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THE CITY

Strangers are invited to visit the exhibit of California products at the Chamber of Commerce building, on Broadway, between First and Second streets, where free information will be given on all subjects pertaining to this section.

Young Child Dies
Faye Louis Garby, the 7-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Garby, 956 East Fifteenth street, died late Sunday night. The funeral will be held this afternoon from the residence. The interment will be in Evergreen cemetery.

Thrown from Car
While attempting to alight from a west-bound Temple street car before it had fully come to a stop at the corner of Colorado and Temple street, an unidentified man was thrown to the ground and slightly hurt yesterday afternoon.

Appeals on Dress Suit
Mrs. Ward Thomas filed an appeal in the superior court yesterday from a decision of the justice's court in her case against M. G. Ferrahan, proprietor of the Eastern Cleaning and Dye works. Mrs. Thomas states that on June 10 last she sent a silk crepe de chine dress valued at \$75 to the dye works for cleaning and repairing and that it was returned to her unfit to be worn.

Will Extend Street
The board of supervisors granted a petition yesterday asking that the street known as La Brea be extended. It was necessary to have the trustees of Hollywood consent in the matter, as a portion of the street runs through that city. This was obtained without any difficulty. The new street will comprise portions of Wilshire boulevard, Santa Monica avenue and all of Plummer and Sutherland streets.

JUSTICE PIERCE TURNS FEES OVER TO COUNTY

Threat of Criminal Prosecution Believed to Have Had Something to Do with His Decision

Justice H. A. Pierce has finally decided to turn over all his fees to the county.

This decision was reached yesterday, but only when the justice had due time for reflection over the affair.

It is thought that Hartley M. Shaw assisted him in this decision, however, as it was intended to prosecute the justice should he refuse to turn his fees over to the county treasury.

The amount is something like \$1000, every cent of which the justice has released.

Under the new law the justice is a salaried official at \$3000 a year, without any fees whatsoever.

CATHOLICS OF LOS ANGELES PLAN ANNUAL REUNION

Catholics of Los Angeles and surrounding towns are planning for the annual reunion and picnic to be held Saturday at Venice. One of the prominent features will be the baby show, which will be held in connection with the event. Silver cups will be awarded as prizes.

At 10 o'clock the program will be given, which will include an address by Mayor Dana Burke, Joseph Messner and P. J. O'Connor. Bishop Conaty will give the oration of the day.

An extensive program of sports, games, etc., has been arranged and special rates have been secured for the beach attractions.

These annual outings prove of much interest to Catholics and are looked forward to with pleasure.

Will Celebrate Natal Day

Los Angeles Knights of Columbus will hold a special celebration in honor of Bishop Conaty's sixtieth birthday tonight at their club house. The celebration has been postponed on account of the fact that Bishop Conaty was attending the priests' retreat on his natal day. A special program will be rendered and a collation served.

CENTER STREET NO MORE; NOW NORMANDIE AVENUE

The board of supervisors granted a petition yesterday favored by the county surveyor and property owners of Center street to have that street's name changed to Normandie avenue.

It was pleaded that as Center street was merely a continuation of Normandie avenue it should be changed if for no other reason.

Endorsed by the County

"The most popular remedy in Otsego county and the best friend of my family," writes Wm. M. Dietz, editor and publisher of the Otsego Journal, Gilbertsville, N. Y., "is Dr. King's New Discovery. It has proved to be an infallible cure for coughs and colds, making short work of the worst of them. We always keep a bottle in the house. I believe it to be the most valuable prescription known for lung and throat diseases." Guaranteed to never disappoint the taker, by Deane Drug Co. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

BLAZE IN HOTEL SIGHTED FROM CAR

FASHIONABLE ST. JAMES IS DAMAGED
Loss Several Thousand Dollars—Third Floor Destroyed—Defective Wiring Thought to Be Cause

Fire nearly destroyed the fashionable St. James hotel at 317 West Twenty-third street, yesterday morning. Defective wiring is alleged to have caused the fire. The total damage will amount to over \$3000.

The fire was discovered by passengers in a street car who saw flames bursting from the roof. The alarm was sent in before the guests realized their danger. The third floor was completely destroyed.

The Commonwealth Investment company owns the property and A. T. Stuebel is proprietor. The hotel was valued at \$5000 and was insured. The exact amount of the loss cannot be estimated as yet as there was much damage on the first and second floors from water. The building, valued at \$3000, was also insured.

The guests lost heavily. Numerous trunks which had been stored in the attic were entirely destroyed and the seriousness of the loss has not yet been ascertained.

Much furniture and many personal effects were saved. The belief that the wiring in the building was defective is based on the fact that the lights went out Sunday night and had not come on again up to the time the fire broke out.

The fire started on the car that saw the flames shooting from the roof was an employe of the Home Telephone company and an employe of one of the local gas companies. The former ran to the scene of the fire and proceeded to the telephone exchange, which he removed to the lawn. The latter took out the gas meter. Proud of their achievements the two men guarded their rescued property while neighbors and friends lobbed in frantic haste to save the more valuable contents of the building.

A. Dominguez of the fire department entered the house at the last moment and rescued the books and papers from the office.

The adjoining residence of W. H. Allen, 318 West Twenty-third street, was slightly damaged.

ALLEGED SWINDLER FOUND LIVING UNDER AN ALIAS

H. V. STRONG LOCATED AFTER A MONTH

P. B. McCabe Accuses Prisoner of Securing \$700 by Giving Worthless Check for Bill

H. Vincent Strong, alias H. Vincent, was arrested yesterday on a charge of larceny. He was arraigned and put under \$1000 bail, which he was unable to furnish.

Strong was accused last month of swindling P. B. McCabe, a dealer in mining machinery in the Grosse building, out of about \$700.

McCabe alleged at the time that he had advanced Strong money on a draft for \$500 on Strong's uncle at Spring Valley, Minn., and that later he had given him \$250 more. Strong's draft was returned unpaid, and he then gave McCabe a check for the total amount on the Spring Valley bank, where he claimed to have an account.

The check was protested for non-payment and Strong disappeared. Later he returned, and McCabe swore out a warrant for his arrest, but let the matter drop on the promise of Strong that he would settle the bill at once.

The bill has never been settled, and Strong's whereabouts were unknown until yesterday, when it was found that he had registered at a South Main street hotel as H. Vincent. He was arrested on the street yesterday afternoon.

McCabe says that Strong is involved to the extent of nearly \$2000. Strong is a contractor in this city. He expects that friends will arrange for his bail today.

SUSPICIOUS DEATH IS DECLARED ACCIDENTAL

Coroner's Jury Says Negro Believed to Have Been Murdered Was Subject to Fainting Fits

Accidental death was the verdict of the coroner's jury in the case of Samuel Nelson, the negro whose body was found a few days ago lying by his wagon at Fourth and Clarence streets. The inquest was held at Pierce Bros. undertaking establishment yesterday.

It was at first thought by the detectives who investigated that Nelson had been murdered. A heavy stone covered with blood was found twelve feet from where the body lay. It was thought some enemy of the old man had struck him with the stone.

Later it was learned that Nelson was subject to fainting fits, and it was apparent that he had fallen from his wagon during one of these spells and struck his head on the rock. While unconscious he crawled to where his body was found.

Nelson was taken to the county hospital after his injuries were dressed at the receiving hospital. He did not regain consciousness up to the time of his death Sunday afternoon.

ONE KILLED, ONE HURT, BY EXPLODING ENGINE

Second Accident on Salt Lake Line in Two Days Occurs Near Las Vegas—Limited Passengers Safe

Two accidents have occurred on the Salt Lake road during the last two days. As a result two men are dead and several persons are injured.

The first occurred at east of Barstow Sunday afternoon when the California Limited westbound was derailed. Homer Doyle, a tramp, who was riding blind baggage, was killed. Fireman J. V. Woods of Los Angeles is at the California hospital suffering from a wrenched back. The Los Angeles passengers were brought here yesterday morning. None of the passengers were hurt.

219-229 So. Broadway
Coulter Dry Goods Co.
224-228 So. Hill Street

Sale of Finest Black Silks

- 19-in. Peau de Cygne; reg. price 85c, for.....57½c
- 19-in. Armure; reg. price \$1, for.....72½c
- 20-in. Lorraine; reg. price \$1, for.....65c
- 21-in. Peau de Cygne; reg. price \$1, for.....65c
- 21-in. Peau de Cygne; reg. price \$1.25, for.....90c
- 20-in. Messaline; reg. price \$1.25, for.....75c
- 19-in. Messaline; reg. price 85c, for.....60c
- 25-in. Messaline; reg. price \$1.75, for.....\$1.35
- 21-in. Satin Duchesse; reg. price \$1.25, for.....85c
- 23-in. Grosgrain; reg. price \$1.25, for.....95c
- 21 and 23-in. black brocades; reg. price \$1 and \$1.25, for.....75c

Taffeta and Peau de Soie at Similar Reductions

Sale of Wash Ribbons

Women will find no end of uses for these wash ribbons, in assorted widths and shades; they're excellent for binding blankets, for running in lingerie, etc., and marvelously reduced today.
Yellow, white, pink, blue, corn, red, Nile and lavender wash ribbons on sale, by the bolt only, as follows:
No. 1. 45c ribbon, now25c
No. 1½. 60c ribbon, now35c
No. 2. 90c ribbon, now45c
No. 3. \$1.10 ribbon, now60c
No. 5. \$1.35 ribbon, now80c

Coulter's

BIG MONEY IN OIL; NOW \$1.00 A BARREL

NEW COMPANY HAS WELLS IN VENTURA COUNTY

Area Covers Nearly 5000 Acres—Drilling of Wells is in Progress. Asphaltum Beds Found

It is not generally known that the amount received from oil in Southern California is greater than that received from the entire citrus crop. In January of the present year oil was selling at 50 cents a barrel, while the price at 50 cents today is \$1 a barrel, with every prospect of a slight advance. This increase is a normal and permanent one and is based solely on the law of supply and demand. Large quantities of oil have been and are still being shipped to Japan and other eastern countries, and this in part accounts for the advance in price.

Every available oil rig in the state is working and the oil well supply companies will not promise delivery of stuff under sixty days. All the oil producing companies are operating to the full extent of the means at their command and are putting as many rigs to work as the supply people can furnish. The fields in operation are Santa Maria, Bakersfield, Colinga, Olanda, Whittier, Santa Paula, Bardsdale, Piru and Newhall, and new companies are starting business right along and new fields are being developed.

New Company Organized
Among the companies that have recently been organized for the purpose of producing oil is the San Miguelito Ranch Oil company, whose property is located in the southwestern part of Ventura county, a county that still holds its own as the greatest oil producing section in

the country. The San Miguelito ranch, sometimes called the Taylor ranch, covers an area of 4738.94 acres, surrounded by property that has yielded tremendous quantities of oil during the past few years. The drilling of wells has already been started and experts estimate that each well drilled to a depth of 1800 feet on the San Miguelito ranch should easily produce 6000 barrels of oil a month. These experts examined the property sometime ago and were unanimous in the opinion that it was the most valuable section of oil land in the entire county. It is on the same anticlinal and in a direct line with some of the greatest strikes and developed properties which are now yielding excellent returns. For instance, the famous Carpinteria oil fields are only a little removed from the San Miguelito ranch, and its same strata has been traced right through the latter.

Shipping to the Orient
In view of the shortage of oil at the present time and the ever increasing demand for the product, it is gratifying to know of the probability of another strike being made. All signs indicate that there will be a large flow of high gravity oil, every gallon of which will be easily marketed. The demand for oil by the orient is getting greater and greater all the time, and the Japanese government is equipping its warships with oil burning engines. They are said to be accumulating tremendous stocks, and every additional producing well will be a welcome and extremely profitable thing for the people of California. The San Miguelito Ranch Oil company has the advantage that comes from its property being located at tidewater, thus permitting a gravity flow of the oil in pipe lines to the wharf. The expenditure for cartage and pipe lines will therefore be reduced to a minimum, an advantage which few other companies enjoy.

Asphaltum and Gas
Asphaltum beds on this same property will also serve as another source of large revenue. Immediate steps will be taken to develop these deposits, as there is always a ready and active demand for asphaltum. Gas is the third valuable

product which can be secured in large quantities from this virgin section of land. In fact, gas will be one of the company's strong assets. There are numerous blowouts on the property; it is claimed the largest in the state is on this section. The simplest tests, it is reported, prove that gas is there in unlimited quantities, ready to be tanked and piped for commercial use.

WAREHOUSE MUST PAY AFTER ELEVEN YEARS

Litigation of Long Standing Comes to an End and Damage of \$1500 for Furniture is Awarded

Martin Bekins, head of the Bekins Van and Storage company, will have to pay \$1500 to William Dieterle, auditor of the Edison Electric company, as damages which the latter sustained eleven years ago when the Bekins Van and Storage warehouse was destroyed by fire.

At the time Dieterle had considerable furniture stored in the warehouse. He brought suit against Bekins, which has dragged through the courts time and again.

Yesterday Judge James decided that Bekins should pay \$1500 to the plaintiff. In case he refused some valuable property which he possesses on Figueroa street will be attached.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy

This remedy always wins the good opinion, if not the praise, of those who use it. The quick cures which it effects, even in the most severe cases, makes it a favorite everywhere. It is equally valuable for children, and when reduced with sweetened water is pleasant to take.

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Place regulates price. The man who has his tailor shop in the high rent district has to charge high prices. The tailor who keeps away from high rents can keep away from high prices.

Get acquainted with the United Tailors if you want high-class, carefully tailored and stylish clothes at the lowest possible prices. We make good suits at all prices from \$15 up. Extra nobby business and semi-dress suits to order at \$20 and \$25.

Large assortment of fine imported woolsens to select from.

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Kansas City, Mo.....	60.00	Minneapolis, Minn.....	70.00
Omaha, Neb.....	60.00	Duluth, Minn.....	72.50
Memphis, Tenn.....	67.50	Houston, Tex.....	60.00
New Orleans, La.....	67.50	New York, N. Y.....	108.50
Atchison, Kan.....	60.00	Boston, Mass.....	100.50
St. Joseph, Mo.....	60.00	Baltimore, Md.....	107.00
Leavenworth, Kan.....	60.00	Washington, D. C.....	\$107.00

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Extra Specials in Slightly Used Pianos This Week

Steinbaur, oak case.....	\$275	\$150
Standard, ebony case.....	\$225	\$175
Stoddard, oak case.....	\$275	\$135
Standard, oak case.....	\$350	\$185
Kohler & Chase, oak case.....	\$325	\$225
Chickering & Sons, ebony case.....	\$300	\$235
Dicker Bros., walnut case.....	\$275	\$245
Kroeger & Sons, mahogany case.....	\$200	\$245
Chickering & Sons, mahogany.....	\$250	\$235
Schottinger, golden oak case.....	\$350	\$165

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Office Furniture All Reduced

The 40 per cent discount on desks and office furniture has held good, but will probably be discontinued this week, so buy early—avoid disappointment.

40 Per Cent

This \$16.50 Dresser \$10.75

Handsome dresser in golden oak; two large and two small drawers; large French plate glass mirror; shaped front; cast brass trimmings. Regular price \$16.50. "Staying in Business" price \$10.75.

\$17.50 Dresser \$12.75

Another fine dresser with swell top drawers and larger mirror. Regularly \$17.50. "Staying in Business" price \$12.75.

\$12 Morris Chair Absolutely Free

We are going to give away, absolutely free, a number of \$12.00 Morris chairs. All you have to do is to buy \$50 (or more) worth of furniture, and say you saw the ad in The Herald. These chairs are of solid golden oak, with adjustable backs and reversible velvet cushions, tufted. Choice of several colors; a regular \$12.00 chair, free with purchases of \$50.00 or over.

Today and Tomorrow

\$7.50 Buys This \$12.50 Bed

A very elegant bed of a new design. Satin brass fillers at head and foot—old gold chills; cream enamel finish. Regularly \$12.50. "Staying in Business" price, \$7.50.

This Massive \$27.50 Bed... \$15

An exceptionally strongly-built bed; massive design. Cream enamel finish; heavy gilt chills. You must see this bed in order to appreciate the good value. Regularly \$27.50. "Staying in Business" price, \$15.00.

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