

DENIAL IS MODIFIED

North Bank Head Refuses to Say Hill Not Buyer.

EAST SIDE REALTY LIKED

President Gray Insists His Road Is Not Purchaser of 12 Half Blocks, but Will Not Speak for Great Northern or Northern Pacific.

All doubt that one of the Hill roads is back of the recent real estate activity on the East Side waterfront, involving the transfer of 12 half blocks within the last few days, has been dispelled from the minds of many railroad men and realty operators who have been following the situation.

Although Carl H. Gray, president of the North Bank and Hill lines in Oregon, has denied repeatedly that the roads of which he is the head are the purchasers, he admits that he cannot say as much with reference to either the Great Northern or the Northern Pacific.

"All I can say on the subject," he said, "is that the North Bank has bought no property on the East Side, nor have any of the roads under my jurisdiction bought any such property. I am not in a position to speak for either the Great Northern or the Northern Pacific. If they are the purchasers, I consider them fortunate, for the property involved includes some of the most desirable in that portion of the city."

Mr. Gray carefully avoided answering all direct questions as to the identity of the purchaser of the Northern Pacific or the Great Northern are reputed to have in the recent sales.

"If a railroad is the purchaser," he said, "some mighty good has been bought up at nominal prices. They haven't been required to pay 'railroad figures' for it, but the more market value. Whether the latter is used for a railroad or not, I consider it a good investment, as I have sufficient confidence in inside Portland realty to believe that the person who buys in that section does not err in judgment."

That the activity in the East Side district has not ended is evidenced by the fact that another sale was made yesterday. A half block at East Morrison and East First streets, with a frontage of 100 feet on each street, was sold to C. D. Brunson, who also has been the purchaser of most of the other property involved in the recent sales.

Agents of the Milwaukee road, it is said, also have been active in Portland in the last few weeks and persons still are inclined to believe that the Milwaukee is interested in the recent transactions.

CROSSINGS MOOT TOPIC

East Side Residents Divided on Proposed Viaduct Plan.

To provide safe crossings on the streets which intersect the O-W, H. & N. main line between East Thirtieth street and the city limits is a problem to be solved soon. In Center Addition a movement has been started to extend a number of streets over the railroad. As first grade crossings were projected on East Fifty-second, East Fifty-third, East Fifty-fourth and East Fifty-fifth streets, and a little grading was done on East Fifty-sixth, which was stopped by court proceedings at request of the railroad company.

The streets mentioned are only a few of the many streets that intersect the railway track, and the result of the controversy will affect a large district. At the intersections of Sandy boulevard and the railroad a safe crossing is wanted before the improvement is made. The railroad company brings its trains to a stop when approaching this crossing.

The Ross City Park Improvement League has had this crossing under consideration for the past year, and has been insisting on a viaduct to carry the streetcars and traffic over the main line, but that plan is opposed as are the proposed viaducts in Center Addition.

The railroad runs for about two miles inside the city, and at present only grade crossings are used. The district along the railroad is shifting rapidly and the danger is constantly on the increase. It is announced that crossings will be considered at the meeting of the Council street committee Friday. Both sides will be represented. The City Engineer favors the construction of viaducts.

\$800 SAVED BY BURNER

Crematory Superintendent Reports Month's Gain for City.

The new city crematory will save the city \$800 this month, declares Superintendent Otis in a report submitted yesterday to Mayor Rushlight. The report shows that up to noon yesterday the plant burned 2716 cubic feet of garbage at an average of 46 cents a ton or at a total cost of \$1252.88. The cost a ton was six cents for fuel, 40 cents for labor and two cents for tools and repairs.

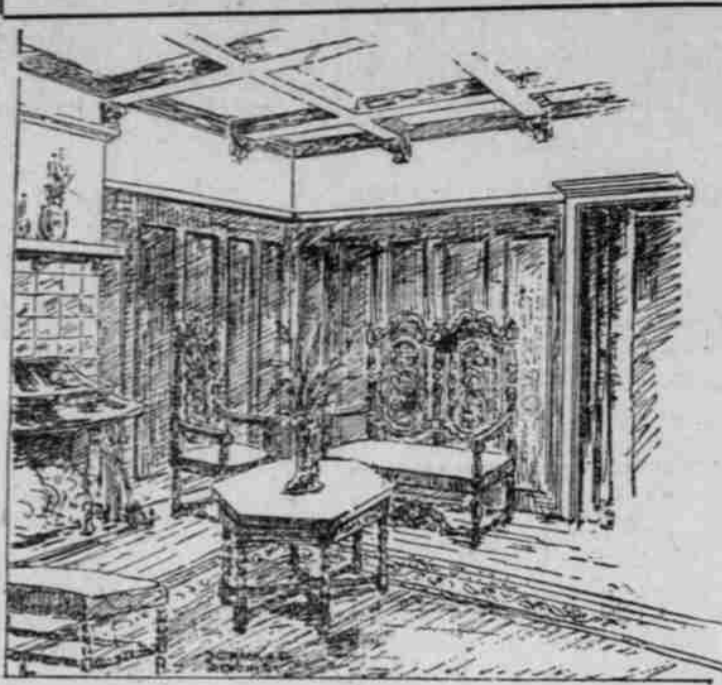
The cost of burning garbage in the old plant was between 15 and 25 cents a ton. The total cost for the month under the old system would have been about \$2350.

The plant demonstrated December 26 that it has a greater capacity than demanded by the city, and the contractors, owing to Sunday and Christmas day coming together a vast amount of garbage was piled December 26. A total of 17 tons was burned. The capacity of the plant is believed to be 150 tons a day.

Camera Club Has Party.

The Camera Club of the Washington High School had a delightful party last Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Elaine Ewell, at 802 1/2 Taylor street. Games and music formed the entertainment of the evening; supper was served later. Those present were Misses Hazel Kain, Evelyn Ewart, Elizabeth Havelley, Sallie Havelley, Winnie Kerns, Joanna Parker, Imogene Jewell, May Smith, Helen Trojan, Bernice Lee, Gladys Todd, Blanche Peterson, Lottie Grant, Gertrude Tronson, Elwyn Marston, Beatrice Tate, Elaine Ewell, Freeman McNary, Albert Kaim, Shelby Davies, Linton Davies, Martin Nelson, William Graham, August Hunderup, Douglas Bate, Dale Jewell, Charles Raymond, Dean Peterson, Robert Hyde and Horace Miller.

Store Closed All Day Tomorrow



Bedroom Furniture

- Dozens of bargains not listed here are offered in bedroom furniture of every wood and style. \$25.00 Birdseye Maple Dressers for \$13.50. \$28.00 Mahogany Napoleon Bed \$16.00. \$38.00 Golden Oak Chiffonier \$21.00. \$40.00 Golden Oak Dresser to match \$22.00. \$35.00 Maple Napoleon Bed, two sizes \$29.00. \$60.00 Child's Maple Set, Bed, Dresser and Chiffonier, for \$36.00. \$85.00 Cirassian Walnut Twin Beds, cane panels \$40.00. \$75.00 Dresser to match \$40.00. \$40.00 Toilet Table to match \$25.00.

SOLID MAHOGANY COLONIAL SUITE

- \$85.00 Dresser \$65.00 \$72.00 Chiffonier \$60.00. \$50.00 Toilet Table \$38.00 \$60.00 Bed \$48.00.

ROSEWOOD SUITE

- \$90.00 Dresser \$60.00 \$55.00 Toilet Table \$40.00. \$75.00 Bed \$50.00 \$65.00 Chiffonier \$45.00. \$55.00 Cheval \$35.00 \$32.00 Room Table \$22.00.

Chevalls and Dressing Tables

- \$7.00 for Fumed Oak Dressing Table, regular \$12.00. \$14.00 for Birdseye Maple Dressing Table, regular \$19.00. \$15.00 for Enamelled Dressing Table, regular \$25.00. \$20.00 for Golden Oak Dressing Table, regular \$35.00. \$40.00 for Mahogany Inlaid Dressing Table, regular \$60.00. \$48.00 for Cirassian Walnut Dressing Table, regular \$70.00. \$58.00 for Enamelled Dressing Table, regular \$70.00. \$35.00 for Cirassian Walnut Cheval, regular \$45.00. \$48.00 for Cirassian Walnut Cheval, regular \$60.00. \$45.00 for Solid Mahogany Cheval, regular \$75.00. \$48.00 for Solid Mahogany Cheval, regular \$80.00.

How to Save Money on Fine Furniture

Read this list of prices carefully. Doubtless you will find in it furniture that you have long wanted. Buy it now, for no such opportunity will occur again for another year.

We have just one sale each year. It is a clearance sale pure and simple. It is undertaken not to make money, but to rid our floors of accumulated odds and ends and to make room for the placing of new purchases.

Constant change in stocks is demanded of a high-class store by an exacting public. Constant ability on our part to absorb the new patterns as fast as they are ready is demanded by the great makers, like Berkey & Gay, Cowan and Mayhew—whose product we control in this market.

Hence this sale, where every piece of furniture in the house is sharply reduced, and where hundreds of values are offered quite as interesting as those here quoted.

January Sale of Floor Coverings

Practically the whole of our immense stock of Floor Coverings is affected by this sale, and the shrewd buyer will save a lot of money by making purchases now. In Carpets we offer Royal Wiltons, Teprac Wiltons, Wilton Velvets, Axminsters, Velvets, Body and Tapestry Brussels, as well as many special weaves. All are shown in a wide range of exclusive patterns, while our stock of Rugs is well known for its extent and variety. It would certainly be unwise to buy floor coverings without a visit to our carpet section.

Rare Values in Odd Pieces

Close-outs, dropped and slow-moving patterns that must be sold this month.

- \$18.00 Oak Hall Clocks for \$8.75. \$25.00 Oak China Closet, \$14.00. \$48.00 Leather Roker, \$30.00. \$60 Mahogany Wardrobe \$42.00. \$90.00 Fumed Oak Buffet \$55.00. \$110 Fumed Oak Chi. Closet, \$60. \$85 Fumed Oak Side'd, \$68.00. \$285 Mahogany Inlaid China Closet for \$190.00. \$82.50 Mahog'y China Closet \$55. Also special values in Dining Tables, in all prices running up to \$300 each.

For the Living-Room

Notable reductions on good things in oak and mahogany.

- \$12.50 Fumed Oak Chair, now \$9.00. \$23.00 Fumed Oak Chair, now \$12.00. \$18.00 Fumed Oak Magazine Rack, now \$12.00. \$20.00 Solid Mahogany Roker, now \$15.00. \$28.00 Fumed Oak Chair, leather seat and back, now \$15.50. \$35.00 Fumed Oak Table Desk \$18.00. \$28.00 Solid Mahogany Roker \$20.00. \$34.00 Solid Mahogany Chair \$25.00. \$38.00 Solid Mahogany Library Table \$25.00. \$80.00 Solid Mahogany Library Table \$48.00. \$75.00 Mahogany Bookcase \$50.00. \$100.00 Mahogany Bookcase \$60.00. \$87.50 Overstuffed Davenport \$70.00. \$110.00 Mahogany Cabinet \$70.00. \$90.00 Colonial Mahogany Davenport \$75.00. \$110.00 Mahogany Writing Table \$85.00. \$115.00 Mahogany Library Table \$110.00. \$135.00 Mahogany Colonial Davenport \$110.00. \$160.00 Overstuffed Davenport \$130.00.

Also reductions in fumed oak tables and bookcases, willow and reed furniture, fine carved oak period piece, easy chairs, desks, and occasional tables of every sort.

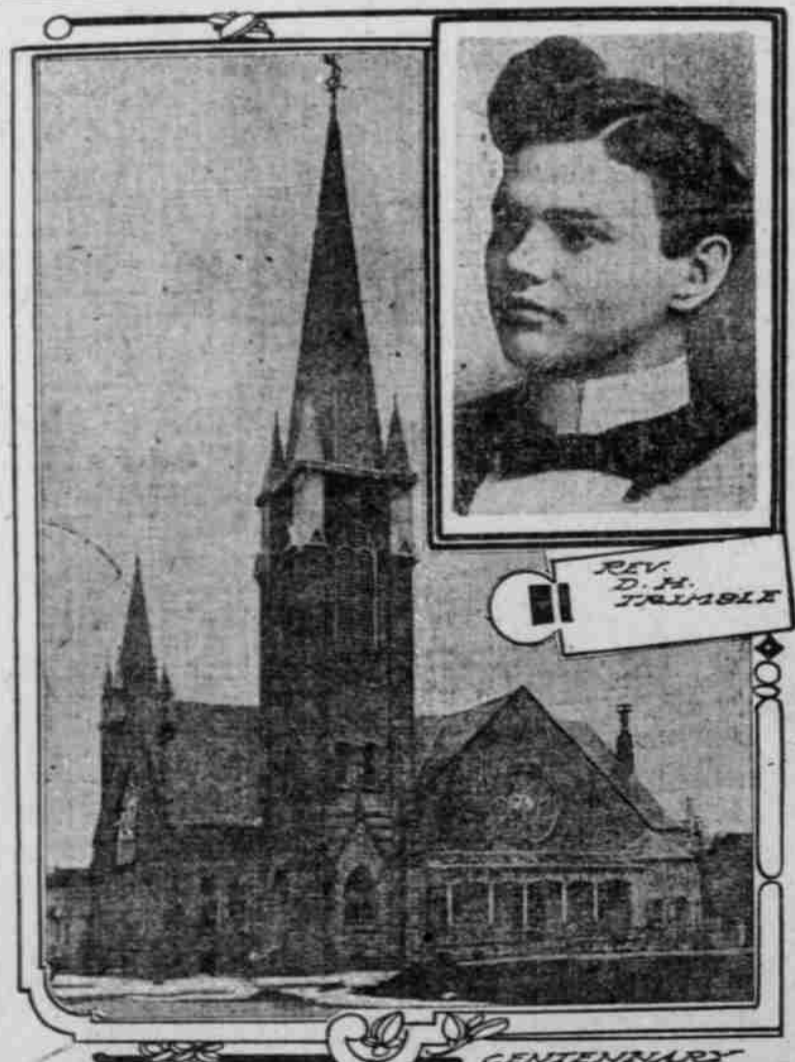
Drapery Specials

Our entire year's accumulation of remnants, short lengths and dropped patterns in every grade of nets, drapery and upholstery fabrics will be sacrificed. Many of them selling for only a third of regular price.

J. G. Mack & Co. Fifth and Stark

PASTOR ADVERTISES HIS CHURCH IN NEWSPAPERS

Rev. Delmer H. Trimble Believes Business Publicity Methods in Religious Work Will Be Effective in Bringing People to Church.



ONE of the most daring innovations in religious worship ever attempted in a Portland church will be tried this evening at Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, East Pine and Ninth streets, when the pastor, Rev. Delmer H. Trimble, will take his congregation on a "personally conducted" slumming expedition. And scarcely less daring is the advertising of the fact in the daily papers in display space.

Tours "Sing O Heavens" and Griggs' "There Dwell in Old Judea" were some of the vocal numbers.

While the programme tonight will not be so specifically musical, 15 minutes will be devoted to a musical service, and the instrumental music will include Berger's "Andante," Smart's "Allegro in G" and "Angel Kisses," by Lincoln, the last by the Centenary Brotherhood Orchestra, composed not of amateurs, but of skilled professional musicians. The evening anthem will be that beautiful production of Maupied, "Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem."

This calling in the violin and cello, the cornet and trombone to aid in religious worship; the use of classical music; the introduction of the stereopticon as a feature of the programme and even the advertising of these unusual attractions by display advertising in the daily papers—not one of these is entirely new. But the combination of such innovations is quite novel to Portland and has already attracted comment.

The tenor soloists who will take part in these programmes are Walter Holl and Dale R. Matthews, and they call themselves "gospel" tenors, in that they make a specialty of religious and gospel music. One or both of them will appear each Sunday evening. The Pacific Male Quartet is quite well known already.

When Dr. Trimble was asked how he thought the general public would regard the introduction of such "amuse-ment" features into the evening services, he replied:

"Some may criticize, but I have no apologies to offer. Indeed, I don't believe any are needed. What I want to do is to get people within reach of the gospel. If I can do that by offering them some attractive feature on my programme, I believe that I am perfectly justified in doing so, provided the attraction is not in conflict with religious ideals."

Effective Home Remedy for Tuberculosis

It is a serious matter when the lungs are affected. A trip away or to a sanatorium is not only tremendously expensive, but it involves separation from home and friends. Some are benefited, but none can safely return. Eckman's Alternative is effective—no leaving home necessary. For example: leaving home Atlantic Ave., Haddonfield, N. J. "Gentlemen: In the Fall of 1905 I contracted a very severe cold, which settled on my lungs. At last I began to relax spasm, and my physician then told me I must go to California immediately. At this time I stayed at home and commenced taking it the last week in October. I began to improve, and the first week in January, 1906, I resumed my regular occupation, having gained 25 pounds, fully restored to health. It is now five years since my cure has been effected, and I cannot praise Eckman's Alternative too highly. I have recommended it with excellent results."

(Signed) W. M. TATEM. Eckman's Alternative is effective in Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever, Throat and Lung Troubles, and in equalizing the system. Does not contain poisons, opiates or habit-forming drugs. For sale by The Owl Drug Co., and other leading druggists. Ask for booklet of cured cases and write to Eckman Laboratories, Philadelphia, Pa., for additional evidence.

but in presenting these views the religious motif will not be lost.

"The Salvation Army goes into the streets with a horn and a bass drum and invites people to its hall. There is where its real work is done. The street work is but the invitation, the 'advertising,' so to speak."

Advertising is employed. These special features, orchestra, music, lantern slides, are Centenary's invitation. And to take the place of the bass drum, to attract attention, we are putting display ads in the papers to let people know about us.

"Why, if I could afford to do it, I would not hesitate to hire a man with a megaphone to sail over Portland in an airship and advertise my meetings. If I thought it would be effective in getting people within hearing of my preaching—within the influence of the church."

However bizarre Dr. Trimble's views and methods may appear, they have been effective thus far in his career. He had a remarkably effective pastorate over the West Adams-Street Methodist Episcopal Church at Los Angeles. He built the Methodist church at Eugene, Or., from a membership of 600 to 1200 in four years. At Centenary in less than 15 months the membership has been increased 450.

Scarcely a Sunday has passed since he became pastor that several new members have not come into the church. Last Sunday there were eight at the morning service and five at the evening service.

But Dr. Trimble is not satisfied. He believes that Centenary church is destined to become the most powerful and influential Methodist church on the

East Side in Portland. Costing \$80,000, the church is one of the finest houses of worship in the city. Located in a scattering residence district at the foot of its erection, the growth of the city is fast making it a downtown church, surrounded, not by individual residences, but by apartment-houses.

"Ten years from now," said the pastor, "there will be ten times as dense a population around Centenary as now. It will be a congested district and close to the poorer residence portion of the city. That means that a duty will devolve upon it, as a downtown church, that must be met by building up now a strong organization in numbers, in wealth and last, but most important, in spiritual fervor and zeal."

With all the "features" that are included in the Sunday evening services, the pastor does not forget the real purpose—preaching the gospel. While his sermons—or talks—last but 30 minutes, they are bright and snappy. Tonight he will talk about "Living With Yourself." His thought will be: "What kind of a fellow are you living with? How do you like his company? How do you think you can improve the fellow you are living with? This is one of a series of Sunday evening talks under the general title of 'Life Talks.'"

Wood Planer Exhibited.

Edward Rawson, of St. Johns, Or., has perfected a wood-planer with a chain-driven feed mechanism, which he believes will revolutionize this appliance, as this feature is acknowledged to be an improvement over the present machine. Mr. Rawson asserts that his invention does away with all gears,

thus eliminating the troublesome and expensive drive feeds. Each chain operates independently of the others, is noiseless and easy running, yet powerful. It is also asserted that the new type can be built much cheaper than the old system of gears and expansion gears. In addition to the chain-driven mechanism the planer is equipped with a variable, reversible frictional gear, very powerful in its operation. The entire machine has been thoroughly tested and is now on exhibition at the Rawson shop in St. Johns.

IRVINGTON CLUB TO ELECT

Annual Meeting of Portland Organization to Be Held January 9.

The annual meeting of the Irvington Club will be held Tuesday, January 9, at 8 P. M. at the clubhouse. Each active and life member is urged to attend this meeting of the club and participate in the proceedings, as the election of four trustees will be held.

The trustees elected a nominating committee, consisting of W. J. Hoffmann, J. P. Menefee, George W. Boeckhe, John S. Heall and E. P. Holmes, who have nominated for trustees the following members: Three-year term, Johnston P. Porter, J. L. Bowman, T. J. Seufert; one-year term, John Stewart.

The by-laws further prescribe that any other five members of the club, not members of the board of trustees, may recommend a different list of members and mail the same over their signatures at least five days before the date of the annual meeting.

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