

TIMELY REAL ESTATE GOSSIP

Sunderland to Build a New Coal Yard Near Great Western Depot.

DRESHER BUILDS DRY CLEANER

Large Number of Residences Change Hands and Many Prepare to Build New Homes All Over the City.

J. A. Sunderland has purchased part of the Brigg's property at Twentieth and Mason streets. It is understood the property was acquired with the idea of establishing a coal yard where truckage could be obtained, that location being near the Great Western tracks.

Excavation has been completed for the new Cudahy office building at South Omaha. As soon as the contract is let the erection of the building will be started.

A change has been made in the plans of the Kennedy building to be built at the corner of Sixteenth and Jackson streets. Instead of erecting a six-story structure, it has been decided to build seven stories to provide sufficient room for the Union Outfitting company, which has a long lease on the building.

C. J. Evans has bought a lot in the Field club district on Thirty-fifth street and Poppleton avenue. Mr. Evans sold his house and lot on Thirty-second street near Poppleton to G. H. Heints for \$5,000.

Gustav Hanson obtained the contract to build the two-story brick building for Dresher Bros., at Twenty-third and Farnam streets. The expenditure for erection will be \$12,000. There will be two store rooms, a tailor's workroom and a dye and cleaning house, which will be equipped with the latest machinery for dry cleaning.

Phillip Kunz has contracted to build a two and one-half story residence for R. J. Dinning at 309 South Thirty-ninth street. The cost will be \$12,000.

Fifty foot piles are being driven for the new Union Pacific headquarters building at Fifteenth and Dodge streets. The big timbers are to be sent down thirty-five feet below the ground, and the cavity filled to within six feet of the surface when a solid cement top, six feet square will be made.

The building erected by the Cold Real Estate company for Maxwell Erickson Omaha company at 215 Farnam street has been completed and the automobile concern has moved in. The finished building is one of the finest in the city built for an auto garage. The cost was about \$30,000. J. C. Madris & Co. did the work.

The work of refinishing the interior of the building occupied by H. E. Fredrickson, which was the scene of a disastrous fire a few weeks ago, has been completed. After weeks of confusion attendant on carrying on business while the repairs have been made, the office has been arranged and the garage is ready for use.

The foundation for the new Kimball building on Farnam street has been completed and the masons are at work on the side walls.

Peter S. Hammond has purchased a home at 228 South Twenty-fourth street from the Hyron Reed company. The consideration was \$3,000.

The James E. Kelley home in Bemis park was purchased last week by Thomas H. Healy of South Omaha. The price paid for the place was about \$5,000.

Phlippen & Edwards purchased five lots at Sixteenth street and Sherwood avenue from the Sherwood estate. The lots will be improved and buildings erected upon them. The deal was made through the Hyron Reed company.

J. P. Moore bought the one story store building at 215 South Thirteenth street for \$2,200. W. A. Baldwin purchased the store building next door south for the same price. The transaction was made by the Hyron Reed company.

Robinson & Wolf report an active business since the first of the month. They have made the following sales: House and lot at 2614 Binney street to M. Bernstein, \$18,000; two double cottages at Twentieth streets to H. Marowitz, \$2,700; lot on Cumming, west of Sixteenth to Weinstein & Limsky, \$2,000; house and lot at Twenty-first and St. Mary's avenue to F. D. Weed, \$4,250; double brick store building at Twenty-second and Cumings, to Weinstein & Limsky, \$4,000; frame store building at Twenty-sixth and Lake to H. Rothep, \$6,500; brick block on Sherman avenue and Ohio street to Kulachofsky & Muskien, \$14,000; store building and five houses at seventeenth and Clark to Weinstein & Limsky, \$12,000; three lots at Twenty-first and Nicholas to H. Gross, \$18,000.

W. A. Smith, general manager of the street railway company, will erect a fire residence at the corner of Thirty-ninth and Farnam streets. It will cost \$25,000. The contract has been let to Newman & Johnson and the work of excavation has been started. It is expected that the home will be completed this fall. Golden buff press brick will be used in construction and the trimmings will be of white stone.

Omaha contractors are figuring on plans for two postoffices that will be built in the state this summer. One is to be erected at Fremont and the other at Plattsmouth. The new Omaha station on 16th street is also soon to be built.

At the meeting of the Real Estate exchange, Wednesday noon, a report of the committee on the light franchise is expected to be made. It is expected that a report will be made in regard to the necessity of voting school bonds.

Robinson & Wolf completed a deal last week by which they came into possession of a tract of eleven lots on Twenty-first street between Paul and Charles, which is known as the "circus grounds." This tract was bought with the idea of making it one of the up-to-date residence locations. Its proximity to the city and to the big manufacturing plants along the river should make it a good location for persons of moderate means. It is intended by the owners to lay the lots out and sell them to home builders. The opening sale will be held Sunday, May 23.

F. A. Brogan has sold his house near the club to Fred Montgomery, assistant general freight agent of the Burlington. Mr. Brogan was one of the first to build a suburban home in the country club district.

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Some Things You Want to Know

The Slovak Union

An organization representing the half million Slovaks in the United States will hold a meeting in Chicago tomorrow. This meeting will be attended by all the prominent men of that nationality in this country. It is intended to lay the foundation for the betterment of the conditions of the Slovaks in this country and to encourage the immigration of others from Hungary, where they live in semi-serfdom, to America, where they will be free.

The day of the Teuton and the Celt in the mining regions of America has largely passed and their places are being taken by the Slav and the Italian. The Teuton and the Celt have graduated into the thousands and are being followed by the average full-blood American citizen. Of their Slav and Italian successors as miners and steel mill operators, the Slovaks furnish no inconsiderable percentage.

It is one of the strange coincidences of history that a people who long since have ceased to have any voice in the affairs of the nation to which they owe allegiance, and who have no political representation, should be men of affairs among their number, should precipitate one of the greatest parliamentary struggles of the century. Yet this has occurred through the zeal of the half million Slovaks in America, and their patriotic desire to be counted as such in the census just taken. It was their desire to be counted as Slovaks, and not as "Crumphacker," to introduce a measure into the house providing for such a special enumeration, and to claim for it a constitutional privilege under the rules of the house. It was after this claim had been recognized by the speaker that the insurgents took advantage of the opportunity, and by the amendment of the rules of the house turned back the tide of parliamentary revolution by curtailing the powers of the speaker.

To the average Slovak in Europe the wage scale of the Pittsburgh mining district is of more importance than the wages paid in the capital of his own country. He is eager to come to America, and it is estimated that in ten years fully 300,000 of them have left their native homes in the highlands of Hungary, turned their backs on the oppression of the Magyars and sought freedom in the land of opportunity this side of the sea. This emigration to America has effected many changes in Slovak land. In many instances land values have risen fully 100 per cent because of the influx of American capital sent back by the miners in the coal fields of Pennsylvania.

The Postal bank at Kosice, which is the distributing center for the northeastern counties, in a single year received over 7,000,000 florins in remittances from the Slovak workers of the United States. Much of this is invested in lands, and this tide of emigration westward and the flow of money eastward has wrought great changes in the economic condition of northeast Hungary.

Very little is known of the early history of the Slovaks. Beginning with the Hussite wars and coming down to the present time, the doings of this people are well recorded. But back of the fifteenth century their past seems securely hidden. Yet the Slovak people had lived over 1,000 years in their fatherland before the Slovak war. So nearly related in language and origin are the Slovaks, the Bohemians and the Moravians that they may be said to have a common history. Exactly at what period the Slovaks were made subjects of Hungary is not definitely known. They claim to have been there before the coming of the Magyars, while the latter assert that they preceded the Slovaks. But that is all it may, when they were merged in the Hungarian crown they ceased to have a separate political existence, and since that time have shared in the miseries of Hungary, but not in its glories.

One of the things of which the Slovak is intensely proud is his language, and he has ever resented the efforts of the opposing elements in the Hungarian government to make him forget it. At one time the Slovaks drew up a charter of liberty in which the first demand was that they have representation in the Diet and be allowed to speak Slovak. They also demanded that they be allowed to plead and answer cases in court, educate their children and otherwise conduct their affairs in their mother tongue. They also announced that their nationality, which they declared they would never renounce, should be preserved inviolate and inviolable. These demands were never granted, and today the Slovaks suffer an oppression equalled, perhaps, nowhere else in Europe. At one time they arranged to have a society for the preservation of their literature, art and history, and in furtherance of this undertaking they erected a magnificent building. This was confiscated by the government without any reparation to the members of the society, and practically every trace of national influence removed. It is declared that the statement of the late John Hay with reference to the Jews of Roumania is equally applicable to the Slovaks of Hungary. He said: "Shut out from nearly every avenue of self-support which is open to the poor of other lands, ground down by poverty as the natural result of their discriminatory treatment, they are rendered incapable of finding themselves from the enforced degradation which they endure."

Hungary is the home of a motley population, as is illustrated by a statement concerning it made some time ago: "The Magyar is proud and happy when he can ride a fine horse; the Slovak when he can talk familiarly to a person of distinction; the German when he secures the burgo-master's staff of office; the Ruman when twirling a handsomely carved cane; the Little Russian when he attains to clerical honors; the Jew when renting landed property; the Gipsy when parading in scarlet trousers." They seem to sell their birthright of mountain freedom for a mess of Magyar pottage, and are struggling against the most overwhelming odds to protect themselves against the wiping out of their national characteristics. They are a large, well-built, broad-faced race, with prominent cheek bones and light hair. They are simply religious, humble and quiet, except when drunk, when they become quarrelsome. Their songs are in a minor key and, as a rule, are of a melancholy character. When possible they occupy themselves as cattle and sheep herders, and go down to the great plain to reap the harvest.

Their life is a debasing one. A mountaineer in a hamlet in Turei, with real and personal property valued at 180 florins, was taxed eighteen florins a year. On this basis a man worth \$10,000 in the United States would have to pay \$1,000 taxes. It is declared that two festering sores sap the vitality of the unsophisticated highlander: drink and usury. He is compelled to borrow from local institutions and on short term loans pays out as much as 50 per cent interest. In many cases the rum seller and the money lender are consolidated in one person and then the poor Slovak is sure to fall a victim. Some years ago the Catholic

clergy, seeing the ruin and degradation entailed by these things, sought to overcome this condition by establishing temperance societies. The government promptly took steps to put an end to these organizations. In all the world there is to be found no tenderer solicitude for the daughters of the family than in the Slovakia. As soon as a little girl is born her mother begins to make the clothes that shall constitute the trousseau of the future bride. Their embroidery is among the rarest in Europe. By the time the girl is ready to be led to the altar by some highland swain her mother has made enough clothes to last her a lifetime. In many instances these clothes are handed down from generation to generation.

So persistent have been the endeavors of the Hungarian authorities to stamp out the love which the Slovaks feel for his traditions and his mother tongue that in many villages, whose population is entirely Slav, the traveling sign has no signs written in their language. The signs appear in Magyar. This is attributed to two causes. In the first place the man who puts out the sign wishes to curry favor with the Magyar notary, who is the real ruler of the town, and in the second place the notary wishes to establish a good reputation with the Hungarian authorities by having his village as free as possible from the Slovak signs.

It is said that no class of immigrants common to America patronize the steamship lines as much in proportion to the immigration as the Slovaks. Intensely loving their native mountains home, although poverty and oppression has for centuries been their lot, they frequently return from America, invest their money at home and go back again to the United States.

Many efforts to ameliorate their condition in the Pennsylvania mining region are being put forth, and it is believed that if they are not surrounded with proper influences they will develop into good American citizens. Intensely patriotic, frugal and thrifty, the Slovaks have a future in America that will make their racial history here a proud one. With the revival of good times since the panic of 1908, the number of Slovaks coming to this country has increased to a remarkable extent, and it is probable that not many years will pass until there are more Slovaks in the United States than there are in Europe.

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A Few Suggestions.

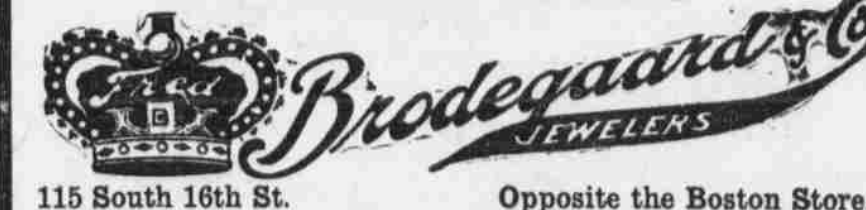
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