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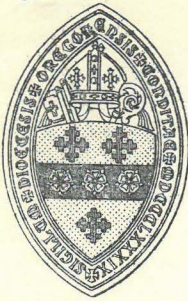
in the Sinclair Packing company, Thirteenth and Everett streets, Thursday afternoon. The overturning of an overheated stove caused the blaze.

Soldiers Who Gave Services as Nurses To Receive Medals

When the influenza epidemic swept over Portland 56 soldiers at Vancouver volunteered their services as nurses at The Auditorium and have served throughout the full period. Thirteen of

them contracted the disease and two of these died.

At the suggestion of Mayor Baker it is now proposed to recognize this service by the presentation of an appropriate medal to the 54 survivors. These medals will be conferred at a military review to be given at Vancouver on a date to be designated in the near future.



The Diocese of Oregon

THE RT. REV. WALTER TAYLOR SUMNER, D. D.

BISHOP

574 ELM STREET

PORTLAND, OREGON

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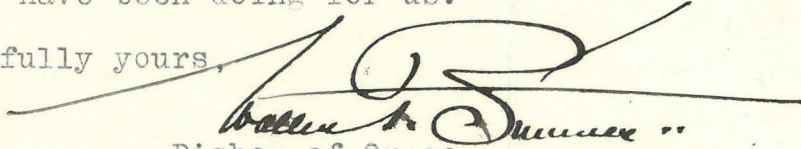
My dear Mayor Baker:

May I call to your sympathetic attention one or two steps in continuation of the plan you have announced - to mark the service of the soldiers who have been serving at the Auditorium during the epidemic. That each should receive a medal is an excellent plan in my judgment, and I should like to see the Municipality giving the nurses, who have served, similar recognition.

I should also like to see a bronze tablet placed on the wall of the vestibule of the Auditorium - a corridor which will always be hallowed to me, for it was there many lives went out during this epidemic; and let the tablet be a memorial to the three soldiers who gave their life to caring for the sick and protecting the City from greater spread of the epidemic. Not only will it serve as a memorial to them but it will always stand as a significant reminder that the Auditorium has served the citizens of the City not only in Art, Music and as a Public Forum but as a House of Mercy, at a time of great distress and bereavement. Personally I should like to see the Auditorium more and more an object of real affection on the part of the citizens and I believe this mark will help us in consecrating the building to the highest and most noble uses. As we surround it with an atmosphere of high ideals and service so the building will always stand in its influence upon the community as a house ~~of~~ dedicated to all that is beautiful, of freedom of speech, and to civic and social service.

May I add that I hope a dinner will be given by the Municipality for those soldiers and nurses who have served so bravely and untiringly during these distressing days. This will give them some idea of the deep appreciation on the part of the City at large and it will also give the citizens an opportunity to know more than they begin to realize to-day what a sacrificial, indefatigable and consecrated work they have been doing for us.

Respectfully yours,


Bishop of Oregon.

Mayor George L. Baker,
Portland, Oregon.

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Your letter of January 3rd received and in
answer will say that said models were made by the Irwin-
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Yours very truly,

MAYOR

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