

Activities Among Omaha's Wide-Awake Home Builders

TIMELY REAL ESTATE GOSSIP

Douglas Street Again is in the Lighthouse

TILDEN PROPERTY IS SOLD

Lets at Nineteenth and Douglas Streets Sell for Figure that Brings Out Conjecture on This Street's Future.

The sale of the Dr. Tilden property at the corner of Nineteenth and Douglas streets to O. C. Redick for a sum around \$100,000 has again made real estate men sit up and talk about the future of Douglas street. There are those who have long insisted that Douglas street has possibilities as great as those of Farnam street when once its development begins in earnest. The coming of the Pontenelle hotel, the million dollar structure at the corner of Eighteenth and Douglas, has had its effect in reopening this conjectural discussion. The sale of the Tilden property has tended further interest. The one thing that still holds back the boom on Douglas street is the fact that it is closed for two blocks west of Twenty-fourth street, and that to open it would necessitate the moving of a few buildings, including an old red barn. This done, the real estate men say, a car line up the street would be the making of that street with a bound.

The real estate activities have increased within the last few weeks. Several good sized deals have been made in the last ten days and the transfer of moderate size are becoming more and more numerous. In fact the coming of spring has set new life into the work and almost doubled the number of transfers, according to the filings in the office of the register of deeds.

Monday morning some thirty members of the executive committee of the National Association of Real Estate Exchanges are to be in Omaha. They are to meet with the Omaha Real Estate ex-

change at the Hotel Home at 10 o'clock. At noon they are to be the guests of the Real Estate exchange at luncheon at the Commercial club. Tuesday they are to be taken to South Omaha by the local exchange, where they are to visit the Cudahy packing plant under the personal direction of special guides. Monday night they are to be entertained at a banquet at the University club rooms by the Real Estate exchange.

Hastings & Heyden report that the last week has been the best sales week of the year, and the constant number of inquiries indicate that this month is going to be a record-breaker. The following are the sales made for the week:

L. H. Hoerner purchased tract 111, Benson Acres, for \$500.
Mr. Fry Benson purchased tracts 36 and 37, Benson Acres, for \$1,900.
Miss Agnes Stitt purchased tract 108, Benson Acres, for \$500.
A. M. Soderholm purchased tract 22, Benson Acres, for \$500.
Fred L. Blumer purchased tracts 112 and 113, Benson Acres, for \$1,125.
Henry Chape purchased tract 4, Gould Dietz' First addition, for \$800.
Henry F. Tomkin purchased tract 34 and the west half of 35, Benson Acres, for \$200.
Lucia S. Nicol purchased tracts 58 and 59, Benson Acres, for \$1,725.
Mary A. Bowers purchased a lot on Hickory street in Shull's addition for \$500.
Allan B. Hamilton purchased tract 50, Benson Acres, for \$1,100.
Margaret Grimmond purchased tract 52, Benson Acres, for \$825.
L. C. Gaskill purchased tract 52, Benson Acres, for \$550.
Nels Christensen of Minden, Neb., purchased from J. T. Donohoe 'The Athlone' apartments. Consideration was \$20,000. Mr. Christensen will move to Omaha to educate his children and will keep 'The Athlone' as an investment.
Mr. Donohoe will probably relocate in Omaha, as during the last six years he has, through the firm of Hastings & Heyden, bought, built and sold several brick buildings, and finds a ready market for the high-class investments he has been building.

Clowry Sends Pledge to Fine Arts Society

Colonel Clowry, former head of the Western Union, who made his start in the telegraph business in Omaha, has sent a subscription for the new art home to the Omaha Society of Fine Arts. The society will hold a meeting Monday at 2:30 o'clock at the Young Men's Christian association building.

PAVING MATERIAL IS CONDEMNED BY M'GOVERN

City Commissioner Thomas McGovern has condemned several hundred dollars' worth of paving and curbing material which was to have been used in paving work now under way. The commissioner, after tests, found that in instances large quantities of the supplies would not stand the city tests.

Key to the Situation—See Advertising.

VALUATION BY COUNTIES

Assessment Figures Shown in Records at State House.

TOTAL LEVIES FOR ALL PURPOSES

Average for State is 47.25 Mills, While Highest Levy is 69.02 Mills and Lowest 26.65 Mills.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, May 9.—(Special.)—The valuation of the different counties of the state as found of record in the office of the secretary of the State Board of Assessment, Henry Seymour, the total levy for all purposes made by each county and the amount raised by the levy is shown in the following table. Scotts Bluff county has the highest tax levy, being 69.02 mills, and Holt county the lowest, 26.65 mills. The average for the state is 47.25 mills. Following is the list by counties:

County	Total Levy	Total Tax
Adams	49.05	7,644,085
Antelope	45.73	5,222,548
Banner	42.38	445,473
Blaine	42.21	587,156
Boone	42.52	4,998,228
Box Butte	42.74	4,931,730
Boyd	44.65	3,624,308
Brown	51.32	2,071,324
Buffalo	44.85	7,636,398
Butler	44.79	6,971,545
Chase	38.12	7,924,571
Cherry	42.49	4,929,971
Cedar	34.23	3,198,104
Chase	57.49	1,077,169
Cherry	49.94	3,573,228
Cheyenne	47.71	2,728,215
Clay	36.90	8,077,596
Collins	36.36	3,836,078
Cuming	38.54	7,847,341
Custer	53.32	7,416,941
Dakota	42.76	2,139,128

Dawes	58.81	2,220,122
Dawson	52.94	6,721,026
DeWitt	45.52	1,200,622
Dixon	42.37	4,629,690
Dodge	42.31	3,455,492
Douglas	68.59	6,527,915
Dundy	47.14	1,520,553
Fillmore	36.85	7,494,320
Franklin	45.25	8,914,359
Frontier	50.56	3,706,574
Furnas	49.09	4,063,329
Gage	47.20	11,623,094
Garden	45.66	3,013,918
Garfield	50.32	714,378
Grant	41.27	1,562,109
Grant	42.96	713,139
Greely	41.13	3,429,907
Hall	48.49	7,836,828
Hamilton	35.74	1,262,457
Harlan	45.88	3,224,039
Hayes	53.18	712,214
Hickock	42.83	1,723,843
Holt	26.65	4,786,048
Hooker	54.06	562,816
Howard	45.96	4,256,449
Jefferson	41.80	6,961,992
Johnson	43.61	4,756,159
Kearney	39.34	4,399,561
Keith	51.73	2,184,714
Keya Paha	51.09	1,006,542
Kimball	37.76	1,546,132
Knox	50.17	5,917,642
Lancaster	61.82	2,476,587
Lincoln	57.74	5,285,542
Loup	42.93	527,943
Loup	63.17	430,491
Madison	39.49	6,905,745
McPherson	53.69	489,534
Merrick	42.16	5,383,909
Morrill	52.87	1,090,151
Nance	45.41	4,196,306
Nemaha	40.36	5,761,983
Nicholls	40.65	6,135,329
Osage	43.84	3,741,656
Pawnee	40.09	4,363,629
Perkins	37.64	11,418,329
Phelps	39.12	4,417,219
Pierce	41.02	4,670,252
Platte	33.93	9,654,690
Polk	39.28	5,966,942
Red Willow	54.40	3,691,710
Richardson	44.31	7,588,469
Rock	49.49	1,122,222
Saline	35.23	8,248,379
Sarpy	42.04	4,294,324
Sauders	35.38	10,911,580
Scotts Bluff	69.02	2,720,940
Seward	33.89	8,004,238
Sheridan	42.14	2,260,442
Sioux	45.78	3,269,488
Sioux	50.74	1,397,377
Stanton	36.85	4,436,401

Thayer	40.78	6,109,375
Thomas	52.10	222,246
Thurston	50.77	4,426,191
Valley	41.64	3,629,547
Washington	42.40	5,514,749
Wayne	34.75	5,726,369
Webster	43.64	5,288,125
Wheeler	51.28	703,471
York	48.32	9,157,223
Totals	Ave. 47.25	\$475,879,300

FRANK SELBY SUPERVISES DECORATION OF NEW HOUSE

Frank S. Selby, civil engineer, graduate of Cornell university, is superintending the decoration of a new house his father, W. L. Selby, is building at 607 Davenport street. He is putting in some decorations that are novel in Omaha. The interior decorations are a model from an artistic standpoint. The color scheme is brown downstairs, with tiffany mottled paper with attractive top and bottom borders. The dining room walls are decorated with a painting of a twilight scene. The porch is of concrete reinforced with Vermont granite.

DONAHOE SECURES FARM IN EXCHANGE FOR APARTMENTS

The Athlone apartments were traded by Detective J. T. Donohoe of Omaha for N. C. Christensen's farm near Minden, Neb. The farm was traded in at a valuation of \$125 an acre. A. W. Toland & Co. handled the deal for Christensen. Mr. Christensen intends to bring his family to Omaha shortly where the children will have superior educational advantages. The Christensen farm is well improved for the handling of fine stock breeding. Mr. Christensen will manage the Athlone apartments.

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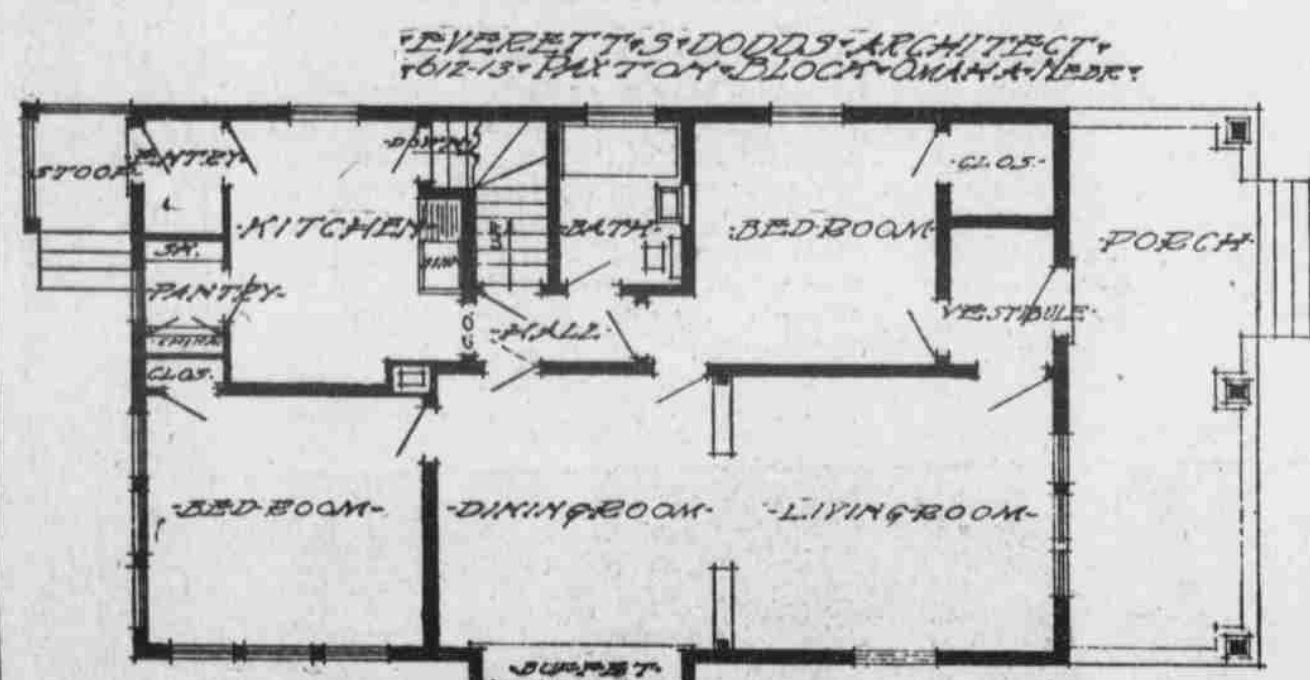
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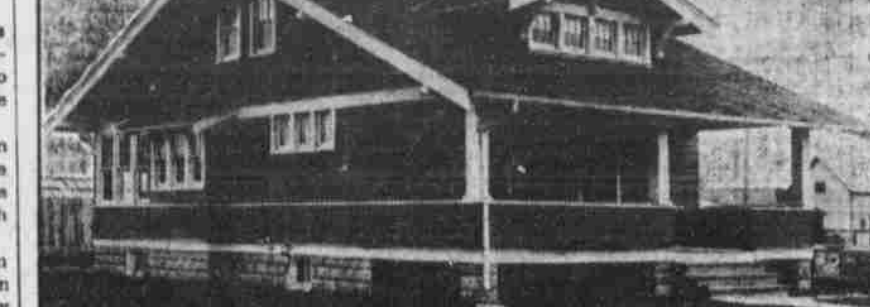
A Modern Bungalow by Everett S. Dodds



FIRST FLOOR PLAN PLAN NO. 536

This design is one of the modern five-room bungalows with the rooms all on one floor. It is 24x30 on the ground with an eight-foot porch across the entire front. A good sized vestibule leads to the living room and also to the front bedroom. The living room and the dining room are separated by a large pedestal opening. The dining room has a large bay window with a built-in seat. Off of the dining room a small hall leads to the bath room, kitchen and front bedroom. A stair off of this hall leads to the second floor where there is a large attic. The rear bedroom is off the dining room and is well lighted with three large windows on each side. The bed rooms both have a large, roomy closet, with hook-trip and shelves. Off the kitchen is the refrigerator room and the kitchen, in which are the built-in cupboards and work table. A stairway leads to the grade entrance and to the basement.

The living room and the dining room are finished in plain red oak and the balance in yellow pine. Any one desiring further information regarding the above plan or the designing of a new home should get in touch with the architect, who will be glad to render his services. Everett S. Dodds, architect, 312-13 Paxton block, Omaha, Neb.



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