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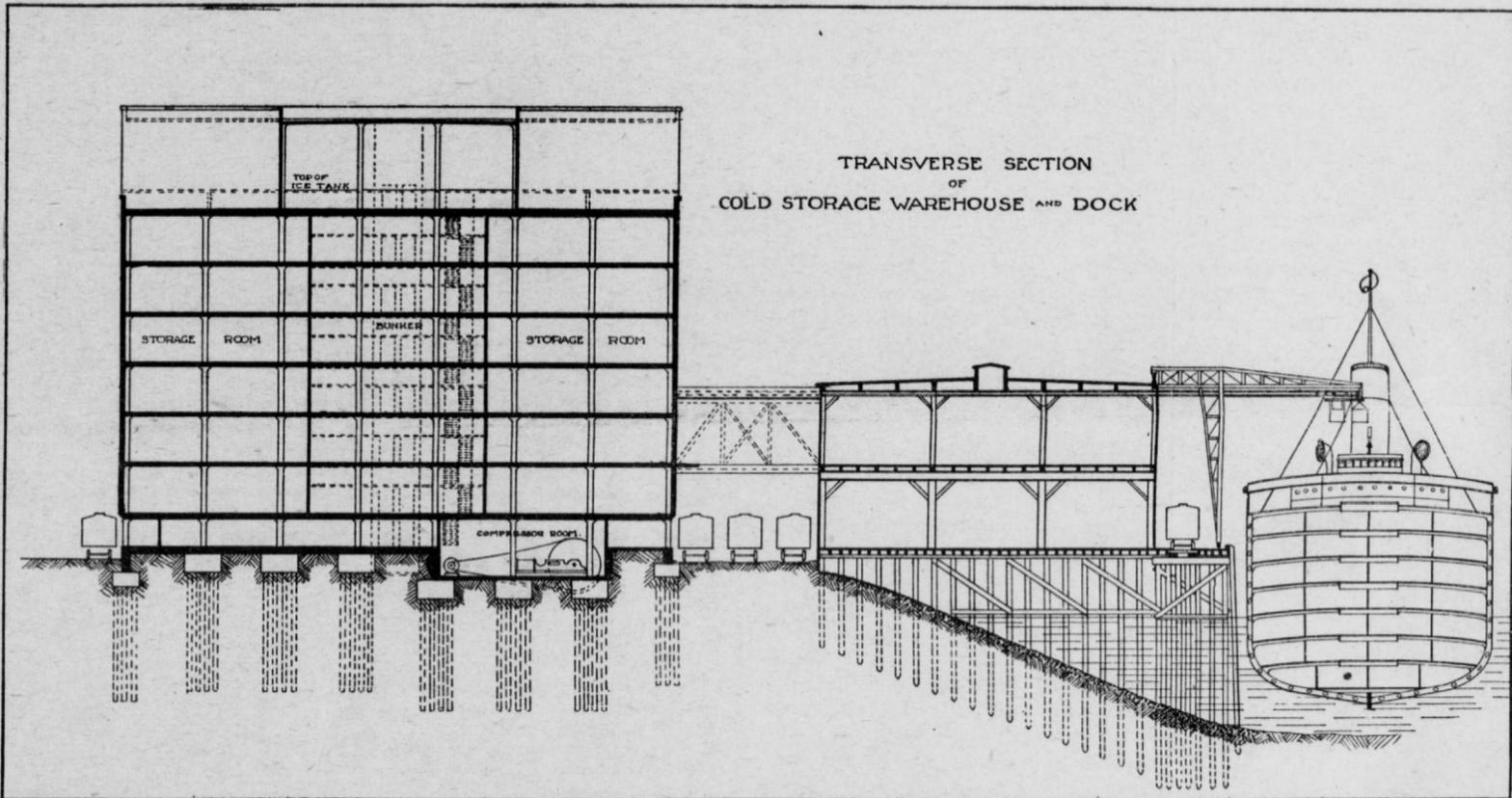
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PORT OF SEATTLE'S COLD STORAGE WAREHOUSE FOR FRUIT

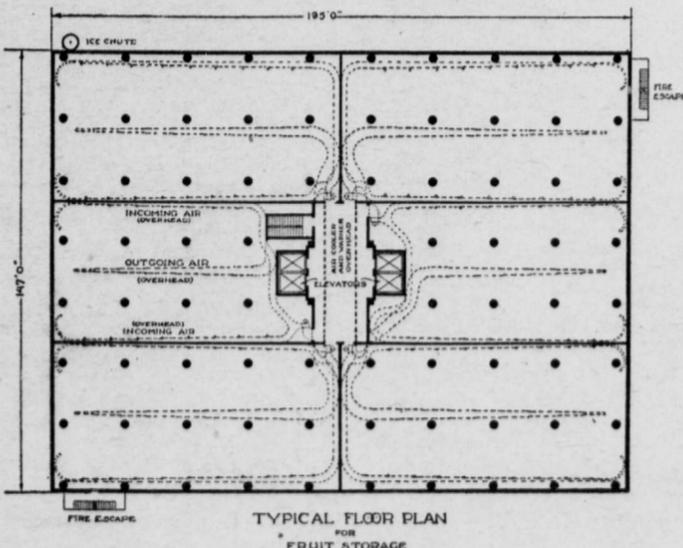
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Nothing is of more importance to the fruitgrowing interests of the Pacific Northwest than ample warehouse and cold storage facilities. These facilities naturally should be provided at the logical shipping points. With this end in view the publisher of The Ranch has been in full co-operation with the Port District of Seattle, where more than six million dollars are being expended on harbor improvements. The article on this page sets forth in detail what the Port Commission is doing to provide facilities for the receiving, storage and transshipment of orchard products of the Pacific Northwest.

In a location of easy access for both rail and ship the Port of Seattle Commission will build, north of Spokane street and west of Whatcom avenue, what will undoubtedly be the finest and best equipped cold storage warehouse not only on the Pacific Coast but in the entire country.

This warehouse, while intended primarily for the storage of apples, which are to be shipped by water to the Atlantic coast and to Europe, will also be arranged for storing and preserving other and varied commodities. It will contain seven stories of insulated and refrigerated space and on the top of the building making a part of an eighth story, will be located the freezing tank for the manufacture of ice which will be



used for packing goods to be shipped in refrigerator cars or boats. The building will be 147 feet in width by 195 feet in length as shown on the general ground plan. The first floor will be divided into small rooms to be used for storing a miscellaneous line of goods. The upper floors will each be subdivided into six rooms as nearly as practicable of a uniform size.

The apples will be received on the tracks on the north side and taken from the cars on motor trucks operated by electric batteries and conveyed to the storage rooms in any one of the six floors, the elevators being of ample capacity to carry the loaded truck. In transporting the apples to the boats for trans-shipment, they will be carried on the trucks to