GRAND LODGE OF THE WORKMEN IS NOW IN SESSION

Members of the Well-Known Order Deliberate on Many Things.

The Per Capita Tax Is Now Fixed at Two Dollars and a Half—A Session of the Degree of Honor Is Held.

At the morning session of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen yesterday the consideration of the report of the committee on laws and amendments was again taken up.

Proposed amendment No. 11, relating to reinstatements, adopted at the previous session, was reconsidered and amendment No. 17, which deals with the same matter, but in a clearer and more definite manner, was adopted.

Amendment No. 12, providing that lodges shall appoint a committee of three on increase of membership and care of suspended members, was adopted. Amendments Nos. 13 and 14, that deal with the same matter and deal with the manner of reports by such committee, were also adopted.

Amendment No. 15, which proposed to fix the fee of the grand medical examiner for revising medical certificates at 50 cents instead of 25 cents each, and that the aggregate amount monthly shall not exceed $150, was defeated.

Amendment No. 18, providing that an applicant who wants to be reinstated "shall pay the medical examiner's fee of $2, $1 for beneficiary certificate and such other sum or sums as the by-laws of the lodge may provide," was defeated.

The report of the same committee approving a number of changes to by-laws of subordinate lodges was adopted.

The committee on good of the order announced its approval of the report of the grand master in relation to the assistance rendered him by the grand foreman, grand overseer, deputy grand master and grand lecturer, visitations by grand officers and dispensations and adding that the visits by grand officers should be continued.

The announcement was made that the result of the competition between drill teams the evening previous resulted in Prosperity's team winning the first prize and Enterprize's team winning the second.

At the afternoon session there was a protracted discussion on the subject of retrenchment in the expenses of conducting the affairs of the Grand Lodge, and several motions and amendments to the recommendation of the finance committee that the per capita tax be fixed at $2 75 were presented. Finally it was decided that the report of that committee on estimated expenditures be passed upon seriatim. All the recommendations were adopted without change except that the estimate for printing was cut down from $1400 to $1000, and the amount due the beneficiary fund was reduced from $10,000 to one-half that sum, the other half to be paid next year. The tax was then fixed at $2 50 and made payable 75 cents in July, 50 cents in October, 75 cents in January and 50 cents in April.

The claims of several beneficiaries were not allowed, as the law of the order did not warrant of their approval on account of the absence of proof of death. Those were the claims of Louisa Polsky, Ada R. Hammond and Mary H. Grimm. The claim of Mrs. Annie F. Smith Dearborn was allowed.

A motion to have the grand recorder send out an appeal circular to all the lodges in aid of Mrs. Hammond was referred to the good of the order committee.

To-day the officers for the ensuing year will be nominated, elected and installed, and it is probable the Grand Lodge will terminate its labors.

Mrs. Walter Malloy presided last night at a reception in Shiels building tendered by the Degree of Honor Grand Lodge to the members of the order and the grand officers and representatives to the Grand Lodge of Workmen. There was an entertaining musical and literary programme and addresses by Supreme Master Workman Bickford, Past Grand Master Barnes and ex-Grand Recorder Hirshberg, after which there was a programme of dancing.

Degree of Honor.

The first session of the Grand Lodge of the Degree of Honor was called to order yesterday morning by Grand Lady of Honor Mrs. Viola S. Norman, in the Memorial Hall of the Odd Fellows' building. All the grand officers and representatives were present.

The reports showed that during the past year there was an increase of fourteen lodges and that there is a membership of 2211, of which 338 are beneficiary members. There was a gain of 619 members during the year, of which 134 were beneficial. There were fifty visitations during the year.

A great deal of routine business was disposed of. The most important was the change of sessions of the Grand Lodge from annual to biennial. The money that will be saved in that way will be used in extension work.

To-day the grand officers will be elected for the ensuing year and the grand body will terminate its labors. After the adjournment of the Grand Lodge the ritualistic work was exemplified by the drill team of Ivy Lodge of Oakland. Supreme Master Bickford and Past Grand Master Barnes visited the Grand Lodge and addressed it.

In the Divorce Court.

Decrees of divorce have been granted Sophie Affron Becker from George F. Becker on the ground of desertion; Carrie S. Hale from Edward S. Hale on the ground of desertion; Lizzie Chaussagne from Henry Chaussagne for desertion, and Margaret Richmond from Thomas Richmond for desertion. Suits for divorce have been filed by Samuel Kelleher against Mary E. Kelleher for desertion; George H. Le Roy against Hattie G. Le Roy for cruelty, and Nellie Fisher against Joseph Fisher for desertion.

GRAPE-NUTS.

GRAPE-NUTS CURE.

Good Food Works Salvation.

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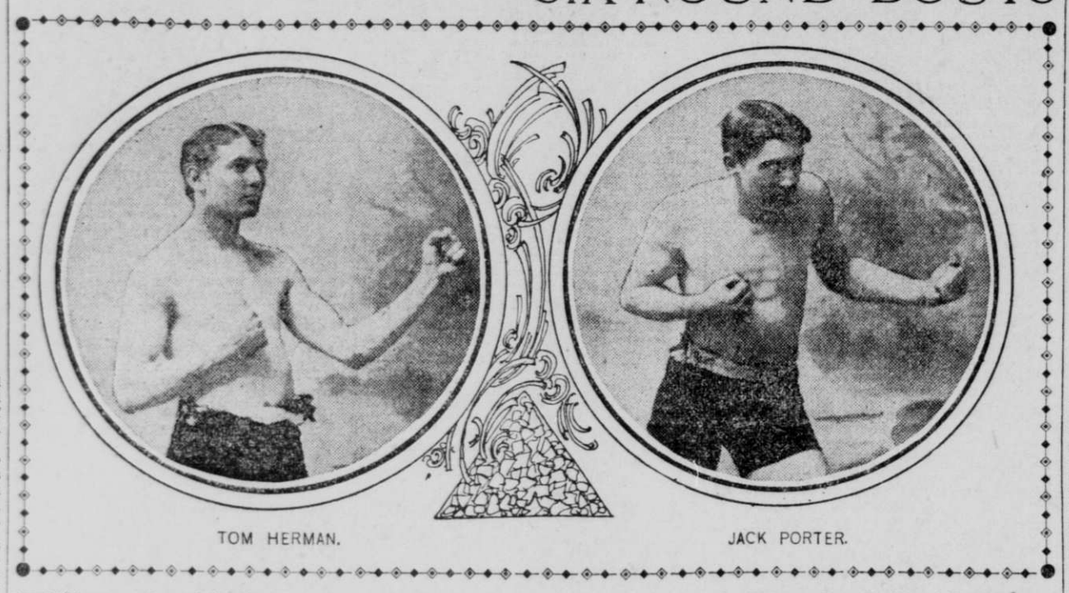
"This proves to me that Grape-Nuts food is highly condensed and nourishing food, which satisfies the system as no other food does, and causes no indigestion. It is a godsend to all sufferers of stomach and nervous troubles.

"I have several neighbors who are using both Postum Cereal Coffee and Grape-Nuts, and they wonder how they ever did without either, since learning how good and beneficial they are. One lady has a family of growing school children. She says they use nothing else for their luncheon at noon but Grape-Nuts with milk. They all enjoy the food very much and feel well fed. She states that when the children come in from school they are not starved for a piece of something to eat, as they formerly were when they lunched from all other foods.

"This has convinced her that Grape-Nuts food sustains the system longer than any other food. The fact that it is thoroughly cooked and ready for immediate serving is of great value, especially when one is in a hurry. Please do not publish my name." The name of this lady can be had by application to the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.

AMATEUR BOXERS IN SIX-ROUND BOUTS



TOM HERMAN. JACK PORTER.

THE gymnasium of the San Francisco Athletic Club, Sixth street, will be the scene to-night of a number of bouts with the gloves between amateur boxers. With the exception of Tom Gilfeather, who appeared recently in the Olympic Club's tournament, the majority of the boxers are making their first appearance in the ring. This does not mean they are untried, as the ten brace of aspirants for honors, such as the ring affords, had to don the gloves and show their mettle before the bouts were arranged. The men are matched as follows: Tom Gilfeather and Jim Hamilton, Ed. Finnerty and Dick Riger, Dave Sheehan and Mike Joyce, Luke Dean and George Curran, C. A. Barnett and Ed. Barker, Jim Whipple and T. O'Leary, Young Neill and Jim Ryan, Steve Kennedy and George de Comcey, Pete Bush and Fred Pårker, Tom Herman and Jack Porter.

With the exception of the latter all bouts are scheduled for four rounds. Herman and Porter will box six rounds at 128 pounds' weight. The size of the ring has been decreased, which will have the effect of quickening the pace of the boxers. Alex. Greggains will appear in his original role of referee.

LOSING OF A CORPSE WRECKS HIS MIND

Stockton Man Becomes Insane While Escorting a Body to the East for Burial.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., April 4.—M. N. Beach of Stockton, Cal., is insane at Norwich as the result of losing a corpse he was conveying from Stockton to Olyphant, Pa. Mr. Beach reached Norwich over the Ontario and Western, registering at the Palmer House. He acted strangely and said that while escorting the body of Mrs. Hill from Stockton to Olyphant he lost it at Oswego and took the wrong train. Papers in his pocket substantiated the assertion.

He left the hotel and soon afterward was seen trying to crawl into a child's snow house. Later he attempted to break in the door of a prominent residence, searching for the corpse, and was locked up by the Sheriff. In his cell he raved in delirium and the authorities had difficulty in restraining him. Relatives at Stockton, whose address was found among the man's papers, were notified and wired to take the best of care of the unfortunate and a man would be sent to care for him.

The body which went astray later arrived safely at Olyphant. This, when communicated to the patient, had a quieting effect, and it is thought he will soon recover. He is said to be a prominent and wealthy resident of Stockton.

EMPLOYES DISMISSED BY THE HEALTH BOARD

Dr. Bazet's Plans for Central Disinfecting Station Approved and May Be Carried Out.

The Board of Health held a special meeting yesterday and decided to sustain Health Officer O'Brien in his summary removal of Steward Reilly and Day Watchman Wollard from the Twenty-sixth-street Smallpox Hospital. Dr. O'Brien said his action in the case of Reilly and Wollard was the result of an affidavit filed by Thomas Powell regarding the conduct of the dismissed officials.

Powell in his affidavit stated that there was a case of smallpox last March at his house, 306 Taylor street, and Reilly and Wollard came with the ambulance to remove the patient to the hospital. Reilly drew a revolver and said that he had heard there was going to be trouble. He then said that everything would be taken out of the room and burned, but told Powell that if he was "wise" and "next to himself" he knew what to do. Powell says he then gave Reilly a dollar, and Reilly and Wollard brought the bedding into the kitchen, but took nothing away with them except a part of the patient's clothes and a grip belonging to him.

J. P. Keating and B. Walls were appointed to succeed Reilly and Wollard, and Thomas Challenden succeeds P. McMillan as night watchman.

Attorney Bennett, for the Chinese Consul, addressed the board regarding the suppression of basement lodging houses in Chinatown, saying that the enforcement of the order would work a hardship on the poorer class. The board was of the opinion that the order should be carried out to its strict letter and will prosecute its work in that direction.

C. H. Mills, M.D., was appointed an interne of the City and County Hospital, vice Dr. A. Giroux, resigned.

Dr. Bazet read a paper regarding the establishment of a central disinfection station similar to the one now successfully operated in Paris. On motion of Dr. Baum the plans and specifications for a local station as outlined by Dr. Bazet were approved and the Supervisors will be requested to set aside sufficient funds to carry out the suggestion.

GRIFFIN KNOCKS LAWLER OUT IN THE THIRD ROUND

OAKLAND, April 4.—Charles Lawler of Detroit, widely advertised as the "undefeated," collided with the right fist of "Hank" Griffin, the colored scrapper from Los Angeles, at the Reliance Athletic Club rooms this evening, and five minutes afterward came to a realization of the fact that he had been up against the real thing. The knockout blow was a right swing on the jaw in the third round of what was to have been a ten-round contest, and came so suddenly that the spectators were taken by surprise. Lawler dropped like a log. He tried to rise to his feet as the eighth second was ticked off, but fell back and had to be carrier to his corner by his seconds.

The first two rounds were spent in fiddling at long distance and only one light tap was landed by each man before the end came. Lawler was seconded by Tom Tracy, R. S. Cole and George Croll. Griffin was seconded by Tom Sadler, Watson Burns, Frank Malley and a brother of "Soldier" Green. Jack Kitchen officiated as referee. Prior to the battle Charles Long announced that Fred Russell challenged the winner.

The first preliminary between "Jockey" Maynard of Oakland and "Kid" Shonbrien of San Francisco proved a rather tame affair, and was stopped in the fourth round and the laurels awarded to Maynard by the referee.

The real fight of the evening was the second preliminary, in which Jack Capeliss of the Reliance Club defeated Charles Trost of San Francisco in the seventh round of what was scheduled for a ten-round "go." Both men went at each other like tigers, Trost having somewhat the advantage until the third round, when he was considerably weakened by a series of stiff body blows. Both men were groggy on several occasions, but Capeliss showed the greater recuperative power and had Trost all but out in the seventh round, when Referee James Fox stopped hostilities and declared Capeliss the winner. After the contest it was discovered that Capeliss had broken his right hand. Though this accident occurred in the second round he had not even notified his seconds, but fought gamely with his left hand and won a most creditable victory. The action of Referee James Fox in stopping both preliminaries when they became one-sided is generally commended.

Freight Cars Wrecked.

SANTA CRUZ, April 4.—Three cars loaded with slabs got beyond control at Loma Prieta while on a down grade this afternoon and were wrecked. No one was hurt.

STATESMEN INCLINED TO CENSURE DEWEY

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Senator Hanna said respecting Dewey's candidacy that it "ought to have been announced on April 1—April fool's day." That was all Mr. Hanna would say about it.

None of the officials of the Navy Department cared to express publicly any opinion as to the admiral's Presidential announcement. But it was plain to be seen that it had created profound surprise in every circle. The impression prevailed that, regardless of the outcome of the admiral's movement from a political point of view, his entrance into the arena of politics marks the termination of his activity in the navy. Not that it is believed that his retirement is pending, but it is felt that, engrossed as he will be in his other aspirations, the admiral will not be able to spare the time necessary for the discharge of purely naval duties. It is intimated that he practically indicated his purpose to withdraw from active naval work in a conversation recently with an intimate friend and brother officer.

Senator Proctor of Vermont to-night, speaking of Admiral Dewey's announcement, said: "The statement in regard to the Presidency purporting to come from Admiral Dewey is as much of a surprise to me as it can be to any one. The subject of politics has not been referred to between us in the slightest manner, directly or indirectly, since his statement soon after his return last fall."

Here is what some Californians think of Dewey's candidacy:

Representative De Vries—I do not seriously regard the candidacy of any man who has no platform upon important matters.

Representative Waters—If the Dewey interview is correct and he states that he is a candidate, but unwilling to state of what party, then I should say he ought to have a political guardian appointed immediately.

Representative Kahn—I feel satisfied that Dewey stands absolutely no chance for nomination by either party.

Representative Barham—I don't believe Dewey ever made that statement, but if he did he has held the last official position he ever ought to hold in this world.

Representative Needham—His candidacy makes no difference with the two great national conventions. The Republicans will nominate McKinley, the Democrats will nominate Bryan, and McKinley will be elected.

OMAHA, Neb., April 4.—The announcement of the Presidential candidacy of Admiral Dewey has created a tremendous sensation throughout this section of the West. Bryan's friends are considerably exercised. The Gold Democrats are very much elated with affairs, as are leading Republicans. They claim the situation is very much complicated and that Bryan will have trouble disposing of Dewey, as there will be a spontaneous outburst in behalf of the hero of Manila Bay. National Democratic Committeeman Thompson this afternoon asserted that the candidacy of Dewey meant nothing and that nothing could head off Bryan; Nebraska was still for him and would remain so even though every other State were for Dewey.

J. Sterling Morton, ex-Secretary of Agriculture and the leading spirit of the gold Democratic party in the State, thinks Dewey will prove a very disturbing factor in the Bryan camp. So does Euclid Martin, for years chairman of the gold Democratic State Committee.

The Omaha World-Herald takes the position that Dewey is not right on the question of imperialism for the Democratic Convention to make him a formidable candidate, and that he cannot be seriously considered by the Democrats because anti-imperialism will be the cardinal principle of the coming campaign. The Bee editorially says the Dewey boom is liable to prove a serious thing for Bryan in view of the prominence of the movement in the East. All the small dailies throughout the State give the announcement of Dewey's candidacy under scare heads and say Dewey will have a big following.

DETROIT, April 4.—Daniel J. Campau, Michigan member of the National Democratic Committee, wires the New York World to-day in response to an inquiry whether Dewey would not be a stronger candidate than Bryan as follows:

"In the present crisis the Democratic party needs a leader of positive conviction. The Democratic candidate must not only stand firmly upon the Democratic platform but must be a platform in himself. Mere personal popularity is never sufficient to win, especially at a time when voters are studying, as now. The Democratic party is strongest when fighting aggressively for principle, and weakest when supporting mere popular heroes. Proud as Democrats may be that Dewey is among those who desire the downfall of imperialism, I think it would be a grave mistake not to place in nomination William J. Bryan, whose vote of 1896 was larger than had ever been before required to elect, and whose following to-day is larger by far."

HILLSBORO, Or., April 4.—Regarding Dewey's candidacy for President Hon. W. J. Bryan declines to be interviewed.

Nuisances Must Be Abated.

The Supervisors' Health and Hospital Committee yesterday decided that the Central Light and Power Company must abate within thirty days the smoke nuisance in connection with its plants in the basement of the Parrott building. The petition of taxpayers for the abatement of the nuisance now existing on the tract of land bounded by Twenty-sixth street, Army street, Potrero avenue and Alabama street through this basin acting as a trap for the Potrero avenue, Florida and Alabama streets sewers, was favorably acted upon, and the Board of Public Works will be directed to construct an intercepting sewer to carry off the refuse.

Inheritance Tax Must Be Paid.

Treasurer Brooks yesterday sent notices to all executors, administrators or trustees of estates liable for the payment of collateral inheritance tax, to pay the same, or the District Attorney will proceed to enforce the law providing for its collection. In all cases of real estate the unpaid tax will be filed as a lien on the property. There remains to be paid a large amount of rebates on personal property taxes of last year, ranging in sums from 8 cents to several hundred dollars. The rebate is due to the fact that the tax levy was made after the taxes were collected.

Delegates Elected.

SALINAS, April 4.—The San Jose District Presbytery elected the following to the general assembly: Rev. E. L. Rich of Gilroy, delegate; alternate, A. H. Barnhisel of Hollister; elder to the assembly, William G. Alexander of San Jose.

EFFORT TO SAVE MOLINA FROM THE GALLOWS

Chief Justice Beatty and Three Supreme Justices Urge the Governor to Use Clemency.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SACRAMENTO, April 4.—Chief Justice Beatty and Supreme Justices Henshaw, Temple and McFarland have recommended to the Governor clemency in the case of Ysabel Molina, who will be hanged at Folsom next Friday for the murder of A. Ramos at Bakersfield in 1896 unless the Governor interferes on appeal. The Supreme Court affirmed the judgment of the lower court.

Tremendous influences have been brought to bear upon the Governor to commute Molina's sentence to life imprisonment. In addition to the four Justices of the Supreme Court, the Mexican Ambassador at Washington, Senor Don Manuel de Azpiraz, has interceded in Molina's behalf. The Justices gave no reasons for recommending clemency in the case. It seems from the record, however, that Molina's case had not been properly presented before the Supreme Court at the time of the appeal to that tribunal from the judgment of the lower court.

Justice Temple, in the original case, dissented from the decision of affirmance upon the ground of misconduct upon the part of the District Attorney, which misconduct, in his opinion, warranted the granting of a new trial. The full record was not presented to the Supreme Court on appeal, but when the application for clemency was made to the Justices the entire record was laid before them. Governor Gage is not in the city at present and it is not known what action, if any, he will take in the matter.

PORTO RICAN LABORER PERMITTED TO LAND

Secretary Gage Passes Upon a Test Case Involving the Status of the Island.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Secretary Gage to-day passed on the case of Jorge Cruse, a native of Porto Rico, who was detained at Ellis Island, N. Y., and ordered deported on the charge that he had violated the contract labor laws. In his telegram to the Commissioner of Immigration at New York Secretary Gage says:

You will allow Jorge Cruse to land, the department reserving the right to deport him at any time within one year and to bring suit for $1000 penalty against the person or corporation assisting, encouraging or soliciting him to come under contract. It appears that Cruse came without knowledge that he was in violation of the law, if he be here in violation of law. It further appears that he was brought here to make a moot case and not in good faith, as a contract laborer. This being an isolated case, public interests are not affected by allowing him to land subject to future deportation. Legislation now pending in Congress may change the present status. The department prefers to test the question by bringing suit to recover penalty imposed by law upon the person who brought Cruse into this country under contract. The matter will be referred to the Department of Justice with a request to take such action in this direction as the case may justify.

COUNT DE LUBERSAC ENGAGES IN A DUEL.

Victorious in the First Affair Resulting From His Quarrel With the Rothschilds.

PARIS, April 4.—It is reported that the first of the series of duels arising from the Count of Lubersac's letter to Baron Robert Rothschild took place this afternoon between Baron Michael Ephrussi and the Count of Lubersac, on the island of Grande Jatte, in the River Seine, near Neuilly. At the fourth onslaught the Baron was wounded in the breast, the count's sword striking a rib.

The count received a slight scratch in the neck. M. Ephrussi's seconds were MM. Tavernière and Blestagana. The count, it is said, found difficulty in securing seconds, owing to the question of arbitration which the count's previous seconds thought necessary and he was obliged to ask the assistance of two noncommissioned officers belonging to his old regiment. They are gendarmes and wear the military medal for valor.

The duel took place in the rustic dancing hall, which was the scene of the notorious encounter between Marquis de Mores and the Jewish Captain Meyer, in which the latter fell an easy victim. Quite a crowd had got wind of the meeting and was assembled in the grounds. The count attacked vigorously from the outset and the combatants parted at the finish without the customary handshaking.

The count left the scene in a landau and was greeted with cries of "A bas les Juifs," and "Vive l'Armee."

Recorder Selects His Copyists.

Recorder Godchaux yesterday selected the following copyists from the list of twelve furnished him by the Civil Service Commission: Mark Bartlett, Charles J. Sandregan, William J. Wilson, John F. Williams, W. H. Smith Jr., Benjamin P. Wilbur, Ed L. O'Connor, Edwin Lewis, Charles O'M. Cosgrave and Eugene J. Sullivan. Joseph Hayes was appointed chief copyist. He was accepted by the County Clerk, but the commission will transfer him to the Recorder's office, where he has been employed since Godchaux took office.

The Ideal Man.

There is much rivalry between the various colleges as to which will produce the ideal man. By this they mean a vigorous, honest, intellectual man, who will make the world better for having lived. Health will demand first consideration, for upon that depends brain and achievement. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters will keep the bowels regular and the stomach healthy by curing all stomach disorders. It also prevents malaria, fever and ague. Try it.

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OFFICERS SHOT FROM AMBUSH BY OUTLAWS

Walked Into a Trap Set by a Gang of Arizona Cattle Thieves.

George A. Scarborough, Who Has Been a Terror to the Criminals, Severely Wounded and Will Probably Die.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 4.—A special to the Republican from Benson, Ariz., says: Yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock while pursuing an unknown gang of cattle thieves, George A. Scarborough of Deming, who has been a terror to lawbreakers in New Mexico and Arizona for many years, accompanied by Walt Birchfield, a Deputy Sheriff, was ambushed by the outlaws in the Chirucusa Mountains and both were wounded, Scarborough seriously and Birchfield painfully. The outlaws in some way discovered that they were being followed and laid a trap for the officers, who walked into it.

As soon as they came within rifle range the party of three bandits opened fire. The first volley wounded both Scarborough and Birchfield, one shot striking Scarborough in the leg, shattering the bone, another struck Birchfield in the left arm. Both men are disabled. The wounded officers held the outlaws at bay, although hard pressed several times. A continuous firing was kept up until dark.

In the meantime Birchfield managed to build a rude rock fort, in which he placed Scarborough, and as soon as darkness prevented his movements from being observed by the bandits he slipped away, secured a horse and went for assistance. Returning at daybreak he found Scarborough still alive and holding the fort, but suffering intense pain from his wound and exposure, it having rained and snowed all through the night. The party arrived at San Simon at 2 o'clock this afternoon with Scarborough, and he was sent to his home in Deming. His wound will probably prove fatal.

A large posse has started in pursuit of the outlaws, who have evidently gone farther back in the mountains, where it will be almost impossible to dislodge them.

Foreign Missions Their Theme.

The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Woman's Occidental Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church began yesterday at 920 Sacramento street and will continue until Friday night—morning, afternoon and evening exercises being held all of the time. Delegates are arriving from all parts of the State and it is believed that my this evening the attendance will be larger than on any previous occasion.

Yesterday the time was devoted to the reception of delegates and brief exercises by the Occidental School and Chinese children of the home. To-day the routine business of the body will consume the afternoon and in the evening there will be a young people's foreign mission rally, under the leadership of Miss Belle Garrette. The business on Friday will be equally interesting.

West's Minstrel Jubilee.

One of the most popular forms of amusement during the past half century has been the minstrels. It is a style of entertainment purely American. The public delights to be amused, and as this form is light, airy and filled to the brim with music and novelty it should be popular. William H. West, who will appear with his own company at the Columbia Theater beginning next Monday, has many surprises in store for his friends this season, and promises a brilliant performance. Among the company are Carroll Johnson, Richard J. Jose, Fred Warren, the Luken brothers, the three Marvelles, the Waterbury brothers and Tenny and others as well known.

Republican Committees.

There will be a meeting of the executive committee of the Republican State Central Committee at the Palace Hotel this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The general committee will meet at Golden Gate Hall, on Sutter street, to-morrow at 1 p. m. Immediately after the adjournment of the State Central Committee to-morrow there will be a meeting of the First Congressional District Republican Central Committee.

Westlake in Court.

SACRAMENTO, April 4.—The examination of Mark Westlake for the recent brutal murder of Robert Watts, whose mutilated body was found in a swamp near the city, was begun to-day. The prosecution is making what seems to be a strong case, and it is generally believed Westlake will be held for trial. He is the man who sold Watts' watch and who had in his possession some of the murdered man's effects.

WILL INQUIRE INTO DISMISSAL OF LAMPHREY

Prison Directors Say That Good Cause for Removal Must Be Shown.

Position Was an Important One and Under Aull's Management He Was Always Particularly Mentioned.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SACRAMENTO, April 4.—The dismissal of George E. Lamphrey from his position as lieutenant of the guard at Folsom Prison without any assigned reason has created much unfavorable comment among Republicans here. State Prison Director R. T. Devlin, a member with Director Wilkins of the present Republican minority of the board, announces his determination to inquire at the next meeting of the board into the cause of Lieutenant Lamphrey's discharge. Lamphrey is a Republican, and Warden Wilkinson and a majority of the Board of Directors are Democrats.

Although the late Warden Charles Aull was a stanch Democrat, he reposed the utmost confidence in Lamphrey and in Captain R. J. Murphy, another Republican, and to them he often credited a large share of the success of the prison management. Friends of Captain Murphy, who, by the way, received the votes of the two Republican directors for Warden, assert that it would not surprise them if his head next drops into the basket.

Said Director Devlin to-day: "If Lamphrey was able to hold his office on his merits during the Democratic administration of Governor Budd, I confess I am greatly surprised to see that since Captain Aull's death it has been found under a Republican administration that he is unfit to hold his position. Immediately upon learning that Lamphrey had been discharged I sent for him, and while he does not wish to go back to the prison under existing circumstances, I feel it a duty I owe to him as a prison official and to the State's service as well to ascertain the causes that lead to his removal. If Warden Wilkinson was justified in removing him on account of any misconduct of Lamphrey I have not a word to say and shall heartily approve his act; if, on the contrary, Lamphrey was removed through pique or malice or for political purposes, I propose to inquire into the matter vigorously.

"This is a matter that does not concern Lamphrey alone, because we have at Folsom prison some of the most hardened criminals in the country. They have made several attempts to escape from prison and it is only because they have had to cope with efficient and brave officers that their outbreaks were not successful; but if the prison is to be demoralized by removing good men and persons with inadequate experience are to be put in their places the prison will soon become unmanageable and outbreaks that will lead to great loss of life will inevitably follow."

There is a likelihood that a meeting of the Board of Prison Directors will be held with the State Board of Examiners in this city in a few days, when the subject of the Folsom prison management will be gone into fully.

Librarian Taggert Exonerated.

The charges preferred against Librarian Taggert of the Mechanics' Institute were found to be unfounded by a special committee composed of Charles M. Plum, Charles Taussig and E. P. Irving, which reported in the matter at a meeting of the board of directors on Tuesday. P. J. Healey, who preferred the charges, was dissatisfied with the verdict and spoke in favor of the charges of incompetency, etc., which he made against the librarian. The directors also decided to spend double the sum heretofore used in the purchase of books. A box will be placed in the library and members are requested to drop into the box any suggestions as to the management of the Institute and they will be acted upon by a special committee.

Company F's Social Officers.

The members of Company F, N. G. C., held an election for their social officers on Tuesday with the following result:

Board of administration—Charles D. Cook, Milton A. Nathan. Recording secretary, K. A. Millican. Financial secretary, William Cohn. Company clerk, Richard Jantzen. Recruiting committee—William A. Varney, G. W. Iverson, Preston H. Raine, U. C. Meyers, Richard MacDonald. Social committee—William M. Higgins, Oscar H. Fernback, Harry Homer, John L. Simmons, Charles O'Connor. Range committee—Charles D. Cook, Henry W. Doscher, Henry D. O'Brien, Andrew Irving, Gus Gemballa.

The meeting last night was the twelfth anniversary of the company and was well attended by the members. A reunion will be held on the 17th instant, when a jolly smoker will form a portion of the programme. On the following Sunday the first shoot of the season will be held at Schutzen Park.

Sunday's Call

OF APRIL 8 WILL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING EXCEEDINGLY INTERESTING ARTICLES : : : : :

The Rights and Duties of Wives and Husbands

Stenographic report of discussions by "Jenny June" Croly, Mrs. Almon Hensley, Judge Chas. A. Truax and Professor Franklin Giddings.

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Beginning of Great Fiction Story by MARCEL PREVOST.

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Death of Miss Eva H. Parker.

ALAMEDA, April 4.—Miss Eva Harriet Parker died yesterday at her home, 912 Park street. Deceased was a native of Apia, aged 22 years. She was the daughter of Joseph and Harriet Parker and sister of Anita, Mabel, Alice, Ernest and Aubrey Parker. The funeral will be held Friday, from St. Joseph's Church, at 9:30 o'clock.

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