

REALTY MARKET SHOWS NO HILL

Good Demand and Frequent Sales Even During Hot Summer Weather.

POINTS TO A BUSY FALL

Conditions Throughout Country Give No Indication of a Slump According to Dealer Who Has Just Returned From the East.

Considering the fact the vacation season is now well under way, the past week in real estate has been an unusually busy one. Although the mercury has been hovering near the 90 mark it has not been hot enough to bring the property dealer to a standstill.

Hotel Brings Big Price. The latest transaction of the past week was the sale of the Hebert-Curtis hotel on the corner of 14th and Commercial streets.

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about 8,000,000 feet more available near by. Mr. Lambert and his associates bought from G. P. McNear, who lives somewhere in California.

PROGRESS ON STREET WORK

Permanent Pavement to Be Laid on Grand Avenue. The work of laying heavy grooved steel rails on Grand avenue north from East Morrison street is progressing.

Will Build Detention Home.

Multnomah County will erect a new detention home for the use of the Juvenile Court near Montavilla.



RESIDENCE OF W. A. CADWELL, EAST NINTH AND SCHUYLER STREETS.

000. Four dormitories for boys and girls will be provided and there will be class rooms. Construction will be started at once and the home will be ready for occupancy by January 1.

Sales of Residence Lots.

Mrs. A. Larry has sold for F. A. Silversand a lot and modern six-room residence on East Eighth street.

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BUILD FOUR STORIES

Simon to Spend \$50,000 on East Side.

WORK TO BEGIN AT ONCE

St. Francis Church Will Erect Edifice of Natural Stone for Which Specifications Are Now Being Prepared.

Another four-story brick building is assured for the East Side, to be erected by George Simon on the quarter-block at the southeast corner of East Third and East Burnside streets.

The quarter-block will be cleared of obstructions at once and it is hoped to get a crew to start on the basement during the coming week.

Improvements, will be more than \$15,000. C. C. Robbins drew the plans. Although the school district is building in all 24 classrooms on the East Side, which will provide for 120 pupils, there is still a demand for more schoolhouses.

A new building is wanted by the people of Richmond-Waverly, where the children travel more than a mile to order to reach the Clinton Kelly building.

In the direction of the Rose City Park and Rosemere a schoolhouse is wanted. Conditions at Mount Tabor are such that a new site and new building on West avenue is an absolute necessity.

In the old school district of Lewis more room will be needed to house the children next fall. Possibly two extra rooms will be provided for at Woodmere.

PROUD OF ITS CLUBROOMS

East Side Has Excellent Facilities for Entertainment.

The reception and dinner to Vice-President Fairbanks at the East Side Club rooms and Hotel Sargent, given by the Portland Press Club, was an important event in the history of the East Side.

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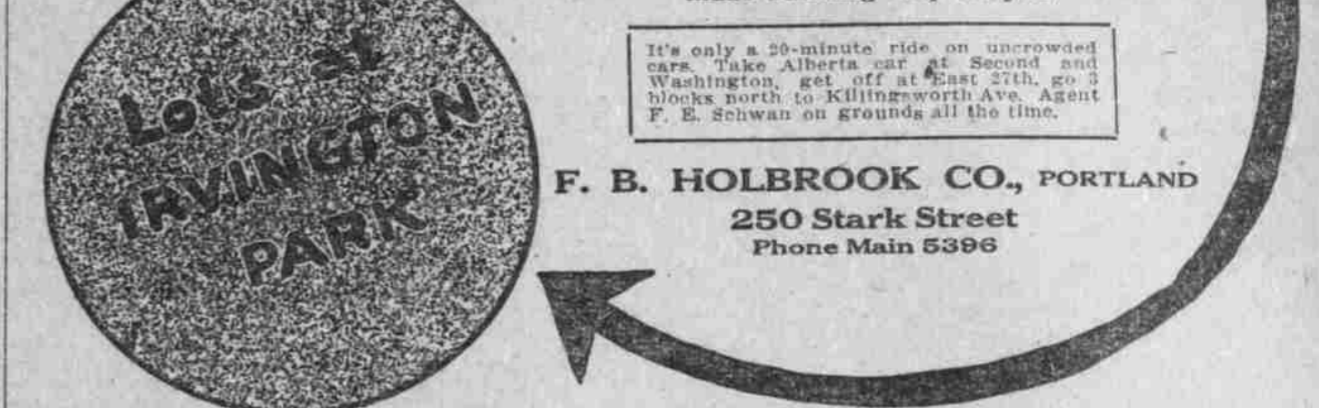
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See Them Today!

Take an outing for an hour or so, or have a picnic party if you wish. Stroll about among the thickly growing firs and cedars. Enjoy the shade; the gentle, cooling breeze; the view. We want you to see Irvington Park before street grading and improvements are started and prices go up. You can't realize what a really delightful and desirable home-site Irvington Park is, or how sound an investment, until you've seen it and passed through the streets leading there. Then tomorrow call at our office and find out how we make building easy for you.



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between the Irvington property-owners and the Council or members thereof, and there is absolutely no way by which any paving company could become party to it, to even the slightest degree, save through members of the Council. The petitions filed are signed by the owners of more than four-fifths of all the property affected.

The men who pay the bills do not work a graft on themselves. So far as the property-owners' fight for one pavement or the other, it is in what they conceive to be their own interests, not in or against the interest of any paving company.

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and, though my petition was filed first, one of bitulithic throughout was given the preference. Should not this same rule hold for the numbered streets running north and south? As they now stand, each of them will be broken between bitulithic and bituminous macadam in a distance of 160 feet. If it was the interest of the city to have a continuous street in one case, it certainly is in the other. The change asked will give these continuous streets not alone Tillamook to Knott, but on to the north.

It is a very important matter to one or more paving companies that no change be made. If the city has any interest which will be served by refusing to grant the request of the property owners, no man has yet discovered it. As a matter of fact, it is to the interest of the city to have this large district paved with one kind of pavement.

As I own more than one-fourth of all the property affected south of Knott street, and one-third of all that north of that street, and pay the bills in that proportion, it is sufficiently evident that I am acting in the matter in my own interest, just as in every other petition. But the interest of the property owner and the city is in this case one and the same.

If any member of the Council believes it is not, I ask him, in all fairness, to point out wherein they differ.

The action of the Executive Board on Friday settles the question as to a small part of the district involved, but it is not yet too late to save the most of it.

One would have thought civic pride, if nothing else, would have kept the Boston owners solid out of the entire district in Irvington. The purchasers wanted a uniform pavement throughout the entire Irvington district, and they preferred asphalt to the uniform paving of the residence streets. I had not petitioned for it in the first place, partly on account of its cost, partly for the reason that as I could not secure a uniform paving for the whole district, I did not deem it advisable to go to the expense of putting it in for a part. The opportunity offering to secure for the whole district, I at once consented to a change being made from bitulithic and bituminous macadam to asphalt.

To secure this change, we prepared a petition of the property-owners, addressed to the Mayor and Council, asking that the action heretofore had in the entire Irvington district, Knott, East Fourth, East Tenth, East Twelfth, East Fourteenth and East Twenty-fourth, be extended and each and every street in the district paved with asphalt on a concrete base, specifying in our petition each and every street.

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Marriage Licenses. GLOVER-TAYLOR—J. C. Glover, 21, Mount Tabor; Ethel Taylor, 21, city. SCHLITZ-CARLEY—Harvey A. Schatz, 21, city; Beasie Carley, 21, city. ROBINSON-JENNINGS—John I. Robinson, 21, city; Mrs. Mary E. Jennings, 28, city. THOMPENS-BUCHAMPE—William J. Stephens, 21, Tillamook; Jessie Marrot Buchamp, 21, city. ARLATA-DAVIS—William Hartman Arlata, 21, city; Mary Davis, 18, city. CARLSON-LEIDTROM—Theodore Carlson, 21, city; Christine Leidtrom, 18, city. TEMPLE-LEWIS—C. H. Temple, 45, Montavilla; Clara A. Lewis, 25, city.

HEARD IN THE ROTUNDAS

P. S. MITCHELL, a well-known traveling salesman on the coast, who is a guest at the Portland, woke up one morning about six weeks ago and discovered that he was dead, so far as the world in general was concerned. Since that time life has been a burden for him, as he is now busily engaged in sending telegrams to his employers and family, to say nothing of letters and personal arguments to his friends, assuring them that it is not spectre of P. S. Mitchell who is on earth, but the real flesh and blood.

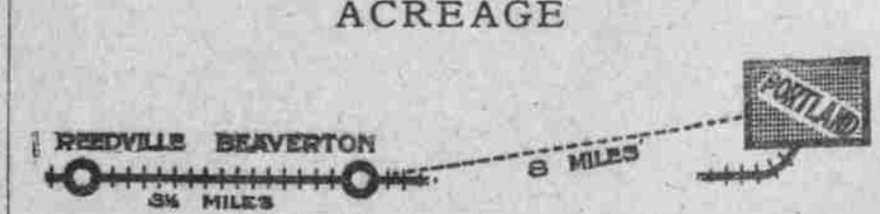
Mitchell started from the East on his present trip two months ago. He was as lively as usual, and he had felt any healthier would have been obliged to see a physician. He had been on the trip about ten days when he arrived in Butte. The unsuspecting salesman strode up to the desk of the Thornton Hotel there, grabbed a pen and started to register, when the clerk, who had known him for years, gave one quick snap, followed by a horrified yell, and scooped away. After reusultation, the hotel man explained to Mitchell that he was currently reported dead, and showed the surprised traveling man a copy of a trade paper giving an account of his alleged demise, also a flattering obituary notice. That day Mitchell met several of his road friends, who, when he approached them, and dashed into the nearest rumormongers.

From that eventful day in Montana Mitchell has met several of his friends, selling a similar line of goods, and who confessed that they heard the report of his death and had applied for his position. Also, Mitchell says, it's very cheerful to have to convince friends of long standing when you meet them that you are not a corpse.

How the story started and who the perpetrator is has not yet been discovered.

Men's negligee shirts, straw hats and ties—all elegant new goods—on special sale Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at Robinson & Co. See page 7, third section.

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