

TIMELY REAL ESTATE GOSSIP

Alterations Being Made in Connecting Murray to Paxton Hotel.

SEEKING LABOR TEMPLE SITE

Special Organisation Holds Options on Several Choice Lots and Probably Will Decide on One Soon for the Building.

Probably within a few days the announcement of the location for the new Labor Temple will be made. It is said several options on lots in choice locations about the city have been secured and a provisional organization of Omaha labor men is now trying to decide on the best place.

The new building will be three stories in height and 100 or 150 feet square.

The officers who will have charge of finding the site and the construction of the building are W. A. Christman, secretary-treasurer of Nebraska Federation of Labor, president; J. W. Light of the barbers, vice president; David Coats of the stonemasons, secretary; C. L. Shamp, general secretary of the stationary firemen, treasurer.

The new building will be made entirely modern throughout. Arrangements are now being made to pay for it by the laboring men in installments through a period of years. A plan will be devised whereby the money may be raised for the annual installments.

Carpenters and interior decorators are now working in the old Murray hotel to make it a part of the Paxton and the largest hostelry in the city. The office and lobby already have begun to lose their identity and take on that of storerooms. There will be six stores in the first floor of the Murray building, one of which already has been leased to the Jetter Brewing company for a bar.

The first floor will not be connected with the hotel. The upper floors will be joined by bridge promenades over the alley connecting each floor of the old Murray with the floors of the Paxton. The contract for this work has just been awarded.

The kitchen and dining room of the Murray have been closed since the property went to Ralph and Richard Kitchen. New furniture for the old Murray has been ordered and probably will be ready by the time the bridges connecting the two buildings have been put in place.

Home building continues to increase through the summer. During the week a great many lots were bought by persons who intend to build homes.

Dundee grows in popularity every day and many home builders are seeking sites about the various parks and on the boulevards.

S. J. Welsh, the wholesale coal dealer, a few days ago bought a lot in Virginia Place, south of Hanscom park on the boulevard, on which he will start the erection of a home. The lot is 52x127 feet and cost him \$1,500. The purchase was made from E. C. Sutton through the Glover Realty syndicate.

Peter A. Forsell also will build a home on the North Nineteenth street boulevard south of Burdette street. He bought the lot Friday.

Miss Ella A. Kent paid \$500 for a lot at Thirty-fifth avenue and Leavenworth street, where she will build a home.

Herbert S. Moores will move to Dundee. He recently purchased a lot from E. J. Gillespie for \$1,000 at Fifty-first street and Capitol avenue, where he will build. The sale was made through the Glover Realty syndicate.

Charles E. Williamson received word this week of the death of Judge Firestone, one of the large eastern owners of Omaha property and a pioneer citizen of Ohio. Judge Firestone was a notable lawyer and banker of his state.

He was owner of several additions about Omaha, principally in the north part of Omaha. He was owner of the Firestone subdivision and the Charlesow Heights and was represented in Omaha for many years by the Charles E. Williamson company.

Judge Firestone was an officer in the civil war and was one of the 40,000 who went to Mexico under Phil Sheridan after the war.

The Commercial Club Journal a week ago made the same complaint against the custom of withholding the actual consideration in realty sales from the records as was voiced in The Bee April 23.

Omaha could receive some excellent advertising if property owners and property buyers did not insist upon keeping secret the amount of money involved in the sales of lots and houses. Each one, however, seems to have some excuse for it, although most are nonsensically trivial.

Probably some day Omaha or Nebraska will follow in the footsteps of other cities and states and make publicity imperative.

She Married Him. Mrs. Pankhurst, the suffragette, surprised some of her friends a short while ago when she related this little incident: "A lady had sued a railroad for \$40,000 damages and secured a verdict, and was paid the full amount subject to her order. Her attorney didn't get a penny."

"Why, that seems incredible," one of the party said. "Had it happened?" "She found a way to outwit him."

"What did she do?" "She married the lawyer."—Judge.

THE HOME BUILDERS PAGE

What Constitutes a Home?

By Arthur C. Clausen.



ASK ten men each to define what in his opinion constitutes a home and you will receive ten ready answers. Still each will vary to such a considerable extent that it is almost impossible to strike an average that would come anywhere near satisfying all ten of them.

To a young man home is a cozy little cottage surrounded by shrubbery and flowers with but few rooms, most of the modern conveniences, but everything suggestive of the simple, sentimental home life.

To an older man it is a home containing attractions for children, such as a play room or nursery, sometimes a gymnasium, a little study room on the second floor and sometimes a breakfast room.

To the man of means with grown sons and daughters having social ambitions it is a home with all arrangements for entertainment on an elaborate scale with many rooms for guests, a bill room, music room, drawing room and all of the things which go with a strenuous social life.

To still another man it is an immense marble palace built with little regard for the home-like atmosphere, elegant in all its details representing an enormous expenditure of money and when completed merely proof that this man could afford to build something beyond the means of his wealthy rivals.

To the fifth man it means a home in the mission style.

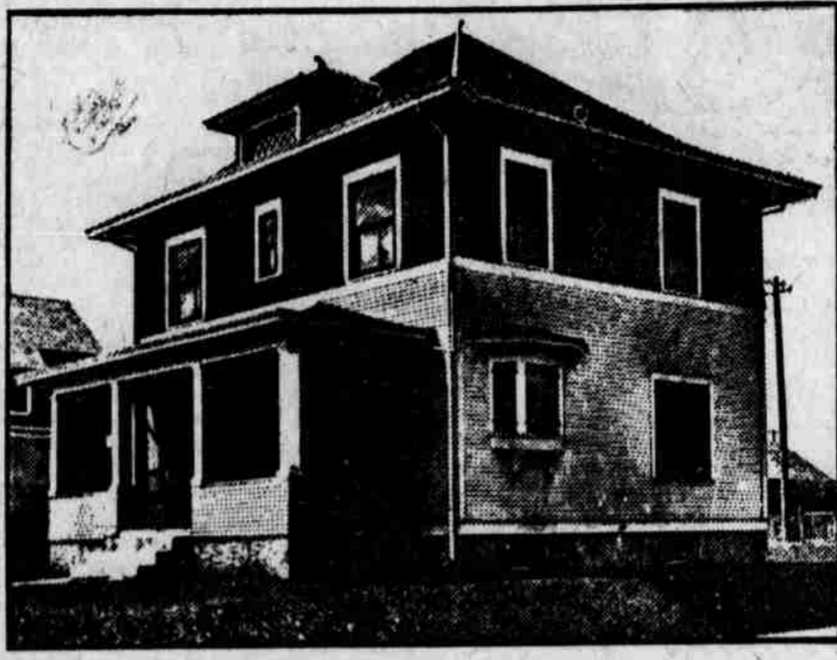
To the sixth man it means a home in the colonial style.

To the seventh a home in the English domestic style.

To the eighth a hillside home modeled after the Swiss chalet.

To the ninth a plain two-story, square frame house and to the tenth a bungalow.

A true definition of a home from the



American standpoint must therefore be very broad and general in its application.

About the nearest that we can come to it is to say that a home is a habitation containing a sufficient number and kind of rooms to meet the practical requirements with such special features as will meet the artistic longings of each family, and whether it be cottage or palace depends upon the age, wealth, size of family, environment, taste and social requirements of each individual who is building a home.

The reason for the great variety of styles evident in both our domestic and commercial architecture is easily explained. Israel Zangwill, the great French-Jewish playwright in his beautiful play by that name, calls our attention to the fact that America is the "Melting Pot" of all the

racers of the world, which are becoming amalgamated into the great future American race. These different races naturally bring with them impressions of boyhood homes and when they make their fortunes in the new world, home to them is the style of the mother land and in that style they build. In this way we have examples of every style of architecture, after which the younger generations pattern their homes according to fancy or inherited taste and since the average well built home or building will outlive several generations it will probably take longer to amalgamate the great number of styles into a great American domestic style than it is taking to form the American race.

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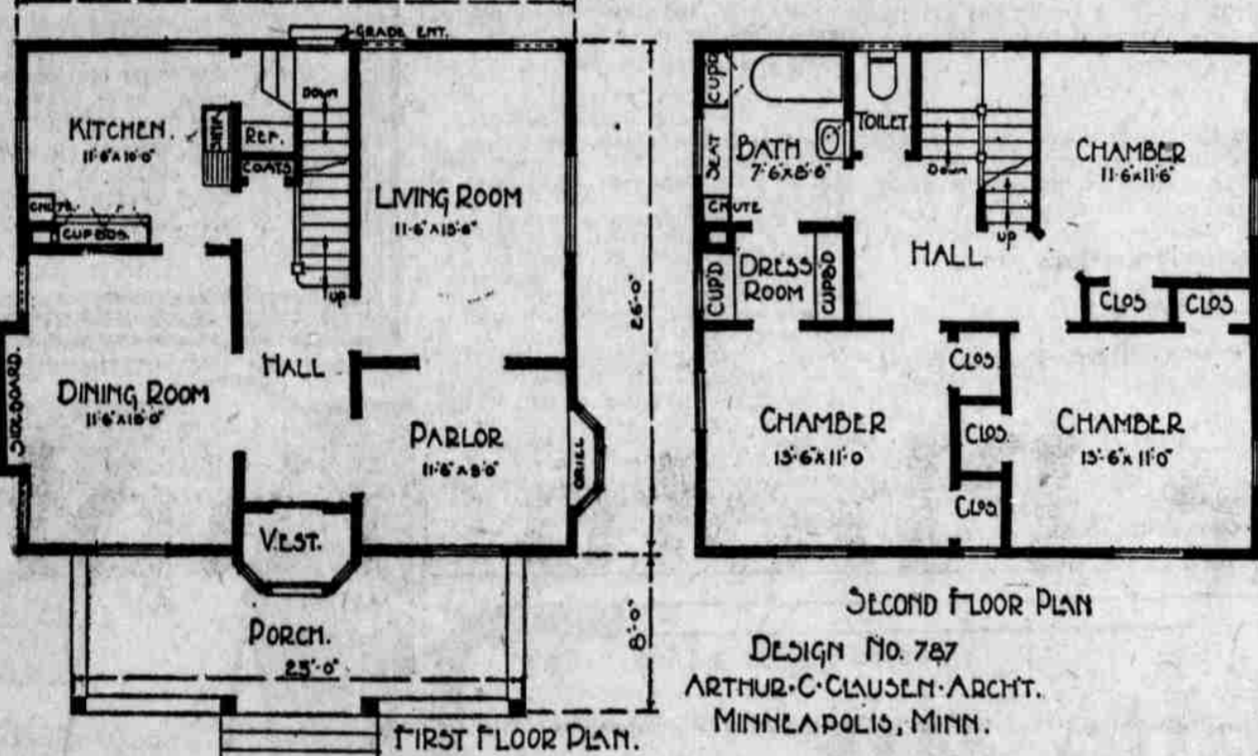


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BOHEMIAN FREE THOUGHT SOCIETIES TO MEET HERE

The first annual convention of the Bohemian Free Thought societies of the United States which was called some months ago for September 15 will be held in Omaha. This convention will be held under the auspices of the Omaha society, the "Svobodna Obec," and indications are there will be representatives here from every part of the United States in which there are Bohemian settlements. Several topics of much interest will be discussed at this convention and steps will be taken to pave the way for a working alliance with Free Thought societies of other nationalities in the United States that the organizations may increase the effect of their protests by concerted and united actions.

A Bachelor's Reflections. A widow knows from experience not to do it again, so she wants to do it the money a man could make in a gold mine he could lose in a family. The best thing for a man to do with a girl he wants to marry is to let her. The reason some girls never learn to flirt is they can do it best without learning. A man's good opinion of himself is endorsed by every body except the rest of the world. Politics nowadays doesn't make any more strange bedfellows than it does divorcees. Politics nowadays doesn't make any fun of whether the object of it is more important than he is. If a man could try to get to heaven the way he can into a public office, the devil's business wouldn't pay at all.

WE LIKE TO MOVE. Only two weeks more and it will be the first of September and with it comes the thought of moving. However, there is no need for worry about moving if you will but take a few minutes and let us explain how really simple it is by our method. Every new contrivance that lessens the moving burden is used by us. Our prices are right—Our service the best. MOVING. Our large, spacious, padded vans make it possible for us to move your furniture and household goods without marring or defacing them in any way. We have vans especially designed for moving pianos and hoists to raise them to any floor height, thereby eliminating any possible chance of their being scratched by being carried up circular staircases. SHIPPING. We will be glad to assist you in the routing of your shipment of furniture to any point in the United States.

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