

EVERYONE SHOULD OWN A HOME; every one can own a home in California. Why not start?

# OWN YOUR HOME

CALIFORNIA MAY NOT BE THE BEST PLACE TO LIVE, But an awful lot of people who can afford to live anywhere think so.

THE Advertisers on this page, each of whom represents the best example of good citizenship, and all of whom are experts in the valuation of land in their respective communities can easily convince you, if you will give them the opportunity, of the REAL ECONOMY of owning your home — of being your own landlord — of being able to look about your house and lot, your half acre or acre of growing fruit or produce and saying: THIS IS MINE, COME RAIN OR SHINE, GOOD TIMES OR BAD, NOTHING CAN TAKE THIS, MY HOME, FROM ME AND MINE.

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## HOW YOU GET BEST EFFECT IN PAINTING

Why Experts Should be Consulted When You Build

Although wall paper is much desired, it is truthfully maintained that papered interiors are in no respect as sanitary as painted walls.

The reader is aware that papers are bound to the wall by glue or prepared paste. These binders deteriorate and bacteria easily multiply under the paper.

Modern hospitals and sanitariums do not use wall paper on walls or ceilings.

Many beautiful effects are obtained with flat drying oil paints, and, with stencil borders, present a most pleasing appearance.

Painted walls can be easily cleaned and freshened without much expense. Above all, one is assured of clean and sanitary surroundings.

The plasterer designates the finish of walls as "hard" and "sand" finish. Hard finished walls should be well sized and primed.

If size is not applied the plaster will absorb a great amount of paint and it will be impossible to do good work.

Paint stores have prepared wall size and it is usually sold in pound packages with complete directions. One may use a good glue dissolved in water, one pound of good gelatine glue to a gallon of water.

The glue is soaked twelve hours with all the water. This size should be applied thin. Heavy size is apt to peel.

Another excellent wall primer is to take one part of raw linseed oil and one part of prepared wall paint. This material goes on easily and is quickly prepared.

Linseed oil will also keep the following coats of paint from going into the plaster, but it is not advisable to apply the oil without the addition of the primer.

It is very important that all the surface is covered with the size or primer, as any skips will show in the finished work. Colored flat wall paints will also spot if the wall is not well sized.

One coat of linseed oil and flat paint, followed with one coat of prepared paint as it is purchased, will give good results.

If a prepared size or glue is applied, two coats of paint are necessary.

The first coat over the glue or prepared size should be thinned 25 per cent with turpentine or mineral spirits; that is, about three parts of prepared paint and one part of turpentine.

Your paint dealer will be glad to show you sample colors of these paints.

Sand finished walls are sized or primed in the same manner as smooth surfaces. However, if linseed oil and paint are used for size, three parts of paint and one part of oil will give better results than half paint and half oil.

The second coat is applied as the material comes in the package. Apply two coats of paint as purchased over the prepared or glue size.

To paint wall board proceed in the same manner as for smooth plastered walls. A medium priced varnish, thinned 25 per cent with turpentine, will also serve as a size on wall board.

It is necessary in painting walls to have a good brush. If possible obtain a four or five inch brush with good bristle stock.

It must be remembered that a flat drying paint sets much faster than a linseed oil paint, therefore, it is best to work small areas.

If the paints are properly manufactured, they work easily and can be applied by the inexperienced.

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## Abandoned Hotel to be Remodeled to Suit Engineers Needs

As the letter addressed to the publisher of this paper, printed here with shows, work will begin in a few days to remodel the big Redondo Beach Hotel, where the field headquarters of the Palos Verdes Estates organization will be established for the next three years.

Negotiations are now in progress between the Board of Trustees of the city of Redondo and the owners of the hotel for the purchase of the property, which embraces seven acres on the ocean front in close proximity to the Palos Verdes tract.

For many years this hotel was one of the most popular resorts on the Pacific Coast. It has been vacant, however, for almost a decade. With its 250 rooms, the hotel will provide adequate facilities for the employees in the various Palos Verdes departments.

Many additional surveys will be added to the engineering forces of the project within the next thirty days, and it is expected that before November 1 there will be approximately 150 men from this department actively at work on the vast estates.

The hotel will soon be occupied by Frederick Law Olmstead, noted landscape architect, who came to

Los Angeles recently from Brookline, Mass., to join the Palos Verdes forces; H. T. Cory, chief of the engineering groups; Charles H. Cheney, city planner; Francis L. Sellow, sanitary engineer, and other members of the executive staff.

It was pointed out by Mr. Lewis that the work of improving the roads through the property will be one of the first features of the development program to be handled by the engineers. These improvements, it was stated, will be completed within the next few weeks.

Dear Mr. Roberts:

It is a matter of very deep regret that we were delayed so long at the moving picture studios that our party did not reach Palos Verdes until too late in the evening for you to really see anything of it.

Since the Association's meeting in Los Angeles the order for full steam ahead on Palos Verdes has gone out. Yesterday the City of Redondo voted the use of the big Redondo Hotel with several acres of ground around it for three years at a rental of one dollar a year and to spend \$10,000 for fixing it up for us. We will immediately put a large force of draftsmen to work, with corresponding engineers in the field, and by December should have the preliminary plans and maps of the engineering construction ready, showing the improvements to be made, their cost,

and all the general details. I really meant what I said when I extended the invitation to the Association to meet me three years from now in the beautiful Palos Verdes Hotel, on the highest-most point for another Convention, and this time I hope to have the pleasure of showing you the nearly completed city, the most beautiful city in the world.

With kindest regards to you,

Very truly yours,

E. G. LEWIS

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