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Dpening Twenty-Fourth Streets Means Much Just at Present.

Ordinance Passed by City Council Will Give Longest Street in Omaha and May Change Some Established Institutions.

The question of opening Twenty-fourth longest thoroughfare in the city, bids fair and erect a store and flat structure. to be settled after an agitation of ten years. An ordinance opening the street from California to Burt has been passed by the city council and awaits the signa- no uncommon sight to see three or four ture of the mayor. Certain citizens whose new residences in course of construction property is to be taken for the street on one block. Last week George & Co. sold could hang up the matter in the courts, a lot at Fifty-first and California streets but that is unlikely. Creighton university to Mrs. Sarah Ann Ferguson as a site for is affected in greater measure by the or- a \$5,000 home. About the time she begins dinance than any citizen, having to give up a strip of ground larger than that which | begin the erection of a residence just across will be required from private citizens. For the street and Mrs. Ward will build on the many years the university opposed the lot adjoining Mr. Gannett's property. proposition of opening the street, on the ground that traffic would injure the delicate astronomical instruments in the observatory. Lately the university has offered no opposition.

The passing of the ordinance calls to mind many prophecies that have been made ing, having leased part of the office taken regarding the street in the last few years. Time and time again the opening of the street, and in connection with it the building of a cross-town street car line, has been discussed in public; a million times Glover. Both of these firms are getting in private. Some are in favor of the crosstown line for the obvious reason that it offices. This fact indicates the prosperity of the city into closer communication. Others, and among them some who own property on the street, are opposed to it hus detract from the residence value of he thoroughfare.

It is generally conceded that the need for to establish a central bureau of informa- the line, whether it be north, south or as private property. good office room is not so great in Omaha tion and develop a system by which the west. For instance, take the car to Krug as it was a year or two ago, or at least it bureau can keep in touch with the promi- park. You see new houses all along the will not be when the Brandels building is nent men of all parts of the country who way, and when you get out on Military completed. On the other hand, it is not view the city, to learn of their coming avenue, out in the edge of the exchange, but nothing came lots in Dundee, corner Forty-eighth and commission that shipments in transit shall anticipated that any of the better class of in advance and provide means of enter- see them almost as numerous as when of the prophecy. The matter is slated for California streets, to A. B. Wells; lot in not carry the proportional rates beyond offices will be vacant for long. When the tainment for them while in the city. Of you were closer town. Along the avenue this week's meeting of the body, and Kountze Place on Spencer street, between transit points at the time of reshipment. Brandels structure is completed most of course the chief entertainment would be and within one or two blocks of it, on whether or not an intensely spirited discusthe grain men will move there to get close seeing the town and hearing a recital of either side, are a number of nice resito the Grain exchange, which will take its manifold resources and sevantages. It dences which have been built within the tion the council takes Tuesday on hillquarters in the building. The majority of is figured that the advertisement derived last few months, and a number now in board ordinances now before it. An ordithe grain men, outside of two or three big companies, are now in the Board of Trade building, whose management will have to hustle for new tenants. Physicians and real estate men will also go to the Brandels building.

It will take but a very few months to make the adjustment, say the realty men. The Brandels structure will soon be full, and the Board of Trade building will soon be filled by men moving in from the smaller and antiquated office buildings in the outskirts of the business district. Only in these outlying places will any vacant effices fore he had been many days in the city. ing of the purchase of Charles D. Beaton street, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fourth be left. The condition there will be for This is just an instance. They come every better rather than for worse, for what is day and do the same. needed in many instances is that the old rookeries give place to larger buildings of a more modern type, just as the two establishment at Bloomindale's, in New where he can get to it occasionally and between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-nifth old shacks in the rear of the Merchants York City, of "a real estate department for see what is going on. A good many other streets, to Frank H. Foley, new house on National bank building are making way the sale of high-grade restricted home sites people of this city and other eastern Ne- Ames avenue, between Nineteenth and for a substantial bank annex, and just as at very reasonable prices" are thanking brasks towns think the same thing and are Twentieth streets, to Fred T. Anderson

TIMELY REAL ESTATE TALK North Sixteenth street are giving way to

A full in downtown business property has been one of the characteristics of the hot season. Only one transaction in property of this description, as far as the public knows, was made last week. It was the ONE CROSS-TOWN THOROUGHFARE sale of the Bolles & Rogers hide house on South Thirteenth street to Duncan B. Mc-Donald, formerly local manager for Bolles & Rogers. This was outside the limits of the high-priced district, bringing about \$148 per front foot. Another downtown piece was sold which will be made bustness property one day. Judge James Neville bought from Mrs. Van Brunt of Missouri the full lot and two-story frame structure atreet in the neighborhood of Creighton at 1711 Chicago street. Mr. Neville expects university, thus making that street the some day to tear away the old building

> Out in Dundee houses are going up in bunches, just as they are in Omaha. It is work on her house Herbert I. Gannett will

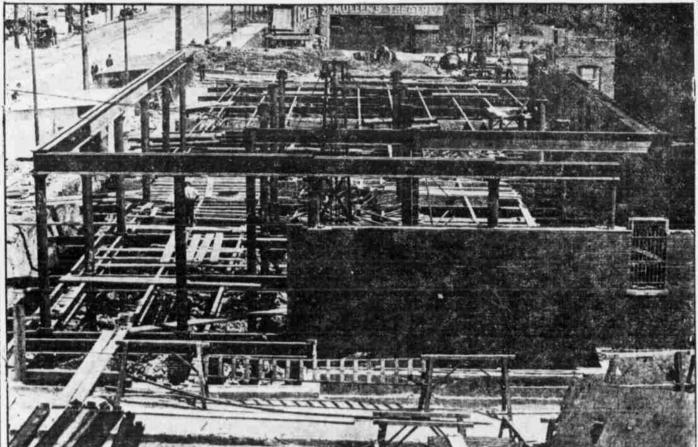
This week will see several changes in office location among the realty men. J. H. Dumont & Son will move from their offices on the ninth floor of the New York Life building to the Board of Trade buildon the first floor of the Nebraska Loan and Building association. Payne, Bostwick & Co. will move from the sixth floo of the New York Life building to the first floor offices, formerly occupied by C. R. to larger offices and both to first-floor would bring the north and south portions which is attending the real estate business in Omaha

St. Paul, Minn., is among the latest cities on the ground that it would attract retail to begin an extensive advertisement of its buildings to Twenty-fourth, not only near industries and its advantages as a resi-Farnam street, but at other points, and dence city. A fund of \$20,000 is being raised for the purpose of carrying on the campaign, and heavy real estate holders within its present limits is apparent city will bring many people to St. Paul.

> build homes. They readily recognize the Omaha at present. fact that Omaha realty is a good investment, and if they have any money they decide to make it earn more, instead of paying it out in rent. A. Edgecomb, who came to Omaha from Missouri Valley last Omaha people who have money to invest week to take charge of the Updike Milling company's plant, bought a \$5,000 home be- into Nebraska farms and ranches. Speak- park, to John McCollister; lot on Brown

> Realty men who read last week of the some state 1,600 miles away; he wants one to Mrs. B. F. Weeks; lot on Brown street,

# Start on Framework of a Fine Building station, just west of Miller park, to James McGrael; lot in Sulphur Springs ENGINEER NOT SATISFIED



HOW WORK IS PROGRESSING ON THE NEW KAHN BLOCK.

a remarkably easy payment plan." Free than the western half of this state." transportation is offered to purchasers, and on certain days a special reduction of 5 per cent is made to all buyers.

That Omaha is gradually spreading out are contributing largely. It is proposed one who takes a car ride to the end of citizens are allowed to close and use them west of Miller park, to Mrs. Emma Wilfrom this source and scattered over the course of construction. The latest one is nance was passed of week banishing billcountry by esthusiastic admirers of the a two-story double brick house, which is boards from city property, but the one North Twenty-sixth street, to Mrs. Emma their hands in siec. Of course the Chi-People moving to Omaha for an indefinite Fifty-second street. It is of the substan- realty men condemn billboards of all kinds, period don't rent very long; they buy or tial type of brick houses so prevalent in but there are others who say that a bill- Place on Ames avenue, between Thirtieth City. Omaha men were most active in the

> Judging from the reports of local mer who do a brokerage business in lands,

the department stores are not handling, braska soil. I know of no place which man avenue, just south of Binney street. Bloomindale's offers lots at \$250 each, "on affords greater possibilities of development to R. A. Thompson; large corner lot in the land can be appraised, a majority of

The attention of the Board of County commissioners will also be claimed briefly by the Real Estate exchange, which will over more territory as well as building up alloys in additions just outside the city to limits should be kept open, where now

It was whispered that the real estate men would discuss billboards at the last sion will arise depends targely on what acbeing erected by Mrs. W. L. Mardis at the having to do with private property was southeast corner of Military avenue and postponed until this week. Many of the tween Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth for it robs them of some of the advantages

Two lots in Cursules since July 1: outside of city real estate are putting it tis & Stone's addition, west of Miller of a half section of land in Banner county. ty-fifth streets, to Mubel D. Lundberg; a local agent said: "That man has the lot in Kountze Place on Lothrop street, right idea. He duesn't want a ranch in between Nineteenth and Twentieth streets. the row of tumble-down old structures on heaven there is yet one thing in Omaha investing their money in good black Ne- for a home; lot in Kountze Place on Sher-

ner of Eighteenth and Spencer streets, to A. N. Eaton, proprietor of Nebraska Steel and Tank company; lot in Sulphur Springs addition on Sherman avenue, be say to the board that many streets and tween Lothrop and Emmet streets, to C. A. Printz, on which a home will be built at once; one-acre lot in Belvedere, just letts; lot in Curtis & Stone's addition, just west of Miller park, to Charles E. Gard; house on North Twenty-sixth street, south Nineteenth and Twentieth streets, to Sam but instead move as through shipments F. Boord; lot in Bluff View addition, at the through rates in effect from starting orner of Fourteenth avenue and Pinkney points at the time of original shipment. street, to R. L. Kenny, on which a new brick house is being built; house, 4316 join in the anvil chorus, but are clapping Crayen; two lots on Brown street, be cago men don't like the ruling, they say, streets, to L. W. Herring; lot in Collier they have had over Omaha and Kansas board with fresh paint or posters on it is and Thirty-first streets, to L N. Sineit; fight to secure the ruling, and it is namore to be desired than a vacant lot grown house and lot in Summiti addition on tural they should be pleased. The Chicago Spring street, between Twenty-ninth and grain kings can no longer store millions Thirtieth streets, to John Belliz; lot on of bushels of grain in transit at Omaha, Twenty-fifth avenue, between Fort and and then have a special rate east made on Jaynes, to Harry C. Hartry; lot on Twen- it, a concession the Omaha men could not ty-fifth avenue, between Fort and Jaynes secure from the railroads. streets, to Louise Haefner, contract build a four-room cottage for Mrs. Devoe on Maple street, between Twenty-reventh and Twenty-eighth streets; business lot in Kountze Place on Sherman avenue, be tween Locust and Binney streets, to J. R. Saltsbury; lot in Curtis & Stone's addition, just west of Miller park, to D. J. Trail; two lots in Central Park addition, between Thirty-eighth and Brown streets, to M. H. Putney, on which a new house

addition on Emmet street, between Fourteenth and Sherman avenues, to R. and A. Rhynn; two lots in Military addition, just north of Krug park, to George Pointer, lot in Curtis & Stone's addition, just west of Miller park, to George Sworenson; lot in Curtis & Stone's addition, to J. A. Murmy; lot in Curtis & Stone's addition, to Signa Bondesson; lot in Hastings & Hey-

den's Third addition, to Elizabeth Neber house and lot on Twenty-sixth and Brown Farnam Street and Promstreets, \$1,750. ises to Improve.

COUNCIL BALKS ON THE PLAT Refuses to Approve Layout of Lots

Touching Cut-Off Lake

Park.

A certain real estate promoter is in Omaha next week. A short time ago he

came to the city and made arrangements to plat a new addition, which was to have included what is now known as Barker's subdivision, an addition to the city lying along Ames avenue, near the western shore of Cut-Off take, and to have also included part of a tax lot lying just east of the subdivision. Before this plat had been officially known

to the city authorities the Board of Park ommisssioners outlined a plan for Cut-Off take park, and this plan included a boulevard extending along Ames avenue, just south of the tax lot. At the eastern edge street from Leavenworth to Pierce streets. of the lot it turns north along the line of Thirteenth street, extended, and thence runs north of the lake. The scheme also contemplated the appropriation of about forty feet of the south part of the bax lot. Now the city council has been asked to approve the plat and the members refuse to do so until negotiations for the Cut-Off Murphy, will begin work of paving as soon lake park have progressed to a point where as this is done. Kountze Place, being the northwest cor- the council believing that the land can be more easily acquired in one body than in separate lots owned by different persons.

## CHICAGO GRAIN MEN ARE SORE

Raise Howl at Alleged Loss of Some Unfair Advantage They Possessed.

Chicago grain interests are objecting to the ruling of the Interstate Commerce The Missouri river grain men do not

## Brevity is the Soul.

In a Tennessee court an old colors woman was put on the witness stand ! tell what she knew about the annihilatio of a hog by a railway locomotive. Being sworn, she was asked if she had een the train kill the hog in question.
"Yessah, I seed it."

said counsel, "tell the court in as words as possible just how it occur-"Yo' honor," responded the old lady, "I shore kin tell yo' in a few words. It jest tooted an' tuck him."—Success Magazine.

Says Paving Operations Should Proceed with More Dispatch.

WORK NOW AT HEIGHT FOR YEAR

Barber Company is Criticised for Delay of Important Paving on

Paving operations have about reached the maximum for the year in Omaha, but the progress is not satisfactory to the engineer's department. The officials of this department are particularly anxious to have the work on Farnam street finished doubt as to whether he will sell lots in as rapidly as possible and the assertion is made that the Barber Asphalt company, which is doing the work, is delaying matters in a way which will require explanations. The company promises to begin to lay asphalt next week.

This company is also at work on Fortieth street between Dodge and Davenport streets. The street car company has its tracks practically completed to Dodge street and the street is being graded. It is thought this work will be completed by August 10.

Charles Fanning is rushing work on the we contracts he recently secured from the city. Concrete is laid on South Twentleth and the setting of curbs on South Twentysecond street between Pacific and Mason streets will begin next week. At last there is some evidence of work

on Harney street between Twentieth and Twenty-fourth. Resetting of curbs will be started next week and the contractor, Hugh

Work on Lake Street.

Work on Lake street from Twenty-fourth street to Thirtieth street is being pushed Curbs have been set, sidewalks moved and some concrete is being spread. Mr. Murphy is now laying brick on Charles street between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-ninth streets and this contract will be completed n a short time.

There is considerable complaint in some quarters that contractors have started work in some districts, laid the concrete and then suspended operations, leaving the streets blocked against traffic. This condition is recognized by the engineering department, which is doing all it can to have such contracts completed before other work is started.

In reference to cuts in pavements made by public-service corporations, the engineer's office explains that the principal reason why all such cuts have not been filled is that in many cases they have been made in payements on which the guarantee has not expired and the companies which did the original work insist upon making the repairs. The public-service corporations are, therefore, forced to await the convenience of the paving contractors.

### WRECK ON ALLEGHENY ROAD Three Were Killed and Score Injured

in Smashup Near Butler, Pa. BUTLER, Pa., July 27.-Three were

killed and a score injured in a wreck on the Allegheny & Western railroad near this city today.

The wreck was caused by a rall breaking beneath an engine drawing a heavy train of picnickers, who were employed on the Butfalo, Rochester & Pittsburg road, on their way from Dubois to Newcastle. There were 400 or 500 on the train.