NEWS OF THE BUSY HOME BUILDERS

#### OUTSIDE CAPITAL

More Than Usual Comes to Omaha for Investment.

REAL ESTATE STRONG MAGNET

Draws Cash from Other States and Enters Into Campaign of Improvement as Well as Building.

That some outside money is coming to Omaha for investment, in fact more than usual, is shown in the transfers of the last week, when \$75,000 of Iowa money was invested in Omaha property. The record shows that J. J. Iten of Clinton paid Jones streets, where he will remodel and of land adjoining the city limits of Omaha, on Center street, which he will use for a stock-breeding farm. It was formerly the property of H. N. Way and the sale was made for cash by George & Co.

Openings in the suburbs began Friday, when Hastings & Hayden offered forty acres couthwest of Fort Omaha, at Thirtythird street and Grand avenue. The opening is to inst until Tuesday and by that the dealers expect to pay some one 300 in cash for suggesting a name. But from the interest shown in the opening of the tract it is evident that such sales will popular during the coming season. The

Carlahton's First addition is to be opened is as fine a looking place for a home as the Hanscom park district. It is located south of the park, on both the oast and west sides of Thirty-second ave- cumference. ome. Only the narrow strip belonging to the degenth counts is between the park and giston First addition, but the tract which is to be opened is high and overlooks

nesus" is the tract of George & Co. west of Dundes and is offered only in acreage tracts. A number have already many new houses are in the course of construction. Besides the Fairacres tract, George & Co. have considerable Dundee property to be opened and placed on the and between Webster and Dodge streets.

Thomas Hoctor, former mayor of South Omaha, proved that the demand for South air contracts, is heavy and falls. Omaha property is fully as good as the demand in Omaha when he opened "Hoctor at auction. The tract overlooks Spring the way of property which will increase there is troble. in value. The lots sold well and a good The hot, rare

F. O. Isaacson sold 150 acres ten miles son of Boone county for \$11,000. The sale per out, was made through George & Co. Eva M. Lothsop streets to C. J. Nieman for \$6,750, particles move with acclerated speed near Heyden, while the same firm sold the home entieth and Binney streets to J. B. Redfield for \$5,600. The two homes are close to the center is known at times to

J. J. Deright demonstrated that he is tions as essential to the formation of a residence districts. Mr. Deright piloted a party over the city for two hours Wednes- between April 1 and July 1. day afternoon, furnishing the automobiles without cost and demonstrating that Omaha the various weather stations are able to ascend or descend to or from their apartis just now a live and busy city. The first send out effective warnings. For instance part of the trip was to the wholesale diston tracks and then skirted along the water front for an examination of the "harbor of Omaha." The pilot had evidently been to the place before, as it proved to be as good a point as there is in Omaha to look and the whirl is correspondingly less vioat the sky line, with the wholesale houses to the west. The Union Pacific headquarters building, which formerly occupied the center in such a scene, now sinks into insignificance by the side of the big double warehouses of M. E. Smith & Co. Another trip taken by the party was half way across the Douglas street bridge and back. From such a point a visitor can get an idea of the extent of the Union Pacific shops and the plant of the American Smalt. ing and Refining company. The trip then continued through the residence district, particularly through the places where scores of new homes are being erected.

Starting next Wednesday, the Real Estate exchange is to hear a series of addresses by local men on the history of Omaha streets. John McCague has been assigned to Sixteenth street and C. F. Harrison to Farnam street. Others will tell the story of the busy thoroughtares of Omaha,

Shimer & Chase will open the townsite of Raiston about the last of May. During the next two weeks the townsite company will be incorporated, with some 200 shareholders. One of the first things which the company is to do is to name and number the streets. A new series of numbers will not be attempted on the streets which are his clothes. Said he: "I have come to to be known by numbers, but the lines will be run through from the city of Omaha and probably Sixtieth or Sixty-second street will be the main street of the new town. Streets running east and west will be named. There will be no duplicates with the streets of the city. Many of the new streets in Raiston will be named for Dr. Miller or his friends.

#### WAS NO QUITTER HOUND Followed a Fox for Five Days and Nights Over Cape Cod Sands.

Pollowing close on the heels of a big gray fox, running for five days and nights, covering a distance of probably 200 miles through the woods and along the sandy shores of Cape Cod, only to have the fox escape by wearing him out, is the record of a hound 4 years old, one of three valuable dogs that a party of hunters recently took with them to hunt foxes in the woods at

The dog chased the fox, or perhaps sevfrom one to another in its travels-and did not show up after starting the fox. After nine years of inside seiling and got some waiting for hours for the dog to return the hunters went back to the village, expecting the dog would give up the chase. Night

came on and they became alarmed, fearing the dog had been lost. A local gunner who accompanied the fex hunters into the woods said he would find trade with me, therefore I am independent, sities of life. the dog and ship him home the next day. Inquiries were made through the villages, the air. I make ten times as much as I gant mistakes. but no one had seen the dog and it ap- did three years ago and in the near future peared as if he must have been drowned shall go into partnership with a prosperous water warming makes it very desirable gouth Omaha hospital. His relatives in in crossing the swamps on the thin ice. At he we"-Victor Smith in New York Press. Land important to modernize a building Council Bluffs were notified.

the end of five days a dog was seen follow-ing a big gray fox through the village of

through his back yard rushed into the house for his gun. As he came out he saw a hound imping along and vainly trying to bark; the fox had disappeared and the dog which could hardly stand, dropped in its tracks nearly dead from exhaustion. The One of the Original Independence Paman gave the dog food and drink in small quantities and in a few days it seemed to be all right. On the collar was the name of the owner, to whom the man wrote, and in a few days he came after it. It was then learned that the dog started the fox in Wellfleet and for five days and nights had

been chasing. He had been seen chasing the fox at Ellisville, on the shores of Cape Cod bay, and near White Island in the crapberry district; he had crossed the harbors and rivers and had given up when nearly dead in East \$50,000 cash for the building at Twelfth and | Wareham, sixty miles from where the hunt was started. It was said. "The dog was install a biscuit factory. Ralph Pryor of a mere skeleton and the fox seemed as if years. The man was not insane and he Shelby, Ia., invested \$35,000 in the 160 acres he had been running for a month."-Forest and Stream.

### THE WHY OF THE TORNADO lord.

It is an Air Vortex of Tremendous Power Formed Under Bare Ofreumstances.

A week of violent storms in the south is believed to have been attended with the loss of 500 lives. The damage was done partly by burricanes, partly by tornadoes, often, though wrongly, called cyclones. In modern usage the cyclone is a vast were not given much notice by the air which is indicated by a low barometer. agents, but a good crowd attended on the The heavier air rushing in toward the center from all sides produces the same sort | Years. of an eddy that follows the removal of a

Into its swirling vortex are sucked the other houses. moisture laden currents from the Gulf of 'I have always believed the truth of the Mexico, so that the passage of a cyclone doctrine that evey little bit added to what sign and accuracy of detail. Its setting gives southerly winds and under proper you've got makes just a little bit more, gives us a touch of suburban life and it conditions rain.

satisfied. It is a mass of air from 100 to secured property in the new addition and 1,000 feet in diameter revolving at terrific

This freak of nature occurs ordinarily only in the spring or early summer when market. Eight new homes are being erected the earth and the stratum of air imnetween Pifty-first and Pifty-second streets | mediately above it are heating rapidly. The upper air is still intensely cold from the

commingle gently with no disturbance, Terrace" during the week and sold 186 lots But sometimes the great eddy of the

heavy air rushes in toward the semi-vasouthwest of South Omaha to Oscar Jacob- the effect of the washbowl with the stop-

As the water nears the center of the bowl the sale being made through Hastings & the center of the tornado so that the energy developed sweeps away houses and uproots trees. The velocity of the air amongs the most desirable in Kountze Place. equal that of a modern rifle bullet.

The weather bureau outlines four condieminently fitted to carry out the wishes of tornado near any given place. First, a cythe real estate dealers when strangers are clone, or area of low becometer the center being given a trip about the city, showing of which is to the north or northwest; second, a temperature of about 70 degrees at activity, as well as the old and handsome 7 o'clock in the morning; third, great humidity; fourth, that the time of year be

The conditions are so well known that on the morning of May 27, 1896, the day of tricts. Mr. Deright ran the machines south the St. Louis tornado, the abnormal heat on Ninth street to Jones street and then and humidity and the aspect of the area east to the river front, across the Burling- of low barometer on the map caused the through Missouri and eastern Kansas.

The hurricane is an enlarged tornado Its diameter is usually from 100 to 500 miles lent that the tornado's. The storm that devastated Galveston in September, 1900, was a hurricane. It was first observed through the hallways in going to or from September 1 off Porto Rico. Three days their apartments. later its center had reached Cuba. Sep tember 6 it was at Key West, the next day southeast of New Orleans and September 8 at Galveston. It curved then to the north through Oklahoma City and then traveled northeast by way of Des Moines, Milwaukee and Lake Ontario.

The weather bureau's storm warnings vere of enormous value to ship owners .-Kansas City Times.

#### SUCCESS WAITS UPON HUSTLE How One Young Man Found Lack of

Capital No Bar to Success.

Three years ago a young man wrote me with his occupation. Should he give it up and go to the Philippines or seek employment on the isthmus. Stamps were inclosed. It seemed I had to reply or be charged with stealing 4 cents. Recently this young man called. He wore a prosperous air. In fact, he looked too dignified for thank you for your advice. I took it literally, and here I am today in fine health and on the road to fortune."

Advice is so cheap that all of us can part with it and never feel the loss of it. If it pleases the seeker he makes the most of it If it does not please him he forgets it. My advice to the disconsolate young man was: Cut out the isthmus and the Phillippines. You cannot afford to go so far away from your wife and children. You have been selling goods for your employer for nine years and your salary has never been raised. Give up the job at once and strike out for yourself. You can begin on the street. You do not need an office. Ally

yourself with some big house and make

your commission." "It was a hard pull at first," he said. but now it is so easy that I do not understand why hundreds of young fellows, all dissatisfied, are not their own masters. I, with fear and trembling, gave up my job. My capital in cash was \$234. Starvation stayed us in the face. I managed to obtain the consent of a big Maiden lane house to fits now in nearly every home or building become an independent canvasser for optieral foxes-for it may have switched off cal goods, their repair, etc. I went among the acquaintances I had made during my orders. Due satisfaction being given, one order brought another, and pretty soon 1 was very busy. In three years I have built up so big a trade that I am almost in a that it is only the owner of a medium position to dictate terms to my firm. I sized house or fullding who apparently have so arranged it that I can carry my can afford to be extravagant in the neces-

SIGNER OF THE DECLARATION Attractive and Inexpensive Homes

triots in Omaha.

HE BELIEVES IN HOME OWNING

John J. Mahoney, Clerk of the Police Court, is Going to Build in the Field Club District.

"I am one of the signers of the declaration of independence," announced a man who has lived in the city for a number of meant what he said. The declaration of independence which he had signed was his declaration of independence from the land-

"I have lived in a house for which I paid a rental of \$25 a month for fifteen years," continued the man. "I sat down with my wife one evening and figured out how much we had paid to the landlord in that time When we had added it all up, it frightened us. Even without interest the sum came to \$4,500, and if we had put each month's rent at interest as fast as it came due, we would have possessed more than \$7,000 at the end of the fifteen years. atmospheric eddy about a center of light Think of the house we could build with that bunch of money. But we were shortsighted and we have nothing after all these

"Then we signed the declaration of indestopper from a washbowl. The cyclone is pendence and we are now building our by D. V. Sholes within a short time. The usually from a thousand to fifteen hundred home. We haven't got all the money, but greeing is almost completed and the tract miles in diameter. The winds it causes vary its coming and we have it arranged to pay first article to the readers of this paper missed were the entrance made directly from a gentle breeze to a gale. Thatr vio- just \$35 a month, and every payment will and illustrated by accompanying cuts is into the living room. A brick fire place ience depends on the difference in air pres- apply toward buying the new home. It design No. 2 and a home which readily in- is provided at the far corner of the living sure in the center from that about the cir- will be ours in a good deal shorter time spires admiration. While it is of modest room, which terminates at the right in

The tornado is one of the comparatively of adding a little bit every month even ground, the lot being considerably rare incidents in the history of a cyclone to what our landlord had and mak- lower at the rear. In this particular case when a set of peculiar conditions are ing it a little bit more. He's a little excavating was necessary in order speed. Usually it travels only a few miles but we're soon going to have our home and it's going to be our own, too."

One of the handsomest new homes which will be erected by Omaha citizens this year will be that of John J. Mahoney, clerk of effects of winter. Warm air expands and police court. Mr. Mahoney is a connoisseur so becomes light and tends to rise. Cold of what is correct in the up-to-date home and plans which he has had drawn up Ordinarily the different strata of air call for a home that will be satisfying to the aesthetic taste of the conscientious home builder as well as fulfilling all the cyclone brings down masses of cold air requirements of comfort and luxury. Mr. Lake park and those who were fortunate from its western side upon the hot sur- Mahoney's new home will be built on enough to secure lots have something in face winds of the southeast quarter. Then Thirty-sixth street, south of Leavenworth street, in the desirable Field club district. The hot, rarefled air, surrounded by a It will be of frame, with a basement runheavy cold envelope shoots upward. The ning under the entire house. On the first floor there will be a large reception hall cuum in the center. Once more there is with a wide window seat flanked by book cases. To the left is the large parlor and back of that the dining room. Back of the Scott has sold her home at Twentieth and circles with increasing rapidity so the air ond floor there will be four rooms besides the bath. On the third floor there will be a storage room.

> Top floors in apartment houses are not the hardest to rent, says a local real estate man. Top floor spartments offer advantages that go far to make up for their disadvantages of increased stair climbing or elevator bother. Indeed, in elevator than the lower ones, and a little thought shows the advantages which the top apart ments have. The people who live on the lower floors are exposed to the noise of the other residents as they come in and ments at all hours of the day and night In the top apartments all is quiet. Another thing which makes the top apartment desirable is the airiness of it and the fact that it is farther from the noise of the bureau at 10 o'clock to send out warnings streets. There is also less dust. In summer the top apartments are cooler and in winter they get more sunshine than the lower apartments. Last, but by no means least, is the fact that the top floors are more private than the lower ones, since none of the other people in the flat pass

> A new style of home which is proving very popular to the taste of present day home builders is a cross between the Moorish style and the colonial. The combination is peculiarly pleasing as exemplified in a house being bufit in the Field club district, It is made of dark colored brick and is two and a half stories high, with broad eaves and a gable window in the roof. On one corner of the house is a little square porch, painted pure white and built in classic design. It contrasts beautifully with the sterner lines of the dark brick and uncompromising Moorish style of the main structure. The lower windows are half latticed and all the windows are painted white and provided with gree; thoroughly disconsolate letter. Things shutters. The whole gives a particularity were not going right. He was disgusted pleasing effect of homeliness and substan

The Chespest Way to Warm a House The advantages of warming a house by steam or hot water are now too well known to be doubted by any one. It is only the question of costs that needs argu-

The lowest priced apparatus for heating ing a house is a stove. Next comes th not air furnace. Next comes the steam

warming outfit, and then hot water. That is, if you figure the cost of the outfit alone. If all owners of homes could be induced to figure further tha that, stoves and hot air furnaces would be entirely

abandoned. The outfit itself is much the lesser part of heating cost. The outfitting cost cobut once in a lifetime, if you get the right method. It is the fuel that counts-the constant expense that continues as long as the house shall stand.

Strange as it may seem, the majority of people look upon heating costs from the wrong end. If the small house owner and the cof-

tager could be brought to study this subject as an investment no house would be without a modern steam or water heating apparatus, whether the house were new or old. You will find steam or hot water out

where comfort rather than first cost is held to be of most importance. You will find them in almost all large modern buildings where fuel economy

means much. This confirms the truth of the statement, which is too often taken in jest

My office is in my hat. I am as free as | Large owners do not make such extrava-

By Max L. Reith,

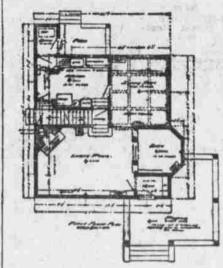


WHAT \$2,500 CAN DO.

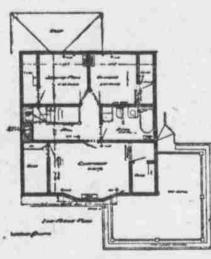
The house taken as the subject for my against winter drafts, which would be than we have lived and paid rent in the proportions, it presents a quiet dignity not portion marked "den" on floor plan. This often found in so small a structure. The secret of this is the simplicity of its de-But hitherto we have acted on the principle will be noticed that the building site is not pretty rich man compared with us to secure a full basement under the entire house. The general style is on the cottage play

and we might term it a story and a half cottage. The large central dormer with the graceful window provides for full height walls in the front chamber. The construct tion material used is narrow siding up to the cornice line with shingles in the side gables and on the main dormer.

The area covered by the foundation is 728 square feet, the house being twentywidth, exclusive of front porch and bay on right side, as will be noticed by studying the floor plans. Front porch is nine fee wide and extends around on the side of the house not seen in photograph. This ings, it being the intention to build book porch, like the first story, is sided and has a rail around a flat tin-deck roof. A very pleasing and home-like arrangement is given to the rooms. The entrance to vestibule before reaching the main living room gives the desired protection



"den" is separated only by columned open-



shelves between columns. Dining room has a high window of leaded glass at the rear. under which would be a good location for a sideboard. Opposite the three windows on the side is a doorway leading directly to kitchen, which is provided with the usual range, hot water boiler, sink and two cupboards, one to provide for the dishes, the other for cooking utensils. The porch at rear is intended to be screened and enclosed vestibule with refrigerator makes a most excellent arrangement. Four steps from kitchen lead to the stair landing, giving a combination stairway. At window level on second floor a seat with hinged lid is built in space next to the chimney. (Note-In case gas range is used the smoke flue crossing over to chimney from kitchen can be omitted.)

The stair well is enclosed by a rail in the upper hall, off which, at a central point. open the three rooms and bath. Large closets are shown under the roof at the four corners of the house.

It would be difficult to find a more snappy design or a better arranged cottage home than this. The estimated cost to build the same is \$2,500, exclusive of heating and plumbing.

before the good tenant vacates. As a rule houses so heated rent for 10 to 18 per cent higher. Landlords therefore find it a specially profitable investment. Improvements of this character obtain also a higher class of tenants-better pay,

and who long stay. Property having this modern improvement always sell quicker, as is well known. Up-to-date property is always in the greater demand. It is the common experience that apartments and houses which ordinarily rent at \$30 to \$35 will bring \$40 and \$50 per month when warmed by steam or water.

MEIKLEJOHN AND D. CUPID Fullerton Man Admits Going to Col-

ombia, but Says it is for Business.

Assistant Secretary of War, Former leorge J. Melklejohn, as well as former seutenant governor of Nebraska and congressman, was in Omaha, Saturday morning from his home at Fullerton.

"I had not seen the notice of my intended narriage to some very wealthy widow in Colombia," Said Governor Metklejohn. There is nothing to the matter. It is true at, I expect to leave for Colombia South America, the latter part of this month. My business there will be wholly on business matters, connected with inerests I have there, only that and nothing nore. It is true that I may eventually locate in Omaha, but for the present I shall merely maintain an office here, as being nore convenient for my business interests, which keep me on the move much of the time. I have just now returned from Denver, and expect to leave the city again to-Possibly when I return I may have something more to say than I have time

o tell you today." Asked point blank in reference to his ntended marriage in Bogota, Colombia, Governor Melklejohn was not disposed to say much, other than to indicate that there was nothing to the matter."

CONCUSSION OF THE BRAIN Result of Fall Out of Wagon by Roy Painter.

Roy Brockert of Council Bluffs fell out of a wagon at Thirty-third and Q streets, South Omana, receiving a severe conc of the brain. The accident occurred at 11 . m. Saturday morning.

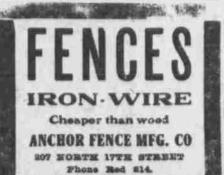
Brockert is a sign artist painting for the Gunning system of Omaha. The men were nauling their outfit in a lumber wagon and Brockert was sitting on a box. As the wagon turned the corner at Thirty-third and Q it struck a rough place in the pavement and the jostling threw him out. Ho anded on his head and shoulders and lay onconscious. He partially recovered and was taken to the South Omaha Jall, where he was examined by Dr. W. H. Slabaugh. The increasing popularity of steam and the brain and ordered the man to the



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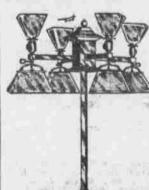
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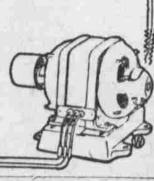
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