

Raze Deering Residence for Skyscraper

Wreckers began their work of demolition last week on another of



the old Lake Shore drive residences, which for years have stirred envious glances from passers-by, that a site might be cleared for a tall apartment building, thereby adding another link in the huge wall that is being erected along the eastern edge of Chicago.

The latest old home to pass is that of James Deering, who died at sea in 1925, at 1430 Lake Shore drive, and there will be erected in its place the twenty-four story apartment building mentioned in this department last June. When Mr. Deering was alive this residence was noted for the splendid art collection contained in it.

Present plans call for making the new structure a co-op with one apartment to each floor. From the second to the thirteenth floors the flats will have twelve extra large rooms with six baths. However, the partitions will be placed permitting of rearrangement into other room divisions to accord with the owners' desires. Above the thirteenth floor the apartments will contain eleven rooms and five baths with provision for the same elasticity of arrangement.

No Ugly Penthouses.

Inasmuch as this building will occupy a prominent place on Chicago's show street, it's to be unusually attractive. Designed by Robert S. De Golyer, the architecture will be English Gothic. The roof line will be broken by a number of gables and further there will be no unsightly appendages on the top of the structure to stir the wrath of our artistic citizens. All the penthouses will be hidden behind the gables.

The front elevation will be constructed entirely of Indiana limestone with some ornamentation provided by wrought iron balconies. And more news of importance to those who want to see Chicago the city beautiful of the world, there won't be any bleak staring walls here. The side and rear walls will be of a high grade face brick to match the front elevation.

Construction will be of steel on a pile foundation.

To Have Refreshment Rooms.

Of course, the apartments will be the last word in luxury. The living rooms will be extra large, and each will contain a natural wood burning fireplace. Each apartment will have its library with a bay, either overlooking Lincoln park or the downtown section. Then there will be butlers' pantries containing German silver sinks, linen rooms, cedar closets, silver vaults and other little conveniences which make being a millionaire such a pleasant sort of occupation. Not the least of these is what is called a refreshment room; just what this is we haven't the slightest idea.

The number of bathrooms in the apartments constitute another reason for taking up the profession of being a millionaire. The five or six bathrooms in these apartments will all have six foot tile wainscoting, the color of which will be left to the taste of the owner or tenant, as the case may be. The bedrooms will be divided into suites.

Will Cost \$2,000,000.

This development is to take \$2,000,000 out of the owners' pockets, so it's said, the owners consisting of the 1430 Lake Shore Drive Building corporation, which includes W. C. Bannerman, Frank L. Kidder and other wealthy Chicagoans. W. C. Bannerman & Co. are builders.

In purchasing the site from the Deering estate, Sonnenschein, Berkson, Lautmann & Levinson were attorneys, and Arola B. Glade of W. K. Young & Bros., was broker. The Kirkham-Hayes corporation will have the management of the building.