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Wichita Beacon

Thursday, May 20, 1909

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5. Three local theaters were sold yesterday: the Novelty, 410 East Douglas, the Elite at 409 East Douglas, and the Marple at 417 East Douglas. The Novelty is the old Cameraphone, renamed when Berry and Barrety took charge a few years ago. Mr. John A. Berry has now sold his interest to his partner, Frank Barrety, Lederman and Amos, of Omaha, have bought out the interests of W. H. Marple, who owned the Marple and the Elite. Mr. Marple leaves today for Arizona for his health. ¶ The sale of the theaters does not include the buildings in which they are located.

Saturday, June 26, 1915

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12. Mrs. E. M. Dodd, of 303 Circle Drive, has refused an offer of \$50,000 for the 25 foot Marple Theater Building at 417 East Douglas.

Friday, June 22, 1928

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16. Report of death this morning of Mrs. Emma Dodd, a resident of Wichita for forty-four years. Death due to heart disease. Was married in her native state of Ohio in 1870 to George Stephens and remarried in 1881, after Mr. Stephens death, to Edward M. Dodd. She was born in 1844 in the town of Newburg, Ohio. The firm which he headed is now the American Cornice Works. Mr. Dodd died in 1899. ¶ Twenty years ago Mrs. Dodd bought the old Wichita Country Club house on 417 East Douglas. She lived there with her son, Bert Stephens, until her death. A sister also survives, Mrs. J. A. Croette, of Cambridge, Ohio. ¶ Mrs. Dodd owned considerable real estate in the city of Wichita.

Wichita Eagle

Wednesday, April 1, 1908

5. Mrs. Emma Dodd will erect a three story building at 417 East Douglas, which is next to the Daniel's furniture store. Excavation will be commenced after May 1st. (Editor's note: Exact address is correctly cited in article summary for page six on April 3, 1908.)

Friday, April 3, 1908**page**

6. Mrs. Emma Dodd on May 1st will commence the erection of a three story brick building, to contain a new theater 130 feet long and the full width of 415 and 417 East Douglas, for Mr. W. H. Marple. Seating capacity will be 650. The Douglas avenue facade will be lighted with 200 electric lights. ¶ The building will be directly west of C. S. Daniel's furniture house.

Tuesday, April 14, 1908**page**

10. Contract has been let by Mrs. E. M. Dodd for her new three story brick building on East Douglas next to the Daniel's Furniture Store.

Sunday, January 25, 1948**page**

16. Ad announcing re-opening of the remodeled and redecorated State Theater, 417 East Douglas. Photo of exterior.

The Wichita Eagle-Beacon**Friday, February 11, 1977****page**

- 6A. The Vogue Art Theater, 417 East Douglas, an adult movie theater in downtown Wichita, closed its doors yesterday afternoon after city vice detectives seized another set of films at the movie house. Details. Other adult theaters are the Circle Cinema, 2570 South Seneca, and the Calico Cat, 7520 West Kellogg.

Sunday, January 15, 1978**page**

- 1C. Wichita's former Marple Theater at *417 East Douglas* is to be renovated and reborn by April. For the past decade or so it has been notorious as the Vogue Art Theater. Before that it was known as the State Theater. Details. Photo.