

CITIZENS GATHER TO TAKE A LIFE

Los Angeles Sheriff Prevents Lynching at Azusa.

Dodges a Mob Waiting to Take From Him a Negro Prisoner.

Excitement Over an Attempt to Abduct the Daughter of a Rancher.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., June 15.—Sheriff Burr, with a posse of deputies and two bloodhounds, to-day pursued and captured a negro charged with a crime so serious that should the fellow chance to fall into the hands of an enraged populace his acts would be considered ample ground for a speedy lynching.

At an early hour this morning the Sheriff received word from Azusa that his services were needed to apprehend a bold villain who had attempted to abduct Addie Woods, the 15-year-old daughter of George Woods and wife, respectable ranchers in a small way.

It was the substance of this information that was telephoned to the Sheriff, who, as soon as possible, departed for Azusa, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff White and two Cuban bloodhounds from Bell's kennels.

At Azusa the Sheriff was joined by Deputy Constable Crawford. After viewing the premises where the abduction was attempted, the dogs were given the scent and the chase began.

The bloodhounds took the scent at once and started on a trail, the officers on horseback following close behind. With but few delays the hounds kept close to the trail they had found, leading the officers fully fifteen miles into a field of chaparral, where was found upon the ground a large and powerful negro who was either asleep or feigning.

The man was awakened and arrested. He did not resist, though he displayed much anger and protested his innocence of the crime charged against him. He was handcuffed and started back toward Azusa, but he begged so pitifully not to be taken there to risk being lynched that White went ahead to reconnoiter.

Sheriff Burr had ridden in advance to Duarte, this side of Azusa, and at that point he was rescued by a telephone message from White, saying that the great crowd of men had gathered in a place ready to lynch the negro if brought into town.

The negro claims he can prove an alibi, saying he was put off a train at Glendora at 11 o'clock last night and chased by a constable, who fired a shot at him. This is not considered by the Sheriff, for it is said that a colored man at this place tried to abduct a girl about the hour he names, and it was possible for the same man to have made both attempts.

About three weeks ago a negro entered a house at Glendora and entered the bedroom of a young woman, but took flight upon being discovered by a younger child of the family. The Glendora constable and others will arrive to-morrow to identify the prisoner.

PIERSON NARROWLY ESCAPED. Deceased was about 42 years of age. A brother, Dr. Hackett of Napa, is the only known relative. The body will be buried to-morrow.

EUREKA'S WATER CARNIVAL. Citizens of the Humboldt Metropolis Interested in the Selection of Pretty Rulers.

EUREKA, CAL., June 15.—A lively contest has been in progress during the past week—the selection of candidates for Goddess of Liberty and Columbia, to preside over the festivities of the approaching carnival. From the number of ballots cast nearly every one in the county must have voted. The highest vote was 1177 received by Miss Amelia Ohman of Eureka.

Besides the Goddess of Liberty and Columbia there will be another divinity, who, with her maids, will probably be as deeply envied by aspiring young ladies as the others. She will be Queen of the Waters and hold sway during the Venetian night on the bay. Work has already been commenced on the royal fleet. The queen will be selected in a few days.

FABIAN STILL IN VISALIA. The Music Teacher Disobeys the Citizens' Committee's Injunction to Depart.

FRESNO, CAL., June 15.—Professor Benjamin W. Fabian, the piano instructor whom a citizens' committee ordered to leave Visalia last Saturday night without delay, because of his alleged misconduct with the wife of a prominent merchant of the town, is still in the Tulare County capital. He announces that he will stay there and continue giving music lessons as long as he chooses, which may be for some time. The committee, it seems, has receded somewhat from the bold stand it took in what was deemed to be for the advantage of the morals of the community.

Professor Fabian admits that the twelve citizens waited upon him with the order to depart from the town at once, but he says that he was not in the habit of such a procedure and declares he did not propose to submit to any injustice. For this reason he would stay to vindicate himself. The citizens' committee says he did not recognize any of the committee.

After his meeting with the wrathful citizens, Fabian fled to the residence of Judge Cross, who presides in the Superior Court of the county. The Judge is a patron of the professor, and appears to be a firm friend besides. At the residence of Judge Cross, Fabian was met by a party of Saturday night rioters, who were very angry that he should have fled from the town.

SAN DIEGO'S SENSATION. Elizabeth D. Couis Granted a Divorce From Her Husband for Alleged Cruelty.

SAN DIEGO, CAL., June 15.—Elizabeth D. Couis was to-day granted a divorce by Judge Hughes from her husband, Cave J. Couis, on the ground of cruelty. The custody of their only child, a boy of 6 years, was left in statu quo for the present, and the property, consisting of the Rancharita gold mine, Altura rancho of 2000 acres and several other large ranches, will be divided, by order of the court, next week.

The case has been on trial for a week past behind closed doors, and has attracted a great deal of attention because of the prominence of the principals. There were several sensational features in the testimony, but the decree eliminated all reference to everything but the main charge. Mr. and Mrs. Couis are very prominent socially. Mr. Couis is a son of the late Yisro B. de Couis, one of the most celebrated Spanish women of California, who died a few days ago.

TRIAL TO FLOAT THE GLENMORANG. ASTORIA, OR., June 15.—At the half-yearly high tide at 1 o'clock this morning another attempt was made by a Spreckels tug, Captain Kamali, to pull the big ship Glenmorang off the beach sixteen miles north of the mouth of the Columbia River.

Owing to storms and a very rough sea it was impossible to get a line from the tug to the ship, and the effort again was unsuccessful. This was the third attempt to float the vessel, the former efforts having been made by Captain Burns, the Scotch wrecker, who recently raised a vessel in the same manner. No further attempts will be made, probably, until after high tide in six months, and it is rumored that the bulk will be sold for junk. The Glenmorang went ashore in a storm in March, 1866.

SHIPMENTS TO THE EAST. SAN JOSE, CAL., June 15.—Eastern overland shipments are increasing each week and promise to far exceed those of any previous year. Last week, 1,556,830 pounds went forward, of which 853,160 pounds were cherries. The total shipment of cherries up to Saturday evening was 2,192,520 pounds. Dried prunes are still going slowly forward, the shipments footing up 141,880 pounds, making an aggregate of 37,794,640 pounds for the season.

DEPUTY GRAND ARCH H. J. GOLLER OF THE DRUIDS. PETALUMA, CAL., June 15.—To-day what promises to be a most successful session of the California Grand Grove of the United Ancient Order of Druids held its initial meeting at Armory Hall.



The delegates have not yet settled down to the hard routine of the session. The most interesting feature of the d-iberations will be the election of officers. Deputy Grand Arch H. J. Goller will be chosen for noble grand arch without opposition, but there will be warm contests for some of the other positions.

CAMPING AMONG SMOKING RUINS. People of Georgetown Are in a Sorry Plight.

Georgetown, the city of the future, is now a scene of desolation. The people are in a sorry plight. The property of the Flume and Trading Company is burned. Blackened Embers Mark the Site of the Town's Business Center.

THOSE WHOSE HOMES ESCAPED THE FLAMES LEAD ASSISTANCE TO THE SUFFERERS. Loss is Estimated at \$50,000 and Fifty Men Are Deprived of Employment.

AUBURN, CAL., June 15.—Pandemonium still reigns at Georgetown, the scene of the fire and explosion yesterday. As the whole business portion of town was destroyed, it has been a hard matter for the people to get sufficient provisions. Freight wagons will arrive at the fire-swept town to-morrow, and the danger that any one will go hungry will be past.

A scene of desolation met the eyes of visitors to Georgetown to-day. Where the business center of the prosperous town had stood there was nothing but smoking ruins, from which now and then an unquenched flame shot up. Beyond the smoking embers those made homeless by the conflagration were temporary domiciles with the assistance of the residents who were more fortunate.

Some of the dispatches from Placerville stated that William Newell, who was among those killed by the explosion, was ex-Senator Francis Newell. In this all of the San Francisco dailies but THE CALL erred. The ex-legislator is alive and well. Mr. Newell and Mrs. McLain, whose injuries afterward proved fatal, were standing fully 150 feet from the scene of the explosion. A missile struck Newell directly over the heart, and he died without a groan. Clinton Hulbert, whose leg was broken and badly lacerated, will recover.

WOODVILLE PIONEER GONE. Death of Daniel Hunsaker, Who Fought Under Andrew Jackson.

VISALIA, CAL., June 15.—The funeral of Daniel Hunsaker of Woodville took place to-day. He was the oldest resident of this county, being 93 years and 6 months old. He was a pioneer, having come from Kentucky at an early day. Hunsaker was a soldier under Andrew Jackson in the Indian wars in Florida, and also served his country in the Black Hawk War.

SAPPHIRE FOUND IN IDAHO. Placer Miner Picks Up What is B-ieved to Be the Largest Gem of Its Kind in the World.

TACOMA, WASH., June 15.—A Denver mining man who is here bonding copper propositions on the Marshall River, tells of a wonderful find in Idaho. He says that an Idaho man engaged in placer mining walked into the Denver Miners' Bureau recently, and after looking around stepped up to George Taylor's gem counter, and showing a piece of blue crystal, asked Taylor if he knew what it was.

Taylor nearly lost his breath as he recognized that it was a sapphire of the purest water, and the largest he had ever seen. The gem was nearly a cube, being about one and a half inches thick, one and a half inches wide and two inches long. It was water-worn, showing plainly the pebbly conformation gradually assumed by gems formed in the beds of mountain torrents, the edges being very much rounded.

REPAY A FRIEND. Directs a Prospector to a Wonderful Ore Deposit.

SEATTLE, WASH., June 15.—On the summit of the lofty Cascades a fabulously rich mineral discovery is reported to have been made, and interwoven with the circumstances surrounding the find is a red man's romance. In November last there died in the historic range an old Yakima Indian warrior.

There is great excitement over the find, although the news of the discovery reached Seattle only a day or so ago. There are reported to have been from fifty to seventy-five locations filed in the immediate vicinity of Miller's claim, which is located about twelve miles south of where the Great Northern Railroad crosses the mountain range.

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