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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.

Professor Will Lecture

Prof. Fillmore of the Fillmore School of Music will deliver a lecture on Schumann and give an accompanying program of selections at the Blanchard hall auditorium. All lovers of music are invited to attend.

Death Was Accidental

A verdict of accidental death was returned by the coroner yesterday in the case of Edward O'Connell, aged 30, who was shot by a revolver falling from his pocket near San Fernando Wednesday last while returning from a hating trip. O'Connell was a native of Chicago.

Will Honor Poet

Memorial services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in Cumnock hall, 1500 South Figueroa street, in honor of the one hundred anniversary of the poet, John Greenleaf Whittier. An address will be given by C. Elwood Nash, D. D. The public is invited.

Girl Gets Out on Bail

Miss Carolina Rogers, the "globe-trotter" who was arrested on a charge of defrauding the management of the Hotel Lankershim out of her board bill and who is alleged also to have "worked" a number of societies and church people, appeared before Justice Frederickson yesterday. Her trial was set for Tuesday morning. She was released on \$50 bond.

CITY EMPLOYEES VARY IN TRANSPORTATION ACCOUNTS

Council Will Make Hard-And-Fast Rule

Autos, Horses, Motorcycles and Bicycles Needed to Convey Department Attaches and Expense Confusion Results

Though the city council has for some time been endeavoring to reach a standard as to the limit on transportation expense accounts for city employees, no agreement has yet been reached.

Some employees have automobiles, others horses, and some have the smaller fry use bicycles and motorcycles under the ordinances. All of them are used on the theory that they save the time of employees and are of corresponding worth to the city.

Much of the trouble arises in the endless travel required of inspectors and others in the health department.

The engineer's department has, in the aggregate, a very large expense account, but as most of it is incurred in connection with Vrooman work, it is charged back to the property owners for whom improvements are made.

At the last session of the health board the question came up when the expense item of Inspector Fred Hughes was reached.

The city council voted to Hughes a special appropriation of \$20 monthly for the automobile which he uses in inspections, the funds being taken out of the general expense fund.

Some of the inspectors in the milk division are under considerable expense maintaining a horse and buggy. They keep their outfit stabled over night at some suburban place and take the trolley cars to and from these points. If they did otherwise they would use up most of their time each day in driving from Los Angeles to the scene of inspection and back again.

The finance committee of the council and the supply committee hope to reach a schedule shortly on where to draw the line.

WILL IS WRITTEN ON CRACKER BOX PAPER

Grocer Who Shot Himself Leaves Rude Document, in Which He Bequeaths All His Possessions to His Wife

"I, Joe W. Bishop, I want both real estate and personal property—everything—to go to my wife, Mary Bishop, Joe Bishop."

The above will, written on a sheet of light gray cracker taken from a cracker box, was yesterday filed in the superior court, together with a petition for its probate by Mary Bishop.

The witnesses' names appearing on the will are J. E. Houser, Senland, O. Cugnor, H. J. Black and Dr. E. H. Thompson, Burbank. In the lower left-hand corner appears the declaration of Joseph M. Banker, city recorder of Glendale, in which he states he has taken the affidavit of Bishop to the will.

Bishop's estate consisted of a blacksmith shop, a store and some merchandise in Glendale, the total value of which is \$1500.

January 29, following a fit of despondency, Bishop shot himself in his grocery store and the will was executed while he lay dying.

HEARD AROUND HOTEL CORRIDORS

Manuel Lopez and wife of New York are spending a few days in the city and are stopping at the Angelus. Mr. Lopez is a well known cigar manufacturer.

R. J. Wilson and wife, from Nacozari, Mexico, are registered at the Angelus. A. S. Park and wife of Wichita, Kas., are guests at the Alexandria.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Austin of New York are visitors at the Alexandria. David Keith, wife and son of Salt Lake have taken apartments at the Alexandria.

T. M. Eby, a member of the board of equalization, from Sacramento, is registered at the Hollenbeck. J. Moore and wife of Chicago are stopping at the Hollenbeck. Miss Helen McLaughlin of Providence, R. I., is a guest at the Hollenbeck.

CITY BRIEFS

Druids, Attention! Memorial services will be held Sunday, February 9, 2 o'clock p. m. in Odd Fellows hall, 220 1/2 South Main street. You are requested to attend. The public is invited. By order of the committee, Fred Charbonnier, chairman.

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

STONE DEAL IS JOBBERY

SO DECLARES STATE MINERALOGIST AUBURY

CALIFORNIA SANDSTONE WITHOUT AN EQUAL

State Says Obstinacy of Government Architect Means Only Taking Care of the Contractors

In the opinion of State Mineralogist Aubury the Los Angeles postoffice is to be built of inferior material, and he renews his opposition to the substitution of any other sandstone for that produced in California.

In a statement just issued Mr. Aubury alludes to the criticism of the government's supervising architect because of the intention to use Wyoming sandstone, and he declares that the changed intention of that official to use Arizona sandstone, but under no circumstances California stone, is jobbery and should meet with protest.

In his statement Mr. Aubury says: "It is very near the time for Los Angeles to awaken to the fact that she is being misled in the matter of the material which it has been given out will be used in the construction of your new court house and postoffice. A long time since I pointed out to the citizens of Los Angeles that the government, through various hooks and crooks, was endeavoring to furnish the city of Los Angeles with the most inferior material which would enter into the construction of that building."

The last time I mentioned this matter the government architect had specified Wyoming sandstone as being the material selected for the new court house and postoffice. I understood that both Senator Flint and Representative McLachlan had endorsed the specifications, which called for Wyoming sandstone.

I understood why those gentlemen should forget that we had the most superior sandstone to be found in the world here in California. I was willing to believe that some mistake had been made. I wired to Senator Flint. I was informed that it was a matter of bids.

Later I opened correspondence with different California quarries and found that not in a single instance had they been asked to submit a bid. I then took the matter up with all our representatives in Washington, and also with Perkins and Pardee. The matter was also taken up with Governor Pardee, who immediately took an active interest, and he presented it all along the line in Washington, from the bottom down. All that we could hear was that it was a matter of bids, so I again got busy and asked for bids from our California quarries.

The Colusa sandstone, which is produced by two different companies, would be furnished for \$10,000 less than what the Wyoming sandstone would be supplied for. The Colusa sandstone has no equal in the world for sandstone. The Wyoming stone will almost crumble in the hand, yet this was the stone that the contractors had been asked to furnish upon the city of Los Angeles.

The California Bid

"When I passed this up to the government architect, with the bid of \$10,000 less, he turned it down, saying that the stone was too dark. It is wonderful how the government architect has affected, yet the Colusa sandstone has not to my knowledge affected the eyesight of San Franciscans.

Among the buildings in San Francisco constructed of this stone are the Ferry building, built by the state; James L. Flood, Kohl building, and St. Francis hotel. These buildings are seen from the bay and many are well known to most Californians. With the exception of the Ferry building, which was not burned, they all passed through the earthquake and fire, and the stone was not injured.

"So far as the sandstone was concerned, what more practical evidence of the superiority of this stone could be shown than the fact that it had withstood both earthquakes and fire.

"The quarries near to Los Angeles and the stone could be transported cheaply. If the appropriation was sufficient the Riverside granite, a beautiful and durable granite, could be used, or fine granite could be obtained from the Santee quarry in San Diego county.

"Possibly through the continued hammering of our senators and representatives in California buildings the government architect concluded that he had better not attempt to press the rotten Wyoming stone on the people of Los Angeles, but that he would do one better and had now decided that in no event will California material be used and has substituted Arizona sandstone. Why was this done? An intelligent quarryman or stone worker can answer the question—it was in the interest of the contractors. They are not to blame for trying to make as much out of their contract as they can. Possibly the government has exacted so much from them that they could not realize a profit if a durable stone was used.

"I am confident enough to give them the matter is that Wyoming and Arizona sandstone are very easily cut and can be worked up much cheaper than the Colusa or Santee canyon stone. The more durable a stone is the harder it is to cut, and this is where the Ethiopian in the woodpile bobs up.

Arizona Stone Inferior

"The Arizona sandstone is soft, easily cut and of a reddish color. While I admit its color is not objectionable it is not a durable stone. Buildings in San Francisco constructed of this stone were ruined by the fire and crumbled like so much sugar. Some buildings which examined shortly after the earthquake and before the fire reached them showed that the Arizona sandstone was not earthquake proof by any means.

"As the people content to take any class of material which may be shoved upon them, so that a few contractors can even up their contracts in the city of Los Angeles, they will construct your postoffice out of adobe, which originally entered into the construction of the buildings of Los Angeles, than to have inferior sandstone quarried in other states and territories; and the money paid for the work to go to develop other's resources while our own remain dormant for lack of proper support.

"I have in the above statement placed this matter before your people. I have endeavored to obtain a square deal for them. If they have California's interest at heart this matter should be so placed before your senator and representatives and in such unmistakable terms that they will understand that it is time to 'get busy' for I say you are being jobbed, notwithstanding what may be said to the contrary."

Will Pay You

To go to Redondo and see the Model Starr Wave Motor and commercial plant being built there.

SHRINER SPECIAL ALL DEPENDS ON A CIRCUS

"Whether or not the Shriners of Al Malakka will hire a special train to take them to the big Shriners gathering at St. Paul, all depends upon the way the Los Angeles Shriners' Circus turns out," remarked Postmaster Motley H. Flint yesterday. "All are interested in the proposed special, among the Shriners. But it is one thing to decide to hire a train and quite another to pay for it. Any special to pay has to have 100 passengers. There's \$10,000 expenses down in a lump. So, you see, the Shriners will have to do a lot of money gathering before the special is an assured fact."

HEALTH BOARD INSISTS ON UNIFORMS FOR ALL SECRETARY AND HOUSING INSPECTOR INCLUDED

All Civil Service Employees Failing to Comply with the Rule This Month Will Be Suspended

Health Commissioners A. W. Moore and C. B. Dickson are determined that every civil service employee in the health department shall wear the new prescribed blue-and-gold uniforms while on duty.

Resolutions have just been passed ordering all those employees not complying after twenty days to be suspended.

The two attaches who have not yet donned their uniforms are Secretary Hugh M. Love and Housing Inspector Nicholas Quierolo.

Secretary Love says he has already ordered a lighter grade of goods so that he can wear the uniforms indoors comfortably, the present weight being too heavy for comfort.

Quierolo is attached to the housing commission and some question of jurisdiction has arisen in his case. He works under the direction of Chairman Titian Coffey of the latter board.

Clerks William McGill and Henry Sief, who do indoor work almost exclusively as a rule don office coats in place of the stiff uniform coats, and of that there has been no complaint.

Though the inspectors grumbled at first about the uniform proposition, they are no longer opposed to them.

However, when they are obliged to climb under houses for sanitary inspections, enter restaurants and bakery kitchens or cellars, they find that their uniforms suffer sadly from wear.

LOS ANGELES BANKS TAKE QUARTER MILLION BONDS

City Treasurer Hance Welcomes Idle Funds for Investment in the Owens River \$1000 Issue

Los Angeles banks have assured City Treasurer C. H. Hance that they will take \$250,000 worth of the \$1000 aqueduct bonds for which public subscriptions are now being taken.

The bonds pay 4 per cent interest, and as there is a ready demand for funds at higher rates the responses from the general public have not been numerous as yet, though many sales are expected today.

Herald Patterns

A CHARMING BLOUSE AND WALKING SKIRT

6038

6037

There is nothing that embodies more charm and utility than the dainty silk waist combined with the chic walking skirt. It is, indeed, indispensable to the up-to-date woman, for its suitability for wear upon all occasions renders it invaluable. The blouse shown is made of a pretty checked silk, the vest and deep cuffs being made of tucked lady's cloth. The front body portion is tucked in box pleat effect, while the three-quarter sleeve is finished with both a plain and a fancy cuff. The skirt is a ten-gored one, fitting snugly about the hips, while at the foot it is modishly full, inverted pleats at the lower part of the front and side seams contributing to the flare effect. An inverted pleat at the center-back gives the fullness necessary for free movement. The skirt may be made up in any of the season's woolsens, or in silk if preferred. To make the costume in the medium size requires 3 1/2 yards of 27-inch material for the waist and 1 1/4 yards of 22-inch material for the skirt.

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SLAYER IS DEAD; HIS VICTIM DYING

MAN WHO SHOT WOMAN AND HIMSELF SUCCUMBS

"Forgive Me for What I Have Done" Last Words of Husband Who Committed Crime Rather Than Forgive

Mrs. Isabelle Evans, formerly an inmate of the house at 458 Commercial street, who was shot by her husband in his room at 824 South Hill street Thursday night, as she was on her knees imploring him to take her back from a life of shame, was removed yesterday morning from the receiving to the county hospital in a dying condition.

Her husband, Benjamin C. Evans, who fired two shots into his breast and one into his brain, after shooting his wife in the back, died at 4 o'clock yesterday morning.

Evans worked for the Stockwell Mattress Manufacturing company, 945 South Los Angeles street. His mother, Mrs. S. C. Evans of Whittier, arrived this morning, it is said, and probably will take charge of the body after the inquest.

Woman Cannot Live

Mrs. Evans, the doctors say, cannot possibly live more than a few hours. She deserted her husband a year ago, at which time she went to San Francisco, but later returned.

It was alleged by her husband she was addicted to the opium habit. Although she had made repeated appeals for him to take her back, on promises to be good, he refused to do so and had twice moved to avoid meeting her.

The bullet which he fired into his wife's body, and which lodged in her abdomen, was from a .32 caliber revolver. Just before shooting her, as she was on her knees begging to be taken back, he cried out: "You are not fit to live. You are fit only for death. Now die!" He then shot her.

The couple were married in Buffalo during the exposition. They came to Los Angeles shortly afterward.

SAYS FREIGHT CHARGES WERE COLLECTED TWICE

G. A. R. Official Charges Governor of Soldiers' Home with Irregular Dealing—War Department Communicated With

Whether General Le Grange's resignation as governor of the Soldiers' home at Sawtelle was occasioned because of irregularities or was voluntary on his part is a question unexplained to the satisfaction of some, at least, of his acquaintances.

This uncertainty has arisen as the result of a statement made yesterday by Colonel Ely Newsom, a Grand Army of the Republic official of Sawtelle, to members of the district attorney's office. He says the former governor is believed to have collected freight charges on monuments placed at the heads of veterans' graves, when these charges had already been paid by the government.

Colonel Newsom says the G. A. R. post came into possession of a letter from General Le Grange to a widow, asking for freight charges on a headstone recently placed over the grave of her husband, and that the post preferred charges to the interior department at Washington. The department, it was stated, made an investigation and reimbursed the widow the money she had paid.

Friends of the former governor declare their belief that the charges collected were for drayage and not for freight.

Gen. G. H. La Grange, the governor of the Soldiers' home at Sawtelle, said he had been relieved of that position at his own request on account of ill health. Gen. La Grange has been governor of the home for many years and is well and popularly known, both in his official capacity and as an orator and writer. He made a brilliant record in the Civil war as an officer in the cavalry.

MaJ. T. J. Cochrane, treasurer of the home, has been placed in temporary charge, and it is expected that he will succeed in the governorship of the home.

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PROGRAM ARRANGED FOR OREGON BANQUET

FORMER RESIDENTS OF STATE TO MEET

Prominent Speakers Agree to Address Gathering and Musical Numbers Will Also Be Rendered

Residents and former residents of Oregon who are now in Los Angeles and vicinity will hold a reunion at Burbank hall, 642 South Main street, Monday night, February 10.

Guests will assemble in the parlors at 6 p. m. The banquet is scheduled for 7 o'clock sharp. President of the day will be Martha Jane Garrison Olds, pioneer, 1846; toastmaster, Capt. Thos. B. Merry; guest of honor, William J. Hunsaker.

It is expected that short table talks will be made by former Governor Moody, Dr. J. H. McBride, Clara Shortridge, Hon. Thomas J. Kirk, John H. Braley, Capt. Amos A. Fries, U. S. A.; Dr. Eleta Hill Schnauffer, C. M. Pierce, Mae Crawford, B. F. Welsh, Lois M. Avery, Judge E. E. Selph and others.

After the banquet a musical and literary program and "old times" social will be in order.

All communications and requests for plate reservations should be addressed to Oregonian committee, 239 South Hill street. Phones: Main 6246, A 1457.

CHINESE DOCTOR FOR THIRD TIME ESCAPES LAW'S CLUTCH

Tom She Bin, Chinese herb doctor, yesterday was released by Police Judge Chambers from the charge of practicing medicine without a license.

This was the third time She Bin has been haled into court within the last year. His dismissal yesterday, it is said, was due to the fact that the principal witness for the prosecution, Mrs. H. G. Bent, had disappeared from the city. Tom She Bin has offices on Broadway and says he will continue to practice.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRL CUT BY GLASS OF STREET CAR DOOR

As a result of the alleged carelessness of a motorman on a West Temple street car yesterday morning, who, it is said, stopped his car with a sudden jerk which jammed the passengers forward, Miss Matilda Thompson, a high school girl, 16 years old, sustained a deep laceration on her left shoulder.

The door of the car was knocked from its hinges and the glass broken, falling over the girl and barely missing her face and eyes. The girl was treated at the receiving hospital and later sent to her home, 24 Rosemont street.

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