

ALONG THE COAST.

The Grand Council, Y. M. I., Attends Strictly to Business.

GREAT HEADWAY MADE.

Washington's Birthday to Be a Day of Formal Celebration.

THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

John Lynch of Oakland Chosen Grand President—Supreme Delegates Report.

VALLEJO, CAL., Sept. 19.—This has been an eminent business-like day with the delegates to the Young Men's Institute Grand Council in Vallejo.

Wednesday evening settled down calmly in light of the two former evenings with their grand ball and uproarious jinks.



John Lynch, the Newly Elected Grand President Y. M. I.

and Signor Contrado himself delighted his large audience with "Schubert's Serenade" as a cornet solo, supported by his band.

The morning session lasted until a few minutes before 2 p. m. Proposed amendments to the constitution of the Grand Council and subordinate councils were discussed, but only two were adopted.

A resolution was adopted in the nature of an amendment which provided that annual sessions of the Grand Council be held in August each year; also that Washington's birthday, February 22, be designated Y. M. I. day.

Several changes were made in the ritual of the order, by which some pruning was done and more directness given the ceremonial.

J. J. McDade, past grand president and chairman of the Supreme Council delegation, elected a year ago, came up on the morning train from San Francisco and submitted a long report on the proposed session of that body.

The report was signed by J. A. Van Nevel, J. F. Sullivan, James F. Smith, Samuel J. Haskins, E. I. Sheehan and J. J. McDade. It was adopted unanimously.

A copy was ordered sent to the Atlantic jurisdiction Grand Council, which meets next Monday at Indianapolis, Ind.

The question of representation at the Supreme Council was taken up, and as the Atlantic jurisdiction determined on one delegate for every 1000 members and two delegates-at-large a resolution was adopted providing that there be two delegates-at-large from this coast instead of one to conform with the Atlantic body.

which was a naval town that treasured memories of heroes who made the old United States ships famous in defending the flag and the country.

Grand President Kierce accepted the present as a pleasant memory of a pleasant visit to Vallejo, and he took it as a fitting reminder of the institute's motto, "Pro Deo, Pro Patria."

The election of grand officers for the ensuing year began with the grand president. James Gallagher, second grand vice-president, Fresno, nominated John Lynch of Oakland, J. J. Greany placed E. J. Sheehan of San Francisco in nomination and Rev. W. D. McKinnon of Rio Vista named Samuel J. Haskins of San Francisco.

There were three ballots. Haskins withdrew after the second, leaving the field to Lynch and Sheehan. The contest was exciting, the vote being very close, but on the third ballot Lynch got sixty-six votes and Sheehan fifty-nine, while two were declared scattering.

Grand President-elect John Lynch is the only member of the institute who has held a grand office consecutively from the date of the first Grand Council in San Francisco. He was the pioneer president of Oakland Council No. 6, a delegate to the first Grand Council; was elected grand treasurer then and held the office for eight consecutive years, and last year was elected a grand director in full capacity he is attending this Grand Council.

An adjournment was taken for lunch and the delegates proceeded shortly after to Mare Island, where they spent the afternoon viewing the yards and ships.

The election of grand officers was resumed late in the afternoon when the delegates returned from Mare Island.

Henry A. Young of Tacoma was elected first grand vice-president; Rev. W. D. McKinnon, Rio Vista, grand second vice-president; George A. Stanley, San Francisco, grand secretary; John O'Donnell, San Francisco, grand treasurer; George Tait, Santa Cruz, grand marshal; Frank Johnson, Menlo Park, grand inside secretary; Charles Healey, San Francisco, grand outside sentinel. The election of grand directors followed, and John T. Ryan, Vallejo, Rev. E. J. O'Dea, Portland, Or., P. T. Quinn, Spokane, Wash., and W. H. Keary, New Westminster, B. C., were elected by acclamation. Seven places remained to be filled, and for them the following delegates were placed in nomination to be elected to-morrow: T. B. Slevin, A. R. Denike, J. J. O'Brien, J. A. Nock, T. B. McGinnis, T. E. Collins, A. F. St. Sure, J. C. O'Donnell, Dr. T. H. Morris, J. P. Brady, J. C. Gorman and E. G. Gallagher.

The Grand Council adjourned to meet to-morrow morning and to prepare for the carnival, the closing of Rex and later on a masque ball in Farragut Theater.

IN IRRIGATION'S INTEREST.

Resolutions Adopted by the Convention at Albuquerque.

Congress Asked to Continue the Work of Surveying in the Arid Sections.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Sept. 19.—The irrigation congress met at 9 o'clock this morning. After a number of congratulatory speeches and a few closing remarks by the president the fourth session of the National irrigation congress adjourned sine die, to meet next year in Phoenix, Ariz., the day of the meeting to be fixed by the National executive committee in conjunction with a local board of arrangements to be chosen by the people of Phoenix. The following resolutions were adopted:

Irrigation is the basis of a form of agriculture, and the diversified production it insures means the industrial independence of the family unit. The proof of this claim was seen in the fact that there was little hunger or hardship in irrigated districts during the severe depression of 1893. Irrigation means a large percentage of land ownership. In Massachusetts between 70 and 80 per cent of the people are landless tenants. In irrigated Utah 90 per cent of the people are landed proprietors. Irrigation means small farms and neighboring associations. We point to the colonies of Southern California, where the fruiting of the soil has lifted the people, the church and the public, and in some instances enjoy the conveniences of free postal delivery.

We challenge the world to furnish another example, upon any considerable scale of conditions, which distributes industrial and social advantages evenly among all the people as is done by the economic life of Western America, so far as it has yet developed. In order that the Nation might utilize this region to the highest advantage, as its natural outlet for the surplus energies and increasing population, it is indispensable that the citizens of the West should have the earnest co-operation of the American people. Legislation suited to the peculiar needs of this imperial domain is of urgent necessity.

We declare that it should be the policy of Congress to frame laws which will enable the people to obtain possession of the arid public lands upon terms which bear a fair relation to the cost of reclamation, and that this cost shall be regulated by public authority, and not left to the determination of unrestricted private enterprise.

We declare that works of irrigation, whether built by private enterprise, by community effort or by the States, should be supervised by some public authority, State or National, to the end that only works of proper engineering character shall be constructed, and that life and property shall be conserved.

We demand the extension of the policy of forest reservations begun under the administration of President Harrison and continued under that of President Cleveland.

We are not prepared to suggest a definite outline in full detail of such National legislation as will be required to secure the complete utilization of the arid public domain.

We also ask for the appointment of a commission to act in conjunction with the authority of Mexico and Canada in adjusting the conflicting rights that have arisen, or may hereafter arise, on streams of an international character.

Resolved, That Congress at its next session be most earnestly required to appropriate \$250,000 for the continuation of irrigation surveys, to be carried on under the direction of the Department of the Interior.

SANTA PAULA RUNAWAYS. Captured at Los Angeles on Their Way to Fight Redskins.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 19.—Three boys—Richard N. Cooper, Bertie Cooper and Peter Peralta—ranging from 8 to 14 years of age, rode to the East Side police station last night and asked Sergeant McKee where they could obtain fodder for their horses. A few questions elicited the information that they had accompanied Mr. Cooper's ranch, situated near Santa Paula, and were on their way to exterminate the Apaches in Arizona, and that after wiping out the red men there they were going to drop down into Mexico and attack the Apaches there. The boys will be returned to their parents.

RIVERSIDE MURDER TRIAL. Two Brothers Charged With a Crime of Peculiar Brutality.

RIVERSIDE, CAL., Sept. 19.—The trial of J. W. and Cesar Cummings for the murder of T. C. Narramore at Box Springs August 3 began this morning. A venire of 100 jurors was on hand, but up to 2 o'clock not one had been accepted. The murder was one of peculiar brutality and the feeling is strong against the Cummings boys. The evidence, however, is circumstantial, and the trial is likely to be long and stubbornly contested.

ALONG THE COAST.

Fresno Making Great Efforts for the Valley Road.

LIBERAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

They Have Been Coming in Heavily During the Past Few Days.

WILL HOLD A MASS-MEETING.

Its Purpose Being to More Thoroughly Arouse the People of the City.

FRESNO, CAL., Sept. 19.—Fresno is hard at work in its efforts to secure the Valley road. Over \$30,000 has been raised by the rights of way committee and it is now confidently expected that the required sum will be reached. Subscriptions have been coming in heavily during the past few days.

A mass-meeting has been called for Saturday evening for the purpose of more thoroughly arousing the public to a sense of the critical situation which confronts Fresno. There will be but a few days available after this meeting for the completion of the work of raising the money required to secure the main line of the competing road through this city. Eloquent speakers will present the facts to the public in such a way that they can be easily understood.

There is much speculation as to the location of the proposed road and depot site in this city. The committee has as yet not seen fit to make known its work in this line. The several routes and sites on which the committee was at work for several weeks were rejected by the railroad people, who wanted a site near the center of the city. The committee has now narrowed its choice to two locations and it is thought that either of these will be acceptable to the road directors.

It is generally believed here that if Fresno does not make a satisfactory showing the road will pass about twelve miles north of this city, through Clovis and Sanger to Visalia, making a direct line. Fresno would in this case, it is supposed, be accorded a branch line from Clovis. The main line would then pass through a new country, but some of the finest and most productive land in the valley when developed. There would practically be no trouble in securing rights of way and sites on this route.

But within the last few days the rights of way committee of this city has met with such success in obtaining subscriptions to the fund that there is now hardly any fear that the road will pass by. It is realized that if the road passes through Clovis, a station on the Pollasky branch of the Southern Pacific, Fresno will be forced into the list of secondary progressive cities of the State by her own lack of enterprise, instead of achieving her natural destiny.

THE PIONEER MINE. Notices for Its Sale Posted on the Trees All About the Claim.

ALTA, CAL., Sept. 19.—Notices for the sale of the Pioneer mine are posted on trees growing in different places on the claim, but heretofore no mention of the fact has been made in the newspapers. The mine is owned by Mr. Davis and the J. G. Fair estate, and is located on the Iowa Hill divide, across the big canyon of the American, looking over from the railroad at Alta Station. The purchasers, if the court approves the sale, will be a Boston company, represented by Pierre Humbert, well known in California and Nevada. The price is \$100,000. The mine was abandoned from Hon. J. H. Neff five years ago, and cost the new owners \$100,000 before it began to pay. They put Daniel Sullivan, who mined in Virginia City for twenty years, in charge four years ago, and the second month it paid expenses, and every month since it has paid from \$5000 to \$10,000 profit. If the new company does well it means much for that region, for it is full of ledges, but lacks capital.

BASEBALL FOR SAN JOSE.

Arrangements Made for Teams to Play There During the Winter.

They Will Also Play at Los Angeles, San Francisco and Oakland.

SAN JOSE, CAL., Sept. 19.—W. E. Rockwell, business manager of the Eastern baseball syndicate, to-day made arrangements with Messrs. Henry and Burke for establishing a ball team here during the winter months, and including San Jose in a circuit to be composed of San Francisco, Oakland, Los Angeles and San Jose. The teams to compose the league are the All-Americans, St. Paul Club, Milwaukee Club and the National or California Club, and are now on their way to the coast and will arrive about the middle of next month. The Milwaukee Club will be located here and will be known as the San Jose Club.

MARE ISLAND NEWS. The Launch of the Tug Unadilla to Take Place Saturday.

VALLEJO, CAL., Sept. 19.—The Thetis has sailed for Magdalena Bay, where coast survey work will be continued.

The Monterey has been docked and found unusually clean after her southern cruise. Her engines and boilers need considerable repair and may receive it while in dock, the quay wall being crowded at present.

A big gang is rushing the Marion for sea. All the Mobican's people have gone aboard and that vessel was to-day hauled into Rotten row, where she may stay till a special appropriation is made to fix up her dilapidated boiler.

The Boston is rapidly getting seaworthy. Chief Kutz is turning her engines over daily and the electrical plant is being perfected. The rigging and ordnance is about all in place and Commander Howland thinks he can put her in commission next month.

Arrangements have been perfected for the launching of the new tug Unadilla Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Workmen will be given liberty during the launch and the affair will be a gala event in the yard. Miss Hattie English, daughter of ex-Congressman English, through whose efforts the tug was obtained, will perform the christening ceremony.

SANTA BARBARA STREETS. Bonds for \$60,000 to Be Voted For to Pay for Their Paving.

SANTA BARBARA, CAL., Sept. 19.—The City Council to-day ordered a special election to be called October 23 for the purpose of voting on the subject of issuing \$60,000 in bonds for the paving of the streets of Santa Barbara streets with asphaltum. Councilman Brastow alone dissented. This action was taken in the face of a protest signed by 456 voters and a similar protest from 117 tax-paying women.

while attempting to dispose of the horse and cart at Merced. Alfred Dullion, S. W. McCarty, C. Curtin, J. W. Green and Sol Lazar were witnesses for the prosecution this afternoon. Lazar said McKune came to his place in Merced, and offered to sell the cart for \$6, saying that he wanted to get back to San Jose, as his mother was sick. Lazar was going to give him the money for the rig, but he came back later and said he had arranged to get the money from some one else.

This is the second trial of McKune, the jury having disagreed at the first one.

Charged With Duplicity. SAN JOSE, CAL., Sept. 19.—S. P. Hatcher was arraigned in Justice Dwyer's court this morning on a charge of securing three-year contracts for gas for the Metropolitan Gas and Electric Light Company by representing himself as an agent of the Electric Improvement Company. The complainant is Archie Tisdale, collector of the Electric Improvement Company.

Hatcher was employed by Randall, president of the Metropolitan Gas and Electric Light Company, and in securing the contracts he led people to believe that he represented the Electric Improvement Company.

Hatcher pleaded not guilty, and demanded a jury trial. His case was set for October 5 at 10 a. m., and he was allowed to go on his own recognizance.

Report in the Parker Divorce Suit. SAN JOSE, CAL., Sept. 19.—Court Commissioner Montgomery filed his report to-day in the divorce suit of Rebecca Parker against W. D. Parker on the ground of desertion. The couple were married nine years ago and lived together at Santa Clara until eighteen months ago. The defendant was employed in it and left an estate valued at \$100,000. He and the plaintiff lived happily together until about the time of their separation, when Parker began paying attention to other women, and for want of the necessities of life the wife was compelled to return to her home. A little girl 7 years of age is the only child.

To Administer a Valuable Estate. SAN JOSE, CAL., Sept. 19.—Lawrence Archer, who is named as executor in the will of James Ashworth, to-day petitioned for letters of administration upon the latter's estate. Ashworth died in this city on September 17 and left an estate valued at \$60,000. The estate consists of real and personal property and produces an annual income of \$3000. The estate is divided equally among his nine children and their heirs. October 4 was fixed by Judge Reynolds as the time for hearing on the petition.

Mongolian Pheasants for Santa Clara. SAN JOSE, CAL., Sept. 19.—Game Warden Mackenzie to-day received a consignment of fifty pairs of Mongolian pheasants from Oregon. The birds will be distributed throughout the county, and as soon as the young are able to care for themselves they will be turned loose. It is believed that the birds will do well here, and that in a few years the county will be well stocked.

Suit Against N. A. Dorn. SAN JOSE, CAL., Sept. 19.—M. Pratt to-day commenced suit in the Superior Court against N. A. Dorn for \$350 on assigned claims for medical services. One claim is for \$270 for services rendered the defendant's family by Dr. G. B. Richmond of Salinas and the other claim is for \$80 for services rendered Mabel Dorn, defendant's daughter, by Dr. G. W. Seifert of this city.

Failure of a Saloon-Keeper. SAN JOSE, CAL., Sept. 19.—J. H. Patterson to-day filed a petition to be declared an insolvent debtor. Patterson has been engaged in the saloon business and given as the cause of his failure the depression in business. His liabilities amount to \$531.80, and assets, which are exempt from execution, \$116.70.

Sentenced for Theft at a Fire. SAN JOSE, CAL., Sept. 19.—Harold Wentworth, who was convicted by a jury in Justice Gass' court yesterday of stealing jewelry articles from G. W. Peckham's residence on September 9 during a fire, was to-day sentenced to 150 days in the County Jail by Justice Gass.

An Insane Vagary. SAN JOSE, CAL., Sept. 19.—Daniel Sweeney of Santa Clara was taken to the County Jail to-day to await examination as to his sanity. Sweeney is about 50 years of age and he imagines that every one wants to kill him.

PORTLAND'S MURDER TRIAL. An Alleged Wife-Murderer Testifies in His Own Behalf.

PORTLAND, OR., Sept. 19.—It is nearing the second week of the second trial of W. E. Ellsworth, arrested last February for alleged wife-poisoning. The trial is attracting large crowds of men and women. The evidence is nearly all circumstantial, excepting that of Druggist Plummer, which is that he sold the prisoner cyanine some time before his wife's death.

Ellsworth was on the stand to-day. His story was not as well told as at the first trial, and this fact was plainly evident. It seemed he had forgotten many details that he had related before, and in several instances contradicted himself by variable statements. In many respects his testimony was indefinite and unsatisfactory.

He looked pale and worn, and it was apparent the trial had worn on his nerves. His cross-examination was a severe ordeal, which he did not get through with as satisfactorily as before.

On his direct examination by his counsel Ellsworth told a comparatively well-connected story. On cross-examination he claimed his inability to recollect what he said at the police station about his wife's death. When notes of his remarks were read to him he could not say sometimes whether he had said that or not. Argument in the case began to-night.

SAN DIEGO DIVORCE CASE. Mrs. Westgate Makes Serious Charges Against Her Husband.

Claims That He Planned to Make Her Insane in Order to Obtain Her Money. SAN DIEGO, CAL., Sept. 19.—The troubles in the Westgate family were opened in court to-day, when Mrs. Westgate filed an application for divorce from her husband, Jerome B. Westgate.

Some months ago Mrs. Westgate was released from the State Insane Asylum at Highlands. She returned to her former home, Butte, Mont., and soon afterward a dispatch was sent from there giving the details of her story. This was to the effect that she had been drugged and railroaded to the asylum, and that her husband was trying to get hold of her property, consisting of cash and a house in this city.

Westgate denied the story, and said his wife was slightly insane, and was worked upon by relatives, especially her mother.

Mrs. Westgate's complaint alleges she married him in 1888, and that she had treated when he found that his wife and sons had deserted him. He left them in the morning to go to his work and suspected nothing. The only reason he can assign for her leaving him is her objection to his use of liquor. He had assured her that he would cease using it and had no thought she would leave him.

Suit of a Guardian at Visalia. VISALIA, CAL., Sept. 19.—Henry Cousins of San Jose has filed suit against J. M. Fox, administrator of the estate of R. H. Stevens, and I. Goldstein and Mattie M. Stevens, his sureties, for the sum of \$1,083 due him as guardian.

NEW TO-DAY.

QUOTATIONS.

Advertisement for clothing and hats with various categories like Men's Suits, Reefers, Got a Hat?, Those Cute Yacht Caps, Short Trousers, Young Men's Suits, and The Last Days.



The above are the quotations for great values to-day and to-morrow.

Saturday night the curtain will be rung down upon one of the greatest bargain festivals San Francisco ever had.

THE END! RAPHAEL'S

(INCORPORATED), 9, 11, 13 and 15 Kearny Street.

SAN JOAQUIN'S BIG CANAL.

Forty Thousand Acres Can Be Irrigated From It at Present. This Land It is Claimed Will Be More Than Quadrupled in Value.

STOCKTON, CAL., Sept. 19.—The committee of citizens recently appointed by President Buell of the Commercial Association to make a personal inspection of the system of the Stanislaus and San Joaquin Water Company have filed a report highly complimentary to the enterprise now nearing completion. The committee's report says, in part:

"At the lowest estimate 40,000 acres can be irrigated by the present canal, and by a comparatively inexpensive enlargement of a portion of the same a much increased area can be watered. The climate of the section through which the canal runs renders it possible to raise all varieties of fruits and other crops. The increase in production of every kind by reason of the irrigation of these lands will at once more than quadruple their present money value. It is no great effort of the imagination to see this country in the future densely populated by thriving happy communities. In our opinion a new era has opened for the almost unproductive section by this enterprise, and the importance and value of it to San Joaquin County can hardly be estimated."

Electric Railway Franchise Sold. SANTA BARBARA, CAL., Sept. 19.—The only bid received for the electric railway franchise was from the Santa Barbara Electric Company for \$250. An ordinance granting this company the franchise was passed.

DESERTED AT SANTA ROSA. Mrs. Kelley and Her Two Sons Leave Unexpectedly for Texas.

SANTA ROSA, CAL., Sept. 19.—Mrs. Helen Kelley and her two sons, Eddie and Leslie, are on their way to Dallas, Tex. They left without telling the husband and father, Thomas Kelley, that they were going. The family has been living on Humboldt street for some time, and Mrs. Kelley's folks have been trying to get her to return to them in Texas for some time.

She received money from them this week and left for that State at once, taking the boys with her. Mr. Kelley was quite prostrate when he found that his wife and sons had deserted him. He left them in the morning to go to his work and suspected nothing. The only reason he can assign for her leaving him is her objection to his use of liquor. He had assured her that he would cease using it and had no thought she would leave him.

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