



# The Homemakers' and Builders' Page



## New Realty Board to be Big Factor in Business Here

A new spirit of cooperation was fostered among local realtors at an enthusiastic meeting in the chamber of commerce here last week when over 20 dealers in real estate gathered to organize the Klamath Realty Board, which is to be headed by T. P. Henderson, of the Klamath Development company.

While action at the initial meeting was confined principally to organization and the election of officers, several committees were appointed to formulate a comprehensive program for the new group. All real estate dealers present at the meeting joined promptly and it is expected that members in the board here will reach 100 per cent within a very short time.

Among the first things to be sponsored by the new board, will be the inauguration here of exclusive listings, a move suggested by E. M. Chilcote and one that was favorably received when the dealer broached the subject.

Meetings of the board will be held weekly and comment at the recent organization banquet presages some lively and worthwhile sessions. It is expected that the board will also work for the adoption locally of a good building code and as well, the establishment here of a building inspector.

Because for sale signs on city property are said to create a bad impression on the tourist or newcomer to the city, it is likely that the board will take steps to have its members refrain from use of signs on property.

## Lot Sales Active Here, is Report; New Arrivals Buy

An active real estate market in this city, created by Klamath Falls residents purchasing property for homesites, is reported by virtually all local real estate dealers handling city lots and subdivisions.

Lot sales have been unusually active for the past month, it is said, and while many buyers are local people whose faith in the substantial growth of the city prompts them to invest, the majority of purchasers are newcomers.

Many of the newcomers are from outside the state of Oregon, some coming from western states and others from points in the east and middlewest.

## DEALER MOTORS TO STOCKTON, CALIF.

George Walton, member of the firm of Walton & Wright, accompanied by his wife, left this city early Friday morning for a week-end motor trip to Stockton, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton planned to spend the week-end with their two daughters, Miss Katherine Walton, who is attending the College of the Pacific at Stockton, and Mrs. Beatrice Bodley and husband, who also reside there. They expect to return here Tuesday.

## MELHASE BUILDING IS OPEN TO PUBLIC

The handsome new two-story building which Richard Melhase has been constructing across from the courthouse, was completed last week, when first occupants moved into their new quarters.

The Frank D. Lee lumber sales office, formerly in the White Pelican, was moved to the Melhase building early last week, and is now established under the supervision of P. D. Schroeder.

Myers, Napier & Ages, attorneys, have a suite of rooms on the second floor, and it is expected that by the end of this week other firms who have signified their intentions of taking rooms in this structure, will be in location.

The Peasley Photographic shop will take a section of the ground floor. The old frame structure formerly occupied by Peasley adjacent to the Melhase building and which was partially destroyed by fire recently, was moved to the southern extremity of the city last week.

## Frame Buildings to be Razed for Brick Structure

The corner at Ninth and Klamath is destined to become greatly improved with the immediate razing of present frame buildings to make way for a \$40,000 single story brick structure, plans for which were announced during the week.

Miss Mary Farrell, who recently purchased the property from the Ross estate, is erecting the new building, announcement of which came from her representative here, W. W. McNesly, local real estate dealer. Contract for construction has been let to O. R. Wayman, Portland builder, and excavation for the block is expected to start this month.

The new building will have a frontage on Klamath of 127 feet and will extend 116 feet along Ninth. A feature of the completed structure will be lighting of the facade by street lights.

## Realty Firm and Jeweler to Share Grizzle Building

Deprived of their former quarters in the White Pelican hotel by the fire which destroyed that structure, the local realty firm of Walton & Wright have established an office on the lower floor of the Grizzle building at Main and Eleventh.

This concern will occupy one side of the building, the other half of which will be given over to a new jewelry business here. Paul Wiese, Los Angeles jeweler, who arrived here recently to go into business in Klamath Falls, expects his stock to arrive this week, when he will establish himself in the Grizzle building.

Having severed all business connections in Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Wiese expect to make their home in this city in the future.

## Adoption of New Building Code is Urged Upon City

The adoption of a city building code that conforms with those in other cities of the Pacific coast, as well as the creation of the office of city building inspector, were urged here last week by Bishop Remington, in an address before the chamber of commerce.

That there is urgent need of such a code and especially a building inspector in this fast-growing city, is the opinion not only of the bishop but of virtually all local builders and City Engineer C. T. Darley.

A building code, it is pointed out, would not only make building cheaper but would go far toward eliminating construction hazards. Louis K. Porter, local contractor, recently perfected a model building code which was presented to the city council, and it is anticipated that before the end of the year, steps will be taken to establish a code here.

## West Virginian is Among Those Acquiring Homes

Here from West Virginia and determined to locate in this very thriving section of the Pacific northwest, H. E. DeLaney last week bought a house and lot on Orchard avenue, from D. C. McKay. The deal was closed by the Selak Realty company.

DeLaney is working in the lumber industry here. He plans to improve his recently purchased property in the near future.

Other deals reported by the Selak Realty include the sale of the five-room modern J. R. Childers house in Mills addition to Ralph L. Adamson, city. Minnie E. Grizzle purchased a house and lot on Eberlein street from Leslie Biddle.

Work is expected to start this week on a five room modern house on the Applegate street lot which Ralph Nelson, recently from Walla Walla, Wash., bought last week through Selak company.

## PLASTERING WORK IS BEGUN ON NEW APARTMENT HOUSE

Plastering of the interior of the handsome new White Pine apartment house being constructed by Arthur Olson on Pine street near the canal, started last week, and by the end of this week will be completed.

The builder announced that he has sold his residence on Pine, and will take quarters in the new apartment house, which he and Mrs. Olson will manage.

Indicating the brisk demand in this city for furnished apartments as well as rental houses, several of the two and three-room apartments at the White Pine are already engaged, and others spoken for. The structure will be ready for occupancy about the middle of November, it is reported.

## Perrin Will Soon Finish Plans for New County Jail

Plans are now being drawn by Howard R. Perrin, local architect, for the proposed new \$30,000 county jail to be erected on the site of the present city playground. Announcement of the county's intention to build an up-to-date bastille was made Friday through County Judge R. H. Bunnell.

The design of the new jail will be somewhat like that of the Veteran's Memorial building, also planned by Perrin, while construction is to be of reinforced concrete and steel, stucco exterior. The new building will be 45 feet by 73 feet, while a part basement will offer sufficient space for machinery and heating equipment.

Perrin expects to have the plans complete within ten days, when contracts will probably be awarded for construction.

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## Realty Sales in City Continue to Hold High Level

Real estate sales in Klamath Falls continue to maintain a high fall level, and during the past week new and old houses were pushed somewhat to the back of the picture by a furor of city lot selling.

This business of selling home sites was shared generally by local realtors, virtually all of whom report an active week in this respect.

Among the sales reported by representatives of the Klamath Development company here, was that of the lot on Henderson street in Second Dixon addition to F. M. Harris. The purchaser is a newcomer from Talent, Ore., and has entered the hauling business here. He will start construction of a four room modern house on the property at once.

## IF ENGINE HEATS UP EXAMINE FAN BELT

A sudden heating of the engine indicates trouble unless it is a hot day and the car is climbing a grade. Examine the fan belt, check the oil and see that the water is circulating properly.

Another Klamath Development customer who will start immediate construction of a dwelling on a lot bought last week, is D. E. Depuy, here recently from the valley. Depuy bought a lot on Mr. Whitney, Buena Vista addition, and will join in the general development which is going on in that section of the city.

J. M. Goldsbury bought a fine corner lot from this concern, on Del Moror and Eldorado, and plans to erect a modern residence there soon. This property is rightly located for future pavement, as first steps toward an improvement unit there were taken by the city council last week.

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