TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS.

Yesterday's bank clearings were $6,021,299; balances $33,852. Local discount rates were firm between 5 and 6 per cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York, 25c premium bid, 30c premium asked; Chicago, par bid, 10c premium asked; Cincinnati, Louisville and New Orleans, 25c discount bid, par asked.

Wheat closed steady at 74⅞c asked May; 70@70½c No. 2 red. Corn closed firm at 57⅝c May; 45c No. 2 mixed. Oats closed at 32c asked May; 29½c No. 2 mixed.

The local market for spot cotton was 1-16c lower.

WASHINGTON.

President Roosevelt has signified his intention to accept the World's Fair Company's invitation to participate in the dedication of the Exposition on April 30 next.

The House passed the pension appropriation bill in just four minutes. The Roller Wagner contest case was reported.

The War Department is notified that almost 1000 cases of cholera have occurred in the Philippines, and that the mortality rate was 6 per cent.

The Treasury Department has ruled that the eleven Cuban children, "Lotta Buby" be admitted to the United States.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

Miss Annie McNamara was attacked by a cow in the doorway where she had taken refuge.

Charles F. Kelly is subpoenaed to appear before the Grand Jury on Tuesday.

Wholesale houses on Washington avenue increase their facilities.

Former merchant discharges debts that are void in law.

Live stock men will discuss the Beef Trust issue.

Commercial bodies of the State address a petition to Governor Dockery asking that he recommend certain desired changes in the State insurance law.

A trash can has been located at Broadway and Locust street as an experiment by the Civic Improvement League, which would encourage a spirit of cleanliness among pedestrians.

Deputy Coroner Boogher returns verdict that Mrs. Kate Smith's death was due to gastroenteritis.

The ground for the German pavilion at the World's Fair site was dedicated with ceremonies.

American war vessels of light draft will mass on the river front next April.

Man giving the name of Edward Strong admits he tried to pass a forged check.

New syndicate acquires Pere Marquette Railroad and will extend lines to the Middle West.

Doubt exists as to the best method in which to nominate candidates for the Board of Freeholders to be elected to frame a new city charter.

Latin-American Club selects new officers.

Judge Sidener censures jury for failing to agree on a verdict in policy case.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.

Henry C. Borchers of Morgan County was elected Clerk at the recent election, but the printer made a mistake in his initials on the official ballot, which has caused complications, and Borchers has been refused a certificate of election.

The International Live Stock Exposition at Chicago closes with a stock-judging contest.

SPORTING.

Burr Caldwell has been elected captain of the Marion-Sims football team.

FOREIGN.

King Alfonso has authorized Senor Silvela to form a Conservative Cabinet, to succeed the Sagasta Ministry.

King Edward resents the invasion of his home and his private affairs by newspaper correspondents.

Minister Robert McCormick has departed from Paris for Vienna to present his letters of recall to the Austrian Government, he having been appointed Ambassador to Russia, to succeed Charlemagne Tower.

A riot occurred in the French Chamber of Deputies in which several statesmen were severely pummeled. Numerous duels are expected to follow.

The suffering among the poor of London grows each day, while the army of unemployed men is constantly increasing. In the West End, however, the theaters and cafes are reaping a golden harvest.

The Shah of Persia has created consternation throughout his realm by reducing his harem from 1,100 to sixty. He is accused of having assimilated reckless revolutionary Western ideas.

Mont Pelee is reported to be still in occasional eruption.

Mexico is said to be gradually adopting the gold standard.

The Bishop of Orleans denounces as false the stories that the Vatican has made disparaging remarks about Joan of Arc and the efforts to effect her canonization.

Marine Intelligence.

New York, Dec. 6—Arrived: La Lorraine, from Havre; Philadelphia, from Southampton; Georgic, from Liverpool. Sailed: La Champagne, Havre; Campania, Liverpool; Mesaba, London; Zeeland, Antwerp; Canadian, Liverpool; Pennsylvania, Plymouth; Cherbourg and Hamburg; Lahn, Naples and Genoa; Rotterdam, Amsterdam.

Prawl Point, Dec. 6.—Passed: Cambrian, Boston, for London.

Brow Head, Dec. 6.—Passed: Cevic, New York, for Liverpool; Philadelphia, New York for Liverpool; Etruria, New York for Liverpool.

New York, Dec. 6.—Arrived: Lucania, New York.

Antwerp, Dec. 6.—Sailed: Vaderland, New York.

Rotterdam, Dec. 6.—Arrived: Amsterdam, New York.

Havre, Dec. 6, 1 p. m.—Sailed: La Touraine, New York.

Yokohama, Dec. 6.—Arrived previously: Indrasamah, Portland, for Hong-Kong.

St. Vincent, C. V., Dec. 6.—Arrived previously: Polambiel, Portland, Ore., and Tacoma.

Sues, Dec. 6.—Arrived: Pingsuny, Tacoma, via Hong-Kong for Liverpool.

Southampton, Dec. 6.—Sailed: St. Paul, New York, via Cherbourg.

New York, Dec. 6—Sailed: steamer Marquette, London; Norge, Copenhagen, Phoenicia, Genoa and Naples.

Lizard, Dec. 6—Passed: La Gascogne, New York for Havre.

Cherbourg, Dec. 6—Sailed: St. Paul, for Southampton, New York.

Sally, Dec. 6—Passed: Friederich Der Grosse, New York, for Bremen.

TOOK TOO MUCH MEDICINE.

Mrs. Reed Died of Morphine Poisoning at Columbia.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Columbia, Mo., Dec. 6.—Mrs. Frances Reed, a widow, died in Columbia this morning as a result of an overdose of morphine. She had been sick for several days and yesterday morning was threatened with pneumonia.

A physician was called, who prescribed a medicine containing morphine, directing that two teaspoonfuls be taken every two hours. Instead dose after dose was administered until she fell asleep at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. As she did not awake, the physician was again summoned and the whole night was spent in futile efforts to arouse her. She did not recover consciousness before death at 4 o'clock this morning.

Furniture Men to Meet.

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Louis Furniture Board of Trade will take place to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock at No. 119 North Eighth street. L. J. W. Wall, president of the August Gast Bank Note Company, will address the members upon the subject, "Impressions as to Business Opportunities in Arkansas for St. Louis Merchants." H. S. Tobbe, president St. Louis Merchants' Association, will speak on "St. Louis Furniture in Arkansas."

King's Daughters' Bazaar.

The members of the King's Daughters, Lindell Avenue Church, have issued cards for a sale and Christmas stock market, to be held at the apartments of Mrs. J. Merton Allen and Mrs. Hanford Crawford, at No. 4286 Lindell boulevard, on the afternoon of December 12, from 2 to 6 o'clock. The bazaar will be for the benefit of the Niedringhaus Mission Social Settlement work.

An Xmas Present

That will make your wife happy—a Singer Sewing Machine. Call at our store, 315 North Fourth street, near Washington avenue. The Singer Manufacturing Co.

WHOLESALE HOUSES LEASE LARGER STORES

Important Deals on Washington Indicate a Great Increase in St. Louis Trade.

VER STEEG COMPANY CHANGES.

Mercantile Trust Company Disposes of Factory Sites—Real Estate Exchange Banquet Plans.

Advances in realty values and the extension of the wholesale mercantile section along Washington avenue are regarded as the surest pulse of St. Louis progress. Two real estate deals last week are considered by agents to mean that the solid blocks of big jobbing houses will soon extend west from Eighteenth street.

For the last several years Twelfth street has been the boundary of what is known as the wholesale district, but already this imaginary line has been obliterated. Several big stores are being fitted on the west side of Twelfth street on Washington avenue.

The Dittman Shoe Company yesterday secured a sublease through Samuel Bowman & Company of the building at Nos. 816 and 818 Washington avenue, from the Ver-Steeg Shoe Company, which will soon move to Broadway and Biddle streets. The term is seven years and three months, at an annual rental of $6,000 a year.

As an illustration of the increased values it may be stated that in May, 1901 the Ver-Steeg Shoe Company paid this property through Samuel Bowman from Judge W. F. Boyle, trustee, at a graduated rental averaging $5,000 a year.

The sublease yesterday gives the Ver-Steeg Company a net profit of about $36,000 during its remaining contract. This money will be used largely in improving the new warehouse and factory site at Third and Biddle streets.

Within the last three years Bowman & Co. have made deals on Washington avenue each one of which represented an extension of business facilities for wholesale houses, aggregating an annual rental of more than $300,000. This shows the great growth of local commercial establishments.

The Dittman Shoe Company has outgrown its present quarters at the southeast corner of Ninth and St. Charles streets, and will move into the Washington avenue building, in order to secure almost double the floor space.

MERCANTILE TRUST DEALS.

For the same reason, expansion, the Ver-Steeg Company will remove to Third and Biddle streets and occupy the old McLean building and adjacent property recently sold through Nicholls-Ritter Realty and Financial Company for $55,000. This will give them one of the largest plants in the West.

Since making this purchase, representatives of railway interests, either the Wabash or the Terminal Association, have offered the Ver-Steeg Company a bonus of $500 for the property. The offer was rejected, and the shoe concern will soon begin the remodeling of the McLean building and the construction of a factory adjacent thereto.

The largest deal of the week was made by the Mercantile Trust Company, which sold for the Claes & Lehmbeuter Manufacturing Company the southeast corner of Twenty-second and Washington avenue, for $85,000 cash to August B. Hart and E. H. Semple, trustees of Mary H. Semple. The trustees of Lehmbeuter Company, however, will retain the use of the property under a long lease. Their reason for selling is that they can use the capital to greater advantage in extending their business than by having it tied up in real estate.

"The manufacturing enterprise, like everything else in St. Louis," said a member of the firm, "is growing with such leaps and bounds that we had to prepare ourselves to meet the greater demand. Within the next few years we expect to see a growth that will eclipse anything on record."

Deals of the kind made for the Claes & Lehmbeuter Company have become common with the Mercantile Trust Company, whose officers are always seeking to advance the interests of any St. Louis enterprise that is well conducted. The files of the Recorder's office will show that in the last few months the Mercantile Trust has placed many million dollars in investments for clients who are adding immensely to the volume of trade this city enjoys.

FACTORY SITES SOLD.

Both in the financial and real estate departments the aim of the Mercantile is to aggressively, and yet with conservative discretion, conduct negotiations that will tend to build up every line of legitimate business. The officers are awake to the fact that St. Louis is growing wonderfully, and they are prepared to do a large part in meeting the demands.

In The Republic this morning the Mercantile Trust presents a strong list of propositions to investors, who will have their choice of all sorts of property. The small home-seeker, the man with a modest savings account, and the capitalist alike are appealed to. The underlying principle throughout is to present investments that are absolutely safe and will give as good returns as could be had anywhere in the world.

Agents agree that this expression, "as good as anywhere in the world," may be used advisedly. Notwithstanding the growth of St. Louis and the bright future this city is admitted to have, prices of realty have shown no inflation. Daily sales are being made whereby investors get as much as 10 per cent on capital invested in real estate that has reasonable promise of increasing in value.

Among the sales made by the Mercantile Trust Company last week was that of a factory site in North St. Louis, where the demand for similar property is steadily increasing. Fred W. Westerbeck paid $35,000 for a lot adjoining the Mound City Coffin Factory on Second street, upon which he will erect a can factory, to cost more than $50,000.

Neither deal insuring an acquisition to St. Louis manufacturing enterprises was announced by the Mercantile Trust Company, which has leased to David Moffett & Company of New Jersey the big building at Nos. 123 and 125 St. Charles street. The Moffett concern is a branch of the United States Leather Company, which has found that the trade in this section demands a big plant for the manufacture of leather goods.

It is stated that this enterprise will give employment to several hundred persons.

EXCHANGE BANQUET.

Extraordinary interest attaches to the annual banquet of the Real Estate Exchange, which will take place at the Planters' Hotel next Thursday evening, for the reason that subjects will be discussed bearing upon the policy property owners should pursue in meeting the increased demand for home and business sites, due to the natural growth of the city, and also to the abnormal conditions growing out of the World's Fair.

Among the members of the Real Estate Exchange are men identified with every branch of industry not technically connected with the barter and sale of realty. At the banquet they are expected to discuss, from a broad point of view, subjects which vitally concern future improvements in St. Louis. Among these subjects will be the pressing need of more first-class hotels.

President William A. Giraldin will act as toastmaster, and among the speakers will be Frederick W. Lehmann, Isaac H. Lionberger, G. A. H. Mills, Jesse McDonald and John Schroers. The last named gentleman will discuss the old and new City Charters and proposed amendments.

Violin and piano solos, songs by the Knickerbocker Quartet and tenor solos by J. A. Rose will be special features of the entertainment in connection with the banquet. The committee in charge is composed of G. W. Nieman, C. F. Mueller and J. M. Donovan.

AGENTS' REPORTS.

Mercantile Trust Company.

The Mercantile Trust Company reports another healthy week's business, having closed several deals of importance. It finds the interest in good real estate and the demand for same to be continuing in a most satisfactory way.

The Mercantile Trust Company reports as its largest sale of the week, the southeast corner of Twenty-second and Washington avenue, lot fronting 120 feet on Washington avenue, by a depth of 150 feet to St. Charles street, together with the modern four-story factory building erected thereon. The property was sold for the account of the Claes & Lehmbeuter Manufacturing Company, who now occupy the same, for the sum of $85,000 cash, the purchasers being Augustus B. Hart and Edw. H. Semple, trustees of Mary H. Semple.

This is a very substantial piece of business property in a rapidly-developing portion of Washington avenue, and has the advantage of street fronts on Washington avenue, Twenty-second and St. Charles streets.

A condition of the sale was that Claes & Lehmbeuter Manufacturing Company are to have the privilege of retaining a long lease on the property, the directors of the company having decided that, owing to their greatly increasing business, they could use the capital invested in real estate to better advantage by expanding and enlarging their business, rather than by locking it in and in real estate. The terms of the lease are very satisfactory, and leave the property an investment and secure for the purchasers a magnificent piece of property which, by reason of its favorable location, will undoubtedly increase in value, with the general growth of the city.

The Mercantile Trust Company also report having closed the transaction by passing deeds, covering the sale of the half block in North St. Louis fronting 200 feet on Madison and extending from First to Second streets, and adjoining the Mound City Coffin Company, for the account of Mrs. Rosa Bambick, for $3,000 cash, the purchaser being Fred. Westerbeck, who will establish a magnificent independent factory on the property. Work on the building, which will cost over $50,000, will be commenced at once. It will be modern in all respects and a very composite can factory. The site has excellent railroad facilities, and the factory will be a valuable acquisition to this district, which is showing remarkable activity in a manufacturing way.

Also report the sale of premises Nos. 739, 741, 743 and 745 Aubert avenue, a modern double brick building, two stories high, arranged in four apartments of five and six rooms each, being between Delmar avenue and Fountain place, and erected on lot 50x150 feet. The property was sold for the account of the Reverend John L. Brant for $11,750, the purchaser being Mrs. Margaret A. McClure. The income from the property is $1,500, which makes the purchase over a 10 per cent investment.

The Mercantile Trust Company reported a short time ago the leasing of the large commercial building, No. 123 and 125 St. Charles street, for the account of J. M. and L. C. Nelson for a long term of years to a nonresident corporation, which requested that its name be withheld at the time. The lease has since been signed, the lessee being the David Moffett Company of New Jersey, one of the constituent companies comprising the United States Leather Company, which is one of the largest corporations, in point of capital, in America. This company will represent the United States Leather Company's business in St. Louis and the territory tributary to the city, and locate in St. Louis owing to the wonderful development of the city in the manufacturing of shoes and other kindred leather goods.

Also report having sold lot on the south side of West Pine street, 50 feet east of Boyle avenue, being 50x118 feet, sold for the account of J. L. Brant for $1,000. The purchaser buys with the intention of erecting a residence for a home and a set of modern apartments for an investment.

Also No. 2935 California avenue, a modern two-story brick house of nine rooms, erected on lot 25x103, sold for the account of Alfred A. Kamler, of Clinton, Ia., for $3,800, the purchaser being Garnet Jones, who purchases for a home.

Also lot 120x128 feet at the northeast corner of Bluff and Vandeventer avenues, in Tyler place, being a vacant lot, which is considered a good business site, sold for the account of Mary E. Wurz for $3,250, the purchaser being T. Gerkin, who contemplates the erection of stores and flats on the property.

The Mercantile Trust Company reports that negotiations are practically closed for the lease of a promising new downtown building to a prominent firm in process of formation. The particulars are withheld by request this week, but the deal is evidence of the healthy and expanding condition of business in St. Louis along mercantile lines.

Also sold premises No. 3722 Elliot avenue, a two-story brick house, containing six rooms, erected on lot 25x100. Sold for the account of John Prendiville for $1,800 cash, the purchaser being George T. Etzkorn, who bought for a home.

The Mercantile Trust Company also reports having leased the brick commercial building, No. 202 South Seventeenth street, being a substantial three-story structure erected on lot 40x150 feet, running through to Moore street, leased for the account of Mrs. Hanna Dugan, for a term of years to the Brunette Health Food Company, a corporation, which will occupy it at once for the manufacture of a prepared food.

Also leased the upper floors of building No. 517 Locust street for a term of years to Doctor George Stumpf, for the account of the Abner Gehner Shoe Company. The lessee will fit up and establish handsome dental parlors.

In addition to the sales and leases closed, the Mercantile Trust Company also report having had an excellent week in renting, loaning and in all lines of its general real estate department.

Nicholls-Ritter.

Nicholls-Ritter Realty and Financial Company's sales for the week amounted to $75,600. Inquiries in the office was very good and several sales have been closed. They have also made a large amount of building loans and the week has been as busy as any they have ever had during the month of December as far as inquiries are concerned.

Nicholls-Ritter Realty and Financial Company sold to Mrs. Annie Moore the three apartment houses on the north line of Olive street, west of Sarah street, between Nos. 4139-41-43 Olive street, with lot 50 feet front by 152 feet 6 inches deep, to a 20-foot alley, for $12,600 for the account of the Mathews Real Estate Company. This property was purchased by Mrs. Moore as an investment, and consists of three six-room apartments with baths and finished in modern style, renting for $1,320 a year.

They also sold for L. B. Stephenson the handsome new three-story apartment building, No. 5585-5587 Bartmer avenue, with lot 50 feet front by 175 feet deep, for $22,000 for the account of E. E. Manning. The improvements on this property consist of a three-story, rock-front apartment building containing twelve rooms, renting for $2,500 a year. These are located in a very desirable part of the city, on the north side of Bartmer avenue, between Bell and Clara avenues, and in a restricted neighborhood, where no other flats or apartments can be built. Mr. Stephenson bought as an investment and will reap good results from the amount invested.

They also sold for the account of Samuel H. Pye to Patrick Burns, the well-known saddlery manufacturer, a lot fronting 50 feet on the north side of Maryland avenue, west of Pontiac place, by 127 feet deep, for $75 a front foot, or $3,750. Mr. Burns bought with the intention of erecting a handsome house on the lot. This lot was sold at a very low figure, but Mr. Pye, who is a nonresident, was anxious to dispose of his holdings here for the purpose of making investments. This makes the second sale of property the Nicholls-Ritter Realty and Financial Company has made for Mr. Pye during the last two weeks.

They also sold for the account of Adiel Sherwood to Fred Myer the lot fronting 25 feet on the north line of Folsom avenue, by 128 feet deep, between Spring and Vandeventer avenues, for $700. This lot was purchased with the intention of building a house on same.

They also sold to Professor S. L. Oliver for the account of E. L. Wagener & Son, the handsome ten-room brick house on the southwest corner of Morgan and Academy avenues, on lot 50 feet front by 170 feet deep, being No. 5000 Academy avenue, for $7,500. This is a choice house and a fine location. It was bought by Professor Oliver for a home and will be occupied by him in the near future.

They also sold to Herbert Foster for the account of A. N. Craig the six-room brick house with lot 25x100 feet, No. 3967 Kingsland avenue, for $2,500. Mr. Foster bought for a home. He has lately come to St. Louis to live and will move into the house about December 20.

They also sold the lot fronting 176 feet on the east line of Lake avenue by 85 feet 8½ inches deep, between Washington and Merrimac avenues, for the account of Martin Veerhees to C. O. Woodson for $8,262.50. This sale was made to Mr. Woodson on May 27 last, but the title coming through the Probate Court and to be perfected and it could not be made perfect until this time through the order of the court.

They have sold this lot for Mr. Woodson to Thomas O. Push for $10,500, which sale was made last July. Mr. Push has let his contracts for building six houses on this lot and will commence work on the houses Monday morning. The previous purchaser thus made a profit of nearly $2,000 on his lot.

They also sold to Ferdinand Menke for the account of C. O. Woodson, the six-room brick house and lot 25x120 feet, No. 454 Linton avenue, for $1,500. Mr. Menke bought for a home.

They also sold to Thomas O. Push for the account of L. B. Stephenson the northwest corner of Flad and Klemm avenues, 100x125 feet for $6,000. This lot was bought by Mr. Push for the purpose of improving and he will immediately erect six flats upon the premises.

F. E. Nielsen.

F. E. Nielsen reports the sale of No. 4137 Juniata street, a two-story frame house, seven rooms, on lot 33x162, for $2,500, for Mrs. Flora Furling to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Bamhill.

Also a lot on the north side of Juniata street, between Rustine avenue and Russell place, 25x162 feet, for $22 a foot, from J. W. Russell to Mrs. Minnie Hanekan.

Also a lot on the west side of Virginia avenue, between Magnolia and Sidney streets, 50x125, for $60 cash, from John S. Kirk of Omaha, to a client of Messrs. Kollas & Brinkop.

Greer-Anderson.

The Greer-Anderson Realty Company reports the following sales:

No. 3238-3240-40-42-44A Garfield avenue, consisting of six four-room flats, lot 50x100, from a client to Herbert C. Chivers, resident of Boston. Mr. Chivers bought for investment, as the flats are bringing 10 per cent revenue.

Also sold a nine-room house with lot 100x150, on Newport avenue, Old Orchard, from Charles H. Dodge to Allen Clark; consideration $5,000. Dr. Clark will occupy the house for a home. Mr. Clark comes from New Haven, Ct.

Also sold No. 3127 Alfred avenue, two-story eight-room frame dwelling, with lot, for $2,150, from Martha Garrene to Will J. Farley, of the Great Western Printing Company.

Also sold lot 50x100 feet on the north side of Newport avenue, from a client to George W. Malow.

Also sold 50x100 feet on the south side of Newport avenue to Charles H. Dodge; consideration $50 a foot. It is the intention of both parties to build.

Southampton.

As a result of a few fine days last week the Mercantile Trust Company report an increase in the sales of lots at "Southampton." The work of improvement is progressively, and, judging from the conversation of many purchasers of lots, a great many plans are under consideration for homes in this subdivision.

Mr. Schatz, the purchaser of lot 36, in block 5174, on Murdock avenue, is excavating for his home, which is to be completed as soon as possible, and will be a particularly fine and attractive structure. General indications are that this will be one of many houses to start in this subdivision in the near future.

The bad weather of the past few weeks has shown, positively and positively that the street improvements now in, incomplete as they are, are of a character far surpassing the ordinary grade of work and assuring, without doubt, that the finished product will not only be a beautiful, but a substantial and lasting improvement.

The Mercantile Trust Company report an active interest shown by local, as well as out-of-town inquirers, who are interested in this property both for home and investment purposes. At the present rate it will not be long before this first addition is completely disposed of.

The fact that the property now under sale is but a small part of the entire holding of the Southampton Realty Company, and that it will be all improved in a manner corresponding to the work now going on, lends it a value that cannot be overestimated by the thinking real estate investor and home buyer. The fact that one house is almost completed and that another is started, will, no doubt, encourage many persons who have delayed heretofore to build immediately, in order that they may get the benefit of the $250 bonus for the first ten builders.

This fact convinces the department in charge of the "Southampton" property that, even at this late season of the year, many houses will go up in this subdivision as soon as arrangements can be made and plans and contracts drawn.

Fisher & Co.

Fisher & Co.'s sales were eight in number and aggregated $8,000 for the week.

The elegant house and lot No. 5587 Cabanne place, lot 85x210 situated in that high, handsome block between Goodfellow and Hamilton avenues, was sold. The dwelling contains thirteen rooms, not including hall and billiard rooms, and is designed in the American renaissance style of architecture. The exterior is of Roman brick, trimmed with white marble. Conspicuously beautiful is the sculptured figure adorning the front entrance.

The east side of the dwelling is embellished with an elegant carved and decorated porch, with mosaic floor. The roof is of green slate, which harmonizes in color with the buff brick. The vestibule is lined with marble and tiled with mosaic. The first floor is divided into spacious halls, parlor, family room, library, dining-room, butler's pantry, china closets and kitchen, all in simple but elegant proportions, with fine interior finish; parlor in select bird-eye maple, a marvel of beauty; library in cherry, with panels of same material built in the walls. The central halls are finished in antique oak, as is also the dining-room, in which is a magnificent carved buffet. The family room is in mahogany, with mahogany beams and ceilings. The highly carved mantels, with imported marble and onyx facings, were especially designed by the architects, Barnett, Haynes & Barnett. The walls and ceilings throughout the house are beautifully colored with mural decorations. The second floor contains five spacious bed chambers and two bathrooms. The third floor contains ball and billiard rooms, two bed chambers and bathrooms, linen and cedar rooms. Property of Leopold Freund, sold to Mrs. L. L. Culver who purchased as a present for Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Couch, with whom the makes her home. The price paid for this model dwelling was $43,500.

Fisher & Co. also sold No. 5516 Cates avenue, large double three-story fourteen-room brick dwelling, with all modern conveniences, hot water heat and stable, lot 60x155; sold to John R. Lloyd of Little Rock, Ark., for $13,000.

Also No. 4016 West Bethe place, two-story nine-room modern brick dwelling, with lot 35x125, renting for $50 a month, property of Nathaniel Cortlett, sold to Charles L. Fontaine of El Paso, Tex., for $6,500. Purchased as an investment.

Also lots 1820 North Ninth street, between Cass and Clark, on which are two-story brick building, store and eight rooms above; also two-story twelve-room brick tenement in rear, renting for $60 a month, for $14,000; property of William Massen; sold to Harry Goldstein for $5,300. Mr. Goldstein will make extensive alterations and improvements.

No. 2732 Stoddard street, two-story eight-room brick dwelling, with lot 26x115, property of Misses L. E. and A. Noonan; sold to James Markham for $3,000; purchased for a home.

No. 4254 Forest Park boulevard, south side, east of Sarah street, vacant lot 50x150, property of M. J. Heller; sold to John P. Gemmer for $75 a front foot, or $3,750.

Hortense place, south side, west of Euclid avenue, vacant lot 25x150, property of A. R. Lambert; sold to W. L. Green, Jr., for $75 a front foot.

Arkansas avenue, west side, south of Magnolia avenue, vacant lot 50x132, property of S. J. Fisher; sold to Henry D. Scherich for $40 a front foot, or $2,200. Mr. Scherich will improve this lot with a two-story nine-room brick dwelling.

Royal Investment Company.

C. R. H. Davis, president of the Royal Investment Company, has almost completed the foundation for the ornamental entrances to Lennox place, in Kingsbury place. The granitoid walks and gutter are finished, and next week the Gilmartin Construction Company will commence to pave the street with refined Trinidad asphalt.

Mr. Benoist will soon have his foundation completed. Mr. Davis says his company will shortly commence the erection of eight high-class residences, to cost about $3,000 each, in Lennox place. The Royal Investment Company is now finishing three very handsome residences on Berlin avenue, and have just started three more, to cost about $14,000 each. One of the new houses has been sold. The name of the purchaser is withheld for the present.

The two houses sold last week to Mrs. Mary E. Howard and J. I. Howard will be finished and occupied December 15. Paul Moll moved into his new $3,500 home, purchased a month ago of the Royal Investment Company, at No. 4359 Berlin avenue.

Henry Hiemenz Realty Company.

The Henry Hiemenz Realty Company reports the following sales:

No. 2318 Ridge avenue, two-story, five-room house, with lot 25x127.6 feet, owned by John Linkuf; was sold for $3,075 to F. J. Beale, who will occupy it.

Lot on north side of Arco avenue, east of King's highway, 50x100 feet, owned by Melvin L. Gray; was sold for $22 a foot to Joseph Kaufman, who will improve it.

No. 3356 Easton avenue, two-story, nine-room brick, in flats, gas, water and modern conveniences; lot 25x132 feet; rent $384; owned by Bernard Rotter of St. Liberty, Ill.; was sold to M. V. Green for $2,250, who bought for investment.

Love & Sons.

Love & Sons sold last week as below:

No. 6345 Suburban avenue, consisting of a four-room brick cottage, on lot 30x110 feet; from Mrs. Samuel Wise of Kansas City to Mrs. M. Treat. Bought for investment.

Also sold No. 2938 Sutton avenue, six-room brick, on lot 40x150 feet, in St. Louis County, at Lohmeyer Heights, for $2,800 cash, from Davidson Bros. to William Ott. Bought for a home.

N. S. Wood.

N. S. Wood reports the sale of lot 50x138 on the north line of Maple avenue, 80 feet west of King's highway, from Superior Construction Company to George Sauerbrunn, for $1,200.

Also lot 112x125, southeast corner of Botanical and Lawrence, from W. Bary to a client, for $2,875.

Also reports not having a store, residence, flat or room for rent, something that has never occurred within the last ten years.

J. W. Brennan's Souvenir.

J. Wallace Brennan of No. 816 Chestnut street, one of the most active agents in "real estate row," has issued a unique souvenir. It is a tray of heavy brown cardboard material, resembling leather, and tinted accordingly. It has a raised reproduction of the St. Louis Union Station, which is remarkably photographic in its likeness. The tray is a pretty desk ornament for a man or can be used as a useful ornament for a lady's or gentleman's dresser.

Real Estate Transfers.

BLAINE—125 ft., n. s., bet. Spring and Vandeventer, Mary Wurtz et al. to T. Gerken—w. d.	$ 2,250
BREAWAY—50 ft. 1½ in., w. s., bet. Branch and Palm, Tyler estate to W. Johnston—w. d.	35,900
BURD—50 ft., w. s., bet. Wells and Ridge, A. J. Francis to Marfax Investment Co. etc. d.	10
BURD—50 ft., w. s., bet. Wells and Ridge, A. J. Francis to E. A. Blake—qc. d.	1
BURD—50 ft., w. s., bet. Wells and Ridge, E. A. Blake to Mattie Francis—qc. d.	1
CASTLEMAN—90 ft., s. s., bet. Lawrence and Thurman, J. H. Westermayer to W. J. Harris—w. d.	1,500
COLEMAN—24 ft. 11½ in., w. s., bet. North Market and Magazine; Albert Jud to C. J. Harlacher—w. d.	100
COLLINS—42 ft., s. s., bet. Cass and Dickson; W. Hirden et al. to Geo. Nicol—w. d.	11,556
COMMONWEALTH—60 ft., e. s., bet. Esplanade and Leamington, W. T. McGinnes to Mary Morris—w. d.	850
CLARA—22 ft. 3 in., t. Reinhardt to Annex Railroad Co.—qc. d.	50
CLOSEY—30 ft., Margaret Siemer to Rosa Pistor—qc. d.	2,000
DALE—48 ft. 4 in., s. s., bet. alley and Glasgow; H. A. Schnake to F. Hoffmeister—w. d.	1
DALE—4.27 acres, s. s., bet. alley and Glasgow, F. Hoffmeister to H. A. Schnake—w. d.	1
GRAVOIS—30 ft. 7 in., s. s., bet. Point and Arsenal; Bohemian-American Home Building and Loan Association to S. Malecek—w. d.	7,400
ITASKA—50 ft., n. s., bet. 5th and 6th; H. Wenecke to Chas. Voelker—w. d.	625
LACLEDE—25 ft., s. s., bet. Prospect and Spring; May Luff et al. to Louise Robyn—w. d.	1
LAMI—100 ft., n. s., bet. 15th and Lemp; Anna Middendorff to Margaret Zentgraf—qc. d.	1
LANSDOWNE—50 ft., s. s., bet. Brannon and Macklin; Southampton Realty Co. to F. N. Hockus—w. d.	700
LEMP—33 ft., e. s., bet. Shenandoah and Lami; Elizabeth Dinze et al. to Anna Middendorff—qc. d.	1
LEMP—33 ft., e. s., bet. Shenandoah and Lami; Anna Middendorff et al. to H. Middendorff—w. d.	1
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LINCOLN—25 ft., e. s., bet. Vandeventer and Warne; Lizzie Partner et al. to Elizabeth Roberson—w. d.	300
LINCOLN—25 ft., e. s., bet. Vandeventer and Warne; Elizabeth Roberson to H. A. Poertner—w. d.	1
MCCUNE—92 ft., s. s., bet. Private and Ivanhoe; Frank Hardt to Frank Abele et al.—w. d.	782
McPHERSON—200 ft., n. s., bet. Vandeventer and Warne; Marjorie Ferguson to Martha Anderson—w. d.	200
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Piano Benches	$10.00	Gold Window Seats	$15.00	Vernis Martin Cabinet	$20.00	Weathered Library Table	$12.00
Roman Chairs	$20.00	Inlaid Music Cabinet	$15.00	Inlaid Jewel Tables	$12.00	Antwerp Hall Clocks	$29.00
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