

TIMELY REAL ESTATE GOSSIP

Three Omaha Delegates Are at National Realty Convention.

CITY PLAN COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Suggests that Legislature Establish Commission to Look After City Planning.

Action probably will be taken by the Real Estate exchange at the meeting Wednesday upon the report submitted at the last meeting by the city planning committee.

In the report some radical changes are suggested, which probably will take some time for Omaha realty men to decide upon. The committee, however, was unanimous in its opinion. The report follows:

We are unanimous in the opinion that corrections should be made through the legislature for the following requirements and restrictions in the platting of additions.

The first step toward the proper platting would be the appointing by the legislature of a city planning commission. This commission to be composed of not less than five nor more than nine, and the members of this commission should be men of large real estate holdings in or adjacent to Omaha and that they should serve on said commission without remuneration of any nature.

Second—We find that no plan can be accepted by the city if there is a blanket mortgage against the land, unless the holder of said mortgage joins in said plat and dedication.

Third—We believe that all grades for streets and alleys should be established by the city engineering department according to the adopted plan of the city planning commission and should be brought to this established grade before the plat is accepted and approved by the city.

Fourth—Restrictions: Whenever a party platting wishes to place restrictions upon an addition, these restrictions should be incorporated in the plat and dedication and the building inspector should then have the power to enforce any restrictions are fully carried out in the erection of buildings upon said additions and his office should issue no permits or any improvement unless all the requirements are fully carried out.

Fifth—Trees: All trees set out on the streets of the city of Omaha to be set out and designated and under instructions from the park commission. We would also suggest the employment by the park commission of a city forester, whose duties it should be to see that the proper varieties are properly set out, so as to live and to bear fruit.

Sixth—Where land to be platted abuts on paved streets on which there are unpaid specials, we believe these specials should be made before platting. As it now stands the city legal department and the city engineering department have the option in their own hands of either assessing the abutting property or requiring parties to pay up the specials before platting.

Seventh—Sidewalks: The width of sidewalks and location along the streets should be made by the city planning commission and all walks should be of the width and width designated by the planning commission.

Eighth—It should be unlawful for parties to advertise and sell as platted ground any piece of ground before the plat of said ground has been approved and accepted by the city.

Three members of the Omaha Real Estate exchange are in Louisville making a big noise for their home town at the convention of the National Association of Real Estate Exchanges.

C. F. Harrison, a member of the executive committee of the national association and a prominent figure in the local exchange, heads the trio. He is on the program with a paper on "Taxation," which Omaha men concede will be of considerable interest to the delegates despite the fact that Mr. Harrison recently asserted he "would not go across the street to hear it."

The other Omaha delegates are Fred Creigh, secretary of the Omaha exchange and member of the firm of Creigh Sons & Co., and C. George Carlberg of the firm of Bemis & Carlberg. The delegates probably will be home to tell of the convention at the meeting of the Real Estate exchange Wednesday.

Ak-Sar-Ben Hill, a new addition which is now being platted by Hastings & Hayden between Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth and Brown and Fort streets, is to be placed on the market probably this week. The addition is being staked and grading is being done. The addition will comprise fifty-six lots to be sold on the easy payment plan.

A Bachelor's Reflections. What makes a woman most indignant to be in a railroad accident is not to have on the clothes that look best for that sort of thing.

It's the big, strong man, as brave as a lion in any danger before he was platted, whose teeth chatter when he telephones his wife he has to stay downtown that evening.—New York Press.

OMAHA LAD MAKES GOOD IN THE ELECTRICAL FIELD.

Robert Earl Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell, is an example of an Omaha product who has made good in business. After graduating from the Omaha High school he attended the state university, where he took the electrical engineering course. He has recently been made assistant sales manager of the National Electric Lamp company with headquarters at Cleveland. He gave an address on "Proper Lamp for a Circuit" at the national convention of electric light men in Seattle June 16 to 18, which caused much favorable comment.

Pure Food Law Upheld. That section of the Nebraska pure food law relative to condition powders and in which the certain powders were the bone of contention has been upheld by the United States supreme court and a satisfactory agreement made for the future. The company will label their powders according to law and pay \$200 a year tax to the state.

The regular monthly experience meeting of the assistant food inspectors is being held today in the office of the food commissioner. Once every month the inspectors get together and much good comes from their conferences.

Aldrich is Coming. Governor Aldrich will leave Chicago tonight and is expected home Sunday morning. Upon his arrival it is expected that the progressive element in Nebraska will know whether it is to be a "bolt or not a bolt."

Barton Sore at La Follette. Auditor Barton arrived at his office in the state house this morning not exactly satisfied with things as they have been run down at Chicago during the week. He says that at all times the Taft machine had its organization well in hand and every attempt to stampede the convention was met without any serious alarm seeming to show on the faces of the Taft pilots and after every storm the administration ship sailed along under full steam with the every steady hand of the pilot guiding her safely. He says that La Follette could have won the fight for the progressive cause if he had so minded. By joining forces with the Roosevelt cause he could have prevented the Taft forces capturing the chairmanship and have put the progressive element in control.

Boy Dragged by Auto. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., June 22.—(Special.)—Another automobile collision, this one with the little 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Havens, resulted in quite serious injuries to the lad, who was caught by the front portion of the automobile and dragged a distance of thirty feet. No bones have been broken, but he was severely lacerated and his physicians are not yet certain as to possible internal injuries. The accident occurred while both were turning a corner.

POPULAR MANAGER IS WELL REMEMBERED BY FRIENDS. A well-dressed woman walked yesterday to the office of the state treasurer, Emma Cooper Goebel, and had come for the amount of money which had been subscribed to the "Emma Goebel" fund, of which Treasurer Goebel is the custodian. When told that the fund to date was only \$20 she seemed considerably disappointed, and asserted that if "the tight-wad" of old farmers of the state would subscribe to the fund for her instead of giving it to build a monument, that would be a little sense to the proposition. Mrs. Goebel was formerly the "heroine" of a blizzard of 1878 which swept Nebraska. She, with others of the children who were attending school in the district, were caught by the blizzard, and she was the only one to escape only after her feet were frozen. Her sister met death in the storm with others, and a fund is being raised by the different societies of Howard county, where she lived at the time, to erect a monument over their graves. Recently Mrs. Goebel attended a meeting of the state historical society and as a result a fund was started in her behalf. Mrs. Goebel has been married twice, her last husband being a very wealthy man at the time of their marriage, but lost his money later in unwise speculations. Before the loss of his wealth Mr. and Mrs. Goebel travelled quite extensively in Europe. She now resides in Lincoln, and is supposed to be in not very good circumstances. Following are those who so far have made subscriptions: Chicago Traveling Men, \$1; J. C. Smith, Kansas City, \$1; D. F. Roberts, Hobron, \$1; C. L. F. \$1; Unknown, Blair, \$1; Nebraska Pioneer, 1896, Platte City, Mo., \$1; S. and Lottie Lintner, Lincoln, \$1; Unnamed, Fallsdale, Neb., \$2; James Fleher, Elba, Neb., \$1; Mayer Bros., Lincoln, \$5; J. G. Brenizer, Broken Bow, \$5.

Mrs. Goebel is laboring under a misapprehension as to funds being received by private subscription for the erection of a monument according to Robert Harvey of the Historical society. "No private subscriptions are asked or received for that purpose. The funds for the erection of the proposed monument will be provided by the different societies interested and by school districts and teachers of Howard county," said Mr. Harvey.

Big Firm Gives Its Employees a Picnic



Over one hundred or more men, women and children enjoyed the annual picnic of the employees of the Burgess-Granden company at Miller park yesterday afternoon and evening.

As William L. Burgess expressed it, "the weather seemed made to order." The afternoon was spent in enjoying the shade in the park and indulging in games and guesstimate contests. A sealed bottle

of navy beans was passed about the grounds in order that everyone present might have a guess at the number, a sufficiently alluring prize having been offered for the winner.

Refreshments were offered in abundance. Ten gallons of ice cream were consumed, and lemonade that might float a cruiser was dispensed. The ice cream and lemonade was furnished by

the company and the cake and sandwiches by the employees.

Among the former employees of the company who participated were Mrs. Nat Meister of Omaha, formerly a stenographer and bookkeeper; Miss Wilhelmina Sadler, for years an employe and now with the Union Pacific; B. J. Scannell of Omaha, and George Liggett, of Utica, Neb., formerly secretary of the company.

The committee on arrangements for the picnic was Howard Martin, Harry Ertis and Louis Schroeder. The wives of the committee assisted. C. O. Heath, superintendent of the company, was unable to be present, as he is in Sheridan, Wyo.

The office and selling forces were pitched against the factory force in a ball game. The game was umpired by Charles A. Granden, vice-president of the company.

OPINION UPON ELECTIONS

Attorney General's Office Rules Concerning Biennial Elections.

WHERE TERMS EXPIRE IN 1913

Holding is that in Case New Provision is Made, Elections Must Be Held Where Terms Expire—Mrs. Goebel After Cash.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, June 22.—(Special.)—M. L. Corey, county attorney of Clay county, has written the attorney general's office for information regarding the terms of county officers, who wish to know if in case the biennial election law is adopted this fall if there will be an election in 1913.

The matter has been referred to Assistant Attorney General Edgerton, who has decided that where the term of an officer expires at the end of the year 1912, Mr. Edgerton proposes an amendment to section 13 of the constitution which reads as follows:

The general election in this state shall be held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November in the year 1912, and every two years thereafter. All cities, villages and towns shall be elected at a general election to be held as aforesaid. Judges of supreme court, district courts, county courts, all other state district, county, precinct and township officers, all officers and judges of the election of whom it is not herein otherwise provided for, and which shall be elected on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November, shall be elected at the general election next preceding the time of the termination of their respective terms of office.

Under this ruling those officers who in 1912, the term of the incumbent expires, will be for the term of that office will only one year or until the end of the year 1914.

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