OLDER BOYS IN CONFERENCE

ATHLETIC SPORTS AMUSE THE DELEGATES

Huntington Adds to His Pasadena Holdings—Plans for Federated Club's Meeting—Other News

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PASADENA, Dec. 2.—The second day's session of the Y. M. C. A. older boys' conference was intensely practical and helpful. The following permanent officers were first duly installed: President, Harold Ryerson of Pasadena; first vice president, Marcus Lee of Los Angeles; second vice president, Hugh Weldon of Santa Barbara; secretary, Claude Coffing of Riverside; assistant secretary, Earl Flanders of Pasadena. In the forenoon the question of grouping in association work was considered, two well prepared papers being read and discussed. In the afternoon the opportunity and obligation of the boys' department to the boys of the community was discussed under three heads—the boy in school, the boy who earns his living and the boy on the street. Tonight H. E. Sharp of Los Angeles gave a very entertaining address upon certain phases of association life, particularly the boys' camps which are now so popular. The athletic feature has not been neglected by the convention. In the first place a series of field and gymnastic contests were held between the formal sessions. Los Angeles won first place here with 1699 points, Pasadena second with 1620 points and Riverside third with 1377 points. The silver medal for best all-around work was awarded to Roy Holman of Riverside, and Herbert Shutt of Pasadena was announced as the best in indoor work. Late this afternoon two exciting games of basketball were played on the association courts. In the first Long Beach defeated Los Angeles by the score of 20 to 19. Following this game immediately was as close a contest between Riverside and Pasadena teams, Riverside carrying off the honors by the score of 16 to 15. In this game Copping of Riverside and Collier of Pasadena were the star players. The close scores indicate how evenly matched the opposing teams were and tell in a degree how much enthusiasm was evoked by each.

Conference Closes Today

Tomorrow will be the closing day of the conference. At 10:30 a. m. Roy Campbell of San Diego will lead the delegates in a quiet hour service. At 3 p. m. there will be a meeting at the association auditorium to be addressed by a college man, and at 7:30 p. m. a farewell mass meeting will be given in the First M. E. church.

Another Huntington Purchase

H. E. Huntington and A. Kingsley Macomber and the syndicate which they are supposed to represent closed another important deal today by which they acquired the Solomon Richardson ranch of fifty-five acres adjoining the Oak Knoll tract on the south. The consideration is stated to have been $100,000. The property lies between the Maybury ranch, already the property of Mr. Huntington, and the Los Robles ranch. The several purchases already announced and the reported $100,000 improvements upon the Oak Knoll tract alone will run the value of the Huntington holdings up to nearly half a million dollars. It is rumored that more purchases are to follow quickly and real estate men say that the Pacific Electric magnate is likely before he rests to obtain property interests in and around Pasadena aggregating twice this amount. Two magnificent boulevards will be constructed across the Oak Knoll and adjoining tracts at once and at least two fine residences are already projected for the tract, the builders of which are not yet known to the public.

Shakespeare Club

Much of the time of the Shakespeare club meeting this afternoon was taken up with announcements for the meeting of the district federation which will be held here next week, opening with the reception on Monday evening. Delegates appointed to the convention were Mrs. W. D. Turner, Mrs. Helen Elliott Bandini, Mrs. Frank Welles Parker, Mrs. George Carder; alternates, Mrs. Laura Prentice Stevens, Mrs. O. W. Bullock, Mrs. Susan Holmes and Mrs. John Goodridge.

For the reception on Monday evening over a thousand invitations have been issued by the Shakespeare club, whose members will thus formally open their club house. Each one of the fifty-two federated clubs in the district has been invited to send at least one representative. The convention proper opens on Tuesday morning. Mrs. Cowles in the chair, and following the opening exercises she will deliver an address. Tuesday afternoon Mrs. O. Shepherd Barnum will speak upon "Food Adulterations," followed by an illustrated talk on "The Chemistry of Food and Food Values" by Mrs. English of the Los Angeles state normal school. Hector Alliott will speak on "True Art," Mrs. Samuel P. Hunt leading in the discussion.

Discuss California Laws

Tuesday afternoon, between the morning and afternoon sessions, the delegates will be given a ride by the Pasadena women. Wednesday morning Mrs. M. A. Kenney of Los Angeles will tell of "California Laws Relating to Women," with Mrs. Jefferson Gibbs in charge of the discussion. Business is also scheduled for that morning. Mrs. J. H. Woodworth of the local club will speak Wednesday afternoon on "How Shall the State Care for Its Delinquent and Dependent Children?" and Mrs. W. H. Housh will present a paper upon "How to Know Good Pictures." Mrs. Florence Collins Porter and Mrs. W. S. Bartlett will lead in the discussions. Miss Palmer of Los Angeles is to speak of the "Flora of the Arroyo Seco." The program committee has arranged for excellent music for every session.

At this afternoon's meeting, the only paper, since the afternoon was the regular monthly business session, was by Miss Grace Hortense Tower, who gave a very interesting interview with Bronson Howard, the play writer. Mrs. Edwards, formerly the president of the Chicago club, and a prominent club woman of the central west since 1876, was the guest of honor, and gave an entertaining talk of the work of woman's clubs.

Pasadena Gets Contract

An important meeting of the board of trade officers, the merchants' association officers and the several lighting committees was held today, resulting in the selection of a striking design for the proposed boulevard lighting posts, the letting of the contract for the immediate construction of the same and the making of arrangements for raising the funds needed to pay for the needed electric lights. The design comes from a Pasadena architect, C. W. Buchanan, and is much more ornate than the Broadway posts in Los Angeles, and with nearly double the number of lights on each post. A Pasadena firm, the Pasadena foundry, received the contract for casting the posts and agrees to have quite a number of them up in time for the tournament season and at least one hundred in place by Jan. 15. Committees were appointed to canvass the proposed lighting district for money to pay the $7000 estimated necessary for the electric lights. It is understood that the city will pay about $1000 of this amount and the property owners will be called upon to pay the rest.

Elks' Memorial Day

Pasadena lodge of Elks will hold its annual memorial service tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Lowe opera house. A very interesting program has been prepared. Special vocal and instrumental music is announced. C. J. Crandall will read "Thanatopsis," Elmer I. Moody will deliver the accustomed eulogy and Rev. Baker P. Lee will provide the address. The public is invited.

Tomorrow the second Sunday band concert will be given at the same place as last Sunday, in the vacant lot opposite the Library park. A fine program of music has been arranged by Director James J. Sheldon. The concert will continue from 2 to 4 p. m. On Monday petitions will be placed in each of the banks and an active canvass of the voters and property owners of the city to determine how many favor and how many oppose the continuance of these concerts.

Pasadena Brevities

Postmaster J. W. Wood has a letter from a camp in Washington inquiring for information of relatives of the late H. C. Jordan.

It is reported that should the residents of East Pasadena ask to be annexed to Pasadena the new owners of Oak Knoll will make the same request.

Frank W. Claus, aged 46 years, died in this city last night, leaving a wife and three children. Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon.

Major Fred Burnham has just returned from a business trip to Mexico. The trip was for the purpose of investigating certain mining properties for English investors.

WILL CHARGE ADMISSION

Long Beach Authorities Agree on a Compromise Measure—Dances in Sun Pavilion

Special to The Herald.

LONG BEACH, Dec. 2.—Tomorrow afternoon and evening an admission of ten cents will be charged for the Donatelli concerts in the auditorium. In the future all dances will be held at the sun pavilion. This is the proposition put forward by Gattone, manager for the band and indorsed by the local board of trade. Once before since the convention hall was thrown open an attempt has been made to charge admission for the concerts, but such a storm of protest was raised that the idea was given up. Later a weekly dance was suggested, but this proposition was also squelched and now a return will be made to the charge concerts. Trustees Oakford and Losee both favor permitting the weekly dance, but will abide by the decision of the people.

Today a contract for the heating and ventilating plant for the new hospital has been let to Cass-Damerel Hardware company of Los Angeles. Work on the building is progressing rapidly.

SHIP FRUIT TO NEW ZEALAND

Ontario Packers Send a Carload of Oranges to the Antipodes

Special to The Herald.

ONTARIO, Dec. 2.—The Malone Fruit company of this place shipped a carload of oranges to New Zealand, via San Francisco, this week.

A large gathering of the Iowa colony met at the home of George Hall on Thanksgiving day and enjoyed the day together. The families of George, John and Stephen Hall, together with the families of Elmer Tyler and B. F. Jones, were present.

Mr. Wynn, who expects soon to install a new telephone system between several of the interior towns and with Los Angeles, will begin work as soon as the material arrives.

Among those who have arrived from the east to pass the winter are Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Byrd and family, Mrs. Sarah Byrd and Mr. Herron of Hardin, Illinois, and Mrs. Sarah Ball of Hamburg, Ohio.

The directors of the First National bank met today and increased the capital stock from $30,000 to $40,000.

Sawtelle Postoffice Is Moved

Special to The Herald.

SAWTELLE, Dec. 2.—The postoffice fixtures and furnishings were removed today into the new quarters on Oregon avenue. The new postoffice is built in the mission style of white cement.

Walter Metcalf, who is postmaster, is assisted by Miss Daisy Calhoun. The old building, which for four years has been used as a postoffice, will be removed by the officials of the Sawtelle bank, on whose property it stands, and a new brick building erected there, thus completing the bank block, which fronts on Fourth street and Oregon avenue.

Mrs. Sugrue, an extensive property owner of Santa Monica, has removed to Sawtelle.

Trouble on Vessel

SAN PEDRO, Dec. 2.—There was a small-sized mutiny on board the Oceania Vanoe, a schooner lying in the harbor here, this morning when one of the sailors, Chas. Horling, threatened to do dreadful things to the captain, including killing among them.

The skipper later had the man arrested. He was taken before the local court, where he pleaded not guilty and his case will come up later.

SPANKS BY ELECTRICITY

New-Fangled Correctional Machine Is Not Popular With Parents

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 2.—An electrical paddling machine, invented by Prof. Dennis, is now in operation in the public school in East Penna, a suburb. The mode of operation is to place the recalcitrant pupil over a chair near the spanking machine, press a button and the flow of electricity starts a series of paddles in operation which play upon the anatomy of the spankee.

Residents of the village have protested and declare they will take their children from school if the use of the machine is not stopped.

A Real Philosopher

The photographer was delighted. "Seldom," he said, "have I had so good a sitter. The expression is exactly right, the command of the facial muscles perfect. You are, perhaps, an actor?"

"No," an automobilist?"

"Yes."

"Aha, that explains it. You have learned to submit to arrest and a large fine every time you go out, and still to return home looking as if you had enjoyed yourself."

—Philadelphia Bulletin.

SEEKS A BRIDE; SENT TO PRISON

NEEDLES YOUTH GETS INTO TROUBLE

Stepfather of Prospective Bride Causes Arrest and the Young Man Gets a Hundred Days' Jail Sentence at San Bernardino

Special to The Herald.

SAN BERNARDINO, Dec. 2.—One hundred days in the county jail instead of a trip to the marriage altar is the lot which has fallen to William Luening, a Needles store clerk.

In the same store where Luening worked was a man named Flood who had a pretty stepdaughter, 17 years of age. An attachment sprang up between the two young people, they became engaged and had gained the consent of the mother to the marriage. It was then that the stepfather, Flood, toppled over the young people's plans. Luening, fearing violence at the hands of the irate stepfather, secured a gun and commenced carrying it, whereupon Flood had Luening arrested and he was sentenced to 100 days on the rock pile. Had not Flood interfered the young people would have been married in a couple more days.

Luening expects to be able to pay the fine in a few days, as he has wealthy relatives in the east in La-Crosse, Wis., and Cleveland, O., an uncle being G. F. Gund, a wealthy brewer of the latter city.

Fire Destroys Office

Fire this morning gutted the office of the Evening Free Press, completely incapacitating the plant and causing a loss of about $2,000. The fire was caused by the explosion of an oil heating stove which was sitting about five feet from the desk of Managing Editor Warner, who was badly burned about the legs and back of the head. The insurance on the plant had run out but a few days ago. The plant will be in running order again by the fore part of the week. Fire also got into the furniture store of Ward & Hancock, adjoining, causing additional loss of $1000 or more.

A strange phase has developed in the handling of the estate of Dr. J. Stanley Dolan, one of the physicians who figured so prominently in the Southern California State hospital scandal at Patton two years ago and who died under such mysterious circumstances at Riverside soon afterward. The property amounts to something more than $30,000 and the only heir is J. Stanley Dolan, jr., who will not attain his majority for twelve years. The will provides that the estate shall not be distributed until the heir reaches his majority. The law provides that the executor cannot invest an estate which in the face of the terms of the will will compel the estate to lie idle for the twelve years until the boy becomes of age. The executor today filed a petition before Judge Bledsoe asking that trustees be appointed and the estate distributed by being turned over to them for investment. The court took the question under advisement. The point at issue has excited much interest among attorneys.

Gets Divorce From Wife

After forty years of wedded life W. F. J. Maxwell, a machinist in the employ of the Santa Fe at Needles, was today granted an interlocutory decree of divorce from his wife, Amanda Maxwell, on the ground of desertion. The wife resides in Los Angeles. The family during most of their life have resided in Kansas, where they reared a large family, coming west but a little more than a year ago. The wife did not like life at Needles, so went to Los Angeles to reside, and the husband was unable to get her to return.

W. M. Johnson, a patient at the Southern California State hospital, was found dead this morning by the attendants, and an inquest was held by Coroner Pittman. Death was found to be from natural causes. The deceased was committed from Anaheim, where he was for many years a prominent citizen.

Not a single restaurant in San Bernardino now holds a liquor license. But a short time ago there were three such licenses, but the recent enactment of the rigid ordinance governing restaurant liquor licenses has compelled the restaurants to quit selling liquor. The ordinance compelled the removing of stalls from restaurants holding a liquor license and this was found to cut off a large amount of business. The stalls have been replaced and the licenses thrown up.

Notes of Interest

Rev. James H. Speer of Denver has accepted the call to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church in this city, the call having been extended to him last Sunday by the congregation. It is expected he will arrive here to take up the work of the pastorate about January 1.

The jury in the case of Arthur Chandler, one of the men charged with breaking jail, has returned a verdict of guilty after having been out for several hours. The balance have now pleaded guilty and all will receive their sentences Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Shutter of Colton have effected a separation of their worldly effects and agreed to live apart, and neither will ask for attorney's fees or any of the property in case either files a suit for divorce. The couple are prominent in Colton life and their separation has caused a small-sized sensation. No cause is known for the separation, but it is understood that serious disagreements have come between the couple.

COCK CROWS CHURCH AWAY

Congregation Flees in Dismal Before the Strident Note of a Chanticleer

Special to The Herald.

FINDLAY, O., Dec. 2.—Findlay has a rooster which is credited with having performed the unusual feat of moving a church.

For three months the services at the West Park Evangelical church were regularly interrupted by the crowing of the rooster, which is owned by a woman whose home adjoins the lot on which the church formerly stood. It is said that every time Mr. Conklin, the pastor, began to preach or pray in the church the strident note of the cock broke in. Its owner was told of the trouble, but she declared the rooster was a pet and declined to dispose of it.

In desperation the congregation finally decided to move. A new site was purchased and the church, being a frame structure, was removed to the new location, which is out of hearing of the rooster's crow.

Two tramps prevented a Santa Fe train wreck and got $17.50. Then they asked for a pass to 'Frisco and got it. They knew the tramps' paradise and wanted to get there quick.

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WOULD COMPEL CONTRACTORS TO KEEP PAVEMENTS IN REPAIR

A guarantee from the contractors to keep their street work in repair for ten years is the solution for better paving that Street Superintendent Hanley will suggest to the city council.

The street superintendent believes that the street work that is being done now is not up to the standard and while the contractors live within the bounds of the specifications they do not go out of their way to make their work any better than they absolutely have to.

"Make them guarantee to keep their work in repair for ten years and I believe we would have pretty respectable pavements," said Mr. Hanley. "They insist on such conditions in other cities the size of Los Angeles and I do not see why we cannot do so. I'm going to try to have this made a feature of future contracts."

COLISEUM TO CROSS SEA

Great Exposition Building Will Be Brought From Paris to New York

Special to The Herald.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—By a recent decree of the French government, the famous Galerie des Machines, on the site of the exposition universale of 1878, is to be razed or removed. This fact has suggested to J. A. Bailey the gigantic project of purchasing the entire steel material and erecting in this city a colossal building of a like characted, which will be suited for every kind of a great show. The site has already been selected in the vicinity of One Hundred and Sixtieth street, on the proposed extension of the subway, and the cost of the undertaking is estimated at about $5,000,000.

Among the chief purposes of the new building will be horse racing, the size of the building easily permitting of a quarter mile track, where races can be run both night and day. The Barnum & Bailey show will use the building every spring for circus and spectacular shows, followed by agricultural exhibitions, cattle and horse shows, college football matches and other athletic contests.

AWAITS DEATH PRAYING

Girl Leaps Before Cars and Dies Raising Her Hands to Heaven

Special to The Herald.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Mary G. McCarthy knelt and prayed on the tracks of an elevated railroad today while the train in front of which she had leaped to end her life bore down upon her too close to be stopped by its crew.

The girl jumped from the platform of a station at Sixty-sixth street and Columbus avenue. After passing the ticket taker she attracted attention by several irresolute little runs toward the edge of the platform, as if hesitating to leap.

Finally when a train was half a block away she threw herself on the track.

Although she fell prostrate, Miss McCarthy hurriedly rose to her knees, and before the first car struck her had clasped her hands in prayer. She was killed instantly.

OFFICERS TRAP AUTOIST

Joseph Maier in his "buzz wagon" was the first victim of Detectives Mojonnier and Berch-told last evening on their new motor cycles. According to the two officers, they spied Maier and believed him to be running too fast. The two officers ran beside Maier on their gasoline bicycles, and, after watching their speedometers, became convinced of their theory. Maier was arrested.

NO FOOD FOR TEN DAYS

A Young Athlete Tries Living Without Eating and Benefit Results

Special to The Herald.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Frank Connor, a young athlete, last night ended a ten days' fast from all food, the beginning of a course upon which he had entered to build up his health.

In the ten days Connor drank a great deal of water, continuing, meantime, to indulge in strenuous physical exercises, such as the handling of a sixty-pound dumb-bell night and morning and running to and fro from his work each day. Connor weighed 145 pounds ten days ago, shrinking two pounds a day in the period of fasting.

"Very few persons have perfect health," said Connor last night. "I intend to have it. I began by purifying my system, and hereafter I shall fast one day in each week. At the same time I shall keep up systematic exercise, such as running, working the dumb-bells, and other movements prescribed by physical culturists."

Connor's determination to fast for ten days became known among his associates as soon as he had made his resolution, and every sort of temptation was put in his way to make him give in, but he never faltered. The young man intends to enter upon a longer fast, perhaps of fifty days duration, later in the winter.

His mother believes in fasting as a cure for some diseases, and she says he had a great-aunt who fasted for a period of forty days several times during her life.

Connor swallowed the juice of three oranges last night, and today he will begin to drink milk, followed by solids later in the week.

"It is no feat to fast for ten days," he said. "I felt no inconvenience from it except at meal times, when I actually got hungry. When the dinner hour passed I was all right again. I satisfied my hunger by drinking water. The third day I came near giving up, but overcame my desire to eat by going to sleep. Then it was all right."

SHE PEEPS THROUGH HOLE

Curious Woman Sees Prisoners Trying to Break Jail and Gives the Alarm

Special to The Herald.

MARION, O., Dec. 2.—Mrs. S. H. Britton visited the county jail today, and it was through her curiosity that she discovered a plot for a wholesale jail delivery. She peeped through a hole and saw Ernest Smith and Harry Green, convicted train robbers, boring through the wall of the prison.

Smith and Green had cowed the other prisoners with threats of death, and were industriously boring away when the woman saw them and notified the guard. The men had their pockets filled with powder, but were overpowered before they could use it.

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HE ENCOURAGES BABIES

An Illinois Man Whom President Roosevelt Was Glad to Meet

Special to The Herald.

ALTON, Ill., Dec. 2.—Edmond Beall, mayor of Alton, owner of the Stork's Nest and opponent of race suicide, has returned from Washington, where one day last week he was received by President Roosevelt. The moment he was introduced the president took his hand in a firm grip and said:

"I certainly am glad to meet you and shake your hand. You're a man after my own heart. I've heard and read of you and of your efforts to obliterate a great evil. I've also read of your Stork's Nest. How did you ever happen to think of it?"

"The more babies, the more votes, Mr. President."

Then they both laughed.

"You have done much in a very good cause," continued the president. "One of the real drawbacks to large families is the refusal of landlords to rent property to persons with children. In reserving your buildings (The Stork's Nest) for families with children you have taken a step which many would go well to follow."

"Every time there is a birth in a family renting from me, I present the baby with a baby carriage and the parents with three months' rent," said Mayor Beall.

The president grasped the visitor's hand again.

"You certainly are a great man, Mayor Beall," he said, "and the country should be proud of you. But, really, how did you happen to think of such a plan?"

"Well, Mr. President, it used to be that I rented to anybody who paid the rent. I asked no questions about the size of the family. Then I was told one day thaat only seven births had been reported in Alton in 1901. I got to thinking, and I knew that would never do."

In Alton in the last ten months there have been 748 births. In 1904 there were only 404. In 1903 there were 229, and in 1902 there were 233. While in 1901 only seven were reported, there is a belief that some figures are lacking for that year.

MUSTACHES FOR CADETS

Young Women Approve the Order Issued at a Military College in Canada

Special to The Herald.

KINGSTON, Ont., Dec. 2.—All the cadets of the Royal military college have been ordered to grow mustaches and wear them. No reason is given, but it is hinted it is desired to give an older and perhaps more martial appearance to the future generalissimos.

Some of the younger cadets strongly disapprove of the order. Not so the charming young women of Kingston, of whom one said today: "Of course we approve. We have never set our faces against mustaches."

$1 COFFIN AND NO SERMON

WASHINGTON, Pa., Dec. 2.—The will of the late John F. McClelland of North Franklin township, probated recently, contains the following directions:

"I direct that my body be interred in the hill orchard on the farm I own in a rough, unplaned box that will cost about a dollar, and use the clothing I have in the house, and have no funeral or preaching in the house. Employ two men to haul my body up to the orchard and inter it at the corner tree of the Lewis Snyder farm and mine and place no mark on the grave."

McClelland was a wealthy farmer.

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Mary McDonald Celebrates Her Birthday by Smoking a Corncob Pipe

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 2.—"Thank the Lord, I'm still feeling pretty spry," replied "Mother" Mary McDonald, at the home for aged and infirm colored persons, Belmont and Girard avenues, yesterday, on the occasion of her 134th birthday. The aged negress had just laid aside her corncob pipe, which she has smoked since her girlhood, never having found the use of tobacco inimical to longevity. She has her smoke after every meal.

"Mother" McDonald, a great favorite in the home, has been an inmate since 1887. She was born in Frogtown, near Valley Forge, November 13, 1771, and when a child went to live as a servant with the family of Ruse Howell. She remembers incidents of the memorable winter the American army spent at Valley Forge, and said: "The guns were always going off and skeered us at night."

Her four grandsons, ranging in age from 60 to 70 years, come to see her regularly, and until his death, a month and a half ago, her son-in-law, who was past 90, came whenever he could.

IN PRISON HE ONCE RULED

GALVESTON, Dec. 2.—A. S. Busby, for four years assistant financial agent of Texas in charge of the penitentiary at Rusk, was convicted by a jury today of embezzling $7500 of the funds of the state and sentenced to serve three years in the prison which he formerly managed. The trial was bitterly contested.