

TIMELY REAL ESTATE GOSSIP

Western Nebraska Land Deal Involves More Than Two Million Dollars.

TRI-STATE COMPANY SELLS

Big Tract Will Be Cut Up Into 375 Small Farms Under the Irrigation Ditches of the South Platte Valley.

Ranches in western Nebraska are passing away and with them is going the land of extensive owners, all being divided and sub-divided into small farms.

Through active and intelligent agencies in Omaha these lands are being actually settled, for the Omaha agents have a policy to which they are adhering with strict fidelity. They do not desire to sell to investors nor speculators, but only to legitimate settlers.

Following the closing out of this land in such a short time, the Tri-State Land company, headed by E. A. Cudahy of the Cudahy Packing company, has decided to sell its tract in western Nebraska, most of which is in Scott's Bluff county.

"While real estate dealers all over the country have been advertising lands in Texas, Canada, Cuba, Mexico and everywhere else, we have believed that there are no better possibilities for development than right here in our own state," says G. H. Payne.

To show that the company wants to sell to settlers and colonize rather than simply sell, the significant offer is made by the owners, who are such men as Mr. Cudahy, that a discount of \$5 per acre will be made to a buyer who will improve the same by constructing a house or making other improvements costing \$1,000 or more, and the company offers to place the deed in the bank and give the buyer some time to make the improvements.

While Scott's Bluff county is rich and developing, the decision of the Tri-State Land company to sell its holdings, means just about double the amount of land under cultivation in the county, will be farmed within a year or two.

"Drake addition," which has been sold by the Byron Reed company, has become one of the beauty spots of Omaha within a little more than a year. While parts of the addition have been sold for a number of years, the selling of a strip west of Thirtieth avenue and between Capitol avenue and Cass street has meant the parking of a beautiful part of the addition, while two builders secured some of the lots and have erected on them some large modern residences and otherwise improved their property, making the addition one which would deserve the name of "Drake's park."

Loomis' second addition at Fortieth and Ames is an addition being opened by W. L. Selby, where lots are selling rapidly and many new residences being erected.

From Fortieth street east to Twenty-fourth on the north side of Ames avenue, through Collier and Monmouth places, Omaha is receiving an addition which is surprising to those who have not visited the section for some time.

The fact that brick is hard to get and lumber is high and going higher, inconveniences some builders and does not check the operations. Scarcity of brick has made the cement block industry thrive.

B. A. Wilcox has sold his residence in Boulevard terrace on Thirty-fifth avenue, between Woolworth and Poppleton avenues, to G. T. Wright for \$6,000. This is in the popular Field club neighborhood, where many new residences are being erected.

U. S. Contracts Let

Improvements at Fort Omaha to Begin Soon and Be Pushed Vigorously—Some Local Building Notes.

The award of contracts for the improvements which the government contemplates at Fort Omaha was made last week to George J. S. Collins and Peter Soderberg of this city.

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The government has made and is contemplating extensive construction at Fort Omaha.

Last year George J. S. Collins built the hydrogen gas house, the wireless telegraph tower and the hydrogen gas tank at Fort Omaha. Mr. Weise of South Omaha erected the balloon house.

It is understood that the government intends to begin experimenting along this line soon, and it is not at all unlikely that Omaha may see balloons flying through the air this summer.

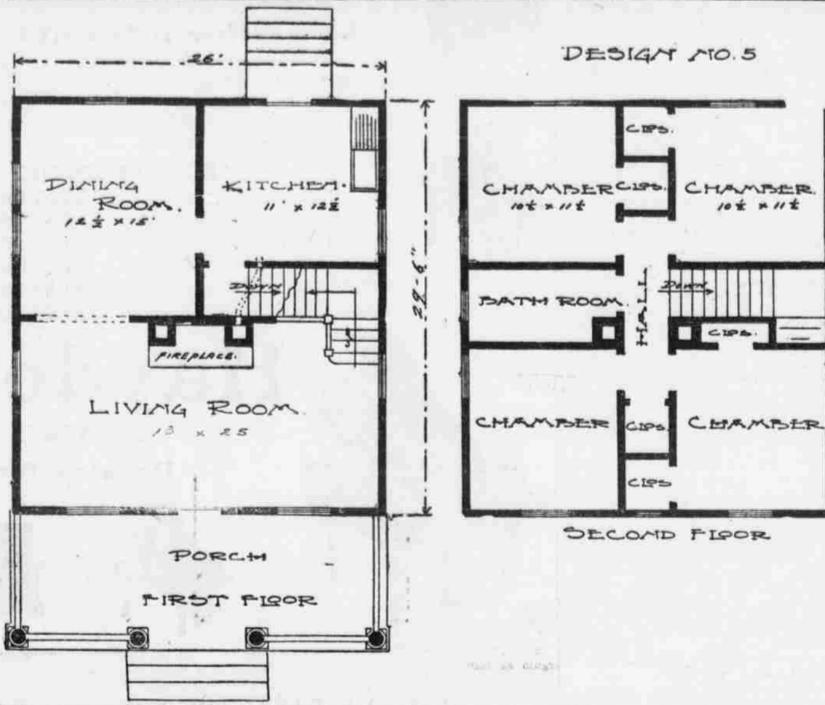
The Young Women's Christian association building, which was formally opened last week, is provided with the best grade of wire screening and brass rails throughout. The Champion Fence company installed most of the brass railing.

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Something About Cement Construction

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The difference in cost between a frame home and cement constructed home has not come to the point where it is advisable to build a home entirely of cement, although there is no doubt but what that will be the eventual solution of the problem.

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on after the wall is finished. There can be either what is known as a carpet float finish or a cement dash. When a dash is used, there is always either small gravel or finely crushed lime stone used in the mixture to give a rough appearance.

The average mason will make a very uneven surface, that is he will have the dash much thicker in some places than in others, which never looks well. The water table or sill course, if of cement, should have a smooth surface. Sills are often made of cement, even for brick buildings, containing reinforcing rods to guard against cracking.

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