

TIMELY REAL ESTATE TALK

Eastern Money Again Seeks Omaha for Investment Purposes. SALE OF PLUNKETT PROPERTY A SIGN

Eastern Investors Take Over Lots on Capitol Avenue North of Post-office at Price Not Made Public.

Not more than three or four real estate transactions in the city in the present year have involved more money than the transfer of the Plunkett property, across the street north from the postoffice, to the Western Real Estate Trusts of Boston.

The significance of the deal lies in the fact that it is the first considerable investment of eastern money in Omaha since the days of depression and financial panic which swept over the country in 1890.

With the sale of the Plunkett property, the time when A. J. Hanson owned that piece of ground is recalled to the minds of the real estate men of the city.

The sale of lots on easy payments seems to be becoming popular in Omaha. Week before last an Indianapolis concern sold a bunch of lots near Fort Omaha on the "11 down, 50 cents a week" plan, and they all went in twenty minutes.

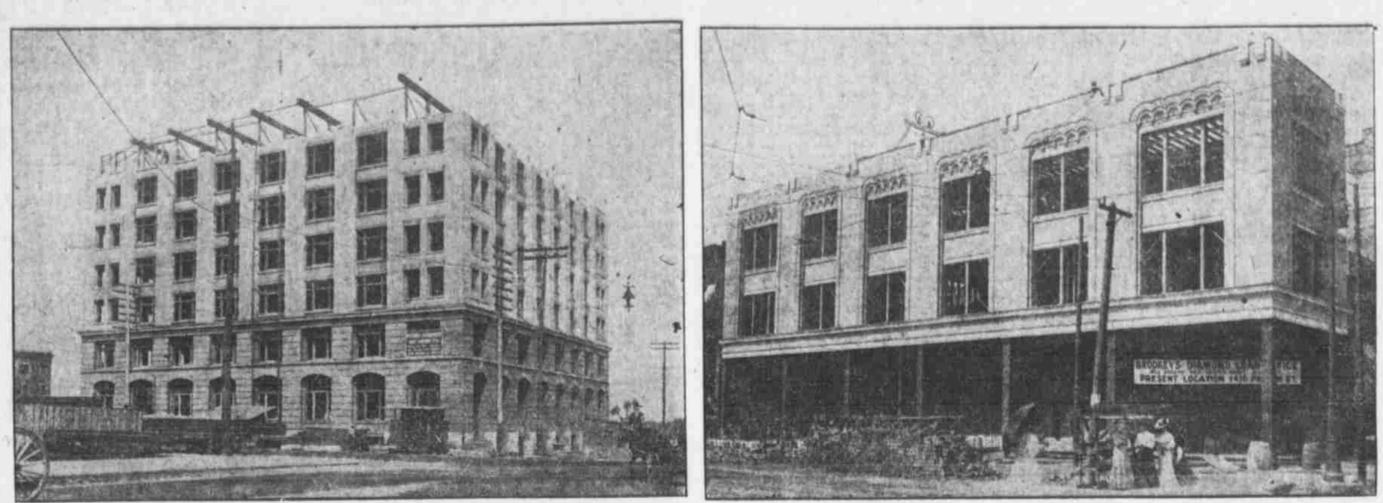
The Real Estate exchange has adjourned until September, when cooler weather will give more pleasure to the hour's session than could be experienced in the sultry July and August days.

Popularity has favored President Green's course of addresses by public men, which he arranged to deliver in the Real Estate exchange. At each meeting where a speaker from outside the membership of the exchange was announced, the realty men were present in numbers large enough to fill the dining room at the Commercial club, which is reserved on Wednesdays for the exchange.

Great sorrow is expressed among the realty men at the death of Nelson Buck by lightning at Toledo, O. Friday, for Mr. Buck was a friend of all who knew him and was a favorite in real estate circles.

It is said that L. DeChristian, who keeps the fruit store at the northeast corner of

Handsome New Homes for Omaha Business Firms Soon to Be Occupied



NEW HOME OF THE BYRNES-HAMMER DRY GOODS COMPANY AT EIGHTH AND D HARNEY STREETS. KENNARD BLOCK AT FOURTEENTH AND DOUGLAS STREETS.

Sixteenth and Dodge, is comparatively a mighty man for it is known that he owns flats on Twenty-ninth street valued at \$25,000 and numerous small residence properties. People say he made his money in the fruit business.

The firm of Hastings & Hayden is in its new quarters in The Bee building, in the room on the ground floor recently vacated by the Omaha Loan and Building association.

The Omaha Loan and Building association is in the building at Sixteenth and Dodge streets, known as the Douglas block, which it bought, two or three months ago.

The firm of R. C. Peters & Co. reports considerable activity in Boulevard and Terrace property and mentions, among recent transactions, purchases by J. N. Kaakel, George F. Butler, Ernest James and Alvin F. Johnson.

Something unique in the way of floor-laying can be seen at the new warehouse of the Nebraska Telephone company, at Eighth and Farnam streets.

The real estate men now have a really and truly ball team. Many of the players can hit the ball once out of ten strikes, and the game is being played with a vigor that is new to Omaha.

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Out of twenty-four cities only five show decreases, and these were not of great moment. The increase ran up as high as 52 per cent. The most significant increases were in Buffalo and Atlanta, each 52 per cent, although the volume at Atlanta was nothing like that of Buffalo.

HER MOON IN THE SHADOW

Man Bearing Name of Planet Dodge Behind a Cloud and Mrs. Moon Mourns.

O, swear not by the moon, Th' instant moon!

Allen Moon was tired of his work, he said. He probably was tired, for when Mrs. Moon went to the electric lighting plant, where he was employed as watchman, she learned that he had drawn his pay and broadly intimated to friends that he was going to Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. Moon straightway went to Union station and kept up a patient vigil.

Moon was Mrs. Moon's fifth candidate for a husband. She had lived with him ten months. Their married life was a pleasant one until about a month ago, when a person appeared to mar the harmony of what had been a happy union.

This person, whose appearance proved a check on the peace and tranquillity of the Moon family, was not a deep-dyed villain holding a mortgage on the home, or a feminine being, leading astray Mr. Moon with a fascinating smile, but a man, a pretended friend of the husband, who, according to his wife, is a hypocrite, a person of unusual power, who wielded with sure effect his meagrier influence on Moon with a view to luring him from his heretofore happy home.

This man, says Mrs. Moon, has induced her husband to remain from home at times when he should have been sitting in the family circle.

She remonstrated with her husband. Then they quarreled. It was a quarrel over the alleged mysterious hypnotist that led to Moon's leaving home.

Mrs. Moon was 15 years old when she met her present husband, a man who made her first venture in matrimony.

Mrs. Moon discussed freely her various matrimonial steps. Here has been a wide experience.

"All men are alike after you marry them," she said, rather bitterly. "Once they get you and then they allow you to do the worrying. I have been married five times and I want no more of it in mine."

Mrs. Moon was 15 years old when she made her first venture in matrimony, married in 1881 George Fields, a river engineer, who was drowned by the capsizing of a log raft in 1882.

Three years later she married Bud Heney and within two years was again a widow. Henry died of quick consumption.

RIISING OUT OF THE ASHES

Features of Life in San Francisco, Where Everybody Works.

UNK DEALERS AND THE JUNK PILE

Twenty Millions of Good Money Will Be Realized from the Wreckage—Rebuilding Churches—Outdoor Living on the Wane.

A survey of the fire swept district of San Francisco shows a total of \$20,000,000 of junk, exclusive of brick. The pile of piles is estimated to be worth \$20,000,000.

The scrap steel in the shape of bent and twisted girders, is worth only half as much as scrap iron, but there are thousands of tons of steel that have not been greatly damaged by the fire.

Other religious bodies, besides those named, are also working for the aid of their churches in San Francisco, and contributions are being received in local and national headquarters of Congregationalists, Lutherans, Disciples, Roman Catholics and others.

The Chronicle notes a big falling off in the number of Chinese coming to San Francisco. That is the story told by the figures in the Chinese immigration bureau.

More valuable metals, though less bulky, are copper, brass and lead. About \$4,000,000 worth of these metals is being gathered together and sold as fast as the insurance companies make their adjustments on the lots in the burned area.

Little of it has been recovered from the ruins except on the few lots in the business district that have been cleared. Scores of temporary buildings have been erected over uncleaned lots and will remain there for a year at least.

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Already Over Chicago. CHICAGO, July 14.—Much interest was excited in the business section of the city today by the appearance of a man who crossed the city from south to north.

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ELKS ON THE WAY TO DENVER

Several Herds from the East Pass Through Omaha Enroute to Big Gathering.

The Elk movement to Denver is getting heavy and Sunday will see the height of the business through this gateway.

The Baltimore Elks were the first to arrive Saturday morning, coming in at 8 o'clock on the Northwestern, and leaving on a special on the Union Pacific at 9 o'clock.

Other trains were scheduled for Saturday, but the majority are to go through Sunday, when many of the Omaha Elks will put in the day at the station looking after the welfare of the travelers.

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PASS QUESTION IS DEBATED

How to Interpret and Follow Out Law Discussed by Officials.

HARRIMAN AND HUGHITT MEN CONFER

Report the Pacific Road Magistrate Has Recalled Passes Discredited, as They Expire in Ample Time.

Meetings of the head of officials of the Northwest road and the Union Pacific—in fact, all the Harriman lines—are being held with a view of ascertaining what the new rate law means and how best to arrange for its observance.

The plan is to go over the law, section by section, and then have the traffic representatives give their views as to the proper interpretation of the sections and how best to observe it.

Master Mechanics Change. A change in the master mechanics at the Union Pacific shops is announced to be effective at once.

BURGLARS IN SOAP FACTORY Safe Blowers Make Futile Attempt to Raise Money from Colonel Gibson.

Burglars made a partial attempt to open the safe in the office of the Gibson Soap company, Twenty-eighth and Salter streets, Friday night.

MILLER HAS PLANS DRAWN Orders Specifications for the Excavation on His New Hotel Site.

Rome Miller has had specifications prepared for excavation for the hotel he proposes to erect at Sixteenth and Jackson streets and has placed them in the hands of contractors with a request that bids be returned July 15.

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