

Real Estate Men Plan "Own Your Own Home" Campaign to Relieve the Situation

WAR HAS EFFECT ON BUILDING

Harrisburg Leads List of Nation's Cities Because of School Work

Because of the permit issued last month for the addition to the Camp Curtin school building, Harrisburg went into the lead for percentage increase of building work started in February, 1918, as compared with the same month last year, according to a report issued by the American Contractor.

crease ranging from 9 to 100 per cent. Superior, Wis., shows an increase of 1,468 per cent., standing second. Of the reports from all over the United States, 10,951 permits were issued last month for work totaling \$29,074,332; while in 1917 there were 14,544 permits issued for buildings erected at a cost of \$52,733,254.

is, private buildings—have shrunk to less than half the normal amount, when the increased cost of construction is taken into consideration. In estimated cost it is something more than 50 per cent.

NOTES AND NEWS OF THE REALTY WORLD

The renting of properties has occurred in a very quiet manner in the offices of the local real estate men. This is especially true of the firm of Miller Brothers & Co., who during the last ten days in addition to the usual volume of business, have leased the beautiful home of the Rev. James F. Bullitt in Bellevue Park to Major William Gray.

The store room at 1007 and 1009 North Third street, has been leased by the Excelsior Cycle Company for a motorcycle showroom and repair shop.

E. J. Hockenbury, of 1849 Park street, will occupy about April 1 his home at Twenty-second and Chestnut streets, Bellevue Park. This property was sold to Mr. Hockenbury by Miller Brothers & Co., for John T. Shirley who has removed to Pittsburgh.

The second and third floors of 329 Market street, have been leased to J. W. Roshon for a photograph studio. These rooms were formerly occupied by Professor Garber's Business College, and prior to that time Mr. Roshon's father conducted a photograph gallery in the same rooms.

A suite of offices in the Franklin Building, Locust and Court streets, have been leased to Major William B. Gray, engineer U. S. A., constructing quartermaster. Major Gray is associated with him Captain Lewis E. Moore, in charge of property, and Lieutenant Avery.

Offices in the Franklin Building have been leased to the James Black Messony and Construction Company of St. Louis.

Wharfage privileges have been granted to the United Ice and Coal Company at Front and Division streets.

REALTY SALES REPORTED BY BACKENSTOSS BROTHERS

The sale of the property at 1810 North Fifth street from Mrs. Lillian Kaufman to William E. Orr has been reported by Backenstoss Bros. The building is a three-story frame residence and will be remodeled and probably be offered for sale soon.

Annual statements of water rents are being sent out by the water department to all owners of houses which are receiving their supply without having it metered. About 2,500 statements are being prepared and are dated April 1.

Trial of the suits brought by the city against owners of property on the east side of Front street in the Hardscrabble district will begin on Monday. The jury which served at

FOR SALE—N. 18TH STREET NO. 33 IF YOU want an up-to-date dwelling in the best section of the Hill at a SLAUGHTERED PRICE inspect this and please us AT ONCE. Owner left city. Steam heat, paved street, possession soon. A rare bargain. Backenstoss Bros., Russ Bldg., Member Hbg. Real Estate Board

Bellevue Quintet Club Now Open for Membership

An easy way to own a Bellevue Park Lot. HOW? Join the BELLEVUE QUINTET CLUB! We'll tell you how. The investment means a small amount at a time. What advantage is it to you? We'll tell you. Ask us.

MILLER BROTHERS & CO. MEMBER HARRISBURG REAL ESTATE BOARD Real Estate and Insurance. Locust and Court Sts.

On North 16th St.

Several very desirable semi-detached houses for sale. Stucco on brick construction—8 rooms, bath, laundry, 2 stairways, open fire-place, hardwood floors, etc.

—AT 28th AND GREENWOOD STREETS, OLD ORCHARD.

2 1/2-story frame detached cottage style home—8 rooms, bath, lavatory on first floor, corner property; lot 60x90 feet. Southern exposure.

SEVERAL VERY CHOICE BUILDING LOTS AND OTHER HOMES FOR SALE

Burton Van Dyke 904 North Sixteenth Street Member Harrisburg Real Estate Board

Here's Your Opportunity to Get

Just the Bungalow That You Have in Mind On Very Reasonable Terms

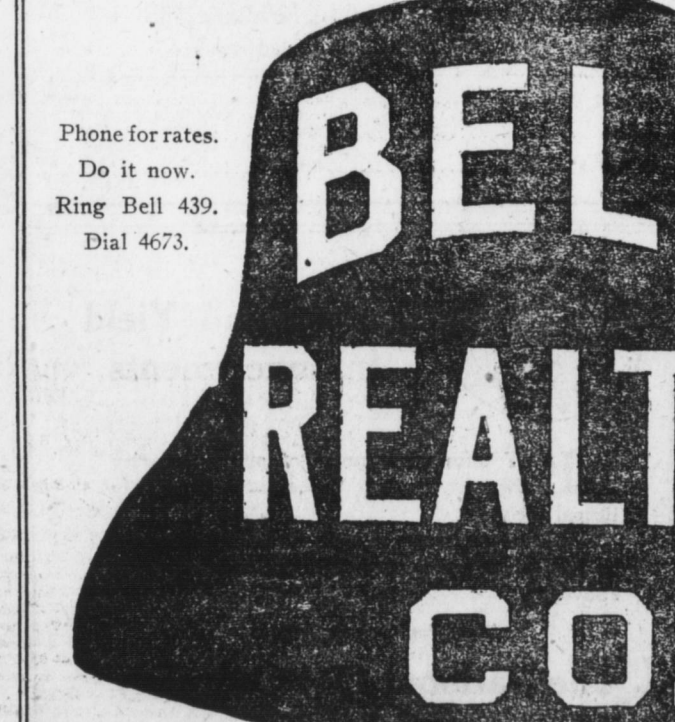
Very desirably located east of Pennbrook. Has seven rooms, spacious porches front and rear; on high ground affording excellent drainage and has 1 1/2 acres—enabling owner to garden, truck, have chickens—in fact an ideal place in every way. Convenient to city—with beautiful country surroundings. Don't fail to look into this. Ask

M. R. ALLEMAN 145 FRONT ST., STEELTON, PA. Member Harrisburg Real Estate Board Bell Phone—Steelton 74 Dial 9502



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Bergner Building Harrisburg, Pa. Last ye forget—Do it now.

For Sale AT A SACRIFICE

APARTMENT HOUSE 257 Forster Street WITH GARAGE IN REAR APPLY TO S. FRIEDMAN REAL ESTATE KUNKEL BUILDING OR 217 PEPPER STREET

For Sale

1849 Derry Street—2 apartments and 2 small houses in rear on Berryhill street. Price \$4700 621 N. 15th Street—9 rooms and 1/2 bath. Price \$4500 118 Broad street—Two and a half story frame—7 rooms \$2700 The following brick properties have all improvements and can be bought on easy terms: 118 Horner Street \$2900 132 S. 14th Street—10 rooms \$3000 2943 Swatara Street—7 rooms \$2500 704 S. 24th Street—8 rooms \$3000 For terms and conditions inquire of ERVIN JOHNSON 2511 Swatara Street Bell Phone 1807-J.

This Attractive New House

IS LOCATED AT No. 718 N. Eighteenth Street and is modern in every respect. You can buy it on easy terms for 20 per cent. less than it can be built for to-day. Don't let such an opportunity pass.

J. E. Gipple 1251 MARKET ST. Member Hbg. Real Estate Board

CITY'S HOUSING PROBLEM IS A HARD ONE TO SOLVE

Next to war the one vital topic of discussion in Harrisburg to-day is the amazing opportunity the city would have to immediately become a greater city if there were enough houses to accommodate the increasing population. Not in the memory of anybody living here has there been such a demand for homes, such an influx of outsiders seeking permanent locations. The fact of the matter is that Harrisburg, like Chester and a hundred other cities, has the opportunity for a tremendous building campaign and thus a substantial foundation for unheard-of progress. But there are no houses.

A canvass to-day of many important real estate dealers disclosed the situation in all its baldness and brought forth myriad suggestions from businessmen who are alive to the chance which the city has longed hoped for and is now unable to embrace. Many of the men interviewed urged that the local Chamber of Commerce get busy instantly with some system whereby we may take advantage of this uncommon opening. The fact that the Government has decided to put part of its huge plant in New Cumberland and part at Middletown is not taken as any mishap. The carfare to Cumberland is only five cents and hundreds of men working there will want to live in Harrisburg with their families where they may have metropolitan advantages of a great city.

Demand Near a Panic The demand for homes has now approached the suggestion of a panic. Thirty and forty answers rush in to every advertisement of a house to rent. Not dozens but hundreds of outsiders are tramping the streets in vain search of quarters, prospective to making their future homes here. Happily for the renters a raise in rent is not universal as yet, although it may come. Some owners are asking \$20 for an \$18 house but many have made no change. However, if the demand keeps up as at present rents are sure to increase.

The situation began to develop some months ago when thousands of families, enriched with war wages, turned to get themselves more expensive lodgings. Hundreds who had been occupying one to two with another family now felt themselves able to get away and live to themselves. The tearing down of Capitol Park and other spots also helped to swell the numbers. But the incoming hordes of people drawn here by the approaching activity are greater than all.

U. S. Bars Addresses From Casualty Lists Washington, March 9.—Under orders issued yesterday by a staff, hereafter, no addresses or names of next of kin will be given by the War Department in announcing casualties among the expeditionary forces. It is understood that the purpose is to prevent disclosing the identity of units on the firing line.

FOR SALE

An Elegant High-Class Modern Residence Cost \$6,000.00 to build now; selling price \$4,600.00; No. 1210 North Fifteenth Street. Apply S. FRIEDMAN KUNKEL BUILDING OR 217 PEPPER STREET

New Houses For Sale



816-818 North Eighteenth street—near corner of Eighteenth and Forster—new three-story brick houses—never occupied. All improvements, 8 rooms and bath, with living room—chestnut finish—electric and gas lights—open stairway—side entrance—concrete porch—concrete front porch—concrete walks and steps—grass plots—slate roof—back porch—steam heat. Just finished in up-to-date style. Sold on easy terms.

Charles Barnhart, 1821 Whitehall Street Owner and Builder

For Sale A Nice Home

2121 N. Second Street \$7150—For the three story brick property, 11 rooms, bath, gas, electricity and hot water heat. CHAS. ADLER Real Estate and Insurance 1002 N. Third Street Member Hbg. Real Estate Board

This Is 1017 Green St. IT'S FOR SALE



9 rooms, bath, hot and cold water, furnace, side entrance. Lot 21x92 feet. Rents at \$40.00 per month. Price \$5500. Can be seen by appointment.

M. A. Fought (Owner) 272 North Street

CASTLES

To the casual passerby it may be only a bungalow but to you and yours it's a castle, grander than ever sheltered king and queen. For it's your home; dear reader mine! It's the treasure hall of all your happiness. It's the place where you take your troubles and they melt away before love's magic wand.

You like comfort,—yes, and beautiful and service-giving furnishings in that home. Fortune has blessed you in these prosperous times. It is now that you should visit Harrisburg's unusual furniture store—

Gately & Fitzgerald Supply Co.

29-31-33-35 SOUTH SECOND STREET "The Different Kind of a Credit Store"

We will give you the aid of our many years of experience, and by our liberal Pay-as-You-Get-Paid Plan you are relieved of the necessity of making a large cash outlay at once. We invite your confidence.

