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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.

Woman Still Sleeping Mrs. Beulah Hawkins is sleeping still at the county hospital, having been asleep at that institution seventy-eight days today.

Arraigned in Court Edward Hogan was arraigned in Police Justice Frederickson's court yesterday on a charge of cruelty to animals. His trial was set for April 24.

Driver Injured Gustav Ponil, the driver, of a brewery wagon, was treated at the receiving hospital last night for a slight concussion of the brain. Ponil was thrown from his wagon on East First street by being struck by a Watts local car of the Pacific Electric line.

Lumber Falls on Man Suffering from numerous bruises about the head and a deep cut above the left eye, J. B. Ward, living at Seventeenth street and Central avenue, was taken to the receiving hospital yesterday morning, where the surgeons treated his injuries. After his wounds

were bandaged he was taken home. Ward says he was walking through the yards of the National Lumber company at Twentieth and Alameda streets when a pile of boards fell on him.

Theater Manager Arraigned H. E. Carney, manager of the Metropolitan theater, who was arrested on a charge of violating the child labor ordinance by employing a 15-year-old chorus girl at his theater, was arraigned in police court yesterday and will again appear to plead on April 24.

Bankrupt Files Papers Petition in bankruptcy was filed by counsel for Edward G. Kastner at the federal district court yesterday. The petitioner is a railroad brakeman by calling and lives at Kern, Kern county, Cal. His debts amount to \$572 and his assets to \$37—the latter he claims are all exempt, being the value of his wearing apparel and watch.

Decision Under Consideration United States Commissioner William Van Dyke still has the Oregon land fraud cases under consideration and does not intimate at what time he thinks he will render his verdict on this matter, which concerns the possible removal of Los Angeles Bankers Kenny and Gillean to Oregon for trial on the charge of being implicated in land frauds.

Breeders to Meet The paper to be read and discussed at the regular monthly meeting of the Poultry Breeders' association of Southern California tonight will be on the subject "Care and Feeding of Little Chickens," prepared by J. Madison Wright of Los Angeles, a prominent breeder. The meeting will be held at 7:30 o'clock in the chamber of commerce.

MISS CASSELMAN DENIES CHARGES

GIRL TESTIFIES IN HER OWN BEHALF

BLAMES COLLEGE INSTRUCTOR FOR DIFFICULTY

Young Woman's Testimony Attracts Much Attention, and Court Room Is Thronged by Interested Listeners

Ruby Casselman, the young woman charged with forgery, was a witness in her own behalf yesterday afternoon, and had not concluded her testimony when court adjourned for the day.

Miss Casselman's attorney took up one by one the checks his client is charged with forging, and of each she denied knowledge.

Although Miss Casselman is on trial on the specific charge of attempting to pass a worthless check on the First National bank on December 31, on which day she was arrested, the questions yesterday for the most part were directed to the check payable to Katherine Ward and purporting to be signed by M. A. Ward, which was cashed at the American National bank on December 11.

The defendant testified that she had been in a telegraph school at the time this check is said to have been passed, and a number of witnesses gave testimony which seemed to uphold her statements.

Scrip in her possession on that day, she said, had been given to her by her foster father, M. A. Martin, and she in turn gave it to a number of the students, who, after changing the paper then in use into currency, returned it to her. She said she gave this money to Miss Mabel Wilson, who was about to leave the city.

The young woman also said she wore a white waist on that day, the first time she had used a waist of that color for some weeks. The person who changed the check is said to have worn a black waist and carried a music roll, and Miss Casselman says she does not own a music roll.

Blames Instructor When she was questioned concerning the Lillie B. Sharpe check purporting to be signed by F. W. Blanchard, Miss Casselman said the check had been given to her by the proprietor of the telegraph school, J. W. Belding. Incriminating papers alleged to have been found in her purse she said were not there on the morning of December 31. Her purse, she said, was generally placed in an upper drawer of Belding's desk at the suggestion of Belding himself, who, she said, told her it would be safe.

"Belding called me to his desk about 3 o'clock that day," said Miss Casselman, "and asked me to mail some catalogues for him. Then he said he had a check to be cashed and wanted me to go to the bank, but I protested, as I was afraid I would again get into trouble. I finally consented, however, and he placed the folded check in my purse and told me it would not be necessary to endorse it. I went to the bank and my arrest followed."

Denies Making Statement Miss Casselman declared President Elliot of the bank was mistaken when he said she admitted having made the check. She also said any admissions she may have made to the police were for the purpose of keeping them from worrying her, as she was on the point of breaking down under her trouble.

Miss Casselman, speaking of the numerous other checks so far introduced in the evidence, said she saw them for the first time either in the district attorney's office or at the trial. She denied all knowledge of incriminating papers said to have been found in her purse and indicated by her statement that they were placed there in order to involve her in crime. The young woman said she was paid a salary of \$10 a week by Belding, thus apparently accounting for money spent by her in amusements and for necessities.

A mysterious letter was also brought into the case yesterday, but its contents were not read to the jury. This letter was received by John D. North, deputy district attorney, in February, and is signed "Ruby Casselman's Double." In it the writer claims to be the person who wrote the checks the defendant is accused of passing, but the district attorney places little weight on the document, saying it is but one of many of similar purport received by him. Miss Casselman's attorney, however, says he will make an effort to have the letter placed in evidence, believing it to be written by a person whose conscience is causing remorse.

The rollbook used at the telegraph school is expected to be shown in court today, and the young woman's attorney contends his client was marked absent on the forenoon of December 11, the date on which the Ward check was passed. This, he will claim, was part of a plan formed the day previous in order that the book might show, in the event that it would be brought into court as evidence, that Miss Casselman was not at school in the forenoon, thus more strongly connecting her with any criminal act should one be discovered. Here again, it is said, the white waist will figure, for Miss Casselman's attorney will say there was another woman in the plot against his client, and that, knowing his client's habit of wearing black, this woman wore black on that day. The rollbook will be resumed at 10 o'clock today.

"BUMBOAT MAN" CAUSES COLLECTOR'S ARREST

Deal About Ice Cream Results in Well Known Character Sustaining a Slashed Coat—Suspected Man Is Out on Bail

G. W. Thompson, the "bumboat man," who has traveled from the north Atlantic ocean with the great fleet of war vessels, yesterday appeared in Justice Summerfield's court, wearing a look of reproach and a slashed and ripped coat. W. H. Johnson, a collector for Christopher's ice cream factory, was also in the little court room, charged with doing the cutting.

Thompson says he ordered forty gallons of ice cream sent to Long Beach, but when the material reached there he discovered it was seven gallons short. He told his troubles to the collector when that individual presented the bill. Johnson says Thompson drew a small pen-knife and began slashing without any regard to the injury done the clothing of his opponent. Johnson also says he received a severe flesh wound.

Johnson was released on \$3000 bail and will be arraigned later. He says the "bumboat man" placed his hand on a hip pocket in a manner calculated to arouse suspicion, that he was about to be attacked with a deadly weapon.

FORMER BEAUTIFUL WOMAN SENT TO INSANE ASYLUM

Compton Resident Known as "Queen of the Kleptomaniacs" Arrested and Placed Under Care of Managers at Patton

Mary Jane Gates, aged 75 years, at one time known as the "queen of the kleptomaniacs," was yesterday committed to the insane asylum after examination by the lunacy commission in the superior court.

The woman has been living at Compton, and was arrested two weeks ago following a violent outbreak. Yesterday's commitment was the second in the last few years.

Mrs. Gates was, many years ago, well known to the police through her work in pilfering and shoplifting. She was at that time a beautiful woman and her thefts were looked upon as the result of a peculiar condition of mind.

Case Is Retest The retrial of Constantini Boraci, charged with murdering his wife several years ago, was yesterday reset for June 8 by Judge Smith of the superior court.

Fireworks at Redondo Beach Friday night, also all night ball at the pavilion. Hourly service all night on the L. A. & R. railway.

REFERENDUM PLAN WILL BE RENEWED

FLEET WEEK CAUSES SHORT INTERRUPTION

Cheaply Sold Franchise of San Pedro South Park Line May Become Political Issue if Petitions Spread

Renewed efforts are being made to invoke the referendum in the case of the Los Angeles Railway company's cheaply bought franchise for the San Pedro-South Park line.

Fifteen thousand names are needed to insure success, in which event the city will resell the franchise to a higher bidder. The company paid only \$500 for the franchise.

It is believed that the city may reap at least \$10,000 to \$25,000 for the franchise, as it forms a link in a direct line to the Wilmington-San Pedro harbor.

Because of fleet week there has been an interruption in the circulation of petitions, but it will be resumed today, it is stated.

TAKES STAND FOR AQUEDUCT INTERESTS

Protests Against Representative Smith's Opposition to Extension of Sierra Forest Reserve Desired by Los Angeles

On account of the opposition of Congressman Smith to the extension of the Sierra forest reserve to include the Los Angeles aqueduct and the Owens river to its head waters, the Los Angeles chamber of commerce announced yesterday that it had sent the following telegram to President Roosevelt on April 17:

"To the President, White House, Washington. We understand that Representative Smith of California is about to file with you a protest against the extension of the Sierra Forest Reserve, which is desired by the city of Los Angeles, and which is recommended by the secretary of the interior. Smith's personal attack on the interests of Los Angeles we believe to be identical in motive with the former opposition of himself and the power companies to the grant by congress of rights of way for the Los Angeles aqueduct, which opposition was overcome only through your personal intervention. We also believe the proposed extension urgently necessary for the carrying out of such an aqueduct project and for protecting the source of water supply against pollution.

"Preliminary work on the aqueduct is now complete. Seven hundred men are at work already and the force is rapidly being increased. Over \$1,000,000 of bonds bearing 4 per cent interest have been taken within the last four months by California purchasers in aid of this project.

"The city board of public works is preparing and will forward immediately a written statement for submission to you.

LOS ANGELES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. GEO. H. STEWART, President."

ARGUMENTS TO BEGIN IN DENNETT CHILDS CASE

When department five of the superior court adjourned yesterday all the evidence had been presented by both sides in the second trial of Dennett Childs, charged with illegal registration at Ocean Park in August last. Arguments will begin this morning.

The case against Gus Lueder, charged with a similar offense, was yesterday dismissed by Judge Conroy on motion of the district attorney's office, the evidence being insufficient to convict.

Steam Trains to San Pedro and Long Beach (Santa Fe) will run trains from Arcadio station, Los Angeles to San Pedro, as follows: To San Pedro, April 21, 22, 23-7:50 a. m., 9:05 a. m., 9:30 a. m. (except the 23d), 11:30 a. m., 12:30 p. m., 1:30 p. m., 3:30 p. m., 4:30 p. m., 5:30 p. m., 7:50 p. m., 8:50 p. m., 9:30 p. m.

To Long Beach—8:30 a. m., 9:30 a. m. (Thursday only), 10:30 a. m., 2:30 p. m., 4 p. m., 5:30 p. m. From Long Beach—10 a. m., 11 a. m., 11:55 a. m., 4 p. m., 5:05 p. m. (via San Pedro), 7 p. m. Round trip 50 cents. Purchase tickets in advance at 600 South Spring street or Arcadio station.

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COOK MUST SERVE LIFE TERM AT SAN QUENTIN

Motion for a new trial for Fred D. Cook, found guilty a few days ago of killing his wife in August last, was yesterday overruled by Judge B. N. Smith, and Cook was sentenced to San Quentin penitentiary for life. Cook exhibited the same calm demeanor at the time of his sentence as he had shown throughout the trial, and when asked by the court if he had anything to say replied simply, "No, sir." It is probable the convicted man will be taken north today.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT FORCE VISITS THOMAS' FLAGSHIP

Inspectors and Others Explore the Points of Interest Aboard the Connecticut in San Pedro Harbor

Health department attaches were guests yesterday of the officers of the flagship Connecticut.

Fruit Inspector R. F. Drummond has relatives aboard ship, and the outing was arranged through them, the inspectors and others of the department making the trip in company with their wives, daughters and sisters.

The rain and wind made the journey exciting, but did not dampen the enthusiasm of the visitors, who spent several hours in exploring the points of interest and viewing the big fighting machine.

Those in the party included these health officers: R. F. Drummond, Dr. M. C. Banli, Jesse R. Caldwell, Geo. Furtch, R. A. Brown, L. L. Cohn, John Crowley, T. F. Donahue, Nic Harris, George W. Hood, E. W. Hotchkiss, Fred T. Hughes, E. J. Hill, George W. Hooser, Chas. F. Lewis, W. H. McMill, D. D. Morton, Arthur Potts, J. G. O'Brien, George L. Pierce, John E. Nelson, J. A. Traylor.

Secretary Hugh M. Love, Mortuary Clerk Henry Sief, and Nurses Miss E. M. Thornton and Miss E. V. Hill, remained on duty all day at the health office.

MEDICAL STUDENTS SEE HOSPITAL SHIP RELIEF

Escorted by Health Officer Powers, a Score of Future Practitioners Visit the Floating Mercy Steamer

Dr. L. M. Powers, health officer, escorted a class of medical students aboard the fleet's hospital ship Relief in San Pedro harbor yesterday.

There were over a score in the party, who were conveyed to the big floating hospital by the ship's launches.

All of the departments were carefully inspected, and the modern appliances aboard noted.

The sick, operating, laboratory, clinical and other rooms were inspected, as well as the diet, kitchen, sterilizing, nurses' quarters and other sections, such as hospital and passages.

The visit consumed several hours and was a treat for those whose work may some day be along the same lines.

MORE OPPORTUNITIES OPEN FOR MUNICIPAL PLACES

Civil Service Commission Will Hold Examinations for Chauffeur, Engineer, Tapper and Blacksmith on Saturday

The civil service commission will on Saturday hold an examination for a number of positions in which vacancies exist or for which the eligible list is decreasing rapidly.

One of the positions for which there will be contests is that of chauffeur for the water department. This involves the duty of piloting municipal busses wagons up the Owens valley, and is considered a desirable position.

The positions for which tests will be held are assistant steam engineer and tapper for water department, blacksmith for fire department and chauffeur for aqueduct department.

JURY'S VERDICT IN FAVOR OF MRS. ABBOTT A jury in Judge Bordwell's court yesterday returned a verdict in favor of the defendant in the suit of Mrs. Anna Abbott against Edward E. Maler, who sought to recover \$50,000 on account of the death of her husband, W. E. Abbott. Abbott was killed by being struck by Maler's automobile on Sixth street between Figueroa and South Flower, in February.

Herald Patterns

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Women's Clubs

Meeting of Cosmos Club The annual meeting of the Cosmos club was held yesterday afternoon at the Ebell, and officers for the coming year were elected, as follows: Mrs. Robert P. Howell, president; Mrs. T. R. Wallace, first vice president; Mrs. Eugene B. Root, second vice president; Mrs. Ada Ward, recording secretary; Mrs. J. B. Solomon, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. A. J. Bletso, treasurer.

Nathaniel Bedford, who was to have addressed the club on the subject of the George Junior Republic, was absent, detained by the serious illness of his wife, but an impromptu program was given by several of the members, which consisted of two solos and a recitation by Mrs. J. J. McLean and two recitations by Mrs. J. B. Solomon.

A reception will be given as a compliment to the retiring president, Mrs. George W. Jordan, at the home of Mrs. J. B. Solomon, on Coronado street, on May 7. The reception committee on this occasion will be composed of retiring officers.

Prisoner Chances Plea Gerald F. Muir, who some days ago pleaded not guilty to a charge of passing a forged check, yesterday changed his plea to guilty and the date of sentencing was set by Judge Wilbur for April 24 at 10 o'clock. It is probable an application will be made for probation.

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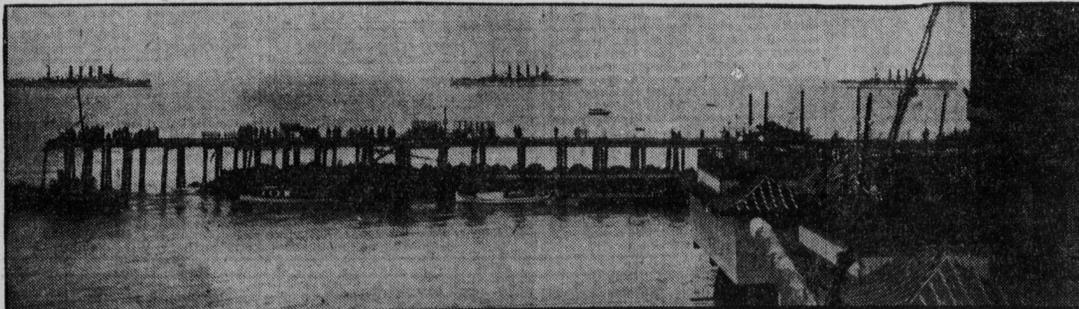
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