

# CLOSING DAYS OF 1910 FIND REALTY MARKET STRONG

### Purchase by Ambrose B. Scott of Quarter Block at Union and Hawthorne One of the Best Sales of the Week.

Based upon the week's transfers and building permits, the realty market of Portland was never in a more satisfactory condition than it is during the closing days of 1910.

There have been many weeks in the past few years in which the volume of real estate changing hands here quadrupled last week's total.

One of the best sales of the week was the purchase by Ambrose B. Scott of the quarter block at the northwest corner of Union and Hawthorne avenues.

It is the intention of the new owner to improve the site with one-story brick store building, work on which will begin early in the new year.

The transfer last Wednesday by Charles K. Henry and associates to the Portland Terminal Investment company, a subsidiary corporation of the Harriman roads, of the tier of blocks between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets and extending from Hoyt to Quincy, marked the final stages of the largest single deal in Portland real estate that has ever been carried to a successful conclusion.

Shortly thereafter Mr. Henry acquired blocks W, V, U and Y, which lie between Fourth and Seventh streets and are north of Hoyt street.

Unable to Acquire Property. In buying the blocks between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets Mr. Henry was unable to acquire four quarters and a single lot, the owner refusing to fix a price which he thought reasonable.

H. B. Adams has purchased from Mrs. E. E. Gilman two lots in the Nob Hill district for which he paid \$13,000.

The best price so far reported for a Union avenue corner, north of Russell street, was paid last week by Otto J. Gensser and associates, who purchased from William Glaser a 25x50 foot parcel located at the southwest corner of Union avenue and Fremont street for \$7000.

John C. Edwards has sold to E. W. Metch a fraction of the 50 foot lot at the southeast corner of Union avenue and East Burnside street for \$5000.

James R. Douglas has purchased from J. C. McGrew lots 8 and 9 and the south half of lot 12 in Kern Park for \$6000.

The Security Building company has sold to Mrs. Mary B. Ripley a modern

## Lot Owners' Association Plans Giving Park Aspect to Lone Fir Cemetery



Scenes in Lone Fir Cemetery, and Howard E. Weed, architect, whose services have been obtained to improve its beauties.

Beautified Lone Fir cemetery will have more of the appearance of a park than of a burying ground, after the plans of Howard Everts Weed, landscape architect, have been worked out.

Residence recently completed at the southwest corner of Hendricks avenue and Jarrett street in Piedmont for \$4600.

The handsome new residence occupying a quarter of a block in Overlook addition was purchased last week by A. J. McDaniel for \$4000.

Blaisdell, Shoup & Daly report the sale of three houses and lots in block 1, Kenwood Park, to Thomas and W. E. Stackley of Dufur, Or.

### GEER HEAD OF ROSE CITY PARK LEAGUE

At the annual election of the Rose City Park Improvement league the following officers were chosen to serve during 1911: President, T. T. Geer; vice-president, C. E. Merrick; secretary and treasurer, E. F. Allshaw.

A report was made by private census enumerator Hughson that there are 208

children in the district between the ages of 5 and 15 and that many of them are forced to come all the way into the city to school because of the fact that the Rose City Park school is too small.

The school board owns a fine slightly two and one-half acre tract near the center of Rose City Park and it is the intention of the residents out there to ask the board to build an 8 room school house on the property.

Satisfactory progress was reported in the matter of raising funds for the erection of a club building on the fine site facing the Alameda and Sandy Road recently purchased from B. E. Josselyn.

Now that the car service to Rose City Park is greatly improved and with the widening and paving of Sandy Road and improved water service, the entire section beyond Laurelhurst will experience a greater development.

A scale on the interior of a boiler a sixteenth of an inch in thickness will cause a loss of 12 per cent fuel efficiency and one eighth of an inch thick will cause 25 per cent loss.

The leaves are held beneath the top of an extension dining table that a New Jersey man has invented, and when the ends are pulled out the leaves swing into position automatically.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

Along with general progress in civilization common-sense methods in cemetery construction and management are surely, although slowly, being introduced.

Mr. Weed says that in proceeding with the improvement of Lone Fir, he will work toward the beauty and economy of simplicity.

Waiting boy. He didn't know until afterward the cause for his colleagues' discreet laughter.

### HOUSE WILL MAKE OWN RULES WHEN UNCLE JOE QUITS

Work in Congress Will Go On in the Same Old Way After the First Flurry of "Reformation."

Washington, Dec. 24.—Congress has done remarkably well for the holiday season.

Two things in connection with the next congress seem to be pretty well settled. If he lives Champ Clark will be speaker and unless there is a radical change in the committees of the house will be chosen by the house itself instead of by the speaker.

There has been a good deal of foolish talk about this committee business. Those who want the old system maintained have been crying aloud that this committee on committees business means chaos in the house with no possibility of the proper dispatch of business.

On the other hand the advocates of the new system seem to think its adoption means the destruction of the power of the leaders, the emancipation of the common or garden variety of members and the cure of all legislative evils.

It is fair to assume therefore that under the new rules, those fitted by national ability generally put through as easily in one wing of the capitol as the other.

More work, then, for Chief Wilkie, was the comment of Senator Overman, Mr. Rayner ended the quip by thrusting the note into the hands of the

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longs to the government, and which they figure Uncle Sam may readily spare, considering the amount of taxes he, the souvenir hunter, has paid in the past.

It behooves senate restaurant visitors to be on the alert. Not that those who drop in upon the senate restaurant are bad folks, but simply because it is human to gather souvenirs, and the words "United States Senate" are quite tempting when engraved upon a spoon, a butter knife, or upon other articles required by visitors and just plain visitors when they eat.

"Good morning, dean," said Representative Taylor of Ohio, as he shook hands with Nicholas Longworth, just before the house got down to business the other day.

"Why, dean of the Ohio delegation," explained Mr. Taylor, "do you think I'm trying to spring a mpatrol joke?"

"Well, then, what are you?" queried Mr. Longworth, apparently eager for information.

A brief retrospective glance over the roll was indulged in by the two members, neither of them yet arrived at middle age, and Mr. Taylor's statement found confirmation.

Uncle "Lon" Livingston feels pretty sore over his turn-down in the primaries, and doesn't hesitate to say so.

Even if Judson Harmon, governor of Ohio, is looked upon as eager for a White House residence in Washington he never visits this city without recalling the first time he came for official duties.

Harmon had not dreamed of any appointment, in fact, did not wish for one. He was becoming rich as a lawyer in Cleveland, and had really decided to keep out of politics.

That President Cleveland letter is treasured in the Harmon household as a memento of a dear friend, who was also president, and who knows but that same letter may have started the recipient toward a White House career?

If the overflowed and swamp lands of the United States were drained it is said that 70,000,000 acres of productive soil would be regained.

Great quantities of potatoes are being shipped from Eugene.

## MORE APARTMENTS WILL BE ERECTED

### Plans for Number of Large Buildings Are Filed in Inspector's Office.

Architects' drawings for an immense amount of new construction were filed with the building inspector in the past week, and indications are that from now to January 1 that department of the city government will be overrun with prospective builders and architects demanding the immediate issuance of permits.

The largest building proposition brought to the attention of Inspector Plummer last week was the detailed drawing for the 12 story Wilcox building that is to go up at the southeast corner of Sixth and Washington streets.

Another big building proposition that came to light in the office of the building inspector last week is a proposed five-story brick apartment house to be erected by Fred Frits at the southwest corner of Twelfth and Taylor streets.

Providing for the erection of a four-story brick apartment house on the quarter block at the northeast corner of Twenty-second and Gilman street, a permit was issued last Friday to M. and B. Kelly.

E. J. Proham took out a permit Friday last for a four-story brick apartment house which he is to build on St. Clair street, between Washington and Main, at a cost of \$30,000.

A permit was also issued on that date to C. F. Shepherd for a two-story brick apartment building to be erected on the quarter block at the northeast corner of Russell street and Union avenue.

I. A. Peters is preparing to build another apartment house, Mr. Peters having built a number of these structures in the new apartment house section south of Morrison street.

Facing Gilman street, between Fourth and Fifth, is to go up a four-story brick addition to the present storeroom of the Union Meat company, a permit for the building having been issued last week.

F. M. Moore took out a permit last week for a 2 1/2 story frame residence which he is to build on East Twenty-seventh street, between Tillamook and Thompson, to cost \$4000.

The old frame building occupied as a Chinese laundry at the corner of Second and Madison streets, is to be torn down to make way for a four-story brick store and apartment house to be erected on the site by Mrs. Isam White.

Medal for Winner. (United Press, Leased Wire.) St. Louis, Dec. 24.—Mayor Frederick H. Krieger, this afternoon announced that he would award a diamond medal to the winner of the National Bowling meet, to be rolled next week at the National Tournament of the Bowling congress.

It is expected that 300 individual ten pin rollers will qualify for the championship contests.

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A Christmas Present

HOW TO GET THEM

Take a Mt. Tabor car on Morrison st. They run every 7 1/2 minutes. Or call at our office and we will be glad to take you out.

Do you want to make yourself a valuable Christmas present?

One that you will have all your life and that will increase in value.

You will buy costly gems and gifts that will be worn out and cast aside; but here is an opportunity to make yourself a present, one that is an essential, a place for you to build a home. Or, one that will return you a handsome profit.

Today and Monday are holidays. You could not spend the day to any better advantage than by going out to Morningside and seeing this garden spot of the east side, if only for the magnificent view.

Morningside lays on the heights of the east side, equally as high and sightly as Portland Heights on the west

side. But with this difference, you get an unobstructed view of the entire panorama spread out around the city of Portland.

It lies alongside of the new Mount Tabor City Park.

It is the cream of an already built up neighborhood.

Sidewalks, curbs and water, and graded streets go with the price of the property.

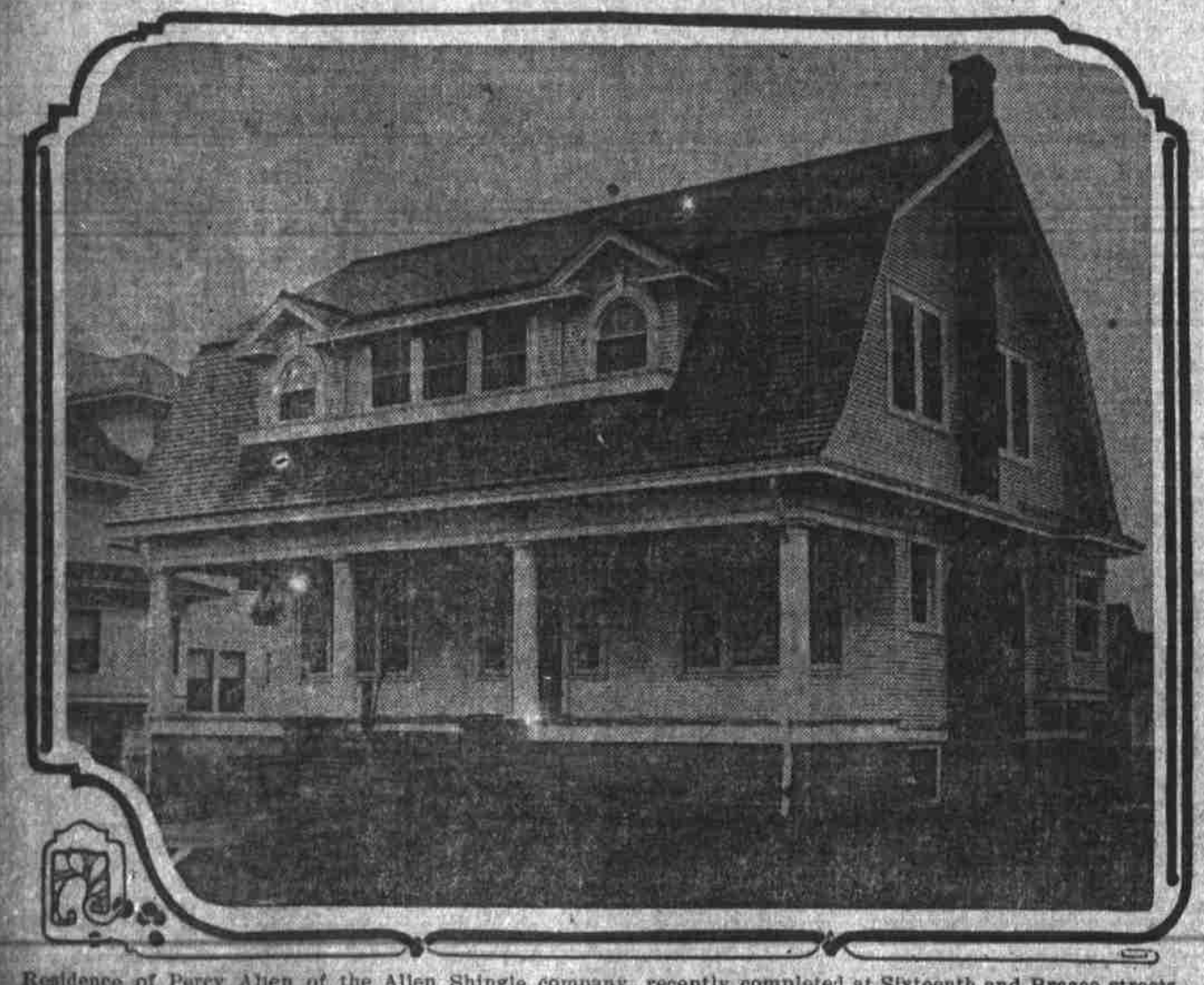
Prices from \$650 to \$1500 on easy terms.

Remember that it was only in 1904 that the best lots on Portland Heights could be bought for \$600.

Is there a chance to make a profit? Well you can answer this question after you return from the little visit we ask you to make.

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Residence of Percy Allen of the Allen Shingle company, recently completed at Sixteenth and Brazeo streets, Irvington. The building is of the colonial type and is one of the handsomest homes in that section of the city.