

ENGINEERS EAGER TO BEGIN HARBOR WORK

Plans for Gigantic Project to Go Into Effect When Bonds Are Sold

City Engineer Hamlin and United States Engineer Charles T. Leeds, who will work in conjunction in the construction of the Los Angeles harbor, are looking forward anxiously to the drafting of plans for the work to be done on the harbor as soon as the bonds just voted by the taxpayers of Los Angeles are sold, and the real development of the great port begins.

Funds for the work will be available immediately after some of the bonds are sold, and as experts say there will not be the slightest difficulty in disposing of the bonds, the city engineering department has become strenuously engaged with its plans and specifications, many of which it had worked on previous to the election because confident the bonds would be voted by the citizens.

It was stated yesterday that the board of public works will have general charge of the work to be done; the plans and specifications will be drafted by the city engineer's department, subject to the final indorsement of the United States engineer's office. Federal appropriations of course will be expended directly under the supervision of U. S. Engineer Charles T. Leeds and his assistants; but the fund voted by the city will be expended along the lines to be specified by the board of public works and other city officials, the harbor commissioners consulting.

It is believed the board of works will act in direct conjunction with the harbor commission. Some of the minor details of the consolidation committee's report are exclusive of the building of accommodations for commerce, and these, too, soon will be considered by the engineers.

Important among these details are the municipal ferries, which are to be operated between San Pedro and Terminal, and between Terminal and Wilmington, with a maximum fare of two cents. Those who have investigated the ferries will bring in considerable revenue, aside from the great advantage they will prove to those in need of them.

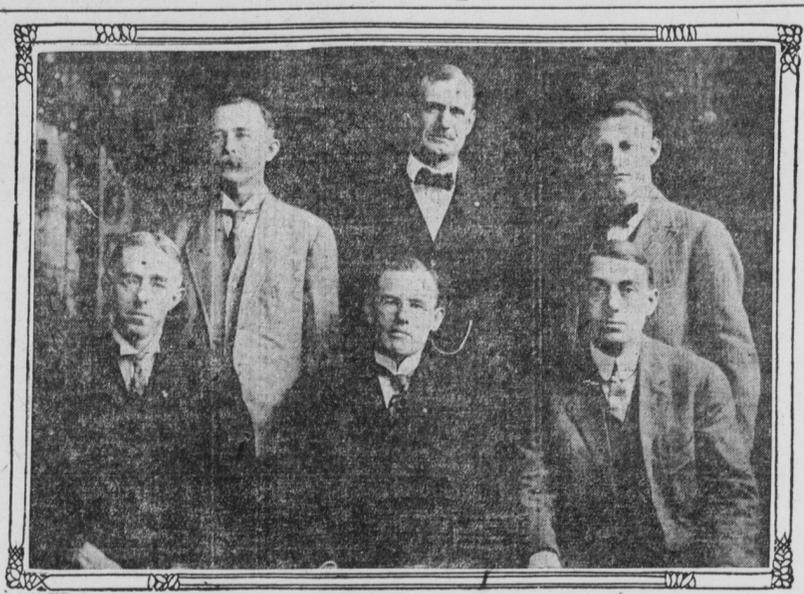
The municipal fish wharf, which was promised to the fishermen of East San Pedro, is another project to be carried out as a result of the consolidation, and will be considered immediately.

The most important matters to be considered, however, are the construction of wharves and warehouses, and the building of streets and approaches. Rights of way must be obtained for the latter in a number of instances, and for this reason no publicity is given to the work because it is desired to prevent speculation.

HEIR, DECLARED DEAD, APPEARS PITTSFIELD, Mass., April 21.—Franklin Smith, who has been sought by wealthy relatives in this city for seventeen years, as an heir to the property of Hiram A. Smith, had appeared in Pittsfield to claim his part of the estate. He was declared legally dead by the probate court in January last. His relatives no explanation of his disappearance.

GAS KILLS AGED RABBI CHICAGO, April 21.—Joseph Denusse, 76 years old, a rabbi, was accidentally asphyxiated in his home last night by gas escaping from a stove. His daughter detected the odor of gas when she returned home and entering the kitchen found her father dead in a chair.

Excursion Committee, Knights of Columbus, Who Will Begin "Boosters" Campaign



UPPER ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT, ARE JOHN CLANCY, PHILIP O'BRIEN AND GEORGE GRAHAM. SECOND ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT, ARE CARROLL DALY, CHARLES H. COFFEY AND C. A. KING.

KNIGHTS WILL PAY VISIT TO LONG BEACH

All Councils in Southern California to Be Enthused by Los Angeles

The Knights of Columbus will make their first invasion of nearby towns next Wednesday, when they will go to Long Beach. The "booster" campaign, as it is called, is being inaugurated for the purpose of installing new life and ginger into the councils of the order in all the smaller cities of Southern California, and Long Beach will be the first one visited.

The members will leave Los Angeles Wednesday evening on special cars over the Pacific Electric railway. At Long Beach they will meet in the Long Beach council hall, opposite the Pacific Electric station, and the following program will be rendered: Opening remarks, John P. Burke; piano solo, Prof. Louis A. Keron; tenor solo, Henry F. Daly; recitation, J. Edmund McCurdy; organ solo, John Duffy; baritone solo, John Fisher; stories, Walter Goldsmith; dramatic reading, George A. Lynch; bass solo, O. T. Helpling; popular songs, Charles A. King; address, Paul J. McCormick. Refreshments will be served. All Catholic men in Southern California are invited to be present.

Twain Dies of Broken Heart But Is Humorist to the End

(Continued from Page One) birthday, when a fellow guest who lived there mentioned his beauties and added there was a vacant house adjoining his own. "I think you may buy that old house for me," Mark Twain said. Sherwood Place was the delectable name of that old house, and where it stood Mark Twain reared the white walls of the Italian villa he first named "Innocent at Home," but a first experience of what a New England winter storm can be in its white fury, quickly caused him to christen it anew, "Stormfield."

LOVED A GOOD LISTENER Through these lands the "Innocent at Home" loved to wander in his white flannels for homely gossip with his neighbors. They remember him best as one who, above all things, loved a good listener, for Mark Twain was a mighty talker, stored with fairy tales for the little maids he adored and

fracter, rascaller speech for more staid worldly men. It is a legend that he was vastly proud of his famous mop of white hair and used to spend the pains of a court lady in getting it to just the proper stage of artistic disarray. Last summer the walks began to falter, last fall they ceased for good. The death of H. H. Rogers, a close friend, was a severe blow. The death of his daughter, Jeanne, who was seized with an attack of epilepsy last fall while in her bath, was another blow from which he never recovered. It was then that the stabbing pains in the heart began. Mark Twain died, as truly as it can be said of any man, of a broken heart. The mere chronology of Mark Twain's life is soon told. Like most dwellers in the imagination, his significance to posterity lies, not as with men of action, in how he wrought upon events, but rather in how events wrought upon him; for from such actions resulted his imaginative output—one of the most considerable of his time, and as it now seems, one of the most secure.

WAS BORN IN MISSOURI Briefly, then, Mark Twain was born Samuel Langhorne Clemens, in Florida, Mo., Nov. 30, 1835. "My parents," he writes in his own burlesque autobiography, "were neither very poor nor conspicuously honest. The earliest ancestor the Twains have any recollection of was a friend of the family by the name of Higgins."

The county chronicles have it that the elder Clemens failed in business and died, leaving his son the ample world to make his fortune in. According to Mark Twain's acquaintance with literature began in putting words into type, not ideas into words. Educated only in public schools, he was apprenticed to a printer at 13, and at his trade in St. Louis, Cincinnati, Philadelphia and New York, until, at 18, he could gratify a boyish ambition to become a cub to a Mississippi river pilot. Both these happenings reacted profoundly in his later life. His knowledge of river life, acquired when he was a pilot, took form in "Tom Sawyer," "Huckleberry Finn," and "Life on the Mississippi River," regarded abroad as his first title to fame.

It even suggested his pseudonym, for "Mark Twain" is a leadman's cry to the pilot in shallow stages. And his familiarity with printing turned him naturally first into newspaper work, then into creative writing, and finally into the publishing business, wherein, like Sir Walter Scott, he suffered a bankruptcy disastrous to everything but his honor, and, like Sir Walter again, paid off with his pen debts not of his own making.

BECOMES FULL FLEDGED PILOT In due time Mark Twain became a full fledged pilot. He tells the rest of it himself in a chapter of Life on the Mississippi, "by and by the war came, commerce was suspended, my occupation was gone. "I had to seek another livelihood. So I became a silver miner in Nevada, a gold miner in California; next a reporter in San Francisco; next a special correspondent in the Sandwich islands; next a roving correspondent in Europe and the east; next an instructional torchbearer on the platform, and, finally, I became a scribbler of books and an immortal fixture among the other rocks of New England."

This was in 1872, two years after he had married Olivia L. Langdon of Elmira, N. Y., who brought him an independent fortune. At that time his writings were in great demand, he had an assured income, his own home and seemed independent. But in 1875 his popularity as an author and his acquaintance with the mechanics of the publishing trade—besides being a practical printer he had been partner of the Buffalo Press before his marriage—drew him into the firm of C. L. Webster & Co. publishers.

The firm brought out the memoirs of Gen. Grant and paid his widow \$50,000, but his prosperity was short lived; the failure had already taken \$75,000 of Mark Twain's cash, but he determined, also, to shoulder the debts, and to pay them off under a plan in 1885-6 a lecture trip around the world.

GAVE COINS TO BE LET ALONE Mark Twain was an inveterate smoker and one of the most lecherous men in the world. An old pressman who was "printer's devil" in an office where Mark was an editorial writer tells this anecdote of his habits of work: "One of my duties was to sweep the room where editors worked. Every day Mark would give me a nickel to get away from him. He would rather die in the dust than uncross his legs. One day he gave me a nickel to dot an 'I' in his copy for him. He certainly did not love that man, did."

Yet this easygoing scribbler acquitted himself of a prodigious amount of work in his life and bound himself voluntarily to pay off debts that he

Cravannes 1/2 Price \$15 Long Cravanne... \$7.50 Coats... \$7.50 Long Cravanne... \$3.75 Coats...



Petticoats \$1.00 and \$1.25... 59c Gingham and Chambray solid color and striped petticoats, all sizes; Rummage sale price 59c.

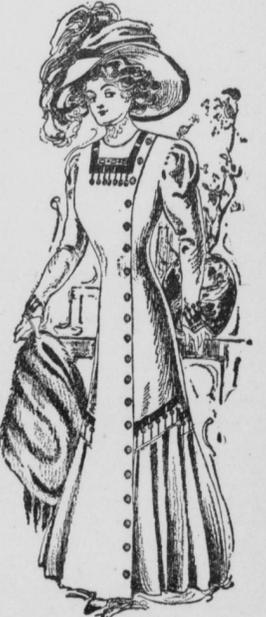
A Rummage Sale of Women's Garments Starts Today

It's just a little out of the ordinary for Lane's to hold a rummage sale, but our Garment Section contains several lots of garments, many of them the odds and ends from this spring's heavy selling, which we are going to turn into money with an utter disregard for what they cost us. Every odd garment—every one a little out of style or shop worn—has been most mercifully cut. We're Going to Sell Them Quickly. Make your choice early today. Sale starts at 8:30.

Stylish One-Piece Dresses Covert Coats 1/2 Price

1/2 Price and Less \$25 Worombo covert, finest quality, in short jacket style... \$6.25 \$5 Covert Coats, silk line... \$2.50 \$5 Plain Jackets, for beach and evening wear... \$1.25

Made of broadcloth and prunella cloth applique embroidery lace yokes, etc. \$29.00 Prunella... \$14.75 \$25.00 Broadcloth... \$12.50 \$30.00 Broadcloth... \$15.00 \$20.00 Broadcloth... \$10.00 \$38.50 fine imported Prunella... \$19.25 \$20 Velvet Dress... \$10.00 \$20 black Silk Dresses... \$10 \$15.00 Rajah Silk... \$7.50 \$9.50 Taffeta Silk Dress... \$4.25 \$12.50 Woolen Invisible Stripe Worsted Dresses... \$6.25



Beautiful Lace Jackets and Coats

For Evening wear. Some show slight soil. The prices are ridiculously low. \$45 Coat of lace and silk braid... \$17.50 \$40 Jacket... \$9.25 \$35 Cape... \$9.25 \$15 Black Silk and Lace Jacket... \$7.50 \$10 Lace Jacket... \$5

Riding Skirts

All wool, half wool and cravenette, worth \$6.50, \$8.50, \$10 and \$12.50, all at one price... \$3.50

Spring Suits Worth \$15 to \$25... \$9.85

Blue, black, gray, copper, rose, helio, cadet blue suits, in solid colors and invisible stripes, checks and solid colors; actually worth \$15 to \$25; Rummage sale price... \$9.85



Kimonos, Tea Gowns and Negligee Garments 1/2 Price

Fine albatross, wool crepes and challis tea gowns, kimonos, etc. in plain color, trimmed with contrasting colors, braids, etc. Here are just a few of the many. \$12.50 and \$10 challis in pretty designs... \$5 \$12.50 Crepe Kimonos... \$8.33 \$10.00 Albatross Kimonos... \$5.00 \$1.00 Lawn Short Kimonos... \$5c

Fancy Silk Kimonos 1/2 Price

\$12.50 long pink china silk and Val. insertions... \$6.25 \$15 long white accordion silk... \$7.50 \$10 long light blue accordion plaited silk with beautiful lace trimming... \$5.00

Annual Sample Sale of Children's Wash Dresses Starts Saturday 9 a. m. (Not Today)

This Price Is Just About Half Their Value \$1.59

An event that mothers wait for and one well worth the waiting. This line of children's dresses is from one of New York's foremost manufacturers of children's goods. There is an almost endless variety in princess, trottuer and blouse styles; also the popular middy suit. The materials are linens, percales, chambrays, galatea and French gingham in dark and light colors, checks and stripes; all ages 6 to 14 years and actually worth \$3.50 on sale.

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could have discharged without hurt to his good name by passing through bankruptcy. He did not practice as he preached. "I don't make no difference," he had Huck Finn say, "whether you do right or wrong, a person's conscience ain't got no sense and just does for him anyway. If I had a yaller dog that didn't know no more than a person's conscience did I'd pizen him. It takes up more room than all the rest of a person's insides, and yet ain't no good, nohow." With Mark Twain's lecture trip around the world begins his international celebrity and his gradual rise into a figure taken in some sense to typify the American. From humorist he became the kindly, but mocking, moralist and philosopher of "Pudd'nhead Wilson." His literature output became more occasional, and although written with more finesse it was more critical and less creative. His public appearance became more frequent, his whimsical utterances gained greater currency, and a whole literature of anecdotes grew up about him. RECEIVES MANY DEGREES Yale gave him the degree of M. A. and later of LL. D. in 1901; the University of Missouri, his native state, followed with LL. D. in 1902, and in 1907 the University of Oxford with great ceremony made him Litt. D. Indeed, serious appreciation of Mark Twain as an artist and not a mere jokesmith began abroad, but his true worth has long been recognized in this country. "Mark Twain's humor," said William Dean Howells, "will live forever. He portrays and interprets real types, not only with exquisite appreciation and sympathy, but with a force and truth of drawing that makes them permanent. He had the true humorist's tender heart and deep seriousness. Like Bret Harte, with whom he worked, like the great west that bred him, his most aduacious sallies were terse and strongly grave. As a moralist, love of humanity, hatred of sham and the sense of duty formed his most ironic and debaron preachment." Four children were born to Mark Twain, of whom two, a son and a daughter, died early. One other daughter, Jeanne, who had been an invalid for life, was found dead in her bathtub in her home at Redding, Conn. Her tragic death greatly saddened her father, who declined in health from that moment. A third daughter, Clara, is Mrs. Ossip Gabrilowitch, wife of the pianist, whom she married last year. Mark Twain's first book was "The Jumping Frog." His best known in this country possibly was "Innocent Abroad." His surest title to fame generally is believed to be "Tom Sawyer" and its companion volume, "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn." He left an unfinished biography, portions of which have appeared serially,

'The Safest Beach' 'The Nearest Beach' THE GREAT SCENIC RAILWAY AT VENICE Will Be Opened to the Public Next Sunday SEA-MOSS on the banks of all the canals at Venice presents a beautiful sight. It is in full bloom. Looks like a bed of amethysts. Take a ride in the gondolas, row boats or on the miniature railroad. Auto Owners, Attention! Beginning on Sunday, April 24th, the Venice Midway Grounds will be turned into a FREE AUTOMOBILE PARK. Special watchmen will be on the grounds all the time. All Venice Attractions Are Open Chiafferelli's Concert Band Live at the Windward Hotel OR IN THE Venice Villa City PICTURESQUE SANTA MONICA CANYON Now open to picnickers and campers. An ideal woodland retreat. Refreshments of all kinds.