to be given to each of the persons named in said petition, in the following manner, to wit: a newspaper printed and circulating in said County, to be published at least twenty days before the time prescribed for his, her or their appearance.

GLENN C. GILLESPIE, Circuit Judge.

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