WILL WAGE WAR ON TOY PISTOLS

Hospital Records Show an Alarming Number of Casualties.

Surgeon Bunnell Asks Chief of Police to Disarm Young San Francisco.

The coming Fourth of July is casting a shadow so sharp and black over the records of the city receiving hospitals that Chief Surgeon Bunnell has been constrained to invoke the aid of Chief of Police Wittman in the task of disarming the small boy.

The approaching celebration of Independence day has aroused Young San Francisco's lust for warlike noise. Enterprising dealers in Fourth of July equipment have placed within the reach of the poorest simple means for satisfying to the limit this desire for martial disturbance.

Nothing appeals to Young America with as much eloquence as does the possession of a pistol. The pistol of commerce is a luxury beyond the means of the average youngster. Since war times have familiarized the small boy with real pistols nothing but a real pistol or a good working imitation will satisfy him when it comes to celebratng the glorious Fourth. He has been provided with both.

The real pistol he has obtained, surreptitiously perhaps, but he has it and has used it. The imitation or toy pistol he can obtain in exchange for a few cents and it is a poor specimen of a boy that cannot rustle money in a cause of such vital interest.

So far as the small boy is concerned both pistols are equally deadly, and it is against this weapon in any form that Chief Surgeon Bunnell has decided to go to war.

"It's the boy that packs a gun that makes us work," says Bunnell, "and I have asked Chief of Police Wittman to save these juvenile but sanguinary celebrants from themselves."

DEADLY EXECUTION.

The records of the Central Emergency Hospital and of the Harbor Receiving Hospital give some idea as to the deadly execution already wrought by the toy pistol, and there is hardly a drugstore in the city or a physician with family practice that has not been called upon within the last few weeks to repair the havoc wrought by a misplaced explosion of gunpowder.

At the Central Emergency Hospital during this month up to noon of yesterday twenty-five small boys have been treated for gunshot wounds and powder burns, and similar cases at the Harbor Hospital number a round dozen.

"Gunshot wound of the left hand" is the way the record reads in most cases and all the wounds have been more or less serious. In some cases inquisitive fingers have been torn away and in others good, useful eyes have been placed permanently on the retired list.

The principal danger, according to Dr. Bunnell and his assistant surgeons, is from blood poisoning. Both the real and the toy pistols shoot blank cartridges. The powder in these is held in place by a wad. When this wad strikes at close range a soft surface, such as the disengaged hand of a small boy, it makes an entrance and carries into the wound all its own impurities, together with everything in the way of real estate that may have previously accumulated on the youngster's hand. As no self-respecting boy engaged in the serious work of celebrating the Fourth of July ever has clean hands, this latter accumulation is generally considerable and sometimes of a dangerous nature when introduced under the skin.

The real danger, say the hospital surgeons, is from blood poisoning and lockjaw. Some apparently simple wounds have developed serious complications.

THIRTY-SEVEN INJURED.

The toy pistol is responsible for nearly every case treated at the city hospitals. The Fourth of July is two weeks away, but during this month alone thirty-seven small boys have sustained injury from these warlike playthings.

Included in these thirty-seven cases is one repeater, and each visit to the hospital cost the victim a finger. Prior to the first visit the youngster took a shot with a blank cartridge at the index finger of his left hand. He shattered the digit and ran bleeding and howling to his mother, who confiscated and destroyed the pistol before taking the young warrior to the Harbor Hospital. Two days later he was back at the hospital with another finger in ribbons. Mother had relented her confiscation judgment and to console Willie for his suffering had bought him a new pistol.

Chief Surgeon Bunnell has asked the Chief of Police to regulate the placing of these deadly weapons in immature hands. He also issues a warning to parents.

Every one of the thirty-seven cases treated this month represents, the doctor says, weeks of careful dressing and nursing. Some of the cases may have fatal ending. In many of them the mutilation is considerable and in nearly all of them the scars will be permanent.

If you value your youngster, say all the doctors, don't place him in danger of blood poisoning, lockjaw and death by giving him as a plaything a deadly toy pistol.

EDSON SAUNTERS ALONG THE LINE

Looking After His Political Fences Keeps Him Busy.

A. C. Barker of Eureka Is Out for Superintendent of Schools.

The great demonstration accorded to Eugene E. Schmitz at Stockton has enraged the Gage push of San Francisco and Los Angeles. The Gage organs in the south throw discretion to the winds and in their mad frenzy speak of Schmitz as the "fiddling Mayor of San Francisco." The Gage organette in San Francisco does not attack the Mayor personally for addressing fellow Californians at Stockton, but it flies into a rage when the Primary League is mentioned.

CATTLEMEN AND SHEEPMEN.

E. B. Edson of Gazelle, Siskiyou County, is allowing his cattle on a thousand hills to graze for themselves while he journeys about the State looking after his political fences. Edson is not disturbed by the doings of other candidates. He possesses a good sense of humor which helps him out in the campaign. The other day at the Union League Club he was accosted in this style.

"How's your campaign, Edson?"

"Going along all right," was the reply.

"How do you and Gage get along? Is the Governor fighting you?"

"He is not making a bitter fight," said Edson. "It's only the old antagonism between cattlemen and sheepmen."

The Board of Directors of the Republican Primary League met last evening and considered the subject of registration. The following resolution was adopted by the Board:

The Republican Primary League urges its members and citizens in general to register immediately.

The first object of this organization is to interest citizens in political affairs, and urge them to a full performance of their duties. The Governorship, the highest and most important office in the State, is involved in the coming primary election.

No man discharges his duties as a citizen and elector who fails to vote at a primary honestly conducted. Under the present primary law the votes are honestly counted and here the citizen has an opportunity to express his preference as to the men who shall name the ticket for which he votes. If he votes for liberal and fair men at the primary they will name representative candidates; if he votes at the primary for corrupt men, corruption will result.

The Republican Primary League only desires a full and fair expression of the people's will, which in the coming primary may be effectively shown for the best interests of the State and party; we therefore request all citizens to register and take part in the coming primary election.

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

A regular meeting of the Thirty-third Assembly District Primary League Club was held at Fairmount Hall Thursday evening.

The following executive committee was appointed: E. H. Herrick, John H. Cox, Chris Stader, August Straub, H. Nathan, W. S. Robertson, W. C. Irwin, L. Whiteman, Dewey Coffin, S. M. Snyder, W. H. Cole, E. N. Torella, W. C. Fisher, H. F. Weigman and Gustave Schnee.

After the meeting adjourned there was a high jinks, at which speeches were made by the guests of the club—A. Ruef, Frank A. Schmitz, Colonel H. T. Sime and L. E. Savage. Speeches were also delivered by W. C. Marrett, John Butler, C. H. Carcass and Charles F. Daly, and music was rendered by Mr. St. John and Mr. Cuneo, and a badge presentation by Chris Stader.

The Daily Humboldt Times and the Daily Humboldt Standard announce that A. C. Barker, City Superintendent of Schools of Eureka, is in the field as a candidate for the Republican nomination for State Superintendent of Schools. Citizens of Humboldt County speak highly of Professor Barker's ability and experience as an educator.

Probably a Hoax.

A bottle was found on the Cliff House beach yesterday containing a scrap of paper, on which was written in pencil a note signed Charles Cohen, stating that the writer intended to commit suicide and that his body would be found in the brush near the Wheelman's Rest. Police searched the spot, but were unable to find any body. They arrived at the conclusion that the note was a hoax.

A Swell Welcome.

The banquet tendered to the Los Angeles Shriners at the Palace Hotel was beyond doubt the most select affair of all the Mystic Shriners' festivities. The speeches were witty and interesting, the cuisine perfect and the Moet & Chandon White Seal Champagne was exquisite.

One More Toy Pistol Victim.

To the already extensive list of toy pistol victims there was one more recorded yesterday in the person of Charles Barrett, aged 11 years, who lives at 9 Rausch street. Barrett, in order to be on time for the coming Fourth, bought a toy pistol and tried it. He is now satisfied that the pistol will work if properly handled. A small-sized bullet was cut out of the palm of his left hand by Dr. Bunnell.

UNCLE SAM'S MEN WHO CARRY THE MAIL WILL GIVE PICNIC

Proceeds of the Outing Will Go to Letter Carriers' Mutual Aid Association.

THREE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO LOOK AFTER THE WELFARE AND ENJOYMENT OF THOSE WHO ATTEND THE ANNUAL PICNIC OF THE LETTER CARRIERS.

THE annual picnic of the Letter Carriers' Mutual Aid Association, which will take place at Schuetzen Park Sunday, June 29, promises to be a success, both financially and socially. The committee of arrangements has worked hard and faithfully and a programme of entertainments has been prepared that will afford pleasure both to Uncle Sam's men and the many friends who will accompany them on their outing. There will be the usual number of races and athletic events and valuable prizes will be awarded the successful competitors. A band stationed in the big pavilion will furnish music for those who wish to dance. Among the gate prizes are a $70 sewing machine and a $50 pastel from a local studio.

The Letter Carriers' Aid Association has been in existence for fourteen years and during that period has accomplished great good by helping members and their relatives in their hour of distress and sorrow. The sick and death benefit fund has been severely taxed during the past year and it is for the purpose of replenishing the treasury the picnic will be given. The worthiness of the cause appeals to the public and that there will be a generous attendance at the picnic is assured.

The following carriers will act as the reception committee: James E. Clisham, Frank Tyrell, John F. Harney, Hugh J. Willis, William H. Gibson, Carl Timm, H. O. Chrismann, Horace J. Berry, William J. Welsh, Charles T. Webb and John E. Welch.

TO DECIDE UPON POLICY BY VOTE

Merchants' Association Debates the License Question.

Rates Are Very Much Lower in This City Than Elsewhere.

The board of directors of the Merchants' Association is seriously considering the advisability of advocating, among other municipal improvements, a decided increase in the cost of retail liquor licenses. The number of saloons in San Francisco in proportion to the population is shown to be greater than in any other important city in the United States. In most Eastern cities it is considered that the revenue from the sale of liquors should wholly, or almost wholly, pay for police protection. In San Francisco the amount of money annually derived by the city from saloons is $256,532. The cost of maintenance of the Police Department is $884,461. It has been determined to find out the opinion of a majority of the members of the association, and voting cards have been distributed on which are the following questions:

(1) Do you favor increasing the retail liquor license?

(2) Do you favor a flat rate of $400 per annum here? (The average rate for other large cities in California is nearly $400 per annum).

(3) If not, what do you favor?

(4) Do you favor a graded license instead of a flat rate?

A table of the rates of licenses in Pacific Coast cities shows that the cost per annum of retailing liquors is $1000 in Seattle, $600 in Los Angeles, $400 in Portland, Or., and Oakland and $300 or more in Fresno, San Jose and Sacramento. In certain Massachusetts cities the rate ranges from $2000 to $2500. With the voting cards and tables the following resolutions, adopted by the directors of the association at the monthly meeting on May 28, have been sent to each member:

Whereas, If the city of San Francisco is to maintain its place among its sister cities, it must be quick to adopt the methods these other cities have found to be wise and efficacious. In a word, it must be conducted upon the lines of the progressive cities of the Union. The Merchants' Association would be derelict in its duty and false to its purpose did it not advocate for San Francisco all that the great cities of the Union have found to be efficacious for the upbuilding of their municipalities and for the benefit of their citizens; and

Whereas, One of the most important points of difference that now exists between San Francisco and these other leading cities is the exceedingly low rate of retail liquor license that is now in force in this municipality. Statistics show that this license rate is startlingly less than that of almost any other city in the United States; and

Whereas, Considering that all the other great cities of the nation have found it to their best interest to establish and maintain a rate of license far in excess of that prevailing in the city of San Francisco; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the board of directors of the Merchants' Association is hereby requested to ascertain the views of the whole association by a postal vote of all its members on this most important question, and thereupon act in harmony with the views expressed by the majority vote.

Recovers Penalty.

The suit of John A. Marshall for $360 against F. A. Williams and the Regents of the University of California was decided in favor of the plaintiff yesterday. Marshall while working on State contracts worked nine laborers more than eight hours a day for four days, and Contractor Williams and the Regents withheld $360 as a penalty from the amount due him. Many other suits have resulted in similar verdicts.

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SAY COUNCILMEN DEMAND BOODLE

Charges of Blackmail Against Eureka Officials.

The City Council of Eureka and others of Humboldt County have been served with an injunction and restraining order by United States Circuit Judge Morrow on the petition of the Sunset Telephone and Telegraph Company during the pendency of the suit of the company against the City Council.

The complaint, which was filed in the United States Circuit Court, alleges that A. C. Dauphiny, H. A. Poland and Frank Zeigler, a majority of the City Council, conspired for the purpose of extortion and gain and made certain extortionate demands for money to be paid by the company for and on behalf of themselves and their associates; that the amount so demanded was $4000; that the company was then advised that if it refused to pay the same it would not obtain permission from the City Council to erect any more poles in Eureka; that its taxes would be increased and that its rates for telephone service would be reduced about one-half. It is alleged further that the telephone company refused to pay this sum of money, and that in consequence of said refusal the application of the company was continued and delayed without action by Dauphiny, Poland and Zeigler until March 18, 1902, when it was denied by their votes, no reason being given for such denial. It is further alleged that pending the disposition of said application the company was informed by the respondents that no further permission would be granted to erect poles in the city of Eureka until the aforesaid money arrangement was made with them, and the company was referred to an intermediary by said respondents, by and through whom such arrangements might be effected.

It is further alleged that in pursuance of said scheme to extort from the company Dauphiny, Poland and Zeigler procured to be passed by the Council on January 27, 1902, two ordinances, numbered 285 and 286, to take the place of ordinances 250 and 260, on the pretext that the latter ordinances were void. The complainants allege that the new ordinances are in violation of the interstate commerce act, and that the City Council is planning to remove the poles as a nuisance, and that they procured the arrest of A. E. McLaren, superintendent of the company, on a charge of misdemeanor for maintaining the poles on the streets, which case is now pending in the Police Court.

Complainant alleges also that Dauphiny, Poland and Zeigler will direct the Superintendent of Streets, J. F. Thomas, to tear down and remove the poles, which would result in great damage to the telephone company. It is further averred that the rates to be charged by the company and fixed by the ordinances are too low and would result, if enforced, in the destruction of the property of the company.

E. S. Pillsbury appears as solicitor for the plaintiff.

TROUBLE OVER GRAND MARSHAL

Filmer's Name Is Withdrawn by Fourth of July Committee.

The committee in charge of the Fourth of July celebration in this city is having trouble trying to arrange the patriotic exercises to suit all classes of people who are anxious to see the national holiday fittingly observed. The cause of the present dispute is the appointing of a grand marshal, and the representatives of two prominent labor unions figure conspicuously in the difficulty.

The Fourth of July committee met at the California Hotel yesterday afternoon, Chairman Bruce Cornwall presiding. William J. White of the Typographical Union was on hand to object to Major Filmer, who had been chosen grand marshal at a previous meeting, on the ground that he was a member of Filmer Bros., electrotypers, a non-union firm. White was backed by Michael Coffey of the Hackmen's Union and a member of the Fourth of July committee.

White was first to voice his objections. He said if Filmer was permitted to act as marshal all labor organizations would withhold their support from the celebration. Coffey said that if Filmer's name was not withdrawn no cabs or hacks would be allowed in the Fourth of July parade.

Chairman Cornwall and other members of the committee questioned White and Coffey as to their objections.

Chairman Cornwall explained that Mr. Filmer was elected grand marshal because he was a man of sterling character, a prominent member of the National Guard, formerly a major in the First California volunteers, having gone with them to the Philippines, a prominent Native Son and better suited to perform the duties of grand marshal than any one else whose name had been presented. Mr. Cornwall added that Mr. Filmer's business affairs were not thought of when he was chosen, simply his ability to do the city and her citizens justice.

Chairman Cornwall then offered Mr. Filmer's resignation, acting for the latter, as he is a personal friend, and the major being out of town prevented his appearing.

Walter H. Gallagher immediately moved that the resignation be accepted. A vote was then taken and Mr. Filmer's name was withdrawn. Rabbi Levy then arose and made a fitting and well worded speech, carefully touching both sides of the question, and this did much to ease the feelings of the rival factions. Dr. Levy dwelt on the honorable traits and high standard of Major Filmer's character and paid him a worthy tribute. He added that he regretted the fact that any ill-feeling existed and hoped that both sides would be satisfied with the arrangements for the celebration.

The committee then elected Dr. Ira Dalziel to succeed Major Filmer as grand marshal.

Another meeting will be held next Tuesday afternoon. It was decided not to hold a night parade and the plan to have a night illumination of the city was also abandoned.

SEEK ASSAILANT OF MRS. MOORE

Nevada County Officers Suspect Prominent Young Man.

NEVADA, June 20.—Additional facts regarding the attack upon Mrs. Elihu Moore several nights ago are being brought to light. Instead of having been attacked but once, as was at first reported, Mrs. Moore was set upon twice the same day—once early in the afternoon and again late at night. The daylight attack was made at a lonely spot on a road far from observation. Mrs. Moore at that time succeeded in eluding her assailant, but when attacked at night he managed to catch her, and only after a desperate struggle did she escape.

The officers have strong evidence that the assailant of Mrs. Moore is a prominent young man of this city. He wore a barley sack over his head, with eyeholes in the sack. He wore no coat. The Sheriff is positive he has the right man in sight, and as soon as Mrs. Moore, who is in a highly excited and nervous state, regains composure sufficiently to identify the man he will be placed under arrest. In the meantime he is being watched closely.

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