

OWN YOUR HOME PRIZE WINNERS ARE ANNOUNCED

Jorothy Melotz, Benson School, Awarded First Honors and \$25; More than 3,000 Participated.

In the contest recently held by the Omaha Real Estate board for the best essay on "Why You Should Own Your Home," the prize winners have been chosen. Checks are all ready and can be obtained by calling at the office of Hastings & Heyden, 1614 Harney street. The winners are: \$25—Dorothy Melotz, Benson, Mount St. Mary's.

The following have been awarded a prize of \$1 each and honorable mention: Franklin School—Natalie Hastings, Ruth Behrards, Eleanor Keating, Benjamin Stiphren, Margaret Fischer, Esther Hansen, Eleanor Rich, Warren Peterson, Robert Calver, Juliett Wesin, Genevieve Pollard and Helen Altschuler.

Miller Park—Thelma Nye and Frank Baden. Farnam—Frances McChesney and John Clark.

Train—Julia Jensen, Anton Styskal, Hazel Stevens, Rosalee Cryman, Mabel Mattes, Ethel Mattes, Harry Sundblad, Leona Knott, Junior Jacobson, Hazel Wickenburg, Katie DeLaney, Bessie Blazel, Irene Ostrom, Hazel Hamer and Rosie Stejskal.

Sacred Heart—Frank Rossiter, Marie Kelly and Margaret Squires. Benson—Glen Gardner, Metta L. Brewster, Fenella Legge and Edith A. Chantry.

Lake—Lucille Dunkin and Marion Hartner. Vinton—Helen Stoltenberg, Margaret Greeing, Roland Scott, Elva Polesky and Margaret Nielsen.

Central—Clair Fitzgerald and Benjamin Kubjensky. Columbian—Doris G. Hanks, Helen Hartman, Ruth Carlberg, Hawthorne—Herman Wright, Verne Robinson, Thelma Martin.

St. Patrick's—Florentine Zacek, Gertrude McEvoy, Mary Flynn. St. Mary's, South Side—Cecelia M. Broderick, Eva Casper.

Other Schools—Central Park, Agnes Nagel, Long, Marcellines Irvington, Nelson, Nellie Timmerley; Beals, Sylvia E. Meyers; Park, Olive Plouzek; Garfield, Gertrude Horwich; Immaculate Conception, Irene Adrian; Windsor, Myrtle Anderson; South Side High, Louise Matthews; South Franklin, Wallace Harold Cass, Nellie Finkelstein; Lathrop, Beatrice Ruprecht; Lincoln, Elsie Anderson; St. Cecilia's, Jean N. Palmer; Unclashed, Millie Pavlik and Mary L. Barr.

Prize Winning Essay. The essay of Miss Dorothy Melotz, attending Benson school, which was awarded first prize of \$25: "WHY YOU SHOULD OWN YOUR HOME."

"Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home." "Home" is the biggest word in all this world. It should be a place of rest and refuge and the first step in making it so is to own the home. In the first place, you are preparing for your family's welfare in buying your home. You keep the interest of the children in the home, for the family will work together to own and improve it.

"You influence your family morally by choosing the best locality for a home, which is not always done for a rented house. You prepare for their future, and in case of your death you are still keeping the family together and preventing the mother from leaving her home to work. You also prepare for your old age.

"In the second place, you co-operate with your city, for after the home is your own, you improve it and make it a beautiful place. This influences the neighbors, and so your city becomes cleaner, thriftier and more beautiful.

"In the third place, you are aiding your country, for it is easier to save money if you have no rent to pay and there never was a time when we could put our money to such good use as now—in loaning it to Uncle Sam. On the installment plan, a house can be bought almost as easy as rented.

"In the fourth place, you get more happiness out of life, for a well kept home influences your mind; it gives you the feeling of independence and freedom; it gives you an assured feeling as to the future and it makes you feel that you are somewhat of a success.

"An investment in a home within your means is an investment you will never regret. Once an 'owner' always an 'owner.'"

3,000 Essays Submitted. Byron R. Hastings, chairman of the committee on awarding prizes to the school children in the contest, states that more than 3,000 essays were turned in, and that the thought expressed by the children on "Why You Should Own Your Home" was wonderful, and the different real estate men get excellent ideas from hundreds of these essays that will help them in selling homes.

The committee would like to have awarded prizes to probably 90 per cent of these contestants, as the thought expressed shows that considerable time was put in by the different children, and while \$100 was the original amount to give, the Real Estate board at the request of this committee raised it to \$150. The Omaha schools are surely doing splendid work not only in encouraging children to write essays in this contest, but in the thrift stamp essays as well.

Good Enough for Preacher. Five-year-old Mary, who is always anxious to do in everything that you do, lives in a small town where the long suffering minister still endures "pound parties" to make up his back salary. Just before the last one she begged eagerly: "Can't I take something, too, murrer?" "No, father and I take something, that will be plenty."

But the child could not bear to give up the idea, so she snatched up her whole house for something, and she sat down and read before her mother with a worn and faded dress of her own.

"I think, murrer, I take this?" "See, it's not a speck of good for anything," she urged.—St. Louis Times

Latest Photo of America's Premier "Ace" Who Has Been Captured



LIEUTENANT FRANK BAYLES

The last photograph of Lt. Frank Bayles, the American "ace of aces" since the death of Major Lufbery, taken just before he was brought down behind the German lines and captured a few weeks ago. Bayles had just been raised to the rank of first lieutenant in the French army. In addition to the 12 official victories credited to him, Bayles is also said to have downed six more boche machines.

31 TO 1 SLOGAN OF WAR CHEST DRIVE

Philadelphia Has Raised More Than Enough to Care for Various Activities.

Philadelphia, July 4.—This city's war chest has been filled to overflowing. The war chest plan was instituted by a few leading bankers here, who inaugurated an intensive campaign for a fund of \$20,000,000. The campaign, while officially ended, is still getting belated results. It netted not only the \$20,000,000 asked for, but a substantial amount besides.

The fund, through the agency of various benevolent societies, will be spent in ministering to the wants of the soldiers and sailors, who are engaged in actual warfare, and for the relief of the many women and children in foreign countries, who have been made to feel the bitter sting of the titanic conflict.

"Little Extras." The government provides its fighting forces with uniforms, munitions and the other necessities for welfare, but the "little extras" must be bought by funds subscribed by individuals. That was the purpose of the war chest campaign here.

Welfare expresses the use to which the fund will be devoted. Through the Red Cross, Young Men's Christian association, Young Women's Christian association, Knights of Columbus, Young Men's Hebrew association, the commission on training camp activities of the War and Navy departments, the Salvation Army, National Jewish War relief, Boy Scouts, Community Recreation Service, and similar war relief activities, health, comfort, amusement, spiritual aid and other helpful and diverting things will be made available to lighten the burden of the men, who are fighting to make the country safe for democracy.

Help for Homeless. When the campaign started it was announced that the money received would eliminate further soliciting for war activities for a year. It was also made known that, in addition to expanding the funds for the "little extras" for the boys on the firing line that help would be afforded to the thousands of women and children of Belgium, France, Serbia, Poland and Armenia, who have been made homeless by the war.

Many unique posters were placed in conspicuous places throughout the city. None probably attracted so much attention, or was so effective in results, as the series labeled "31 to 1," meaning that the soldiers and sailors were giving 31 days and nights in fighting for their country, while the stay-at-homes were only asked to give one day's income to the war chest.

Textile Industry of Germany is Paralyzed

New York, July 4.—Four-fifths of the textile plants of Germany were idle in May and the misery prevailing among the workmen was daily increasing, declared Deputy Krutztag, socialist in the German Reichstag, according to the Berlin Vorwaerts. "The textile industry is paralyzed," said the deputy. "A feeling bordering on desperation prevails among the workers."

The textile operatives, he added, had been further alarmed by the organization of a syndicate to merge all the mills manufacturing the new cellulose yarn. Such a promising article, he declared, should not become monopolized by a small group.

Humphrey Man Offers Job in County to Frank O'Dell

If Frank G. Odell wants to give up his little job of secretary of the Federal Land bank of Omaha and get a real job, he can apply at the Bee office, where one is awaiting him. A few days ago the Bee published an interview with Dr. W. N. Condon of Humphrey, Neb., in which the doctor suggested that the business men of the small towns close up their business three days a week and go out on the farm to help the farmer. This suggestion struck C. B. Palmer, storekeeper and farmer of Bradshaw, Neb., as a good one, and he sat down and wrote us as follows:

"This is a very good suggestion, and should it be carried out I wish you would send Frank G. Odell to look after my 50 stands of bees, as my son, Harry, who has been looking after the store, is now at Fort Riley working for his Uncle Sam at \$30 a month, and I can't look after the store, look after the bees, drill in the home guards and shoot what all at the same time. Odell will find me hat, gloves, smoker, crop pipe and smoking tobacco at the bee yard."

Mr. Odell is known as the great bee expert of the state and here is a chance for him to make good use of his knowledge of this branch of agriculture. We tried to offer Mr. Odell the job, but he was out of town several days, during which time we trust the bees will survive, as we are certain he will not let a little thing like his land bank work prevent his giving them his immediate attention on his return.

OMAHA IS CITY OF STABILITY IN WAR AND PEACE

Gate City Better Prepared for Readjustment After War Than Any Other Locality.

No city of the union will be better prepared for the business readjustment which will occur at the close of the war than Omaha. Inflation of values is a natural sequence of abnormal industrial and economic conditions during a great war and shrinkage in value is absolutely certain in a return to the normal.

Forsighted men must look forward to the period when millions of men now engaged in the business of war must return to civil life and when countless industries that are now thriving as a result of war will be put out of business and their employees out of work.

In the end it will be seen that Omaha is especially favored in not being a city where war industries are an overshadowing activity, absorbing the energies of its skilled and unskilled laborers and employing the bulk of its working capital.

It is true there are a few industries here which have been stimulated by war demand, but the output of these factories are a mere side-issue of their regular business and a return to peace conditions will not disturb these concerns in readjustment.

Most of all Omaha's industries are basic, related to the necessary economic needs of the nation, founded upon stable conditions of consumption at all times. They go the even tenor of their way in times of war as in times of stress and it is due to this that Omaha has had no inflation or feverish condition of any of its industries, such as are making mushroom cities of formerly staid and conservative eastern towns.

When peace is declared there will be less shock here than in any other great industrial and commercial center in America.

Care will be better prepared to take care of all her working population and her industrial and commercial needs than ever before in her history.

The millions of citizens will have invested in Liberty bonds and war thrift savings, during the period of the war, will make a splendid financial foundation when peace returns, and will be a reserve accumulation which will be of incalculable value when the time for readjustment comes.

The serenity of Omaha's adaptation to the new requirements will attract the attention of capitalists whose millions, now employed in war industries, will require reinvestment and the wonderful possibilities of Omaha as a manufacturing center, situated as the city is, in the heart of the producing center of staple raw materials, and of the continent's best transportation facilities, will beget consideration.

The immense repair of war losses will fall on a community such as Omaha and the stable quality as well as the docility and content of its working population will be an asset which will not lightly be considered by captains of industry whose presence will enable them to see the commanding position this city will enjoy at the close of the war.

Omaha is one of the thrift centers of the union and the practice of thrift by its citizens will continue, piling up community wealth in a reserve accumulation that will astound their own people when the time comes that the government will no longer need to employ the capital in the winning of the war.

All this time, and with a brilliant future before Omaha, real estate values have continued normal. There has been no response to the conditions that obtain to create abnormal and inflated conditions elsewhere.

Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Toledo, Detroit, Kansas City, St. Louis and a host of other places which are now centers of war industrial activity have boosted the prices of all classes of real estate to a dizzy height, but Omaha has remained sane.

The man who invests in real estate here now can do so with the same certainty of profiting on the natural increment as he would have had he invested 20 years ago.

Omaha is the one best investment in real estate in the United States now.

Cigar Smokers in Germany Are Facing Big Shortage

London, July 4.—A famine of cigars, tobacco confronts German smokers. The trade, according to German newspapers, estimates that the supply will be entirely used up by November 1. During the war Holland has been the main source from which Germany obtained cigars, but because of a heavy shrinkage in imports from the Dutch colonies tobacco exports to Germany have almost ceased. The government is considering how the impending famine can be averted or ameliorated. One proposal is to abolish cigar manufacture during the summer. According to the Frankfurt Gazette, German cigar smokers must be in the best circumstances prepared to do without their favorite weed next winter.

Wounded Aviator Eager to Get Back to Front



LIEUTENANT WELLMAN

Lt. William E. Wellman, a resident of Cambridge, Mass., who was honorably dismissed from the Lafayette flying corps because of injuries to his back, received when his machine was brought down by German anti-aircraft guns, has applied to the British recruiting mission in New York to get back into the fight. Wellman, from January 1, 1918, to March 9 last, succeeded in downing four Hun planes.

NEGRO SOLDIER LURES HUN DOGS TO U. S. TRENCH

Pickaninny's Idea Conceived in Georgia Village Bears Fruit in No Man's Land in France.

This is an interesting human interest story spun by the special correspondent of the New York Times with the American Army in France.

Of the two threads out of this yarn is spun one started in a little village situated about 10 miles inland from Savannah, Ga., and the other started in the office of the German high command in Berlin. In the Georgia village—I don't recall the name of it now—a pickaninny developed the idea that the best kind of a dog to chase a rabbit was a long-legged dog, and that if a long-legged dog could be had with an unattended nose he was doubly valuable dog because not only could he be used to chase rabbits with an enviable degree of success, but in addition was the best kind of a dog to root a "possum out a hollow stump, where 'possums have a habit of going.

In the office of the German high command there developed the idea that a dog, having considerable intelligence would make a better messenger than a German soldier on the battlefield, and also that if a dog had long legs he would be a faster messenger dog than a messenger dog with short legs. Such was and is the acumen of the German intellect.

So the threads of the story started far apart and stretched a long way back. They have met at a certain point on the French front, where the ertswible pickaninny is a first class private in the army of his Uncle Samuel, and where a short ways off the German military dogs carry messages back and forth to the Boche pillboxes and advanced posts. Abraham (Lincoln) Davis—his pals all call him Ike—has dodged a lot of German bullets and gas grenades. He has killed two Boches and hasn't done a thing to make the French think any less of the Americans. Yes, Ike has had considerable excitement since he landed last month, but because he has seen a few of things he would never have seen if he hadn't enlisted in the American army. But he hasn't forgotten that the best dog to chase a rabbit is a long-legged dog.

Bad Luck Bunk to the Best Player Always Victorious

There is no such thing as "bad luck." The belief in it is a gross superstition. It is claimed that there is a lot of luck in poker. My observation has been that the man who wins at poker consistently is merely the best player of poker. There are some who have a "run of luck." But if that "run" lasts three months, the opposite "run" generally lasts equally as long. If the good luck holds up for a year, the bad luck appears during the next year. Any habitual card-player, unless he is a very poor player or an unusually good one, will tell you that his winnings and losses just about counterbalance.

In poker, as in life, the final determining factor is skill, knowledge of the game, patience, taking advantage of opportunities. If you have a premonition that you are going to fail in an undertaking, you are promising yourself disaster in advance, you are merely saying to yourself: "I know I am not equal to that. I'll fall down on it sure." Dismiss the premonitions. Throw away the "charms" and talismans. Get on the job.—McClure's Magazine.

"Jimmy" Ford Held to Federal Grand Jury

"Jimmy" Ford was held to the grand jury by United States Commissioner Neely in federal court Saturday morning. Bond was set at \$1,774. Ford is charged with violation of the Reed amendment, which forbids the importation of liquor into a dry state.

Comparative Local Record.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Value. Includes Highest temperature, Lowest temperature, Mean temperature, Precipitation, etc.

Omaha Live Market.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Receipts, Market, etc.

New York General Market.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Flour, Grain, etc.

Cattle Receipts

Table with 3 columns: Position, Last Week, City, Head. Shows cattle receipts for various cities.

NEW YORK STOCKS

Marked Strength Developed by Steels of Independent Group and Some War Issues; Bonds Firm.

New York, July 6.—Opening with an uncertain tone today's curtailed session of the stock market soon evinced firmer tendencies, in a few instances developing marked strength.

Steels of the so-called independent group, notably Crucible, Ingersoll-Rand and Republic, were the most active favorites. Republic received scant attention. Sales amounted to 130,000 shares.

United States Steel made a fractional advance to its best quotation of the week, but closed at a slight loss. Metals moved slightly higher, but the market was otherwise uneventful.

OMAHA PRICES

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Lists various commodities and their current prices.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Lists grain and provision prices from Chicago.

Chicago Cattle Receipts.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Lists cattle receipts and prices from Chicago.

Chicago Live Stock Market.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Lists live stock market prices from Chicago.

Chicago Hogs Receipts.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Lists hog receipts and prices from Chicago.

Chicago Sheep and Lamb Receipts.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Lists sheep and lamb receipts and prices from Chicago.

Chicago Pork Receipts.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Lists pork receipts and prices from Chicago.

Corn Receipts

Table with 3 columns: Position, Last Week, City, Cyt. Shows corn receipts for various cities.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE

Unusually Light Receipts Reported; Strong Advance in Cash Market; Corn Higher; Rye Falls.

Unusually light receipts were reported today, with a total of only 57 cars. Wheat receipts were 10 cars, corn 20 cars and oats 12 cars. No rye or barley showed up.

There was a continuing strong advance noted in the cash market. Spot sales of corn ranged from unchanged to over 100 cents a bushel. The good wheat offerings falling at the exchange were fair to good, but for all classes was quite active, and started early because of the light receipts.

Quotations were: No. 2 white corn, \$1.15; No. 3 white, \$1.10; No. 4 white, \$1.05; No. 5 white, \$1.00; No. 6 white, \$0.95; No. 7 white, \$0.90; No. 8 white, \$0.85; No. 9 white, \$0.80; No. 10 white, \$0.75; No. 11 white, \$0.70; No. 12 white, \$0.65.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK

General Trend of Cattle Prices: Lower All Weeks; Big Run of Hogs 10c Higher.

Official Monday... 7.85 9.31 12.00 Official Tuesday... 7.92 13.75 14.60 Official Wednesday... 7.99 13.75 14.60 Official Friday... 7.92 13.75 14.60 Estimated Saturday... 7.92 13.75 14.60

Receipts were: Cattle, Hogs, Sheep. Cattle—The general tendency of prices has been lower all week, but nominally steady today on receipts of 100 head of cattle. Receipts show a falling off of around 10,000 as compared with a week ago and the supply of corned steers is rapidly being exhausted, prices as compared with a week ago are around \$1.00 to \$1.00 lower with the exception of the choice grade. Butcher stock of all kinds closed weak and 50c to \$1.00 lower than a week ago. Feeders were strong at the close of the week, but some prices higher. Common to choice steers sold from \$12.00 to \$13.25 and yearlings at a surplus of \$9.00 to \$10.00. Good cows brought \$10.00 to \$12.00 and fair to good kinds from \$8.50 to \$10.00. Good feeders brought anywhere from \$7.50 to \$12.50. Fair to good heifers, \$8.00 to \$10.00; common to choice heaves, \$7.50 to \$10.00; fair to good heaves, \$7.00 to \$9.00; common to fair heaves, \$6.50 to \$8.50; good to choice yearlings, \$12.00 to \$14.00; fair to good yearlings, \$11.00 to \$13.00; common to fair yearlings, \$10.00 to \$12.00; good to choice cows, \$10.00 to \$12.00; fair to good cows, \$9.00 to \$11.00; common to fair cows, \$8.00 to \$10.00; good to choice steers, \$12.00 to \$14.00; fair to good steers, \$11.00 to \$13.00; common to fair steers, \$10.00 to \$12.00; good to choice hogs, \$10.00 to \$12.00; fair to good hogs, \$9.00 to \$11.00; common to fair hogs, \$8.00 to \$10.00; good to choice sheep, \$10.00 to \$12.00; fair to good sheep, \$9.00 to \$11.00; common to fair sheep, \$8.00 to \$10.00.

Chicago, July 6.—Receipts, 500 head; compared with a week ago, market for steers above 1,500, steady; cattle, making for a week's better work, \$11.00 to \$12.00. The bulk being \$14.50 to \$16.00 with the top at \$16.75. The market has been fairly active during the week, but the receipts until the close of the week finds the hogs from 250 to 350 higher than last Saturday.

Sheep—There were no fresh arrivals in the market today. Total receipts for the week being 35,000 head. While the sheep market has been slow and drab, it has been fairly active during the week. The market has been fairly active during the week, but the receipts until the close of the week finds the hogs from 250 to 350 higher than last Saturday.

St. Louis Live Stock Market. St. Louis, July 6.—Cattle—Receipts, 500 head; compared with a week ago, market for steers above 1,500, steady; cattle, making for a week's better work, \$11.00 to \$12.00. The bulk being \$14.50 to \$16.00 with the top at \$16.75. The market has been fairly active during the week, but the receipts until the close of the week finds the hogs from 250 to 350 higher than last Saturday.

Kansas City Live Stock Market. Kansas City, July 6.—Cattle—Receipts, 500 head; compared with a week ago, market for steers above 1,500, steady; cattle, making for a week's better work, \$11.00 to \$12.00. The bulk being \$14.50 to \$16.00 with the top at \$16.75. The market has been fairly active during the week, but the receipts until the close of the week finds the hogs from 250 to 350 higher than last Saturday.

Evaporated Apples and Dried Fruits. New York, July 6.—Evaporated Apples—Dull; state, 14@15c.

Dried Fruits—Prunes, firm; California, 7 1/2@8 1/2c; Oregon, 7 1/2@8 1/2c; Apples, waiting; choice, 15c; extra, choice, 16c; fancy, 19@20c. Peaches, waiting; standard, 12@13c; choice, 13@14c; fancy, 13 1/2@14 1/2c. Raisins, waiting; standard, 10@11c; choice, 11@12c; seedling, 10@11c; London layers, 12@13c.

London Money. London, July 6.—Money—3 1/2 per cent. Discount Rates—Short bills, 3 1/2 per cent; three months' time, 3 1/2 per cent; six months' time, 3 1/2 per cent; Silver Bar, 48 1/2-164 per ounce.

Cotton Market. New York, July 6.—Cotton—Futures opened steady, July, 21 1/2c; October, 24 1/2c; December, 24 1/2c; January, 24 1/2c; May, 24 1/2c.

Berlin Street Changed. New Orleans, July 4.—Because everything Teutonic is more than 60 years old in this city of French customs and traditions the board of city commissioners by ordinance has erased Berlin street from the map and substituted the name of Pershing street.

Now the Orleans who returns to the city after an absence of several years is directed to Pershing street something like this: "Sonny," he asks a newsboy, "can you tell me where Pershing street is?" "Sure, Mike," is the grinning reply. "Where do you think General Pershing is headed for?" "Why, Berlin, of course," the seeker of knowledge answers. "Well, then, Mister, you go to Berlin and that's where you'll find Pershing street."

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