

**TIMELY REAL ESTATE GOSSIP**

**Sixteen Are Already in Line to Go to Pittsburgh Meeting**

**ENTERTAINED AT COLUMBUS**

**Delegates from West to Be Royally Cared for in Ohio's Capital City on Way to the National Convention.**

Sixteen Omaha real estate men have already announced that they will attend the convention of the National Association of Real Estate Exchanges at Pittsburgh, according to E. H. Benson, chairman of the Pittsburgh convention committee. In Mr. Benson's opinion Pittsburgh is going to outdo any city in the United States for special entertainment features for the delegates and the ladies who will attend. Mr. Benson has sent cards to Omaha real estate men, members of the Real Estate exchange, asking them to state whether or not they will attend the national association meeting this year.

Following are the names of those who have already returned cards saying they will attend:

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Creigh.  
Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Wead.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Slater.  
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wolfe.  
C. F. Harrison Nat Meister  
F. H. Myers Byron R. Hastings  
C. C. George Edward R. Benson

C. F. Harrison is one of the vice presidents. Byron R. Hastings is national committee man from Omaha. These last two named will represent the Omaha exchange.

There is also going to be a special banquet for the secretaries of the ninety-three cities belonging to the national association. The Omaha delegates expect to have a special car, which will be attached to the Chicago special, which leaves Chicago July 6, arriving in Columbus at 7:30 a. m.

Every delegate from the west will be royally entertained in Columbus until 3:30 in the afternoon, at which time the Chicago special leaves for Pittsburgh, arriving there Tuesday night at 8:30. The convention starts July 8 and for four days the delegates will have the greatest reunion, the finest education and one of the most pleasant experiences of their life. Nothing is being left undone and the city will be turned over to them.

**May Be Three Thousand Delegates.**

Word comes from Pittsburgh that the present outlook is that 3,000 will attend this convention in July. This is the seventh annual convention of the association.

Special trains will carry the delegations from the southeast, southwest, west and northwest and will reach Pittsburgh on Wednesday morning, July 8. It is intended that every visitor shall have an opportunity of seeing Pittsburgh by automobile, steamboat and special train. Two thousand boy scouts will be provided to act as guides for individuals or party trips. The sightseeing special train trip will cover over 100 miles one afternoon. A special committee is caring for the ladies' entertainments and is expecting a large attendance of the fair sex. Enthusiasm over the great convention is high all over the country and the Pittsburgh real estate board will be well represented. All are anxious to join with the Pittsburgh Real Estate Glee club in singing the old familiar songs that were popular when most of those attending were little folks and the largest syncretized rag-time song that makes every foot go pit-a-pat. Some special songs of special music as well as words, will be sung for the first time Wednesday night at "A Night in Bohemia." The official song book will be given all delegates and everyone will be expected to sing and that spirit will make a delightful atmosphere of good fellowship.

**Hastings Re-elected.**

Byron Hastings was last week re-elected member of the executive committee of the National Association of Real Estate Exchanges at the meeting of the Omaha exchange. This is for a three-year term. Mr. Hastings as member of the executive committee was largely responsible for bringing the executive committee to Omaha for one of its quarterly meetings a few months ago.

**Safest Investment.**

"I have engaged in a half-dozen different lines of business in Omaha in the many years I have lived here, and I think I can say that I lost money in every one of them except real estate," said Colonel S. E. Curtis to the Omaha Real Estate exchange at the meeting last week, when he responded to a number of nice things that were said about him on the eve of his retiring from active real estate business in Omaha. Colonel Curtis has placed his business in such shape that he can leave it and let it bring him in a regular income. He is soon to leave with his family for a trip in Europe.

Colonel Curtis made these remarks only incidentally when talking of the substantial nature of Omaha real estate investments. He pointed out that Omaha has at least \$100,000,000 worth of real estate, and at least that much personal property. "All this," he said, "has been made right here in Omaha. It has been created right here. Look about you. Did anyone come in here with \$10,000 to invest years ago? No. None came here with stacks of money. People came here poor and created this wealth right here in Omaha."

While Colonel Curtis admits that he is going to take a trip and is not expecting to continue in active real estate business, he told the exchange that he had been trying before he should leave for his trip to buy some Farnam street property, "but," he said, "I can't find any people that will sell at the right price."

**Salesmen's Meeting.**

Fourteen salesmen and others associated with the firm of Hastings & Hayden held one of the bi-monthly banquets at the Hotel Rome Wednesday evening, after which they repaired to the offices of the company and held one of their regular little business meetings. This company has what might be called a little real estate exchange of its own. The matters concerning salesmanship, the matters that concern every angle of the business are taken up and discussed. Events of the last two weeks in the firm's business are taken up, and if a salesman has done well he is commended. If he has made a mistake he is told of it, and is corrected.

**Christie Heights in South Omaha Goes on Market Today**

One of the prettiest home additions offered to the home buyers of Omaha and South Omaha in recent years is the new addition being offered by W. Farnam Smith & Co. today, "Christie Heights." Many new features are to be found in this addition. It is located at Thirtieth and Q streets, South Omaha.

Trees have been planted in front of every lot, cement walks laid and all streets and cross streets will be paved and gut-

**Girl Who Risked Life to Save Many from Fire**



MARGERY HARPER.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., June 20.—Miss Margery Harper, the pretty 16-year-old daughter of Mrs. Sadie Harper, a widow, who lives on the third floor of the building at 131 Ashland Place, was the person who ran through the building Wednesday warning tenants of the building of

their danger while she rushed madly to the third floor and helped them through the smoked filled halls. The fire, according to Fire Marshall Brophy, was started by a pyromaniac. The buildings within 300 feet, including No. 131 Ashland Place, were fired, endangering fifty lives.

tered. All lots are either at street level or with a slight terrace. The ground has been platted so that there will be no small or extra large lots in the addition. The addition lies between the West Q and Croastown car lines and within easy walking distance of the business center of South Omaha. Reasonable building restrictions have been placed on every lot.

These advantages, together with the wide range of prices and easy terms, should be of great interest to any person wishing to invest in real estate.

H. M. Christie, manager of the real estate department of W. Farnam Smith & Co., is an expert in the development of vacant property, as he has developed and sold a great number of well known additions in Omaha and South Omaha in recent years.

**CRAWFORD BUYS CORNER DOUGLAS, TWENTY-FOURTH**

Frank Crawford has bought as an investment the northeast corner of Twenty-fourth and Douglas, a vacant lot, with sixty feet on Douglas and seventy-one feet on Twenty-fourth street.

The seller was Ed Callahan, through Glover & Spain.

**Too Many Students in German and Austrian Medical Colleges**

BERLIN, June 20.—Too many university students is the old complaint being voiced in both Germany and Austria.

The trouble in Berlin and Germany as a whole concerns the medical students mainly. The flood of them has grown so rapidly that the ministry of education is puzzling over some way to lessen it.

Two or three remedies have been proposed, one of which is to limit the number of foreign students at each university. This would be an extension of rules promulgated a year ago. A large increase in entrance and tuition fees and a raising of the standards of admission have also been suggested. The recent contentions between physicians on the one side and state insurance boards on the other have shown how overcrowded the medical profession in Germany is.

In Austria, the complaint is general. The Associated Press correspondent at Vienna reports that Prof. Wettstein, rector of the University of Vienna, in a recent appeal to the Austrian Diet for funds for a students' home, declared that scores of students were living under such conditions of poverty that they were starved and sometimes without shelter.

In some instances, he said, the student was unable to go to his room at all during the day, as it was used as a workshop. They were actually forced to spend their spare time in cafes and cheap restaurants.

The overcrowded conditions, and the strife for education among young men who are quite unable to meet the expense of it, even by working while at college, are reported throughout Austria. The cause of it is said to be the competition for government positions. It is frequently said that Austrian universities are chiefly factories for turning out state officials, and the latter are increasing at a rapid rate.

The professions, too, are overcrowded, and it is the experience of many men who have struggled through a university course against tremendous handicaps, to find that when once equipped with a professional education, they still face many years of hardship before they realize a comfortable living.

**KAISER'S SON IN LOVE MATCH**

Prince Oskar and Countess Ina Will Be Married Soon.

**GIRL OF LOWER NOBILITY**

This is First Morganatic Marriage Among Hohenzollerns in Sixty Years—Bride is Beautiful and Graceful.

BERLIN, June 20.—The fact that Hohenzollern princes have never been given to long engagements leads an interested public to believe the marriage of Emperor William's fifth son, Prince Oskar, to the Countess Ina Marie von Bassewitz-Levetzow will be celebrated shortly. No date, however, has yet been set.

The engagement was announced, as reported by cable, on May 25, to the surprise of Berlin society, since it means a morganatic marriage, contrary to the traditions of the Hohenzollern family.

There are plenty of instances where that tradition was broken, but this will be the first time in sixty years that any of the Hohenzollerns have married beneath their rank. King Frederick William III himself did so in 1824 when he married the Countess Harrach after the death of his first wife, Prince Adalbert, nephew of Frederick William IV, did so when he married the Viennese dancer, Therese Eisler. Another and the latest instance is that of Prince Albrecht, brother of Frederick William IV, who married a Fraulein von Rauch, daughter of a former minister of war, in 1858.

The empress is widely credited for obtaining the imperial sanction of Prince Oskar's intention to marry the Countess Ina, for she believed it to be a true love match. She knew the young woman well, for she had served as her maid of honor until 1912, when the close attachment between her and the prince is said to have resulted in her resignation of service. She is described as tall and graceful, beautiful and of a sunny temper. While her rank is that of lower nobility, her family lineage has been traced back as far as 1254 to one Barnhardus de Bassewitz, and the title of count dates from 1323. She undoubtedly will win some new title when she becomes the emperor's daughter-in-law.

She may make her husband a large land owner, as her father, Count Karl von Bassewitz-Levetzow, owns six large estates in Mecklenburg and Prussia. He has for years occupied a prominent position in Mecklenburg society and politics and has been minister president of the little state.

Prince Oskar has had the training of a typical Prussian officer. The emperor did not send him to a university, as he did all the other princes, except Adalbert, who is the seaman of the family. Although Oskar's general education has been comparatively neglected, he is described as a man of much shrewdness and of a quick intelligence. He is a captain in one of the foot guard regiments at Berlin and at the same time is hearing lectures at the war academy with a view to acquiring a training in the higher military science in which he takes a deep interest. People who know Oskar best predict that he will be heard from in any future war Germany may have. He will be twenty-six years old in July, while his bride is just a half year older. She enjoys the double distinction not only of having been born in the year when the emperor ascended the throne, but of his birthday, January 27.

**Every citizen of Omaha will be interested in one or more of the following subjects:**

**Owning a home--**

Everyone can own his home in these days of enlightened service on the part of real estate companies. They are carefully revolving plans to meet the NEEDS of purchasers of homes. Your FINANCIAL problems are being solved for you, as well as those of comfort, pleasant surroundings, cost of living, cost of home operating, efficiency in domestic machinery and arrangement, etc.

Plans have been devised by which you can purchase a home by paying each month about the same amount of money you would ordinarily pay for rent. Make a study of the real estate columns in the Classified Section today. Select an advertisement of a home you would like to own and go see the real estate company about it. You will learn valuable information and will be taking a real step toward home-owning and all its advantages and financial profit.

**Suburban property--**

The beautiful suburbs of Omaha are delightful places in which to live. You get clean country living combined with all modern conveniences. The streets are quiet, the air is pure, you have plenty of room, congeniality of a country village, and yet all the influence and advantages of city life.

Thrifty people who are seeking safe and profitable investments for their funds should find out more about suburban property. These newly established centers outside the city's heart have a very promising future. They have been platted and beautified and sold to home builders on terms within the reach of everyone.

**Business property--**

Prices for business property this year are low, considering the immediately bright future for this class of investments. There is a growing tendency to centralize each business neighborhood, and a well built, attractive building in a good location is the safest and most promising investment a man can make.

**Valuable lots--**

There is a form of property into which you can put a little money and it will take care of itself. If you do not care to build, you can buy your lot for a few months. At this time, lots purchased in this way have been sold for from \$200 to \$300 profit.

**A home and an acre of ground--**

In the real estate columns of today's paper you will find offered for sale little lots near the city, which can be made very fruitful in a reasonable length of time. Find out from the owners what possibilities there are and ask their advice in developing a small piece of ground.

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