

# CONDUCTOR HAS THE LAST LAUGH

ALSO TRIES TO APPLY THE THE LAST PUNCH

Abusive Passenger Taunts Fare Collector and is Forced to Make an Exit Through Car Window

A case of speaking first and thinking after, occurred yesterday afternoon with disagreeable consequences that landed the foolish one in the city jail. J. Burn, a plasterer who lives near sixteenth street and Griffith avenue, boarded a Griffith avenue car and presented a transfer that was more than fifteen minutes old to the conductor. The conductor refused to accept the slip for transportation. The plasterer began to use abusive language and every time the conductor would pass his seat the plasterer would challenge him to leave the car and fight him. The conductor, however, refused, saying he could not leave his duty. At that, the plasterer taunted him as a coward, and at last struck the conductor in the face. The conductor then made a dash for the aspirant pugilist. Nothing but a hole in the window pane where the plasterer had lapped from the moving car, was left for the raging conductor to vent his ire upon.

**Detective Joins**  
Detective Ingraham, who had been on the car and silently witnessed the performance, jumped from the car and followed the plasterer. The plasterer had a great advantage in distance over the detective, however, so Ingraham grabbed a wheel standing against a fence, and rode after the plasterer with a burst of speed that would surprise old time track men. A crowd from the car, including the motorman, joined in the chase and it resembled a moving picture scene. The fleeing plasterer ran through alleys and jumped fences with such rapidity that several times he was lost from sight. At one place, however, the human rabbit miscalculated his bearings, and landed in the arms of the pursuers. The conductor begged the detective for just one "swat" at the captive, but Ingraham claimed the prize, and took him to the central station, where he will probably be taught the old childhood lesson, "Think twice before you speak."

## ASK MATHEWS TO DECIDE

City Auditor and Board in Dispute Over Income for Library

The library board and the city auditor are at loggerheads over the library's income, and City Attorney Mathews has been called in to settle the dispute. According to the charter the library is entitled to four mills on each dollar of taxes. This rate will give the library about \$30,000 this year. The library also receives an income from fines levied, books lost and other sources. While only a few pennies are charged for a book being kept longer than the time limit the fine money in a year some-time mounts into the hundreds of dollars. The city auditor has declared that the library has no right to use this fine money but that it must be turned over to him. He also has asserted that money collected in this fashion is a part of the library's regular income and the amount must be deducted from the tax revenue.

The library maintains that this is not the case; that this fine money belongs to the library in addition to the regular income from taxes, and that, according to the charter, the library is entitled to its regular tax income, whatever sources of making money it may have otherwise.

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# SAN JOAQUIN ASKS JUDGE'S ELECTION



JUDGE M. L. SHORT

## Judge Short, Well Known South of the Tehachapi Is Now Gaining Strength as Nominee for Justice of the District Court of Appeal

Judge M. L. Short, Democratic nominee for justice of the district court of appeal, went to what is now Kings county as a common laborer, in 1874. He applied himself with vigor to the duties that devolved upon him. He was also a student of earnest application, and in the course of time became a school teacher and later an attorney at law. He was thus brought into prominence by his own efforts, and was elected to the office of district attorney of Kings county, serving two terms in that office. He is now serving his second term as judge of the superior court of Kings county, and his record on the bench places him among the first rank of California jurists. He has frequently held court in the counties of Kern, Merced, Tulare, Fresno and Madera, being much in demand when not engaged in his own county, and his record in the supreme

court and the district court of appeal is exceptionally good. He has in the past tried some of the most important water cases in the state, and for this reason, especially, the people desire his election as a member of the appellate court, for, with the retirement of Judge Gray, the incumbent, the said court will be left without a representative from the great San Joaquin valley, or one familiar with its litigation, especially that relating to water rights, which is among the most important litigation that goes to the higher courts from this section of the state. In private life Judge Short, who has just reached his 55th year, is unostentatious and genial, and he has many friends all over the San Joaquin valley who are earnest in his support, regardless of party. He is quite well acquainted throughout the counties south of the Tehachapi, as he has visited nearly all of the principal towns in that district in his official capacity as grand vice-chancellor of the Knights of Pythias.

## LODGES COME TO WARNERS' RESCUE

BEFRIEND OLD COUPLE DRIVEN TO DESPERATION

Suffer Bravely, Fight Sickness and Poverty, Then Seek to End Their Lives—Find Mercy in Court

With heads bowed in shame and with tears welling up in their eyes, an old couple walked slowly before the insanity commission in Judge Gibbs' department of the superior court yesterday morning and earnestly begged to be sent somewhere where they could spend the remainder of their lives in quiet. They were W. E. Warner and his wife Kate, both well toward the three-score-year-and-ten allotment, who, according to the statements of their friends who have rallied to their aid, are simply suffering from melancholia occasioned by ill health and bad luck. Warner for years has been a hard worker in Los Angeles, saving his money and making a good living for himself and his wife. Together the couple bought a home on West Jefferson street. They were happy in the prospect of a comfortable old age and were preparing to enjoy it.

**Both Lodge Members**  
That was about a year ago, and then trouble came. Warner was an Odd Fellow, but he would not let his brother lodgemen know of his need.

His wife was a member of the order of the Maccabees, but she would not tell her troubles to her sister members. The old couple started to fight their own battles, silently and unflinchingly watching the little they had amassed slip slowly from them. First it was the little home, that home for which they had worked and planned, where they had intended to spend the days of their old age. The house and ground went for debt, brought on by sickness of both Warner and his wife. The debts were so many that they could hardly be met, but Warner said nothing but kept at work.

The money from the sale of the property went the same road and then Warner and his wife placed a mortgage on their furniture in order to pay the remaining doctor bills and straighten out their accounts. But that money did not last long either, and at last with poverty before them and not knowing of the wrong, the couple sold the mortgaged furniture. Then they became fearful that they had committed some crime and they asked, only to be told that they were guilty of an infraction of the law.

**Flee to Nordhoff**  
They turned the money over to the man who had held the mortgage and then fearing that some criminal action might be taken against them, they fled, going to Nordhoff.

But the hand of fate was again against them and they could do nothing. The woman became ill and the husband suffered from melancholia. They could see nothing before them, nothing but trouble and ruin and utter desolation, and spending their last pennies for poison they crept to the bare little room they had rented and there swallowed the contents of the bottle in the hope of ending the lives which had become so distasteful to them. The sudden disappearance of the old people alarmed the neighbors and an

investigation was made at Nordhoff and the constable there broke down the doors in time to rescue them and save them from the welcome death so slowly creeping upon them. They were cared for there until they were brought to Los Angeles Friday and sent to the county hospital for medical treatment until their cases could be taken up by the insanity commission.

**Friends Come Forward**  
Yesterday when they appeared before the commission both were respondent and did not care what happened to them, so long as they were allowed to remain together.

But their friends came forward and took charge of the case. The members of the lodge to which Mrs. Warner belongs asked permission to care for the woman until she can regain her health and strength and shake off her melancholia. The permission was granted and Mrs. Warner will have a home with friends. Warner was cheered up by the prospect of a home for his wife and he was sent back to the county hospital for another week until the physicians there can quiet his nerves and then he, too, will be allowed to go with friends who will provide work, home and happiness for the shattered old people who hoped and longed for nothing but death.

## RARE PLANTS WILL BE SHOWN

Thousands of Exhibits Promised at Horticultural Society Display Next Month

Lovers of the beautiful in nature are to be treated to a rare exhibition of plant beauty in the exhibit of the Southern California Horticultural society at Blanchard and Symphony halls.

Beginning November 1 the exhibit will last four days, every evening of which time a special display and competitive drill will be given. Florists and plant growers throughout the southern part of the state are sending their choicest and rarest specimens to help make the display a success and the different plant experts will be on hand to explain their horticultural gems.

Thousands of chrysanthemums will vie with just as many roses for supremacy, and dahlias, carnations and other plants and blooms will add their wealth of beauty.

A choice feature will be a rare collection of aquatic plants. A large water tank will be placed in the hall and a rare collection of the Victoria Regia, lotus, water hyacinth and pond lilies of every shade and color.

## "KOREA IS VERY RICH," SAYS A SEOUL BRITISHER

TOKIO, Oct. 20.—A British resident at Seoul, holding an official position, but who desires that his name be not made public, has just given an interesting and important interview to the Japanese press upon the future of Korea. He says that the country is very rich. The experimental farms already established demonstrate this, and also that the southern provinces are admirably suited for cotton growing. The cotton experimental farms, which now include close upon three-quarters of a million acres, have undoubtedly a great future. The yields so far are showing twice the native crop, while the cotton is of longer fiber and finer quality.

**Revising Veterinary System**  
LAHORE, Oct. 20.—Lord Kitchener is revising the army veterinary system. He expressed astonishment at finding two different systems, with two different bodies of veterinary doctors, one for peace and one for war. A frequent result which this has on the service in past years has been that veterinary doctors whose experience has been limited to horses have been placed in charge of a couple of thousand camels.

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