THE MARKET SLUGGISH

South African News Reflected in Every Line of Trading.

Dealings Narrow in Scope and Volume—St. Paul Makes an Encouraging February Statement—American Stocks Above Parity in London—Local Tractions Make Light Gains.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The market was sluggish today and irregular in the early dealings, and but little significance could be attached to the price movements on the dealings, which were narrow in scope and volume. Some excellent railway traffic returns, notably that of the St. Paul, which for the first week in February reported an increase of $52,072, were offset in their possible influence by the discouraging South African news and the expectations of a bank statement that would not be favorable from the speculative point.

Prices for American stocks at London, however, were mostly a shade above parity—the strongest feature of that market—and Consols were only a trifle affected, owing to Buller's third setback. Prices at the opening here were irregular. St. Paul lost a fraction, but soon recovered part of its lost ground. Sugar, Third Avenue, Consolidated Gas, and the local transportation shares made gains on the lightest trading of the week.

The Iron and Steel shares were inclined to heaviness at prices a shade under those recorded at yesterday's closing. A good many usually active shares were absolutely neglected during the first hour, and the ticker was in idleness a greater part of the time. Just before the appearance of the bank statement traders sold the market, and prices yielded easily.

The bank statement was quite as unfavorable as expected, loans showing an increase of $21,152,500 and the surplus decreasing $2,973,700. The deposit account showed an increase of $18,869,600. Specie increased $2,264,900. There was no stimulus in the statement for a dull market. A further disposition to sell was responsible for a rather heavy tone, but the changes were unimportant.

New York Stock Market.

Corrected daily by W. B. Hibbs & Co., members of the New York Exchange, 1419 F Street.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
A. S. Wire	57⅝	57⅝	56⅞	57⅛
A. S. Wire pfd	90⅜	92½	90	90
American Sugar	109	111¾	109½	109
American Tobacco	108⅞	108⅞	1 7⅜	1 7⅜
Atchison	20⅝	21	20⅝	20⅝
Atchison pfd	63	63	62⅝	62⅝
B. & O. pfd	76⅜	77	76⅜	77
Baltimore & Ohio	61¾	61¾	61¼	61¼
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	23	23⅜	22⅝	23⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	29⅜	29½	29⅜	29⅜
C. C. C. & St. L.	60¾	60¾	60¼	60¾
C. B. & Q.	124	1 4⅝	124	124⅜
Chicago Gas	86⅞	86⅞	86⅞	86⅞
C. M. & St. Paul	122¼	122⅝	122⅛	122⅝
C. R. I. & P.	108⅝	108⅝	108	108
Chi. & Great West'n	14	14	14	14
Consolidated Gas	191⅞	194	191	19 3⅝
Con. Tobacco	4	34⅝	34	34⅜
Con. Tobacco pfd	85⅝	85⅝	85⅝	85⅝
Federal Steel	15⅝	15⅝	14⅝	15⅝
Federal Steel pfd	73⅝	73⅝	73	73
Illinois Central	1 2⅜	1 2⅝	112⅜	112⅝
Louisville & Nashville	80⅜	80⅝	80¼	80⅝
Metropolitan Traction	128¾	128⅝	128	128⅜
Manhattan Elevated	15⅞	16	15⅝	15⅞
Missouri Pacific	46¾	46¾	45⅝	45⅞
M. K. & T. pfd	35	35⅛	35	35⅛
New Jersey Central	117	117	7	117
New York Central	134⅝	134⅝	134⅜	134⅝
Northern Pacific	58⅜	58⅝	57⅝	58
Northern Pacific pfd	73⅛	73	72⅝	73
Pacific Mail	41	41	40⅜	41
Penn. Railroad	133	133	132⅝	132⅞
Reading 1st's	66	66⅛	65⅜	66
Southern Pacific	29	29	28⅝	28⅝
Southern Railway	12	12	11⅝	11⅝
Southern Railway pfd	56	56	55⅜	56
Texas Pacific	16⅝	16⅝	16⅜	16⅜
Tenn. Coal & Iron	95⅞	96⅜	95⅜	95⅝
Union Pacific	50	50⅛	49⅝	49⅝
Union Pacific pfd	76⅛	76⅝	76⅜	76⅜
U. S. Leather pfd	76	76	75⅝	75⅝
Wabash pfd	31⅛	31⅛	30⅝	30⅝
Western Union Tel	85⅝	85⅞	85⅜	86
Colorado Fuel & Iron	40¾	40¾	40	40¾
Leather	9⅞	9⅞	9⅝	9⅝

The past week in the stock market has been much less satisfactory than the one before. The first days were strong and active, prices advancing rapidly in many stocks, but during the latter part there has been a return to the dullness and sagging markets of two or three weeks ago. The public buying has been frightened off apparently by the small declines in prices on realizing, and the bears have been active. Today was a repetition of yesterday and Thursday, with fractional declines and very little business. Negatively, however, the situation is satisfactory enough. The investment buying continues, and the bears are selling short to people that are stronger than they are. Another waiting period may be ahead possibly, but there is every reason to believe that it will end in an advance, as the last dull time did. Better than that, however, there are conservative financial people that look for a return of the advancing market with the new week. The news of all kinds is satisfactory, except that from South Africa, and the New York market is paying less attention to the war now than it did a few weeks ago.

The bank statement today is generally considered a disappointment, and some of the market critics even express the belief that it is distinctly bad. There is no good ground for any such pessimistic view. The increase in cash continues, and the increase in deposits is immense. From the point of view of the bankers the statement is an excellent one in every way. The reserve surplus is cut somewhat, but this is owing entirely to a very heavy increase in loans. The loan item is a most interesting one, though somewhat mystifying. It is not unlikely that in the near future developments in the market may explain the increase of $21,000,000 in loans in such a dull market. One theory is that the pools have been borrowing money heavily for a bull campaign, and that they will begin work in earnest next week. As a matter of fact no other theory seems to fit all the facts so well. The figures of the statement are as follows: Reserves decrease $2,973,700, loans increase $21,152,400, deposits increase $18,869,600, legals decrease $525,800, specie increase, $2,264,500, circulation increase $165,300.

The gross earnings of sixty-five railways for the fourth week of January were $12,-586,732. Of this number sixty lines increased their earnings $2,168,730 and five lines showed a decrease of $16,832 only. The gross increase on all the lines, therefore, is $2,152,894, or 20.62 per cent. The showing is one of the best ever made by so large a number of railways from all parts of the country. It has very little suggestion of the bad condition of affairs that the pessimists are talking about.

The St. Paul statement for the first week of February is also a most satisfactory one. The gross earnings were $682,264, an increase of $52,073.

There was very little of novelty in any part of the list this morning. The grangers declined fractionally, St. Paul being the steadiest of the group apparently on account of the weekly earnings statement. It may be predicted with entire confidence that Burlington and Rock Island will show quite as good figures, however, and there is every reason to believe that this group will continue to advance with the better market that is to be looked for. A decline of two to three points has been registered in them in the last three days, but it was after an advance of five to ten points and the result contains nothing to be frightened over.

Pacific Mail continued weak on more reports from Washington that the Subsidy bill is to be shelved this session.

Tobacco continued fairly strong and Sugar was a trifle weak. No new developments were disclosed regarding either company.

Every day brings new evidence that the Whitney crowd and the Standard Oil people are in control of the entire electric and gas lighting situation in New York. The result seems likely to be higher prices for Consolidated Gas.

The National Steel Company is said to have earned net, last year something like $23,000,000 which would mean over 10 per cent on the common stock.

Washington Stock Exchange.

Sales—Metropolitan Railroad Certificate "A," $1,000@112, $1,658.90@111; West End National Bank, 5@119; Real Estate Title Insurance, 10@84, 10@84 7-8; Capital Traction, 42@91 7-8, 120@91 2-4; City and Suburban Railroad, 11@25 1-2; Washington Gas, 25@54 1-2; Mergenthaler Linotype, 15 @200, 10@199 3-4; Lanston Monotype, 100 @14 1-2, 5@14 3-4, 200@14 1-4; American Graphophone, 8@11 5-8, 80@11 1-2; American Graphophone, preferred, 100@12, 200@ 11 3-4. After call—Real Estate Title Insurance, 10@84; Lanston Monotype, 100@ 14 1-8.

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.
U S 4's 1907 Q J	114⅜	115⅛
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U S 4's R 1925	138⅜	138⅝
U S 4's C 1925	138⅜	138⅝
U S 5's C 1904 Q F	112⅝	....
U S 5's R 1908 Q F	109¼	110
U S 2's R 1930 Q F	1 9¼	110

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BONDS.

3-65 "10-year funding" gold	....	....
3-65 1901 "Water stock" currency	....	....
3-65 1901 "Water stock" currency	....	....
Funding currency 3-65	117	....
4-65 Reg. 1-30's, 1911-1931	....	....

MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.

Met R R 5's 1925	121½	123½
Met R R Cert Indebtedness A	110	....
Met R R Cert Indebtedness B	110	116
Columbia R R 6's, 1904	125	133
Columbia R R 20 mort 5's	111	112
City & Suburban R R	....	....
Wash Gas Co, ser A, 6's, 1902-'27	113	....
Wash Gas Co, ser B, 6's, 1901-'27	113	....
U S Elec Light Deb imp, 1907	....	115
U S Elec Light, Cert Indebt	....	....
Ches & Pot Tel, 1896-1911	103	104½
Ches & Pot Tel, 1 on 5's	101	106
Am Sec'y & Trust 4's, 1906	100	....
Wash Market Co 1st 6's, 1892-1911, $7,000 retired annually	113	....
Wash Market Co, Imp 6's, 1912-'27	113	....
Wash Market Co, ext 6's, 1914-'27	113	....
Masonic Hall Ass'n 5's C 1908	108	....
Amer Graphophone Deb 5's	100	102
Anacostia & Potomac 5's	....	....

NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.

Bank of Washington	460	490
Metropolitan	540	575
Central	1840	....
Farmers & Mechanics'	280	....
Second	155	....
Citizens'	150	....
Columbia	155	....
Capital	130	....
West End	112½	....
Traders	122	....
Lincoln	123	127

SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST COMPANIES.

National Safe Deposit & Trust	127	133
Wash Loan & Trust	158	169
Amer Security & Trust	197	200
Wash Safe Deposit	72	80

INSURANCE STOCKS.

Firemen's	32	....
Franklin	40	....
Metropolitan	81	90
Corcoran	90	....
Potomac	....	....
Arlington	140	....
German American	240	....
National Union	....	....
Columbia	....	13½
Riggs	8½	8⅝
People's	6¾	7
Commercial	4	5
Colonial	107	112

TITLE INSURANCE STOCKS

	Bid.	Asked.
Real Estate Title	84	85
Columbia Title	4½	6
Washington Title	3	....
District Title	6½	....

RAILROAD STOCKS.

Capital Traction	91⅜	91⅞
City & Suburban	20⅜	20⅝
Georgetown & Tenallytown	15	....

GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHT STOCKS.

Washington Gas	14⅜	14⅝
Georgetown Gas	50	....
U S Electric Light	....	....

TELEPHONE STOCKS.

Chesapeake & Potomac	68	70
Pennsylvania	45	48

MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.

Mergenthaler Linotype	199¾	200
Lanston Monotype	14¼	14⅜
American Graphophone	11⅜	11½
American Graphophone, pfd	81⅛	11¾
Pneumatic Gun Carriage	22	23
Washington Market	13	....
Norfolk & Washington	....	....
Lincoln Hall	65	....
Tax Dividend		

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

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	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
WHEAT.				
May	18⅜	18⅝	18⅛	18⅜-½
July	69¼	69⅝	68⅝	69⅛-¼
CORN.				
May	33⅜	34⅜-⅝	33⅜	34⅛
July	34⅜	35⅛	34⅜	35⅛
OATS.				
May	23⅜	23⅞	23½	23⅝
July	22⅜	22⅝	22⅜	22⅝
PORK.				
May	11.02	11.15	11.02	11.12
July	11.10	11.17	11.10	11.14
LARD.				
May	6.10	6.15	6.10	6.15
July	6.20	6.22	6.20	6.22
RIBS.				
May	6.05	6.07	6.05	6.07
July	6.05	6.07	6.07	6.07

New York Cotton Market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
March	8.19	8.22	8.14	8.22
May	8.1[illegible]	[illegible]	8.1[illegible]	8.[illegible]
August	8.2[illegible]	8.[illegible]	8.16	8.2[illegible]
September	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

THE BASEBALL OUTLOOK.

Much Interest in Next Week's National League Meeting.

The policy being pursued by the National League clubs in securing the signatures of the stars of the diamond to contracts calling for increased salaries is no doubt calculated to strike terror to the hearts of the lesser lights and swing into line any who might be inclined to follow the fortunes of the proposed American Association.

In the event of the major organization being unable to crush the new association, it would remove from the market the more desirable players—the men without whom the national game would be like "Hamlet" with Hamlet left out, and who cause the turnstiles to play a medley dear to the heart of the magnate.

The conception of such a plan, however, has proven far easier than its execution, as the players realize that they are in a good position to dictate terms and are therefore holding off. That the proprietors are ready to make concessions is evidenced by the fact that Hanlon "went the limit" in obtaining the signature of De Montreville, and is said to have promised to throw in several additional shekels for good measure.

It is doubtful wheather the League itself has a well-defined idea as to what will be the final blow that is hoped to break the back of all opposition, although numerous schemes have been presented by the wiseacres, commented upon, and then allowed to sink into oblivion. The circuit reduction committee is scheduled to make a report at the meeting to be held next week, but whether there will be a reduction to ten or eight clubs, or whether the ten-year agreement calling for twelve clubs will be carried out, the owners of the teams that would have to go by the board if there should be a reduction, profess to be as much in the dark as the public.

That the meeting will develop something sensational is admitted on all sides, one subject down for discussion and investigation being the alleged connection of Earl Wagner with the Philadelphia end of the new American Association. The belief that has the most adherents is that Louisville and Cleveland will be dropped and the circuit of the National League made up of the remaining ten clubs. As for the rival organization, those in a position to know its plans are very reticent, not allowing themselves to say anything further than that the American Association will be doing business the coming season.

ARRANGING FOR EIGHT CLUBS.

Some Eastern City, Not Mentioned, May Get a Franchise.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 10.—Representatives of the Boston Club of the new American Association will leave for Chicago tomorrow morning to attend the Association meeting in that city. They will carry with them a proposal to place the eighth club in a certain Eastern city which they do not care to mention just now. Mr. Drewsen said:

"It is certainly news to me to know that someone here had been approached to interest himself in the Boston Association Club, with the promise of the treasurership. No one was promised any such position, nor were any overtures made to raise any such sum as $12,000.

"It is also news to me that any of the players of the Boston League Club have agreed to sign with the Boston Association Club upon receiving $1,000 advance money."

KNOCKED OUT THE REFEREE.

Gans Whips Sullivan and Donnelly Assaults Charley White.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Glove fighting received another black eye at the Broadway Athletic Club last night, but the officials of the club this time were not responsible. The incident ocurred in the fourteenth round of the much talked of battle between Joe Gans, of Baltimore, and Spike Sullivan, of Ireland. From the very start Sullivan was completely outclassed. The climax came when two minutes and seventeen seconds of the fourteenth round had elapsed. Sullivan, arising from another knock-down, was so groggy that he could scarcely stand. Referee Charley White interfered at this stage and declared Gans the winner.

One of Sullivan's seconds, Dan Donnelly, of Boston, concluded to take matters into his own hands. When White's back was turned, Donnelly dashed across the ring and struck the referee a terrific blow upon the left eye. Donnelly's knuckles laid bare the cheekbone and also sent White head-over-heels into a box. In a jiffy a rough-and-tumble fight was in progress. Policemen in uniform and in plain clothes jumped into the ring, swinging their clubs. There were cries of "Kill him!" "Mob him!" and other pieces of advice which were unheeded by the police.

The excitement continued for fully fifteen minutes, and everybody with any degree of fairness sympathized with the injured referee. Donnelly was arrested.

THE JOHNS HOPKINS TEAM.

Men Selected to Compete at Georgetown's Meet.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 10.—Capt. Howard Baetjer, of the Johns Hopkins field and track team, and Physical Director Mackdermott have made the final selections for the Georgetown games. This is the first team to represent the J. H. U. since Mr. Mackdermott was installed as a member of the faculty. After much hard work the first results of the training are now becoming apparent, and the team as selected will be the nucleus of further work during the year.

In spite, however, of the efforts of captain and coach the men are not what is usually called "a likely lot of candidates." On the contrary, it is doubtful if the Hopkins track team ever began work with less promising material. The runners consist of a handful of green freshmen, several juniors with more or less experience, and a few "unknowns" from the medical school.

In the weights and jumps the Hopkins may stand some show, with the aid of handicaps, but in general Captain Baetjer is counting on the acquisition of much valuable experience for his team and not much "stuff." The following have been picked for the events, but changes may be made before the final list is decided upon:

50-yard handicap—Howard Baetjer, George B. Scholl, Horace Whitman, F. H. Watson, and E. J. Tyler.

220-yard dash—Horace Whitman, J. T. England, C. W. Young, R. T. Edwards, C. R. McInnes, and H. Beeuwkes.

440-yard run—F. H. Watson, C. W. Young, E. Hoffman, and J. T. England.

One-mile run—E. S. Woodruff and W. M. C. James.

Running high jump (handicap)—Howard Baetjer, G. B. Scholl, and W. W. Simmons.

Putting 16-pound shot (handicap)—G. B. Scholl, Horace Whitman, and S. W. Bruton.

Mile relay race—F. H. Watson, E. J. Tyler, S. W. Bruton, E. S. Woodruff, W. E. Hoffman, Henry Beeuwkes, and J. G. Campbell.

Pole vault—R. T. Edwards and C. W. Young.

A BULLET FOR A BURGLAR.

He Attempts to Escape, But Is Shot and Captured.

CHILLICOTHE, Ohio, Feb. 10.—C. W. McCoppin, night operator for the Norfolk and Western Railroad at Higby Station, noticed a light in C. D. Higby's general store at 3 a. m. Peeping in the window, he saw a burglar working at the safe. McCoppin awoke Higby and his son and the three went back to the store, where a wagon laden with goods stood outside. The burglar was still working on the safe and Higby, sr., fired on him through the window. The fellow was struck on the head, but quickly regained his feet and tried to escape but was met at the door by young Higby and a hand-to-hand encounter took place.

The robber finally broke away, but was fired at twice, one bullet penetrating the lungs and bringing him to the ground. He was fatally wounded, but was brought to this city and lodged in jail. Papers on his person show he had served three terms in the Ohio penitentiary, which institution he left three weeks ago. He first gave the name of Johnson, but being told he would die he said his name was Abraham Workman, and that he was from Marion, Ohio. He is still living, but there is no chance for his recovery.

SPYING AS A PROFESSION.

A Lucrative Business, But Freighted With Peril.

(From the London Mail.)

The word "spy" has an ugly sound, owing to its many unpleasant associations, yet in war times spies afford an army aid which is as valuable as it is highly remunerated. One of the maxims for commanding officers, in a book for their guidance written by Lord Wolseley, is that a successful spy must be petted and made much of. The management of spies is very difficult. Out of every ten employed by the officer commanding a war district he is fortunate if one gives him truthful information. It is a most important thing that spies should not be known to each other. Great care is generally taken by officers that each spy shall imagine that he is the only one who is employed.

It is very necessary that all bona fide spies should have about their persons some means of proving themselves really to be what they represent themselves. For this purpose a coin of certain date, a Bible of a certain edition, a Testament with the seventh or fifteenth leaf torn out, are generally employed.

By their means a spy who was employed by an officer in a neutral State, making his way to the headquarters of the army in the field, could thus at once make himself known to the intelligence department there. In some instances it is considered that a password or sign should be employed, as it is less compromising. The putting up of the right hand to the right ear and then to the left ear, or some such gesture, is sometimes employed.

The more extensive the ramifications of the system the better are the chances of escaping detection. It is very necessary that officers of the intelligence department should be provided with specially prepared paper, upon which letters can be written in ink that does not become visible until it has been subjected to some chemical process. It is also necessary that a letter in ordinary ink should invariably be written on the same paper containing the information that it is required to keep secret.

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FINANCIAL.

This Is New.

What is the difference between a Sailor and a Floorwalker in a big department store? Give it up? Well, the sailor sails the seas, while the floorwalker sees the sales. Speaking of sailors suggests the Ports they sail for. What Port is it that is often sought in vain?—Support. "Tag, you're it." That is the trouble with the stock market at present—it isn't getting any support—and wheat is in the same boat. The South African situation is upsetting the financial calculations of the world, so

Don't Buy Wheat

Until you are satisfied that the trouble is over. In the meantime, it is well to bear in mind that there is less wheat in the world this year than there was a year ago, even taking the figures of the most optimistic calculators, and there is less wheat in the U. S.—by 78 million bushels—than there was a year ago. Of course, if you are a bear on STOCKS OR WHEAT, we wish to remind you that we like selling orders just as much as buying orders, and our free book explains both.

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TRUSTEES' SALE OF AN ATTRACTIVE TWO-STORY AND CELLAR BRICK AND FRAME COTTAGE DWELLING, KNOWN AS PREMISES 815 SAVANNAH STREET, IN PETWORTH ADDITION TO WASHINGTON.

By virtue of a certain deed of trust, dated the 19th day of April, A. D., 1897, and recorded in liber 2213, folio 185, et seq., one of the land records of the District of Columbia, and at the request of the holders of certain of the notes secured thereby, we will offer at public auction, in front of the premises on WEDNESDAY, THE 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, A. D., 1900, at 4 O'CLOCK P. M., the following described real estate, situate in the county of Washington, District of Columbia, to wit: Lot numbered fourteen (14) of the Washington Loan and Trust Co., trustees' subdivision of block numbered twenty-two (22) of the "Petworth Addition to the city of Washington," as said subdivision is duly recorded in liber County, No. 11, page 83 of the records of the Surveyor's Office of the District of Columbia; together with the improvements thereon.

Terms of sale—One-third of the purchase money to be paid in cash and the balance to be paid in three equal installments in one, two, and three years respectively, secured by a deed of trust upon the property sold, with interest thereon, payable semi-annually, at the rate of 6 per cent per annum until paid, or all cash at the option of the purchaser. A deposit of $200 will be required at the time of sale. Sale to be closed in fifteen days from day of sale, otherwise the property will be resold at the risk and cost of the defaulting purchaser after five days' advertisement in some newspaper published in Washington city, D. C. Conveyancing and revenue at cost of purchaser.

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By virtue of two certain deeds of trust, dated July 28, 1898, and recorded among the land records of the District of Columbia, in liber 2336, folios 296, et seq., and 307, et seq., respectively, and at the request of the holders of the notes secured thereby, we will offer separately, at public auction, in front of the premises, on WEDNESDAY, THE 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1900, COMMENCING AT 4:30 O'CLOCK P. M., the following described real estate, situate in the county of Washington, District of Columbia, known and distinguished as Lots numbered thirty (30) and thirty-two (32), in Edgar C. Kellogg's subdivision of part of block numbered twenty (20), Columbia Heights, and part of block, numbered nineteen (19) in Todd & Brown's subdivision of parts of the tracts of land known as "Mount Pleasant" and "Pleasant Plains," as per plat of said Kellogg's subdivision recorded in liber County, No. 11, folio 146, of the records of the Office of the Surveyor of the District of Columbia; subject to the covenants, that when a building is erected thereon, it shall not be within thirty feet of the street line, nor shall it be used for manufacturing or mechanical purposes, nor shall spirituous liquors be sold therein, and the covenant as to the building line shall run with the land; together with the improvements thereon.

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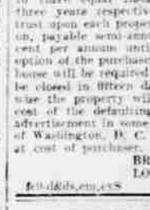

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