

Highland Park and Garvanza Send Petitions to the City Council. CITE MANY CAR ACCIDENTS. Requests Are Approved by Other Improvement Associations of the City.

Four improvement associations have approved the appeal of the city council by citizens in the Highland Park and Garvanza sections to play in the various parks of the city and adequate safety devices at dangerous railroad crossings.

We respectfully ask that in your consideration in employing a band for the coming year to play in the city parks that the band's instrumentation be so selected and arranged that it can be divided into two bands of eighteen or twenty pieces each, and that at least three days of the week, namely Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, they be assigned to play in the different parks of the city.

THE BAND PETITION

The petition regarding safety devices at grade crossings is as follows: We, the people of Highland Park and Garvanza, who, in attending our daily duties in the city, are compelled to use the Los Angeles railway's Garvanza cars, realize the great danger to life and limb to which we are constantly subjected every day at the grade crossing of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway and the said street car at the crossing on Avenue 20.

The above petition did not ask for nor recommend gates, as they are not an absolute protection to passengers on street cars at grade crossings, but said petition did call for and ask that the interlocking block signal derailing device be installed, which absolutely protects grade crossings, that being the system now in use by the street and electric roads in many places in and near this city.

We see no objection to both the derailing device and gates being installed, and would recommend that such be done, for the better protection of the public. Both could be operated by the same operator. The gates would protect the team traffic while the derailing device would absolutely protect the street car traffic.

Had these devices been installed the accident occurred on Macy street some time ago, when the brakes failed to work on a Brooklyn avenue car going east at the Alameda street crossing, the car breaking through the gates and colliding with a Southern Pacific train that was passing at the time, would not have happened.

These block signal derailing devices have been installed on the Pacific Electric line at the crossings of the Southern Pacific in North Alhambra, also on the Long Beach line and Southern Pacific crossing to Santa Monica, the Santa Fe crossing to Redondo and the Southern Pacific to San Pedro, and at most of the crossings of steam roads in Southern California.

These poorly protected, and in most cases entirely unprotected, grade crossings are not only death traps that every so often claim their victims, but they work a great disadvantage to portions of the city where people reside who must necessarily reach the business section of the city by street cars over these grade crossings, and they have a tendency to restrict investment in these localities.

BRITISH SKIPPER DROWNS. VANCOUVER, B. C., July 9.—Captain Bouverton, master of the British bark Holt Hill, was drowned in the harbor here last night when he slipped from the gang plank and fell into the water.

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CANDIDATE SEEKS TO KNOW VOTERS

Dick Ferris Will Greet Prospective Supporters from Cross-roads Cracker Boxes. EXPECT PERSONALITY TO WIN. Aspirant for Lieut. Governorship Plans Rapid Campaign of Entire State.

Dick Ferris, known as one of the most brilliant and spectacular promoters of the Pacific coast, will introduce any of his well known dazzling stunts in his campaign work on strictly personal lines. He will make a tour of the state and will have the country grocery stores for his auditorium and the familiar soda cracker box for his rostrum.

Dick Ferris Plans Corner Grocery Campaign for Lieutenant Governor



AS TO RACE SUICIDE. Henry James does not agree with Colonel Roosevelt on the question of large families. Some families, such as prevail in France, indicate, to Mr. James' mind, intelligence and progress, while large families indicate the reverse.

150 GATHER IN FIELD TO FIGHT FOR WATER

Residents Deplore Low Pressure and Decide to Form Improvement Society. One hundred and fifty residents within the district bounded by Vermont avenue, Figueroa street, Santa Barbara avenue and Fifty-first street met last evening on a vacant lot at Vermont avenue and Figueroa street to take action toward getting water from the city.

LEEDS MADE DELEGATE TO UNIFORM LAWS CONFERENCE

Los Angeles Assemblyman Honored by Governor Gillett. SACRAMENTO, July 9.—Gov. Gillett has the appointment of fifteen delegates to the National Conservation congress, which is to be held in St. Paul, Minn., September 6-9 inclusive.

PIANO LESSON LEADS TO NEIGHBORHOOD DISCORD

Woman Charged with Using the Broom on Another and Child. An attempt on the part of a young woman to learn more of harmony by taking a piano lesson produced only discord in the neighborhood of 322 1/2 North Beaudry avenue and is to have its sequel in Police Judge Ross's court Tuesday, when Mrs. Mattie Gratz will plead to a battery charge preferred against her by Charles Gross of 317 North Beaudry avenue.

MILLIONAIRE'S SON ESCAPES LEGAL PENALTY FOR MURDER

Father Allowed to Care for Youth Adjudged Insane. SEATTLE, June 9.—Wallace A. Bussell, son of C. B. Bussell, millionaire land owner, will neither be sent to the state insane asylum under the finding of the lunacy commission which adjudged him of unsound mind yesterday, nor will he be tried for the murder of Joseph Bonner, a bartender, whom he shot down while making an individual raid on a gambling resort in the King street district, May 12.

ROOSEVELT FACES FIGHT FOR U. S. W. V. PRESIDENCY

Leadership of Spanish War Veterans Sought by Junior Vice Commander McLaughlin. Theodore Roosevelt will have a hard fight on his hands, one of the strenuous scraps on which he dotes, when he arrives in Denver September 6 and starts to gallop off with the presidency of the United States War Veterans, say Los Angeles members of the order. The man who has undertaken to give him the lively fall exercise is J. I. McLaughlin, junior vice commander of the Pacific division of the organization.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH TO REORGANIZE SYSTEM

Construction of New Hygienic Laboratories Is Planned. SACRAMENTO, July 9.—The state board of health today decided to reorganize its state hygienic laboratory system. In the past there has been one central laboratory, which has been located in Berkeley. One year ago a substation was opened in Los Angeles and the work done there has relieved the central station of a great deal of heavy work, and the results have been more than satisfactory.