

# Clean Judiciary Needed, Wilbur Tells City Club



JUDGE CURTIS D. WILBUR

## FINLAYSON ASKED TO SUCCEED SELF

Is Sought by Members of City Club as President of Organization

## JUDGE WILBUR IS SPEAKER

Many Members of State Judiciary Not All They Should Be. Is Statement

Judge N. P. Conroy has declined the nomination of president of the City club, and the nominating committee yesterday reported it had succeeded in inducing Frank G. Finlayson, the present president of the organization, to stand for re-election. Mr. Finlayson was elected first vice president last year, and when Judge John D. Works resigned the presidency on his election to the city council Mr. Finlayson was chosen to succeed him by the board of governors. The selection of Mr. Finlayson to succeed himself appeared eminently satisfactory to the members of the club, and it is not likely he will have any opposition at the election.

C. D. Wilbur, judge of the superior court, was the speaker at the City club yesterday, and told about the election of judges from a partisan standpoint.

"The selection of the judiciary is a

matter of peculiar importance in this country," said Judge Wilbur. "The judiciary is a most powerful branch of the government, as it alone decides the laws.

"We are taught that the president is the most powerful factor in our form of government, but there is grave doubt if the chief justice of the supreme court is not higher than the president, for the volume of business we do gives us first choice of almost all the best furniture in the market; we buy for our exclusive sale in our territory the products of a majority of the foremost factories in the United States;

"Half the judges in this state are not of this stamp Judge Wilbur admitted, and without mentioning any names or peculiarities that would point out the individual he was discussing, told how some of them owed their places to the good graces of the Southern Pacific organization and some to appointment by Governor Gillett. "Half the judges in this state are appointed by the governor," said Judge Wilbur. "When a vacancy occurs the governor has the power to fill it. When we ask our governor to select our judges we want to know who will tell the governor what judges he is to select.

"I know of a judge now sitting on the bench who aspired to the supreme bench of this state. He went to see W. F. Herrin, general counsel for the Southern Pacific, to see if he would be acceptable to that organization. He was told he would not be considered for the place. He still would be supreme judge, but feels he needs Herrin's influence to secure the position."

To illustrate how difficult it is to secure a thoroughly worthy judiciary under the present system of party conventions the speaker told of his experience at the Republican state convention at Santa Cruz when he submitted his name as a candidate for the second district court of appeals. He told of a judge who was slated by the convention for the supreme bench, who mistook him for a delegate from his own district, and asked him to return favor for having put the judge on the slate. When Mr. Wilbur explained who he was and corrected the misapprehension the supreme judge was very much embarrassed. Judge Wilbur's speech was full of incidents that showed how candidates for judgeships were selected and how the people who wanted them to interpret the laws in favor of special interests.

The direct primary and a recall at the end of stated periods would be of material value in securing the best kind of judges, was Judge Wilbur's conclusion.

## APPENDICITIS

How to Avoid It and Escape a Surgical Operation, Told by One Who Knows

A Simple Method That is Always Effective—Trial Package Free

It has been only a few years since it was discovered that a surgical operation would cure appendicitis; in fact, it has been but a short time since the disease was discovered and named. Whenever there is an inflamed condition of the appendix, caused by impacted feces in the small cavity opening into the intestine, you then have appendicitis.

The older doctors used to call this inflammation of the bowels and were puzzled to know the cause.

Even now, with all the knowledge we have of the disease, no medical man can tell you why we should have an appendix, why we find it where it is, or what are its functions, if it has any.

The disease for which the operation is a cure is used by indigestion, and in many cases follows a large and indigestible meal.

Physicians have until recently recommended an operation, but now, as it is known that it is caused by indigestion or dyspepsia, a cure without an operation is assured.

Where the patient is treated with Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets the unhealthy conditions prevailing rapidly disappear, the stomach and intestines are placed back in their normal condition, every organ of the body operates as it should, and the inflammation is reduced and the operation is avoided.

Conscientious physicians, who are looking after the best interests of their patients, will always keep a supply of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets handy in their office, where in cases of sudden attacks of indigestion they can relieve the patient at once.

There is no record of a case of appendicitis where the stomach and bowels were in a healthy condition and properly digested the food from meal to meal.

No better advice can be given to anyone who has attacks of indigestion or who has been threatened with appendicitis, than to tell him to go to the drug store, pay 50 cents and take home a package of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Whenever heartburn, gas in stomach or bowels, heart disease or stomach troubles, sour eructations, acidity or fermentation are present, act at once. Take a dose of the Tablets and get relief as soon as possible.

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## THIEF STEALS UNDETECTED DESPITE BURGLAR ALARMS

Protective Devices Fail to Sound Warning in Down Town Store

The downtown stores which were entered early yesterday morning by a lone burglar were equipped with burglar alarm systems and lighted by arc lights. Yet the thefts were not discovered until the places were opened for business shortly after 8 o'clock yesterday morning.

The clothing store of Lowman & Co. at 131 South Spring street evidently was the first store entered. The burglar pried open a window on the second story, walked downstairs and took \$21.70 from the cash register.

Leaving the Lowman store, the same man, it is believed, entered the store of J. Laventhal, 133 1/2 South Spring street, raveled through a second story window, which, as in the case of the other store, is but a few feet above the roof of an adjoining building, and stole \$11.40 from the cash drawer. Nothing else was taken.

The detectives who were detailed on the case say the man evidently climbed up the fire escape of the building adjoining the Lowman store, then swung himself on the low roof and gained access to the stores. No trace of the burglar has been found.

## HIBERNIAN SAVINGS BANK TO OCCUPY NEW QUARTERS

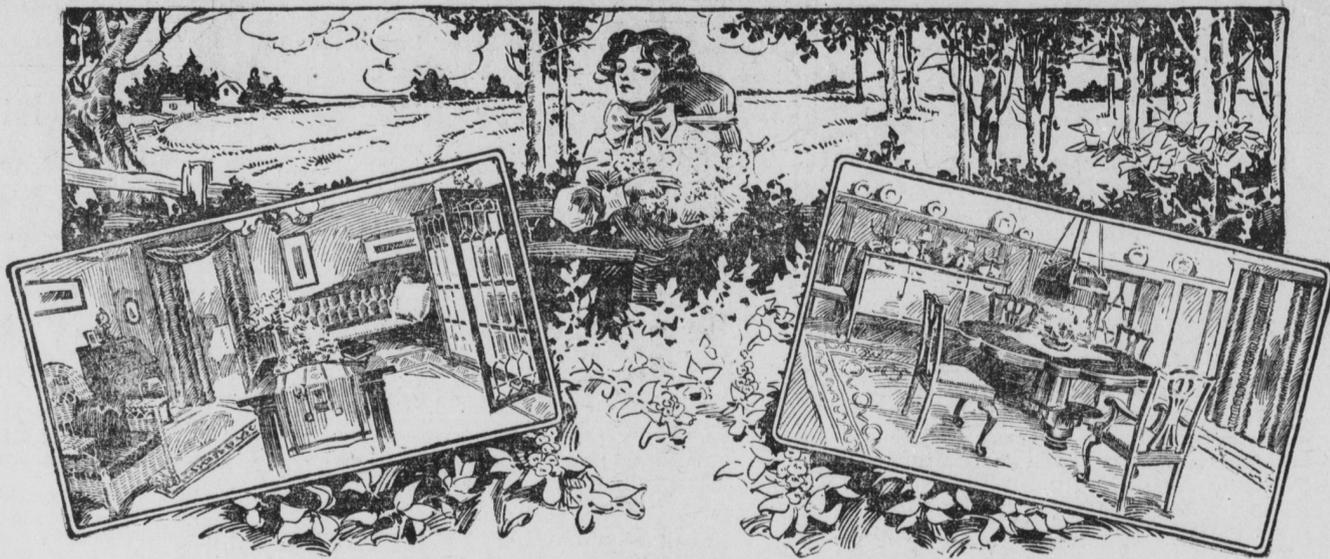
The Los Angeles Hibernian Savings Bank has leased for a term of years the bank corner room now occupied by the American Savings bank on the northeast corner of Third and Spring streets. The American Savings bank will vacate this building about the middle of May and the new bank will begin business at once. The building is well equipped with vaults and fixtures for the banking business. This is one of the best locations for a bank in the city and has been used successfully for this purpose for many years.

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### Is It Quality and Style?

—if these factors are of first consideration, and you seek the very best that the market affords, and styles that are strictly correct, remember that the volume of business we do gives us first choice of almost all the best furniture in the market; we buy for our exclusive sale in our territory the products of a majority of the foremost factories in the United States;

—therefore, if Quality and Style are of first consideration, you will find best opportunity to satisfy your desires at Barker Bros.—"The Store That Has the Goods."

—remember Barker Bros.' record of thirty years and more of leadership and straight dealing with the public of the Southwest;

—such a record as this gives you a real guarantee that you will secure in quality and style exactly what we claim to sell you, and exactly what you seek;

—you are also assured that the price you pay will be the lowest at which goods of real merit may be had anywhere West of the Rocky Mountains;

### Is It Bargain Values?

—If you are one of those who constitute the great majority of the public, and your first consideration is to obtain greatest possible value for every dollar you invest, then you can come to Barker Bros. knowing you will find values not to be duplicated in any other store;

—you will find at all times hundreds of specially priced bargains scattered through our stock; in addition you will find hundreds of regularly priced articles which are also real bargains, because we give our patrons the advantage of all special savings in cost which we secure, instead of marking specially bought goods at their regular worth, as other firms do;

—this method of marking goods puts thousands of articles in our stock at all times that are decisively underpriced; this practice, and the fact that we operate under the smallest profit-margin of any house in the West, because of our immense trade, gives us the prestige we enjoy, of being the lowest price furniture house on the entire Pacific coast;

## Is Not the Matter of Largest Assortment and Best Variety Important Enough to Consider Thoughtfully?

—Barker Bros. show largest assortments—a claim that is based upon hard facts; our great store, 110 feet front and 150 feet deep, contains seven full floors, a mezzanine floor and basement floor—practically nine floors, with a total area of nearly 150,000 square feet. With the exception of our carpet and drapery work rooms and clerical departments, occupying less than two floors, this is devoted entirely to the display of our sample line. Think of it—seven mammoth floors devoted entirely to the display of our retail stock. In addition to our retail sales-building, we have a reserve-stock warehouse which exceeds in size any other West of the Mississippi river. A visit to our establishment offers easy verification of these statements; comparisons with any and all other stores will show that no argument is allowable as to our absolute leadership in the matter of assortments;

—it makes no difference whether you desire low price, medium price, high grade, or ultra-exclusive, you will find all grades of furniture in Barker Bros.' stock, in greatest variety and choicest assortment, from which you can choose to best possible advantage, no matter how widely differing your tastes may be. There is only one conclusion you can arrive at if you desire greatest satisfaction in your furniture buying—that the best place of all to go to is

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## YUMA LAND APPLICANTS FAIL TO HOLD CLAIMS

As Time Has Elapsed Government Will Dispose of Parcels by Auction

Fewer than 100 of the 173 successful applicants for Yuma farm lands have come forward with the necessary \$300 to secure their claims, and as a result the corridors around the land office are crowded with men seeking to file on the lapsed applications. Eight of the successful applicants have waived their rights, making necessary the notification of all of the former applicants that for those units another drawing will be held. Others, which lapsed because of the failure of the applicants to pay the \$300 within ten days of the drawing, are open to filing by anyone, and in the event of more than one person desiring to file on any one unit, the privilege of filing is auctioned off to the highest bidder.

Six of the units were put up for auction yesterday morning, the most desirable one being 622. Two bidders were in the field for this farm and the price was run up to \$201, at which figure it was knocked down to Mrs. Mary E. Delo of this city. The other bidder, Edward B. Milner, was forced to be content with unit 622, which he obtained at a smaller price. The prices of the other four units ranged from \$201 down.

The bidding at the auction was for the right to enter the lands only, the successful bidder being compelled to pay the government price for the land in addition to that which they paid for the right to enter upon the various sections.

Commencing tomorrow morning auctions will be held daily.

## DITCH LABORER INJURED SERIOUSLY BY CAVE-IN

Apolinar Pisen, 35 years old, a laborer living at 12 Buena Vista street, incurred injuries that probably will result fatally as the result of a cave-in in which he was buried while engaged in digging a ditch at the new Buena Vista street bridge yesterday morning. He has symptoms of a basal fracture of the skull and his face and head were bruised and lacerated.

Pisen and two fellow countrymen were engaged in making excavations near the bridge when the earth caved in and buried Pisen. The other men were not injured and quickly extricated. He was taken to the receiving hospital.

## HOTEL NOTES

C. W. Goodman, a well known mining man and merchant of Phoenix, Ariz., arrived in Los Angeles yesterday and is a guest at the Hollenbeck.

Judge T. S. Mihot of Washington, D. C., is registered at the Angelus. He arrived yesterday and will sojourn here for a brief rest and sightseeing tour of Southern California.

Among the prominent San Diegans registered at the Angelus, who arrived yesterday, are R. W. Halley, T. L. Leo and L. C. Sherwood.

D. A. McDonald, a well-to-do mining man of Rhyolite, arrived yesterday and is staying at the Hollenbeck.

A. J. Coffey, president of a well known fire alarm concern of San Francisco, came in yesterday for a brief sojourn at the Hollenbeck.

A number of San Francisco business men arrived yesterday and are at the Hotel Van Nuys. Included in the party are J. W. Panson, Edward Stephenson, George Hinkel, Bent Boas, R. P. Boyer, E. F. Wayland, James H. Gillerly, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Coolidge and Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Rulph.

A party of San Franciscans, including Mrs. H. Darneal, Miss V. Talbot and Mrs. S. D. Paxton, arrived yesterday. They were registered at the Westminster.

John Barnett, accompanied by his wife, and W. M. Sharpe, officials of the Chilean government, arrived in Los Angeles yesterday from Antofagasta, Chile. They are registered at the Hotel Lankershim.

Mrs. Frank S. Bliss, well known in society circles of Santa Barbara, is a guest at the Hotel Hayward.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Lepsic of Redlands are guests at the Alexandria.

Miss Anna Kaufman of San Antonio, Texas, arrived in Los Angeles yesterday and is a guest at the Alexandria.

Mrs. Epes Randolph, wife of the railroad magnate, arrived in Los Angeles in Tucson, Ariz., yesterday and is staying at the Alexandria.

Miss A. R. Perkins of Santa Barbara is a guest at the Alexandria.

## LOS ANGELES ZIONISTS PLAN PALESTINE COLONY

Company Proposed to Purchase Tract in Holy Land

A conference of the leading Los Angeles Zionists will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the suite of H. Fischowitz in the Nadeau hotel, for the purpose of organizing a company to purchase land in Palestine and build up a colony to be financed by local capital.

The policy of the company will be in line with the general plans made by American Zionists for the colonization of Palestine and its development by the Jewish people.

All who are interested in the work are invited to attend the meeting.

## PIEDMONT GAS CO. BUYS MONROVIA PLANT; \$85,000

Property Improved by Edison Co. to Be Extended and Enlarged

Officers of the Piedmont Gas company made a substantial deposit with the Southern California Edison company yesterday for the purchase of the Monrovia gas plant and distributing mains, which have been owned by the latter company for the past five years. The consideration paid by the Piedmont company is approximately \$85,000. Some days will be required for the final passing of the papers, which will provide for the transfer of the Monrovia property. During the interval the plant will continue to be operated by the Southern California Edison company.

When the Edison interests secured the Monrovia gas plant from the People's Gas company the equipment was small and inadequate. The purchase was made in accordance with the general policy of the Edison interests, which is to assist in building up the territories in which it operates its electric system. During its period of ownership of the Monrovia property the system has been greatly extended and the gas business doubled.

The Piedmont Gas company, however, owns and is constructing gas plants and extending mains through the towns and rural districts surrounding Monrovia. It is therefore in a position to operate the Monrovia property as a part of its generating and distributing system to advantage, which is the reason for the sale and purchase.