

TIMELY REAL ESTATE TALK

May Transfers Total More Than Any Month for Years

MORE THAN A MILLION AND A HALF

Some Figures on the Growth of Omaha During Last Five Months that Look Good to Everybody.

An examination of the records at the office of the registrar of deeds shows that real estate transfers for May were larger than for any month in years and twice as large as for any month last year.

May was the banner building month of this year, and total building permits taken out amounted to almost twice as much as any single month of last year.

For the first five months of the year the construction authorized by the city is nearly half again as great as for the corresponding period of 1905.

Table showing building permits for 1904, 1905, and 1906 by month. Columns include month, 1904, 1905, and 1906.

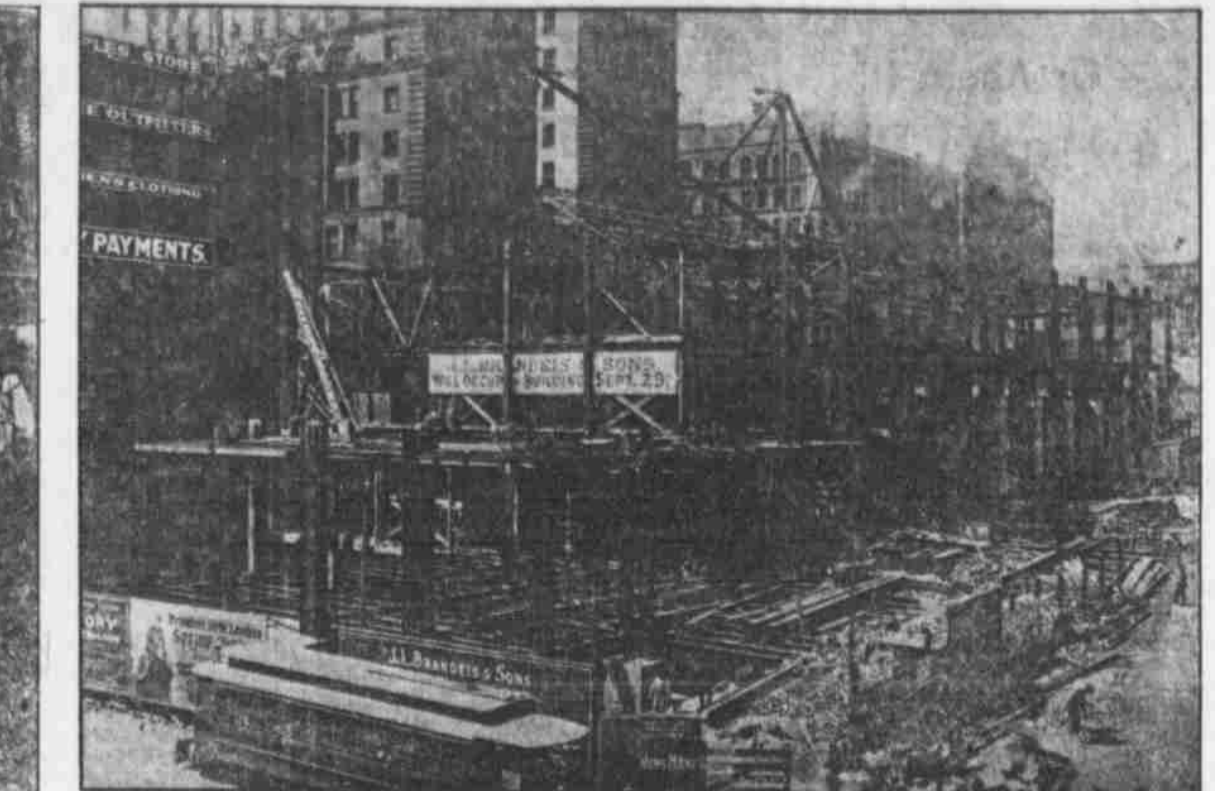
Table showing the comparative table of real estate transfers for 1905 and 1906 by month. Columns include month, 1905, and 1906.

N. P. Dodge & Co. report the following sales for the last month: George W. Hill, a lot at Twenty-eighth and Cass on the Boulevard, for an investment; Mary E. McEwen, two lots at Twenty-eighth and Cass on the Boulevard, for an investment; John F. Peterson, a lot at Thirty-fourth and Hamilton, the northeast corner, on which he intends to build a home; George W. Schneider, a house and two lots at Forty-third and Corby, for a home; John C. Angerson of Blair, Neb., a retired farmer, two houses on Twenty-sixth, just north of Cumings, for an investment; Armita Root, a house and lot at Thirtieth and Davenport, through the Byron Reed Co., for an investment; Verna Miller, a house and lot at 1905 South Twenty-sixth, as an investment; Mrs. Emma Border, two houses and two lots at Eighteenth and Maple, as a rental investment; Mrs. G. W. Connell, house and lot at 1824 North Twentieth, for a home; Mrs. Lena Goos of the Goos hotel, house and lot at Twenty-fifth avenue and Cumings street, to be improved and to be home; Paxton Brooks, house and lot at Thirty-second and Pinkney, for an investment; Ira Horton & Bros. of Iowa, Tibke block, 132 feet on Cumings and Twenty-seventh, a three-story brick block, consisting of stores below and flats above, and a cottage in the rear; George N. Hicks, representing a syndicate, the southeast corner of Thirty-third and Harney, with the Omaha Savings bank; Mrs. Avery, house and lot at 2508 Burdette, as a home; Minnie C. Sterns, two acres and house in Benson, for a home; F. Farnely, lot in Willis Park Place, for a home; southwest corner Fourteenth and Davenport, opposite the south end of the Northwestern purchase, to syndicate, for an investment; nine-room house and half a lot at 1330 Capitol avenue, to syndicate, for an investment; H. Marowitz, two two-room houses situated at southeast corner of Twenty-fourth and Dodge; Mor-

Substantial Evidence of Omaha's Splendid Progress in the Building Line



EXCAVATING FOR THE M. E. SMITH BUILDING AT NINTH AND FARNAM.



PROGRESS ON THE NEW BRANDEIS BUILDING.

FIRST HISTORY OF OMAHA

Volume Issued by Chancellor Woolworth Fifty Years Ago. NEBRASKA IN 1857 AT CLOSE RANGE

Some First Hand Views of Men and Events that Have Been Much Discussed Ever Since.

One of the few existing copies of Judge James M. Woolworth's "Nebraska in 1857" was dug out from the cobwebby shelves of Joe Carroll's antiquarian book store the other day.

Here is an incident which shows how rapid has been the rise in suburban real estate property. A year ago a certain real estate firm offered a certain figure for acreage property in the borders of the city, intending to cut it up into lots.

Moses Kekenthal, a capitalist of Rochester, N. Y., has been in the city a few days visiting his sister, Mrs. Sophia Lehman, who has considerable money invested in local city property.

Several men outside of the real estate fraternity are seeking to subscribe for stock in the newly organized Real Estate Exchange Building company. There is room for five or six more stockholders and the directors are considering the advisability of allowing them to invest.

TRUE ROMANCE OF COMMERCE

Inception and Development of South Omaha as a World's Food Center. STOCK MARKET OF THE GREAT WEST

"A World's Food Center" is the appropriate title bestowed on Omaha by Helen Grey in the current number of the Four Track News. The author regards the inception and development of the South Omaha stock market as a romance of commerce, and tells the story entertainingly as follows:

One spring morning, in 1854, a little party of Omaha business men drove to a point four miles south of the city of Omaha. Around them was only the rolling prairie, and on this prairie they directed an engineer where to lay out certain yards, and where to set certain stakes indicating the streets and lots of a future city.

"Every point along the Missouri at which the wildest imagination could see any advantage for a town was taken up; the trader, then the farmer, then the merchant, and last, the capitalist and speculator. All poured in together—shares of the tolls and exposure of the new settlements and rivals in the one contest for wealth.

"But Governor Cuming acted promptly. On October 2, 1854, he issued his proclamation of the land to the citizens; and on November 2 following, another for an election, with instructions for holding and conducting the same. The election was held, as directed, on December 12.

"At the hour for convening of the houses their halls were filled with these excited and desperate men. But before they were aware of it, resolutions assembling the two houses in joint session were passed; and the moment they had met the governor entered, and, without prologue, delivered to each member elected the certificate of his election, pronounced his message, declared the assembly organized, directed each house to withdraw to complete its organization and vanquished in half an hour every design either upon himself or the legislature.

FEDERAL OFFICIALS DENY IT

Say Reports of Stenographers Doing Outside Work Are Not According to Fact.

"There seems to be much of the mountain against molehill order in the agitation that has just broken out regarding stenographers employed at the federal building and in the federal offices working for private gain on government time for which they are paid," remarked an official at the federal building Saturday morning, who asked that his name be not used.

"Governor Burt made his residence at Bellevue. He came in poor health and greatly needed rest after his long journey. But he was beset by multitudes of speculators anxious to acquire influence with the government in behalf of some place to which they wished to secure the capital, or some other patent measure for making a sudden fortune.

TOOTH TALK NO. 32

Speaking of crown and bridge work, which I make a specialty, I'll say that it's about as unsatisfactory a thing as you can have in your mouth, if not properly done.

"The various religious denominations are taking early and strong hold in Nebraska. The Congregationalists have planted themselves in Omaha, Fontenelle and other places. The Old School Presbyterians are strong in the south part of the territory. The Campbellites are also strong in that section. The Methodists, with their or-

THE MERIT SYSTEM

And right here lies another story. Ten years ago J. L. Paxton, superintendent of the yards, began working out a "merit service" system. He has been adjusting and supplementing it ever since.

Many pleasant little stories are connected with the working out of this system; humble romances, yet vital to their participants. Men have stayed out at the yards year after year. Their boys have grown up in the public schools and then followed them into the yards. A middle-aged man was up for promotion, but could not read or write. His wife taught him, and he got his advance. And the yards have never had a strike.

This big stock hotel in Omaha has an approximate average of 6,000,000 guests a year. It is the second hog and sheep, the third cattle market in the world. Its position as the geographical center of the world's greatest corn belt seems to destiny it for the primacy. American tourists interested in knowing something of their own country, might well spare a day sometime to "stop off" at Omaha—to see how America feeds the world.

BUILDING WITHOUT PERMITS

Many Structures Are Erected, Without City Approval.

Building Inspector Withnall and Assistant Falconer and Mann have discovered much construction in progress all over the city not authorized by permits. In many cases buildings were being erected contrary to the ordinances. Most of the offending contractors are new in Omaha and pleaded ignorance of the building ordinances. The department is growing indignant over the extent of the practice and is threatening reprisals in police court.

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