

WILL SETTLE PROMERIES ON MONDAY

COUNCIL DECIDES TO REVIEW TESTIMONY

MAJORITY SENTIMENT FAVORS NO CHANGE

After Two Days of Telephone Talk, Light and Power Tariffs Are Scheduled for Today

Whether the telephone rates of Los Angeles shall be raised, lowered or remain stationary was taken under advisement by the city council late yesterday, the decision to be made on Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Though this delay will carry the decision past the month of February, when the charter specifies that the rates shall be fixed the city's legal department ruled that this is permissible. It gives the councilmen an opportunity to review the transcripts of testimony.

Councilmen Lyon, Clamptin and Healy announced that they would vote to let the rates remain as last year's, saying they were ready to vote at once.

Councilman Wallace said he would vote to the idea of the rates should be equalized, as some home phones cost \$2 and some \$3. A \$2.50 rate seemed to appeal to these two as fair.

Councilmen Lyon and Blanchard did not commit themselves, though it is understood they will vote with the other Republicans.

Councilman Wren said he may possibly vote to lower the rates.

Councilman Dromgold said he had not made up his mind.

Attorneys for the Home and Pacific companies, as well as for the city, rested their cases yesterday, the former having put their witnesses on the stand to explain away as best they could the critical showing of City Auditor W. C. Musket and his staff that the companies had not complied with the ordinances and had filed conflicting statements as far as the returns to the assessor and to the council at least were concerned.

Attorneys for the companies expressed the hope that they would not have to resort to litigation and the city's attorneys said they shared in this hope.

Judge Pillsbury of San Francisco was on hand to look after the legal interests of the Pacific company.

Chief Engineer W. C. Barrett was on the stand in the afternoon to give expert opinions as to the transmitters, Deputy City Attorney Louis Works drawing from witness testimony that a \$40,000 was set aside for rentals for this equipment to paying 5 percent for \$800,000. Witness thought the \$2,000 instruments here represented a value of \$125,000 to \$150,000.

Have Office at Martinez Auditor Sherwin, who was recalled, said the company maintains head office in Los Angeles, but its books and records were kept and later burned in San Francisco. Outsiders said after the hearing that the object of the Martinez offices was to evade San Francisco taxation.

Secretary F. W. Eaton, an old official, said most of the company's records had been burned in the San Francisco fire.

Judge Pillsbury made a few remarks to the city council here, thanking the members for their consideration.

"All we ask is a square deal," he said. "The cost of the plant and gross revenues are the proper basis of fixing rates."

"I believe you can give us fair play and a reasonable return without going into court. We don't desire litigation, and will make concessions to avoid it."

"I join in the hope with the speaker," said Attorney Works.

Hold Millions in Hands Attorney Walter Wright, for the Home company, said he had not asked for an intensive review in his arguments because of five millions in bonds represented the holdings of hundreds of stockholders," said Mr. Wright.

"You men hold the destiny of a \$5,000,000 investment in your hands. Every dollar is subject to your rules."

"Every year we must build two miles of conduit, and if your officers choose they can force us to tear down \$20,000 worth of wires and poles merely to beautify a street."

"And the life of the franchise is only forty years."

Several of the councilmen then aired their views. Councilmen Healy, Lyon and Clamptin urged that the rates remain as at present.

Hewitt Counsels Delay City Attorney Leslie R. Hewitt counseled delay after Councilman Dromgold said he had not made up his mind.

"If this should get into the courts it is not well that the city attorney be instructed to bring in the necessary ordinances."

Today the council will fix gas, light and power rates.

Y. M. C. A. PLANS TO WELCOME VISITING TARS

Association Has Engaged One Hundred Automobiles to Give Trip Around the City While Here

AT THE LOS ANGELES THEATERS

'MOUNTAIN CLIMBER' HAS MANY LAUGHS

A Versatile Young Woman

"THE MOUNTAIN CLIMBER," a farce comedy in three acts from the German of C. Kraatz and M. Neal, presented for the first time in Los Angeles on the stage of the Belasco theater Monday night.

THE CAST Mr. Montague Sibsey... George W. Barnum Mr. Samuel Midgum... Harry Glazer Dr. Charles Midgum... Charles Ruggles Mr. Arthur Lydbrook... Lewis S. Stone Mr. Sidney Keton... John Daly Murphy Mr. Watson Frimley... Howard Scott Ossa... Richard Williams... Sepp Rheinharter... Richard Vivian Toni... Charles Buck Mr. Montague... Joseph de Grasse Mrs. Montague Sibsey... Miss Eleanor Carey Alice... Miss Katherine Emmet Lena... Miss Adele Farrington Mary... Miss Dolly Bernard Tourists, members of the Alpine club, etc.

BY SIDLE LAWRENCE PATRONS of the Belasco this week will see a farce comedy of undeniable hilarity but no very obvious originality.

The piece is "The Mountain Climber," first presented in this country by Francis Wilson. It is an adaptation from the German of C. Kraatz and M. Neal.

Who adapted it to English, but he is evidently an Englishman. At least there are allusions in the play which seem somewhat obscure to an American audience.

but which in England probably could be counted upon to make the play a success. However, the adapter has not been too English in his humor; nor the Teuton too cumbersome. The farce moves briskly, and if its story is old and its lines lack wit, it is in ample measure for those deficiencies.

The two main ideas upon which "The Mountain Climber" is constructed have each been exploited before in farces which have attained considerable success. Like "The Man from Mexico" the mountain climber goes out for a time—or rather, for a series of times—and upon each return tells his wife that he has been climbing hazardous peaks in the Alps.

To his wife he becomes a hero and, as he has no valet, this hero worship extends through the entire household. Of course this mountain climber, whose name, by the way, is Montague Sibsey, is a clumsy liar, and of course he gets into several temperatures of hot water before the farce is ended.

The Trouble Begins The trouble begins in earnest when his wife, planning a pleasant surprise, publishes his letters, written ostensibly from the Swiss Alps but in reality from Paris. Now Sibsey had carefully copied the narratives of these epistles from a book on mountain climbing written by Arthur Lydbrook, and he copies it to her.

The situation somewhat embarrassing. This idea, you may remember, was utilized in another farce of German origin, adapted for the American stage by Augustin Daly and presented under the title of "Seven-Twenty-Eight."

In that case the publication was of love poems which the supposed author had cribbed from the pages of a book which could find one that struck his fancy.

In "The Mountain Climber," Sibsey, in an effort to "save his face," goes to Switzerland in reality, taking his wife with him. There he meets Lydbrook and is ever upon the brink of exposure, though he never quite topples over it.

The Swiss experience comes in the second act, when Sibsey, in a chalet—that's a sort of mountain roadhouse—not a fabric for summer frocks—at the right and snowy peaks loom in the distance and so are the predicaments in which Sibsey here finds himself.

Lies Thick and Fast He lies his way out of one scrape into another, and he never quite quits, and in the end he makes his family believe that he has really ascended a hitherto unconquered peak, Lydbrook acquiescing in the lie because of his love for one of Sibsey's stepdaughters.

In faces of this order the fun consists entirely in the mock anguish of the victim of his own mendacity. The "Seven-Twenty-Eight" was a comedy of the victim's escape from exposure the funnier is the episode—always premising that credulity is not strained past the farcical breaking point.

The Belasco company gives a finely humorous presentation of this story. George W. Barnum is the mountaineer, and his squirmings to extricate himself from the predicaments of the last night's audience in constant good humor and frequent laughter.

The farce, really, is a one part play, the other characters serving merely as foils for the hero-worshipping wife. Miss Florence Smythe and Miss Katherine Emmet, Sibsey's stepdaughters, and Lewis S. Stone and Charles Ruggles, who go to the love with the girls, Miss Adele Farrington has the role of Lena, a Swiss maid, which she plays with her accustomed skill and in very fetching manner.

If you go to the Belasco this week Mr. Barnum, as Sibsey, will bring tears to your eyes, and they won't be tears of sympathy, either.

Through an error of the types the signature of Sidle Lawrence was transposed in The Herald yesterday from the by-line of "Coming Through the Rye," which he wrote, to the review of "Eagle Tavern," which he did not write.

The "Coming Thro' the Rye" article was a rather severe criticism of that production, and Mr. Lawrence has no desire to shirk responsibility for the opinions expressed this correction is made.

WOMAN CONTESTS HER HUSBAND'S PETITION

A large number of the inhabitants of Green Meadow appeared as witnesses and spectators in the divorce suit yesterday of John Saul, a wealthy ranchman, against his wife, Anna Saul, who according to the husband is a member of the "Holy Jumpers" sect and one time, according to her husband, sought heavenly counsel when she was doubtful regarding illicit relations with W. P. Herrin, a ranch hand. The petition, according to the woman's belief, was accorded. A child was born and the divorce suit followed.

Later, Saul says, his wife confessed her misdeeds and the fact that the couple lived together afterwards is made the basis of a counter suit, the wife also alleging that her husband was cruel and beat herself and their five children. The case is being strongly contested in the superior court and was continued until this morning.

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CAMILLE REVIVED AT AUDITORIUM

"CAMILLE," a play in five acts by Alexandre Dumas, revived on the stage of the Auditorium theater yesterday afternoon by Miss Florence Stone and the Ferris stock company.

THE CAST Armand Duval... Dick Ferris Count de Varville... David Edwin Mons. Duval, father of Armand... Gaston Kleux... Harry V. Eraser Gustave... Harry L. Eraser Mesenger... William C. Eraser Nadiana... Carrie Clark Ward Nicette... Cecil Lindley Namme... Minnie White Camille... Florence Stone

"CAMILLE" presented at a special matinee by Florence Stone, Dick Ferris and the Ferris stock company attracted a crowd which filled the entire lower part of the Auditorium yesterday afternoon.

This play, in which Miss Stone has already won large appreciation, was a favorite with Los Angeles audiences when produced here by the same company last year. The audience which witnessed the production yesterday demonstrated by its size that interest in Dumas' famous heroine is not waning, and judiciously distributed applause testified to a sympathetic understanding of Miss Stone's art in the delineation of the character.

The play offers numerous opportunities for the introduction of the elaborate and artistic stage settings with which Mr. Ferris has made his patrons familiar this winter and every possible effort was made to realize the scenes in Camille's apartments in the first and second acts and the fete scene in act four were both noticeably brilliant, not only in scenic splendor, but in the costuming as well.

Miss Stone showed several of her hand-somest gowns and in the first act especially, in a gown fairly covered with lustrous gems, her throat encircled by diamonds and a glittering tiara of jewels in her hair, her pre-eminence in the matter of magnificent costuming of her parts was indubitably maintained.

Historically considered, Miss Stone has won the approval of both critics and audiences throughout the country by her realization of this role. It affords her a chance for the display of subtle shadings in depicting the human emotions of love, despair and anguish. Through the phases of the woman loved, the woman won and the woman scorned in her tragic career, she carried her triumphantly to the final scene, where, still breathing of her renewed strength and hopes for a happy future, she expires in her lover's arms.

Mr. Ferris as Armand is very popular with the Auditorium audiences and his appearance in this, the final week of the season, was greeted enthusiastically. In response to repeated requests Mr. Ferris made one of his famous curtain speeches which was customarily happy.

This afternoon the Auditorium will again present Mrs. Andrews' New English play in its small town, "Eagle Tavern." The play, a most distinct hit Monday night and last night repeated its success. "Camille" will be repeated for the last time Tuesday afternoon, this being the last appearance of the play in the Auditorium this season. All the rest of the week, including this afternoon and Saturday afternoon "Eagle Tavern" will be the bill.

A John Blackwood, resident manager of the Belasco theater and Los Angeles representative of David Belasco, is attempting to secure the Auditorium for two weeks in October for the use of David Warfield. Mr. Warfield is to come here next fall whether or not the Auditorium is available. If he can't get it there he will occupy the local Belasco stock company either in Los Angeles or in New York, taking a two week tour of the country, making engagements in nearby cities.

Warfield is to go to London this summer, where he will play "A Grand Army Man" and "The Music Master." He will be back here next fall. Many of his admirers are anxious to see him revive "The Auctioneer," and if the demand for that play seems strong enough to warrant the revival it will be made.

"Paid in Full," Eugene Walters' new play in which Lillian Albertson has the leading woman's role and in which Oza Waldrop also is prominently cast, was presented for the first time. Miss Albertson formerly was leading woman at the Belasco and Miss Waldrop was a member of the original Belasco stock company. The play has attracted considerable interest locally. A telegram received last night announces that the play was well received. It has a cast of only six persons, and is said to be a strong drama along new lines.

Jack L. Wynn yesterday resigned his position at the Los Angeles theater and expects to leave for Detroit in a few days. The summer stock cast by the B. C. Whitney company will have charge of the organization which that theatrical firm will send on tour next season with Bessie Wynn as the star. Considerable preliminary work has been done and it was thought advisable to have Mr. Wynn and his sister on hand for consultation.

Bessie Wynn made her first big hit in "Babes in Toyland" and the new piece which she is to play is a comedy along similar lines. It will be seen in Los Angeles some time next winter.

George Leslie succeeds Mr. Wynn at the Los Angeles theater.

TRIAL AGAINST SECOND INDICTED MAN IS BEGUN

The second trial of men charged with illegal registration in the Ocean Park election was begun in Judge Conroy's court yesterday morning.

The defendant is David J. Lewis, proprietor of the Duvall saloon, who is claimed by Hartley Shaw and G. Ray Horton, deputy district attorneys, prosecuting the cases, has resided for more than a year at 850 San Julian street and at 1000 S. Vermont and T. Thompson registered at the same time and for the same room at the Decatur hotel in Ocean Park at the time of their alleged registration.

A jury was secured shortly after 2 o'clock and three witnesses were examined, principally to establish the fact that Ocean Park is a regularly established voting precinct and that Lewis registered in that precinct.

The trial was adjourned until 9:30 this morning. Judge Conroy yesterday fixed the date for the second trial of Dennett Childs for April 8.

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REVISIONISTS FIX COUNCIL PROPOSITIONS

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WARD SYSTEM WILL SERVE AS ALTERNATIVE

With Three Absentees, Question Will Be Revived at Next Tuesday's Meeting for Final Action

With three members absent the charter commission last night finally reached at least a temporary conclusion on the question of how councilmen shall be elected.

The commission decided that the provision that councilmen at large shall be elected by the people and the alternative proposition shall be on continuation of the ward system.

Commissioner William Mead gave notice that he would call for a reconsideration of the latter question because Commissioner Fishburne, Hollingsworth and Turf were absent. He thought their votes might alter the commission's final decision.

The charter revision commission resumed its discussion of the councilmen problem, over which it has held repeated debates, shortly after 8 o'clock.

Mead stated a preference for the ward system of councilmen, but Dr. Haynes said he believed in councilmen at large, but recognizing that a large and positive body of citizens favored the ward system, he believed these should have the opportunity of voting for them. Inasmuch as he favored councilmen at large, he would vote for having both propositions on the ballots.

Mesmer for Ward System Mr. Mesmer said he believed in the ward system with districts to embrace five or six councilmen. One ward should be added, making fifteen wards.

"There is no question about what the people would do, as that which is nearest to direct representation will appear to them most strongly," he said. "Ward representation fills this want."

Commissioner Finlayson laid before his colleagues the bearing of the question on the probability of its being carried at the election.

"We had better consider the percentage of the voters who will favor the ward plan, the combined plan or the straight-out-councilmen at large plan," said Attorney Finlayson.

"The chances are those who favor the ward plan will vote against the charter unless they have an alternative proposition. Though I oppose the ward plan, I recognize that many are wedded to the idea."

Policy or Expediency "Personally I don't care a tinker's imprecation if our plan goes down in defeat, but perhaps we had better consider the practicalities of the plan."

Judge Woods said he would much prefer to see a good charter defeated than a bad or pernicious charter adopted. Hence, he advised his colleagues to do what they individually believed in, then determine the result of the election in the charter and later the alternative.

Mr. Call stated his position as believing that the voters were more concerned in the initiative, referendum and recall than in the ward system. He thought he saw a covert attack on the recall because in electing all councilmen at large it would require nine times as many signatures unless the percentage was changed.

FORMER DETECTIVE ARRAIGNED IN COURT

Man is Said to Have Given Paper in Payment for Office Rent and Other Debts—To Be Tried February 28

Charged with issuing worthless checks, Eugene P. Walton, 1311 El Monte street, former head of the Southern Detective agency and the Walton-Boscha detective bureau, was arraigned in police court yesterday morning and will undergo an examination set for February 28.

According to Cashier Reed of the Merchants Trust company, Walton rented a suite of rooms on the second floor of the Merchants Trust building three months ago and never paid for them.

It is alleged Walton bought furniture on the installment plan. The furniture was used for fitting up the offices of the Southern Detective agency. Arthur H. Dean, formerly with the Pinkertons, was taken in as a partner. Dean says that Walton's business methods did not meet his approval and they dissolved partnership.

Walton, it is said, gave Cashier Reed of the Merchants Trust company checks on a mythical bank account in payment for debts. Last Friday he gave the cashier a check for \$75 for rent for his suite. This check was returned by the police now believe Ramires fell to the ground and landed on his head. The man's valuables were not touched.

It is thought Ramires fell from the front veranda. He then made his way to the back of the house and fell from the wall to the concrete pavement, where a large pool of blood was found. He finally made his way to his room, where he was found at 1 o'clock by his brother, who was attracted to his room by an alarm.

His autopsy was held on the body yesterday morning. It was found that he received no other injuries save to the head. The skull had a vertical fracture which was crossed by a horizontal fracture, both being on the back of the head.

It is probable an inquest will be held over the body today.

Herald's Gallery of Presidential Possibilities

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OTHER DISTRICTS—Fair... 05 .10 Johnnie Com... 11 .12 Nevada Hills... 3.10 3.15 100 Pittsburg Silver Peak... 1.25 1.30 100 Round Mountain... 1.25 1.30 100

SON SUES TO RECOVER PART OF FATHER'S ESTATE

The probate of the will of C. K. Wood, who died December 2, 1906, at Compton, was yesterday contested in the superior court by his son, Clement F. Wood, who claims the property named in the will was deeded to him in October of that year and a month after the death of his father. Wood was not of sound mind at the time he made his last will.

The estate consists of property on Maple avenue, Los Angeles, valued at \$35,000. The petition for probate of Jane Brown of Artesia, says she purchased the property from Wood's legatees. The case was continued until Thursday, when, it is believed, testimony will be introduced by Wood.

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