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BOLSTER AND BARNES PLAN CEMENT BLOCK

Another big two-story cement building is in prospect in connection with the Knights of Pythias building, corner of West Fourth and Columbia, the firm of Bolster & Barnes contemplating erecting a big block for their grocery and feed business on their old site surrounding the K. of P. site on both sides, from which they were burned out last December. While it has not been definitely determined upon, Architect Sam Ward is at work upon the plans for the building.

The site has a frontage of 26 feet on Columbia street and 40 feet on Fourth street and 120 feet deep, connecting at the rear like a letter L. The firm has made arrangements with the Knights of Pythias for leasing the ground floor of the Pythian building, so that they will occupy the whole corner down to the alley on Fourth and to the old fire barn site on Columbia. Big glass fronts will be put in on both streets in both buildings, making it a handsome appearing block. By this manner of joint construction, party walls can be used, and of lighted construction, effecting a considerable saving to both parties.

The Bolster & Barnes structure would be a two-story cement, built to conform in appearance to the K. of P. building, and would be occupied, both floors by the store, the upper floor furnishing warehouse room. It is roughly estimated at this time the building would cost about \$8,000.

Two or three other parties are also reported to be contemplating erecting cement, business and shop buildings this summer.