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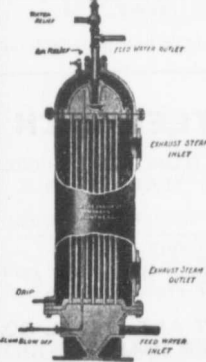
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"It is estimated that the Hudson Company's Terminal Building, which when completed will occupy two blocks, will have office accommodation for 10,000 souls," says the Architects' and Builders' Journal of Baltimore, Md.

"From this can be drawn the comparison that the building will be populated in an equal number with such cities as Portsmouth, N.H.; Helena, Mont., or Middletown, Conn., and will exceed in population the largest towns in four states—Arizona, Idaho, New Mexico and Nevada.

"There will be thirty-nine elevators in the building, and it is estimated that about 182,000,000 persons will pass through the building in entering or leaving trains in the course of a year. The new Grand Central Station is designed to handle 100,000,000 persons a year, and the new Pennsylvania station, at Thirty-third street, will be built to accommodate 146,000,000. The South Station, in Boston, only takes care of 30,000,000 a year, and the Broad Street Depot in Philadelphia, handles 20,000,000.

"From this new terminal building one will be able to go to most any corner of the country, as the trains running into it will connect with all subways, and consequently with all the big railroads. The trains arriving from the tunnels under the North River and connecting with the various city subways will enter and depart thirty feet below the street level. There will be five loading tracks and six huge platforms to avoid crowding. A great deal of attention has been paid to safety, and elaborate plans have been laid to eliminate any possibility of a tie-up. Careful provisions have been made for the possibility of fire. All the cars of the trains will be of steel and the terminal building is so constructed that should a fire start in any one room of the building it will be hardly likely to spread to another.

"The huge steel frame of the building weighs more than 24,000 tons, and rests on foundations extending to bed rock, 80 feet below the street. At no point will this steel frame be exposed. Every inch will be covered with one