NEWS OF THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

WILL PROTECT CITY'S WATER

Board of Health to Take Action Against Camps on Banks of Redwood Creek

MAY CLOSE THE GROUNDS

Owners of the Property to Be Asked to Use Their Land for Other Purposes

Oakland Office San Francisco Call, 1016 Broadway, Aug. 14.

Campers who have heretofore spent their summer outings on the banks of Redwood Creek will be forced to seek another location next season if the attempt that is to be made to induce the owners of property situated in Redwood Canyon to close the grounds to campers is successful. The matter was taken up at the last meeting of the Oakland Board of Health, and Health Officer von Adelung reported that during the present season nearly 500 people had camped in Redwood Canyon, close to the banks of the creek, which flows into Lake Chabot. The Health Officer said that as a large portion of the city water supply came into the lake through Redwood Canyon it would be safer from a sanitary point of view if campers were kept away from the banks of the creek.

An analysis of the water in the lake did not reveal any bacteria such as would be developed by the contamination of the creek by campers. The board therefore decided to take no action during the present season, which is now almost closed. The board will recommend, however, that as a measure of public safety some action be taken next season to prevent camping on the banks of any of the creeks from which water flows into the reservoirs of the Contra Costa Water Company. Dr. von Adelung in discussing the matter said:

The danger of contamination of the city water supply by campers in Redwood Canyon and along the banks of other creeks which empty into Lake Chabot has been discussed by the Board of Health, but no action will be taken until the next meeting of the board, and it has been practically agreed that, as the present camping season is so nearly ended, no action shall be taken against the people at present in camp. The board intends, however, to endeavor to devise some means whereby the danger may be removed.

Personally, I am in favor of keeping campers away from the banks of these creeks entirely. A recent analysis of the water in the creek in Redwood Canyon showed some bacteria, but no bacteria were revealed by an analysis of water taken from the lake and water taken from faucets in this city was also found to be pure. Nevertheless there is always the danger of contamination as long as camping is permitted on the banks of these creeks, and as a measure of public safety the practice of locating camps on the banks of creeks emptying in the water company's reservoirs should be discontinued.

MANY OUTSIDE PARLORS TO JOIN IN CELEBRATION

Native Sons and Daughters From All Parts of State Will Visit Oakland September 9.

OAKLAND, Aug. 14.—Native Sons and Daughters from every part of the State will gather in this city on September 9 to participate in the celebration of Admission day. Already the local committee has received notice from many parlors located in interior towns that the members will attend in a body. These parlors will all have headquarters in Oakland on Admission day and nearly every hall in the city will be occupied by the local and visiting Natives.

Among the parlors of Native Sons and Daughters that will participate in the State celebration in this city are: Sacramento Parlor No. 31, Santa Clara Parlor No. 100, Eden Parlor No. 113 of Haywards, Marshall Parlor No. 202 of San Francisco, Estudilo Parlor of San Leandro, and Sans Souci Parlor No. 96, N. D. G. W., of San Francisco.

Stockton Lodge of Elks is to visit Oakland on Thursday evening, September 8, and as many of its members are Native Sons, nearly every Native Son and Daughter of Stockton will accompany the Elks to participate in the celebration here.

SANITARIUM PATIENT ESCAPES FROM GUARDIAN

Leaves Her Attendant on a Country Road to Gape at Team as It Dashes Away.

OAKLAND, Aug. 14.—By a clever ruse Mrs. E. L. Piepenburg, a patient at the Livermore Sanitarium, escaped this afternoon, near Livermore, from her guardian, A. B. Wilcox, and drove a double team forty miles into Oakland before she was overhauled and taken in charge again by the man she had outwitted.

Wilcox was given permission to-day to take his ward out driving. The pair started down the county road toward Pleasanton. During the drive, the patient dropped a fur boa out of the vehicle. Shortly afterward she disclosed her loss to Wilcox, requesting him to walk back and find the missing article. Unsuspicious, the guardian heeded the request. When he was a few hundred feet away Mrs. Piepenburg whipped the horses into a run and headed down the road away from Wilcox as rapidly as the team could go.

The guardian, seeing pursuit hopeless, hurried back to Livermore and gave the alarm. At Twenty-third avenue Policeman W. H. Smith, who had been given a description of the runaway, caught the woman, who was returned to her guardian safely.

MESSENGER BOY HURT IN STREET COLLISION

Is Knocked From His Bicycle by Automobile and Falls Under Passing Horse.

OAKLAND, Aug. 14.—The careless handling of a spirited horse by an unknown driver on the Haywards road this afternoon resulted in a collision between an automobile and two bicycle riders, which nearly cost Arthur Bassett, a Western Union Telegraph messenger, his life. The driver was on the wrong side of the road and was driving at a rapid gait. Young Bassett and another messenger boy, Roy Ray, passed him on their bicycles and in attempting to avoid the horse, which was restive, they were forced in front of a rapidly moving automobile.

Both the boys were struck by the automobile and thrown from their wheels under the feet of the prancing horse and the wheels of the machine. Ray escaped uninjured, but Bassett suffered a fracture of the right wrist and was badly bruised. The injured boy resides with his parents at 250 College avenue in this city.

KNOWLAND HAS A CLEAR FIELD

Young Alamedan Will Receive the Republican Nomination for Congress

WOULD BE SUPERVISOR

George Fitzgerald Says He Is Wooing the Favor of the Union Labor Party

Oakland Office San Francisco Call, 1016 Broadway, Aug. 14.

J. R. Knowland of Alameda City will be nominated on Tuesday at Vallejo by the Republican Congressional convention for Congressman from the Third District. There is no opposition to Mr. Knowland, and the action of the convention at the navy yard city will merely be a ratification of the will of the Republican party as expressed at the primaries that were held last Tuesday.

Mr. Knowland is a young man who has made himself. An attorney by profession, he entered the field of politics some years ago as the Republican nominee for the Assembly from Alameda City. Two terms in the lower house at Sacramento brought a term in the upper house, where he served with credit to his district, his party and himself. When Victor H. Metcalf was elevated to the Cabinet by President Roosevelt, Knowland was at once suggested for the position of Representative in the lower house of the national legislature, and as a result of the primaries he will be nominated on Tuesday next without opposition for a place on the Republican ticket in a district where the Republican nomination is equivalent to an election by about 10,000 majority.

City Councilman George Fitzgerald to-day made the formal announcement of his candidacy for the Union Labor nomination for Supervisor in the Fifth District against John Mitchell, who will be the Republican nominee. Said Mr. Fitzgerald:

"I have not approached a single delegate to the Union Labor convention, but I feel reasonably sure that I can make a showing in that convention. If the nomination is offered me I shall accept."

The Union League Club of Alameda County will effect a permanent organization to-morrow evening at Maple Hall. Permanent officers will be elected and the league will be put upon an established basis. The league is in a flourishing condition. United States Senator George C. Perkins is the temporary president of the club.

The Union Labor Club of the Forty-sixth Assembly District has decided upon John Geary, a well-known native son of Haywards, as its nominee for the Assembly. He will probably be indorsed by the Democrats.

CHURCH RALLY DAY IS FITLY OBSERVED

Methodists Hold Special Services. Pew Renting System Abandoned by Strong Organization.

OAKLAND, Aug. 14.—Rally day at the First Methodist Church was observed to-day with special exercises. The morning Bible class held a reunion. At the regular services the full choral communion celebration was held. Dr. E. R. Dille, the pastor, gave an appropriate address. After a reception of members the ordinance of Christian baptism was administered.

Sunday-school exercises, in which 600 members took part, were held at 12:30 o'clock at the same church. Special music and a social reunion marked the evening exercises.

The First Methodist Church has abandoned the pew renting system. By direction of the board of trustees no pew rentals will be charged after September 1. Sittings will be assigned to regular attendants who are members of the church, but the revenue will depend upon the weekly pledges and the voluntary collections at services. The pew-renting method has been discontinued after a thorough trial, the trustees being unanimous in their decision.

The Rev. E. E. Baker, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, has resumed his work. Clement P. Rowlands, the choir director, occupied his place this evening for the last time before his departure for Europe.

The Rev. S. E. Lynd of the Society of the Friendless delivered an address this evening at a union meeting of Presbyterians and Methodists at Diamond.

Communion services and a reception of new members took place to-day at Pilgrim Congregational Church, the Rev. R. C. Brooks, the pastor, officiating.

The Rev. William Crowhurst preached to-day at the Thirty-fourth street Methodist Church.

The Rev. H. W. Davis of San Francisco preached to-day at the First Baptist Church.

Dr. E. R. Willis, president of the National Training-school, occupied the pulpit this morning at the Eighth-avenue Methodist Church.

AT LAST SUCCEEDS IN KILLING HIMSELF

Arthur McGregor's Second Attempt at Suicide Proves Successful—Inmate of Home for Blind.

OAKLAND, Aug. 14.—Sightless from an attempt to commit suicide three years ago, Arthur McGregor, an inmate of the State home for the adult blind, took a fatal dose of poison to-night at that institution. He left two letters, requesting Superintendent Sanders to notify Lieutenant Governor Alden Anderson and the Woodmen of the World regarding his death.

McGregor was found in his room to-night by the superintendent, who noticed him breathing heavily. Dr. George Derrick, the home's physician, was called and saw that McGregor was dying from the effects of some slow poison, supposedly morphine, although no vial or paper that might have contained the drug was found. There was no chance to revive the man, the poison having taken too strong hold.

McGregor, three years ago, was jilted in a love affair at Suisun, where he was in the employ of Lieutenant Governor Anderson at his packing houses and occupied a responsible position. McGregor shot himself in the head. His life was saved, but the injury destroyed his eyesight. Totally blind, he was admitted to the home, where he had apparently reconciled himself to his fate. Superintendent Sanders said McGregor had not seemed to be despondent. To-day he had eaten his meals heartily, but had complained of a slight headache. McGregor was 41 years old and a native of Albany, N. Y. He leaves a brother in Virginia and a sister in Nebraska.

WOULD KEEP WHAT HE FINDS

Railway Gateman Presents a Knotty Problem to Court Upon the Subject

ARRESTED FOR THEFT

Claims He Has Right to Hold Against the World Anything He May Get

Oakland Office San Francisco Call, 1016 Broadway, Aug. 14.

Does keeping an article found on a train and refusing to surrender it to the company constitute theft? The question is one passed up to Justice of the Peace Quinn in the trial of L. E. Cole, a railway gateman, who, finding two telescope baskets on the Seventh-street local, refused to surrender them to the company. Cole was arrested and charged with larceny. While the evidence in the case is all in, Judge Quinn is reserving his decision, as attorneys on both sides have authorities they wish to present.

In expressing himself upon this subject, however, Judge Quinn said:

The law is that a person finding an article may hold it against the world save and except from its rightful owner. This being the case, the company has no more right to the article than the finder. The requirement that employes turn over to the lost and found department anything picked up on the train is a company regulation that does not affect the case at bar further than to show intent upon the finder's part of concealing the fact of his having found the article.

On the other hand, a person has no right to conceal anything he has found. He must let it be known. In the present case it will probably simmer down to a question of the difference between larceny and embezzlement. In the first a man takes with intent; in the second, he finds and afterward appropriates.

TRIES TO LEAVE JAIL BY A SUBSTITUTION

Joseph Jones Responds to Name Like His Own, but Jailers Block Move in Time.

OAKLAND, Aug. 14.—By a trick of substitution, Joseph Jones, a colored laborer, awaiting trial on a charge of petty larceny, came within an ace of escaping from jail yesterday on a charge of simple drunkenness. Joseph answered to the name of "Ham Jones," a colored cook, who had been arrested for drunkenness.

After Joseph had been duly sentenced to the customary $6 or 3 days, the trick was discovered by the jailers at the City Prison. "Ham Jones" innocently avowed he had no part in the shift. He explained that his true name was Andrew Bell, and he did not recognize the name of Jones when it was called by the jailer in the morning.

The other Jones—Joseph—on Thursday pleaded not guilty to the charge of theft and demanded trial by jury, which had been set for August 26. If the substitution had not been discovered Joseph Jones would have served his three days and walked out of jail Tuesday.

COUNCIL WILL VOTE ON SALOON CLOSING

Resolution That Got a Tie Ballot Last Meeting to Be Taken Up Again.

OAKLAND, Aug. 14.—The City Council to-morrow night will take up the matter of revoking the saloon license of Zunino & Ghighone, Third and Market streets, whose bartender, C. Babeno, was convicted and fined $250 for selling liquor to girls. The proprietors paid the fine and discharged the offending barkeeper. Last Monday night the vote was a tie, five to five, President Dornin being absent on a vacation. Another vote on the resolution to revoke will be taken to-morrow night.

At the same meeting the ordinance calling the bond election, fixing the precinct polling places and naming the election officers will be presented. The plan is to suspend the rules and pass the ordinance to print in order to expedite matters.

THIEF STEALS OLD WHEEL AND TRADES FOR NEW ONE

Ancient Bicycle Taken in Alameda Is Exchanged for a Better Machine in Oakland.

ALAMEDA, Aug. 14.—Special Policeman F. V. Smith of East Oakland is mourning the loss of a new bicycle, and has not even the satisfaction of owning the one that was left in trade for his at the corner of Twenty-third avenue and East Fourteenth street yesterday evening. The trade was negotiated without Smith's consent or knowledge, the wheel that was left in place of his being one ridden to this city from Warm Springs by Niels Johnson, a delegate to the Christian Endeavor Convention. Johnson left the wheel at the Presbyteriau Church entrance, but found, on his return, that it had been stolen. The matter was reported to the police, who succeeded in locating the missing wheel in Oakland.

WEST END ASSOCIATION WILL GIVE A SMOKER

Affair Is the Outcome of Friendly Contest to Secure New Members.

ALAMEDA, Aug. 14.—Arrangements are about completed for a banquet and smoker to be given by the West End Alameda Improvement Association in the Wigman on Thursday night. All the members of the association, as well as their male friends, have been invited to attend. The idea of giving the smoker originated in a contest between two teams captained by Martin Owens and W. J. Shreve. The contest was in the nature of a canvass for new members, the losing side to pay the expenses of the banquet. The team captained by Shreve was winner, but it has since been decided that the whole association will share in the expenses. A musical programme will be arranged, and the guests are assured an enjoyable evening.

Late Shipping Intelligence.

ARRIVED.

Sunday, August 14.

Stmr Maggie, Corning, 4 hours from Halfmoon Bay.

Stmr Despatch, Levinson, 62 hours from Portland; bound south; put in for fuel.

Stmr Gipsy, Leland, 23 hours from Monterey and way ports.

DOMESTIC PORTS.

ABERDEEN—Arrived Aug 14—Schr Solano, from Honolulu; schr Lettita, from Golofin Bay.

The sense of smell is keener in fresh air than in stale or polluted air.

DEALERS FAVOR THE BOND ISSUE

Real Estate Men of Alameda County Want the Oakland Improvements

MEETINGS ARE PLANNED

Many Small Homes Being Built Upon Installment Plan — Auction Sales

Oakland Office San Francisco Call, 1016 Broadway, Aug. 14.

The organized effort being made to "boost" the proposed issue of improvement bonds is causing a boom in Oakland real estate and every dealer in this city is trying to make a success of the bonds. The first gun of the campaign for bonds will be fired next Tuesday evening at the quarterly meeting of the Oakland Board of Trade, at which the issue will be publicly discussed. Among the speakers who will address the meeting are: Councilman John L. Howard, Mayor Warren Olney, D. Edward Collins, Councilman George W. Dornin and others. Colonel John P. Irish has also been invited to deliver an address.

The meeting is to be held in the assembly hall of the Masonic Temple and an invitation has been extended to the officers of all the local improvement organizations to attend the meeting and take part in the discussion. Other meetings of the same character will be arranged later.

There is no doubt that if the bonds carry the effect on the local real estate market will be felt immediately; in fact the proposal of the issue has already increased the value of property in some portions of the city, for the victory of the school bonds leads property owners to believe that the improvement bonds will also carry.

With the approach of winter the real estate market, which has been comparatively quiet during the vacation season, has begun to resume activity. Dealers in Alameda County are receiving many inquiries regarding business and residence property, a large number of which come from people in the Eastern States. William J. Laymance says that he has lately handled business for clients in Russia, England, France, New York, Massachusetts and Ohio.

A. F. Cornwall, secretary of the E. P. Vandercook Company, says:

Business has been rather quiet during the past two months, but indications now point to a revival, and I believe that during the coming fall and winter real estate men will have all the business they can attend to. One of the reasons that the present summer has been dull is that during the past two years many people have purchased lots on installments and are just completing the payments on their property. Those who have paid for their lots are now preparing to erect homes, while others are beginning to buy more property. Altogether the outlook for the next three months, both for the sale of property and for building operations, is of the best.

The Realty, Bonds and Finance Company has just opened another tract in North Oakland, and Saturday, August 20, sixty residence lots will be sold at auction. The sale will take place on the ground at Fifty-first street and Telegraph avenue. F. J. Woodward of the Realty, Bonds and Finance Company yesterday said:

The opportunity to-day to make money in real estate is in the district now called Central Oakland, lying between Broadway on the east, the bay on the west, Thirty-sixth street on the south and the Berkeley line on the north. This district, owing to its inaccessibility in the past, has not been built up, but now with the increased and excellent car service furnished by the Oakland Transit Company's lines and the new Key route ferry to San Francisco it is experiencing a boom such as never before in its history. New homes are constantly being built and the value of the land by reason thereof is constantly advancing.

UNIVERSITY EVENTS

BERKELEY, Aug. 14.—The executive committee of the Associated Students has awarded the contract for building the bleachers on the new football field to Kidder & McCullough, their bid being $12,000. One million feet of lumber will be used in the construction of these bleachers, and there will be room for 25,000 people. According to the agreement with the bidders the entire work must be finished by November 1, and one side of the field must be constructed by October 1. A penalty of $100 a day will be imposed in the contract for delay.

Professor George W. Shaw, assistant professor of agricultural technology, has been offered the post of chief chemist at the new agricultural station just organized in Cuba by the Government. He will probably accept, though he is reserving his decision. Professor Shaw recently received an offer from an Irish university at Dublin, but declined it.

W. Clyde Smith, the newly elected secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, has returned to the university after a trip East and will begin work at once in anticipation of the reception of the incoming freshmen class.

Claude Kern has set at rest all rumors regarding his plans by announcing to his friends that he will return to college and play this year with the football teams. Kern was the captain and star halfback of last year's freshmen, and as the varsity eleven is in need of men of his ability there was some anxiety over the rumor that he would not return this year.

DUSTLESS HIGHWAYS ARE MUCH DESIRED

Increasing Use of Automobiles Forces Attention and Experiment Toward That End.

How to obtain dustless highways has long been a problem to which municipal supervisors in all parts of the world have been devoting a great deal of attention. An official report of the department of bridges and roads in France shows the continuance of good results obtained in rendering roads free from dust by coating the surface with tar. The engineer of the Seine and Marne departments reports that after an unsuccessful trial of a mixture of oil and petroleum a coating of tar was in the summer of 1902 laid down on several different lengths of road. After carefully observing these roads during a period of twelve months, he finds the dust and mud have wholly disappeared, and the cost of maintenance of the roads has been considerably reduced. Further comparing the previous outlay on the roads with that of those with tarred surface, he says: "It appears that the tarring method requires no greater outlay and at the same time very considerably improves the condition of the roadway. In La Cher two lengths of the Chausee Nationale were coated with tar in June and August of 1902. Both these experiments have been entirely successful, the road now being covered with an elastic skin, while the sound of foot passenger's tread is muffled and the horse and oxen require only one-half the effort they put forth before. The noise and vibration caused by vehicular traffic is much reduced, and neither dust nor mud is formed on the tarred surface."—Chicago Chronicle.

A woman's maiden aim is to change her maiden name.

ALASKA'S GOLD IN ABUNDANCE

Bishop Hamilton Tells of Wealth of the Country and Its Spiritual Progress

SEES BIG OPPORTUNITY

Lays Cornerstone of Church to Be District's Second Finest Sacred Edifice

Bishop Hamilton of the Methodist Episcopal Church has returned from Alaska, where he went six weeks ago. He brings back a large fund of information regarding its resources, with buoyant spirits in the anticipation of the country being a great field for spiritual and industrial labor, and praise for those statesmen who were farseeing enough to judge of the future value of the country to the United States.

This was Bishop Hamilton's first official visit—indeed, the first official visit of any Methodist Bishop to that territory. The purpose of the trip to Alaska was to organize the district as a mission and to attend the first annual meeting of all the Methodist churches in the district. Bishop Hamilton met the ministers and lay representatives of the Alaskan churches at Juneau from June 14 to 18.

The churches that were represented at the Juneau conference are established at Ketchikan, Dolomi, Juneau, Douglas, Skagway and in several mining camps. During the conference the Bishop laid the cornerstone of the first Methodist church in Juneau, which is the capital of the district. The church, which will be named the Metropolitan Methodist Church, will be the largest and most imposing edifice of any denomination in the district except the Russian church at Sitka. More than one-half of the money for the building was given by the people in Alaska. The church will be dedicated by November and will be absolutely free from debt. Many hundreds were present at the laying of the cornerstone, and much interest as well as local pride was shown by people of all denominations, and of no denomination, in the new building.

The new church occupies a prominent corner on one of the main streets, directly opposite the site selected for the capitol. The cost of the building will be about $15,000. It is said that such a building, as eligibly located, in San Francisco would cost more money.

Bishop Hamilton visited all the prominent settlements in Southeastern Alaska and from Skagway went over the summit by the Yukon and White Pass Railway toward the Klondike country. He visited Governor Brady, the Federal district officers, met Bishop Rowe of the Episcopal Church and prominent clergymen of the Russian and Roman Catholic churches, as well as of the other churches represented in the district.

At the close of the conference Bishop Hamilton reappointed the pastors to their several churches and arranged for new missions in Seward City, Nome and Fairbanks, in the Tanana country, which is the newest gold mining center, and where there are now reported to be about 10,000 persons.

In speaking of the prospects of the country, Bishop Hamilton said last evening:

I was greatly surprised and encouraged with the possibilities of Alaska, and I am satisfied that the purchase was one of the greatest investments the National Government has ever made. Instead of a mapless waste of treeless islands and frozen mountains I found a country where great populations can be more comfortably accommodated than where many people now reside, both in this country and in Europe. The climate in Southern Alaska is better than that of we Dakotas or even Iowa.

Ten millions of people are found on the eastern continent above the same parallel of latitude which forms the southern boundary of Alaska. The people of Norway and Sweden and even Scotland could find more comfortable homes in Alaska and a far more resourceful country.

Already large investments are being made in many paying industries. In addition to the great discoveries of gold, silver and copper, tin, platinum, coal and oil are found in great abundance. One vein of coal thirty feet in thickness has been discovered in Southern Alaska, near Kayak.

There is one gold plant on Douglas Island which has a model in the form of a pyramid at the World's Fair in St. Louis representing $22,000,000 taken from that mine, and during my visit a far more wonderful mine was discovered at Seward City. The Alaskan papers represented that this would prove one of the most wonderful mines in the world.

The fisheries of the district yielded last year more than $10,000,000, and the seal industry and fur trade alone have repaid many times over the money the United States paid Russia for the country. The timber is simply inexhaustible. I predict great possibilities for the land.

Weather Report.

(120th Meridian—Pacific Time.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 14—5 p. m.

COAST RECORD.

STATIONS.	Barometer	Temperature	Maximum Temperature	Minimum Temperature	Direction of Wind	State of Weather	Precipitation
Baker	29.94	92	64	NW		Rain	T.
Carson	29.98	88	64	E		Cloudy	T.
Eureka	30.08	58	52	SW		Cloudy	...
Fresno	29.84	104	62	NW		Pt. Cldy	...
SE. Farallon	30.00	54	52	NW		Cloudy	...
Flagstaff	29.96	74	52	NW		Cloudy	.20
Pocatello	29.98	92	62	E		Cloudy	T.
Independence	29.98	88	64	SE		Pt. Cldy	...
Los Angeles	29.98	90	68	SW		Cloudy	...
Mt. Tamalpais	30.05	86	74	W		Cloudy	...
North Head	30.16	56	54	NW		Cloudy	...
Phoenix	29.84	100	52	W		Pt. Cldy	.01
Pt. Reyes L'ht.	30.10	55	50	NW		Foggy	...
Portland	30.04	80	60	NW		Clear	...
Red Bluff	29.86	104	70	SE		Clear	...
Roseburg	30.00	90	56	NW		Clear	...
Sacramento	29.72	94	64	[illegible]		Cloudy	...
Salt Lake	30.00	88	..	S		Cloudy	...
San Francisco	30.06	58	50	SW		Cloudy	...
San L. Obispo	30.00	86	52	NW		Clear	T.
San Diego	30.00	80	68	NW		Clear	...
Seattle	30.10	80	54	N		Clear	...
Spokane	29.94	96	58	N		Clear	...
Tatoosh	30.14	62	50	SW		Cloudy	...
Walla Walla	29.96	98	58	SW		Clear	...
Winnemucca	29.96	90	60	SW		Clear	T.
Yuma	29.86	98	76	W		Clear	T.

WEATHER CONDITIONS AND GENERAL FORECAST.

Cloudy weather prevails along the coast and partly cloudy weather over the southern portion of the Pacific slope; elsewhere it is fair. Thunderstorms, with light showers, are reported from portions of Nevada and Idaho, and thunderstorms, with rain, from Northern Arizona.

The pressure has fallen over the interior of the Pacific slope and risen over Northwestern Washington.

The temperature has fallen in Western Nevada and Southeastern Idaho. In other districts the changes have been slight.

Conditions are favorable for thunderstorms in the Sierras to-night and Monday.

Forecast made at San Francisco for thirty hours, ending midnight, August 15:

Northern California—Partly cloudy Monday, with thunderstorms in the mountains; cooler in the interior; fresh west wind.

Southern California—Partly cloudy Monday, with thunderstorms in the mountains; light west wind.

Nevada—Cloudy Monday, with thunderstorms in the mountains.

San Francisco and vicinity—Cloudy Monday; fresh westerly wind, with fog.

G. H. WILLSON, Local Forecaster.

TELLS STORY OF HIS CRIME

Nevada Postmaster Admits That He Attempted to Assassinate an Employe

PLEADS SELF-DEFENSE

Man Heretofore Protests Innocence, but Now Is Said to Be Feigning Insanity

Special Dispatch to The Call.

RENO, Aug. 14.—H. C. Lawrence, accused of attempting to assassinate J. D. Garrison, an employe, nearly three months ago, to-day confessed his crime. Heretofore he has stoutly maintained his innocence to the officials of Churchill County.

In defense of his act Lawrence claims that he shot Garrison only after a most desperate struggle in which the latter attempted his life.

Lawrence is also feigning insanity, claiming that visions of departed relatives appear before him. His confession is believed, although his defense is not accepted. Lawrence is suspected of numerous murders in Churchill County and his admissions to-day only tend to strengthen the belief that he is connected with them.

Lawrence came to Nevada from Salt Lake City. He is even now postmaster at Hazen and owns some property there.

MEDAL FOR GALLANTRY EARNED FORTY YEARS AGO

Former Cockswain of the Old Kearsarge Only Recently Read of Reward of Medal.

For nearly forty years a United States Congressional medal of honor awarded to one John Hayes for distinguished services on the old frigate Kearsarge in her historic battle with the Confederate ship Alabama has been lying in a safe in the bureau of navigation waiting to be claimed by the man to whom it was awarded by Congress.

Rusty, with its ribbon frayed and moth-eaten, this medal has at last been sent to its owner, who after all these years of silence recently wrote to the Navy Department claiming the medal. Its existence had been forgotten until the arrival a few days ago of a letter from Muscoda, Grant County, Wisconson, from a man 70 years old, who wrote that he had just learned through the accidental reading of an old navy general order, dated 1864, that John Hayes, cockswain of the frigate Kearsarge, had been awarded a medal of honor for distinguished conduct in battle.

He said in his letter to the department that he was the only John Hayes who served on the Kearsarge in the famous battle with the Alabama, and that it must be he who is entitled to the medal. He forwarded his enlistment and discharge papers, which showed conclusively that his claim was just.

An investigation was made by the bureau of navigation and the old medal was found in the archives of the department. It has been forwarded to Mr. Hayes, with a letter from the Secretary of the Navy saying that he is entitled to $100 bounty, which he can have as soon as he forwards the proper affidavits. It is believed that this money will be quite acceptable, as the old sailor wrote in his letter that he was physically unable to work and depended for his living solely on his pension of $12 a month.

One of the most remarkable features of this case is the fact that Mr. Hayes' enlistment papers were signed by the late Rear Admiral Belknap, whose son is now on duty in the bureau of navigation, and his discharge papers and recommendation for the medal were signed by the late Captain John A. Winslow, whose nephew is also on duty in the bureau of navigation and who signed the letter forwarding the medal to the naval veteran.

Drummers by Diploma.

In connection with schools of commerce and other institutions, whose design is to give the "higher education" in business as well as to impart instruction in the technique of the various branches of trade, it is interesting to note a peculiar institution out in Chicago.

Its purpose is to turn out, after a course of twenty weeks' study, full fledged salesmen whose comprehensive knowledge is calculated to adapt them to any line of trade.

Object lessons in salesmanship are given by successful business men, including John V. Farwell, a leading merchant. The moral welfare of students is supervised by Bishop Samuel Fellows. Experiences in the commercial world are related by a department chief of Marshall Field & Co.

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A Long Deer Chase.

Several weeks ago some strange hounds chased a deer through this county and succeeded in killing it in Farrington Township. James W. Laur of Ina, Ill., who was in this city to-day, gives out the information that these hounds belonged to his brother, Dr. Charles T. Laur of Oleans, Ark., and that they followed the deer from that place.

Mr. Laur recently received word from his brother that his two hounds were following a deer, and at last accounts had crossed the Ohio River between Metropolis and Joppa, and were still headed north. He was ready to bet, he said, that Old Drive would follow that deer to its death or else drive it into Lake Michigan and then return home.

Old Drive and his companion returned some time after the killing of the deer in Farrington, and the description of the hounds given by Farrington people identifies them as belonging to Dr. Laur.—Mount Vernon (Ill.) dispatch to Inter Ocean.

Representative Wiley of New Jersey, said to be the only civil engineer in Congress, is proud of a lineage extending back to the first Postmaster General of the United States—Samuel Osgood, who was a citizen of Massachusetts.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

SATURDAY, AUG. 13.

Levi and Augusta Shilling to Charles R. Bishop, lot on SE corner of Geary and Franklin streets, E 30 by S 120; $10.

Charles R. Bishop to Annie G. Lyle, same; $10.

H. M. Levy to William H. Nolan, lot on N line of Washington street, 137:6 E of Steiner, E 45 by N 127:8¼; $10.

Philip and Simon Anspacher to Christian J. Clemens, lot on W line of Pierce street, 110 N of McAllister, N 27:6 by W 82:6; $10.

Otis G. and Glenna L. Gould to W. H. Kent, lot on N line of Page street, 106:3 E of Devisadero, E 25 by N 137:6; $10.

Sophie B. Kobicke to Winifred Moran, lot on E line of Laurel street, 82:7½ S of Sacramento, E 60, SE 27:6, NE 12:6, S 25, E 12:6, S 25, W 112:6, N 50; $10.

Rountree Home Building Company to George S. Beadle, lot on W line of Schrader street, 175 S of Carl, S 25 by W 100; $10.

Edward Patchell to Robert J. Peoples, lot on W line of Shotwell street, 125 N of Twentieth, N 30 by W 122:6; $10.

Albert and Emma L. Knowles and James E. and Edith I. Lennon to Julia L. Clow (wife of G. B. N.), lot on E line of Walter street, 168 N of Fourteenth, N 25 by E 125; $10.

Dietrich and Katharine Wesemann to Gertrude Drausfeld, lot on N line of Twentieth street, 50 W of Hartford, W 25 by N 82:6; $10.

Minnie Killeen to William E. and Alice A. Perry, lot commencing 173:6 S of Twenty-sixth street, and 100 E of Bartlett, E 25 by N 23:6; $10.

Patrick J. Tomalty to Annie E. Tomalty, lot on SW corner of Twenty-second and Guerrero streets, S 61 by W 117:6; $10.

Robert L. Johnston to R. C. Surbridge, lot on N line of Alvarado street, 105 W of Castro, W 75 by N 114; $10.

Louis and Katharine R. Cranz to John Shirley, lot on NE corner of Kearny and Sacramento streets, N 29 by E 80; $10.

John H. and Celina D. Spring to Caroline K. Gwin, lot on N line of Lewis place, 177:6 W of Taylor, W 40 by N 57:6; $10.

Estate of Samuel Davis (by Julius C. Reis, executor) to Andrew Hendrickson, lot on N line of Twenty-third street, 75 E of Kansas, E 25 by N 100; $675.

George D. and Lillie B. Toy to J. E. Cazes, lot on NW corner of Twentieth avenue and Lake street, W 57:6 by N 100; $10.

Ferdinand Markmann to Dorathea Lippkowsky, lot on N line of Clement street, 60 W of Twenty-first avenue, W 25 by N 100; $10.

Anglo-Californian Bank to William Domrowe, lot on W line of Tenth avenue, 125 N of Point Lobos, N 25 by W 120; $10.

Jane T. Egan to Matilda M. Egan, lot on E line of Eighth avenue, 250 N of B street, N 25 by E 120; $10.

City and County of San Francisco to Elizabeth Mueller, lot on N line of B street, 120 E of Twenty-sixth avenue, E 45 by N 125; $——.

Daniel L. Beedie to Estelle F. Beedie, lot on E line of Ninth avenue, 175 N of I street, N 25 by E 120; gift.

Julius C. Reis to C. A. Louis, lot 20, block 3, Reis Tract; grant.

Same to Julius C. Goodhue, lot 27, block 14, Reis Tract; grant.

Charles L. and Rosalie V. Gummel (Bonn) to John F. and Estelle Barfield, lot 8, block Z, Park Lane Tract 6; $10.

Frederick and Louise M. Bonn to same, same, quitclaim deed; $10.

Lawrence McMahon or Macmahon to Ellen T. Buckley, lot on SW line of Fifteenth avenue, 250 NW of N street, NW 25 by SW 100, lot 14, block 300, Cash Tract; $10.

Jacob Christoffel to Charles C. and Mary A. Howland, lot on W line of Prague street, 150 S of Brazil, S 150 by W 100, lot 7, block 90, Excelsior Homestead; $10.

Morris and Emma Siminoff to Andrew and Clara Lyon, lot on N line of Randall street, 25 W of Dame, W 25 by N 125, lot 22, block 27, Fairmount Homestead; $10.

Builders' Contracts.

J. W. Hamilton (owner) with John A. Hoots (contractor), ——— architect—All work for a two-story and unfinished basement frame building (flats) on W line of Clayton street, 50 N of Carl, N 25 by W 100; $4850.

Frank I. Turner (owner) with Cook & Young (contractors), architect Frederick D. Boese—Carpenter work, grading, concrete, brick, plastering, tinning and plumbing work for a frame residence on N line of Green street, 53:1½ E of Devisadero, E 40 by N 105, Western Addition 469; $11,500.

A. B. Hammond (owner) with W. T. Veitch & Bro. (contractors), architect J. E. Krafft—Interior finish, doors, mantels, book cases, side boards, stair work, sash, glass, top floors, hardware, floors, lathing, plastering, iron grill work for a three-story brick residence on N line of Broadway, 137:6 E of Fillmore, E 57:6 by N 137:6; $26,320.

A. B. Hammond (owner) with W. T. Veitch & Bro. (contractors) and with John Fay (subcontractor), architect J. E. Krafft—Lathing and plastering for a three-story brick building on N line of Broadway, 137:6 E of Fillmore, E 57:6 by N 137:6; $2870.

J. D. Spreckels (owner) with Duffey Bros. (contractors), architects Reid Bros.—Plumbing and gas fitting for two residences on SE corner of Pacific avenue and Laguna street, E 87:6 by S 115, Western Addition 194; $4778.

Augustine Joubert or Vigne (owner) with Frank and Arthur Elvin (contractor), ——— architect—All work for a two-story frame building on W line of Alabama street, 140 S of Twenty-fifth, S 25 by W 100, M. B. 179; $3620.

JAPANESE BUSINESS MEN FOLLOW PROPER COURSE

Leave Cares of Store and Shop Behind When They Go Home at Night.

Before the restoration the better class of Japanese esteemed it a degradation to work. A tradesman was despised. To-day there is hardly a man of Japan who does not follow some calling. The older men, the grandfathers, may stay at home, but the sons—the restless, modern, progressive sons of the new Japan—are not happy unless employed. The spirit of modern Japan is in them. They are as devoted to their business as to their homes. But they keep them well separated and apart. The Japanese who can afford it has his office in the big city, but his home in the suburbs. During the day he is in the midst of the busy stir and whirl of the city, but about 4 in the afternoon he is hurrying toward the grateful peace and beauty of his country home. The first thing he does on reaching home is to bathe and remove all the clothes he has worn at his office or store. With the changing of his business cloth