

SYBIL SANDERSON MEE'S FRIENDS AT A TEA GIVEN IN HER HONOR Old-Time Acquaintances Greet Celebrated Singer at Function at the Residence of Mrs. George C. Boardman.

MADAME SYBIL SANDERSON MEE was the guest of honor at a tea given yesterday afternoon by Mrs. George C. Boardman at her elegant home, corner of Sacramento and Franklin streets.

The uncertainty of the great singer's leisure time made the arrangements for the tea hurried, and the affair therefore rather informal in its details. Invitations were issued to a number of the singer's old-time acquaintances.

The Board of Education met yesterday and authorized a real estate firm to complete the purchase of a lot for school purposes in the Sunnyside district. The lot is situated on the corner of Wood and Spreckels streets and will cost \$7500.

Principal W. N. Bush of the Polytechnic High School filed charges against William Zimmerman, teacher of German, to the effect that the latter is incompetent to maintain discipline in his classes.

The board decided to try Mary C. McKuney upon certain charges in writing preferred against her by Albert Lyser, principal of the John Swift Grammar School.

The schools will close for vacation on December 20, 1901, and reopen January 6, 1902.

Superintendent Webster filed his monthly report on the conditions existing in the schools as his deputies found them. The report says:

In many previous reports I have directed attention to the miserable condition of the Washington Grammar School and repeatedly recommended that the present structure be demolished and a commodious building of eighteen rooms be constructed for the accommodation of pupils who attend on the street side of the school.

The attendance at the Emerson Primary School is reported large and crowded, there being 100 pupils in the first grade. It is recommended that the building be enlarged.

COMMISSIONERS EARL WOODRUFF Judge Wallace of Police Board Changes His Mind. Indications That Chief Will Be Appointed Within Ten Days.

Judge William T. Wallace blocked the appointment of a Chief at the session of the Board of Police Commissioners Tuesday night last. The Commissioners by informal exchange of views had arrived at the general conclusion that an executive officer should be chosen without delay, as there was a feeling of unrest in the department.

Tuesday night at the regular session of the board the president of the Commission suggested that the question of appointing a Chief be taken up. Judge Wallace did not enter a formal protest, but said in a commonplace way, "Colonel Sullivan, that matter and proceed with the regular business on the calendar."

Wallace May Be Reappointed. One story goes that Wallace received assurance of reappointment to the board of Police Commissioners by Mayor Phelan. Another story is to the effect that Mayor Phelan urged him to defeat the appointment of Wittman.

The common impression that Mahony's term as Commissioner expires before that of Judge Wallace is not correct. A print in a guide directory created this erroneous notion. Judge Wallace's term will expire on January 3 next.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION CANNOT DELEGATE POWER Judge Hunt Decides That Its President Cannot Suspend a Teacher.

The demurrer to the petition for a writ of prohibition restraining the Board of Education from suspending Miss McKinney from her position in the Sherman Grammar School until she has been tried on the charges preferred by Principal Albert Lyser was overruled by Judge Hunt yesterday at the Hotel Biltmore.

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RAILROAD MEN TAKE DEPARTURE PLEASANTLY. Spend Their Last Day in San Francisco Pleasantly.

The members of the Traveling Passengers' Association left last evening for the East in a special train of two sections. During their brief sojourn in San Francisco they have been royally entertained, much of the credit being due to the California reception committee of the association, which has been working for months preparing a long and splendid program.

Yesterday morning the railroad men and their friends assembled at the ferry building at 10 o'clock. They were shown the many exhibits in the State Board of Trade, which made a deep impression on them. After about an hour spent in the building the party took the Jackson street cars for a ride to the Cliff House.

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HEAVY RAINFALL VISITS CITY AND ITS VICINITY Continuation of Wet Weather Predicted for Central and Northern California To-Day.

Yesterday's rainfall was heavy in San Francisco, particularly during the early evening, but the storm was confined to a section of the State not more than a hundred miles in diameter, with the bay and coast lands being spared.

Marini Makes Serious Charges. G. Marini filed a complaint yesterday in a suit to have a judgment for \$375 given by Judge Joachimism in October, 1901, set aside.



OFFICERS OF BOARD OF MANAGERS OF NURSERY FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN WHO HAVE DONE MUCH TO COMPLETE PREPARATIONS FOR GIFT SALE TO BE HELD AT THE PALACE HOTEL.

had to be given by telephone and the receiving party asked for very short notice, but otherwise so elaborate were the arrangements that the reception might have been a most formal affair.

Everything is in readiness for the gift sale to be held at the Maple Room of the Palace Hotel this afternoon and evening for the benefit of the Nursery for Homeless Children. Professor Fossell will add to the attractions with his fine palm reading.

FIRST SOCIAL OF A WINTER SERIES Ancient Order of United Workmen Have a Vaudeville Show and Dance.

Miner Husband Needs Guardian. Judge Trout granted Jennie Bailey letters of guardianship yesterday over the estate of her husband, George A. C. Bailey, a minor.

ADVERTISEMENTS. A SUIT OF WHITE. In every cake of Ivory Soap there are 100 complete suits of rich, creamy lather.



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THE MEMBERS OF THE MARINE ENGINEERS' UNION No. 35 have endorsed the action of the men who left the transport Meade because of insufficiency of help in the engine-room.

Whereas, Upon the skill, ability, experience and judgment of the marine engineer the safety of an ocean steamer largely depends with its freight of human lives and valuable cargo.

Resolved, That we, as marine engineers, in meeting assembled, unanimously endorse the action taken by Chief Engineers George A. Kolb and John Cochran and Assistant Engineers E. Hanson, W. Douglas and E. J. Ard.

Resolved, That the entire financial and moral support of the association be given to the committee organized for the purpose of procuring all grievances affecting engineers in the transportation of goods to be processed all claim money, in their opinion such action is necessary.

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MURDERER GETS NEW TRIAL The Supreme Court yesterday granted another trial to Albert C. Enright, who was convicted of murder in the second degree in Inyo County last year.