

# REAL ESTATE AND BUILDING

## News and Events

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### Submarine Role in Future Wars

#### Great Britain Will Urge Re- striction on Building at Arms Conference.

London, March 7.—Submarines will play a most important part in the next naval war, according to British naval experts, the Washington treaty notwithstanding.

Already in some quarters there are fears that there is competition in the building of submarines—bigger and faster submarines than the world has known heretofore.

The Washington treaty provides: "To the end that the prohibition of the use of submarines as commerce destroyers shall be universally accepted as part of the law of nations, they now accept that prohibition as henceforth binding as between themselves, and they invite all other nations to adhere thereto."

This provision is all very nice as far as it goes, but some naval experts point out that it doesn't go far enough, for there is no prohibition of the number of submarines that may be built, the number of guns they may mount, or their tonnage up to 10,000 tons.

#### Many Building.

The number of submarines building and projected in the various naval programs of the powers signatory to the Washington treaty is 138. The non-signatory powers are building or propose to build 37. This makes a total of 175 submarines now building, or projected, and these figures make the cold shivers run down the spines of some British naval experts, for they foresee surface navies struggling under limitations, while the growth of submarine navies goes on apace.

Great Britain has recently exulted in the successful completion of the XI, the largest submarine in the world. But gradually there is coming a realization that this undersea monster may not long hold title to being the biggest in the world. In some quarters this ship is regarded as the portent of increasing competition in the construction of submarines.

The French have a new design for a submarine of 3,000 tons, whose speed is described as moderate, but which is intended as a cruiser capable of covering a wide area.

#### Long Voyage.

The possibilities of the submarine have recently been demonstrated by the British submarine R 26, which accomplished a cruise to Singapore and return, unattended by a depot ship, fuel ship or repair ship. This trip demonstrated the capability of the submarine to take up the work of cruisers.

If President Coolidge summons another disarmament conference it now seems certain that Great Britain will strive for an agreement for the regulation of submarines.

British commerce is seaborne. During the last war the British had experience in striving to cope with submarine warfare and they know how difficult it is; therefore they are anxious to eliminate this phase of modern warfare.

As it has not yet been demonstrated that the submarine can be fought with submarines, there is no disposition to enter into any naval race in these ships, but unless there is some agreement for their limitation many British naval authorities fear that such a race will come, if it hasn't already started.

### UNDERTAKERS NOW CUT DEATH RATE

Chicago, March 7.—Pointing out that the death rate, according to population in the United States, is decreasing, Harry G. Samson of Pittsburgh, president of the National Selected Morticians, in an address here, declared a part of the credit for this condition was due the undertakers of the nation.

"Exactly what part the undertakers have played in reducing the national death rate," said Samson, "is impossible to estimate, but without doubt the part has been considerable. Modern scientific methods of caring for the dead certainly have been in a large sense instrumental in preventing the spread of contagious diseases and thus have figured as a factor in cutting down the death rate."

### STATE PAPERS CONSOLIDATED

Bridgeport, Neb., March 7.—The Tri State Farmer, which has been published at Kimball by R. D. Wilson for the last three years, has been absorbed by the Western Nebraska Observer, which has been the official paper of Kimball county for 40 years and operated by V. B. Garill, the last issue of the Farmer appearing this week. The Western Nebraska Observer is a 16-page paper, issued weekly.

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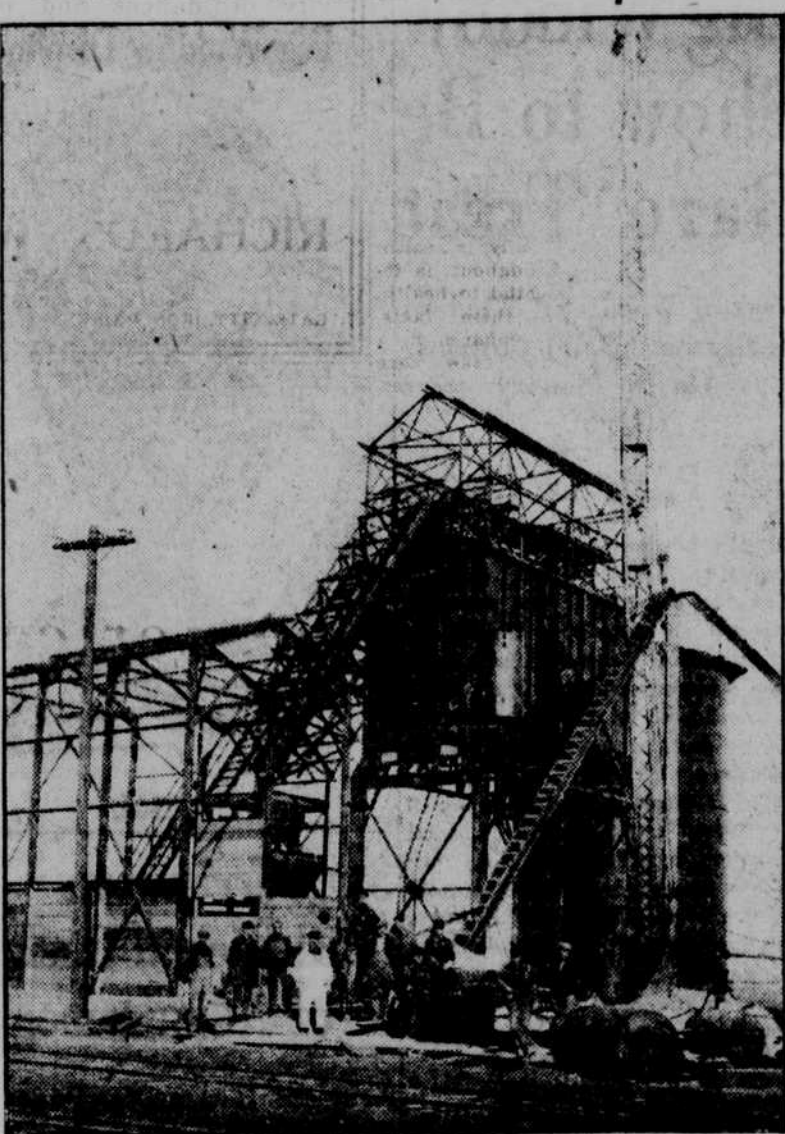
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### Giant Coal Chute Near Completion



This coal chute, 70 feet high, all electrically operated, is nearing completion at Valley, Neb. It was built to fill locomotives on the Union Pacific railroad. Work on the erection of the steel frame was started the first week in January with a crew of 12 men, under the direction of Charles Stewart, Union Pacific engineer.

The chute will hold 150 tons of coal, which will supply 45 engines. It stands west of Valley, next to the railroad tracks.

The pictures of the new chute and the gang of workmen was taken by F. E. Perry, 2009 Chicago street.

### New Studio Theater Being Built



The Mary F. Cooper Studio theater, now being built at Forty-first and Farnam streets, will be ready for occupancy on or before April 1 of this year.

Metcalfe company has the entire contract for the construction work, and in working out the plans for Miss Cooper have followed the lines of a California studio theater.

### UNIQUE SHOE SHOP TO OPEN

An innovation in the line of shoe selling shops for women will be opened on the first floor of Napier's Bootery, 307 South Sixteenth street, Monday.

All merchandising will be hidden from view in this new shop decorated in Louis Sixteenth style. The store will be done entirely in lacquer red with satin wall panels of red and gold. The rugs and velvet hangings and chairs are of the same colors.

At the entrance to the new store are iron gates of fancy grillwork. Candelabras and chandeliers are of crystal. Small, glass-covered tables will be used to display fancy buckles and hosiery. The second floor store will feature popular-priced shoes for women.

Those who are sensitive to flower and grasses that pollinate in the early spring should begin immunization about six weeks before the expected attack of "rose cold."



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### Haydite Blocks Meet Stiff Test

#### Withstand Tremendous Heat Followed by Stream of Cold Water.

Haydite, the new substitute for ordinary sand and gravel that is being manufactured in Omaha by the Omaha Clay Works was given a severe test for its fire resisting qualities at the plant of the Omaha Concrete Stone company last week.

Haydite concrete blocks, which are made by the Omaha Concrete Stone company, were built into a small house. A similar house was constructed alongside of freclay hollow tile. The fire in each house of the houses was started at 11 in the morning by Ernest Schreiber, architect.

Great chunks of wood were piled in each house and soaked with floods of oil for three hours. The temperature showed at from 1,300 to 1,400 degrees Fahrenheit a great part of the time. In spite of the great heat the Haydite concrete wall did not get so hot that the hand could not be placed upon it.

Firemen from Thirtieth and Lake arrived on the scene at 2 and threw streams of water on both houses. None of the Haydite-built wall showed ill effects of the heat, but some of the clay tile was unable to withstand it.

Present during the test were a number of men interested in building. Building Inspector Edgecomb, Max Walker of the city planning board, representatives of the Union Pacific railroad, architects and contractors of Omaha were in the group of watchers.

A. C. Busk, owner of the Omaha Clay Works, and A. G. Swanson, who makes the Haydite blocks, expressed themselves as more than pleased with the results of the test. They declare that the fire-resisting qualities of the new product and its adaptability for use in block and concrete fire wall construction promise a great future for it.

### NEW RADIATOR COVER IN HOME

Cleanliness, utility and beauty, combined in one article is considerable of an order, but the Slyker radiator equipment strives to do it all.

Since the central heating plant originated various devices have been used to cover radiators in an effort to keep them from soiling decorated walls, to harmonize them with the rest of the furniture and to keep them clean.

The new Slyker furniture lends beauty to a room, keeps the radiator from soiling walls or draperies, makes of an ordinary radiator a useful seat, a console, or a plain shelf, and aids in keeping the health of the family in that its patented humidifier brings the proper moisture into the room. The humidifier also aids in keeping the furniture from drying out and its makers contend for it that a room equipped with Slyker furniture for radiators is comfortably warm at temperatures from 5 to 7 degrees less than in an ordinary heated room.

Hollis Johnson of the American Appliance company of Omaha is going to install Slyker equipment in the sun room of the Ideal Firesafe home. The design is to cover a low window radiator, making of it a seat at a point of vantage. Hollis declares that it will improve the room 100 per cent. It is a cane grille design, of rolled steel with six coats of baked enamel.

### Sydney Has 1,000,000

Sydney, Australia, March 7.—This city is the first Australian city to reach the million population mark.

Census statistics show that of a total population of 5,835,000 in Australia, the greater part of the people are domiciled in the eastern and southeastern parts of the country.

Orchestral works by the following composers will be performed at Prague: Busoni, Toch, Roland Manuel, Rudolf Teli, Vittorio Teli, Paul Amendeus Plak, H. Kasinski, Kosa, Finka, Malipiero, Milhaud, Igor Stravinsky, Bela Bartok and others. The concert, which will be given by the Czech Philharmonic orchestra, conducted by M. Tallich, will be held in the Prague Town hall.

Operas will also be staged in connection with the festival.

See Want Ads produce results.

### Something Different in Stores



Metcalfe company has built the above stores at Twenty-fourth street and Fowler avenue, following the lines of architecture used extensively in Kansas City.

The entire corner will be developed.

### New Salesman Joins World Realty Company



Arthur R. Thatcher

Arthur R. Thatcher, who for 15 years was connected with the Norris & Norris Real Estate company, has joined the sales force of the World Realty company.

The World Realty company is optimistic about real estate sales for the coming year, and is adding equipment for handling brokerage business in the offices in the World Theater building. Thatcher is well equipped to sell homes on account of his many years of experience in building and sales departments.

### Stove Pawned for Rum.

Detroit, March 7.—Her plea that her husband pawned their stove in midwinter for money with which to buy liquor won Mrs. Pauline Prasad a divorce in circuit court.

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### MORE ATHLETICS FOR JAPAN MAIDS

Tokyo, March 7.—Maids of Japan need more exercise, according to health experts. Statistics show that Japanese women are physically inferior to women of other countries, due chiefly to the fact that they do not indulge in regular forms of exercise nor participate to any great extent in sports. Accordingly a movement has been launched to interest Japanese schoolgirls in running, jumping, swimming, gymnastics and other kinds of physical exercise in the hope of building up a more robust Japanese womanhood.

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