

EAST FIRST STREET DEAL TO BE CLOSED

Property Options May Be Taken Up Tuesday.

PROMISE GIVEN OWNERS

Speculation Connects Purchases With Both Southern Pacific and Milwaukee Railways.

Property owners with holdings along the west side of East First street, at intervals between East Burnside street and Hawthorne avenue, on which options recently were taken by Claude Starr, realty dealer and one of the chief owners of the Evergreen Apartment Hotel company, said yesterday that definite promises had been made them that the deals would be closed on August 1.

The options have been taken up and deeds made out, and, according to information given the owners by Mr. Starr, the purchases are pending the complete investigation of titles on the property.

Mr. Starr Out of City.

Speculation has been rife in east side business circles for several weeks, since the optioning of the property began, as to whom the titles eventually will be transferred. Mr. Starr is not buying the property for his personal estate, but he refuses to give out any information about the tentative deals and has been out of the city for the last week, refusing to disclose the destination of his trip before leaving.

He is expected to return next Monday, the day before the deals are to be closed, according to his promises to owners.

Southern Pacific Involved.

The opinion that the property was being bought for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, which eventually intended to use it for terminal purposes, extending its line here from the Grays Harbor branch, was given at first, due to the fact that Mr. Starr has been closely allied with the interests of this road in several past instances. This theory, however, is being discounted by railroad and real estate men, and it has been reported that the agent is, in this case, working in the interest of the Southern Pacific company.

Definite information from reliable sources recently has been to the effect that the Southern Pacific company is making the purchases.

Counsel for Road Noncommittal.

Ben C. Dey, attorney for the Southern Pacific here, neither will deny nor affirm the report that the deals are being made for his company. He steadfastly maintains an air of silence, further than to state that he has "no information to give out."

The fact that all of the property lying along the Southern Pacific company's right of way in East First street has not been optioned has caused some consternation, for it was thought by business interests that the company had planned to buy the property with an idea of eventually elevating the tracks through the east side factory and warehouse district.

Competition Is Eliminated.

The options taken at intervals would seem to indicate a desire on the part of the company to maintain the trackage along this district without opposition from competitive roads, according to the opinion of many property holders who are concerned.

It is said that the options could be obtained more easily and deals closed for property along the west side of the street than on the east, for the buildings on the east side are much larger and of more permanent construction, including the Olympia flouring mills, which hardly would be condemned for a railroad right of way if the company did intend to lay tracks along the property or to elevate the tracks there.

HOQUIAM MILL CLOSES

Grays Harbor Plant Acts as Result of Log Shortage.

ABERDEEN, Wash., July 28.—(Special.)—The Grays Harbor Lumber mill in Hoquiam closed yesterday at the end of the night shift as a result of the log shortage which has resulted in the closing of several harbor mills. It is hoped to resume operations about Monday. The National Lumber Manufacturing company plant, which was closed for a week early this month on account of the shortage, resumed operations with two full shifts last week. While the car shortage on Grays harbor, due to the railroad strike, is causing some delay in shipments, the Grays Harbor Lumber company schedule has not been materially damaged. The log shortage is occasioned by forest fires, curtailing logging operations.

SLOT MACHINES RAIDED

Gambling Devices in Vancouver, Wash., Are Confiscated.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 28.—(Special.)—Ten pool halls and cafes were raided here last night as a part of the campaign against slot machines. The machines were confiscated and will be destroyed by court order. The owners of the devices will be compelled to appear in court within the next few days for arraignment. All are at liberty on their own recognizance.

The places raided were: Fred Cole, 360 Main; George Manolis, 336 Main and 302 Main; W. J. Barker, 210 Main; Bungalow Cafe, Fourth and Main; Dick Ward, R. E. Heater, 706 Main; Gus Bardinolis, 748 Main; W. R. Goley, 605 1/2 Main; George Lowery, Third and Main.

EUROPE TOLD TO WORK

Credits Depend on Energy in Industry, Says A. E. Clark.

As a result of the war strong nationalistic feelings have been developed rather than diminished thereby making the solution of European troubles a grave problem, declared A. E. Clark, well-known Portland attorney, in an address before the City club yesterday

noon, before whom he defended America's policy of not entering into an alliance with European governments. Mr. Clark recently returned from abroad, where he has been engaged at different intervals on government and private business during and following the war.

"There is a prevalent feeling in this country that the United States should take definite steps to help Europe get on its feet. There are two ways in which this could be done financially: first, by adding credits at the expense of the public treasury, and second, by credits through an alliance of the large financial groups. Financial interests are telling Europe to first put its house in order, reduce military

WHAT CONGRESS DID AS ITS DAY'S WORK.

Senate. Bill providing for anti-lynching legislation favorably reported. McCormick, republican, Illinois, eulogized Senator Reed and prayed for his success in the Missouri primary. Debate, a few slight reductions being made in the wool schedule. Petition received from Pat Crowe for land distribution to former service men.

forees and apply to industry the energy which is now being wasted hating the other nation." J. A. Churchill, superintendent of public instruction, was another speaker.

POINDEXTER IN OLYMPIA

Washington Senator Addresses Rotary Club.

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 28.—(Special.)—Senator Poindexter, in his campaign for re-election, spent a quiet day in Olympia today, addressing briefly two gatherings of a non-political character and during the afternoon calling on friends in business and official circles here.

Senator Poindexter was a guest of the Olympia Rotary club at its weekly luncheon at noon, and tonight addressed delegates of the Pacific northwest livestock tour at a banquet given in their honor by the Thurston county farm bureau in Rear-Admiral Henry T. Mayo, United States navy (retired), who was also a guest of the Rotary club at noon, paid high tribute to Senator Poindexter's work as acting chairman of the senate naval affairs committee during the war.

Office to Be Abolished.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., July 28.—(Special.)—County commissioners announced today that the office of sanitary inspector, now held by Joe Toner, will be abolished August 1. The work will be taken over by the state department of health, it was stated.

CRUELTY TO HENS CHARGED BY WIFE

Woman Asks Divorce From 'Abuser of Chickens.'

FIVE OTHER SUITS FILED

Mrs. Marie Vesey Says Husband Objected to Her Visits to Friends in Afternoon.

Cruelty to herself she could stand, but cruelty to her chickens she could not, Mrs. Agnes Ann Delk averred in divorce action filed against her husband, J. T. Delk, yesterday. The Delks were married in Vancouver in January, 1921. To help support herself because her husband failed to provide sufficient money, Mrs. Delk took up the raising of chickens, at which occupation, she declared, she was highly successful. Delk, however, abused the chicks as well as herself, she charged, and the divorce complaint followed. Mrs. Delk asked for \$25 a month permanent alimony and one-third of the real estate owned by Delk.

When Mrs. Marie C. Vesey left home for an afternoon to visit a friend and do some shopping, she was greeted on her return home by her husband with the accusation that no woman went out in the afternoons unless she was chaste and for immoral purposes, she alleged in a divorce complaint. The Vesey's were married in Seattle.

Maiden Name Wanted. In the suit for divorce from the husband, Edward A. Vesey, Mrs. Vesey asked for the restoration of her maiden name of Marie C. Kingsley.

Donald Currie was charged with being a "confessed gambler" by his wife, Mrs. Mary Currie, in her suit for divorce, filed yesterday. The whereabouts of the defendant was placed at "somewhere in Alberta, Canada." Currie, his wife said, left Portland because he said he did not like America and the Americans. There are two children, Helen, aged 18, and Mabel, 17.

A marriage of 22 years crashed on the rocks yesterday when Mrs. Katie Walker filed suit for divorce against Fred L. Walker. The Walkers were married in 1900. There is one daughter, Margaret, 18 years old.

Cruel and inhuman treatment was charged by Mrs. Grace J. Hagen in her suit against Frank J. Hagen. Mrs. Hagen asked for \$50 a month permanent alimony.

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