

RIVER TOPICS NOW IN ORDER

Delegates to Convention Are Due to Arrive To-Day and To-Morrow in Numbers

PRELIMINARY VIEW HAD

San Joaquin County Citizens Visit Stream's Confluence in Company of Engineers

The delegates from the interior to the river convention will be in this city to-morrow in force. Boards of Trade, Chambers of Commerce, the California Miners' Association and many bodies have appointed representatives to speak and act for them.

Since the convention was called people in the interior have taken a great amount of pains to investigate for themselves. The San Joaquin County delegates made an inspection early this week in company with Colonel Heuer and M. A. Nurse, engineer for the Board of Public Works, of the Sacramento River from its mouth to a point near Rio Vista, and thence, through Three Mile Slough, they went over to the San Joaquin River.

The old question concerning the diversion of the waters of the Sacramento River to the San Joaquin River was talked of to some extent. The Stockton Independent says that Colonel Heuer remarked that he would not consent to turn the Sacramento River into the San Joaquin at any point without fuller data than he had.

The Independent also says that "the San Joaquin delegates will stand for any improvement that may be satisfactory to the Sacramento River people if they confine the river to their own channels, but they will to a man oppose any proposition to turn Sacramento water into the San Joaquin at any point."

This is the only indication of a definite plan on the part of any delegation that has yet developed. The supposition is entertained in this city that all matters that are of great importance will be referred to committees with little preliminary discussion.

The list of delegates to the river convention had not been received in full by the California Promotion Committee yesterday, but may be completed to-day. Prominent men will be present. San Joaquin County will be represented by at least thirty delegates.

A large delegation will come down from the Sacramento Valley. The delegation of the California Miners' Association will number twenty. The San Joaquin party that inspected the Sacramento River at its mouth included:

G. W. Patterson, Samuel Frankenhelm, E. S. Woods, R. Hickmott, F. H. Harvey, Charles Belding, F. M. West, W. Frank Pierce, James Belding, G. Keasler, E. Atwood, John Herd, R. F. Lane, D. A. Guerssey, M. D. Eaton, C. D. Clark, Judge W. B. Nutter, Thomas Powell, George O. Frank, Boggs, E. E. Trethewey, E. C. Johnson, R. E. Wilcott, J. M. Kile, Edward Hughes, George F. McNeile, W. C. Woods, Henry Pierce, W. B. Matthews, S. V. Ryland, C. M. Weber, F. J. Ryan and J. L. Phelps.

The convention will open on Monday morning and will be in session two days. All the commercial bodies of San Francisco will be represented.

Camera Club Lecture. An illustrated lecture on Korea and Siam, by C. R. Callender, under the auspices of the California Camera Club at the Alhambra last night, highly pleased a large and appreciative audience.

The views illustrating the habits of the natives, the principal thoroughfares, the occupations and the advance of modern ideas, together with relief maps, were quite timely, as they gave a clear conception of many of the situations in the Far East.

During the intermission Frank Thompson furnished some clever topical songs. The programme was arranged and carried out by Charles A. Goe, F. C. Bangs and George Kanze of the exhibition committee. The club will give a "smoker" to new members Saturday evening.

With the aid of a microscope any one can see what appears to be gilt edge on the best steel, but a blind man can discover a "gilt edge" on the best whiskey—"Old Gilt Edge."

RECEIVES A COUNTERFEIT BILL.—Miss C. L. West, 2901 Mission street, complained to the police yesterday that a "New Brunswick" \$20 bill had been passed upon her by two young men on Thursday afternoon. They called at her house and engaged rooms, handing her the \$20 bill in payment. She gave them \$15 change and later discovered the character of the bill. She gave a description of the men.

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LESSEN DANGER TO PEDESTRIANS

Automobiles Cannot Cross the Front of Golden Gate Park on Stanyan Street

SCHMITZ AT MEETING

All Venders to Be Driven From Ocean Beach and Place Given to Visitors

Two important matters were discussed and disposed of by the Board of Park Commissioners yesterday afternoon. The first was the selection of a course by which automobiles might enter the south drive of Golden Gate Park without passing along the section of Stanyan street, between Oak and Waller, and the other was a determination to rid the ocean beach of venders' and peddlers' wagons.

Commissioners Dingee, Lloyd, Altmann and Sullivan were present and the first named presided in the absence of President Spreckels. The question of a route for the horseless machines was first taken up at the suggestion of the Mayor, who said that they had become a menace to life and limb on the thoroughfare he described. Schmitz told of the thousands of people who alight and board cars at the Haight and Hayes street entrances of the park and of the dangers incurred by the speed machines. It was finally agreed that the automobiles must enter the park at Oak street and immediately cross over to the south drive within the inclosure. For the protection of pedestrians in the grounds a rustic bridge will be constructed which will afford them a crossing other than that on the driveway. It was suggested to grade an automobile speedway in the district south of the park for a distance of two miles. The automobile clubs will be asked to bear a portion of this expense.

Commissioner Lloyd called attention to the disgraceful condition of the beach. He stated that debris of all description was cast about on the sand and that pleasure for people who delight in loitering about in the vicinity of the waves was fast becoming impossible. On a motion it was ordered that venders and salesmen of all descriptions be ordered to move from the beach and that the police prevent them from returning. After this decision it was moved that Superintendent McLaren, who will soon depart for a trip to Scotland and European countries, be paid the sum of \$1000 with which to defray his expenses in visiting and collecting data from other parks in pursuance to an order of the board.

Several valuable donations were accepted, and in compliance with the request of the Memorial day committee, Superintendent McLaren was empowered to donate all the flowers he could spare to be used in decorating the graves of soldiers. Joseph Cleary was appointed temporary superintendent while McLaren is away from the city. Some discussion arose as to whether his salary should be increased when he enters upon this temporary duty, but the point was not settled.

RECONCILIATION MADE EASY BY DIVORCE LAW

Interlocutory Decree Can Be Set Aside on Petition of Plaintiff or Defendant.

The true meaning of the law providing for the interlocutory decree of divorce is gradually becoming known to those whose matrimonial alliances have proved unhappy and who have carried their troubles into court. This is evidenced by the fact that within the last ten days two couples that have been through a divorce mill and temporarily separated by an interlocutory decree have reappeared in court with an application to set the decree aside "because they have become reconciled."

Soren and Bessie Neilson were the first divorced couple to ask the court to set aside the decree of divorce that kept them apart. Yesterday Lily K. Thomas had the decree she obtained from Henry L. Thomas set aside by Judge Sloss because, as she stated in an affidavit, "Thomas had asked her to return to him and she believed his promise to treat her as a wife should be accepted."

Sylvan Ivanovich, who is the defendant in a suit for divorce brought by Delina Ivanovich, in an answer to her suit filed yesterday, denies that he ever treated her cruelly. In a cross-complaint he asks for a decree of divorce because of her conduct with a "gentleman friend."

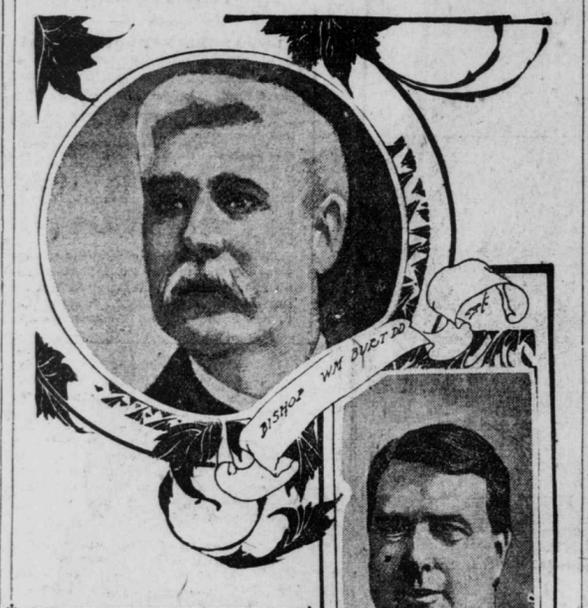
Florence M. Grover was granted a divorce from Thomas J. Grover for desertion. Maude Pegot (nee Jeffers) wants her marriage to Emile L. Pegot annulled. She says that when she married him at Sacramento in May, 1902, she was but little more than 16 years of age and did not ask the consent of her parents.

Gives an Exhibition of Birds. SANTA CRUZ, May 20.—The Free Library is giving an exhibition of birds and Mrs. Josephine Clifford McCracken, president of the State Forest and Song Bird Protective Association, Game Warden Reed and F. D. Baldwin, president of the Humane Society, are in attendance. The lecture hall, where the exhibit is being held, has been made attractive by the natural foliage of the forest where so many of the birds on exhibition have their haunts. Massed about the rooms are ferns from the woods and huge branches of redwood, buckeye, fir, wild lilac, azaleas, hazel, laurel, etc.

Hold a Memorial Service. SANTA CRUZ, May 20.—The Woman's Relief Corps held a service this afternoon in memory of three of their members who died during the year.

BALLOTING FOR THE BISHOPS ENLIVENS CONFERENCE WORK

Report of the Committee on Education Finally Disposes of the Charges of Heresy That Have Seriously Agitated Certain of the Delegates



LOS ANGELES, May 20.—When the general conference adjourned at 6 o'clock this evening seven of the eight Bishops to be elected had been chosen, and the eleventh ballot, taken just before adjournment, probably has resulted in the election of the eighth. The list of Bishops thus far chosen is as follows:

Dr. Joseph F. Berry of Chicago, Dr. Henry F. Spellmeyer of Newark, N. J.; Dr. William F. McDowell of New York; Dr. James W. Baskford of Delaware, Ohio; Dr. William Burt of Rome, Italy; Dr. Luther B. Wilson of Baltimore and Dr. Thomas B. Neely of Philadelphia.

Dr. William Burt was elected on the fifth ballot, taken last night, the result of which was announced in this morning's Call. Dr. Wilson was chosen on the sixth ballot, which was announced before recess to-day. The seventh and eighth ballots resulted in no election, but on the ninth Dr. Neely was elected by 486 votes out of the 700 cast, 467 being necessary to a choice. The tenth ballot was taken just before adjournment this evening and resulted in no election. Dr. J. R. Day received the highest number of ballots, 311 out of a total of 706 cast, 471 being necessary to a choice. This showed a Day loss of 23 votes, he having polled 350 in the ninth. The election of the eighth Bishop is now thought to lie between Dr. Day and Dr. R. J. Cooke of Chattanooga, with the chances favoring the latter. The situation is so complicated tonight that no one would be greatly surprised to see both candidates defeated and some clergyman not yet named chosen in their stead.

Dr. J. W. E. Bowen, the colored candidate for episcopal honors, twice announced, to-day his withdrawal from the race, and on the tenth ballot his strength had dropped to sixty votes. Bishop Luther B. Wilson is a graduate of Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., and is at present presiding elder at Baltimore, Md. He is the youngest man of the seven men elected to the bishopric at this conference. His age is 42 years.

OLDEST OF THE MEN ELECTED. Bishop Thomas B. Neely is the oldest of the men elected and has been a candidate for the office at several conferences. For the past four years he has been editor of Sunday-school publications at Philadelphia and secretary of the Sabbath School Union and Tract Society. He is a vigorous debater and an authority on parliamentary law.

The episcopacy committee recommended in its special report to the conference this morning the election of four Missionary Bishops, as follows: One additional for Africa, two additional for South Asia and one for Japan and Korea, the latter a new episcopal district. The election of these four officers will be begun immediately after the election of the eighth general superintendent.

The itinerancy committee appointed Monday reported late this afternoon on the proposal to restore the four-year time limit for pastors. A majority and a minority report were submitted. The former opposed the change, and a brisk and determined effort was made to force it through to adoption without debate. Those favoring the minority report succeeded in staving off the vote on the majority report after the majority leaders had succeeded in tabling the minority report, which recommended the restoration of the time limit.

LABOR STRIKE ENDED AT COLORADO MINES

Governor Peabody States That Law and Order Now Have Been Re-Established.

PITTSBURG, May 20.—Governor Peabody of Colorado, replying to a telegram from the National Association of Manufacturers, in session here this week, commending him for his stand during the recent labor troubles in his State, says:

"The labor strikes in Colorado are ended, save a slight rebellion led by professional agitators. Law and order have been re-established and obedience to our constitution and its laws must and shall be maintained. The principal of guaranteeing to every citizen of Colorado the right to labor in a lawful manner without fear of intimidation or violence will hereafter be maintained by the people of this State."

plan for investigation into any charges of heresy that may be brought in the future, the report concludes: We admonish all instructors in our schools to studiously avoid, as far as possible, all occasion of misunderstanding of their doctrinal attitude, both in their oral teachings and in their publications, and that they counsel their pupils to carefully avoid statements which would disturb the faith of those to whom they minister.

CONFIRMS MANY YOUNG PEOPLE

Dr. J. Voorsanger Performs Service at Temple Emanu-El Before Big Assembly

PROFOUND EXERCISES

Address, Sacred Songs and Beautiful Music Part of the Interesting Ceremony

A confirmation service at Temple Emanu-El was held yesterday. The great edifice was filled with relatives and friends of those that were to assume spiritual responsibilities. To the strains of beautiful music and sacred song those to be confirmed took their places before the altar, which was decked with flora.

The choir for the occasion was augmented and an orchestra, consisting of twelve musicians, participated in the musical exercises. Enid Rosine Ackerman delivered the opening address and the opening prayer was given by Walter J. Hill. Silyah Louis Simon recited the Ten Commandments and a hymn by Cantor E. J. Stark and the full choir followed.

A profoundly impressive address was delivered by Rabbi Jacob Voorsanger and after the benediction by the rabbi, Adele Donau Steinman delivered the valedictory, the closing prayer being given by Fanny Marie Stern.

Those confirmed were: Enid Rosine Ackerman, Ethel Lillian Cooper, Amy Dinkelpiel, Irma Franklin, Bella Gans, Edith Alice Greenbaum, Aixa Hotman, Anita G. Leuchman, Mildred Gloria Levy, Florence Levy, Isabel Schiess, Fanny Marie Stern, Adele Donau Steinman, Rebecca Seib, Claire Wolf, Mervyn Leopold Brenner, Sigmund Schloss Cowan, Louis Michel Hausmann, Walter Stern Heller, Walter Henry Hill, Simon Walter Newman, Sylvain Louis Simon, Edgar Bailey Schwabacher, William Henry Utfielder.

W. A. Sablin presided at the organ and the choir was under the direction of Cantor Stark. The soloists were: Miss Daisy Cohen, soprano; Mrs. H. Kelly, contralto; Homer S. Henley, bass; and Charles Couture, tenor. The barytone solos in the concerted numbers were rendered by Cantor Stark.

ALUMNI OF CALIFORNIA ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Changes Are Made in the Board of Trustees and in the Board of Administrators.

The alumni of the University of California met last night at the Mark Hopkins Institute of Art for the purpose of electing officers. The reception committee, consisting of many graduates from as far back as 1888, was on hand to receive former college-mates.

The election took place at 10 o'clock in the Searles gallery and Alexander G. Ealds was elected president; Warren Olney Jr., first vice president; James P. Booth, second vice president; Alfred S. Skaife, secretary, and James K. Moffitt, treasurer. Alexander G. Ealds and Alfred S. Skaife were elected trustees. W. T. Ritter, P. E. Bowles, J. N. Le Conte, Charles E. Green and Alexander G. Ealds (ex-officio) comprise the board of administrators of the Le Conte memorial fund.

The galleries were well filled with ex-Berkeleyites and after the election light refreshments were served. The affair was conducted under the auspices of Frank Otis and W. E. Creed, who have served their allotted two years on the board of trustees and retired last night.

Pleasant Day Trips. Nowhere can there be found such delightful short trips as offered by the North Shore to Sausalito, Mill Valley, Ross Valley, San Rafael, Mount Tamalpais or along the Lagunitas to San Geronimo, Camp Taylor or Tocaloma; to Point Reyes and other Tomales Bay points, or to Camp Picoletto, Camp Tyrone and Meeker, Monte Rio Park, Dunsmuir Mills and Casadero. The trip to Casadero embraces views of bay and ocean beach, forest and stream, mountains and wide the picturesque Russian River and the Giant Redwoods. The new time table gives better service to Marin and Sonoma counties than heretofore. Get a copy of it and "Summer Outing" at the office, 626 Market st., San Francisco.

WILL GET NO INSURANCE.—Judge Sloss yesterday gave judgment for the defendant in the suit of Johannes Hinkle against the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company. Mrs. Hinkle sued for \$3000 due on a policy issued to her husband, C. E. Hinkle. It was shown during the trial that he had not paid the premiums. Hence the judgment.

MUST RESPECT COURT ORDER.—Ed O'Hanrahan of 606 Golden Gate avenue was before Judge Heber yesterday on an order to show cause why he should not be punished for contempt for refusing to allow William Grays, a receiver appointed by Judge Trout in the suit of Brooks vs. Brennan, to take charge of the property in the Golden Gate avenue house. O'Hanrahan escaped punishment by promising to recognize the receiver.

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Continuance of Cool Temperatures Retards Distribution of the Spring Goods

IRON CHIEFLY AFFECTED

Crops Have a Setback, but the Commercial Conditions Are Slightly Improved

NEW YORK, May 20.—Bradstreet's to-morrow will say: Weather conditions are still the apparent drawback in the trade and crop situation. Temperatures have been too cool to allow of free distribution of spring and summer goods at retail, and they likewise retard germination and growth of crops, though permitting good progress in seeding in various sections of the country. In jobbing circles the feeling is that the spring trade is past and gone, and efforts are now concentrated on fall business, reports as to which are fairly good, though not equal to a year ago. Some faint evidences of improvement are to be noted, particularly in the shoe and leather industry, and in wool at Western primary markets, but against this are to be cited further weakness in iron rather more quietness in lumber and talk of further curtailment in common mill production.

The industrial situation is rather quieter, but the most serious strike of the year, that of the masters and pilots of lake vessels, continues, with no prospect of settlement. This has practically killed the transportation on the lakes, and coal, ore, lumber and grain trades exhibit the effect of the almost total stoppage of the activity. Railway earnings show recessions from last year. At eastern markets wholesale trade in dry goods is of moderate proportions, though symptoms of improvement are not entirely absent. Rather more is reported doing in hides this week and a fractional advance is reported. Perhaps the most pronounced weakness shown by any one product is that noted in iron. The other metals are all rather weak, copper being lower both at home and abroad, and lead being dull and heavy at a slight decline.

Business failures in the United States for the week ending May 19 number 215, against 201 last week, 155 in the like week in 1903, 152 in 1902, 192 in 1901 and 167 in 1900.

In Canada failures for the week number 11, against 13 last week and 10 a year ago.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade to-morrow will say: Reports of increased trade are received from a few favored points, but the nation as a whole has not improved in commercial position during the past week, in so far as current distribution of merchandise or manufacturing activity is concerned. Prospects for the future have improved somewhat, however, on account of the progress in agriculture. Unless the crops suffer an unusual setback hereafter it should be a good year for the farmers and all other industries will feel the stimulus. Leading branches of manufactures are extremely quiet, the recent slight gain in iron and steel having disappeared, and transporting interests are not equal to last year's records, railway earnings thus far available for May showing a decrease of 6.6 per cent.

Hides of late continue in good demand, branded steers and cows showing the most strength. Larger receipts of foreign dry hides have somewhat depressed the market.

Failures this week number 236 in the United States, against 191 last year, and 19 in Canada, compared with 14 a year ago.

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