

NEWS OF THE BAY CITIES

HEIRS LEARN OF UNCLE MOORE'S DEATH TOO LATE

The Estate They Say Was Looted.

RELATIVES WERE NOT SOUGHT

FRANK SANDERSON MAKES STARTLING DISCLOSURES

Thousands on Deposit in Bank Vanish and Escheat of Balance to the State Will Be Bitterly Contested.

Oakland Office San Francisco Call, 908 Broadway, Aug. 12.

Frank Sanderson has come all the way from Clifton, Ill., to discover that the comfortable estate of his uncle, W. W. Moore, who died intestate at Emeryville on February 11, 1883, has evaporated like a Scotch mist before a July noonday sun.

The estate had been settled up practically through ex-Public Administrator James Stanley, and of the original \$39,000 the value given the estate in Stanley's petition for letters in 1884, and which consisted entirely of moneys on deposit in a local bank, but a remnant—\$800—remains, and no heirs having been found up to the time the administrator's report account this sum escheats to the State of California to the credit of the school fund.

And all this notwithstanding that there were at least six legal heirs residing in the East, who only recently, through a letter from Attorney J. G. Mattos, learned of Moore's death.

The money of an heirless estate is the property of the State, and the executor pays it over to the State Treasurer. This has already been done in the Moore estate, but a bitter contest was commenced this afternoon in Judge Hall's department of the Superior Court for the recovery of the money claimed by the heirs.

Frank Sanderson, through his attorney, J. G. Mattos, had petitioned for the distribution of the remnant, but E. Morton Wolf vigorously opposed the petition under authorization from the Attorney General, who contended that the estate had been fully closed up and that since no heirs had been sought for their claims within five years limited by the Civil Code, the money had already escheated to the State.

He insisted that the money belongs now to the State school fund and that he, therefore, is moreover entitled to his commission for having so discharged the estate's debts.

Wolf, however, stated that the Attorney General courted an adverse ruling of the Superior Court in order that he might prove a test case. Wolf went to the extent of declaring that a foreigner might enjoy the longest of lives, and that he is more important than heirs who silently abide in this country.

Attorney Mattos, for Sanderson, was permitted to submit a deposition of one of the heirs, Susan Brigham, wherein she declared that she had only recently learned of Moore's death.

Judge Hall decided to continue the matter for ten days, on which day Sanderson and one that will prove startling under the circumstances.

It is believed by the ex-Public Administrator that no heirs could be found," said Frank Sanderson to a Call reporter this evening. "The money was damaged about my uncle's papers at the Randlett House in Emeryville as soon as I arrived. I found a note from Mr. Moore had received from my mother and from many other relatives during the past month. It is strange, too, that all of the \$32,000 on deposit has shimmered away and the heirs have got none. It seems to me

SOFT COMPANY TROCCERS

Nothing nicer than a fresh, crisp cracker—fruit, nut or ginger—served with every meal or kept to aid in setting a quick lunch. The prices are so low they are not a luxury.

- Cocoanut Taffy.....lb 14c
Graham.....lb 10c
Graham Snaps.....lb 10c
Fig Bars.....lb 12c
Fruit Biscuit.....lb 12c
Frisco Lunch.....lb 8c
Fancy Assorted.....lb 10c
Walnut Cream Ast'd.....lb 14c
Dainty Chips.....lb cart 15c
Armour's Bacon.....lb 11c

Eastern sugar cured. Breakfast. Granulated Sugar 19 lb 8c

Ghirardelli's Chocolate 19c Eagle brand—lb package. Carolina Rice.....lb 4c

Whole Wheat Flour.....80c Nothing so wholesome. Best quality—5 lb sack. Pio Moro Oil, gal can \$1.75

Best Italian salad oil, 1/2 gallon. 90c Manzanilla Olives.....qt 15c

Durkee's Celery Salt, bot 10c Little Neck Clams, 3 cans 25c

Sapolio.....4 cakes 25c Boneless Tamales 2 for 15c

Mountain Java.....lb 20c Eight Saving Stores: 175 Market St. S. F. 1311 Post St. S. F.

BUNCO MAN IS MORE HOPEFUL

Chance That He May Now Escape.

HISTORY OF HIS VICTIM

NORMAN SMITH PREFERS HIS ANSWER.

His Testimony Cannot Fail to Help the Case of the Man Whom His Wife Charged With Robbery.

SOME HOT SHOT FOR OAKLAND'S OLD "ROOKERY"

Councilman Mott Is Anxious to Do Something That Will Destroy the Old Shack.

OAKLAND, Aug. 12.—Councilman Frank Mott has a good foundation on which to build his plea for a new City Hall, A. M. Dewey, a Government expert, when he visited Oakland to prepare a report on municipalities, wrote the following paragraph, which will appear in the official report soon to be issued from Washington:

The present City Hall is a rookery and a first-rate in which it is positively unsafe to store public records and would not be considered a safe building in the tenement house district of an Eastern city.

With this as a text Mr. Mott has issued the following: The Government report will be published soon and will be scattered broadcast throughout this country and circulated abroad and it cannot help giving Oakland a black eye. Now it seems to me that the city should do something toward placing our city in the front rank in regard to municipal improvements. It is high time that we should house our library and municipal departments in suitable and safe structures—buildings that are in keeping with the city's significance and the social standard of its population.

The time to do it is now. We have the opportunity. Why delay any longer? We have put off from year to year and year to year, and the most of our townspeople are disgusted and hold us up as a laughing stock. There is absolutely no reason why the scheme proposed should not be carried out to success and at once.

Some one has said it is not the "ideal" proposition. I do not say it is, but we are to wait until we get the ideal? Shall we wait a few years more and then say that we are "ideal"? Every day that we maintain the "ramshackle" we advertise ourselves as unprogressive and backward, and as long as we permit things to go on as at present we cannot expect people of means, home-seekers and investors, to come among us.

The proposition to obtain a new municipal building as a substitute for the old one, Washington street should be opened through to San Pablo avenue. No one can deny that the city has a piece of land that she has no use for. It is valuable for business purposes and the proceeds from its sale will erect and furnish a suitable, commodious and handsome City Hall.

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CITIZENS TO PROTEST THE LIGHT ORDINANCE

ALAMEDA, Aug. 12.—The next meeting of the Board of City Trustees will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow. A petition has been drawn up and will be circulated asking the City Trustees to rescind the new vehicle light ordinance, and from present indications the lobby will be filled with citizens at the meeting. The ordinance will offer indignation protests against this unpopular law. A parade that will serve to throw ridicule upon the ordinance will be held up the city streets. Mr. Miller, chairman of the Police Committee, and City Marshal Conrad after a conference with the Board of City Trustees, a new ordinance shall begin next Tuesday night. Posters will be printed and put up along the roads entering the city, to inform people of the provisions of the new municipal statute.

It is not best," Mr. Miller said to-day, "to be arrogant in the enforcement of the ordinance. Immediately Berkeley under the ordinance should be fully informed and prepared to obey the ordinance. It is one of those regulations that people think will be thrown overboard. They do not think so of the anti-expectoration ordinance, and possibly they will get used to this one. Berkeley is a city that is full of a number of things to be taken into consideration, but I believe the ordinance is a just one. The Board of City Trustees, and we can get expressions of opinion from the citizens from them of the wisdom of the ordinance.

EXAMINATIONS SCHEDULED

Formalities Attending the Reopening of the State University. BERKELEY, Aug. 12.—The Board of Regents announces the following schedule of entrance examinations: On Monday, August 14, the examinations for the incoming freshman class begin, continuing until Thursday. The admittance committee in charge will consist of Professors Senger, Ames and Cary. Beginning with Wednesday the various institutes will keep open hours for consultation with students.

On Thursday, August 17, graduates and upper classes will be examined. The admittance committee in charge will consist of Professors Senger, Ames and Cary. On Tuesday they will be organized for instruction. The welcoming address will be given by Regent Halliday, president pro tem, in the absence of President Wheeler.

Small Scare at Niles.

OAKLAND, Aug. 12.—Niles has just passed through a period of intense excitement. A hunting party was missing, and it was reported that one of them had been shot dead accidentally. He, J. Craft, was supposed to be the victim, and Jack Smith was said to have perished in the same way. This morning Mr. Smith walked quietly into camp, surprised that his absence had caused any alarm. Mr. Craft accidentally shot himself in the arm. He is in no danger.

Daily Californian Staff.

BERKELEY, Aug. 12.—H. S. Robinson, editor-in-chief of the Daily Californian, announced the appointment of his staff to-day as follows: Nathan M. Moran, '00, managing editor; Duncan McDuffie, '00, athletic editor; W. S. Butler, E. A. Dickson, Miss Agnes Frisius, D. A. Gordiner, J. M. Henderson, R. G. G. Quinn, J. F. Quinlan, P. A. Sinsheimer, and J. J. Quinn.

FRANCHISES FAVORED.

North Berkeley Club Will Not Oppose the Southern Pacific. BERKELEY, Aug. 12.—The North Berkeley Improvement Club crowded the Berrymen engine house last night to hear the report of its committee on railroad franchises.

Reported that the committee had visited the Southern Pacific management, and given assurances that the rights belonging to citizens of North Berkeley under the present charter would be continued under the new arrangement. The company volunteered to put pledges to this effect in writing to allay any fears of the contrary entertained by the people of North Berkeley.

The franchise was accepted, and the ensuing discussion favored the granting of the franchises, the prevailing opinion being that the interests of the company were identical with those of property-holders in the matter.

AN EVANGELIST MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERED

OAKLAND, Aug. 12.—Chief Hodgkins has received the following letter: RATION, N. M., Aug. 8, 1899.—Last October a man supposed to be F. E. Morris was murdered in this county. As District Attorney I am anxious to learn his real name and whatever else the Board of Supervisors of Merced County has discovered that the man was in your city in January, 1897, that he was some kind of a traveling missionary.

Will you be kind enough to make inquiries and give me all the information you can; also the names of persons who knew him, etc. At the time he was in your city he was certainly attending some kind of religious meetings, etc. A sort of evangelist, as it were. He was about 60 years old. Please give me prompt reply. J. LEAHY, District Attorney.

No information of F. C. Morris has yet been received. There are always so many "evangelists" in Oakland that it is not easy to recall any particular one.

Printers' Convention Ends.

OAKLAND, Aug. 12.—The State Typographical convention concluded its labors this morning after the adoption of resolutions of thanks for the many kindnesses extended by the press of Oakland, the retiring officers, Oakland union and others. The convention adjourned to meet at Santa Rosa next year. The delegates were royally entertained to-night at a banquet given at the Gaiardo Hotel.

Prohibitionists in Session.

OAKLAND, Aug. 12.—The general State committee of the Prohibition party met here this afternoon and elected H. Clay Needham to succeed Theodore B. K.

TO REBUILD A BURNED CHURCH.

OAKLAND, Aug. 12.—A contract has been made for the rebuilding of the Methodist church at Hayward, which was burned down on July 4. The work must be completed by September 20.

Entitled Small School Girls.

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WOODLAND, Aug. 12.—Proceedings in what promises to be a sensational divorce case were begun in the Superior Court here to-day, the plaintiff being Mrs. J. W. Hambley and the defendant Mrs. Hambley. The case was heard by Judge Thompson. The plaintiff is a well-known resident of Western Yolo, where they have resided for the last twenty years. She is now about forty-seven years of age, and has a large family of married children residing in the city. The complaint alleges intemperance and inhuman treatment as the grounds for separation, and the plaintiff asks for a division of the community property, said to consist of 900 acres of fertile land in Capay Valley and a large amount of personal property.

Big Log Raft Starts.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 12.—The big log raft destined for San Francisco arrived down the river this evening in tow of the tug "Wahlu" and the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company's steamer "Thompson." The raft contains nearly five million feet of timber and has been under construction by the Robertson Brothers since last June. It is now safely moored at Flavel and will be started on its journey in tow of the tug "Rescue and Relief" to-morrow.

Horse Sold for Two Bits.

VISALIA, Aug. 12.—A horse was sold in Exeter in this county yesterday for 25 cents. This is undoubtedly the cheapest horse ever disposed of in the San Joaquin Valley.

Haughty a Fast Swimmer.

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 12.—Dr. Newman was defeated this afternoon in the 100-yard swimming championship race at Pleasant Valley by John F. Haughty of the Milwaukee Athletic Club. Time, 1:09.45. Haughty came within one-fifth of a second of the world's record.

COORRE TAILS BROUGHT THEM A SMALL FORTUNE

Are Now Wanted for Felony. FIVE HUNTERS IMPLICATED THEY BUNKOED MERCED COUNTY SUPERVISORS.

Slaughtered Thousands of Squirrels in Berkeley Hills and Sold Their Tails Where They Brought Bounty. OAKLAND Office San Francisco Call, 908 Broadway, Aug. 12.

Through the cleverly directed curiosity of Deputy Sheriff Pedler it has been discovered that the Board of Supervisors of Merced County has purchased 75,000 tails of squirrels slaughtered in the hills back of Berkeley and Contra Costa County, paying therefor \$450, and for which the board has no earthly use. But the squirrels are now eagerly searching high and low, far and wide, for the squirrel-tail vendors who thus mulcted the Merced County treasury and for the arrest of whom warrants have been issued on charges of felony.

At a recent meeting of the Merced Supervisors claims aggregating \$48, representing the bounty on 22,400 squirrel tails, were allowed and paid to five Alameda County residents.

These claims had been sworn to in due form, but Deputy Sheriff Pedler has led to the discovery that the 22,400 tails had been delivered by five market hunters named J. Lambert, J. Lambert Jr., John Doe, William E. Sears and Buckley within twenty-four hours after they reached Merced County. This discovery led to the arrest of the five men in question have thus far collected from Merced County \$4,500.

It has since been learned that all of the squirrels whose tails were sold to the Merced Supervisors were taken from the Alameda and Contra Costa counties. Sheriff Rogers' deputies have been working in conjunction with the Merced authorities and they have succeeded in arresting J. Lambert and his son at their homes in Berkeley. These two have been committed to Merced County jail where they are booked for felony.

The other three hunters implicated have their names and arrest is expected they will be rounded up in a few days.

CAKEWALKING TOTS, WHO ARE CHAMPIONS

MISS SUSIE ELMORE TRIUMPHANT IN AN EXCITING BATTLE OF BALLOTS. ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 12.—Miss Susie Elmore, the charming daughter of Samuel Elmore, the wealthy salaried packer, will reign as the healthy and happy queen of the sixth annual carnival, which opens here on August 21. For three weeks an interesting voting contest has waged merrily, and to-night the final vote was announced. On the first of the two counts Miss Elmore, who was looked upon by the majority of people as a sure winner, came out in third place.

The total vote in the contest was about 325,000, and the leading candidates were: Miss Elmore, 118,544; Miss Tallant, 81,276; Miss Trullinger, 55,203.

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Joseph, a brakeman, residing at 1815 Henry street, while switching near Niles yesterday attempted to jump on a train, but he slipped and his foot slipped and was caught in the double rails. The force with which he was struck to the ground broke the bones of the foot, which may now have to be amputated. He is at the Southern Pacific Hospital, where he is being treated by Mrs. M. Griffith of Centerville, who has been an inmate at the County Infirmary for the past two weeks. He is now in a baby only a few weeks ago and her case is a sad one.

Rudolph E. Permen, a cigarmaker, was arrested yesterday on complaint of Hattie Isaacs, who charges him with betrayal. Permen stoutly denies that he ever promised to marry his accuser. He has been released on bonds in the sum of \$1,000. J. Puetz and J. F. Sheehan his bondsmen.

Last of Cigarette Ordinance.

OAKLAND, Aug. 12.—The case of B. Berovitch, convicted of selling cigarettes in violation of a city ordinance prohibiting their sale and manufacture, was dismissed on appeal in the Superior Court this afternoon on the ground that the cigarette ordinance had been repealed during the pendency of the case.

Tons of Onions for Manila.

OAKLAND, Aug. 12.—Joseph Herrscher of Leandro has secured a contract to supply the Government with 30,000 pounds of onions. The contract was awarded one of the transports and are for use at Manila.

Estate of Henry Matthews.

OAKLAND, Aug. 12.—Mary Jane Elizabeth Cryan was to-day appointed executrix of the estate of Henry Matthews, deceased. Under the terms of the will real estate acquired by testator since his marriage, including valuable property in San Bernardino, Fresno, San Mateo, San Francisco and Alameda counties, is bequeathed to the widow, Mary Matthews.

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THE WHY.

Curate—I never saw such a set of idiots as I had to preach to this morning. Mabel (one of the congregation)—I suppose that is why you kept on calling them "dearly beloved brethren."—Tit-Bits.

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