

WILL URGE BANKS TO JOIN OMAHA BOARD

Realtors Entertain Building Managers at Wednesday Luncheon and Hear Brief Addresses.

Omaha Realtors and owners of office and apartment buildings were very much pleased and profited by the recent convention of the National Association of Building Managers and Owners. A number of Realtors were in the convention—men who are members of real estate boards in their home cities, but who specialize in large rental properties. The Omaha Real Estate board extended the hospitality of its Wednesday luncheon to twenty-nine of these gentlemen and heard some very complimentary remarks from the visitors about Omaha and the prosperous appearance of the city.

Among the brief and practical addresses made was one by Past President Paul Steinbrecker of the Chicago Real Estate board. Mr. Steinbrecker told the Omaha Realtors that his board was the oldest real estate organization in the country, being organized in 1883. The Omaha organization was effected in 1887. As is the case everywhere else where these organizations have been properly worked out, the Chicago board, Mr. Steinbrecker says, has been very efficient in promoting the growth and best interests of the city. He urged upon the Omaha board the necessity of adopting a feature which has been very successful and effective in Chicago and elsewhere of securing an associate membership to be constituted of large business concerns which are or should be interested in real estate—large real estate owners, often professional men, bankers, capitalists and estates. In Chicago every bank is an associate member of the Chicago Real Estate board, paying an annual fee of \$200, and finding it greatly to their advantage to thus be brought in close touch with the active real estate leaders.

This plan of a constituency of associate members has been discussed by the Omaha board for years, but never worked out. The membership committee is now planning to push this feature.

The convention was interesting to local property owners and agents because it endorsed the position taken by the local people that the proper rental and care of property is a vociferous by itself. The local people also found that the problems are the same everywhere as well as the factors which go to make a good or bad rental investment. They found that apartment houses, for instance, have

New Radiators Speed Up the Omaha Drying Plants



By means of a new radiator installed in the municipal drying plants at Central Park and South Side High schools, fruits and vegetables can now be dried in a much shorter space of time. Trays which formerly took between twenty-four hours and thirty-six hours to dry, can now be dried in eighteen to twenty-four hours. The radiator demonstrates its value especially on cold, wet days, when it sends drafts of warm air through the trays of dried fruits.

Detective Dunn Shows Speed Recovering "Lost" Diamonds

Friday afternoon at 4:30 Mrs. E. A. Duvois of New Richmond, Minn., while washing her hands in the lavatory at the Brandeis store, slipped two diamond rings off her fingers and laid them on the edge of the bowl. She forgot to put them on when she went out and when she returned for them in a panic a few minutes later they were not where she had left them. She called her brother, who lives in Omaha, and after frantically searching for the lost ornaments they finally decided at 5:30 to notify the police

practically the same history east and west, north and south. It was interesting also to note in the discussions, that which has been prominent in all real estate conferences of recent years, the insistence on honorable dealing, proper preparation and training before one aspires to care for another man's property, and a general high-toned sentiment that goes far to put the business of real estate management and dealing in the professional class. The east has not been as active and

Coal Company Sued for Violation of Contracts

Damage suits aggregating nearly \$10,000 have been filed in district court by retail coal companies in Nebraska and Iowa against the C. W. Hull company, wholesalers, of Omaha. The suits are based on alleged violated contracts. The retail companies allege the Hull company contracted to sell them coal at certain figures and then made deliveries at later dates at higher figures. The plaintiffs and the amounts they are suing for are as follows: George Van Buskirk, Shenandoah, Ia., \$1,040; Clarence A. Heck, Falls City, Neb., \$2,220; Smith Bros., University Place, Neb., \$1,960; Havelock Lumber and Coal company, Havelock, Neb., \$800; Farmers' Elevator company, Bagley, Ia., \$1,400; Farmers' Elevator company, Scranton, Ia., \$1,680; Daykin Lumber company, Daykin, Neb., \$600.

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interested in organizing its real estate men as the middle west and far west. Mr. Todd Sloan of New Haven, Conn., stated that not until two years ago were "so-called real estate men" organized into a real estate board. He gave as his opinion that these two years had seen a wonderful improvement in the character of the men, in their business, and their methods of handling business, and in their standing in the community. He expressed his appreciation of meeting in Omaha with a board 30 years old.

Wickham to Build Huge Aviation Camp for U. S.

E. A. Wickham of Council Bluffs has landed a government contract to build a \$2,000,000 aviation camp at Lake Charles, La. The contract was secured by the firm of Jansee, Wickham & Simms Co., of which Mr.

Wickham is a member. Mr. Wickham is building the cantonment at Fort Omaha, and many of the workmen there will be sent to Lake Charles as soon as their work here is finished. The Lake Charles camp will be the biggest aviation camp in the world, covering several thousand acres with hundreds of buildings. It

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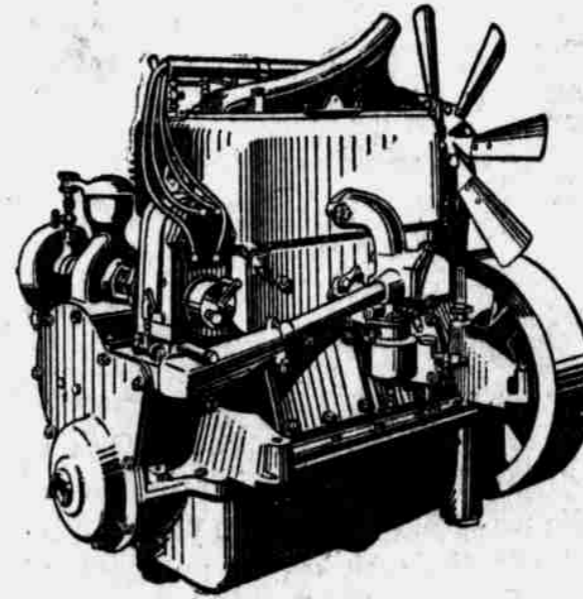
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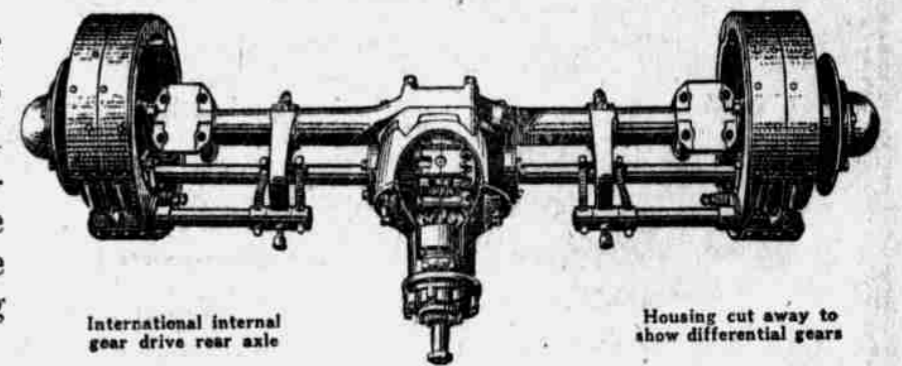
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