THOMPSON GETS BACK AT SHELL PROMOTERS

Prominent Realty Dealer Answers Letter of the Knockers Pointing Out Flagrant Misstatements

HE TAKES UP TAX QUESTION

Shows Holland Chastain How Big Profits Are Made On Rental Property in This City

Tulsa, Oklahoma, June 13, 1919.
Messrs. Holland, Chastain & Holland, City.
Dear Sir:

Have you considered this $5,000,- [illegible] from the standpoint [illegible] real business—real estate. [illegible] have a customer proposing to buy a $5,500 bungalow, [illegible] at the critical point of [illegible] and he should ask [illegible] what will my taxes be on this property if I should buy it, and you [illegible] $341.25, your special [illegible] would be approximately [illegible] per month plus whatever your [illegible] be making $32.60 per [illegible] repairs and upkeep. [illegible] think your chances [illegible] closing the deal?

After this campaign has been [illegible] every purchaser of real [illegible] will be familiar with [illegible] of owning real estate. [illegible] proves you in your line [illegible] get out and use your best [illegible] to defeat this excessive tax [illegible]

Yours truly, C. L. Holland, W. E. Chastain.

Thompson's Hot Reply

Tulsa, Oklahoma, June 14, 1919.
[illegible] campaign Committee: I [illegible] carbon copy circular [illegible] the bonemax water bond elec[illegible] and I am constrained to reply. [illegible] I personally consider [illegible] misstatements made [illegible] as result to the intelligence [illegible] thinking business man.

I have lived in Tulsa eight years, [illegible] taxes on real estate during [illegible] I now own several houses [illegible] and my family own several [illegible] We receive good rents and [illegible] considered that our taxes [illegible] burdensome or unjust. My [illegible] for 1918 on one 4 room modern [illegible] bungalow that I rents for $35.00 per [illegible] were $26.30. Did I make a [illegible] profit?

[illegible] of my clients purchased a 5 [illegible] modern bungalow in 1917, pay[illegible] down $300 cash. I sold the property in January of this year and the [illegible] returns on the investment was [illegible] She owned it 18 months [illegible] per month gross profits. Her [illegible] for 1918 on this property for [illegible] paving and general taxes was [illegible]

[illegible] can multiply those two items by [illegible] hundred more on properties [illegible] have owned or controlled or [illegible] for clients.

May I suggest for the information [illegible] public, that our taxes for 1918 [illegible] based on assessments made in [illegible] The expense of running the [illegible] due to war conditions, were [illegible] increased over 1917, and because we lost the increased valuation [illegible] properties the rate was advanced [illegible] We have a new assessment [illegible] year and the rate for taxes will [illegible] than $4.32 because we have [illegible] than doubled the property valuation of 1917.

May I state that taxes on $25,000 [illegible] of real estate that I control [illegible] are not as much for both paving [illegible] general taxes in 1918 as the fictitious figure of $341.25 which you [illegible] make on a $6500 bungalow?

You have appealed to my selfish [illegible] interests as a property owner and a real estate broker. Thank [illegible] I believe the people of Tulsa are [illegible] than to harbor such selfish [illegible] at the expense of Tulsa, [illegible] appeal must fall flat when addressed to any blue blooded American citizen, who, in the past few [illegible] has felt the call of the eternal brotherhood of man, and promptly [illegible] thereby has laid aside personal [illegible] and personal interests for [illegible] benefit of his fellowman. What [illegible] these returned heroes, who have [illegible] their lives on bloody fields of [illegible] in the past few months, think [illegible] men who have grown opulent [illegible] at the expense of Tulsa's citizens, and who now seek to throttle [illegible] awakening opportunities out [illegible] purely selfish and personal motives? Have you indeed [illegible] that point in life where the [illegible] of a dollar over-shadows the [illegible] of human fellowship? [illegible] not pass with such a score [illegible] me. I would not barter my [illegible] respect as a citizen and a member of law abiding organized society [illegible] the purple robes of luxury and [illegible] complacency gained by impounding [illegible] interests of a great community [illegible] selfish ends—and God [illegible] those who do!

A. C. THOMPSON.

JAPAN AFTER TRADE OF THE JAPANESE PEOPLE

SYDNEY, June 16.—Japan has [illegible] great strides in developing her [illegible] with Java since the beginning [illegible] war and is now tending her [illegible] commercial advantages there, says [illegible] Dreyer, of Sourabay, Java, an [illegible] open for eastern affairs.

"The shaking off of European [illegible] by the war," said Mr. Dreyer, "forced Java to rely upon Japan and Australian markets and [illegible] trade routes will not now suffer from the resumption of European activities. To my mind the east [illegible] be independent of the west in [illegible] Japanese concentration in the [illegible] pays it strong light her amazing secret commercial mastery [illegible] eastern waters.

"Mr. Dreyer recently was commissioned by the Dutch government to [illegible] the government of the [illegible] islands with a view to [illegible] changes in the government [illegible] which would effect 40,000,000 [illegible] He will recommend a [illegible] of Lockers but said it would [illegible] matter to treat the [illegible] as the Filipinos were being [illegible] there was a marked [illegible] in intelligence between [illegible] cases. This was in favor [illegible] Filipinos.

"[illegible] expressed the opinion that it [illegible] be possible to grant independence to the Filipinos for some [illegible] This feeling of the present [illegible] would see its introduction," [illegible] considerations of the safe[illegible] of the United States influence [illegible] of this concession [illegible]

Reds to Quit Petrograd

LONDON, June 16.—Active preparations are being made for the evacuation of Petrograd, it is announced in a wireless dispatch from Moscow received here today.

Children Are Enlisted to Destroy Tent Worms That Threaten Trees

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Now for the big drive to get the "tent" caterpillars, those webby things that hang in the trees in June. This is the game at which the boys and girls have the best kind of fun, says the American Forestry association, which urges that organization be effected by block formations in order to rid the trees of the pests.

"The tents," says the association, "are common at this time on wild cherries, mulberries, willows and other trees. Apply a burning rag or torch to the web or else squirt a little kerosene into the web. This should be done under the proper supervision in every case."

A suggestion for June is to "spray for leaf eating insects for most of them commence defoliation at the end of May." Spraying for sucking insects is urged and advice along these lines will be gladly given to any who write to the American Forestry association, Washington, D. C., and enclose a stamp for answer.

SENATE IRISH RESOLUTION GIVEN PEACE CONFERENCE

PARIS, June 16.—The resolutions adopted by the American congress on the Irish question have been formally transmitted to the peace conference. Frank P. Walsh and Edward F. Dunne, the delegates representing Irish societies of the United States, have been informed. No intimation has been given of the character of the letter of transmittal.

Pass Reduced Naval Bill

WASHINGTON, June 16.—With authorization for a new three-year building program eliminated and the fund for naval aviation reduced to $15,000,000 the 1920 naval appropriation bill was passed today by the house and sent to the senate. The measure carried approximately $600,000,000 and was passed in virtually the form it came from the naval committee.

Furnish Hun List Soon

By The Associated Press

PARIS, June 16.—The allies have promised Germany to deliver within one month a list of persons whom they intend to try for the responsibility for the war and violation of the laws of war.

MOST FOREST FIRES DUE TO CARELESSNESS

List of Precautions to Prevent the Wholesale Destruction of Nation's Timber.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Now is the time to stop the forest fires by not having any, says an announcement from the American Forestry association. The fire in Minnesota last year is still fresh in the public mind and when it is estimated that the fire loss in 1918 was $28,500,000 and that 8,400,000 acres were burned, every precaution should be taken by summer campers, says the association.

Here are some "don'ts" to be pasted up on every tent door flap:

Don't throw your match away until you are sure it is out.

Don't drop cigarret or cigar butts until the glow is extinguished.

Don't knock out your pipe ashes while hot or where they will fall into dry leaves or other inflammable material.

Don't build a campfire any larger than is absolutely necessary.

Don't leave a fire until you are sure it is out; if necessary smother it out with earth or water.

Don't burn brush or refuse in or near the woods if there is any chance that the fire may spread beyond your control, or that the wind may carry sparks where they would start a new fire.

Don't be any more careless with fire in the woods than you are with fire in your own home.

Don't be idle when you discover a fire in the woods; if you cannot put it out yourself, get help. Where a forest guard, ranger, or state fire warden can be reached, call him up on the nearest telephone you can find.

Don't forget that human thoughtfulness and negligence are the causes of more than half of the forest fires in this country, and that the smallest spark may start a conflagration that will result in loss of life and destruction of timber and young growth valuable not only for lumber but for their influence in helping to prevent flood, erosion, and drought.

The association points out that the old ounce of prevention still beats the pound of cure in the forests now being fast depleted.

"GREATER BERLIN" TAKES IN 71 MUNICIPALITIES

BERLIN, June 16.—The first move for retrieving for Berlin its reputation as one of the chief cities of the world is a bill presented to the German national assembly providing for merging ten suburbs into Greater Berlin. These include the municipalities of Charlottenburg, Wilmersdorf, Schoenberg, Grunewald and Tempelhof and probably even Spandau. New city limits would be extended nearly 18 miles and the greater city would include 71 municipalities and communities. It would be governed by a senate of 14 and a lower house of 144.

JAP INVESTIGATES KOREAN SITUATION

Gives a Resume of Cause of Uprising as They Look to a Nipponese Thinker.

TOKIO, May 20.—(By Mail.)—Representative Kosuke Morita, who was despatched by the constitutional opposition party, to Korea to investigate the disturbances has reported the insurrection to be due to the following causes:

Discriminatory treatment given to the Korean subjects, who are refused equal treatment with Japanese subjects in matters relating to the appointment in government offices and stipends allowed.

Complicated and impracticable administrative measures, particularly strict measures for the tax collection which are against the old customs and manners of Korea.

Extreme oppression on public speeches. Koreans have no organs to give utterance to their complaints which do not reach the ears of the governor general.

Forcible adoption of the assimilation system. It is a great error and failure of colonial policy, he asserts, to attempt to enforce upon the Koreans, with a 2,000 years history, the same spiritual and mental training as on the Japanese people.

Spread of the principle of the self determination of nations which he describes as the rising tide of the thoughts of the world's nations and which, he says, has deeply implanted itself in the minds of the Korean people.

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