DEMOCRATS FIX UP THE PROGRAMME

Municipal Convention to Be Held Monday.

BOSSES, THE WHOLE SHOW.

COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED WILL NOMINATE.

Disgraceful Scenes Attending the Proceedings by Which This Conclusion Was Reached. Gag Rule.

The Democratic Committee of One Hundred met last evening and decided that the Democratic municipal convention shall be held next Monday evening. It also decided that the members of the committee shall be the members of the convention, all others being barred because of an expressed fear that there are no honest men in the Democratic party in San Francisco outside of the members of the committee.

The proceedings that marked the acceptance and ratification of the programme rose above the high water mark of anything in the way of boss rule tactics that has ever been seen in this city. The gray bearded chairman took his orders openly from beardless boys, misstated questions, announced minorities as majorities and declined to recognize any member not included in the list of programmers; cards containing the names of men who were slated to fill vacancies were handed out to members of the "push," who were instructed to present the names to the committee; other names were refused consideration, or if considered at all, the vote of their adoption was improperly announced in order to secure their defeat; those who desired to speak against the programme were hissed down or denied the privileges of the floor.

After Chairman McDonald had called the meeting to order Charles W. Fay, chairman of the sub-committee, appointed at the last meeting to prepare a plan for a convention, handed in his report and asked that it be adopted. The report is as follows:

To the Honorable the Democratic City and County Committee of San Francisco—Gentlemen: Your committee appointed to report a plan for holding a convention of the Democratic party for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various offices to be filled at the ensuing general election beg leave to report as a result of their conference and recommend the adoption thereof:

First—That a convention be formed for and held on Monday, September 19, 1898, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Second—That the convention consist of not more than 100 members or delegates.

Third—That the City and County Committee appoint the delegates, and the delegates to said convention consist of members of the City and County Committee and such others as may be elected to fill the vacancies occasioned by resignation of any delegates.

Fourth—That as some members of this committee have announced that they would be candidates for office and would not participate in the convention, that those members of the committee who are candidates for office other than for Board of Supervisors, Board of Education and members of the Legislature, be requested to resign forthwith as delegates to the convention in order that the City and County Committee may select and appoint delegates in their places.

To further carry out the plan presented, your committee herewith present a resolution and unanimously recommend its adoption:

Resolved, That the Democratic City and County Committee of the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, deem it expedient to call a convention of the Democratic party of not more than 100 members for the purpose of nominating candidates for all municipal, county or city and county offices, and for all judicial offices, and for members of the Legislature of the State of California, and all of which said nominees are to be voted for at the general election to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 1898.

That said convention be held on Monday evening, September 19, 1898, at the hour of 8 o'clock, or as soon thereafter as said convention shall organize, and that the place of meeting shall be Native Sons' Hall, or such other place in the city and county of San Francisco as a majority of the members of said convention shall determine.

That the delegates selected to said convention be the following named persons:

R. Beverly Cole, Dr. C. A. Clinton, James Denman, M. Greenblatt, A. Comte, Jr., W. B. Cope, Charles W. Fay, J. M. Cline, George McGillivary, Jeremiah Deasy, R. P. Doolan, Francis J. Heney, William T. Hess, Thomas P. Finder, Hu Jones, D. C. Murphy, Dr. T. B. Leland, I. Gutte, A. B. Maguire, R. V. Whiting, P. J. McCormick, Howard Park, G. Howard Thompson, Jeremiah Coffey, John McGilvray, Dr. T. T. Shumate, H. H. Hernan, Finlay Cook, F. K. Lane, E. A. Bridgford, Timothy Lyons, Wm. H. Vincent, William C. Murdock, Daniel O'Neil, W. H. Meade, Patrick Boland, J. C. McKinstry, George F. Lynch, Rudolph Herold Jr., Charles E. Jones, Samuel Braunhart, M. C. Hassett, Leo Kaufmann, Louis Bartlett, W. D. Farran, Lawrence Brannan, P. H. McCarthy, P. J. Tomalty, J. N. Nougues, John H. Grady, Thomas J. Walsh, Timothy I. O'Brien, John Fay Jr., Thomas Murray, Sidney M. Van Wyck Jr., Max Popper, Harry N. Kelly, W. J. McGee, James Butler, Edward Reddy, Edmund Godchaux, E. P. E. Troy, William A. Murrison, James V. Coleman, Henry Lichtenstein, R. V. Curtis, F. C. Drew, J. V. Cavagnero, J. H. Hansen, Matthew Lally, Barney McKinne, J. B. Reinstein, Osgood Putnam, John P. Twigg, John Reedy, Dr. Max Magnus, Percy Henderson, L. F. Byington, Ben Hawes, Bart Burke, C. M. Stoitz, Clitus Barbour, Dr. C. A. Dozier, Barry Baldwin, Jasper McDonald, Joseph Leggett, George Smith, J. L. Gallagher, John E. Buckley, Emil Pohl, J. D. Maxwell, Lawrence Hoey, John Heney, William J. Renwick, C. J. Gallagher, William P. Sullivan Jr., William T. Humphreys, H. L. Rea and W. P. Sanborn.

An attempt was made to rush the adoption of the resolution and report before any discussion could be had, but Judge E. A. Bridgford secured the floor through an oversight of the chairman. He vigorously opposed the adoption of the resolution because he believed it to be undemocratic and contrary to the wishes of the people.

"We are here as the representatives of anti-boss rule," he said. "Are we going to constitute ourselves bosses? I understand that this thing has been programmed for more than a week and that candidates have been making their fights accordingly. I am opposed to this sort of thing, and I trust the members of this committee will not commit such a grievous error as would be the case if this proposition is adopted."

Barney McKinne declared that the proposition was a good one, and it was the only thing to be done, as it would be dangerous to attempt to select delegates to a convention because the delegates might be captured by the bosses.

Francis J. Heney wanted to know if the members of the committee of one hundred were the only honest Democrats in the city. Mr. Heney scored the committee for its corrupt methods and was just beginning to get warmed up to his subject when the nod was given to the chairman, who at once declared that the five minutes allotted to a speaker had expired.

Heney asked to be allowed to proceed, but youthful Mr. Park of Susanville objected. A vote was taken on a motion to allow Heney more time, but although the "ayes" were in the majority the chairman ruled that the motion had been lost. Several members volunteered to give Heney their time, but the chair ruled that this could not be done. The chair's ruling on this point was sustained by youthful Mr. Park.

The following named members of the committee resigned as members of the convention because they are candidates for office: R. P. Doolan, A. B. Maguire, James Denman, John H. Grady, T. J. Pinder, Franklin K. Lane, M. Greenblatt and Finlay Cook.

J. B. Reinstein, Barry Baldwin and John McGilvray being out of the State, their places in the convention were declared vacant. On motion it was agreed not to allow the use of proxies in the convention.

Following are the names of the men appointed to fill the vacancies in the membership of the convention: C. M. Goldaracena, August Tillman, John L. Moore, John F. Burns, James Campbell, L. H. Ward, Livingston Jinks, James Hart, H. A. Conrad, Walter E. Doran and Edward Lunney. The scenes attending the filling of these vacancies have been already alluded to.

The committee of one hundred will meet at 7:45 o'clock Monday evening, and fifteen minutes later it will resolve itself into a nominating convention.

OTTS WINS OUT IN A RATTLING BATTLE.

HE AND DENNIS PUT UP EIGHT HARD-FOUGHT ROUNDS.

Paddy Maloney Forfeited Half His Prize Money, so Tommy Burke "Lay" Down—Kennedy Made Some Speeches.

Manager Jim Kennedy of the Excelsior Athletic Club was very much in evidence last night at the club's monthly "amateur" boxing bout held in Teutonia Hall. In fact, the versatile James was the whole "works," as one ring-goer tersely put it. His speeches were gems in their way and did much to mollify the few hundred sports who waited two weary hours for two "amateurs" to arrange their grievances.

As a dispute had arisen over a question of weight between Paddy Maloney and Tommy Burke, who had signed to fight at 125 pounds, the event of the evening was put on first to reconcile the howling crowd.

"Billy" Otts of the Excelsior Athletic Club and Jack Dennis of the Olympic Club were introduced as the bright particular stars of the evening. Referee McDevitt sent the two men together a little before ten and the long wait was forgotten in the lively battle that followed. Otts weighed 132 and Dennis 130½. The former possessed superior science, aggressiveness and grit and these points gained him a decision at the end of eight rounds of hard fighting. Dennis was awkward and less of a ring general, but he dealt his rival blows that might have ended the chances of a less plucky boy.

In the first two rounds it looked easily Otts' fight, as in the exchanges he landed often and hard. The third round found Dennis greatly improved. He went after Otts, and received some stingers in return for the blows he landed. The blood flowing from his sore mouth impelled him to greater efforts. Quickly turning on his merciless rival he dealt him a left swing on the jaw, completely staggering him. Otts was at sea for the moment, and but for the eagerness of Dennis he would have been out. He rallied quickly and returned to the fray with vigor.

Both boys took a severe beating in the rounds that followed, and the howling spectators were puzzled to pick the winner. In the seventh round Dennis set such a hot pace that his efforts left him weak and exhausted. Although Otts was the fresher and stronger of the two his blows seemed to have lost their steam, and he could not deliver the coup de grace.

The eighth round found the two youngsters ready for more gruelling. After shaking hands, Otts set the pace, but received many reminders that Dennis was there by the swings he received in the stomach and on the jaw. Both were so interested in giving each other punishment that the sounding of the gong was unheard, and Sergeant Brophy motioned them to stop. Otts was given the decision, which was greeted with yells of delight by his club mates. Dennis put up such a good fight that many favored a draw.

Paddy Maloney, a pupil of Jimmy Anthony, who was guilty of being over weight, and Tommy Burke, who declined to fight unless his rival forfeited half the purse per agreement, then entered the ring. "'Ow much is he over weight?" yelled a sport. "'Af a pound," replied Jimmy Anthony, and the trouble began. Burke aroused laughter by his funny antics. His leads and foot work were something new, and when at the end of the round Maloney "got on" he pummeled his man even after the gong sounded. In the middle of the second round Burke dropped in a rally and squirmed as if he had been struck over the heart. He was counted out, but the initiated say he "lay" down, as he was entitled to "'af" the purse.

Sergeant Brophy and squad kept excellent order during the evening's entertainment.

"OTHELLO" AT THE CALIFORNIA

Benefit for Mrs. Hilderbrand Under the Auspices of the Tennessee Regiment.

The members of the Tennessee Regiment, deeply sympathizing with the widow of Henry Hilderbrand, who was killed by one of their fellow soldiers, have determined to give substantial proof of their feelings so far as they are able by presenting to Mrs. Hilderbrand the entire proceeds of a benefit entertainment which has been arranged for the evening of the 30th of this month at the California Theater.

It is proposed to produce the play of "Othello," under the auspices of the regiment, and the committee has secured for this purpose the services of the Dudley Stanhope stock company, a well known society organization. Miss Eleanor Sanford of Oakland will on this occasion make her debut as Desdemona. She has appeared in many amateur performances and has given convincing evidence that she possesses considerable histrionic talent.

ALEXANDER G. BELL OF TELEPHONE FAME ARRIVES.

Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, arrived last night on the Central overland, accompanied by his wife and daughters. He will leave this city to-day on the Coptic for a short trip to Japan, returning here in about two months.

"I have not given the telephone much attention of late," he said last night, "for I have not been connected with any telephone companies during the last fifteen years. Aerial navigation and its multitudinous problems have absorbed my time to the exclusion of all other scientific questions. I am now preparing a series of papers on the subject of aerial locomotion for the National Academy of Science. They will be published soon after my return to this country. Aerial navigation is coming; it is almost here. I was a witness of the first practical aerial test made—that of Professor Langley with his aerodrome propelled by steam, and we may soon expect great strides in this line of invention.

"A subject of deep interest to me is the teaching of the deaf to speak and to read from the motion of the lips. California is backward in this respect, as this new and much approved method is not in use in the schools for the deaf in this State."

Special Musical Services.

At the Church of the Advent, Eleventh street, near Market, there will be a special musical service next Sunday evening, commencing at 7:45 o'clock. The service will be rendered by the full vested choir of fifty men and boys, with full organ accompaniment, and among numbers of special interest will be the "Cathedral Psalter," chanted antiphonially, several appropriate anthems and a benediction hymn sung in the form of a cross before the altar. The public is invited. All seats free.

MANY SLATES PROMISE AN OPEN CONTEST

Politics in Alameda County.

CONVENTION NEXT MONDAY

LEGISLATIVE TICKET NOW ALMOST COMPLETE.

Every Ward and Township Offers a Puzzle That the Slickest Are Unable to Solve.

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There is a slate ready for the county convention which meets at San Leandro next Monday.

There are two slates—three slates—half a dozen slates. And as many political cliques in the county are putting in the twenty-four hours prior to to-morrow's primary by smashing them into splinters.

To-night the different sections of the Republican family are busy making up tickets to place before the voters at the primaries to-morrow. These tickets are

more than a study; they are a score of studies. In every ward and township a puzzle exists, and the men who would be lucky are racking their brains to try to discover the solution. There is a good deal of trickery being done. Not vicious trickery, of course; but that good natured practice of trying to subvert each other's place that is so characteristic of Alameda County. The managers and candidates are passing each other on Broadway with one eye on either side of the street.

There seems to be a unity of desire to put about four men on the ticket, but outside of these everything is chaos. These men are Frank Jordan for County Clerk, Charles Spear for Recorder, Henry Dalton for Assessor, and, of necessity, Geo. L. Nusbaumer for County Surveyor. Then the ways part. One faction would like to place Tom Robinson in the Tax Collector's office, Assemblyman Clark in the Public Administrator's office, Arthur Feidler in the Treasurer's office; while others would like to see James Barber keep his position, would prefer H. W. Lynch of Washington Township for Superintendent of Schools and Oscar Rogers for Sheriff. Outside of these, again, are all kinds of combinations.

It is very evident that the lawyers anticipate a large amount of work during the next four years from the Public Administrator's office. In this scattered county the attorney does better than the official in this office, and there is always a scramble for the pie. Clarence Crowell, Fred E. Whitney, Guy C. Earl, Abe P. Leach, George de Golia and Hugh Aldrich, all well-known attorneys, are trying to straighten out this tangle to their individual satisfaction, but not until the roll is called in the convention can any one cry "cinch!"

Interested individuals—mostly suffering from sore heads—are attempting to create the impression that there will be a complete independent ticket that will draw so heavily from the Republican vote that good Democrats will have a fighting chance. There is no reason to believe that such a condition exists. It is true that Justice Clift, A. K. Grim and Charles E. Snook have withdrawn from the fights in which they started; but they only withdrew because they saw they were hopelessly beaten, and Alameda County has never made a reputation for following after losers. Mr. Grim, it is said, will run as an independent candidate against the Republican nominee. Mr. Grim is an unknown quantity in politics, and there is no reason to believe he will prove a cyclone.

Ex-Chief of Police Schaffer has stated that he will run as an independent Republican for Sheriff. He boasts of a petition having 1200 names on it; but even if he has, petitions in Oakland do not count for much. Mr. Schaffer says he disapproves of the manner in which primaries are held.

These incidents, however, will not cut much figure at to-morrow's primary, less at Monday's convention and none at all on election day.

Judge Harvey D. Talcott wants a political job too cheaply. He was injudicious enough to-day to confide to a few friends on the curb that all he had spent in furthering his campaign was $1 50 for a handful of cards setting forth his aspirations, and every time the Judge spoke he passed one out with the modest remark, "Isn't that a great face for a Judge?"

County Surveyor Nusbaumer was found this afternoon with tears in his eyes. When primaries come around George is never "in it." He considers it a great shame that no one considers him worthy of one's steel, and consequently he never has to fight. George resents this slight, but during the hot hours of to-day he largely consoled himself with the sight of the anxious, restless horde of candidates who had competitors and who would like to change conditions with him—slight, neglect and all.

Another of the men who feels like doing a dance and who feels little anxiety regarding the result of to-morrow's primaries is Assemblyman Leavitt. Frank is a political whirlwind, and when he started in on the Sixth Ward to make a campaign for Senator he simply swept around the bay shore, scooped up everything in sight and landed in Berkeley a winner before his competitors realized what he was doing.

The following will probably be the legislative nominees of Monday's convention: Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, Frank M. Leavitt; Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, E. K. Taylor of Alameda; Forty-sixth Assembly District, William McDonald; Forty-seventh Assembly District, R. Knowland; Forty-eighth, Joseph Kelly; Forty-ninth, A. A. McKeen; Fiftieth, J. A. Bliss; Fifty-first, Howard E. Wright.

In order to prevent any repetition of the scandal over registration certificates that followed the Congressional primary, instructions have been issued by the County Central Committee stating that no certificates of registration will be received by the officers of election unless it be dated September 13 or later, and has upon it the personal seal of the County Clerk in addition to the official seal.

The Good Government Club of the Forty-eighth Assembly District has indorsed Joseph Harris for legislative candidate.

The tickets which have been made up in the Seventh Ward show that there is much difference of opinion in the east end of town. The Jordan-Melvin ticket contains the names, among others, of A. A. Moore, J. W. Evans, James A. Johnson, John Yule, H. S. Pugh and Robert A. Jackson. The Leckie-Webster combine has for some of its delegates C. W. Wilkins, L. M. Cobbledick, J. A. Crist, A. J. Reid, I. I. Boak, H. M. Colby and W. S. Dolbier. In the First Ward and in Berkeley there will probably be but one ticket, but at nearly all other places, with the exception of the Fifth, there will probably be two or more. The polls open at noon to-morrow and close at 8 p. m. The test will be: "I will support the nominees of the Republican party at the election to be held on November 8, 1898, and have not voted at any other primary election or at any other time or place this day."

MEXICO'S NATAL DAY FITTINGLY CELEBRATED.

LITERARY EXERCISES AND BALLS WELL ATTENDED.

Odd Fellows' Hall and Union-Square Hall Crowded With Happy Native Residents.

Mexican residents throughout this city and vicinity celebrated the eighty-eighth anniversary of Mexico's independence last evening in a befitting manner.

At Odd Fellows' Hall A. K. Coney, the local Mexican Consul, presided over a joyous gathering of residents who owe their allegiance to the neighboring country. Patriotic Americans who were in sympathy with the celebration were present in large numbers.

The hall was beautifully decorated with American and Mexican flags and festoons, and the pictures of the heroes who fought for the liberation of Mexico were conspicuously placed about the hall.

The literary exercises were keenly appreciated by those present, and the addresses delivered in Spanish and English were received enthusiastically by the patriotic Mexicans.

The success of the celebration was due to the efforts of the following officers and their assistants: Honorary president Consul General of Mexico A. K. Coney, President A. Tejeda, Vice President C. T. Mersich, Secretary A. de la Torre, Financial Secretary A. Guiterrez and Treasurer V. D. Medina.

A similar celebration was held in Union Square Hall by the Society of Mexican Ladies and was largely attended. Literary exercises and dancing were enjoyed by those present.

Foresters' Helping Hand.

The social that was given last evening in Alcazar Social Hall in aid of the Foresters and Companions of the Forest Relief Association was well attended and it will net a neat sum for the fund of the committee. This money will be used in the procuring of delicacies for the sick soldiers who are now at Camp Merriam. During the past week the ladies of the committee attended to the wants of more than fifty soldiers a day in the sick wards, in addition to furnishing tea and soups to convalescents who called at the committee's tent.

A Bloomer Girl in Trouble.

Netttie Williams, who was a waitress in the "bloomer restaurant" started by Captain Emlay a few years ago, was arrested yesterday and charged with vagrancy by Mrs. Emaly, who alleges that her husband has left her and is now providing handsomely for Miss Williams in a flat on Sixteenth street. She thinks that if her rival is sent to jail for six months on the vagrancy charge her husband will return to her.

Young Black Withdraws.

William Black, who recently filed an application for special letters of administration on the estate of his uncle, Thomas Carter, the millionaire car builder of Newark, withdrew the same yesterday in open court. Young Black, when the will was offered for probate, found that he was not mentioned as one of the beneficiaries. It is stated that he will file a contest in the near future.

Justly Punished.

Frank H. Alton, janitor of the National Guard Armory on Ellis street, was yesterday fined $500 with the alternative of six months in the County Jail by Judge Conlan for being guilty of immoral conduct. Herbert Wilson, a contractor, was convicted for the same offense in Golden Gate Park, and was ordered to appear for sentence this morning.

Supplies for Manila.

The chartered steamer Condor will probably sail this afternoon for Manila with about 4500 tons of supplies for the American troops. The cargo consists of subsistence stores, clothing, boots and shoes and drugs.

W. H. L. BARNES WILL REPLY TO MAGUIRE

At Metropolitan Temple To-Night.

HORACE DAVIS TO PRESIDE

SEATS TO BE RESERVED FOR LADIES AND THEIR ESCORTS.

General Barnes Will Not Attack Maguire Personally, but Will Ventilate the Sophistries of Sin-Tax and Socialism.

The first meeting of the campaign under the auspices of the Republican State Central Committee will take place at Metropolitan Temple this evening. Hon. Horace Davis will preside and General W. H. L. Barnes address the audience. The California quartet will sing patriotic songs. Seats will be reserved for ladies and their escorts. The indications are that the vast hall will be packed to overflowing, as General Barnes is an orator of fine attainments and a speaker of great popularity. He was asked last evening if he intended to pay his respects to Judge Maguire, the fusion candidate for Governor. The general replied:

"I shall reply to his utterances on socialism, the referendum and the single tax. I shall not attack Judge Maguire personally, but will show where he stands and what kind of doctrines he advocates. I shall not mince words in attacking the principles which he represents in this campaign."

The meeting to-night will be different in many respects from that of the fusion gathering at Metropolitan Temple night before last when Maguire talked for three hours on the defensive and sought by all sorts of sophistry to explain his peculiar notions concerning single tax and socialism. The Republican speakers will be interesting and instructive from the start to the finish. General Barnes never wearies or disappoints an audience, and there is reason to expect that his speech to-night will equal the best of his former achievements on the platform. As he is to speak in a cause which requires no defense time will not be consumed in apologies and explanations. The earnest spirit with which the Republicans enter the campaign will be exemplified in the declarations of the eloquent speaker to-night.

Saturday evening, September 24, Hon. M. M. Estee will address the people at Metropolitan Temple.

To-night at Anaheim, Orange County, J. C. Needham, Republican nominee for Congress in the Seventh District, and Major C. W. Kyle of San Francisco will address a multitude of people. The meeting promises to be one of the most interesting and important ever held in Southern California. Major Kyle left the city for Anaheim yesterday afternoon.

J. A. Barham, Republican nominee for Congress in the First District, is in the field. His meetings are largely attended.

Frank D. Ryan, Republican nominee for Congress in the Second District, will begin his campaign tour next week. His district embraces considerable mountain territory, and it is acknowledged that his opponent is an active campaigner, but Mr. Ryan is confident that the Republicans will gain a Congressman in this district.

The Republican State Central Committee is planning the tour for Henry T. Gage, the nominee for Governor. The standard bearer will probably take the field the latter part of next week.

Among the callers at Republican headquarters yesterday was L. V. Hitchcock, chairman of the Republican Committee of Sonoma County. A. B. Lemmon of Santa Rosa was also a visitor at headquarters.

W. R. Guy of San Diego paid his respects to Major Frank McLaughlin and others of the executive committee yesterday. Mr. Guy served as chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the Assembly at the last session of the Legislature and kept a watchful eye on the expenditures of the commonwealth. He brings encouraging predictions of Republican gains in Southern California, but counsels that Republicans in every county of the State should be urged to active work.

GENERAL MILLER BANQUETED.

The Seventh California Gives a Theater Party and a Supper.

General Miller was the guest of honor Thursday at a theater party given by the officers of the Seventh California. About forty officers from that regiment, the Tennessee and the regiment of artillery stationed at the camp, gathered in the parlors of the Baldwin Hotel shortly before 8 o'clock. The general appeared some few minutes later and was given an ovation. The party then left the hotel in a body and for the rest of the early part of the evening they followed out the checkered career of Mary Stuart as interpreted by Mme. Modjeska. A supper, served in the Baldwin dining room, was a fitting finale to the evening's entertainment.

To Plead for Bernal Park.

At a meeting of the Precita Valley Improvement Club last night a committee of five, consisting of J. B. Vizzard, J. E. O'Brien, Stephen Byrnes, Henry Young and John T. Graham, were appointed to wait on the Supervisors at the meeting on Monday next and urge an appropriation sufficient to improve Bernal Park, a small piece of land of oblong shape lying between Army street and Precita avenue. Until recently it was the bed of Islais Creek.

"No One to Blame."

A verdict of "accidental death—no one to blame," was rendered by the Coroner's jury yesterday morning in the case of 8-year-old George Tepper, who was killed last Wednesday by being run over by a freight train at the intersection of Channel and Bryant streets.

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