

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS

It is estimated that there are 1,000 colored families in and about Seattle and that they own real estate conservatively valued at one million dollars, which, in proportion to the number here, is a most excellent showing, and in comparison to other cities in the country, is far ahead of many older communities. While it would be utterly impossible to give the names of all, who own their homes and other real estate, yet some of those, who own extensive property, will be named with the approximate value of such properties.

Z. L. Woodson is supposed to be the heaviest realty owner. His holdings consisting of a rooming house, an apartment house, a flat building, two tenement houses and a ten acre tract near Sumner, all of which is estimated to be worth between \$75,000 and \$100,000.

S. A. Watts, who makes little or no noise about what he owns in the shape of real estate, stands well toward the head, when it comes to amount and value thereof. He owns two acres where his home is, which is one of the elegant homes of the city; one acre within four blocks of his home place and one house and lot in the city, all of which is estimated to be worth, according to the assessor's figures, \$25,000.

William Chandler owns an apartment house and other real estate, which even in these dull times, are worth about \$15,000. Mr. Chandler is heavily interested in other investments, which pays him a great deal more than his realty.

Mrs. T. H. Jones, nee Mrs. Cleo Orey, owns two lots at Green Lake, on which stands an elegant ten-room home, the same being elegantly furnished and six lots in the southern part of the city, which is conservatively valued at \$10,000.

James W. Abel is also one of the heavy realty owners. He is the assistant pound master of the city. He owns two houses and lots on Twenty-first Avenue South, a number of lots in West Seattle and 160 acres of timber lands in Clallam county, all of which must be worth in the neighborhood of \$15,000, and ten years more it will be worth twice that amount.

Oscar Collins owns city and country real estate valued at between ten and fifteen thousand dollars. He is a "club" man and likewise has a well paying business.

Henry Jones and his son, of Kenndale, own twenty-one acres of land, which is in sight of Seattle, and under normal conditions is worth not less than \$1,000 per acre.

Daniel Myers owns a ten acre chicken ranch near Sunnysdale, which is well stocked with poultry and hogs, and is worth not less than \$15,000.

George H. Maney owns city real estate in the shape of houses and lots and five acres near Kenndale, a Seattle suburb, all of which can not be worth less than \$15,000. He is regularly employed at the county-city building.

Henry Gregg, the city poundmaster, owns considerable property in the city and ten acres near Sunnysdale, which is practically in the city limits, which is worth \$10,000. He has saved much of his salary, which he has been constantly drawing for the past fifteen years, and therefore has considerable cash out on interest and recently took liberty bonds to the extent of \$600.

I. F. Norris, Sr., owns valuable city real estate and acreage in Eastern Washington, which can not be worth less than \$10,000.

There are hundreds of beautiful little homes owned by colored persons in and about Seattle, more, as said in another column hereof, in proportion to the number here than perhaps in any other city in the United States, and so it would be utterly impossible to name all who own homes. Among those who own, what might be termed palatial homes, are:

S. A. Watts, house and furnishings, \$4,000.

Oscar Collins, house and furnishings, \$8,000.

B. F. Tutt, house and surroundings, \$4,000.

Miss Maud Townsend, house, lot, furnishings and garage, \$10,000.

Fred Mitchell, house, lot and surroundings, \$10,000.

W. L. Presto, house, eight lots and surroundings, \$10,000.

Charles H. Harvey, contractor and builder, house and lot, \$5,000.

Lee Saunders, house and lot and surroundings, \$5,000.

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