

Forecast made at San Francisco for thirty hours ending midnight, May 20: San Francisco and vicinity—Fair Friday, warmer; light north winds, changing to fresh westerly.

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THE CALIFORNIA CALL

Alcázar—"Colinette." California—"Our New Minister." Central—"Down by the Sea." Chutes—Vandeville. Columbia—"Old Heidelberg." Grand—"Empress Theodora." Orpheum—Vandeville. Tivoli—"A Runaway Girl."



REPUBLICAN MEMBERS IN THE STATE CONVENTION ACT HARMONIOUSLY AND INDORSE THE PRESIDENT

SQUADRON IS ORDERED TO TANGIER

Kidnaping of American Citizen to Be Avenged.

Moroccan Government Will Be Compelled to Obtain His Release.

Is Held Responsible for the Carrying Off of Rich Citizen to Be Held for Ransom.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

CALL BUREAU, HOTEL BARTON, WASHINGTON, May 19.—As a result of the kidnaping of Perdicaris, an American citizen, and his stepson by Moroccan brigands, an American warship will be frowning on Tangier May 23 and on May 30 an entire squadron will be there to give force to the demand of United States Consul Gummere that the Sultan obtain the release of Perdicaris and his stepson.

Orders were sent from the Navy Department to Canary Islands directing Rear Admiral Chadwick, commander in chief of the South Atlantic squadron, now en route to the Canaries, to send one ship immediately to Tangier and to follow with the remainder of the squadron. The squadron left San Juan several days ago and is due at the Canaries on May 24—two ships to Tenerife and two to Las Palmas. The squadron consists of the armored cruiser Brooklyn, the protected cruiser Atlanta and the gunboats Castine and Marietta.

In all probability Rear Admiral Chadwick will send the Atlanta ahead to report to the Consul. The State Department was advised of the kidnaping in a dispatch received this morning from Gummere. He stated that Perdicaris and his stepson, an Englishman named Varley, were seated in the dining-room of their summer house, three miles from Tangier, when the place was raided by brigands. The two men were seized and carried away. The women of the party were left terror stricken behind.

PROMPT ACTION OF CONSUL. Gummere, upon being informed of the outrage, conferred with the British Minister, who also had been appealed to. They acted with great promptitude. Deeming the Government responsible for such a violation of public security, they at once sent a runner to the Sultan's deputy to accede to the demands of the brigands and at once obtain the release of the prisoners.

This means that the United States and Great Britain expect the Sultan to pay a ransom, should Fraissouli demand it, and there should be afforded no other way to save the lives of the captives. It is expected that two or three days will bring forth a demand for a ransom from the bandits, accompanied by the usual alternative that the captives will be shot at a certain time unless the price of liberty is forthcoming. The case is not unlike that of Miss Ellen Stone, the missionary who was kidnapped in Bulgaria.

TANGIER, Morocco, May 19.—An American citizen named Perdicaris and his stepson, a British subject, were carried off by the bandit Fraissouli and his followers last night and doubtless will be held for a heavy ransom. The captives were staying at Perdicaris' summer residence, only three miles from Tangier, when the bandits attacked and captured them.

Perdicaris is of Greek origin, but is a naturalized citizen of the United States. He is very wealthy and has lived in Tangier for years. He married an English woman, whose son is his companion in captivity. Foreigners are much excited by this bold raid so near Tangier, and attribute it to the supineness of the Government in failing to punish the bandits, who last year captured Walter B. Harris, the correspondent in Morocco of the London Times, and their failure to deal with general lawlessness.

FRAISSOULI NAMES TERMS. Fraissouli has notified Mohamed El Torres, the representative at Tangier for foreign affairs of the Sultan of Morocco, that he requires the removal of the Sultan's troops from his district, the removal of the Governor of Tangier and the release of a number of imprisoned bandits. When these conditions are complied with Fraissouli will notify Mohamed El Torres of the course he proposes to pursue with the captives.

Fraissouli, who is already more than twenty hours' march from Tangier with his prisoners, has announced that he will impose further conditions for their release.

Perdicaris, who is 70 years old, is in ill health. It is affirmed that the British and United States Governments have begun negotiations with Fraissouli and that they are asking the French Government to ask for the protection of the prisoners. European residents expect that France will send warships here immediately, but in consequence of the native feeling, such a step would be likely to arouse anger.

PARIS, May 19.—The French Government has not received a report of the capture of Perdicaris and Varley by the brigands near Tangier. The



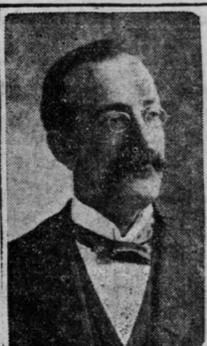
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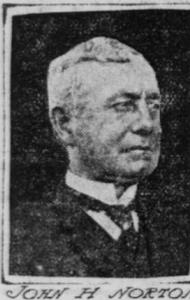
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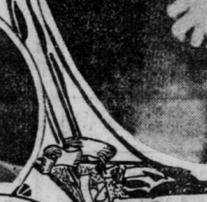
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PROMINENT REPUBLICANS WHO TOOK AN ACTIVE PART IN THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION WHEN THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PARTY NAMED THE DELEGATES TO THE SESSION OF THE NATIONAL POLITICAL LEADERS IN AN EASTERN METROPOLIS.

RICH GEMS ARE LOST IN FLAMES

Disastrous Fire at a San Mateo Residence.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SAN MATEO, May 19.—The fine mansion of Thomas R. Turner, the capitalist and oil operator, was destroyed by fire this afternoon. The loss is about \$20,000 and the property was partially insured.

Among the losses were about \$10,000 worth of jewels, chiefly diamond ornaments of Mrs. Turner. A guard has been placed around the grounds to protect it from possible thieves searching in the ruins for valuables. Turner had just completed numerous improvements and interior decorations for the house and grounds, which made it one of the most luxurious homes in San Mateo. He will probably rebuild a new and more elegant mansion.

The origin of the fire is not known, but it is supposed to have been caused by a wire, as it started in the garret.

WEALTHY WIDOW TO WED AN OAKLAND MOTORMAN

Will Leave Her Home in the East This Week to Join Her Prospective Husband.

GOSHEN, N. Y., May 19.—Mrs. Wright, a widow who for years conducted a stationery business in New York City and who is said to possess considerable means, will leave this week for Oakland, Cal., to wed Charles E. Wright Jr., a motorman. Mrs. Wright is young and charming and has three children. Her prospective husband, who is no relation, is a native of this village. He went to New York several years ago and was employed on a Broadway line. Then he obtained a position in Mrs. Wright's store and worked for her three years. When he left for California it was with the understanding that she would soon follow him.

FAMILY FEUD ENDS IN AN ASSASSINATION

Colorado Woman and Her Son Are Shot and Killed While Returning to Their Home.

CORTEZ, Colo., May 19.—When driving to their home near Arriba last night Mrs. C. W. Herman and her son, Frank Ingles, were shot and killed by Marshall Humphreys, who rode into town and surrendered himself to the Sheriff. There had been a feud between the two families.

officials say that Northern Morocco is overrun by brigands, who have committed many depredations lately. Moroccan troops have been operating against the brigands, but owing to the insurrection and state of anarchy existing the troops were unsuccessful. The locality where the captives have been taken is distinctly under Moorish authority, neither French nor Spanish influence being established there.

LONDON, May 20.—The Tangier correspondent of the Times says: "News received from Perdicaris and Varley is to the effect that they were kept traveling throughout the entire night of their capture to the mountains and will probably be taken further inland to-night. The event has caused a panic here and many persons residing outside the town are flocking in. The Moors seem to have lost all fear of the European powers."

Peace and National Progress Is Desire of the Party.

SACRAMENTO, May 19.—The harmony in the Republican State Convention was so well sustained throughout all the deliberations of the body that there is talk of transferring the World's Congress of Peace from The Hague to Sacramento.

The convention adjourned sine die this forenoon. Judge A. G. Burnett of Santa Rosa, the presiding officer, was thanked collectively and separately for keeping the peace. Blessed are the peacemakers, and every one ought to know what they shall inherit.

In proposing the names of Governor George C. Pardee, John D. Spreckels, J. W. McKinley and George A. Knight for delegates at large to the National Republican Convention, able and dignified speeches were made by Frank H. Short of Fresno, M. L. Ward of San Diego, and Senator Thomas H. Selvaig and Judge G. W. Hunter of Humboldt.

D. W. Burchard of San Francisco in original and happy style nominated A. Ruef as alternate for John D. Spreckels. Cordial and prolonged applause of the convention signified to Mr. Ruef that the delegates who had observed

his youthful aspect and jaunty style desired to hear him talk. He gratified the desires of his fellow Republicans in a speech of appropriate brevity and extreme felicity. No one disturbed the peace. Some of the delegates were reminded of the zeal of new converts, while others quoted the familiar adage concerning the lamp and the sinner.

The announcement was made that all the delegates from California to the Republican National Convention would meet at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, next Saturday forenoon. Topics relating to the route of travel to Chicago and subjects pertaining to rules of action may be discussed.

The duty of appointing an executive committee of twenty-one members to assist the State Central Committee in conducting the affairs of the campaign devolves upon Judge Burnett, chairman of the convention. In due time he will announce the names. Shortly after the announcement the committee will select some one to be known as chairman of the Republican State Committee.

all such resolutions, as the proper place for their consideration would be in the convention to be held in August. He then read the report, which was frequently interrupted by applause.

The section instructing delegates to vote for President Roosevelt's nomination was greeted with great applause. The report was adopted by a rising vote.

Chairman Burnett called for nominations for four delegates at large to the national convention. George Stone of San Francisco moved that all seconding

speeches be eliminated. This plan met with the approval of the convention. NOMINATION OF GOVERNOR. Frank H. Short was recognized and placed Governor George C. Pardee in nomination. He said:

The agreeable honor has been assigned to me to place before this convention as one of the delegates at large to the convention the name of the Governor of California, the Hon. George C. Pardee. Before proceeding I desire to apologize for an error which I made yes-

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MAD HORSE DASHES ON TWO WOMEN

Thrilling Accident on a Street in San Mateo.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SAN MATEO, May 19.—Mrs. Green, wife of J. C. Green, and her sister, Miss Gibbons, had a marvelous escape from death here this morning while driving on B street in a low back open buggy.

A runaway horse attached to a wagon came upon them and instead of going around their buggy, which had drawn to one side, the maddened animal leaped directly upon top of them, dragging the wagon.

The first stroke of the animal's hoofs tore away the seat and the next instant the buggy was overturned and for several seconds the unfortunate women were struggling beneath both vehicles.

Then both horses dashed away, leaving the injured women lying under a laprobe. Those who witnessed the affair and rushed to the rescue expected that both women were killed outright, but they had escaped death. Dr. Norris, who attended them, found that no bones were broken, but the shock and bruises will confine them to their homes for some time. Miss Gibbons was painfully injured.

MANY MORE POSTMASTERS HAVE SALARIES INCREASED

Work of Readjusting Pay Rolls Is Still in Progress at Washington and Californians Are Benefited.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—The First Assistant Postmaster General announced to-day the following additional readjustment of salaries of postmasters in California offices: Boulder Creek, increased from \$1000 to \$1100; Dinuba, \$1100 to \$1200; Los Banos, \$1200 to \$1300; Ocean Park, \$1500 to \$1700; Pacific Grove, \$1700 to \$1800; Fresno, \$1500 to \$1600; Placerville, \$1700 to \$1800; Pomona, \$2300 to \$2400; Randsburg, \$1600 to \$1700; Redwood City, \$1400 to \$1500; Sacramento, \$3300 to \$3500; San Jacinto, \$1300 to \$1400; San Mateo, \$1700 to \$1800; Santa Clara, \$2000 to \$2100; Sausalito, \$1700 to \$1800; Susan, \$1400 to \$1500; South Pasadena, \$1500 to \$1700; Stockton, \$3000 to \$3100; Truckee, \$1700 to \$1800; Ukiah, \$1800 to \$1900; Willits, \$1500 to \$1600; Crescent City, \$1000 to \$1100; Eastland, \$1500 to \$1700; Newman, \$1300 to \$1400; Oxnard, \$1800 to \$1900; Palmdale, \$2200 to \$2300; Petaluma, \$2300 to \$2400; Point Richmond, \$1200 to \$1400; Porterville, \$1700 to \$1800; Red Bluff, \$2300 to \$2500; Redwood City, \$1500 to \$1700; Sanger, \$1200 to \$1300; San Leandro, \$1400 to \$1500; San Pedro, \$1900 to \$2100; Santa Monica, \$1800 to \$2000; Sebastopol, \$1400 to \$1500; Soldiers Home, \$1000 to \$1100; Stanford University, \$1700 to \$1800; Susanville, \$1500 to \$1600; Yuba City, \$1300 to \$1400.

CLUB WOMEN ENTERTAINED AT CALIFORNIA BUILDING

Commissioner Wiggins and Secretary Willis, Assisted by Their Wives, Receive Visitors to Fair. ST. LOUIS, May 19.—The ladies of the State delegation of the General Federation of Women's Clubs kept open house in the State buildings this afternoon. The plateau of States was alive with visiting parties, the most enthusiastic of which probably was that in the California building, where between 4 and 6 o'clock visiting California club women were received by Commissioner Frank Wiggins and Secretary E. B. Willis, assisted by Mrs. Wiggins, Mrs. Willis, Mrs. G. Hecke, Mrs. W. H. Welby, Mrs. G. C. Roebling and the Misses Edith Barrett and May Wright. Light refreshments were served and music was supplied by the talented guests.

TWO WOMEN ENGAGE IN SHARP DUEL

Daughter and Housekeeper Battle in Room.

Large Knife and Scissors the Chosen Weapons in Bloody Fight.

Mrs. Anna Speckman and Miss Clara Lefevre Slash Each Other in Home of Adolph H. Beth.

Daughter and sweetheart fought a fierce duel yesterday afternoon for the affection of Adolph H. Beth, one of the proprietors of the Old Louvre cafe, in the latter's home at 799 Cole street.

The daughter of the restaurant man was Mrs. Anna Speckman, who figured in the sensational murder of a former husband in Alameda about five years ago. In yesterday's battle she was armed with a large knife. Miss Clara Lefevre, who finds shelter under Beth's roof, chose as her weapon a pair of scissors. Bitter jealousy animated the daughter. She had tried in vain to rid her father of her adversary's companionship. When all remonstrance failed she gave vent to her passion and the fight was on. It ended in a call for the ambulance and the removal of both women to the Park Emergency Hospital. Later Mrs. Speckman was taken to the City Prison and booked on a charge of assault to commit murder. The complainant was her father.

In the dining-room of the Beth home the two women and words were as fragile as straws in settling the differences between them. No one witnessed the combat until its force had been spent and the two principals were exhausted and making but a feeble effort to continue it. While it lasted, however, it was terrific, as the blood-spotted walls testified.

A BLOODY BATTLE.

The women attacked each other with the ferocity of tigers and it is strange that murder was not done. The evidence of war was in the rooms. Chairs were disarranged and furniture overturned. The appearance of the women with their faces torn, hair matted with gore and bodies bruised and cut told better than any words what had occurred. The women were so weakly that they were unable to stand. They were taken to the hospital with a policeman in tow. The daughter's vindictiveness of an order not to be mistaken.

The stories of the women regarding the commencement of the affair vary greatly. Each blames the other and each would have it understood that she herself was on the defensive. Just who struck the first blow is a matter for the courts to determine, and this will be done, if possible, at the preliminary examination of Mrs. Speckman.

Beth has lived long at the Cole street number. Some time ago Miss Lefevre became, he says, his housekeeper. Mrs. Speckman smiles when the title of a menial is given the other woman. She asserts that her father is in love with the fair Miss Lefevre and that the two have been living together. Although Mrs. Speckman lives with her husband, Richard Speckman, who is connected with poolrooms in Sausalito, she resented the companionship of her father and the other woman. Many spirited interviews have taken place between Beth and his daughter, but they accomplished nothing. She went on in the same old way, Miss Lefevre remaining in the Cole-street home and Beth sanctioning her sojourn.

DAUGHTER CENSURES FATHER.

Mrs. Speckman says she often remonstrated with her parent. She begged him to abandon the woman and to force her way to one of the interior rooms, she claims Miss Lefevre attacked her with a pair of scissors. A struggle followed in which she threw her father's friend to the floor and disarmed her. Then she says Miss Lefevre started to run away and she threw the scissors after her. She denies that she had a weapon of any kind.

Miss Lefevre claims that Mrs. Speckman picked up a butcher knife and that she used the scissors to defend herself. This knife was found by the police and has been booked as evidence.

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