

DEALS IN REALTY SHOW IMPROVEMENT

Third Week of September Best Brokers Have Had Since July.

Decided improvement both in the number of transactions effected and in the volume of trading is shown in a review of realty operations during the third week of September. Last Wednesday the brokers completed thirty-two sales, and established a new high mark for a day's activity during the month.

The outlook for a return of heavy trading, which prevailed last fall, is considered promising by the brokers. Inquiries are numerous, and every effort is being made to turn the inquirer into a satisfied investor or home-owner.

Ninety more lots were sold during the past week than in the preceding six days, and sixty-two more than in the initial week of September. In the number of transactions effected, the week displays an increase of fifteen sales over the record for the previous six days.

Wednesday the banner day of the week and month, the brokers were nearly as busy on two other days. Thursday witnessed the closing of twenty-seven trades, while twenty-six deals were consummated on Monday.

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The loan market did not share in the week's improvement, as the rate of interest was a sharp decline in the amount involved in the week's loans from the very good business of the previous six days.

County property was most favored this week as a basis for loans, having been pledged for an aggregate of \$2,638,235. Land in the northwest was embraced to the extent of \$76,424.

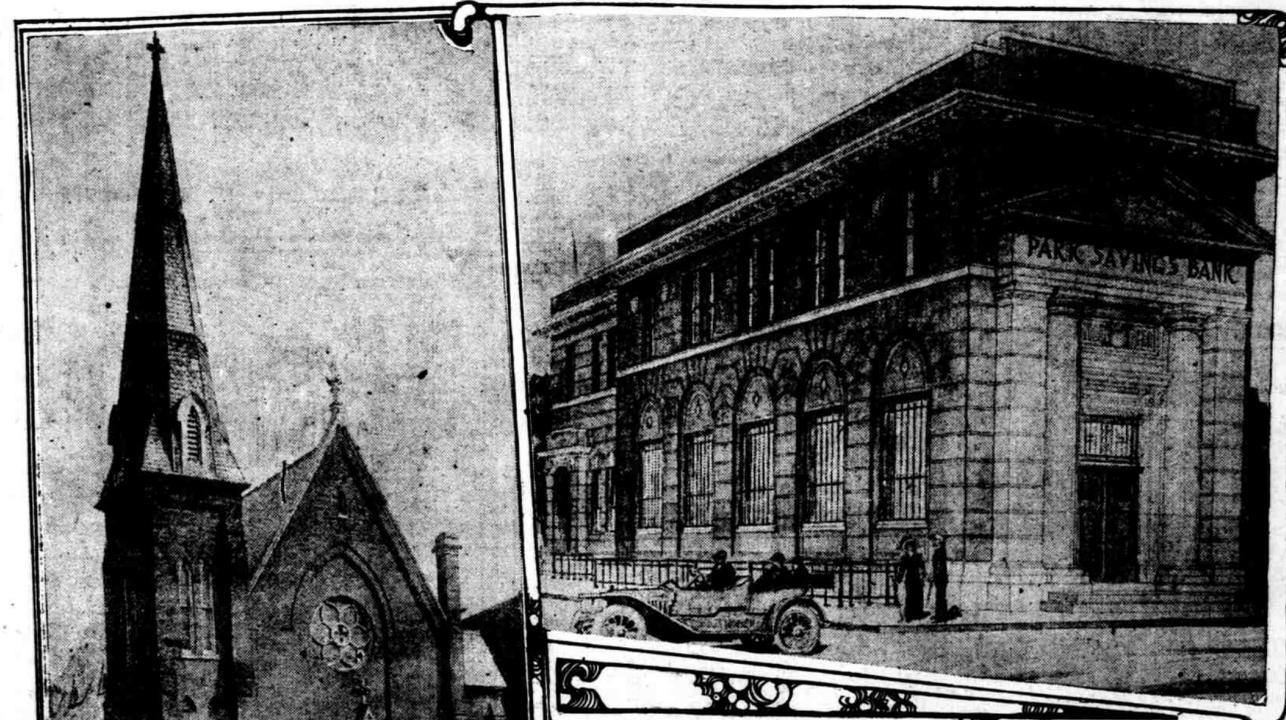
Thomas J. Fisher & Co., Inc., report the following recent sales: To Joseph C. Sheehy, recently appointed president of the Excise Board, a 70-foot lot on the south side of Jennifer street, between Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth streets, in Chevy Chase Heights.

To George P. Hales, a 70-foot lot on the south side of Ingomar street, west of Thirty-ninth street, in Chevy Chase Heights.

To William E. Richardson, lot 33 and the south 10-foot frontage of lot 22, in Square 1965, being a 60-foot frontage on the west side of Thirty-seventh street, in Chevy Chase Heights.

To Edwin S. Marlow to Odell W. Hillyear, lot 59, Martin's third addition to Chevy Chase, and, for the same owner, lot 50, Martin's third addition to Chevy Chase, to Miss Eugenia Kennedy.

Buildings That Figured Prominently in Real Estate Activities This Week



Park Savings Bank At Fourteenth and Kenyon Streets Now Nearing Completion.

Central Presbyterian Church At Third and I Streets Northwest, President Wilson's Chosen Place of Worship Which Was Transferred This Week to the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Colored, For \$20,000.

UNFURNISHED HOMES SOUGHT BY OFFICIALS Result Change of Administration, in Opinion of Real Estate Authority.

Official circles in Washington, for the first time in sixteen years, or since the exodus of the last Democratic Administration, are seeking the unfurnished homes. The popularity of the unfurnished home in this city has become a matter of importance to the real estate fraternity this season, and in the opinion of Richardson Gibson, an authority on rents in local real estate transactions, the change which is occupying real estate men this year is directly incident to the change from a Republican to Democratic administration.

Among home seekers high in official life, Secretary Daniels, of the Navy, has rented an unfurnished home this season.

The recently occupied home of Secretary McAdoo, at 1709 Massachusetts Avenue, was rented unfurnished, as well as the home of Secretary Wilson, at Fifteenth and S streets northwest.

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GOVERNMENT BUYS FIFTY-SEVEN ACRES

A purchase of a tract of fifty-seven acres adjoining the National Training School for Boys near Arthur G. Bishop and wife was consummated during the early part of the week by the firm of Joseph H. Welles. The title, which was made over to the United States, transfers ownership to a tract which is part of the original grants which were made out in the days of early settlement of this country, and which were designated as parts of Barbadoes and Scotland lands.

It occupies a commanding plateau just within the District line, overlooking the city. With little interruption it has a frontage along the Bladensburg road and a depth which approaches the river.

Improvements have not yet been specified for this property, pending appropriations for that purpose, but the grounds are intended to be used as recreation grounds for the boys at present.

A central school building is now in course of erection upon the present site of the National Training School for Boys, which is expected to be completed in a couple of years. The building, which is designed for a gymnasium with shower bath rooms with two upper stories for study and class rooms, occupies a site measuring sixty-five feet by 215 feet deep. Work is well in progress and one story of the structure is already completed.

The tract occupied by the school now in its entirety is replete in historical memories. Skirmishes before the memorable battle of Bladensburg were carried on amid these and adjacent hills. Prior to the occupation of Washington by the British in 1811, this site was the center of active maneuvering. A spring upon the recently acquired tract bears the name of Barney Spring after Commodore Barney who fell here during a gallant fight.

Fort Lincoln, the nearest trenchwork for the addition of a new story to the National five and ten cent store, in M street, between Thirty-first and Wisconsin avenue northwest, the building has frontage of thirty feet on M street and a depth of 120 feet. There will be a new freight elevator installed in the building, and other improvements made.

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Building Permits Issued This Week

- A. C. Moses, to erect two-story brick dwellings at 744-748 Park road northwest, \$2,000. G. C. Birdsall, to erect one-story brick private garage rear 1832 Kalorama road northwest, \$500. W. D. Blanchard, repairs, 1614-1616 Twenty-first street northwest, \$3,000. H. L. Rust, repairs, 727 Twelfth street northwest, \$575. E. P. Nash, repairs, 719 O street northwest, \$500. George M. Woodyard, to erect one two-story brick dwellings at 1844-1872 Third street northwest, \$11,000. Ellis Sheets, to construct two-story rear building and put two walls in place at 1329 Fourteenth street northwest, \$1,000. J. R. Hill, to erect one two-story frame dwelling at Kane place, near Minnesota avenue northeast, \$800. W. D. Rockwood, to erect one-story frame dwelling at 2006 Seventeenth street northeast, \$2,700. E. J. Duman, to build addition at 231 B street southwest, \$500. P. E. Samuels, to erect one-story brick addition rear 2619 Sherman avenue northwest, \$250. J. L. Tankersley, to erect two-story brick dwelling and private garage at 231 Eastern street northwest, \$5,000. E. J. Duman, to build addition at 231 B street southwest, \$500. M. D. Campbell, to erect two-story frame dwelling at 2404 Ninth street northeast, \$1,500. E. J. Duman, to erect one-story Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, repairs, 722 Twelfth street northwest, \$250. L. P. Stewart et al., to build open coil bin at Thirtieth and L streets southeast, \$125. Charles H. Taylor, to erect two-story frame pebble-dash dwelling at 2456 Macomb street northwest, \$5,000. E. P. Nash, to erect two-story frame pebble-dash dwelling at 2456 Macomb street northwest, \$5,000. A. L. White, to repair porch, install new flooring and new roof at home on Hayes street, near St. Catherine north-east, \$250. R. B. Earnshaw, to erect one-story brick private garage rear 721 Twelfth street southeast, \$1,500. Simon Oppenheimer to erect two two-story brick dwellings at 1418-1419 Twelfth street northwest, \$5,000. S. Kane, Sons & Co. to extend rise of two elevators at Eighth and Market street, \$1,800. W. E. Richardson to erect one two-story frame and stone dwelling at 3504 Thirty-seventh street northwest, \$5,500. Lucy Madeira to erect shed and iron fence on building line at 219-24 New Hampshire avenue northwest, \$200. Howard Etchison to erect one two-story brick dwellings at 1818-1820 Wyoming avenue northwest, \$14,000. Holy Cross College to erect one one-story brick chicken house at Harwood road, near Michigan avenue northeast, \$700. G. D. P. Ralley to erect one two-story brick dwelling at 62 Third street northeast, \$2,000. Cora Crawford repairs at 323 O street northwest, \$1,000.

Five Brick Dwellings Planned for Third St.

Building has begun on five two-story brick dwellings, to be located at 1861-1872 Third street northwest, by Charles L. Tankersley, who will also own the properties. Their cost of erection is estimated at \$11,000.

Simmons Draws Plan For Store Improvements

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ROW OF SIX HOUSES TO BE OPENED SOON

A new row of six three-story brick homes located at 2061-2071 Park road will be opened in about two weeks and placed on the market by Middaugh & Shannon at \$8,250 each for the corner residence.

Middaugh & Shannon Will Sell Park Road Homes at \$8,250 Each.

The group which features a uniformity in architectural design looks out upon Rock Creek park. They are fronted by wooden covered porches and set upon an elevated terrace overlooking Park road.

The facade of the new homes is constructed of red velvet brick ornamented with Indiana limestone introductions over and beneath the windows.

The second story and upper story contain six rooms. Two sleeping porches occupy the rear of the dwellings.

The most recent modern appliances have been introduced into the homes by the architects and builders, and hot water heat and electric light will be used.

The completion of the six residences which are about to go on the market will be a solid block of residences which have been erected on Park road in the past three years.

SENATORS LEASE FINE RESIDENCES

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PARK SAVINGS BANK MARKS DEVELOPMENT

Erection of Structure at Fourteenth and Kenyon Streets Considered Significant.

Marking one of the most interesting commercial developments in the city, as well as being one of its architectural merits, a new bank will be opened about October 15 on the southeast corner of Fourteenth and Kenyon streets northwest. The structure, which is now nearing completion, will be known as the Park Savings Bank, the properties and equipments being transferred from an older temporary structure used for banking purposes at Fourteenth street and Park road northwest.

The new bank, which figures as one of the most imposing structures in that newly developed business section of Washington, is classic in architecture. On the fronting twenty-five feet on Fourteenth street and 102 feet depth along Kenyon street, the structure resembles massive villa revival of classic Greek design. The front is done in Doric columns under a pediment.

The side of the building on Kenyon street is yellowish-brown brick trimmed with courses in Indiana limestone. An overhanging roof covers the edifice, trimmed with ornamental stone work. The interior is finished in mahogany. The lower floor will be devoted entirely to office work of the bank, and the upper floor will be used by the Mount Pleasant Lodge of Masons, A. F. A. M., No. 33.

The main floor of the bank will be subdivided into the customary offices used in handling the funds of a bank. The handsome houses are promised, though not yet decided upon, the rubber tiling, which has of late become favorite with some of the more recently constructed banks in the city, will be used to floor the space devoted to patrons.

White plaster relieved with paneling and plaster treatment will cover the walls and the high ceiling will be done similarly, with beam crossings finished in white plaster.

To Have Modern Vault. The Park Savings Bank will be equipped with one of the highest rated safety deposit vaults in the city, secured by two time locks, one on the outer door and one on the inner door.

The upper story, to be used by the Masonic Order as a lodge room, will be done in mahogany finish throughout. It is a commodious apartment, yet designed to be fitting for various social purposes. A private entrance to these quarters will admit from Kenyon street toward the rear of the building.

When the new Park Savings Bank is opened, it will be the first bank in Washington to be realized that will just about completely and thoroughly "cover" the city, it is said.

To Business men familiar with the distribution of gas in the city, Washington has hitherto been a little "twisted" in its banking arrangements, said William H. Saunders, president of the Park Savings Bank today.

The opening of a new bank two and a half miles north of the business center of the city is significant, as it marks the filling in of a long-felt vacancy in that growing business section of Washington.

The directors of the Park Savings Bank are William H. Saunders, president; Lewis E. Breuninger, vice president; Edward S. Fawcett, cashier; North Washington bank, bankers; and Joseph W. Cox, attorney.

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ARCHITECTS AWARDED PRIZES BY GERMANY

Were for Sketch of Proposed New Embassy to Be Constructed Here.

Bruno Moehring, one of Germany's most eminent architects, has been awarded the first place of 5,000 marks for a sketch of the proposed German embassy to be erected here, in a competition which has been carried on by the German government in which 20 plans were considered, according to dispatches just received here from Berlin.

The proposed building, which is said to be a replica of the Sans Souci Palace of Frederick the Great in Potsdam, Germany, will be erected at a cost of \$500,000. It will take four years to complete it.

The committee on prizes held formal session in the Architektenhaus in Berlin on September 4. It consisted of Privy Council Schwelke, Prof. Peter Forster, Privy Councilor Spindler, Privy Councilor Muehsigbrodt, Privy Councilor Forster, Privy Councilor Thierck, Minister of Foreign Affairs von Jagow, and Count von Bernstorff, German ambassador to Washington.

Location of New Embassy. The new embassy intended to occupy a lot on the north side of 2 street northwest, near Twenty-second street. The tract of land which the local embassy owns on that site embraces an area of 10,000 square feet, extending thirty feet on 2 street. The land was bought for the German government seven or eight years ago, but for some time, unsuitable for the site of the German embassy here.

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Bids On Hospital To Be Asked Oct. 1

A call for bids on the new Emergency Hospital will be issued about October 1 by Nathan C. Wyeth, the architect who is drawing plans and specifications for the new structure. It is expected that the office this morning. The structure will cost \$300,000.

Sufficient funds to raise the new and handsome structure have been secured, but the directors who are behind the proposed building believe that more money will be raised early in the fall, so that the building may proceed.

It is expected that work for the new structure about November 1.

Meeley Company Gets Downtown Offices

Shannon & Luchs have leased the property at 24 Fourteenth street northwest to the Meeley Company, representing the Ertrestone Rubber Tire concern. The lease will run from October of this year for a term of three years. The consideration is not mentioned.

OUTDOOR LIFE SUGGESTS



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Nurse's Mistake Fatal

WARREN, Pa., Sept. 20.—Sylvia Davis, daughter of Mrs. George Davis, of this city, died here at the Emergency Hospital from the results of what is believed to have been a case of asbestosis solution given her in mistake for medicine by a nurse, Miss Helen Koepf.

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The residences, which promise to be attractive additions to that desirable part of the city, will follow the old French style in general architecture. The fronts will be finished in a reddish yellow tapestry brick, featured by French windows. A small stone porch will lead into a stone vestibule, and the use of a large old colonial brick fireplace will be a feature of almost every room in the homes. A feature of unique design will be a colonial staircase with straight white pickets, imitative of the stairs found in old colonial mansions.