

REALESTATE MEN SPRING 'BRIGHT IDEA'

Patterson Points Out to Exchange
that Omaha Should Have a
Big Auto Factory.

HARRISON MAKES SUGGESTIONS

It was "bright idea" day at the last meeting of the Real Estate exchange. Dr. C. Patterson's bright idea was that the exchange should use its efforts and influence in getting an automobile factory established in Omaha. He pointed out that \$14,000,000 worth of automobiles and \$4,000,000 of automobile accessories were sold out of Omaha last year, and that still the demand was not supplied. He felt there was only one solution—that autos should be manufactured here.

"I walked down with a big automobile dealer in Omaha this morning," said Dr. Patterson, "and he told me of the many orders for cars he was unable to fill. He said that the firm lost \$30,000 by not being able to get the cars from the factory fast enough to supply the demand."

Mr. Patterson then pointed to the fact that the Ford people have built an assembling plant in Omaha, and said others should be urged to build similar plants here, if not factories. The idea was taken up by other members of the exchange, and it was pointed out that there is no reason why a new car, "The Omaha," or "The Nebraska" could not be built right here, since engines and other vital parts of the cars nowadays are mostly of standard make. Anyway, anyone could buy these vital parts and then build the rest of the car in any individual design desired, the automobile man argued.

Harry Christie's "bright idea" was an interurban trail. He wants the exchange to look into the matter of getting more interurbans. Someone suggested that the automobile has solved the interurban problem, and that the interurbans are to be a thing of the past in just the proportion that the automobile sales increase throughout the country.

C. F. Harrison's "bright idea" was the same one—better street signs—arguing that he has harped on for some time that Omaha should get busy and name and number its streets by means of street signs, so that strangers could know where they are when they get into the city. Also he wanted overhead signs taken down. Colonel Black of Los Angeles, who was a guest at the exchange meeting, said they had taken down the overhead signs in Los Angeles and that nothing could now induce them to go back to the old sign system.

Colonel Black, as a guest, volunteered a "bright idea." He pointed out that Omaha is a much greater city than any one, who had not seen it, realizes. "It has been an eye-opener to me," he said, "and I have traveled across the continent many times. I never knew Omaha was such a great city. I never stopped here before. Now, I should think you would carry on a publicity campaign of some kind to induce people to stop off at Omaha when traveling through the country. I should think you could maintain some kind of a permanent exhibit here, for the travelers to see. It would have to be something distinctive, something which Omaha or Nebraska stands for conspicuously, or something in which Omaha or Nebraska have taken the lead. I don't know what it would be, but perhaps a sanitary exhibit, a pure food exhibit, or anything that would be attractive and that would stand for something in which Omaha has been the pioneer."

Stomach's Lintment—Kills Pain.
In the greatest pain killer ever discovered, simply laid on the skin—no rubbing required—it drives pain away. See All drug stores.—Advertisement.

Sketch of New Swedish Mission Hospital



Committee in Charge of Flower Day to Raise Funds for New Hospital—Left to right: Mrs. F. Hagelin, Mrs. Julian Swanson, Mrs. Paul Weimer, Mrs. Carl Johnson, Miss Helma Carlson, Mrs. Anna Larson.

CALIFORNIAN TELLS OF REALTY FRAUDS

Colonel G. M. Black, Los Angeles
Real Estate Man, Addresses
the Local Exchange.

WARNS AGAINST LAND GRABBERS

Colonel George M. Black of Los Angeles was a guest at the last meeting of the Omaha Real Estate exchange. He was in Omaha for the day, visiting with Harry Wolf and Martin Sugarman.

Colonel Black was formerly president of the California State Federation of Real Estate Exchanges. He told some interesting incidents of work during his administration. Touching on the matter of honesty in real estate dealing, he said:

"You know, we get a lot of fellows out there that you fellows got through with here. When you can't stand them here they come to us. They are, however, the most modest, unassuming fellows in the world out there. You don't hear a thing of them or of their deals. Only now and then when we get hold of a paper from the east do we find one of their advertisements, and thereby find out what they are doing."

"Well, we had some fellows like this while I was president of the federation. You know Los Angeles put in a huge aqueduct, which brings water from the mountains for many miles for the city's water supply. Well, these fellows bought a lot of desert land out along this aqueduct. It cost them 25 cents an acre—25 cents an acre, yes, sir, and when we found their advertisement in an eastern paper they had this desert tract all platted out in city lots. The addition was known as the "Aqueduct Tract." Yes,

they called it the Aqueduct tract, and they were selling lots by mail, and selling them at a price that would have made them several million dollars out of this "Aqueduct Tract," which cost them 25 cents an acre. Their advertisements represented that the aqueduct ran right through the tract. The advertisement sought to convey the idea that the tract was watered and irrigated by this aqueduct. It ran right through the tract, they said. Well, that was true—it ran right through without stopping. They could not have got a drop of water out of that aqueduct if they had wanted to. A jackrabbit would have committed suicide on that tract, and they were selling city lots at fabulous prices.

"We investigated, and then laid the matter before the United States attorney, but action was slow. Then these fellows came at me when they found out that I was after them. They sued me for \$50,000 damages for interfering with their business. I felt complimented like the colored man who was asked for the loan of \$10. In court, when the evidence was introduced, the judge said that these fellows should be defendants in a criminal court instead of plaintiffs in a suit for damages to their characters."

"When the judge pronounced these words the fellows vanished from the court room and were never seen in Los Angeles since."

Mr. Black urged the local real estate men to keep alert in matters of this kind, since only by keeping the real estate business clean and free from such fellows and their operations can real estate business have any standing.

BOMBS DROPPED INTO BRITISH CAMP ON SUEZ

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 22.—(Via London).—A British camp on the Suez canal has been attacked by a Turkish aeroplane, the war office announced today. The airplane dropped bombs and returned successfully.

The committee in charge is figuring on clearing several thousand dollars.

The proposed new \$50,000 structure for the Swedish Mission hospital will be erected directly in front of the present building at Twenty-fourth and Pratt streets. The plans call for the two buildings to be connected, giving the general hospital a 100-bed capacity. The equipment specifications include every convenience and facility of the modern hospital.

Although the new hospital will cost approximately \$50,000, it is planned to start building operations as soon as \$30,000 has been raised. There is over \$2,000 in the building fund at the present time.

Story About Body of Dorothy Arnold is Fabrication

NEW YORK, April 22.—The story told by Octave Charles Giennorris, convict in a Rhode Island prison, of his having assisted at the burial of Dorothy Arnold's body in a cellar outside West Point was pronounced a fabrication today by detectives who explored the cellar. Inspector Faurot said he believed the convict told the story in the hope of obtaining a parole.

GERMAN VERDUN ATTACKS REPULSED

French Official Report Says Teutons
Resume the Offensive on Both
Sides of the Meuse.

LOSS OF ASSAILANTS IS HEAVY

PARIS, April 22.—An intense bombardment of the French front before Verdun, between the Meuse and Fort Vaux, was followed last night by an attempt on the part of German troops to advance.

The war office announcement of this afternoon says the advance was prevented by the artillery fire of the French, which inflicted heavy losses on the Germans.

The statement also says a German attack north of Caurettes Wood, in which liquid fire was used, was repulsed.

Turn old furniture, household goods and clothing into cash with a Bee Want Ad.

Be Ready for Mealtime

With appetite keen,
digestion normal, and
no fear of any after
eating distress

HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS

helps very materially
in bringing about
such a condition. It
is an excellent tonic
and appetizer. Try it.



Now Comes Our Annual



AFTER-EASTER CLEARANCE SALE

Of All Spring Garments To Be Sold Regardless of Cost or Value

A sale event that will offer unprecedented values in Women's and Misses' Apparel! We are determined to dispose of every Spring Suit, Coat and Dress in this store, in order to make room for our big stock of Summer Apparel that is now arriving every day, and we know, from past experience, that the only way to do it QUICKLY is to cut the life out of prices. No woman who has any regard for economy can afford to miss this sale. Below are some samples of the values to be found in this sale, starting tomorrow morning.

Sale Starts promptly at 8:30 o'clock Monday a. m. Remember our Entire Stock is included. No C. O. D.'s, no reservations.



This sale offers you an opportunity to secure New Spring Garments right at the height of the season, at a fraction of the regular price.

A Sale of Suits

of High Grade Quality for Misses and Women

At The Benson & Thorne Co.

At a Saving of
20% to 50%

All Sizes Included in the Sale

Including Suits That Were \$22.50
A Large Range That Were \$25 & \$29.50
And a Number of Very Choice Suits
Formerly \$35.00

Silk Taffeta Suits
Silk Poplin Suits
Fine Twill Suits
Wool Poplin Suits
Gabardine Suits
Black & White Check Suits

Sale Price **\$17.50** Sale Day Monday

BENSON & THORNE CO.

Clearance Sale of
Over 800

COATS

All Women's and Misses' Spring Coats, in corduroy, checks, serge, etc., formerly sold at \$7.50 and \$8.50. Clearing Sale Price **\$4.95**

All Women's and Misses' Coats, taffeta, wool poplin, silk poplin, checks, etc., formerly sold up to \$12.50 and \$14.95, at \$9.95 and \$9.85 and **\$8.95**

All Women's and Misses' Coats, including silks, blue and black poplins, serges, light covert coats, etc., all the newest styles—formerly sold at \$18.50, \$17.50 and \$16.50, at \$11.50, at **\$13.85**

All Misses' and Women's higher priced coats, in all the new cloths and styles, formerly sold at \$18.50 to \$24.50. Clearing Sale Price **\$16.95**

Ladies' Suits

All Sacrificed in This Clearance Sale

All Misses' and Women's spring suits in silk taffeta, poplin, serges, wool shepherd checks, gabardine, etc., formerly sold at \$15, \$16.50, \$17.50, to clear quick **\$11.85**

All Misses' and Women's spring suits in taffeta, poplins, gabardines, checks, etc., etc., sold formerly at \$19.75 and \$22.50, clearing sale price **\$14.85**

All Misses' and Women's Suits of the better grades in the finest silks and cloths. Some of these garments are high class samples that formerly sold at \$26.50, \$27.50 and \$29.50. Clearing Sale Price **\$19.50**

All Misses' and Women's Suits of the finest makes and materials, that formerly sold at \$32.50, \$35.00, \$37.50, \$24.50, Clearing Sale Price **\$24.50**

Other Suits formerly sold from \$48 to \$89, will be reduced for this sale.

Be on Hand Early Monday Morning and get the garment you have been longing for at a fraction of original price.

Complete Clearance of All Our DRESSES

All Women's and Misses' Silk Poplin and wool dresses, formerly sold at \$8 to \$10, Clearing Sale Price **\$5.95**

All Taffeta Silk and Crepe de Chine silk dresses, formerly sold at \$15.00, Clearing Sale Price **\$9.85**

All Silk Taffeta, crepe de chine, Georgette crepe and crepe de meteor silk dresses formerly sold at \$22.50 and \$24.50, Clearing Sale Price **\$14.85**

All the better dresses, some beautiful sample dresses in the finest silks, Georgette crepe and combinations, all the newest shades, dresses worth \$29.50 to \$45.00, all go in two lots, \$24.50 **\$19.85**

All Waists go at
Clearing Sale Prices

Sale Starts at 8:30 A. M. Monday

All Our Dress Skirts

Included in This Radical Clearance

All Skirts formerly sold at \$4.00 and \$5.00, Clearing Sale Price **\$3.95-\$2.95**

All Skirts formerly sold at \$7.00 and \$7.50, Clearing Sale Price **\$4.95**

All Wool, Taffeta and Novelty Skirts, formerly sold to \$10, at **\$6.95**

Fancy striped plaids & plain taffeta skirts, sold at \$12.50 at \$9.95, and **\$7.95**



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