

CABBAGE DIET BRINGS DIVORCE

WIFE OF SHEEP HERDER WANTED STEAK

After Eating Sauer Kraut Timber Raw, Stewed, Fried and "Biled," Mrs. Flora Letalle Seeks Relief

MENU AT CALABASAS Breakfast... Dinner... Supper... Ditto each day in the week and multiply by four.

Alleging that she was compelled to eat cabbage three times a day for four weeks because her husband would provide no other food for her, Mrs. Flora Letalle yesterday told her domestic troubles in department four of the superior court and was awarded an interlocutory decree of divorce on cross-complaint.

The life of Mrs. Wings of the Cabbage Patch was one long, sweet dream compared to the existence of Mrs. Letalle. The testimony offered by relatives of the young woman yesterday, and John Letalle, the husband, although having taken the initiative in the case when he filed suit for divorce, was forced to admit that cabbage diet was almost enough to drive any woman from home.

The couple were married in Los Angeles in 1897 and shortly thereafter they went to Letalle's ranch at Calabasas to live there. Letalle was gruff and a mountaineer. He had spent a great portion of his life in the foothills herding sheep and his quiet, thoughtful ways were not in accordance with those of his young wife from the city.

Nothing to Eat but Cabbage

There were large acres to ride over and plenty of sunshine and cabbage. The wife rode horseback, enjoyed the sunshine and with a stout heart tackled the cabbage proposition. Morning after morning the peculiar odor of the cabbage eddied about the little farmhouse and the wife thought of oysters and flank dishes back in the city and hungered for that which was far away.

But cabbage was all right for hubby. He knew how to eat cabbage and he ate it well. At one time, according to the allegations of the wife, she ate cabbage three times a day for a month.

That was the last that she filed the cabbage country, leaving husband, home and cabbage behind her.

After his wife left him Letalle sold out a portion of his ranch and came to Los Angeles. It was alleged that he received \$21,000 for his property, but yesterday he testified that the money was all gone, having been spent for car fare.

He explained that following his wife's desertion he came to Los Angeles and was heartbroken. He wandered around the streets and in an effort to get his mind off his troubles he rode many times and visited Chutes park and other places of amusement. In that way he alleged all his money went to street car and amusement companies.

The decree was finally granted the wife and she was allowed \$25 a month alimony until she marries again, or permanently if she never marries.

SECURING TALESMEN IN THREE PICKET CASES

ECHO OF THE PRINTERS' STRIKE IS IN COURT

One of Arrested Trio Broke Away From Officers—Defendants Claim They Were Merely Standing on the Street, Not "Loitering"

The cases against three alleged pickets of union printers arrested several weeks ago on a charge of "loitering," were marked for trial yesterday in Justice Austin's court but were continued in order that a special venire of talesmen might be secured.

The defendants are Frank Fanta, Frank Richardson and Henry Carter. They will be represented by Attorney E. L. Hutchison.

The alleged disturbance occurred on the night of February 8, during the printers' strike.

The defendants were standing near the Broadway entrance of the Times' composing room and Special Officer Gadden attempted to arrest the three young men, assisted by Detective Ingram.

One of the men broke away from the officers but was captured after a long chase.

The men all said that they were standing on the street and were not making any disturbance.

The prosecution expects to have considerable difficulty in securing a jury, as the charge is an exceedingly technical one.

MONTANA SLEEPER CURED

After Thirteen Weeks' Trance Young Patient Leaves Hospital Ap-parently Cured

Miss Florence Parker, whose mysterious sleep for thirteen weeks excited the interest of the medical fraternity all over the country, has just left the Sisters' hospital and will remain in the city a few weeks visiting friends.

Miss Parker is the daughter of a wealthy mining man and received every possible medical attention while an inmate of the hospital.

She began her strange sleep at Tucson, Ariz., and gradually lapsed into coma. For weeks she lay in a trance and until about two weeks ago there was little hope of her recovery. She began to recover consciousness, however, and has gradually come into a normal condition.

OPERATION IS SUCCESSFUL

E. D. Weiss, Victim of a Street Car Accident, Now Will Undoubtedly Recover

A successful operation was performed yesterday upon E. D. Weiss, who has been in a critical condition at the California hospital as a result of a fall from a street car.

The skull was fractured, and at the time of the accident, March 10, the man was not expected to live more than 24 hours.

Dr. Henry Herbert reprepared the skull yesterday afternoon and the patient will undoubtedly recover.

Weiss is a tailor living at 417 East Thirty-first street. He fell from a maple avenue car near Thirty-first street when taken to the receiving hospital.

PSYCHOLOGIST IN STUPOR

A Hurry Call on South Hill Street Leads to Find in Hallway

A hurry call came to the police station yesterday afternoon from South Hill street and the report was that a man had committed suicide. The officers found J. H. Mendell lying in an apparent stupor in a hallway and all efforts to revive him proved unavailing. He was placed in a cell to recover consciousness.

The police said that Mendell was a psychologist and mental healer and that he was released from jail only two days ago.

OFFICERS SEEK FOR DEFICIT

TWO VIEWS OF FIGURES IN AUDITOR'S REPORT

City Officials Disagree Over Showing but Are Certain of Nine Months' Expenditures Being \$1,490,015

"There is no deficit,"—Councilman Smith, chairman of the finance committee.

"There is a deficit of \$50,000,"—City Auditor Schwabe.

"There is a deficit of \$100,000 or more,"—City Treasurer W. H. Workman.

Whether there is a deficit or not—the mathematician that figures on the city auditor's report for the month of March, which was filed with the city clerk yesterday afternoon, will find plenty to interest him.

It has been asserted on good authority that figures do not lie, but no authority is responsible for a statement that figures cannot be forced into some surprising gymnastic contortions. It would be positively refuted by the city auditor's report for last month.

The report is a voluminous document full of figures in red and blue ink, but to discover just what the figures mean is a difficult task to undertake. Several city hall officials looked the report over yesterday in an effort to get at the state of the city's finances, but soon gave it up as a bad job and were no wiser when they finished than when they began.

The figures shown in this report over which there can be no dispute, is total expenditures for nine months of the fiscal year from the dollar rate fund, \$1,490,015; total allowance from same, \$1,440,226.26; total expenditures for the month of March, \$432,538.07.

REAL ESTATE NEWS IN CITY AND SUBURBS

CARMELITA PROPERTY BOUGHT BY ROCKEFELLER

About \$500,000 to Be Invested for a Home—\$100,000 Block to Be Erected on South Hill Street. Many Improvements Planned

The Carmelita property at Pasadena is said to have been purchased by John D. Rockefeller, the consideration being in the neighborhood of \$250,000. The premises are to be improved at an outlay of \$250,000. It is expected that Mr. Rockefeller will make the property his Southern California home.

H. Causy has paid Grace Fulton Barker \$17,000 for the vacant lot on the southwest corner of Grand avenue and Seventeenth street. The frontage on Grand is 120 feet, 84 feet on Seventeenth.

Charles Stinson has sold to Elmer E. Cole and a local syndicate, through Robert Marsh & Co., 568 acres known as Riverside Heights, located on the east side of the Pacific Electric's projected railway from Pasadena to Eagle Rock. The reported consideration is \$350,000. The tract will be named Mt. Washington and will be improved in high class style for home sites.

Sherman and Herman Pease will erect an eight-story steel and concrete business block at 640-646 South Hill street, the lot having a frontage of seventy-five feet, extending to Vincent court, 145 feet. The cost of the improvement will be \$100,000. The Pease brothers will engage in the furniture business on an extensive scale.

J. J. Jones and Frank A. Kelley have sold to Mr. L. Wicks and others twenty-two acres in Boyle Heights for \$22,000. The tract lies between Stephenson avenue and Venice street and will be platted and improved for the market.

Among the improvements planned are the following: At 215 North Hill street, by Octavius Morgan, a three-story six-room flat structure to cost \$12,000.

At 715 Court street, by U. S. House, a two-story four-room apartment building, \$6,000.

At 911 Diamond street, by T. Wiesendanger, a three-story seventy-two-room apartment house, \$12,000.

At 1017 Arapahoe street, by John H. Braly, a two-story twelve-room residence, \$11,000.

Building Permits

Following are the permits issued from the building superintendent's office Tuesday, classified according to wards:

Table with columns: Ward, Permits, Value. Total: 61 permits, \$98,445 value.

OIL QUEEN BACKS DOWN

No Third Party Present When the Alleged Request for a Bribe Was Made

Mrs. Emma A. Summers, the oil queen, backed down on her charges of graft in connection with the letting of the oil contract for the incinerator.

She appeared before the board of public works yesterday morning and told the members privately that there had been no third person present when overtures were made to her and on that account it would be simply the measuring of her word against the person she accused. She refused to make public the name of the person whom she claims asked her for a bribe.

Mrs. Summers had previously told the board that a city hall employee, under civil service, had approached her and told her he could secure her the contract for supplying oil to the incinerator regardless of her price if she would remunerate him for his trouble.

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CUT OVERHEAD WIRES TODAY

OFFENDING COMPANIES WILL FEEL NIPPERS

From Temple to Ninth and Hill to Los Angeles Street Wires Must Drop Into Conduits

This morning the street department will engage in the cutting on a wholesale scale. Late yesterday evening James Hanley, chief inspector of public works, received orders from Assistant Prosecutor Frederickson to immediately begin the work of removing all overhead wires in the conduit district. Mr. Hanley will carry out his orders this morning.

Yesterday the street department, acting under the orders of the board of public works, cut down all the overhead wires on Broadway from Sixth street to Temple in all twenty-seven wires were severed. These wires included sixteen dead telephone and telegraph wires, live wires of the Postal Telegraph company, a messenger service and the bell wires of the Mason opera house.

The conduit district is embraced in arbitrary lines extended yearly by the city council. The district now embraces the territory from Temple street to Ninth and from Hill to Los Angeles with all the intermediate streets, with about a mile of Adams and Figueroa streets included. All wires in this district must be placed in conduits in the ground.

A charter provision gives the council power to every year add two miles to the existing conduit district. The last district was fixed January 1, but there still are a number of concerns who use wires in their business that have not yet complied with the provisions for placing their wires underground. It is these offending companies that will feel the street department's nippers this morning.

Printer's wife tells troubles in court. Judge Bordwell, however, makes allowance for husband's thoughtless acts and grants the latter a divorce.

Because, as she alleged, her husband spent his money in support of the printer's strike when she was trying to save enough to provide a little home for herself and baby, and because she objected to her husband appearing at the dinner table with soiled hands, Mrs. Agnes Hull filed cross complaint to her husband's allegations of desertion and yesterday Judge Bordwell in department nine of the superior court heard both cases, finally granting a decree of divorce to the husband, George C. Hull.

The couple were married in Los Angeles February 3, 1904, but, according to the evidence in the case, trouble came to the young people with remarkable suddenness.

Several evenings after the wedding, according to the allegations of the wife, the husband, ignoring his honeymoon, went out for a good time. Accompanied by several of his male friends he is alleged to have visited one of the downtown theaters and then to have had a little supper afterwards.

Even at that time the wife had commenced to save for a little home and she objected to her husband spending money for pleasure of that kind, when the money might have been added to the home fund.

It was further alleged in the woman's testimony that her husband had a habit of walking around the house at night, banging the doors and keeping everyone in the place awake.

On one occasion it was alleged that Hull insisted on kissing his wife. She objected to the caress and Hull was alleged to have called in his sister-in-law and brother-in-law to get their advice.

Hull alleged that his wife deserted him and proved his case. Mrs. Hull alleged desertion and cruelty.

Judge Bordwell ruled that while Hull had undoubtedly treated his wife in a peculiar manner on certain occasions it could not be construed as cruelty under the law. He granted the plaintiff a divorce, but allowed Mrs. Hull \$5 a week for the support of her child.

ANOTHER INDUSTRY PROMISED

San Pedro Expecting Large Ship Building Company Will Soon Locate There

Citizens of San Pedro are considerably stirred today over the report that the Craig Shipbuilding company of Toledo, O., is to commence an immense shipbuilding industry at that place just as soon as the ground for a location can be secured. It is estimated that at least \$200,000 is to be invested for a site and that many times that amount will be ready as soon as the site is secured.

The outer harbor probably will be the place selected for the building, providing the site can be purchased there.

WOMAN VS. AUTOMOBILIST

Alleges She Was Struck on Broadway Alighting From a Car

Miss Emma Estes, living at 425 East Second street, made a complaint to the police yesterday against Alvin Olson, alleged owner of an automobile which struck Miss Estes Monday afternoon at Second and Broadway.

According to the story told by Miss Estes, she was alighting from a car when the automobile struck her a glancing blow, tearing her coat and throwing her to the pavement.

INCORPORATIONS

California Bungalow company—Directors, G. L. Loudon, Godfrey Edwards, H. L. Winters and Otto G. W. Wilsey; capital stock, \$25,000; \$40 subscribed.

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POKER PLAYING JARS MONROVIA

CITIZENS' COMMITTEE ACTS WITH MARSHAL

Official Admits Inability to Check Sons of Prominent Men Singled, but Community Is Now Aroused

Monrovia is talking of organizing a public committee to suppress gambling there.

City Marshal J. F. Miller has found obstacles in suppressing poker playing with the force he has—himself—and the committee organized for action is the answer of patriotic Monrovia. The staid community will serve as deputies if Miller says the word.

That games for money were being played in the pretty foothill town was not a secret by any means. For weeks talk of big stakes has been common and estimates of the jackpots ran high. Names were bandied about.

In time the influential citizens learned of it, people in church made vague hints and then anonymous letters began to flow in on the city's peace officer, Marshal Miller.

Watches Blacksmith Shop. Miller has read Sherlock Holmes and he had made deductions that a certain room over the blacksmith shop was together too popular a trying place for the young men of the town. True, they came there singly, often whistled and smoked cigarettes as though they reached the place merely by accident, but after they had entered the Monrovia sleuth found, by using his eyes, that they stayed for hours at a time.

The time for action came when an anonymous letter forwarded by the district attorney to the marshal requested an immediate investigation and report.

Miller arranged a raid, and made it alone. He got into the secret room, but by secret exits the inmates had made their escape. Evidently there was an underground passage or false doors with a lookout system that enabled the birds to escape.

Then it broke out in a new section. J. W. Harvey, who objects to boys playing poker, burst into a store where quite unexpectedly he found a coterie of youths gambling. They were all sons of prominent Monrovians.

Mr. Harvey hastened to Marshal Miller's office and at once complained of the occurrence. The official went to the store at once. He felt sure that he would make a case.

"The boys were simply playing for fun—no money changed hands," was the answer an inquirer got. Lack of co-operation discouraged him.

Now the community has taken up the cudgel and it is a brave youth who these days will take chances in Monrovia on being seen with a handful of cards.

The New York Central Lines. Have their office at 216 West Fourth street. Tickets and sleeping car reservations to all points east of St. Louis and Chicago. Six tourist cars a week to Boston.

MARCH RAINFALL BREAKS RECORDS

TWICE IN THREE DECADES WAS TOTAL EXCEEDED

For Twenty-nine Years the Average Was 3.13 Inches in March, but 1906 Shows 7.35 Inches

Los Angeles meteorological statistics from the weather bureau show that the March rainfall this year—7.35 inches—was the greatest with two exceptions since 1878, when the records were first started.

The exceptions were in 1884, when 12.36 inches was the precipitation, and in 1893, when 8.52 inches were recorded. The average rainfall for March for twenty-nine years was 3.13 inches.

The pleasing feature of the 1906 rains is that they were as a rule divided so that they soaked into the ground, instead of rushing toward the ocean by various routes.

Here are the government figures:

Table with columns: Year, Total Precipitation. 1878: 2.57, 1879: 2.57, 1880: 1.42, 1881: 1.99, 1882: 2.06, 1883: 2.87, 1884: 12.36, 1885: 0.91, 1886: 2.39, 1887: 2.58, 1888: 1.75, 1889: 6.18, 1890: 0.96, 1891: 4.1, 1892: 3.29.

SEARCH FOR CHAUFFEUR

Machines in Racing on Main Street Run Down Unfortunate Passerby

Officers Walsh and Rico are searching for the driver of automobile Cal. 775, who, they say, ran down J. H. Lindsay last evening and threw him to the pavement, fracturing his left ankle.

Lindsay was crossing Main street at Eleventh about 6:15 o'clock. He saw an automobile running at a furious speed south on Main and waited until it passed. As he stepped into the street the second machine struck him and hurled him to the pavement.

Numerous witnesses to the accident say the machines were racing.

Patrimony Walsh was on the scene shortly after the accident and secured sufficient evidence he says. Lindsay was brought to the receiving hospital and later sent to his home at 215 West Eleventh street.

The police say the machine belongs to the water department of the city.

S. P. TRAIN OFF THE TRACK

Three Coaches Leave Rails and Nearly Crash Into Mountain—Cool Conductor Acts in Time

SAN LUIS OBISPO, April 3.—Three coaches of the second section of train No. 10 on the Southern Pacific road, due here at 2:40 o'clock this morning, left the track on the Questa grade and ran within a few feet of the mountain side. A more serious accident was avoided by the promptness of Conductor Bangham in applying the air brakes.

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DEMAND CARS AFTER MIDNIGHT

MOVEMENT FOR OWL CARS GAINS MOMENTUM

Suggestion Made That Trolley Freight Cars on Early Morning Run Carry Passengers to Accommodate Public

Eastern people have been told that Los Angeles has the finest street railway system in the world, and when they arrive here the service and the cars usually exceed what they expect to see.

No complaints about the system are heard until they decide to spend a night at the theater and wish to have a supper afterwards. They are nonplussed to find that the last car leaves the downtown end of the line at 12:30 o'clock, and if they are out after that time they either must walk home or take a carriage.

"There is no doubt about your having a good system of street railways," said a United States senator who was visiting in Los Angeles a few weeks ago, "but how do you get home?" "That is the only respect in which

Los Angeles is still a country town. Why, every town in the east of 25,000 inhabitants runs 'owl' cars, and I cannot understand why they do not run them here.

"Perhaps the reason is because one man practically controls all of the lines and does not find it convenient to accommodate the people when he is not deriving a large profit.

"The solution that I would offer would be this: The people are now making a cry against hauling freight through the streets. Why not run these freight cars from 12 o'clock at night until 6 o'clock in the morning and let them carry passengers every hour? I believe that this plan would meet with the approval of the citizens and I should think that the railway companies would be willing to adopt it, for I believe it would be profitable."

Many eastern visitors have said that their only objection to Los Angeles was the fact that they could not attend the theater or a party or call on their friends but that they must hurry home or miss the last car.

Los Angeles is metropolitan in other respects and people are now demanding that it should be in this.

SHOW THIRTY PER CENT GAIN

Postal Figures for Los Angeles Indicate Big Growth Over Last Year

The wonderful growth of the city of Los Angeles is demonstrated in no more striking way than by the postal receipts. For March, 1905, the receipts of the postoffice were \$58,502, while in March, 1906, they were \$75,067, an increase of \$16,565, nearly 30 per cent.

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