

TWO SUBWAY AGREEMENTS.

Provide for Connecting Links and Station Improvements.

The Public Service Commission has approved two agreements providing for the completion of the connection between the West Farms branch of the first subway and the Jerome Avenue extension of the Lexington Avenue subway at 149th Street and Mott Avenue, and for the lengthening of the platforms of the Mott Avenue station of the first subway some 280 feet to the east.

The New York Central Railroad is a party to one of the agreements, inasmuch as the lengthened station platform will be connected by a passageway which the railroad will construct as a part of the great new station and development contemplated by it in the vicinity of 149th Street.

The two agreements have been submitted to the Board of Estimate for approval and for the appropriation of the necessary funds.

The work of completing the physical connection between the first subway and the Jerome Avenue line will be done by the Interborough and paid for at an estimated cost of about \$110,000 out of the Interborough contribution under Contract No. 3.

The station platform lengthening will be paid for by the city at an estimated cost of about \$350,000. The construction contemplated under the two agreements will make it possible to operate trains over the Lenox Avenue branch of the first subway as far as 149th Street, thence over the Jerome Avenue line, if such operation later seems desirable.

In addition there will be stairway connections so that passengers may transfer between the 149th Street station of the Jerome Avenue line and the Mott Avenue station of the first subway, the latter being at right angles to and immediately underneath the former.

NEW HUDSON RIVER HOTEL.

Plans Projected for Large Summer Structure Opposite West Point.

The interesting announcement was made last week that plans are under way to erect a large hotel at Garrison-on-the-Hudson, opposite West Point, next season. The owning syndicate has acquired a plot of 100 acres overlooking the river, and the proposed hotel will contain 300 rooms.

The management has been offered to Copeland Townsend, now of the Majestic, and formerly of the Imperial in this city and the Palmer House in Chicago. Mr. Townsend will not give up his management of the Majestic, on which he has a long-time lease, but will act in an advisory capacity for the suburban hostelry.

The new hotel will probably be called the Hotel Hudson. There will be a golf course on the grounds, and tennis courts, while a gymnasium will be established on the roof.

Queens Building Record.

There were eighty-nine applications for new buildings in Queens last week to cost \$121,000; seventy-one applications for alterations to cost \$36,320, and fifty-one applications for plumbing to cost \$32,000.

In the Long Island City section, Julius Weiss filed plans for five-story brick tenements at the southwest corner of Twelfth and Jamaica Avenues and on Twelfth Avenue, to cost \$75,000, and to accommodate forty-five families.

Henry Kling will erect four-story brick tenements to accommodate sixteen families on the north side of Fifteenth Avenue, east of Vandeventer Avenue, to cost \$28,000 each, and F. Braun will erect four-story brick tenements on the east side of Eighth Avenue, north of Grand Avenue, to accommodate twenty-three families, at a cost of \$20,000 each.

In the Woodside section Charles Wille, who has just completed an important development, will erect ten two-and-a-half-story frame dwellings on the east side of Fourth Street, north of Polk Avenue, at a cost of \$25,000.

Big Bronx Apartment.

Accommodations for seventy-eight families will be provided in a single apartment house planned for the southwest corner of Grand Boulevard and Concourse and 171st Street by the newly formed Grand Boulevard and Concourse Company, Inc., of which Hyman Crystal is President.

The site measures 137 by 150 feet, and was acquired from the American Real Estate Company last January, together with a balance of the block front to 170th Street. It is part of a large plot known as the Astor-A-Re-Co tract located along the route of the Jerome Avenue subway.

The proposed building will cost about \$200,000, and is being designed by George and Edward Blum. It will be six stories high.

The Food Supply Question.

"The Question of Our Food Supply" will be the topic for discussion at the luncheon of the Members' Council of the Bronx Board of Trade at Ebling's Casino, 156th Street and St. Ann's Avenue, on Thursday, Nov. 16, at 12:30 P. M.

The speakers will be John J. Dillon, Commissioner of the Department of Foods and Markets of the State of New York, and Alfred W. McCann, pure food expert.

Mr. Dillon will take up the general idea of supply and distribution, most probably putting the emphasis on the milk question and the recent developments with which his department has had to contend.

Mr. McCann will discuss food from the "purity" quality standpoint, and no doubt will also discuss the milk question, taking up dairying methods, pasteurization, &c.

West Side Taxpayers Meet.

The West Side Taxpayers' Association held a banquet and installation of officers last Thursday evening at its headquarters, 267 West Thirty-fourth Street. The following are the officers elected for the coming year: Frank Demuth, President; Peter P. Chappel, First Vice President; John Steeneck, Second Vice President; Jacob J. Tabolt, Secretary; Fred Keller, Treasurer, and Julius Necke, Financial Secretary.

Bronx Block Front at Auction.

Bryan L. Kennelly will sell in the Vesey Street Salesroom next Wednesday the two tenements at 278 Delancey Street and 49 Cannon Street, the three-story building at 3,079 Third Avenue, near 157th Street, seven lots composing the block front on the south side of 187th Street between Third and Bathgate Avenues, and a four-story building at 280 West Twelfth Street, being the southeast corner of Fourth Street.