

BOARD TO FIX THE REALTY VALUES

Real Estate Men to Appraise Property Where Request is Made.

MAY CALL ON THE EXPERTS

President Harrison of the Real Estate exchange in making his committee appointments for the year named an appraisement committee, which is looked upon as of some importance.

In all large cities there is an appraisement committee governed by the real estate board that appraises them, whose duty it is to make all the appraisements for the exchange, assuring the public of a correct valuation and enabling anyone to find out what the property is worth that they are trying to purchase at a very nominal charge.

In the future every member of the real estate board in Omaha will, when an inquiry is received at the office, forward to the inquirer a blank form which the person inquiring for valuation must fill out and accompany with the appraisement fee.

It is expected this committee will do much to build confidence in the buying public, so far as real estate men are concerned. It will no longer be possible for unscrupulous dealers or real estate brokers to place an inflated valuation on a piece of property and sell such to an inexperienced buyer with unsatisfactory results to the purchaser.

The members of this committee have the right to call in any member of the exchange who is particularly familiar with that location for his advice as to the valuation. When the public is thoroughly familiar with this system of appraisement it is expected to prove a boon to the real estate profession. It will protect the purchaser and it is presumed that anyone desiring to purchase property in Omaha would gladly pay a fee of \$10 or \$25 to have an authentic report on the valuation of the property they are going to purchase.

It is also to be of material benefit to the banks, not only in the city of Omaha, but tributary to Omaha. It will no longer be necessary for some country banker to write his correspondent in Omaha for a valuation, and if he does it will be more than likely that the local bank will ask the real estate appraisement committee to make a valuation.

PAXTON COURT TERRACES ARE SOLD TO O'NEILL MAN

Paxton Court Terraces, between Douglas and Farnam streets and Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets, have been sold to Charles F. Naughton of O'Neill, who bought them for an investment. They consist of a row of five-room brick flats. The price was \$21,500.

NUMEROUS SALES MADE BY HASTINGS & HEYDEN

Recent sales made by the firm of Hastings & Heyden show the following: Walter Ruit of Grand Island, Neb., purchased a business lot in West Benson for \$200.

Leman Asserts He Has an Alibi

Detective James Kennelly returned to Omaha from Lincoln, Friday evening, with Guy Leman, arrested on suspicion of having been the bandit, who shot and killed C. D. Campbell, a Lincoln contractor, in Omaha, November 19.

Trafton Convicted Of Robbing Coaches

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 4.—Edward H. Trafton, on trial in the United States district court here on the charge of robbing twenty-three stage coaches in the Yellowstone National park July 21, 1914, was found guilty late today. The jury was out less than half an hour. Sentence has not yet been imposed.

Ask Elimination of Louisville District

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 4.—Elimination of the restricted district in Louisville through strict police regulations was recommended in Mayor J. H. Buschman by the Louisville vice commission today. The mayor endorsed the report.

MURDERER OF WOMEN FOUND GUILTY AND SENTENCED

VIENNA, Mo., Dec. 4.—Frank Poynter, who last July killed three women when they attempted to elude him from their farm, was found guilty of murder in the district court here today and was sentenced to the penitentiary for twelve years.

Transient Merchants Accused of Fraud

IOWA FALLS, Ia., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—When a couple of transient merchants from Kansas City blew into town yesterday for a three days' sale of "stock sale," they struck a snag in the shape of indignation started by several local merchants. The charges were all based on the ground that they were using deceptive or fraudulent advertising for their goods.

TOD SLOAN RETURNS TO AMERICA AND MAY RIDE HERE.



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Tod Sloan, the American jockey, who was deported from England as an undesirable, on the charge of being a gambler, has arrived in New York. He probably has to make a charge with him and pilot some of the well-known speed horses on American tracks.

BLUFFS YOUTH STEALS AN AUTO

Seventeen-Year-Old Eugene Welker Takes Car Belonging to Martin Mortenson.

Eugene Welker, 17 years old, is in the Council Bluffs jail, charged with the theft of an automobile, a charge which he frankly admits, but says he is unable to explain why he did it. He is also accused of breaking and entering a building at night.

IS CAUGHT NEAR GLENWOOD

The boy appears to have been entirely alone in his operations, and, with but little experience in operating the car, he soon got into trouble. He made a detour to avoid passing through Glenwood, but his arrest followed when something went wrong with the car at a point eight miles south of Glenwood. It stopped and he could not start it. The situation presented by the presence of a lone boy at that hour of the night stranded on a country road and entirely unfamiliar with his car excited suspicion. The Mills county sheriff was communicated with and the boy and car were returned to Glenwood. The car had not been damaged.

REPORT OF BIG CROP IN GERMANY NOT VERIFIED

BERLIN, Nov. 19.—Germany will not know accurately until late in the fall just how large the 1915 harvest of grain has been, and whether it is big enough so that it will be possible to increase the allowance of feed for horses, as well as the amount of flour for human consumption.

AUSTRALIAN MINERS ARE TO GO TO FRONT TO FIGHT

MELBOURNE, Australia, Nov. 19.—The miners' unit which the commonwealth government recently offered to raise, equip and send to the front is now in process of formation. It will be composed of three companies enrolled in districts in Australia devoted to mining and thus probably New South Wales and Queensland will supply one, West Australia another and the three other states the third. The total strength of the force will be about 1,500 men.

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WHITLOCK MAY NOT GO BACK TO POST

Minister to Belgium Under Displeasure of German Governor General.

EXPECTED RETURN TO BRUSSELS

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph company sends the following:

"Advices from Rosendaal (Holland) state that Belgian newspapers under the German censorship have been ordered to announce that Brand Whitlock, United States minister to Belgium, will not return to Brussels. The news has been received with consternation throughout Belgium.

"It is believed that General von Bismarck, German governor general of Belgium, desired to have Mr. Whitlock ousted and that he is also pressing for the immediate removal of the American and Spanish legations from Brussels to Havre where the Belgian government is."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Secretary Lansing announced several weeks ago that the German military authorities had given assurances that the departure of Minister Whitlock on leave was regretted, and had expressed regret that published reports made it appear that the minister was leaving Belgium as a result of German objections to his presence. Later the secretary stated that he expected Minister Whitlock to return to his post at the expiration of his leave, and so far as is known there has been no change in this plan.

Substitutes Take Place of Genuine Articles in Germany

BERLIN, Nov. 19.—The exigencies of the war have led to the creation of almost countless substitutes for articles which Germany no longer has, even to the production of substitutes for substitutes no longer available.

The central committee of the Housewives' Associations of Greater Berlin has undertaken to show the public, especially the feminine portion of it, how great is the number of substitutes invented and already on the market, and how practical they are, by means of one of the most notable exhibitions ever held in Berlin.

There are exhibited a few of the food substitutes now in use, but the exhibition is mainly devoted to articles of household use that have come to replace all the copper and nickel ware that had to be turned in for ammunition purposes. Thus there are common iron pipes, tastefully gilded, to take the place of brass curtain poles. There are vessels and receptacles of all sizes made of a material called serpentine, which is found in great quantities near Dresden, available instead of the copper pans and pots that have gone. There are oven doors made of iron and steel which look every bit as well as the nickel ones generally used, and which, of course, are quite as practical. Even pins now are being made of iron instead of nickel, as are also hooks and eyes and similar objects.

Some apparently efficient substitute has been discovered for the rare and expensive rubber, and the exhibition shows garden hose of the new material, which feels and acts just as genuine rubber does, and will expand and contract quite as well. Soap sippers for bottles and bottles are fashioned out of this new rubber. The list of articles includes squeegees and window sponges.

Twine made of paper has been found to be practical, but for use in stores a little machine has been invented which soaks up packages and makes the use of string unnecessary. There are paper collars, cuffs, and handkerchiefs, and even paper underwear. Underwear and bed linen also have been fashioned out of celluloid, for the purpose of effecting an economy in soap, which is daily growing more expensive. There are literally scores of models of gas, electric and spirit lamps and stoves to tempt people who find it difficult or impossible to procure petroleum, and so-called cooking bowls that can be placed on red-hot stones.

Not content with merely exhibiting the thousand and one substitutes now available, the women's association also gives instruction in their use. It has a number of educational courses which it offers to the public, including one on repairing—skilled repairs are scarce nowadays—another on buying, and so on.

CHUCK LAUN IS ELECTED CAPTAIN OF IOWA TEAM

IOWA CITY, Ia., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Chuck Laun of Charles City, Ia., was today chosen captain of the University of Iowa foot ball team for next year.

MASON CITY, Ia., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—

According to the present schedule Jack Dyer of the Manson Democrat and Tom Long of the Manson Journal will transfer their activities for battling from the journalistic field to the district court this week. Long was getting more than he could assimilate from Dalton's battering ram, "The Democrat," and assuming that money spoke louder than words he called upon Dalton for \$10,000 damages for libel. Some great legal talent has been engaged by both plaintiff and defense and a hot legal fight is sure to follow.

WOODBINE—The Church of Christ at Woodbine is now in the midst of a revival meeting with its pastor, V. M. Eiston, delivering the sermons and Frank McVey, the colored singer of Concordia, Kan., in charge of the music. Sixty-eight have allied themselves with the church, nearly all of them by confession.

FINISH ARGUMENTS IN DISSOLUTION SUIT

Three Circuit Judges Soon to Begin Final Consideration of Southern Pacific Case.

GOVERNMENT ATTORNEY TALKS

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 4.—Arguments were concluded late today in the case of the government to separate the Central Pacific from the Southern Pacific railroad, and when the final briefs are filed on Monday, December 13, the three circuit judges who heard the arguments will begin final consideration of the petition for dissolution of the Southern Pacific system.

The three judges are, Walter H. Sanborn of St. Paul, William C. Hook of Leavenworth and John E. Carland of Washington, D. C.

The entire afternoon session of the court was occupied today by Edward F. McClennen, attorney for the government, in his argument in rebuttal of the arguments made by the attorneys for the Southern Pacific.

"If it is shown in the evidence," asked Presiding Judge Sanborn, "that the tonnage over the Central Pacific is as great now as it would be if the roads were separated, should the court consider that fact in reaching its conclusion?"

"No," replied Mr. McClennen, "for how can the court decide whether the tonnage now is as great as it would be if the Central Pacific were a separate line?"

"The fact that the Union Pacific is competing for business through the Ogden gateway is not the vital point," said Mr. McClennen. "The vital point is that the Central Pacific, because it is owned by the Southern Pacific, is not competing for business for the Ogden gateway."

MORE ELECTION OFFICERS ARRESTED IN PITTSBURGH

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 4.—Forty-four men who have been to the election officers at the September primaries were arrested tonight on charges of conspiracy growing out of the grand jury's investigation of irregularities at the election.

All were released on \$1,000 bail each. Arrests in connection with the alleged election frauds now number 154.

THREE SLAIN AS POSSE AND BANDITS BATTLE

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 4.—In a desperate battle between members of a sheriff's posse and bandits who attempted to hold up southbound Iron Mountain passenger train No. 3 last night, the sheriff was wounded and two of the bandits killed, according to reports from Malvern, this morning.

EDITOR SUES EDITOR FOR LIBEL

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