

SMALL SUMS SWELL FUND FOR YOUTHS

RELATED FRIENDS INCREASE HERALD'S LIST

Eastern Newspapers Comment on Los Angeles' Generosity to Her Children Who Are Temporarily Impoverished

Related contributors are still sending in cash gifts to The Herald for the Christmas fund, and these will be acknowledged in the auditing committee's report.

The inspection and approval of the finances and expenditures rests with a number of well known bankers—Messrs. Stoddard Jess, vice president of the First National bank; W. D. Woolwine, vice president of the National Bank of California; J. P. Hull, vice president of the American National bank; and S. F. Zombro, vice president of the Central National bank.

Marked copies of The Herald containing notes of progress the fund-getting for the big festival at the Y. M. C. A. and Simpson auditorium on Christmas have been sent all over the country by workers in the cause, with the result that many contributors to the fund of Los Angeles' thoughtfulness to her children have been printed in Eastern newspapers. The articles make plain the fact, as stated in these columns, that the poverty here is only such as is found in all big cities and that the distress this year in the depressed times was less marked here than at any other section of the republic.

One of the proudest sights these days is that of dozens of the poorer neighborhoods wearing shoes, stockings and clothes presented to them as a result of the kindness of Herald readers in giving their clothes and their cash for the cause of the unfortunate children. Reports from the stores where The Herald's free merchandise checks were cashed are that invariably the mothers would select only useful articles for the children. The looks of appreciation on their faces were noted by the salespeople and commented upon.

ARRAIGNS NEGRO ACCUSED OF WHOLESALE POISONING

Charge is Made Vitrol Salts Were Put in Milk at Boarding House. Prisoner Held in \$3000

W. H. H. Morris, negro, who was arrested with Johnson several days ago, was arraigned in police court yesterday afternoon on a complaint, charging felony. Morris is accused of having put poison in two cans of milk that had been left at the boarding house conducted by Fannie Martin, 620 East First street Christmas morning. The poisoned milk was discovered by the cook, who noticed a green sediment in the bottom of the milk can. A sample was sent to the city chemist for examination and vitrol salts were found in the milk. Morris and Johnson had been loitering about the boarding house and were ordered away. It is thought they attempted the wholesale poisoning for revenge. Morris will appear in court at 2 o'clock today when his trial will be held. His bonds were fixed at \$3000.

WIFE SAYS SHE WANTED TO SCARE, NOT TO KILL, SPOUSE

Declares She Is Good Shot and Could Have Ended Life of Husband. Fine of Ten Dollars Imposed

Mrs. J. E. Newman, who was arrested several days ago near the postoffice while pointing a revolver at her husband, with whom she has quarreled, appeared in Police Justice Chambers' court for sentence yesterday. "I could have killed him," she said, "for I am a good shot; I simply pointed the weapon at him to scare him." The deputy district attorney asked the court to be lenient with the woman, as she thought she meant to do no harm. She was fined \$10 for carrying concealed weapons. The fine was paid by her husband, who is the proprietor of a barber shop at 311 West Sixth street.

DRUGGISTS CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL SALE OF LIQUOR

Proprietor and Clerk Alleged to Have Sold Whisky to Plain Clothes Men—Bonds Fixed at \$150

Leo F. Baas, proprietor of a drug store at 1589 West Washington street, and his clerk, E. Lambert, were arrested yesterday afternoon on complaints issued by the prosecuting attorney charging them with violating the liquor ordinance. Two patrolmen in plain clothes are said to have bought whisky from Baas and his clerk. The bottles of liquor were produced in evidence when the men were arraigned in police court yesterday afternoon. They pleaded not guilty and asked for a jury trial. January 14 is the date set for the hearing and their bonds have been fixed at \$150 each.

SILENCE!

The instinct of modesty natural to every woman is often a great hindrance to the cure of womanly diseases. Women shrink from the personal questions of the local physician which seem to indicate the thought of examination is abhorrent to them, and so they endure in silence a condition of disease which surely progresses from bad to worse.

It has been Dr. Pierce's privilege to cure a great many women who have found a refuge for modesty in his offer of FREE consultation by letter. All correspondence is held sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription restores and regulates womanly functions, abolishes pain and builds up and finishes touch of health on every weak woman who takes it a fair trial.

It makes Weak Women Strong, Sick Women Well.

Be careful to accept a secret nostrum as a substitute for the scientific medicine of known composition.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

HOPE STREET LIKELY TO OBTAIN ITS WALL

PLANS ADOPTED BY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Vrooman Assessment District May Be Formed and Cost Above \$18,000 Assessed to Property Owners Interested

After three years of what has looked like a lingering death the Hope street retaining wall seems in a fair way to be built. New plans for the wall were adopted by the board of public works yesterday and the city engineer was instructed to draw up specifications.

Changes have been made in the plans. The long wall is to be ornamented with pilasters and a broad stairway will be placed about the center.

Engineer Homer Hamlin has estimated that the actual cost of the work, minus profit and percentage, will be a little more than \$17,000. The council has appropriated \$20,000 as a fund for building the wall, but the board of public works has induced several councilmen to agree to cut this down to \$18,000 and compel the property owners to pay all in excess of that amount.

The plan is to adopt the specifications, advertise for bids and then, before the contract is awarded, make a Vrooman assessment district and apportion the cost above \$18,000 to the interested property owners.

The wall will be constructed in the center of Hope street, from Third to Second, and the street will be made a block wide. The western half of the block will make a gradual uphill slope and the eastern portion will run down to the Third street tunnel.

ORANGE STREET WILL HAVE FIRST MACADAM PAVEMENT

Board of Public Works Awards Contract—Substantial Storm Drain Will Be Put in as Preliminary Step

The first macadam pavement in the city will be that on Orange street. The board of public works opened bids for this pavement yesterday and awarded the contract to the Patillo Contracting company. Before the pavement is laid a good main drain will be put in. This drain is included in the contract, and will cost \$750.

Macadam pavements are something the board of public works has been trying to introduce for a long time, but for some reason property owners seem prejudiced against them.

A macadam pavement was proposed for Hooper avenue from Twenty-eighth to the southern city limits, but owners protested against it so vigorously that the board yesterday changed the specifications to petrolitic pavement, with brick gutters. The board tried to make the change for Hooper avenue is a regular water course and it is feared the macadam would not be able to care for the immense amount of water that flows down the street during the rains.

NEPHEW OF COUNCILMAN LYON MEETS AWFUL FATE

Three-Year-Old Boy Falls Into Tub of Scalding Water and Expires Within a Few Minutes

Falling into a tub of hot water and suffering scalds to such an extent that the flesh dropped from his bones, the little three-year-old nephew of Councilman Henry Lyon met a horrible death Tuesday afternoon.

The lad was playing in the kitchen, where his uncle, Ed McGinley, was scrubbing the floor. A tub of hot water was on the floor and his uncle playfully called the lad to have his face washed. The little boy entered into the spirit of his uncle's playfulness and backed away from the threatened washing. He tripped on the tub and fell backward into the boiling water. Although his uncle pulled him from the tub instantly, the boy was so badly scalded he lived but a few minutes.

AWARDS CONTRACT AT PRICE CONSIDERED ABSURDLY LOW

The contract for laying culverts under the water main at Marmion way to relieve the water situation in Garvanza was awarded yesterday to F. W. Whittier at prices which the board of public works laughed at as ridiculously low.

Whittier bids \$115 for constructing the culvert under Pasadena avenue and \$375 for the one under Marmion way. The highest bid for the work was \$1059 for Pasadena and \$1196 for Marmion. The city engineer estimated the cost of the work at \$1500.

APPLIES TO CITY COUNCIL FOR AN ELECTRIC ROAD FRANCHISE

H. F. Vollmer has applied to the city council for an electric railway franchise on Fifty-fourth street from Hoover to Dalton.

This will be a continuation of the Fifty-fourth street line and will make a complete cross-town line in the southern part of the city from San Pedro to Dalton.

LOS ANGELES MUST BUILD OWN HARBOR

SAYS THE ADMINISTRATION IS AGAINST FREE PORTS

City's Representative to Rivers Congress Reports Official Sentiment Opposed to Opening Free Water Terminals

That a public harbor and docks never will be granted for San Pedro by the national government and if Los Angeles expects such a harbor it must get it through its own exertions is the substance of the formal report submitted by Joseph H. Call to Niles Pease, president of the city council.

Mr. Call is the official representative sent by the city to the national rivers and harbors congress held recently at Washington, D. C. He was a member at large of the committee on resolutions and platform, the special courtesy being extended to him for suggesting the position.

In his report Mr. Call says he found such an unanimous sentiment among congressmen and government officials against opening free national harbors that he is convinced Los Angeles never can look to that source for a free national harbor at San Pedro.

"In conclusion, I venture to add that I have formed the opinion that the opposition to the opening of harbors and improvement of the United States coast in the senate and house of representatives that we need not hope for a public harbor and public docks at San Pedro or elsewhere upon this coast in the vicinity of this city unless they are constructed and owned by the city of Los Angeles."

SUSPECT PROPOSED ROAD OF BEING CITY PROPERTY

Engineer Will Make Special Surveys to Determine Title to Real Estate Lying Contiguous to Elysian Park

In order to determine whether private property owners are trying to deed to the city land for other purposes that it already owns, Councilman Clappitt and Dromgold and City Engineer Hamlin made an automobile trip to the property in question yesterday morning. They were unable to reach a conclusion in the matter, and the city engineer must make surveys.

Dick Hunter, owner of the Hunter ranch, and others interested with him wish to improve the old Los Feliz road that runs along the eastern side of Elysian park. They want the city to accept the road as a public street as far as it extends into the city, which is about a mile. But the council has a suspicion that a portion of this road runs on city property.

The city formerly owned about ten acres on either side of the road, but a portion of it was fenced off by private property owners without protest from the city, and these owners have acquired title to it by squatter rights.

The city still owns a portion of this land, and it is believed the proposed improvement is the reason. By accepting the street the council fears to jeopardize what interests the city may have left.

"DEAD HOSS" SALE BRINGS CITY COMFORTABLE PROFIT

Charles L. Wilde, chief deputy city clerk, showed exceptional ability as an auctioneer yesterday morning at the "dead hoss" sale, and disposed of fourteen pieces of property for \$272, five amount owing on the property for unpaid taxes was \$97, giving the city a clear profit of \$175.

Wilde will hold another auction January 14 and some good pieces of property are included in the list of parcels to be disposed of. But the sale of January 28 is expected to eclipse anything held on the city hall steps heretofore. Houses and lots are listed in the property then to be sold.

LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY TO BE KEPT BY GRAND ARMY

Local Posts Appoint Committee to Wait on Mayor, Who Promises to Declare the Date a Public Holiday

Committees from the three Grand Army posts of the city met in the hall of the builders' exchange Tuesday evening to arrange for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln.

Those present: From Bartlett Logan post, A. J. Wilson, J. W. Van Horne, R. Hefflinger and M. F. Price; from Stanton post, Charles E. Case, W. S. Daubenspeck, H. Z. Osborne and J. M. Gunn, and from Konesaw post, Daniel Jones, S. B. Gregory and C. R. Stevens.

A. J. Wilson of the department committee acted as chairman and J. M. Gunn was appointed secretary. A committee was appointed to ask Mayor Harper to declare February 12 a holiday, which he has consented to do.

Committee were appointed on securing a speaker, hiring a hall and procuring music. The patriotic instructors of the three posts were constituted a committee to arrange with the school authorities for the proper observance of the day in the schools of the city.

ANGELENOS PLAN TO SEND RELIEF TO QUAKE VICTIMS

Business Men and Prominent Citizens Will Meet to Devise Method for Aiding Stricken Italians

A committee composed of some of the most prominent citizens and business men of Los Angeles will meet this morning at 10 o'clock in the rooms of the Merchants and Manufacturers' association to discuss ways and means of sending relief from Los Angeles to earthquake-stricken Southern Italy.

The committee is composed of Frank Wiggins, J. O. Koepfl, J. M. Schneider, George H. Stewart, T. L. Duque, Niles Pease, F. J. Zeehandelaar and Mayor A. C. Harper.

Home 10571 Sunset-Broadway 4944 Broadway Cor. 4th Los Angeles. Arthur Letts

Last of the Pre-Inventory Sale Prices Drop to the Limit of Lowness

New Year's Groceries Beautiful Coats and Wraps Broadcloths, Kerseys and Fancy Woollens \$13.75 \$20, \$25 AND UP TO \$35 VALUES

- PRE-INVENTORY PRICES Prices play an all important part in this great Grocery Department. Sugar Cured Eastern Hams, lb. 14c 6 Lbs. Fancy Sweet Potatoes, 1.15c 1 Lbs. New "Pike" Beans, 1.25c 2-Pound Roll La Premier Butter, 66c 3 Packages Graham Crackers, 1.25c National Biscuit Co's, 1.25c 1 Lb. Fancy Layer Raisins, 1.10c Gallon Sweet Cider, "New York State," 1.50c 10c allow for return of jars. 1 Lb. California Cream Cheese, 1.18c Pound Imported Layer Eggs, 1.25c 2-Doz. Raisins, London, 1.15c 2-Doz. Bot. Van Duzer's Vanilla, 25c 2 Lbs. Fancy Mixed Nuts, 1.25c Pound Large Baddled Walnuts, 1.30c Pound Almonds, Paper Shell, 1.14c 3 Pkgs. Glenwood Mince-meat, 1.25c Pint Jar California Strained Honey, 1.18c Dozen Fancy Navel Oranges, 2.00c 1 Lb. Broadway Extra Coffee, 1.35c Can Bartlett Peas, 1.10c Syrup, 1.18c

Here's a price to make things hum in the Coat Section. Beautiful coats and wraps of finest broadcloth, kersey and imported English woolsens; Empire, tight-fitting and semi-fitting models. They're lined with satin or silk. Coats that are big sellers at \$20, \$25 and up to \$35. Get one for New Year's day. Sale price \$13.75.

\$5 Skirt Sale Continues Today KNIT PETTICOATS 95c and \$1.25 Ones. 69c If you were here yesterday you realize what this Skirt Sale means; \$7.50 to \$20 lines grouped in one big price lot to sell at \$6.00.



Wonderful Sale Evening Dresses and Silk Jumper Suits \$10.00

Here's evidence of bold price cutting; a grouping of beautiful evening dresses, silk jumper suits and pretty two-piece gowns, including messaline, taffeta, foulard, etc., daintily trimmed with lace; also serviceable taffeta jumper suits and dresses, great values at \$15, \$25 and up to \$35, in time for New Year's, priced \$10.00.

Sale of Soiled and Crumpled Waists Lawns, Lingeries, Silk and Net, \$1.50 to \$5 Values \$1.00

We're going to start the New Year with a fresh stock of waists; and all those that have been slightly soiled, wrinkled in displays, including lawns, tailored linen, madras and some silk and net waists, formerly priced from \$1.50 to \$5.00, go quickly at \$1.00.

Dress and Evening Waists \$3.95

The broken assortments—they are slightly mused or crumpled—that are now selling at from \$5.00 to \$15.00, consisting of fine messaline, taffeta, lace and net waists. Out they go today at \$3.95.

LIPPINCOTT TO PASS THE TEST

MUST TAKE CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION.

CORRESPONDENCE POLITE, BUT FULL OF SARCASTIC

Commission Declares Assistant Engineer of Aqueduct Can No Longer Be Allowed to Hold Position Irregularly

J. B. Lippincott, assistant engineer of the aqueduct, has been holding his position only by sufferance on the part of the civil service commission. Should the commission decide to hold up his warrant he would not be able to draw his pay. But this sufferance is now at an end and Mr. Lippincott must take the civil service examination for his position.

This was the statement made in a letter from the civil service commission to the board of public works yesterday. The letter was in reply to one sent by the board to the commission, which itself was a reply to complaints the commission had made about the alleged violation of civil service rules on the aqueduct.

The letter yesterday bristled with sarcasm and declared in the politest terms possible that the commission did not believe some of the statements the board of public works had made in its letter. The letter of the board was written by Gen. Chaffee, the member in charge of aqueduct matters, and was to the effect that the shifting of employes on the aqueduct was for the purpose of increasing the efficiency of the force and not with any intent to disregard civil service regulations.

One of the complaints made by the commission was that W. R. Ormsby, aqueduct storekeeper, was acting as purchasing agent. In his reply Gen. Chaffee stated that an error probably had been made in designating Mr. Ormsby's title, and that his duties were similar to those of a naval storekeeper, who made purchases under the direct supervision of the secretary of the navy. To this the commission replied:

"In the case of Ormsby, naval storekeeper, acting under a liberal interpretation of terms as chief purchasing clerk, it appears that the proper designation has not been given to his position. This inadvertence as to title may be corrected by your honorable board at any time when the schedule is under revision and Mr. Ormsby may take an examination for the new position."

Must Conform to Law The last paragraph in the letter called attention to the fact that the position of assistant engineer had never been exempted and that Mr. Lippincott would have to take a civil service examination the following being the language used:

"While referring to this subject of exemptions from civil service of technical and skilled positions it may be well to call the attention of your honorable body to the fact that the position of assistant engineer, held by Mr. Lippincott, has not been exempted, nor has Mr. Lippincott ever qualified in the recent way. Following its policy of a liberal construction of the law and considering the high character of the position and the eminent qualifications of the incumbent this commission has hitherto allowed the matter

Woman Kills Sweetheart

WASHINGTON, N. C., Dec. 30.—John Emerson Stone, aged 25, highly connected in Boston and New York, a graduate of Holy Cross college, Worcester, Mass., was shot and killed here early today by May Woolard, who then shot herself twice and may die. The tragedy followed Stone's call on the woman to say he was leaving her for good and going home. Stone had two brothers, Gilbert Stone of New York and Capt. Edgar Stone, U. S. A., stationed in Luzon, P. I. The former is on his way here to take charge of the body.

JURY DECIDES EXTON COMMITTED SUICIDE

Witnesses Testify to Finding Body of Music Dealer and That Revolver and Mirror Were Near Corpse

A verdict of suicide was returned by the coroner's jury at the inquest at the morgue of Robert Sharp & Son yesterday afternoon over the body of George F. Exton, manager of the Exton Music company, 216 West Third street. Exton was found about 8:30 o'clock Tuesday morning in the basement of his store with a bullet wound in his head. A small mirror was on the wall

Will Pay \$750,000 Back Taxes

CINCINNATI, Dec. 30.—The Union Central Life Insurance company of Cincinnati will pay to Hamilton county the sum of \$750,000 in settlement of the claims of the county against the company for more than \$3,000,000 in back taxes. The settlement was reached today.

Joseph Daughtery, an employee of the music company, and George W. Hersee, a piano tuner having an office in the store, testified at the inquest. After hearing the testimony of the witnesses the jury returned a verdict in accordance with the facts. Funeral services will be held in the chapel of Robert Sharp & Son, undertakers, at 10 o'clock this morning and the body will be cremated at Rosedale cemetery.

DESMOND'S

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Regular \$2.50 and \$2.00 Values Men's Shirts \$1.00 Regular \$2.50 and \$2.00 Values

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