

# PIANOS

### A Remarkable Sale of Slightly Used Instruments Taken in Exchange as Part Payment on Grand and Player Pianos

If you want a GOOD Piano, at a low price, on a small cash payment, and very easy terms, buy NOW—the opportunity of the season is here for you. The instruments we offer were not purchased for "sale" purposes. They are not of the grades you find in "sale pianos." All are known makes, some of them taken from the best homes in Los Angeles. They were turned in to us as part payment on Grand and Player Pianos. We have put them into perfect condition, and have placed them on sale at prices fixed without regard to original or even to present value. The list below merely serves as an example of the Pianos on sale. Nearly double this number are here to select from—yours for a small cash payment, on very easy terms. Examine some of these instruments early in the week. If you have a favorite make among them, secure it at once. Already our sales are heavy, and to thoroughly satisfy yourself you should buy NOW.

### This List Is Made Up of Upright Pianos All in Guaranteed Condition

STEINWAY Originally \$775	\$450	SOHMER Originally \$550	\$365
KRANICH & BACH Originally \$530	\$395	KEES Original \$350	\$175
WEBER Originally \$400	\$195	DECKER BROS. Original \$600	\$195
KURZMANN Originally \$425	\$295	HAZELTON Originally \$400	\$195
MASON & HAMILAN Originally \$550	\$265	HARDMAN Original \$450	\$240
STERLING Original \$400	\$210	CHICKERING Original \$300	\$295
HAINES Original \$375	\$225	CROWN Original \$400	\$215
SMITH & BARNES Original \$350	\$235	REGENT Original \$350	\$210
HUNTINGTON Original \$350	\$195	SOHMER Original \$300	\$225
EMERSON Original \$375	\$175	VOSE & SONS Original \$400	\$210
STARBUCK Original \$400	\$175	HALET & PATYNS Original \$500	\$195
RICHMOND Original \$350	\$175	WILBUR Original \$325	\$165

### Several Used Player Pianos at \$450 & \$550

We also have several Used Player Pianos at \$450 and \$550, remarkable values at these figures, as they are standard high-grade makes and in perfect condition. If you're interested in securing one of these most "modern" Pianos, see them Monday or Tuesday, as they'll be taken quickly at the reduced prices.

### Square Pianos Piano Players

Knabe, Yose, Chickering, Kranich & Bach, and other makes at \$50, \$75, \$100, \$125. Organs at \$15 and \$25 each.

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## THE CITY

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### The Herald will pay \$10 in cash in any 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.

### Membership in the Los Angeles Realty board is a virtual guarantee of reliability. Provision is made for arbitration of any differences between members and their clients. Accurate information on realty matters is obtainable from them. Valuations by a competent committee. Directors members free at the office of Herbert Burdett, secretary, 525 Security building, Phone Broadway 1594.

### The Legal Aid society, at 232 North Main street, is a charitable organization maintained for the purpose of aiding in legal matters those unable to employ counsel. The society needs financial assistance and seeks information regarding worthy cases. Phone Home 5202; Main 8366.

### The Herald, like every other newspaper, is misrepresented at times, particularly in cases involving hotels, theaters, etc. The public will please take notice that every representative of this paper is equipped with the proper credentials, and more particularly with the proper authority to represent the paper in all matters.

### AROUND TOWN

### Lawyer-Preacher to Speak

Rev. J. B. Holley, lawyer and preacher, will speak this afternoon in Music hall, Blanchard building, at 2:30 o'clock. C. E. Sweet will have charge of the music.

### Ohio Society Will Meet

Former residents of Ohio are invited to attend the meeting of the Ohio society Tuesday evening in the Fraternal Brotherhood hall. The program will begin at 8 o'clock.

### Will Supply Pulpit

Rev. George Robert Cairns of Seattle has been secured to supply the pulpit of the First Baptist church during the month of January. Rev. Mr. Cairns will preach at both services today.

### "Where Are the Dead?"

"Where Are the Dead?" will be the subject of Rev. O. L. Sullivan, representative of the People's Pulpit association, Brooklyn, N. Y., this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at Symphony hall, 232 South Hill street.

### Noted Socialist to Speak

John M. Work of Iowa, a writer and speaker of national reputation, will address the meeting at McKinley hall, Walker Theater building, this evening on "What's So and What is Not So in Relation to Socialism."

### To Lecture on Hawaii

Mrs. Francis King Headlee will deliver an illustrated lecture on Hawaii at the Y. M. C. A. building at 8 o'clock tomorrow night. Mrs. Headlee has made a close study of conditions in

## News of the Courts

### MANY MISDEEDS LEAD TO PRISON

#### F. M. BARR FAILS TO GAIN PROBATION

Man Who Pleaded Guilty to Passing Fictitious Check Admits a Number of Other Accusations

Floundering in a deluge of incriminating testimony brought against him, F. M. Barr, who pleaded guilty several days ago to passing a fictitious check, unsuccessfully defended himself in Judge Davis' court yesterday against a number of other accusations, including shady financial transactions, misuse of the United States mails, bigamy and abandonment. Barr's application for probation was denied and he was sentenced to five years in San Quentin penitentiary.

The charge against Barr was that he passed a check for \$25 on J. Weissenberger December 31, 1908, when he had no deposit in the First National bank of San Diego, on which the paper was drawn. Barr was arrested in Ashland, Ore., in September, last year, but during the interval from the passing of the bad paper until his arrest an investigation showed he had been in Australia, China, the Philippines and the South Sea Islands, and had married a young woman in the island of Tahiti, where, it was proved, he had another wife living in San Diego from whom he had not been divorced.

#### Abandons His Bride

The Tahiti marriage occurred in May, 1909, and according to a letter from J. Drollet, father of the bride, Barr, traveling under the name of Arthur J. Stevens, a photo of Barr taken in San Diego, abandoned her at Karatongo island in a few weeks. Drollet also stated that Barr had procured \$1000 in Tahiti through the medium of bank checks and had stolen the jewelry belonging to his wife and her sister. Efforts to extradite Barr were made, and the papers, containing a history of his offenses in the far east and his photograph were yesterday placed in the hands of Judge Davis.

For ten years prior to the time he passed the Weissenberger check Barr was engaged in the real estate business in San Diego. The investigation developed that before he went to that city he served a year in the Alameda county jail after pleading guilty to a charge of misusing the mails.

#### Admits Many Misdeeds

In response to questions by his attorney, D. W. Mahoney, Barr acknowledged having committed all the misdeeds of which he was accused, with the exception of the Tahiti marriage and the uttering of illegal paper in that island. Barr denied he was in that island in May, last year, but this statement was refuted by a letter written by Philo J. Beveridge of Hollywood, in which he stated he met the accused man in Paris, Tahiti, the month that Barr was passing under the name of Stevens, and that the statements in the letter from Drollet were true.

## KEATING ESTATE AGAIN INVOLVED IN CONTROVERSY

William F. Nordholt Sues the Heirs for a Twenty-fourth Interest

A complaint filed in the superior court yesterday threatens to again involve the estate left by Andrew J. W. Keating, in a lengthy legal controversy. The complaint is that of William F. Nordholt, who purchased the interest of Henry Keating in his father's estate and now sues the other heirs for a partition of the property, in order that he may receive his portion. All the heirs and several banks and trust companies are made defendants in the action.

Nordholt claims a one-twenty-fourth interest in the Keating estate, the total value of which is estimated at \$1,000,000.

#### BRYSON'S OFFICE BUSY

The report of Public Administrator Frank Bryson made to the board of supervisors yesterday shows that his office handled the estates of seven or nine decedents during the past week, ended January 1. The largest estate placed in Mr. Bryson's hands to administer was that of Matilda Walden, the value of which is estimated at \$90,235. The smallest estate was that of Reinhard Zeigler, \$109.98. In the past six months the office has paid over to heirs a total of \$49,771.

#### INCORPORATIONS

The following articles of incorporation were filed in the county clerk's office yesterday:

W. D. Howard Motor Car company, capital \$25,000. Directors: W. D. Howard, H. P. Taylor, Maude Mathews.

Scheiber Concrete Roof Tile company, capital \$200,000. Directors: F. T. Schoenefeld, James E. Dunlop, August Rosmer.

#### HOMESICK, STEALS

Because he was homesick and alone among strangers, S. H. Crowther robbed the booming house of G. M. Saab, January 5, according to his story in Judge Willis' court yesterday when he pleaded guilty to a charge of burglary. Crowther said he committed the robbery in order to get money to take him back to his home in Vancouver, B. C.

#### IS AWARDED DAMAGES

The jury in the suit of A. Majors against M. J. Connors, for damages on account of personal injuries, returned a verdict in Judge Borswell's court yesterday awarding Majors \$1250. Majors was injured when the west front of Connors' Melrose hotel fell, in September, 1907.

#### TWO DIVORCE SUITS FILED

Two suits for divorce were filed in the superior court yesterday, Clarence J. Perry against Margaret Perry, and Josephine Bitting against John A. Bitting.

#### CITY BRIEFS

The popularity of the Chocolate Shop grows greater every day. You can always depend upon meeting those you know there. There seems to be nothing like just these home-made candies.

Soft-water shampoo, 50c; manicuring, 25c. Fjannigan & Griffith, 739 S. Broadway.

## Municipal Affairs

### CHEAP FRANCHISE GAME IS BLOCKED

#### THREE ORDINANCES VETOED BY MAYOR ALEXANDER

Chief Executive of City Turns Over to the Public Utilities Commission the Requests of Railway Corporations

Three ordinances granting franchises to street railways were vetoed by Mayor Alexander yesterday afternoon because they did not bear the approval of the public utilities commission. The disapproval of franchises by positively the utilities commission did not prevent the mayor from communicating to the mayor the commissioners stated they had had only a limited time to investigate and were not prepared to give a definite answer. The ordinances were passed by the council after the utilities commission was formed, and Councilman Wallace made an effort to have them referred to the public utilities commission. The failure of the council to follow Wallace's suggestion did not prevent the utilities commission from having a chance to consider them. As soon as the mayor received the ordinances he sent them to the commission.

In his veto message the mayor condemns the practice of the former council of selling franchises for \$100, irrespective of their value. One message, which follows, contains practically the same matter as the others:

I return herewith, without my approval, ordinance passed by your honorable body December 28, 1909, granting the Los Angeles Railway company a franchise for a street railway on Alhambra street, between Buena Vista and San Fernando streets, for the following reasons:

That, although I referred this ordinance to the board of public utilities, that body on account of lack of time and facilities, has not been able to make such an investigation as would enable it to come to a positive decision upon some of the questions which have arisen in regard to the granting of this franchise.

That nothing has developed to show that the public service or the just rights and interests of the petitioners will be materially affected by reason of such delay as may be necessary for complete investigation.

That, excepting under exceptional circumstances, franchises should not be granted to street railroads in short blocks or without ample and explicit provision for the payment by the grantees of all costs accruing from the construction of such franchises or from the expense of drainage or otherwise rendered necessary thereby.

That as stated in the report of the board of public utilities, no valuable franchises of any kind should be granted without adequate estimation of the intrinsic value thereof to the grantees, with a fair and equitable adjustment of compensation to be made to the city on such basis. The offer of \$100 each for any and all franchises, regardless of their widely varying values, is to be considered, in this respect, as covering about the bare cost of advertising required by the Broughton law now in force.

That the granting of two or more disconnected franchises in one and the same ordinance appears unwise, considered from a legal standpoint and from the danger of abuse through carelessness or inadvertence. The other vetoes are directed against a franchise granted to the Los Angeles Railway company on Melrose avenue, from Heliolope drive to Normandie avenue, and against the abandonment of a railroad franchise granted to Robert Marsh on West Eico street, between Delaware drive and the western city limits.

#### CITY FORCED TO PAY

##### WELL FOR SUPPLIES

Long Delays in Payments to Merchants Cause of High Prices Charged Municipality

As an instance of the excessive prices the city is compelled to pay for simple purchases the board of public utilities yesterday approved a demand for \$69.20 for an ordinary radiator for the auditor's department. Both President Hubbard and Inspector Humphreys have stated the price has an outrage, but the radiator was bid in and this was the lowest bid the city received.

Four men who handle this class of goods were asked to bid. Two of them absolutely refused to put in any price at all. One bid \$79 and the other \$69. The new finance committee, composed of Councilmen Washburn, Andrews and Williams, promised to correct the system that has resulted in the merchants demanding such high prices of the city, by seeing that these merchants receive a fair demand for their goods within a reasonable time. Under the former system it was sometimes months before merchants who had sold goods to the city could get their money, and as a result they either refused to bid at all or asked prices that would compensate them for the delay.

#### RAILWAY MUST RELAY TRACK

The board of public works yesterday ordered the Los Angeles-Pacific Railway company to tear up its tracks at Occidental boulevard, where they cross Sunset boulevard, and relay them according to the plans submitted by the company and filed with the city engineer.

#### CONSCIENCE STRICKEN.

##### SENDS \$5 TO MAYOR

Five dollars was added to Mayor Alexander's anonymous fund yesterday by some unknown conscience-stricken man. When the mayor opened his mail yesterday afternoon he found a letter written on a torn sheet of paper and in a hand that proved the writer was not accustomed to using a pen. The letter enclosed \$5 and asked that it be spent for the benefit of the hospital children.

This is the text of the letter: "This is conscience money. Please buy something for the hospital children. Do not give money or the children will never benefit by signature of any kind and nothing that would give an inkling of what a conscience-stricken man had committed."

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## January Sale of White Goods

Monday we inaugurate our annual sale of white goods. We offer great savings on staple goods for three days only. This will be an excellent opportunity to supply your wants for the coming season at a good saving.

Fancy White Goods values to 50c, sale price	25c	Madras Waistings, values to 45c, sale price	25c
35c Striped Irish Dimity, at, yard	22½c	45c Persian Lawn, at, yard	32½c
35c India Linon, at, yard	22½c	75c Persian Lawn, at, yard	40c
50c India Linon, at, yard	30c	65c White Linen for waists or dresses, at, yard	45c
40c French Lawn, at, yard	25c	\$2.25 Long Cloth, limit of one piece, at, bolt	\$1.45
50c French Lawn, at, yard	35c	\$2.25 Nainsook, limit of one piece, at, bolt	\$1.45
85c French Batiste, at, yard	50c		

## Curtains and Draperies At Clearance Prices

To quickly close out a lot of odd pairs in Lace Curtains and Portieres we offer the choice of this assortment at

**HALF PRICE**

\$2 Values COUCH COVERS at	\$1.25	25c FIGURED ART CRAFT SCRIM, Clearance Price, yard	15c
Values to \$3 in NOTTINGHAM LACE CURTAINS, Arabian or white, at pair	\$1.50	20c CRETONNES, Clearance Price, yard	12½c
Values \$1.00 to \$1.25 FIGURED MADRAS, clearance price, yard	50c	15c BURLAP, in colors or natural, Clearance Price, yard	9½c
35c CURTAIN NETS, Clearance Price, yard	20c	15c value SILKOLINES, Clearance Price, yard	8½c

## Handkerchiefs at Clearance Prices

To close out quickly broken lines of men's and women's regular 25c and 35c Initialed Linen Handkerchiefs We offer them 15c Each Monday at . . . 15c Each We also offer Doilies, Centers and Scarfs in cluny, Arabian and antique laces and Madeira hand embroidered work At One-Third Less

## Bargain Basement

SPECIAL SALE OF Tailored Waists At Almost HALF Price A fortunate purchase of the year end clean-up of one of the best manufacturers of fine waists enables us to offer Monday strictly tailored models in madras and percale at the following prices: \$1.50 and \$1.75 values, sale price . . . 95c Staple \$2 values, sale price . . . \$1.25

## SOUTHERN REPUBLICS SEEK CLOSER BONDS

Salvador Initiates Movement Which Meets Hearty Accord in Mexico

(Special Cable to The Herald.) MEXICO CITY, Jan. 8.—To establish and encourage closer commercial intercourse between the republics of Mexico and Salvador there is being organized an excursion of merchants, manufacturers, exporters, jobbers and shippers, generally, of Mexico to leave this capital for the south January 30 on a seventeen days' junket.

This is only the beginning of a campaign initiated by the Salvador railway and its steamship line; the Mexican railway, Tehuantepec route and Vera Cruz & Pacific, looking to a comprehensive interchange of visits among business men of Mexico and various republics of Central America. Duncan Bankhardt, Mexico general agent of the Salvador lines, is pioneer of the present movement.

## LABORER IS VICTIM OF MURDEROUS ASSAULT

Perfecto Olivas, a Mexican laborer, who is said to have been the victim of a murderous assault, was found in an unconscious condition late yesterday afternoon in Sunset boulevard, with a fractured skull and a deep scalp laceration. After regaining consciousness Olivas could hear what was said, but the blows had the peculiar effect of rendering him speechless. As there were no witnesses to the attack the police could not determine how the man came to his injuries, which, according to the police surgeons, will result fatally.

## OFFICERS INSTALLED BY PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES

G. A. R. and Woman's Relief Corps Hold Public Meeting to Place New Leaders

Members of the Barrett-Logan post, G. A. R., and the woman's relief corps held a public installation of officers last night at their hall, 517 South Broadway. Many of the veterans and their friends were present.

W. S. Daubenspeck, department commander of the G. A. R., installed the officers of the post as follows: Post commander, S. A. Austin; senior vice commander, T. J. Shea; junior vice commander, S. W. Kelsey; chaplain, Sarah A. Martin; chaplain, Elizabeth Hammeley; conductor, Maggie Dinnitt; guard, Ella Narcross; assistant conductor, Frances Hayes; assistant guard, Mary Lochlin; first color bearer, Kate Ely; second color bearer, Mammie Neal; third color bearer, Ada Case; fourth color bearer, Minerva Haver, and musician, Lottie Shear.

## SEYMOUR OUT OF CASE

Attorney J. F. Seymour, Jr., was yesterday dropped as assistant counsel in the defense of George A. Stone and wife, Clara Stone, charged with killing Morgan Shiveley near San Gabriel, January 2. Attorney J. G. Scarborough will be assisted by Attorney Jud Rush at the Stone preliminary examination to be held in the justice court at Alhambra, January 7.



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### Shoes Half Price and Less

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