

UNUSUAL ACTIVITY IN REALTY MARKET DURING PAST WEEK

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DECLINE FROM JULY SALES

But Brokers Expect Falling Off During Height of the Vacation Season.

Realty trading for the initial week of August, 1916, showed a decided improvement over the activity of the corresponding week of last year.

Compared with the closing days of July the record of the past week is not so encouraging. A decline in nine sales is shown, and fifty fewer lots were included in the volume of trading during the past six days.

Such slight falling-off in trading, however, is not giving the brokers much concern, as August is usually a poor month in the realty business.

The trading of the first week of August was well distributed. Friday was the banner day of the week, with twenty-six sales to its credit, but it was only one sale in advance of Thursday.

The heaviest trading of the past six days was in the outlying suburbs where sixty-seven parcels changed owners.

The largest transaction of the week involved the purchase of an extensive tract in the northwest suburbs by the Mt. Vernon Street Improvement Co.

Mr. Quinter Buys House. Ralph D. Quinter, referee in bankruptcy, has purchased the property of Mrs. Agnes W. Willett, at 2519 Connecticut avenue.

The price paid is indicated at \$13,000. Mr. Quinter has transferred to Clarke Wagman premises, 2125 Fifteenth street northwest.

An increase of nearly \$100,000 is shown in the loan market for the opening days of August over the record of the preceding week.

The bulk of the week's loans were of the "straight" variety, which totaled \$47,256. The sum of all the notes given for deferred purchase money was \$197,535.77.

The building associations advanced to members \$70,800. County property returned to favor as a basis of loan security, being pledged for an aggregate of \$50,747.37.

Church Notes

The musical program at the Church of the Covenant tomorrow night, beginning at 7:45 o'clock, will be presented by Mrs. Edith Marrison Broadus, harpist.

A series of evangelistic meetings will be inaugurated by the Church of Christ, at Masonic Hall, Eighth and E streets, northwest, tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock.

The last of the ten days' camp meeting at Washington Grove will be held tomorrow morning, the program of preaching will be at 11 o'clock.

At the Second Baptist Church tomorrow morning, the pastor, the Rev. Howard L. Stewart, will preach on "A Famous Mind Reader."

The Rev. L. Curtis Talmage will preach at Mt. Pleasant Congregational Church tomorrow morning on "The Morning Breakthrough."

The Rev. F. Paul Langhorne, newly installed pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Seventh and Randolph streets, will occupy the pulpit at both services tomorrow.

The Rev. Frank E. Hearns will address the Life Problems Club of the Twelfth Street Y. M. C. A. on "A Dreamer of Dreams," at 3:45 tomorrow.

The Rev. J. S. McLemore, of Bradenton, Fla., will occupy the pulpit of Temple Baptist Church during the absence this month of the Rev. J. M. Blair.

Miss Myra L. Spaulding will officiate as organist at Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, South, during the month of August.

The French Huguenot churches, being in severe straits on account of the general devastation of war, appealed to the American church, through the French churches, for an expression of the affection of Christians in America.

The music at First Baptist Church Bible school tomorrow will be a special feature of the service, being led by an orchestra of sixteen pieces.

At Union M. E. Church tomorrow morning and evening, in absence of the pastor, the Rev. John MacMurray, the Rev. Deets Pickett, research secretary of the board of temperance of the M. E. Church, will speak.

The Rev. Dr. George W. Clark of Kentucky, who is visiting his sister, Mrs. Phoebe Alice Lillard, 78 R street northwest, will preach at Calvary Baptist Church tomorrow morning.

MARYLAND BRIGADE HAS A STIFF HIKE

Men Are Tired and Sore From Nine-Mile Tramp With Heavy Equipment.

EAGLE PASS, Aug. 5.—It's a hike, hike, hike. Which they don't much like. When you're in the infantry—see!

The old song which the late Charles Kleins who went down on the Lusitania, wrote for the Second United States Cavalry, expresses the exact sentiment of every man in the First, Fourth, and Fifth Maryland regiments today.

The regular officers in charge of the training of the militia are working the men gradually into shape. The hike last Friday was five miles, yesterday the brigade marched nine miles, and today they will go twelve and so on.

Are Increasing Equipment. In the practice hikes here the troops are gradually increasing their equipment as well as the length of hikes.

The men of C Company, First Maryland, camped last night with a night cap parade. Friends of C Company at home sent them six dozen night caps which arrived yesterday.

Captain Clayton a "Quartermaster." Capt. Dick Clayton, of K Company, from Silver Springs, has been detached from his command and assigned temporarily to duty in the quartermaster's department.

The Maryland has been in camp on the border now exactly a month. It was just a month ago today that the regiment arrived here.

Statesmanship of Hughes is Praised. Suffragists' Official Paper Declares It of "High Order."

Charles E. Hughes' declaration for the Federal suffrage amendment was "admirable in matters and manner," says today's issue of the Suffragist, official publication of the Congressional Union for Women's Suffrage.

It commends the statement for its "high order of statesmanship." "In justice to any class, Mr. Hughes maintains," it says, "results only in the hard and fast organization of that class for the removal of the injustice."

"We are at the beginning of a period when all the nations of the world are taking an inventory of their moral and material forces, and organizing them in a way never dreamed of. If our nation is to hold a place at all among the great nations of the earth, it also must attempt to organize and coordinate all the services of all the people on a basis of genuine democracy."

District Boys Watch Real Battle in Mexico

Military Court Adjourns When Dogs Mix Up During Arraignment of Guardsmen Who Accidentally Crossed the Border.

WARREN, Ariz., Aug. 5.—Another punitive expedition has entered Mexico, fought a battle and inflicted real punishment.

These facts would never have become known but for the notoriety which six members of the District hospital company gained through their efforts to see Mexico, which landed them in duress.

When the six intrepid District warriors crossed the border they were followed by a cute little specimen of dogdom which serves as a mascot for the Arizona troops in camp here.

The Mexican dog commenced to howl and bark as the court adjourned so that every body could watch the fight.

In a very few minutes Arizona had treated the Mexican dog that had simply ordered the army to turn the District troops over to the United States border guard.

The statement that the District boys were under arrest, and consequently could not retaliate.

Under escort of the army the District boys were brought before an imposing tribunal, consisting of thirty-odd dignified Mexican officers.

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fact that the Washingtonians here are all growing fine Charles Chaplin musaches. The climate seems great for that sort of thing.

Signal Corps Working Hard. The signal corps is working harder than any organization in this section. The men have a regular program of drill for every day in the week and are taking up the various duties of their department of the military establishment in a very businesslike way.

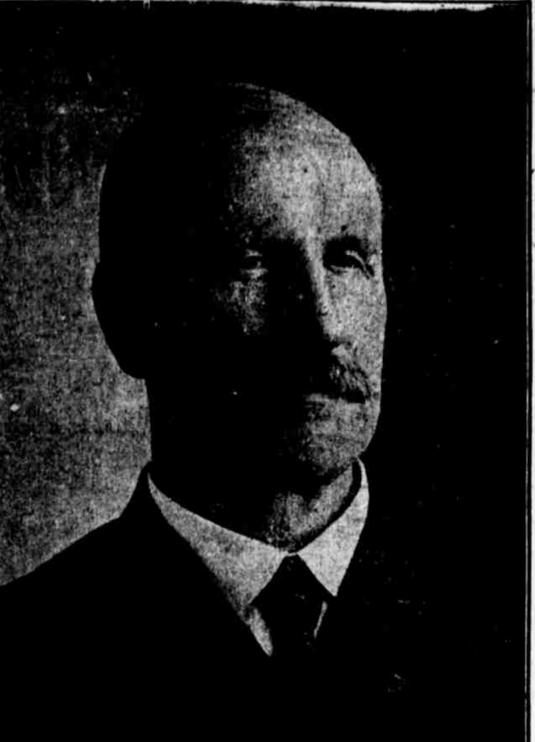
Captain Terry has outlined a regular program of instruction which is taken up by the various sections in turn. It includes the care of equipment, horsemanship, visual signaling, laying telephonic and telegraphic lines and other features of the signal corps duties.

Thieves Take Pants. Thieves broke a show case in front of the clothing store of Isidor Grosner, 1913 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, last night and stole three pairs of trousers valued at \$10.25.

Bishop to utilize the equipment of that institution and to assist in operations. Dr. Rhine, head surgeon at the hospital, is a member of the medical reserve corps of the army. He states that his hospital would be a base hospital in case of war.

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Church Announcements



Prof. W. W. Prescott. Noted traveler, lecturer, and writer will speak at the large pavilion at Sixteenth street and Park road, Sunday night, August 6 on "The Sabbath—True and False."

Presbyterian CHURCH OF THE COVENANT. 11 a. m., morning service. Sermon by the assistant.

Baptist FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, 16th & O. N. W. Dr. W. W. McMaster, pastor. Bible school, 9:30 a. m., preaching at 11 a. m.

Methodist Episcopal FOUNDRY SIXTEENTH NEAR P STREET. REV. W. R. WEDDERSPOON, D. D., Pastor.

Second Baptist Church, 4th St. and Virginia Ave. S. E. Rev. Howard L. Stewart, pastor. Bible school, 9:30 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m.

Episcopal ST. JAMES' CHURCH. 8th St. and C. N. E. Preaching at 11 a. m.

Unitarian-Universalist Unitarian-Universalist. Union service of all sects Unitarian Church, Ulysses B. Pierce, D. D., minister and the Church of Our Father, Universalist, John Van Eaton, D. D., minister.

Congregational First Congregational Church. 19th & G. S. E. N. W. REV. ROBERT WOOD COE, A. S. T., Pastor.

Christian Science Second Church of Christ, Scientist. FIFTEENTH AND R STS. N. W. Services: Sunday, 11 a. m. and 3 p. m.

Christian Vermont Ave. Christian Church. Vermont Avenue North of N Street. Rev. EARLE WILFLEY, L. L. D., Pastor.

First Church of Christ, Scientist. COLUMBIA ROAD AND ECLIPSE STREET. Services: Sunday, 11 a. m. and 3 p. m.

Associated Bible Students' SOCIATED BIBLE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION. Old Masonic Temple, 5th and F sts. Speaker, H. Clay Rockwell, of New York city.

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