

LOCAL MAN INVENTS VACUUM SWEEPER

H. R. Harn Patents New Form of Street Cleaner and Will Put on Market.

H. R. Harn, son of C. D. Harn of 819. Montgomery avenue, is the inventor of a patent combination brush and vacuum street sweeper, and will make an effort to sell a couple of the new machines to the city of Spokane this year.

The machine is built on novel ideas. It is equipped with a gasoline engine and a powerful fan, as well as a system of brushes. The brushes are enclosed in a metal case much like the ordinary carpet sweeper, open only close to the surface of the street. This covering is intended to prevent the scattering of dust from the sweeping and also to serve as a spout through which the air and the dust from the street is sucked up into the condenser of the machine.

Henry L. King, secretary of the company, with offices in the Columbia building, states that the cleaner can be sold at such a figure and will be so sanitary in operation that he believes the new city commissioners can be prevailed on to purchase a couple for Spokane.

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