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PORTLAND, OREGON, SUNDAY MORNING, MAY 16, 1920.

W. H. ROSS NAMED REPRESENTATIVE OF CITY REALTORS

He Will Describe Portland's Advantages in Oratorical Contest at Kansas City Meeting.

W. H. Ross will present the advantages of Portland as a home city in an oratorical contest with speakers from practically every large city in the country at the annual convention of the National Asociation of Real Estate boards at Kansas City, June 2 to 5. Ross won the honor of representing his home city in competition with three members of the Portland Realty board at the regular meeting in the grill room of the Portland hotel Friday noon.

Coe A. McKenna, J. D. Lee and M. E. Lee made excellent addresses in the five minutes allotted each of the speakers and won the hearty approval of the board by their efforts, but the membership was unanimous in its agreement with the decision of the judges. Ross will go to the Kansas City convention as a guest of the realty board, and it is the earnest belief of his friends that he will bring home the cup awarded to the best five-minute speaker at the convention. Judge John McCourt, Rev. William Waldo and Assistant Superintendent of Schools E. H. Whitney were the judges in the contest Friday noon.

M'GUIRE TO SPEAK

The cup contest is one of three outstanding events of the national convention of particular interest to Portland realtors. Officials of the Portland board will make a strong effort to carry away the "Achievement" trophy, awarded each year to the board making the best showing during the previous 12 months in results accomplished for itself, for the city which it represents and for the national association and the country.

An address of unusual interest will be delivered at the national convention by Frank L. McGuire at the conference on home salesmanship. During the past two years McGuire and his system of salesmanship have won national reputation, and proof of the general recognition of the merits of the system came in a telegram from the national executive committee at Chicago asking permission to place McGuire's name on the program.

Twenty-five members of the Portland Realty board have made reservations on the special cars which will carry the northwestern delegates to the Kansas City convention. Seattle, Hoquiam, Tacoma, Vancouver, B. C., and a number of other cities in the Pacific Northwest will be represented, and the total Northwest delegation will number nearly 50.

DENVER TO ENTERTAIN

The delegates will leave Union station Friday evening, May 28, arriving at Denver the following Sunday. They will be guests of the Denver Realty board until Monday evening and will reach Kansas City in time for the opening of the convention Tuesday. A number of special entertainment features have been arranged both at Denver and at the convention city.

Under the direction of Lloyd Jenkins the Portland delegation is rapidly being whipped into line for chorus work, and several songs in praise of the Rose City have been prepared to liven up the trip.

Kelso Shingle Mill, With World Record Output, to Resume

Kelso, Wash., May 15.—The McLane Lumber and Shingle company shingle mill will resume operations Monday following a three weeks shut down, while repairs have been made to the steam plant. This is the longest shut down the mill has taken in years, and it is partly due to the unfavorable condition of the shingle market and the car shortage. This mill for the past three years has cut more shingles annually than any other mill in the world. It will operate two shifts when it resumes.

Monday the new sawmill being built by E. J. McLane just north of the shingle mill will also commence operations if electrical supplies to complete the electrical equipment is received in time. This mill will cut 25,000 feet of lumber in eight hours.

Becker Will Operate Dairy at Woodburn

Woodburn, May 15.—Fred A. Becker of McKee has purchased the 70 acre farm of J. L. Haller, located west of Woodburn, and will take immediate possession. The sale includes stock, machinery and crops, consideration being $14,500. The place will be operated as a dairy farm. The Hallers have purchased the J. P. Hunt house in Woodburn and will make their home here.

Lee Hughes Farm Sold

Albany, Or., May 15.—The old Lee Hughes farm on the Oakville road near Albany has been purchased by R. W. Tripp from A. C. Miller for $100 an acre. Miller has purchased a farm of 68 acres near Corvallis. Mr. Tripp will move to the Hughes farm October 1.

Gold and Platinum Mined

Bandon, May 15.—A rich clean-up in gold and platinum is rewarding the efforts of John R. Smith and other operators on the beach a few miles south of this place. Smith's equipment represents an investment of approximately $15,000, and is capable of handling a large amount of sand daily.

Hospital Addition Planned

Hood River, May 15.—Plans have been completed for the erection of an addition to Cottage hospital at a cost of approximately $15,000. The proposed building will be of concrete and will accommodate about 30 patients. An operating room will be installed on the upper floor.

IRVINGTON INVESTMENT PROPERTY SOLD

Handsome old residence at the southwest corner of East Fifteenth and Broadway soon to make way for a business block. The property formerly belonged to Mrs. Florence Barr and was sold last week by Wakefield, Fries & Co. to Fred Fritz for $15,000.

FRANK L. M'GUIRE ENLARGES QUARTERS IN ABINGTON BLDG.

Increase in Volume of Business Requires Larger Floor Space; Takes Half of Second Floor.

Faith in the continued industrial development of the city with an increasing demand for homes to accommodate a growing population has prompted Frank L. McGuire to move his offices from the fourth floor of the Abington building to the second floor of the same building. This location, on Third street between Washington and Stark and opposite the Ladd & Tilton bank, is well adapted to the business handled by the McGuire agency and the firm has built up a business of national repute during the past three years.

The new lease includes the entire north half of the second floor of the building, giving almost twice the floor space formerly occupied by the concern. The display room, where more than one thousand photographs of homes are filed for inspection by prospective customers, is light, airy and spacious. Desks of the 15 salesmen of the firm, together with the comfortable arm chairs and other equipment set Frank back several thousand dollars.

Separate offices have been fitted up for the rental and farm sales departments and a private office for the head of the firm. Lighting is by the indirect method and the walls are finished in light tints. The change to larger quarters was made necessary by the growing patronage of the McGuire agency and the popularity of the McGuire system. In 1918 sales handled by the firm were valued at $500,000; in 1919 the aggregate value was very nearly $2,500,000 and McGuire predicts that during 1920 his sales will run beyond $4,000,000.

Building Permits Issued, Including One at Guild's Lake

The Oregon, Washington & Idaho Aeroplane company got a permit Friday afternoon for the erection of an office building on the aviation field at Guilds lake. The permit calls for an expenditure of $4000. Plans have also been prepared by the company's engineers for the erection of hangars and a machine shop.

Permits were also issued Friday for the erection of two residences, costing $5500 each on East Fourteenth street between Klickitat and Siskiyou. E. W. Baogman is named as the builder.

The Western Home Builders company got a permit for the erection of a residence costing $20,000 at 272 Albermarle terrace between Cumberland road and Melinde avenue.

W. R. Davis will build a residence estimated to cost $2300 at 1390 East Seventeenth street between Bybee and Knapp.

Potato Boycott in Walla Walla Gets Marked Reduction

Walla Walla, Wash., May 15.—As a result of the boycott on potatoes, started by the eating houses and housewives of this city, wholesale prices were reduced from $9@10 per cwt. to $8, with indications this price will still further be reduced to the neighborhood of $7.

A few new California potatoes are being received at a wholesale price of $14 per cwt., but the demand is small.

La Grande Veteran Dies at Age of 87

La Grande, May 15.—Ambrose Serviere Brown died here at the age of 87 years. He crossed the plains in 1862. He lived for a time in Portland. He was a Civil war veteran. Six children survive: Mrs. Gerry Snow, Mrs. C. K. Mills and Mrs. Ed Ericson of Portland; Mrs. Elsie Huntly and Bert Brown of La Grande, and Mrs. Arthur Oliver of Keating, Or.

Big Hotel Will Be Built at Medical Springs, Near Baker

Baker, May 15.—Eastern Oregon's greatest hotel will be erected at Medical Springs on the site of the structure that was destroyed by fire three years ago, if the Medical Springs Hotel company, newly organized by P. J. Powers, owner of the old hotel; A. C. Moore and George Allen, local attorneys, materialize. The plans include a $200,000 three story fireproof building that will accommodate 175 guests and that will include 75 outside rooms. The floors will be of hardwood. There will be a swimming pool, steam baths, large lobby, bowling alleys, pool and billiard rooms, elevator and lighting plant. On the grounds an artificial lake will be provided. A nine hole golf course is planned. A park will be set aside and throughout the neighboring woods trails for the benefit of hunters and anglers will be blazed. The land belongs to Dunham Wright, one of Baker county's oldest living pioneers, who has taken one fourth of the capital stock in the proposed enterprise.

Kelso Water System Gets Better Results

Kelso, Wash., May 15.—Purchase of the Kelso water system has already resulted in a great improvement in service for patrons, although the city has had the plant for but two weeks. Andrew Carlson, water manager for the city, has been devoting all his time to the repair of leaks in the mains, which had been neglected by the management of the old Kelso Water company. Repair of these leaks has insured a constant supply of water and nine hours' less pumping is necessary to keep the reservoir full at all times. The water office was moved this week into the Kelso Theatre building, recently purchased by the city.

New Steam Laundry Is Opened at Seaside

Seaside, May 15.—M. Potter, formerly of the Troy Laundry company in Astoria, has opened a steam laundry at 307 South Seventh street. He will also conduct a dry cleaning and dyeing establishment in connection with the laundry.

R. O. Ralston, realty dealer, has disposed of three well known Seaside properties this week, the Biddle cottage on First avenue, the Marcus Freeman residence on Twelfth avenue and the American Inn on Broadway.

Improvements Made At Columbia Beach

Columbia Beach, May 15.—Helmer Johnson, manager of Columbia Beach, situated between Seaside and Astoria, has made extensive improvements to this summer resort since taking over the property. E. Gumm, F. Brown and F. Wortman, all of Kelso, Wash., have taken over the management of the dining room at the beach and will run it on cafateria style. Johnson is negotiating for the purchase of a number of small boats for the use of campers and plans have been completed for the erection of a dance hall.

Gray Gables Hotel At Halfway Sold

Halfway, May 15.—The Gray Gables hotel, the leading hotel in Halfway, has been sold by Mrs. Wyatt to L. N. Perkins. School district No. 47 has decided to build a two room schoolhouse which is estimated to cost $4000. John Hyde has bought the Matt Thompson blacksmith shop and will combine it with the one he owns on Main street. Herman Jahns has purchased 12 acres of land near Halfway and will build on it. The Cash garage has changed hands. C. I. Lansing buying it from Bart Irwin.

Eugene Hotel Sold

Eugene, May 15.—Among the recent property exchanges in the business section of Eugene is that of the old Smeed hotel property. Messrs. O. E. and J. S. Mills, who have been conducting the hostelry since the first of the year, have sold out to D. Cobb, an experienced hotel man of Oklahoma City, Okla., who will take immediate possession.

IMPORTANT LEASES MADE LAST WEEK IN THE RETAIL DISTRICT

Metzger-Parker-Ferguson Company Reports Several Transfers of Locations to Business Firms.

Two leases were closed last week on space in the three story building at 106-110 Fourth street, recently purchased by Barbur & Leonard from the Klosterman estate. F. F. Amick secured the second and third stories, which will be altered for hotel purposes. The Flick shoe store has taken the premises on the ground floor formerly occupied by Boody Brothers. With the J. C. Penny store across the street and other merchandise stores located in the immediate vicinity, fostered by the new interurban station, this district is becoming one of the retail centers of the city. The leases were handled by the Metzger-Parker-Ferguson company.

In the property recently purchased by the Burness Auto works at Twelfth and Everett streets, 12,500 square feet of the ground floor and basement has been leased by the same agency to the Fageol sales agency as a salesroom for auto trucks.

The same agency reports the lease of the floor space at 108 North Broadway, occupied by the C. H. S. retail sales agency, to the Joseph Motor Car company. Negotiations are under way for the lease of larger quarters on Broadway to the C. H. S. agency.

The storeroom at 321 Washington street was leased during the week to the Harris Trunk company and the store at 325 Washington street was leased to the Alagrad Violet Ray distributors. This property is owned by S. Morton Cohen.

New Chain Saw Is Arousing Interest in Northwest Loggers

Loggers and lumbermen are keenly interested in the development of a chain saw recently invented by Johannes Wolff. A working model of the new saw, manufactured at a local machine shop, cut through a three-foot log in 55 seconds and with minor improvements, it is claimed, this record can be surpassed.

The saw operated by a two horsepower motor is handled by two men. It is intended primarily for felling trees and cutting logs, but may be readily adapted to a variety of uses. The model now in operation weighs 84 pounds, including the motor. It is proposed to manufacture the chain saw in a number of sizes and market them from this city.

Gilliland Home in Irvington Is Sold

The beautiful home of L. T. Gilliland at the corner of Twenty-third and Brazee streets was sold last week to Bertram T. McBain for $15,000. The buyer is associated with the Crown-Willamette Paper company and formerly made his home in Oregon City. The transfer was negotiated by Mrs. Mary McDonell. This agency also reports the sale of the house at 597 East Fourteenth street North to Mrs. Daisy Ray for $6500 and the property at 832 Hamlett avenue, Alameda, to Mrs. L. M. Lakin for $9000.

H. Clay Crawford To Face Grand Jury

Hood River, May 15.—In the justice court here today R. Clay Crawford, charged with fleecing Hood River people, waived preliminary hearing and was bound over in bonds of $1000 to appear before the grand jury, which meets the last week in June. The charge has been changed by the district attorney to larceny. Crawford was not represented by an attorney today, none of those residents being willing to undertake his defense. Failing to provide bonds he will be committed to the county jail at The Dalles.

HUGE BUILDING TO BE ERECTED SOON IN NEW YORK CITY

Value of Tower and Building to Be $7,000,000; Fisk Rubber Company Will Hold Control.

Indications are in evidence that the building situation is beginning to get in better shape and that capital is not lacking for large construction enterprises of proved substantiality and earning power. A striking example of this comes from New York, where the announcement is made that one of the largest office building in the world is to be constructed immediately in the uptown district of the metropolis.

The huge new edifice will rise 25 stories above the ground, with a basement and sub-basement and will front the entire block on Fifty-seventh street, between Broadway and Eighth avenue. The large structure will be called the Fisk Rubber company building, and because of its great size and value, will, when completed, become one of the sights of the city. Owing to its height and the enormous set-backs required by the New York zoning law it will have much the appearance of a gigantic temple which will stand up clear and high above every structure in that part of the city, overlooking Central park.

$6,000,000 RENTAL

The value of the land and building is more than $7,000,000 on which S. W. Straus & Co. have undertaken a first mortgage of 6 per cent serial amortized bond issue of $5,000,000. The Fisk Rubber company will control the building under a lease for a term of years, using considerable space for their principal executive offices and salesrooms and subletting the remaining floors to tenants in the automobile and allied industries.

Under the terms of the lease the Fisk Rubber company, after having paid off all taxes, insurance and operating costs of the property, must pay a net annual rental income of $6,000,000, which is twice the greatest annual interest charge.

It is of interest to the building industry throughout the country to note that S. W. Straus & Co., who are furnishing $5,000,000 capital on the first mortgage security for this important enterprise, recently caused much comment by the announcement in New York that they were ready to furnish $50,000,000 a year to help relieve the housing crisis there and that they have recently made first mortgage loans in 18 principal American cities aggregating more than $68,000,000.

MATERIALS ARE SHORT

Coming just at a time when there had been much talk in the country about lack of capital for financing improvements that will relieve the growing housing shortage and thus help stabilize general conditions, the statements referred to attracted much favorable attention, as it was looked upon in real estate and building circles as a very favorable indication that the way is opening up for an era of greater building activity, providing, of course, that materials can be obtained. It must be borne in mind that there is a tremendous shortage of all building materials, which cannot quickly be relieved, and it is of importance to know that capital can be enlisted for the building industry in large amounts at this time.

BUILDING PERMITS

R. A. Chambers, putting in foundtaion for residence, 642 Caples street south of Patton road; builder, Abe Schade; $240.

A. G. Keller, erecting garage, 5204 Foster road, between 52d and 54th sts; builder, the same; $115.

Jacob Struss, erecting garage, 635 E. 12th st.; builder, the same; $60.

Jennie W. Kraner, repair residence, 977 E. Morrison st., between 32d and 33d sts.; builder, the same; $75.

D. C. O'Reilly, erecting gravel bunkers on the foot of E. Madison st, between the river and E. Water st.; builders, Hurley-Mason Co.; $3500.

C. W. Merritt, erecting billboard, 638 Sandy road between 16th and 17th sts.; builder, the same; $50.

Herbert Gordon, erecting apartment house 532 Montgomery st. between 16th and 17th sts.; builder, the same; $50,000.

Peninsular Lumber company, repair residence, 1448 Willamette blvd., between McKenna and Wall sts.; builder, the same; $75.

Peninsular Lumber company, repair residence, 1450 Willamette blvd., between McKenna and Wall sts.; builder, the same; $75.

Mrs. A. Green, erecting garage, 33 E. 28th st., between Pine and Ash sts.; builder, J. W. Gregg; $125.

H. C. Ebeling, erecting garage, 1847 E. 16th st., between Bidwell and Lexington sts.; builder, the same; $200.

William Regan, erecting garage, 1132 Schiller st., between 37th and 38th sts.; builder, the same; $50.

A. A. Sheppard, repair residence, 5329 100th st. S. E., between 53d and 54th ave.; builder, the same; $100.

A. C. Hageman, repair residence, 160 E. 73d st. N., between E. Glisan and Oregon sts.; builder, W. H. Breiter; $450.

W. D. Kull, erecting residence, 1281 Glenn ave. between Ainsworth and Holman sts.; builder, G. A. Stever; $4000.

Cop Hosford, repair stores, 134 Grand ave., between E. Morrison and E. Alder sts.; builders, Stoker-Zeller Co.; $250.

Frank A. Reed, erecting residence, 424 E. 52d st. N., between Hancock and Tillamook sts.; builder, the same; $5000.

Frank A. Reed, erecting residence, 420 E. 52d st. N., between Hancock and Thompson sts.; builder, the same; $420.

A. C. Phelps, erecting garage, 660 Delay st., between Monroe and Cook sts.; builder, the same; $75.

Ernest Miller, repair office and rooms, 152 2d st., between Morrison and Yamhill sts.; builders, Lutz Bros. Meat Co.; $90.

F. H. Hauseman, erecting tent house, 339 52d st. N., bet. Halsey and Broadway sts.; builder, the same; $150.

J. H. Pearl, erecting garage, 1196 Division st., between 39th and 41st sts.; builder, the same; $50.

John Marsden, repair residence, 893 25th st., between Thurman and Upshur sts.; builders, Leihers & Co.; $75.

Mrs. Miller, repair residence, 1084 Knott st., between 35th and 36th sts.; builder, T. Rasmussen; $225.

F. A. and M. V. Antich, repair residence, 429 Everett st., between 10th and 11th sts.; builders, the same; $25.

Portland Railway, Light & Power Co., erecting house for housing machinery at 551 Front st., between Caifin st. and Nicolai sts.; builders, the same; $200.

N. L. Park, erecting woodshed, 129 W. Terry st., between Derby and Brandon sts.; builder, the same; $25.

Mrs. W. Patterson, repair residence, 1474 Hawthorne ave., between 54th and 55th sts.; builder, the same; $500.

Mrs. W. Patterson, erecting a garage, 1474 Hawthorne ave., between 54th and 55th sts.; builder, the same; $300.

C. W. Merritt, erecting billboard, 638 Sandy road, between 16th and 17th sts.; builder, the same; $50.

APARTMENTS BRING $30,000

Alter apartment houses at Twenty first and Overton streets sold last week by Isadore Holsman to R. N. Warnock.

W. G. Cox closed a deal last week for the transfer of the Alder apartments at the northeast corner of Twenty-first and Overton streets, from Isadore Helsman to R. N. Warnock for a consideration of $30,000. The property consists of 50 by 100 feet of ground space and a three story and basement building of brick construction. There are six six-room apartments in the building, each equipped with fireplace, shower and tub bath, dumb waiter and other modern conveniences. Adjoining the apartment are a number of portable garages used by the tenants and included in the sale.

BUILDING ERA IN PASCO; NUMEROUS SETTLERS ARRIVE

Hospitals, Churches, Banks and Bridges Being Erected; Chamber of Commerce Has Meeting.

Pasco, Wash., May 15.—Besides the new unit of the irrigation project which is bringing many new settlers into this district, there are numerous other projects which will have an important bearing upon the prosperity of this community. Work is now progressing rapidly on the new bridge across the Snake river connecting this city with Burbank in Walla Walla county.

The false work has all been completed and the concrete has been poured for the first pier, and the second is nearing completion. Six carloads of steel are already on the ground and it is believed the bridge will be completed by the time specified in the contract, which is September 1, 1920.

The bridge when completed will afford a market at Pasco for the people of Burbank, Two Rivers, Attalia and Wallula right at their doors, their nearest market hitherto having been at Walla Walla, a number of miles distant. Pasco will also benefit by becoming the trading point for the people of those districts.

A new bridge will also be constructed across the Columbia river between Pasco and Kennewick, the contract for which has been let and which must be commenced by August 1.

WILL BUILD HOSPITAL

Work will begin on a new $400,000 hospital within the next few weeks, which is an institution badly needed and which will afford hospital accommodations for the communities for a number of miles in all directions.

The Methodists will soon expend about $45,000 either in remodeling or in the construction of a new church, and the Congregationalists have secured new property and will spend a large sum in securing an enlarged building. The Episcopal church has also secured new property in a more desirable location and will make improvements.

The Bank of Pasco is rebuilding, its home having been destroyed by fire some months ago, and the new building will be larger and much more substantial. A number of modern new residences are also being built.

Among the prospects to which the Pasco people are looking forward with considerable anticipation, and which they believe will be realized in the near future, is the five mile irrigation project, which would reclaim some 60,000 acres, and a new railroad from Wenatchee to Pasco.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETS

Because Pasco and Franklin county are believed to have just entered upon the most promising and prosperous era of their history, the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last week was the most enthusiastic ever held by that organization.

As an evidence of the beginning of the settlement of farm lands adjacent to Pasco, a large number of new settlers wge present at the meeting and these were no less enthusiastic than the members of the chamber. All of these men have built homes and are planting crops. Of the 80 or more families who have settled on the lands just brought under cultivation, not one is without sufficient funds to carry them over until crops can be raised and marketed.

Chehalis Accepts Park Deed

Chehalis, Wash., May 15.—At the city commission meeting in this city Monday afternoon the deed to Alexander park, Riverside, presented by J. T. and J. W. Alexander, was accepted by the city commission. The park includes about four acres.

Smeed Hotel Changes Hands

Eugene, May 15.—The Smeed hotel was transferred last week from O. E. and J. S. Mills to D. Cobb of Oklahoma City. The new owner takes immediate possession and announces that he will operate the property.

LARGER HOTEL AT BEND HINGES ON STOCK FLOTATION

Surveys Show Proposed Road to Elk Lake Can Be Cut From 60 Miles to About 35 Miles.

Bend, May 15.—Addition of a north wing to Pilot Butte Inn, practically doubling the capacity of the hotel, hinges on subscriptions to $100,000 worth of stock in the operating company, P. R. Brooks of Vancouver, B. C., owner of the hotel property, stated last week at a meeting of local business men that existing exchange rates prevent his withdrawing funds invested in British Columbia for the completion of the building.

The entire cost of the proposed structure is estimated at $161,000 and Brooks asked Bend business men to take up $50,000 of this amount, hoping to float stock of an equal value through a Portland bond house. Tents would be required to take care of the tourist trade during the summer, Brooks stated, unless his proposal meets with proper support.

N. G. Jacobson, forest supervisor, announced that an allotment of $7500 for use on the Sparks lake road had been received. Surveys for the proposed road connecting Bend with Elk lake by way of Sparks lake reduce the distance from 60 miles to approximately 35 miles. An endeavor will be made to secure an expenditure of $2500 by the county on the new road, bringing the total fund available up to $10,000.

A shortage of brick has delayed construction work on the Baird building on Bond street. Brick used on the building are of local manufacture and no further progress is possible until another kiln is burned. Preparations are being made to greatly increase the output in anticipation of an extensive building program during the summer and autumn.

Summer Resort Leased

Pendleton, May 15.—Hidaway Springs a summer resort in the Blue mountains 30 miles south of here, has been leased for the season by H. E. Brundage of Pendleton and will be opened about June 1.

DEVELOPMENT OF COLUMBIA BASIN IS CHIEF PURPOSE

Realty Association, Convention at Spokane to Take Hand in Effort to Reduce Freight Rates.

Plans for development of the Columbia river basin will occupy the attention of members of the Interstate Realty association at their convention at Spokane, July 15, 16 and 17. Realty boards throughout the Inland Empire have joined the Portland board in indorsement of proposed readjustment of freight rates from points in Eastern Washington, Eastern Oregon and Idaho to Portland and lower river ports.

The realty men are keenly alive to the necessity of normal, logical and fair freight rates to the development of the vast resources of the Inland Empire territory.

RENT PROFITEERS CURBED

They see the advantages which would accrue to the Northwest and to the country generally through the opening of the Columbia river gateway and propose to use every effort to gain a favorable decision on points at issue before the Interstate Commerce commission.

The program for the annual convention of the Interstate Realty association was outlined at a meeting of the executive committee of the organization at Tacoma last week. Among the important issues coming before the convention will be proposed legislation governing the activities of rent profiteers, framing of legislation providing for state and municipal income taxes and outlining proposed amendments to the real estate license laws of Oregon and British Columbia. New license laws for Washington, Idaho and Montana will be asked from the legislatures of these states by the Interstate Realty association during the coming year.

TAX ON REAL ESTATE OPPOSED

The executive committee consists of one vice president and three directors from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, British Columbia and Alberta. The committee went on record as opposed to the Ralston-Nolan federal revenue bill now before congress. The bill proposes to exempt certain securities from taxation and to increase the tax on real estate.

Remarkable increase in membership during the past year was reported at the committee meeting, largely due to the work of Paul O. Cowgill, secretary of the association. Cowgill has succeeded in organizing several new boards among realty dealers in Oregon, Washington and Idaho during the past few months. He left Saturday night for Southern Idaho to spend two weeks in organization work and will join the Northwest delegation on the trip to the Kansas City convention at Pocatello, Saturday morning, May 29.

Maccabees to Build Theatre and Lodge Temple in La Grande

La Grande, May 15.—Another large building to be erected in La Grande this summer is the proposed $75,000 Maccabee home for Friendship tent No. 31, the local chapter. The new lodge temple will have a large theatre on the ground floor, which will probably be used as a picture show house, and in which high class road shows will be staged, while the second floor of the building will be used as a spacious lodge room and dance floor. Practically all of the money for erection of the building is now in the hands of the building committee, and work will be started in about three weeks.

Fruit Plant Being Built

Roseburg, May 15.—The Drager Fruit company has commenced the erection of a new packing plant in North Roseburg. The plant will occupy the same site as the old one, and will be 50x160 feet, three stories in height. The plant when complete will be one of the finest in the state. This is the third big packing plant to be erected here this year. The Oregon Growers now have under construction two plants for packing prunes, one in this city and one at Myrtle Creek. The 1920 crop promises to be large.

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