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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.

5000 Homes In 30 Days In L. A.

A detailed report on October construction activities of Los Angeles, completed Saturday by Chief Building Inspector J. J. Backus, shows that last month was, in several respects, the most remarkable building period ever recorded in the city. "The total number of building permits, which fell slightly short of 5000, not only exceeded the volume for any previous month on record, but was greater, I believe, than the corresponding figure ever recorded in any city of the United States," said Backus. "Nearly 2000 permits were issued for single and duplex dwellings, more by far than the total issued for all classes of construction in many cities of the approximate size of Los Angeles. "The value of all new domiciles undertaken in October was more than \$7,000,000, indicating unmistakably that the amount of home building going on here, great as it has been for many months, is increasing.

Cal. Oil Output Has Reached Peak

According to an official of a big eastern company who has made an eight weeks' tour through California fields, production is expected to provide a surplus of about 2,000,000 barrels monthly beyond the current needs for at least the next six months. California production, he believed, has passed its peak. Of the surplus oil, most of it has been contracted for by Atlantic and Gulf and Coast refiners for tank steamer shipment. Not only is Mexican light oil difficult to get, but it is also expensive—\$1.30 a barrel at Mexican seaboard. Taxes of about 26 cents and tank cost of about 22 cents a barrel bring the total cost to around \$1.80 a barrel against this cost California crude

State Resources To Be Surveyed

The California Development association, in line with its recently adopted program, has begun one of the most extensive surveys of California's resources, agricultural, industrial, and financial, that has ever been undertaken in any state in the West. The work is being directed by Dr. Edwin A. Cottrell, professor of economics and political science at Stanford University, and newly appointed director of the association's research and information bureau. Dr. Cottrell will have the aid of a staff of assistants in the gathering and compilation of the desired data. The work has been launched as a preparedness step in connection with the advertising campaigns that are to be executed in the interests of California by other groups. The development association has undertaken the responsibility of providing for the inquiries which may be expected to result from this exploitation. Data to be gathered will be in "workable" form. Every effort will be made to safeguard the authenticity of the information on hand and to make it easily accessible to the new settler, the business enterprise seeking a new scene of activities, the investor, and the tourist.

of about the same gravity costs 80 cents a barrel, plus tanker cost of about 70 cents and miscellaneous handling costs, bringing the total to about \$1.55 a barrel. It has higher gasoline content and is available for purchase in quantities.

As an initial step, the committee handling the matter will send a form letter to all licensed real estate brokers in Los Angeles and vicinity, explaining that the word "realtor" is a coined word; that it belongs to the National Association of Real Estate Boards; that it can be legally used in Southern California only by members of the National Board, and that its legality has been definitely established by a case brought in the courts by the Minneapolis real estate board restraining non-members from using the word.

Definition of Word 'Realtor'

To inform the public concerning the meaning of the word "realtor" and to its misuse by real estate op-

THE RENT PAYER

It's pretty tough at fifty-one To figure that your race is run; It's pretty tough to feel that you Have done the best that you could do— To find your face all lined with care And silver streaking through your hair.

To see your star of hope grow dim Along the path that "might have been."

Just at the time that home should be Your haven from a stormy sea; Just when, in youth, you'd hoped and prayed Your feet would strike the easy grade.

And now, with courage on the wane, With not a soul but you to blame, You struggle on, and on, and on, And in your heart there is no song To cheer you as you start to climb The last hill in the path of time.

You have no home, save what you hire; Your rent goes up—and then jumps higher; And in your span of life you've spent The price of ten homes paying rent.

—Anonymous.

Cost of Living Still Climbing

According to the National Industrial Conference board the cost of living among wage earners' families in the United States in September resumed the upward movement it has had since March, after a slight decline in August.

On September 15 it was 55.6 per cent higher than in July, 1914, or 0.7 per cent higher than August 13. This change brings the level back to that of July, 1922.

Food advanced 0.7 per cent, while rents, light and sundries showed no change. The increase in fuel costs over July, 1914, is greater than for any other item in the family budget.

Between July, 1920, when the peak of the rise in the cost of living since 1914 was reached, and September, 1922, the cost of living had dropped 23.9 per cent. The drop since the cost of living peak has been greatest for clothing and less for food, while rents, fuel and light have increased since the peak of general living costs in 1920.

OUR DRILL TEAM

Bro. H. G. Applin of Torrance has been made captain of our drill team, and with his knowledge of such matters we can look forward with anticipation for a well drilled unit in Redondo Beach Lodge No. 1378. He is known as a strict disciplinarian and the members of the team must realize that they are expected to obey orders when given by the captain.

If an order means at ease and does not mean to break ranks, the boys may be sure of a reprimand if they leave the ranks without his permission.

Bro. Applin has trained many teams, such as the Uniform Rank of the K. P., and is old enough to get results if properly supported by the lodge and members of the team.

More men for a larger team are desired, and if any of the brothers of this lodge who know how to drill will make their desires or qualifications known to Bro. Applin, he will assign them to a position on our team.

To give the team a boost the lodge has granted permission for the team to give a dance and dinner, Thanksgiving eve, November 30th, in the club room. Don't miss this, brother, if you want a good time.—Elk's Bill-o-Gram, Redondo.

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