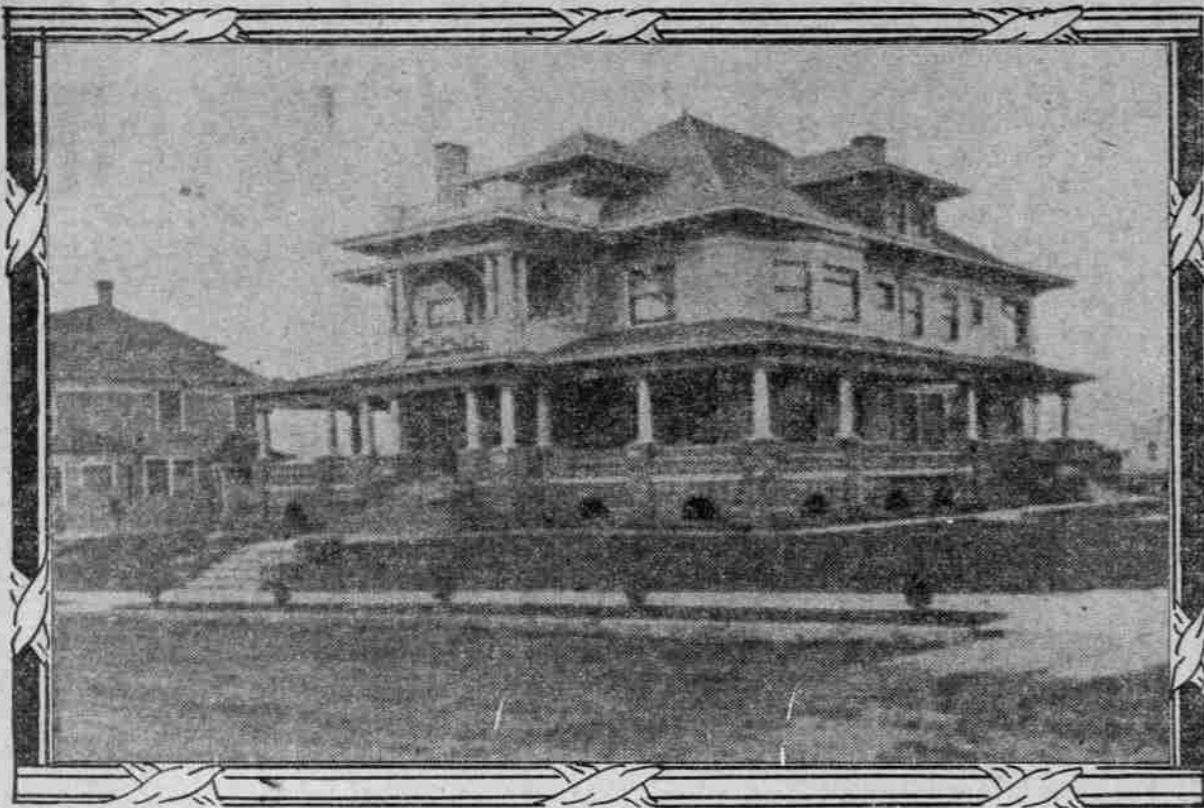


REPRESENTATIVE PORTLAND RESIDENCES, MANY OF WHICH ARE NOW UNDER COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION



LEWIS MONTGOMERY, E. 20TH AND SALMON ST



SWISS CHALET OF W.B. WIGGINS E. 22ND AND CLACKAMAS HEFTY-ARCHT.

FARM LANDS IN GREAT DEMAND

Market-Gardeners and Small Farmers in Market for Acreage.

INSIDE SITES INACTIVE

Along Terminal Lines, Warehouse Property is Strongly Held and Recent Sales Are Made at Top Figures.

About the only new feature in the real estate market the past week was the demand for lands along the lines of railroads recently opened or which are projected.

If this line is built, two lines to Hillsboro will be run through a rich farming country and a brisk movement in small tracts is sure to follow.

Agents who are making a specialty of lower Peninsula lands report a continuation of inquiry for lots and small acreage tracts.

Repairing Old Buildings.

A walk through the downtown districts furnishes an object lesson that is of significance.

Work on Fantages Theater has progressed to the extent of having the whole interior ripped out and a basement excavated.

The old building now remains, except the outside walls. Finishing touches are being put on the exterior of the Board of Trade building.

On account of rainy weather the last week, sales of lots in the new additions fell off somewhat.

Warehouse Sites Hold Values.

The sale of a 5650 building at Thirteenth and Marshall streets by the Portland Trust Company for \$13,000 was regarded as significant by the trade.

If they would drop their figures a little," said he, "you would find an active market again in that class of realty.

The same authority said that inquiries are for small farms. In a radius of about 15 miles values are gradually going up.

Compare With San Francisco.

Several realty men who have been visiting in California during the presence of the battleship fleet agree in saying that conditions here in Portland in their line are much better than those to the South.

"Probably that is to be expected," said he, "when the peculiar conditions are taken into account.

LEAVE OLD ROOMS

Commercial Club Members March to New Quarters.

SING FAREWELL SONGS

Celebration Follows Last Luncheon Served in Temporary Quarters. Housewarming Will Be Held Next Month.

Yesterday afternoon at the close of the lunch hour at the Commercial Club members present were called to order and Judge Cleland addressed them in a congratulatory vein.

Then bearing with them a copy of the Bible that had been saved from the fire, the Commercial Club went to the new building at Fifth and Oak and took possession of the handsome quarters.

The furnishing and decorations of the club were done under the supervision of Ellis F. Lawrence, of the firm of MacNaughton, Raymond & Lawrence.

Another Tract is Platted.

Ten Acres to Be Cut into Lots and Put on Market.

A notable sale of the week was the purchase of a 10-acre tract by Dr. Robert H. Ellis from Dr. T. L. Elliot.

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Printers' Ink of issue August 7, 1907, gave an account of several pages telling how Astoria was conducting this advertising campaign.

In Oregon large tracts of land are held by railroads, timber and lumber companies, not to mention foreign corporations of various kinds. These are all opposed to the making of subscriptions for publicity work, and there is no way to reach them excepting through taxation.

The Astoria Chamber of Commerce proposes to do this, and has prepared a bill which it will present to the Pacific Coast Advertising Men's Association convention at Portland and to every commercial organization in the State of Oregon for ratification. The bill as prepared, follows:

AN ACT authorizing the several counties and towns of the state to levy taxes for advertising and promoting the resources thereof.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Oregon:

Section 1. That any county or town of this state is hereby authorized and empowered to levy a special tax of not more than four mills for advertising, printing and distribution of literature in such manner and forms as may be determined upon, for the purpose of making known the various agricultural, horticultural, mining, manufacturing, commercial and other resources; or for the purpose of promoting manufacturing and railroad building enterprises by the payment of bounties or subsidies or for the promotion of any other enterprise that may be deemed for the best interests of the county or town.

Section 2. That the funds thus raised shall be turned over by the County Court to any Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trade or Commercial Club, or other organization formed for the purpose of advertising, promoting or otherwise furthering the commercial and industrial welfare of the community, as may be designated on the ballot cast at the election in which such special tax is voted.

Section 3. That any county may at any election instruct the County Court to set aside for such advertising and promotion

work as is distinguished in section 1 of this act, a sum not to exceed four mills of the assessed valuation, such appropriation to be paid as designated in section 2 of this act.

Section 4. Inasmuch as there is a pressing need for immediate action looking to the most effective advertising and promotion of the unutilized resources of the state, an emergency therefore, is hereby declared to exist, for which reason this act shall take effect and be in force on and after its approval by the Governor.

Governor Chamberlain, of Oregon, to whom the bill has been submitted, looks upon it with favor, as does also Senator Fulton, who has also given his opinion. The measure as presented is in a tentative form, and the judicial committee of the Legislature will be asked to scrutinize it closely that its terms may be safely written.

It would seem that this will be one of the most important measures affecting publicity work that has been considered in recent years in the State of Oregon.

DEATH OF J. R. E. SELBY

Civil War Veteran for Many Years Portland Resident.

J. R. E. Selby, of Portland, whose funeral was held last Tuesday, was a native of Maryland, born August 17, 1834. His father, a native of the same state, was born in 1798, was of Scotch ancestry and served in the War of 1812. His mother's family came from England. Mr. Selby spent his youth in Hamilton County, Indiana. At the time of the Civil War Mr. Selby enlisted in the Ninety-fourth Illinois Volunteer Regiment, Company E, and went at once to the front. He participated in the battle of Pin Grove, the siege of Vicksburg, the capture of Frazier City, the battle of Fort Donelson and in the fighting at Mississippi Pass and lastly at Spanish Fort. He was honorably discharged July 17, 1865. While in service he was seriously disabled. Mr. Selby went to California in 1854 and settled in Woodland, Yolo County, where he remained until 1878, when he came to Portland.

Mr. Selby was married in Indiana on May 8, 1857, to Miss Rebecca Shryock, who survives him. Four days previous to his death occurred the 51st anniversary of their marriage. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Richard M. Stuart, of Portland, and Mrs. W. L. Brooke, of Reno, Nev. Mr. Selby was a member of the Oddfellows and for several years was treasurer of Harmony Encampment, No. 19. His membership was with Samaritan Lodge, No. 2, under whose auspices, together with the G. A. R. of George Wright Post, his funeral was conducted.

Untidy Husband Loses Wife.

Lon Moore lost his wife yesterday because of being too infrequent in his use of the family bathtub. The wife, Margaret Moore, was given a decree of divorce by Circuit Judge Bronaugh. She testified that Moore was very untidy in his habits, so much so that she lately discovered his hair was inhabited. Besides that, he was crusty to her, so that she felt life would never be worth living so long as she was tied down to Moore. Her application for alimony was denied by the court.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE INTERIOR OF THE NEW COMMERCIAL CLUB ROOMS IN THE COMMERCIAL CLUB BUILDING

