

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 19, 1905.

NAMES THE SAME BOARD OF WORKS

COUNCIL DELAYS CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT

Mayor McAleer Submits List Including John R. Matthews, C. O. Winters and E. T. Perkins

Mayor McAleer yesterday sent the names of the new board of public works to the city council for confirmation.

"When will the committee of the whole meet to consider this board?" asked one of the councilmen.

"Whenever the council moves," said Mr. Blanchard, who was acting as president of the council in the absence of Theodore Summerland.

This action of referring the question to a committee of the whole without a definite date for settlement, was taken to mean that the members of the council are not highly favorable to the mayor's nominees.

The charter amendment that provides for the board also provides that the board shall be officially inaugurated January 1.

The council is also tied up by a resolution that the board of public works must have one member who is a representative of the labor unions.

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WATER BOARD HEARS REPORT

Auditor Says Financial Condition of Department Is Unusually Satisfactory

The board of water commissioners listened to the annual reports of the auditor and superintendent and approved them at a meeting held yesterday afternoon in the committee rooms on South Hill street.

The auditor reported that the financial condition is much better than that of last year and stated there is a good profit in the treasury for the last fiscal year ending November 15.

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The board submitted these reports to the city council with a short communication, stating that their report could not be given in detail on account of the deals involving Owens river property not having been completed.

Bids for 36-inch and 30-inch riveted sheet steel pipes were presented and opened and referred to the supply committee.

The contract for these pipes was let to the lowest bidder, the Lacy Manufacturing company. The bids were \$3.32 per foot for 7500 feet of 36-inch pipe and \$2.72 per foot for 5000 feet of 30-inch pipe.

A communication was read which had been submitted by the Macaulay Ranch Water company, asking for water rights across the San Gabriel forest for a reservoir and water ditch in Paocima canyon.

The board decided to refuse to grant such privileges at present.

REAL ESTATE ACTIVE

Nearly 200 Lots Sold in Hollywood Tract—Purchase of Acreage by Syndicate

W. G. Griffith, manager of the Realty Trust company, has purchased for a local syndicate from Edward Lewis Baker a thirteen-acre tract on the corner of Plummer street and Wilson avenue, the consideration being \$20,000.

The tract, which is nicely located, is provided with ample water supply and it will be subdivided and improved in a high class manner.

SANTA CLAUS BEGINS EARLY TO MAKE HIS CHRISTMAS PURCHASES

STORES FILLED WITH EAGER BUYERS

Shoppers Seek Gifts Calculated to Fill Loved Ones With Joy—Children Show Maximum of Enthusiasm

The very spirit of Christmas is visible in the eyes of most of the hunters after the desirable who throng the stores at this season.

A seeker after types of the races could do no better than to stand in the doorway of the large department stores.

The whole gamut of possibilities is run every half hour.

Old men and women with benignant faces go by their net grand-children a longed-for toy.

Wives seeking for something that "he" will like and husbands searching with an equal amount of eagerness for a present that will titillate "her" may be seen in multitudes.

They tot making their selections for the edification of Santa Claus run about with wondering eyes, awed by the tinsel magnificence of the toy section.

Others, a little older, who know all about Santa, look scornfully at the smaller ones and utter words which, if heard, might mean disenchantment.

Little girls stare with covetous eyes at the cook stoves that are the "mamma has," in which the first real can be made, and the smoke comes out of the chimney, too.

Christmas Trade Is Excellent

The mechanical section of the toy department has a particular fascination for the small boy. He gazes at the marvels of the clockwork automobile and makes technical explanations of the various parts to his fellow-looker-on, that are amusing to a degree.

At the different stores in town it was said that the Christmas trade this season is much better than ever before.

"The Christmas trade is a little better than last year, but no things are on with a rush. We have had twice as much trade this year as we ever had before and every one of our salesmen is busy."

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PLAN ENTERTAINMENT FOR EASTERN SCRIBES

Visiting Newspaper Men Will Be Welcomed

Interesting Points in Southern California Will Be Seen by Guests of Salt Lake Road's First Los Angeles Limited Train

T. C. Peck, assistant general passenger agent of the Salt Lake railroad, left yesterday for Salt Lake City to accompany the party of thirty eastern newspaper correspondents who will arrive in Los Angeles next Wednesday on the first "Los Angeles Limited" train that will make the journey from Chicago to the coast.

Arrangements are being made to entertain the visitors during their four days' stay in the Angel City and they will be the guests of the Salt Lake Pacific Electric company and various other corporations.

Local newspaper men will be the hosts at two dinners. The newspaper men left Chicago on December 17 at 10:30 p. m. over the Northwestern railroad and yesterday crossed the fertile plains of Iowa and Nebraska and the ranges of Wyoming.

Today they will arrive in Salt Lake City over the Union Pacific and will leave there at 4:15 p. m. over the Salt Lake.

The party will arrive in Riverside at 3:25 p. m. December 20 and will leave the train for a drive through that city and through the orange groves as the guests of the Riverside chamber of commerce.

They will have dinner at the Glenwood inn as the guests of the proprietor, F. A. Miller. They will leave there on a special parlor car train for Los Angeles and are scheduled to arrive here at 8:45 p. m. They will go to the Angelus hotel immediately upon their arrival.

At 3 a. m. December 21 the party will leave for Mount Lowe on a special electric car provided with the compliments of the Pacific Electric railway. The return to Pasadena will be made in time for lunch at Hotel Maryland as the guests of the manager, D. M. Linnard.

The Pasadena board of trade will provide conveyances for a drive about the city, after which the party will board a special electric car for Monrovia, San Gabriel mission and Baldwin's ranch. A stop will be made at the ostrich farm, which will be thrown open to the party. They will return to Los Angeles in the evening in time for a dinner given at the Jonathan club by the local newspaper men.

The Salt Lake road will furnish a special parlor car to take the newspaper men to Long Beach on the morning of the 22d. Upon their arrival there an automobile ride and a luncheon will be given by the Long Beach board of trade. They will leave Long Beach at noon for San Pedro and will board a special steamer immediately upon their arrival for passage to Catalina provided by the Wilmington Transportation company. The government breakwater will be inspected en route.

The steamer is due to arrive at Avalon at 3 p. m. A visit to the marine gardens will be made in glass bottom boats and also to the aquarium and to Hotel McJoplin. They will remain at the island until the morning of the 23d, when the return to San Pedro will be made. From there they will go to Verdugo park, where a bullhead breakfast, Spanish style, will be served at noon by the Los Angeles chamber of commerce.

In the evening Los Angeles newspaper men will be the hosts at a dinner at the California club.

The party will be given a tallyho ride about Los Angeles on the morning of the 24th by the Salt Lake Transfer company. They will board a train at the Salt Lake station at 2:45 p. m. for return trip to Chicago. The officials of the road promise them a surprise in the evening, which will probably be souvenirs of Southern California.

The party will consist of the following men: New York—Leslie's Weekly, H. F.

MARRIED LIFE FULL OF WORRY

HUSBAND SAYS WIFE WAS JEALOUS

Declares He Showed Her Every Item of His Own Personal Expenditures, but That She Refused to Believe Him

Alleging that his wife's jealousy caused him great humiliation and worry, George M. Clover, a Los Angeles salesman, yesterday petitioned Judge Wilbur of department eight of the superior court to grant him a decree of divorce from Mrs. Mary A. Clover.

According to Clover's statements on the witness stand yesterday, his married life had been filled with trials and worry. As he told the details of his marital disturbances his head was bent in sorrow and his voice was husky.

"We were married in Shelby county, Ind.," he said. "That was thirty-two years ago and for seventeen years my life was a happy one. But my wife became jealous of me and no matter what I did she accused me of every act of domestic infidelity she could think of."

"All my life I have made about \$100 a month and of that amount I gave regularly for the support of my wife and children \$70. But that was not enough, and after my wife started her persecutions my life was a constant misery. We had quarrels for breakfast, dinner and supper and at last out of sheer desperation I secured a position as traveling salesman. I was absent from home just as much as possible, for whenever I got in the house there was trouble on hand waiting for me. My wife then started to accuse me of traveling with women companions and alleged that I made one transcontinental trip with a nurse, when as a matter of fact I was with my sister and my wife knew it, for my sister spent some weeks at my home."

"I got so at last that I was compelled to make an account of every cent I spent and even that did not satisfy her. I produced every item of my laundry bill and the receipts thereof and my cigar bill and every little expense I had and added the list up and showed her how it tallied each month with the amount I had saved for myself, but still she didn't believe me and accused me of getting money somewhere else and lavishing it on women."

"When I was at home she continually demanded more money and said that lots of other women dressed better than she did and that she would

hunt case, full week.

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CITY ENGINEER LEARNS THAT OLD AUTO CAN BREAK SPEED LIMIT

City Engineer Harry Stafford is through with politics, now and forever.

When one of the highest salaried officials in the city's employ only has half a "pull" with the police it is time to retire to private life, is the opinion that Mr. Stafford was mournfully expressing to sympathetic friends at the city hall yesterday.

He was hailed before Police Judge Chambers yesterday morning and fined \$10 of his own, not city money, for exceeding the speed ordinance in one of the city's automobiles.

The usual fine is \$25, levied according to a recommendation passed by the city council a few weeks ago, but the fact that Mr. Stafford wasn't running very much faster than the law allows saved the city engineer \$15 for Christmas presents.

The arrest was made Saturday afternoon on Pasadena avenue as Mr. Stafford was returning from luncheon at his home to his office in the city hall.

Had Mr. Stafford been content to follow the example of other city officials and take Saturday afternoon for a half holiday, he declares, there would have been no occasion for the arrest and he still would have had that \$10 in his northwest trousers pocket.

But, no, he is a glutton for work and prepares to have more money for clothes.

Even during my short stays at my home she would generally go out in the evening and be gone some time. When she was at the house she quarreled with me so that I would go to bed early and cover up my head and the next morning I would get up and sneak out of the house, buy my breakfast at a restaurant and start out on the road.

"On several occasions she has cursed me and vilified me and called me terrible names in his forceful manner of railing against history, for we could as well rail against the multiplication table as high history," said Dr. R. G. Moulton of Chicago yesterday morning at St. Paul's pro-cathedral.

The Methodist ministers adjourned their meeting to listen to the address of Dr. Moulton. There was a large congregation aside from the clergymen.

"Critics often rely on history in solving the Bible," said the speaker, "but their starting points are wrong they have but little foundation from which to work."

Dr. Moulton dwelt on the different interpretations of the Bible and its criticisms. He illustrated many points of interest in his forceful manner of relating passages of scripture in their different phases. He said that many from their lack of Bible knowledge did not associate the familiar hymn, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," with that of Jacob's dream. The speaker urged the point of thoroughly studying the revised version of the Bible.

Commended to Insane Asylum

By order of the insanity commission in Judge Conroy's department of the superior court yesterday Julia G. Patch and James Chapman were committed to the state asylum at Patton. Mrs. Patch came here from Chicago. The woman was suffering from the hallucination that she and all her family were in the depths of hades. Chapman is an old soldier from Sawtelle. He imagined he was the Diety and held a half of the earth in each hand.

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LOS ANGELES FORCED TO CARE FOR INDIGENT

County Hospital Authorities Say That Other Cities and States Use This as Dumping Ground—Instance of Asylum Patient

As a good place to dump their indigent sick Los Angeles seems to hold high favor in the eyes of the charity authorities of other cities. From all parts of the country they are sent, the majority of them hopelessly ill, arriving here penniless to become a burden upon already overcrowded charitable institutions.

Many such are being cared for at the county hospital today, who legally have no right to aid from this county, the law requiring a year's residence before a person is entitled to public charity.

Insane persons are shipped out of other states in the same way. W. H. Kieley, an inmate of the insane ward at the county hospital in a lucid interval yesterday, told how he was released from the insane asylum of Phoenix, Ariz., to come to Los Angeles. Kieley said he had been twice committed to the Phoenix asylum for the insane. The last time, so he says, the superintendent told him he would be released if he could get money enough to pay his fare out of the state. A brother of the insane man advanced \$50 and Kieley was sent to Los Angeles, only to be taken up a short time after his arrival here, a few days ago, and committed to the county hospital. All the authorities can do with him there is to send him on to Highlands, thus to become a charge upon this state.

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Advertisement for Hamburger's store, featuring 'Memorable Tuesday' and 'HOLIDAY SALE OF WATCHES'.

This "Memorable Tuesday" Better Than Ever. As this is the last week of Santa Claus' annual visit and his friends have been here in such goodly numbers, we desire to especially emphasize "Memorable Tuesday" this week with some exceptional merchandise values.

Advertisement for watches, listing various models and prices, such as \$67.50, \$45.00, \$15.00, \$9.75, and \$13.50.

Advertisement for boys' clothing, featuring 'Our Boys' Clothing Department is Our Pride' and listing various suits and overcoats with prices.

Effort to Raise Locomotive

An effort will be made on Wednesday to raise the Santa Fe locomotive which fell through wharf No. 1 at Redondo on November 21. All the necessary engines and implements needed are ready. Divers will be sent to Redondo today.

Gets Divorce for Desertion

An interlocutory decree of divorce was granted Mrs. Mathilda Hartman from Henry W. Hartman by Judge Trask in department four of the superior court yesterday. The charge was desertion and the small property involved was given to the woman.

Charged with Horse Theft

Joe Martinez, under arrest, alleged to have Taken Fine Animal from Ranch

Joe Martinez, charged on several counts with having stolen cattle and horses from El Monte, was identified at the county jail yesterday as the man who is charged with leading a black horse from the El Casino ranch at Covina several months ago.

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