M'CARTHY SCORES BOARD OF HEALTH

Supervisor Justifies His Resolution Asking That Body to Tender Its Resignation.

In Written Statement He Backs Up His Assertions Regarding Questionable Methods During Plague Scare.

WHEN the resolution recently adopted by the Board of Health calling upon Supervisor McCarthy to justify his utterances regarding the questionable methods employed by that body during the recent plague scare came up before the Board of Supervisors yesterday it was ordered referred to a committee. McCarthy, however, objected to that procedure and asked that the matter be taken up before the full board, which was accordingly done. McCarthy then read a statement in reply to the Health Board's request for an explanation, in which he reviewed the events leading up to and coincident with the quarantine of Chinatown.

That the Health Board made a mistake in asking McCarthy for a justification of his utterances will be apparent from the statement, which follows in full:

Cleansed Private Property.

To the Honorable, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco—Gentlemen: The Board of Health of this city and county, at a meeting held July 11, adopted a resolution denouncing satements contained in the resolution which I submitted to this board on June 18 as deliberate untruths and called upon your board "to require Supervisor McCarthy to either withdraw his offensive language or show justification for his use of the same beyond the ebullition of his own unbridled imagination."

In reply thereto I beg leave to submit to your honorable body the following statement for your consideration:

During the first alleged outbreak of plague, which occurred under the present administration of the Health Department, the Board of Health, without consulting the Board of Supervisors, proceeded to appoint about one hundred deputies to clean Chinatown. They spent perhaps a thousand dollars, which I believe a most liberal figure, in sweeping the streets and depositing chloride of lime thereon. The cleansing of sewers probably cost nothing, as the city pays for water for that purpose. The remainder of a large sum was expended in cleaning the private premises of property owners in Chinatown and removing the nuisances therefrom. All of this large sum of money the taxpayers of this city are asked to pay.

Money Illegally Expended.

Why did the board expend the city's money without even asking the Board of Supervisors for the appropriation? Since they proposed to tackle such a job without the advice and assistance of the Board of Supervisors why did they not consult the code and inform themselves of a fact of which they apparently were ignorant that it is not proper to ask a property owner in the Mission or other part of the city to defray the cost of cleaning an obstinate owner's premises? If I maintain a nuisance on my property the Board of Health would have no authority to draw money from the public treasury to abate it. I quote this section of the Political Code referred to:

"Section 3479—Whenever a nuisance shall exist on the property of any known resident or any property the owner or owners of which cannot be found by either health inspector, after diligent search, or on the property of any owner upon whom or whose agent, due notice may have been served and who shall, for three days, refuse or neglect to abate the same, or on any city property, it shall be the duty of the Board of Health to cause the said nuisance to be at once removed or abated and to draw upon the general fund for such sums as may be required for its removal or abatement, not to exceed $200; provided that whenever a larger expenditure is found necessary to be made for the removal or suppression of any nuisance the Board of Supervisors of said city and county shall, upon the written application of the Board of Health, by ordinance, appropriate, allow and order paid out of the general fund such sum or sums as may be necessary for that purpose and the Auditor shall audit and the Treasurer shall pay all appropriations of money made in pursuance of this section in the same manner as is now provided by law for auditing and paying demands upon the treasury; said sum or sums so paid shall become a lien upon the property from which said nuisance has been removed or abated in pursuance of this section and may be recovered by an action against such property. And it shall be the duty of the City and County Attorney to foreclose all such liens in the proper court in the name of and for the benefit of such city and county and when the property is sold enough of the proceeds shall be paid into the city and county treasury to satisfy the lien and costs and the overplus, if any there be, shall be paid to the owner of the property, if he be known, and if not, then into the court for his use when ascertained. The Board of Health is hereby vested with power to act upon, define, determine and adjudge what shall constitute a nuisance in said city and county and to require the same to be abated in a summary manner. Any person who maintains, permits or allows a nuisance to exist upon his or her property or premises after the same has been determined by said board to be a nuisance and after notice to remove the same has been served upon such person, is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished accordingly, and each day of such existance, after notice, shall be deemed a separate and distinct offense, and it is the duty of the health officer to prosecute all persons guilty of violating this law by continuous prosecutions until the same is abated and removed."

Rights Were Violated.

First—As to the claim that the rights and privileges of the Chinese race were violated by the quarantine:

I refer you to the decision of the Circuit Court of the United States, Hon. W. W. Morrow, Judge, presiding; also to the following sections of Governor Gage's statement to the United States Secretary of State, Mr. John Hay, in response to the latter's request for a statement of the facts:

"Twelfth: That if the cases referred to were genuine plague, even then the quarantine, as conducted by the City Board of Health, in conjunction with the Federal Quarantine Officer is discriminating against the Chinese, and also unreasonable according to information derived from the highest authority here obtainable."

Plague Premises Not Isolated.

Second—As to my claim that the Board of Health failed and neglected to isolate the premises wherein plague was said to have existed:

I state that such is the fact. There was no case where premises said to contain a victim of plague was isolated. The only attempt at isolation upon the part of the quarantine officials was to separate Chinatown or attempt to separate it by a cordon from the balance of the city. If there was any case of isolation of private premises it was not made public and I would like to have the Board of Health point it out.

Charges of Incompetency.

Third—As to my charge that the Board of Health and its advisors are incompetent:

Dr. Kinyoun, who was persistently held up to the community by said board as a plague expert beyond question, admitted to me publicly at a meeting of the Supervisors at which the Board of Health and many merchants were present that he never saw a human being with bubonic plague in his life, excluding the alleged cases in this city. He also admitted that he diagnosed a Kitasato specimen of bubonic plague, which was presented to him by a former Board of Health as pneumonia, and stated at that time that he had letters on the subject which he could read which would, he inferred, explain his connection, but which in the interests of the reputation of people connected with the transaction he thought ought not to be read. Why did he not read them? Did anybody present object, or did Dr. Kinyoun, out of consideration of his associates, and out of the goodness of his heart, wittingly accept the charge I made against him to shield others?

As to the members of the local board, I ask where did Dr. Williamson get his medical education concerning the plague? Did any member of the board ever see a human being with the plague outside of the alleged cases in this city? Did they ever even have an opportunity to examine the undisputed examples of plague bacilli, and if so, when and where? I refer the board to the following quotation from the Governor's statement to Secretary of State Hay:

Never Saw Living Plague Case.

"The medical gentlemen and experts of the City Board of Health and the Federal Quarantine officers who have ventured the injurious opinion which has spread broadcast over the world the rumor of the existence of the dreadful plague in the great and healthful city of San Francisco have never seen a living case of plague; whereas, some among the physicians, surgeons and scientists with whom I have advised have had personal experience and wide opportunities in observing the bubonic plague when it was raging in India and elsewhere, and they all pronounce the suspected cases here not bubonic plague."

Reputable Physicians Barred.

Fourth—As to my charge that the Board of Health refused to allow reputable phyicians to attend at their deliberations and autopsies:

My knowledge was obtained from statements by doctors, from the press generally and from public reports of their proceedings, and also from the Governor's report again:

"Full and fair investigation has been denied the physicians of the Chinese by the city Board of Health."

"Since the procurement of the order of court granting privileges to the white physicians of the quarantined Chinese to visit the sick and be present and take part in autopsies had, neither the City Board of Health nor Federal officers have been able to discover any bubonic plague case, dead or alive."

Threat of State Board Used.

Fifth—As to my charge that the Board of Health "used as an argument before this Board of Supervisors to induce this board to authorize them to quarantine the Chinese quarter, the assertion that if the Chinese quarter was not so quarantined, then and in that event the State Board of Health would quarantine the entire city, and they thereby induced respectable merchants to appear before this board and petition this board to quarantine the Chinese quarter as the lesser of two evils, and not because they believed that there was plague in the city," I say:

Governor Would Not Stand In.

The Governor of this State told me personally that the State Board of Health sought to get his assent to place this city in quarantine and he refused absolutely to allow them any funds for the purpose. I further charge that said refusal on the Governor's part was prior to the meeting of the Board of Supervisors at which the Health Board informed us that if we did not quarantine Chinatown the State board would quarantine us. I also charged that as Dr. Bazet was then a member of both the State and local boards of health, he must have had knowledge that the State board could not quarantine this city, and through him your board must have known it. Therefore, I reiterate that the merchants were blackmailed into donating funds and into begging for the quarantine of Chinatown as aforesaid, as you failed to impart to them the information that the State board had been rendered powerless to act by the Governor.

Sixth—As to my charge of liability: You are respectfully referred to the fact that the Chinese are now perfecting their arrangements to sue for some millions of dollars' damages.

Guilty of Gross Extravagance.

The Board of Health has been guilty of gross extravagance ever since its appointment. When Dr. Williamson came before the Supervisors months ago asking for an appropriation of $50,000 to carry out their work for the remainder of the last fiscal year, the Board of Supervisors saw fit to cut down the appropriation to $24,000. Dr. Williamson met one of the Supervisors almost immediately thereafter and said in effect: "You don't know what you are doing in cutting down the Health Board in this way. You don't realize the danger this city is in from a visitation of Oriental plague. You will be lucky if you don't get the plague here within a week." We did get the alleged plague in less than a week thereafter, and if the Health Board is an authority we have it yet. I was told by Supervisor d'Ancona early last week that at last your board had what it believed to be a living case of plague now in the hospital. At that date the patient had been sick two days. It is hardly necessary for me to say that I doubt it. But I will say that there are many Oriental plants which will not live in this climate, but when tenderly cared for in a conservatory will thrive and do well.

After incessantly striving prior to fastening the stigma of plague upon this community, without success, there is at least one man in the city who would not be surprised to hear that they have at last found the true plague, more particularly if that case emanates from a hospital within their jurisdiction.

It has been the custom of members of the Health Board when questioned about the refusal of the alleged bubonic plague to spread, and become epidemic, to answer by saying that the outbreak of plague in Oporto was precisely similar to the condition of affairs here. I ask more than a mere statement for that fact. I ask for the production of any authority to support the claim that conditions were the same in this city as in Oporto, or any other place, during an epidemic of plague.

Referring to the case of Dang Hong, who died May 29, and whose case is set forth in the report of Dr. Kellogg as Case No. 10 in the "original communications," as published in the Occidental Medical Times for July, I find that Dr. Kellogg and the Health Board declare it to be a true case of plague. A morning paper in its issue of June 1 declared that Dang Hong's body was embalmed on the night of his death, and that it was done twelve hours before Dr. Kellogg had an opportunity to take specimens from the glands; and I have authority from the paper to say that it was prepared to prove its assertion, but that the board never disputed the truth of it.

It seems to me from the brief statement made here that the strictures upon the Board of Health made in my resolution are amply justified by the facts.

Dr. Bazet as a Politician.

In passing I wish to notice a recent outbreak of Dr. Bazet, which was published in the Bulletin of July 10. In it the learned medico bewails the fact that the Board of Health lacks an aggressive politician, and says, "We are all innocent of the tricks of politics, and so we are imposed upon." And incidentally he consigns Mr. Sanderson and myself to a place not generally mentioned in polite society. Let me compare the innocence of the tricks of politics of Supervisor Sanderson and myself with that of members of the Board of Health. Mr. Sanderson took his seat as a Supervisor last January, after being chosen for the place by the people. Prior to that time, I am not aware that he ever held any political office. I was elected to the office of Supervisor at the same time. About a week before the convention met I had no more idea that I was to be a candidate than the man in the moon; and I have never been connected in any manner with politics before, and have never even been, and am not now, a member of any political club or organization.

How about Dr. Bazet? He holds now the position of a member of the local Board of Health under a Democratic administration. He held also, until quite recently, a similar position in the State Board under a Republican Administration. Was he elected by the people? No! He obtained his position by appointment. A man who is entirely innocent of the tricks of politics does not usually get such appointments, especially in Democratic and Republican administrations contemporaneously. How did he get them? Ask a politician. I don't know.

How about Dr. Williamson? He is a member of the local Board of Health, was a member of a former Board of Health, and while occupying such position helped appoint himself Superintendent of the City and County Hospital, and calmly sat down to occupy both positions at one and the same time. His was indeed a pleasant berth. For, as a member of the Board of Health, he had the pleasure of approving his own acts as Superintendent of the City and County Hospital. Unfortunately for him, Auditor Broderick could not see it that way, and held that Dr. Williamson could not hold two positions at once, so he refused to audit his salary as Superintendent of the hospital. Dr. Williamson stood it for a while, but finally resigned. Were there any political tricks missed there? Did the people elect him to these various positions? No, he was appointed. Could he have obtained these positions without a knowledge of the tricks of politics?

As to Dr. Buckley, he came upon the scene after the bubonic plague, so-called, was flourishing, and had no hand in its inception. Whether he has any knowledge of political tricks, I know not. But I do know that as a yachtsman he ought to be familiar enough with fresh, pure air to have no trouble in knowing when the cubic air law was being violated in Chinatown, and he might direct his energies that way, with benefit to the city and credit to himself.

Dr. McCarthy, it appears, was also a member of a former Board of Health, so he cannot claim entire ignorance of the methods of politicians.

Plague Never Existed.

It is not, however, a question of politics, but a question of existence of plague in this city, and of the competency of the Board of Health. I think it has been clearly proven that there never was a case of bubonic plague here; and I think it is equally clear that the statement contained in my resolution as to the incompetency of the Board of Health is founded on facts, and not fiction, to the extent of absolute proof.

When the Supervisor had concluded the reading of his statement Reed said that as the Health Board had demanded either a retraction or a justification of Supervisor McCarthy's language as expressed in his resolution calling upon that body to resign, it was but right that the statement as read by McCarthy should be sent to the Health Board. Reed's motion was seconded by Hotaling, and it was adopted without any discussion.

Notice to Camera Club Members and Friends of J. W. Erwin

The steamer James M. Donohue will leave Tiburon ferry depot at 11:30 a. m. today to greet Mr. Erwin upon his departure for Manila on the Government transport Sumner.

The California Northwestern Railroad extends this excursion complimentary to Mr. Erwin, and there will be no charge to Camera Club members and friends.

Almost all the corn which Europe takes is consumed by animals.

ACCEPTANCE OF BUILDING HAS BEEN ORDERED

Contractors Must Turn Over the Hall of Justice to the City.

Provision Made for Police Pension and Relief Fund—Supervisors Will Visit Lake Tahoe Next Friday.

The Board of Supervisors passed an ordinance yesterday finally accepting the Hall of Justice with a view to its immediate occupancy by the various criminal departments of the Superior Court. McCarthy moved that the architect of the building furnish his certificate that it was in proper condition to be accepted, but Comte said that the time had come when the city should enter into possession of the building whether it was finished or not. The architect, he said, was not in a position to give a certificate at once, and to insist on his doing so would only delay and complicate matters.

"Let us accept the building," said Comte, "and the creditors can fight it out in the courts."

The ordinance reads:

As the City Attorney has advised this board that it may accept the Hall of Justice without first having settled with the creditors asserting claims against the same; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the City and County of San Francisco does hereby accept said Hall of Justice; and be it further

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Buildings of this Board be and hereby is authorized to take possession of said Hall of Justice on behalf of the city and county, to the end that the same may be used without delay for the purposes for which it was constructed.

An ordinance providing for the police relief and pension fund was referred to the Police Committee. The ordinance sets aside rewards received by policemen, certain Police Court fines and $2 per month from every police officer's salary to constitute the fund.

Supervisor Reed informed the board that to accommodate the members of the Board of Supervisors and Board of Public Works on their trip to Lake Tahoe he had engaged a special Pullman car to leave this city at 6 o'clock next Friday evening, arriving at Truckee Saturday morning. A special steamer will take the party around Lake Tahoe and carriages will convey the members to Marysville to inspect the Yuba River system.

Referred to Committees.

The following communications were referred to committees:

Sunnyside District Improvement Club, asking for the installation of six electric arc lights in its district and calling attention to the fact that the San Francisco Gas and Electric Company was directed by the board five months ago to install these lights, but had failed to do so; Precita Valley Improvement Club, to have $5000 transferred from the fund recently made available for improvements to the park fund, to be used to put a cement coping around Bernal Park.

Street Work.

Resolutions were adopted ordering the laying of granite curbs and artificial stone sidewalks on the four corners of the crossing of Vallejo and Steiner streets, the roadway to be paved with bituminous rock; fixing the northwesterly alignment of Java street, between Masonic and Buena Vista avenues, and establishing the width of said street at 37 feet 9 inches; granting an extension of ninety days, from August 11, to Ivan Treadwell and others to complete the contract to grade, macadamize, etc., on Grove, Clay, Ashbury streets and Masonic avenue. The order providing for the reconstruction of the plank roadway on Spear street, between Harrison and Bryant streets, was postponed for one week. Sixth street, between Folsom and Harrison, also Shipley street, near Sixth, was ordered to be regraded, curbed and repaved.

Miscellaneous Business.

After being addressed by Recorder Godchaux the board decided to allow that official a mortgage clerk at $100 per month.

The contracts for lighting the public buildings and streets were finally awarded to various light and power companies.

The sum of $500 was appropriated to pay the expenses of the Boards of Supervisors and of Public Works in the investigation of various watersheds of the Yuba River and the Lake Tahoe water system.

The ordinance providing for the extension of the pound limits to the Mission road, Ocean View and other thoroughfares was finally passed, as was also the ordinance granting the Auditor permission to employ fifty extra clerks, and the ordinance prohibiting the running of animals at large in the city limits.

The San Francisco Special Messenger Service was granted permission to erect overhead wires for the purpose of receiving calls from patrons.

The ordinance directing the Pacific Telephone Company to place an auxiliary telephone in the office of Treasurer Brooks was referred to the Committee on Telephones.

The bond of Clinton E. Worden for furnishing supplies to the Almshouse was reduced from $2000 to $500.

An ordinance defining the fire limits of the city and regulating the erection of buildings and other structures was referred to the City Attorney for his opinion.

The list of corrections recommended by Assessor Dodge on personal property assessments was adopted and the changes were ordered made.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC'S OFFICIALS ARE CITED

Ordered to Show Cause Why They Should Not Be Punished for Contempt.

At the instance of Deputy Attorney General William M. Abbott, H. E. Huntington, J. C. Stubbs and T. H. Goodman, officials of the Southern Pacific Company, have been cited to appear before Judge Bahrs on July 23, at 10 a. m., and show cause, if such they have, why they should not be punished for contempt of court for having failed to comply with an order of court directing the corporation to set aside its circular raising the rate for one continuous first-class fare between this city and Fresno to $5 90.

By an order of court the legal rate of fare was held to be $3 75, the Southern Pacific combination's competitive rate, established when it began to feel the effects of the opposition of the San Francisco and San Joaquin Valley Railroad Company.

The action of the court when the return is made on this summons will be of great interest to the people of the State, and the proceedings will be closely watched.

Market Street Company Warned.

The Board of Public Works has notified the general manager of the Market Street Railway Company that there is an ordinance in existence that requires a street railway company holding a franchise to build and operate electric lines to file a notice in writing with the clerk of the Board of Supervisors forty-eight hours before it commences the work of stringing the wires.

When the Market Street Company strung its wires along Bush and Sansome streets a few weeks ago no notice whatever was given to the Supervisors or to the Board of Public Works. The work was done early one Sunday morning and the wires were strung from buildings, no poles being used.

"Marshall" fountain pens for $1. "Waterman" Ideal fountain pens from $2 50 to $7 each. Largest assortment in the city. Commercial stationery and office supplies at reasonable prices. Printing and engraving done at Sanborn, Vail & Co.'s, 741 Market street.

Arthur E. Magill's Will.

The will of Arthur E. Magill, who died in this city on June 27 leaving an estate valued at $250,000, was filed for probate yesterday. Decedent leaves his entire estate to his sons, Arthur E. and Percy W. Magill. Arthur E. Magill and James W. Whiting are named as executors.

Voters, Attention.

Register at once. Office open 8:30 a. m. to 10 p. m. continuously after July 15, 1900.

George T. Reynolds' Estate.

The inventory and appraisement of the estate of the late George T. Reynolds was filed yesterday. The appraisers find the estate to be worth $71,979.

Southfield Wellington Coal, order from any Coal Dealer

DEMOCRATS MAKING READY TO COMMENCE CAMPAIGN

New State Central Committee Organized by Election of State Senator J. C. Sims Chairman—He Will Appoint Subordinates.

J. C. SIMS ACCEPTS CHAIRMANSHIP OF DEMOCRATIC STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

THE new Democratic State Central Committee organized at the California Hotel yesterday by the election of State Senator J. C. Sims of Sonoma chairman, Nicholas Bowden of Santa Clara first and Edward L. Hutchinson of Los Angeles second vice chairman. Seth Mann, chairman of the old State Central Committee, called the new members to order at 11:30 a. m. The following named committeemen responded to the call of the roll:

At large from Congressional Districts—J. J. Wells, Tehama; J. C. Sims, Sonoma; J. F. Coonan, Humboldt; A. Caminetti, Amador; Seth Mann, Alameda; William H. Alford and Frank Gould, San Francisco; Nicholas Bowden, Santa Clara; Thomas O. Toland, Ventura, and W. D. Crichton, Fresno.

From Congressional Districts—M. F. Cochrane, Marin; Frank R. Wehe, Sierra; A. F. Jones, Butte; J. D. Maxwell and M. H. Hernan, San Francisco; Michael Casey, Santa Clara; C. W. Fay, San Francisco, and E. H. Tucker, Fresno.

From Assembly Districts—J. M. West, Tehama; John W. Roper, Butte; D. H. Arnold, Colusa; J. J. Sullivan, Placer; John T. York, Napa; L. L. Browning, Solano; D. J. Mannix, Sacramento; J. W. Cochrane, Marin; T. A. McMahon, Contra Costa; E. W. S. Woods, San Joaquin; George B. McCauley, San Joaquin; Lawrence Brannan, P. J. Tomalty, Thomas E. Curran, M. C. Hassett, Emil Pohli, Louis de F. Bartlett and Dr. T. W. R. Leland, San Francisco; M. J. Kerwin and T. C. Stoddard, Alameda; E. L. Barker, Stanislaus; S. C. Cornell, Merced; Mark R. Plaisted and James A. Ward, Fresno.

Proxies sufficient to make a quorum, with the members present, were presented.

The name of James E. Moore was handed in to fill a vacancy in the Twenty-eighth Assembly District. J. D. Maxwell promptly put in the name of Lawrence Hoey as the choice of the delegation. Later on a resolution was adopted authorizing the chairman to fill the vacancy. The issue is therefore up to Senator Sims.

Sims Elected Chairman.

Seth Mann briefly announced that the Democratic State Convention at Sacramento provided that the new committee should organize and assume power on July 16. He called for nominations for chairman.

J. F. Coonan of Eureka nominated J. C. Sims of Sonoma. Mr. Coonan said a man was wanted who could organize victory. He thought Mr. Sims possessed the ability to achieve that result as he had wrested victory from the enemy in Sonoma County.

C. O. Dunbar of Sonoma was especially gratified to see the committee looking to the north for a leader. Sims was spoken of as a man who had picked up the banner in Sonoma and borne it to victory.

E. L. Hutchinson, who ran for Lieutenant Governor against Jacob Neff, seconded the nomination of Senator Sims on behalf of the south. Hutchinson mentioned that he had made careful inquiry to ascertain if Mr. Sims possessed executive ability and had found the candidate strong in that line.

There being no other nomination Senator Sims was elected by acclamation. In fact, no other candidate was thought of. When Gavin McNab and E. C. Farnsworth made up the committee at Sacramento Senator Sims was selected as chairman and The Call then announced his selection.

Committeemen Coonan and Dunbar were appointed to conduct Senator Sims to the chair. The new chairman made a graceful speech, thanking the committee for the honor conferred. He was doubly grateful because he was chosen by men of so much eminence and distinction. He knew the position demanded great responsibility and unremitting toil, but did not shrink from the task, as he was surrounded by able advisers and counselors. To the mind of the newly elected chairman many things presaged a great Democratic victory in this campaign. He spoke eloquently of the Democratic standard bearers, "B. and S."

Reference was made to the omission of the Declaration of Independence from the Republican platform and the fact cited as significant that the omission occurred in Philadelphia, where the declaration was framed. He said the Republicans accepted the gospel of Mark without question.

Chairman's Bryan Panegyric.

The Senator tapped the reservoirs of Sonoma eloquence in pouring out a tribute to Bryan. He said the Nebraska man's hands were clean and that no tainted breath dimmed his mirror.

"Nature," said the Senator, "has been kind to Mr. Bryan. She has given him a tongue of matchless eloquence. She has endowed him with rare and inestimable physical attributes and brilliant qualities of intellect." The audience cheered when Mr. Sims said: "Mr. Bryan worships the eagle on the shield rather than the brand on the dollar."

The audience applauded vigorously when Mr. Stevenson's name was mentioned. In fact, the heartiest applause of the session was called out by the reference to the Democratic candidate for Vice President. The new chairman was quite facetious at the expense of Governor Roosevelt and in the following sentence made a break which will not help the Democratic party: "It is not charged that he (Stevenson) went up San Juan Hill with a revolver in each hand, a knife in his mouth and a razor in his boot."

The Senator spoke well of Thomas Jefferson and Martin Van Buren. He reviewed the Louisiana purchase and the Democratic double standard of money. He fancied that the Republican party believed that the people of the country were enchanted by the illusions of the Oriental empire and was making the campaign on that line. The immortality of Democratic principles handed down from Jefferson came in for recognition. In closing Senator Sims advised the Democrats of California to elect nine Presidential Electors, seven members of Congress, twenty hold-over Senators and eighty Assemblymen. He reminded his hearers that red fire, brass bands and burning eloquence were all right, but that victories were won by organization. The new chairman said he knew of no factions in the Democratic party and would recognize no distinction between Congressional districts.

Other Permanent Officers.

On motion of E. L. Hutchinson the chairman was authorized to appoint a permanent secretary and a permanent assistant secretary. Al McCabe was elected temporary secretary. Later on the chairman's power of appointment was enlarged to embrace a treasurer, executive committee, finance committee and such other committees as he should deem necessary. It was provided also that the chairman should be ex-officio a member of all committees. Mr. Sims was further authorized to appoint a sergeant at arms, stenographer and typewriters.

Frank Gould nominated Nicholas Bowden of Santa Clara for first vice chairman. J. J. Wells of Tehama nominated E. L. Hutchinson of Los Angeles for second vice chairman. Both were elected by acclamation. Mr. Bowden made a modest speech of acknowledgment.

Mr. Hutchinson of Los Angeles said: "Thomas Jefferson was a native of my State. I was born in Virginia, where Democracy was born." Mr. Hutchinson also spoke favorably of Assemblyman William Meade and Supervisor Jim Handley of Los Angeles.

To Organize Clubs.

M. C. Hassett introduced the following resolution, which was referred to the executive committee:

Resolved, That at least one Bryan and Stevenson Club be organized in every county in the State; that in counties forming more than one Assembly District a club be formed in each Assembly District; that in the organization of said clubs the members of the County State Central committees co-operate in their respective localities and that credentials to act for the Democratic party be issued to the clubs, signed by the chairman of the county committee and chairman of the State Central Committee.

On motion of Frank Gould it was resolved that the committee should suitably recognize the splendid service rendered in the past by Seth Mann. The suggestion evoked prolonged applause.

Mr. Mann acknowledged the compliment in fitting words. He thought there was a good chance of winning California for "B. and S."

On motion of A. Caminetti an assessment of $20 was levied on each member of the committee. Assessments were paid by E. W. S. Woods and George B. McCauley of San Joaquin.

Necessity of Registration.

Thomas O. Toland, member of the State Board of Equalization, reminded the committee of the necessity of registration for the primary election. He apprehended that the law permitted one party to control the election in another party.

J. J. Wells of Tehama said there was a constitutional amendment pending which would relieve the interior counties from the operation of the primary election law. He remarked that the people outside of San Francisco were opposed to the system.

On motion of E. L. Hutchinson the chairman was authorized to appoint one man from each county to look after naturalization and registration.

On motion of Seth Mann the chairman was authorized to fill all vacancies of offices and committees.

D. J. Mannix assured the committee that Bryan would again carry Sacramento County, and the committee adjourned.

Contending Democratic Clubs.

The Thirty-ninth Assembly District has its own troubles. There are two Democratic clubs contending for supremacy. One club, known as the "opposition," was organized by Sam Kohlman, J. Schwartz and H. L. Bienfield. The other club, which is presided over by D. J. S. Potis, temporary president, is recognized by the county committee. This club, which has 350 members, will meet Thursday evening at Turn Verein Hall, on Turk street, to perfect a permanent organization. The opposition club, it is said, has barely 100 names on the rolls.

Congressman Kahn Indorsed.

Congressman Julius Kahn received the indorsement of his fellow Republicans at a meeting of the Forty-second Assembly District Club last night. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we have observed the efforts and zeal displayed by the Hon. Julius Kahn in representing the Fourth Congressional District of California in the House of Representatives at Washington, particularly in respect to the exclusion of Japanese laborers, with approval, and believe that his course entitles him to the highest respect and fullest confidence of the voters of this district.

REPUBLICANS ORGANIZE.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

PACIFIC GROVE, July 16.—The Republicans of this town have organized a local branch of the Army and Navy Republican League of California, which they have named Lawton Camp No. 29. There are already about forty active members, veterans and sons of veterans, and a large number of other Republicans not eligible to full membership have asked to be enrolled as honorary members. The officers of the new organization are: W. P. Kinsman, colonel; R. L. Patrick, lieutenant colonel; R. C. Wornes, major; B. F. Lobler, adjutant; C. G. Chamberlain, quartermaster; F. W. Hawley, officer of the day; J. A. Beyneer, officer of the guard.

The league will hold weekly meetings from this time until after the fall election, and when the campaign is fully open will bring to this place many of California's best known speakers to champion the cause of McKinley and Roosevelt. Pacific Grove is the banner Republican town of Monterey County, and it is believed the new organization, with practically the entire Republican contingent of the town at its back, will wield an influence throughout the county that will prove a powerful factor for Republicanism in the coming elections.

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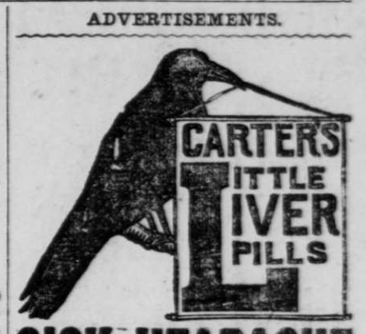

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