

PIANOS GOING FAST

Remarkable Success of the Geo. J. Birkel Co.'s Closing Out Sale of New Instruments.

Read About This Money Saving Event

Don't delay a moment longer if you are going to buy a piano in this sale. Every day means that many desirable bargains are closed out. Come in now, while the assortment is at its best.

Maybe the piano you want is here today—on Monday it will be sold.

We are closing out six agencies—the Emerson, Estey, Lafargue, Sterling and Huntington—the sixth agency is the Starr—of which every piano has been sold.

Never before has such a piano event taken place—in this city or any other. A peculiar business condition compels us to sacrifice every new piano on our floors, with the exception of the four agencies we are going to continue—the Steinway, the Sohmer, P. & Kranich & Bach and the Kurtzman.

In order to force these pianos out at once prices have been cut to the quick. You can buy them at less than wholesale prices—less than dealers who acquire these agencies will have to pay at the factories. This is an absolutely true statement—any fair-minded dealer will verify it. Here are some of the hundreds of bargains offered:

\$450 Estey piano for \$250, \$400 Lafargue piano for \$250, \$500 Emerson piano for \$280, \$500 Emerson piano for

\$290, \$500 Estey piano for \$275, \$460 Sterling piano for \$225.

All the above are absolutely new instruments. We will readily grant easy terms of payment and deliver free of charge to any point. In order to still further reduce our stock, many fine second-hand and slightly used instruments are included in this sale at ridiculously low prices. This lot includes Steinway, Chickering, Weber, Emerson, Baus and many other well known makes at prices from \$150 to \$385.

Steinway pianos are also to be offered at cut prices—for the first time since we acquired the Steinway agency. We find ourselves with more than seventy Steinways in our stock. We must clear out a lot of these at once. Get the reduced Steinway prices.

Prospective piano purchasers in Pomona, San Bernardino and Colton should visit our branches in these cities. The above prices prevail at our branch stores as well as at the Los Angeles house.

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THE CITY

Strangers are invited to visit the exhibits 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.

The Herald will pay \$10 in cash to anyone furnishing evidence that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any person caught stealing copies of The Herald from the premises of our patrons. THE HERALD.

CITY BRIEFS

Big cat show at Chutes Park Jan. 23 to 26. Cups and medals in window at H. J. Whitley Co., 345 S. Broadway, 141 entries Tuesday.

Peniel hall, 227 South Main street, Gospel meetings noon and 8 p. m. daily.

Will Give Social

Bartlett Logan Woman's Relief corps No. 7 will hold a social tonight at Mammoth hall.

Michigan Picnic Postponed

The picnic of the Michigan society, which was to have been held today at Eastlake park, has been postponed one week owing to the weather.

Kansas Will Picnic

The Kansas society will hold a picnic at Eastlake park next Wednesday, which is the anniversary of Kansas' admission to the United States. The program will begin at 1:30 o'clock.

Veterans Held Reunion

Ocean Park was the center of a reunion held yesterday by former members of the First Iowa cavalry. Captain Albers of St. Louis, Missouri, who was in command of this regiment forty-two years ago, was host.

Cahuenga Organizes

Cahuenga Republicans organized a Lincoln-Roosevelt league, despite the rain, at Hoegge's hall, F. S. Forbes president and the election resulted in the choice of L. A. Newman for president, T. W. Brotherton, vice president, and W. L. Laurence, secretary.

Society to Meet

The New England society will meet Monday night at 517 South Broadway, Mammoth hall No. 3. There will be a musical and literary program and the election of officers for the ensuing year. Arthur M. Millet will sing several solos and former Senator A. J. Borden will deliver an address.

Pastor Returns Home

Rev. Charles Williams, accompanied by his mother, has returned to Catalina island to resume his work as pastor of the Congregational church there. Rev. Mr. Williams has been spending a short vacation in Los Angeles and Monrovia, and while in Los Angeles visited his sister, Miss Lila Williams.

Will Move Offices

The Wells Fargo Express company will on March 1 move its offices to the ground floor of the Central building at Sixth and Main streets. With the numerous railway offices that now occupy space in this locality and the coming of the general offices of the Santa Fe from Third and Hill to this point, Sixth and Main will be known as the railway center of this city.

Mail Wagon Driver Dies

Allen Shumway, the 19-year-old mail wagon driver who was struck by a Downey avenue car at River station Tuesday morning and was thrown to the curb, died of his injuries yesterday at the emergency hospital. He did not regain consciousness after the accident. An inquest will be held after the arrival of Shumway's father from Kalama-zoo, Mich., who started for Los Angeles Thursday. Shumway's body is at the undertaking parlors of Overholzer & Mills, 1236 South Grand avenue.

Much Mail Addressed Wrong

Residents of South Pasadena, Hollywood, East Hollywood, Colegrove and Prospect Park, who have lately received their mail by carrier service, yesterday received the following notice from Postmaster Motley H. Flint. Five thousand copies of this notice were issued:

"City free delivery of mail matter having been extended to you, it is of absolute necessity that you co-operate by requesting your correspondents and publishers of the newspapers and magazines for which you subscribe to see that this mail matter is correctly addressed to street and number. If you will give this matter immediate attention delays will not occur."

Women's Clubs

Friday Morning Club

The members of the Friday Morning club were furnished a delightful program yesterday by the book committee. Books discussed were "Joseph Vance," de Morgan; "Father and Son," anonymous; "The Man of Property," Galsworthy; "The Theory of the Leisure Class," Veblin; "The Saint," Fogazzaro; "Through the Eye of a Needle," Howells; "Sex and Society," Thomas; "The Shuttle," Burnett; "The Fruit of the Tree," Wharton; "The Basis of the New Civilization," Patton.

A round table discussion followed the review, and the morning was closed by a general summing up of the circle discussions by the leaders.

Wednesday Morning Club

The Shakespeare section of the Wednesday Morning club held an enjoyable session in the morning, continuing the study of Richard III with Mrs. H. E. Britt as leader, and in the afternoon the cooking class met under the direction of the curator, Miss Jessie Hazard. Miss Hazard gave an interesting exposition of the different food values in the various cuts of meat, illustrating her talk by a series of fine photographs, and cooking a course luncheon that was afterward enjoyed by the club members.

MORE MAY COMPETE FOR LIGHTING OF BROADWAY

On Monday the board of public works will receive bids for the lighting of Broadway between Temple and Main streets.

The Los Angeles Gas & Electric company holds the last contract, which expires on January 31, at 3 3/4 cents per kilowatt hour for light. The new contract will embrace maintenance of posts, lamps and globes also.

WALLACE WILL EXPLAIN HIS ATTITUDE ON AUTOMOBILE

Councilman A. J. Wallace promises to make a vigorous defense next Monday of the charge that he opposed a workhouse, yet favored an automobile for the police station near his ward.

He claims that 58 patrolmen police the University district, in which over 150,000 people reside, including all of the Fifth ward, half of the Fourth and nearly all of the Sixth ward residents. This includes nearly all of the city south of Pico street.

North Carolina May Go "Dry" RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 24.—The senate today passed the bill providing for a state election on prohibition on August 1 next. The house will vote on the bill Monday.

Pastor Guest of Honor at Banquet



BENJAMIN FAY MILLS,
Departing minister of Los Angeles Fellowship, who will enter larger field

BIDS FAREWELL TO MEMBERS OF FLOCK

BENJAMIN FAY MILLS GUEST AT BANQUET

Members of Los Angeles Fellowship Pass Resolutions Condemning Conditions at City Jail and Petitioning Improvements

The annual meeting and dinner of The Los Angeles Fellowship was held Thursday night in the banquet hall of the Fraternal Brotherhood. In spite of the severe storm the spacious accommodations were crowded. The dinner was furnished under the auspices of the woman's alliance.

Benjamin Fay Mills presided. A new council and board of trustees were elected for the ensuing year. Mr. Mills' title was fixed as "Minister of the Greater Fellowship." Appropriate readings were given by Mrs. George A. Dolbinson and Mrs. Rute D. Meeks, and there were two-minute speeches of a most enthusiastic sort, pledging allegiance to Mrs. Mills and other ministers who are to remain in Los Angeles, and wishing Mr. Mills God speed in his larger mission.

Attention was called to the condition of the city jail, and the following resolution, which was presented by Thomas K. Kase and seconded by Reynold E. Elight, was passed with great enthusiasm:

Whereas, the reports current concerning the condition of our city jail excite the interest of all compassionate citizens, therefore be it resolved, that The Los Angeles fellowship hereby petitions the city council and the mayor to act promptly in relieving these distressing conditions. Second—That we ask of our city fathers that they take action of a radical and permanent nature in this matter, along the lines suggested by the successful experiment of the city of Cleveland, as reported by Senator Frederick Howe in the New York Outlook for January, 1908. That city has solved the problem of redeeming and thoroughly reforming its weak or wayward citizens.

The title of the article in the Outlook referred to is "A City in the Life Saving Business," and describes how

Cleveland, under the leadership of Mayor Tom Johnson and director of charities and corrections, Harris R. Cooley, has established a social colony where the delinquents of the city are so cared for and trained they need no guards and are returned to society as effective citizens.

Mrs. Mills announced she would take this subject for the topic of one of her Sunday addresses in the near future.

STOCKHOLDERS PUZZLED BY WATER SUIT DECISIONS

Recent Ruling of Supreme Court Said to Sustain That Rendered Months Ago by Superior Judges

Two reported decisions of the state supreme court, both sustaining those of the lower court on water rights suits, are puzzling those interested in the subjects. It is thought that while in one case the statute of limitations applied, it did not apply in the other case, and hence the apparent confliction of the decisions.

In the first case, entitled San Fernando city vs. Los Angeles Farming and Milling company, the supreme court rules the city has the right to the water of the Los Angeles river. This affirms the decision of the lower court. The milling company endeavored to appropriate water on its own property in the valley to its own use.

In the case of the Verdugo Canyon Water company vs. T. Verdugo and others, the lower court is also sustained by the supreme court, which rules that Verdugo and others had a right to use water from wells they had sunk and which the water company declared interfered with their flow.

L. C. Brand, a stockholder in the Verdugo Water company, voices the sentiment of many others when he states that he intends waiting until the full text of the supreme court's decision is on hand before he passes judgment upon the two apparently conflicting decisions.

Sunday Excursions
The Southern Pacific sells tickets at half rates to all points east as far as Beaumont and return, good only on Sunday, also on Santa Ana branch. Fare to Riverside and Redlands and return. "Through the Orange Groves," \$2.50. Beaumont, \$2.45, and others. Information at city ticket office, 600 South Spring street, corner Sixth, or Arcade station.

SPECULATE ON WHO WILL DEFEND RUEF

EARL ROGERS PAYS FALLEN BOSS HIGH COMPLIMENT

Local Lawyer Says San Francisco Attorney is One of Shrewdest in State—Hiram Johnson in Los Angeles

Attorneys to defend Abe Ruef when his trial comes up in San Francisco will be Frank Murphy, Henry Ach and some Los Angeles lawyer. This is the prediction made by Earl Rogers of Los Angeles, who is well acquainted with all concerned in the graft prosecution in the northern city. "Yes, I remember Ach," said Mr. Rogers. "He is one of the keenest lawyers in this state. He is very pale, with a certain nervous manner about him, and wears a striking style of overcoat with a great deal of velvet about it. He is one whose face and manner instantly attract attention. But there is a better lawyer than himself up in Frisco—and that is Abe Ruef himself. Ruef knows more law than any lawyer, almost."

"I last saw Ach on the steamer on my way from San Francisco to Los Angeles, coming from the city after I had conducted my last trial there. I remember the attorneys for Ruef then were Henry Ach, Charles H. Fairall, F. J. Murphy and Sam M. Shortridge. "I am not associated with Ach in the law business. Ruef knows I am disqualified from acting as his attorney, after having been employed by the United Railroad of San Francisco. However, since I am an attorney for a former client of Ach, the latter when he is in Los Angeles looking for an attorney to defend Ruef might, as a matter of polite formality, send me word."

Local Interest in Case

Considerable local interest centers about the choice of the Los Angeles attorney who will become one of the legal defenders of the former political power in San Francisco, Abe Ruef. But as far as can be ascertained it is certain Ach will be chief counsel in the case. It may be Ruef has so angered his former attorneys by having not informed them of his intention to plead guilty and gain immunity and thus allowing the "moot" impeachment of the jury which would never try him that they do not like to again undertake the work.

Attorney Shortridge almost spent a day in jail, so vehement has he become defending his famous client—and all the time that same client was already sure of "an immunity bath." This has been pointed out as a cause for the attorneys of Ruef retiring in high dudgeon from the court room at the former trial.

Hiram Johnson, the associate of Henry in San Francisco, was seen in Los Angeles yesterday. The reason of his visit here is not generally known, but it was looked upon by attorneys as something significant in the light of this search for legal talent for the defense of Abe Ruef.

SPECIAL DELIVERY BOY HIT BY CAR; BADLY CUT

D. L. Kaufman, special delivery messenger No. 3 of the postoffice department, was struck and severely cut by a West Adams street car yesterday morning at Adams and Juliet streets. He fell and was badly lacerated about the forehead, sustaining a concussion of the brain.

The car was in the charge of Motor-man J. D. Stocks and Conductor Miller. The victim has but a slight chance of recovery.

TESTIFIES TO CONVICT BOY NEPHEW OF FORGING CHECK

J. E. Reid, who is manager and president of the Drivers' Independent Laundry company, and who lives at 3453 South Flower street, appeared in Justice Ross's court yesterday morning to give evidence against his nephew, P. E. Peters, 16 years old, who was held to answer in the superior court on a charge of forgery.

Reid denied that he had signed a check alleged to have been passed by young Peters on the Jefferson meat market, 406 West Jefferson street, January 4. The boy made no defense and was held in \$1500 bail.

Herald Patterns

A SMART DOUBLE-BREADED SUIT FOR THE LITTLE GIRL



Coat suits for little girls are so unusual that the pretty model here shown is certain to receive a cordial welcome from mothers who have young daughters to clothe. The suit consists of a semi-fitting double-breasted coat of smart but eminently comfortable shapings, and a straight skirt with breteles, the latter, which are fastened to the belt in front and back with buttons, serving the double purpose of keeping the skirt in place and ornamenting the separate blouse with which it should be worn. Serge was used for making the suit as shown, but any of the new woolsens might be used with equally good results. If desired, braid might be used for trimming, though this is not essential to the success of the suit. For making in the 10-year size five yards of 44-inch material will be required.

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\$5.00 models in patent leather, either button or lace; exclusive styles \$3.95	\$3.50 models in great variety—all popular leathers \$2.95
\$4.00 and \$3.50 models in all popular leathers and styles \$2.95	\$2.50 shoes—many styles; splendid qualities; broken lines \$2.15
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