

GENIUS SHINES IN CREATORE'S BIG BAND.



FAMOUS BANDMASTER WHO WILL GIVE A SERIES OF CONCERTS AT THE ALHAMBRA.

An unusual and attractive personality has Creatore, who, with his Italian band, will appear in concert at the Alhambra Theater next week.

No one who has ever once seen a photograph or lithograph of Creatore can ever after fail to identify the original in any public place of gathering.

Denies Writ of Mandate. The Supreme Court yesterday denied R. H. Countryman's petition that the Superior Court be compelled to consider the contest instituted by him against certain members of the Dabee-Immel Oyster Company for a seat on the board of directors.

Seismograph is Coming. Professor MacAdie of the Weather Bureau announces that his superiors at the national capital have promised to furnish him a seismograph.

ADVERTISEMENTS

No Delay

In keeping social or business engagements caused by nervous or sick headache, or other pains or aches by those who have learned the merits of Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills.

Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills

Will prevent, and also cure, all pains of every nature, and are absolutely harmless. The soothing influence upon the nerves and muscles quiet and refresh the irritated condition.



Much joy and contentment dwell in a bottle of OLD KIRK WHISKY.

OLD KIRK WHISKY

"Best on the market"

A. P. HOTALING & CO., 429-437 JACKSON ST., S. F.

BAJA CALIFORNIA Damiana Bitters

A GREAT RESTORATIVE, INVIGORANT and Nervine. The most wonderful aphrodisiac and Special Tonic for the Sexual Organs, for both sexes.

FRANK K. LANE'S WILDSERVICES GAVEL.

Serves During Frye's Absence Suggestion Made That California Should Grow Pineapples.

BY S. W. WALL.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Senator Perkins is presiding officer of the Senate and has been for some weeks. President Pro Tem. Frye has long been in the habit of calling the Californian to the chair whenever he himself wished to vacate for a time, and so when Senator Frye took sick the place fell naturally to Senator Perkins.

"Beneficial use" has come to be a frequently used term in the talk of the Reclamation Bureau. It is the question of the diversion of waters for irrigation purposes. "Beneficial use," says the Secretary of the Interior in a recent report to Congress touching the Colorado River schemes, "should be the basis measure and limit" under which individuals or corporations may ask or Congress should grant the right to use waters of navigable streams.

"I always feel that way when I visit into the balance our big and fine, but for the rest, well, Californians don't know what they've got. 'I always feel that way when I visit into the balance our big and fine, but for the rest, well, Californians don't know what they've got.'

The so-called Klamath project is estimated by the Reclamation Bureau as one of the largest and most important working out. The reason first assigned is that it will return more for the money. But even an engineer will lean to a picturesque feature in his business. This scheme will first create a desert and then redeem it.

President Roosevelt of the Board of Education and the National Schools Langdon leave to-day for Sacramento for the purpose of opposing the proposed reapportionment of funds received from the State for the support of the public schools, which will cause a loss of 250,000 in revenue for San Francisco from that source.

The growth and popularity of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is said to threaten the existence of the mammalian animal kingdom. It gets its name, so far as least as the State of Washington is concerned. Incidentally the slaughter that annually takes place there in the Olympic forest reserve robs Senator Foster of good deal of the joy of living that ought to be his.

Senator Foster of Washington, who takes a lively interest in the salmon fishing industry of the Pacific Coast, has been informed by Commissioner Bowers of the Bureau of Fisheries that artificial propagation is exerting a very remarkable influence on the supply of salmon, as is instanced by the fact that in 1896 5000 marked fingerling salmon were released from the Clackamas (Oregon) hatchery and of these during 1898, 1899 and 1900 hundreds were caught by the Washington, Oregon and California fisheries.

HEALTH BOARD CASE ARGUED

Franklin K. Lane Questions Good Faith in Abolishing Offices and Making Others

ABE RUEF REPLIES Says That Suit Is Subterfuge to Get Old Feeders Back to the Public Crib

Franklin K. Lane of the counsel employed by the Merchants' Association and Abe Ruef, defending the Board of Health, defended yesterday before Judge Sloss in the closing arguments in the case of J. E. Quinn, who seeks as a taxpayer to enjoin the City and County Auditor and Treasurer from auditing and paying the salaries of the deputy health officer and inspecting physicians, whose appointments were made coincidental with the creation of their offices last January.

Mr. Lane's argument went to the question of the good faith of the Board of Health in abolishing old offices and creating new ones, thus disposing of old employees and making places for new public servants. The attorney contended that the power to abolish an office was not arbitrary, but was limited by the charter to the classification of the civil service. The very purpose of the charter, he said, was to take these appointments out of politics and fill the positions by merit alone.

Mr. Lane thought that the history of the acts of the Board of Health in abolishing one office and creating a new one, in disregarding the spirit of the civil service law, and in other acts cited, had proved a strong case for the plaintiff. Upon the plea of the other side that the action of the Civil Service Commission in approving the new classifications of the Board of Health stopped the court from acting, Mr. Lane declared that the illegal action of any board could not prevent a taxpayer from appealing to the Superior Court. The Civil Service Commission had not gone into the question of duties, efficiency or good faith in creating new offices, but had merely assumed the power to make a new classification. If this rule should be held good, said the attorney, the whole scheme of the civil service must fall.

At the afternoon session Abe Ruef answered Mr. Lane's argument. He charged that Quinn was acting in bad faith as a taxpayer to prevent the payment of \$1800 in salaries for work which had formerly cost the Board of Health \$600. He declared that Louis Levy was doing the work of five men for \$150 a month, where \$900 had been paid before. He cited instances of the Health Board's action to prove good faith in following the rules of the Civil Service Commission and in reviewing the testimony of members of the board who had examined the city men to be appointed. He said that faith and confidence was placed in the judgment of Dr. Ward, the president, who had an opportunity to determine the necessities from former experience.

Referring to Quinn's suit, Ruef said: "The action is a subterfuge to put back the public crib men to where feeding there before this political wheel turned which made one man do the work of five; he is merely asking your honor to curtail the administration to put in \$100 of expenses where \$1800 now exists." He said that the suit was based upon a hollow mockery, if not fraud, and was intended to emasculate the civil service, that if the contention of the plaintiff should hold, whole pages of the charter relating to civil service would be wiped out. If the charter were untenable, every janitor, street sweeper and laborer in the city's employ would have his job illegally, not having undergone a civil service examination.

The Board of Health, said Mr. Ruef, had a right to abolish a position in the interest of retrenchment; had the right to create a new position and to employ upon it the efficient carrying out of its purposes.

ADVERTISEMENTS



There is no duty in England. There is little duty anywhere in Europe. Freight by sea is less than freight by land. All American products, except Sorosis Shoes, sell for less abroad than at home.

At the staple styles of Sorosis Shoes cost \$4.00 in England, \$4.50 in Germany and Canada, \$5.00 in Russia and France—the same styles that cost \$3.50 here. It is merit and modishness that have created the great demand for Sorosis, and it is this great demand that makes it possible to sell the world's favorite shoes to the people of the United States for \$3.50 a pair.

THE EMPORIUM

only 4 DAYS more of the Stock Adjusting Sale

- Women's and Misses' Tailored Suits. That were \$13.50 to \$25.00; now 1000 colored chevrons and nobby mixtures; for girls 14 years to women's with 44-inch bust. \$0.85. Women's and Misses' Tailored Suits. That were \$20 to \$37.50, including 3/4 tourist; coat suits and suits with blouse or jacket, now \$15. Women's and Misses' Tailored Suits. Worth up to \$35.00 each; fine Scotch and English mixtures, chevrons and broadcloth in 50 id colors. \$22.50. Dress Goods Sale. Recent purchases from Eastern markets; a great variety of handsome, new seasonable fabrics; worth from 50c to \$1.25 the yard, now 29c, 39c, 50c, 59c.

- January Crockery and Glassware Sale. One of this week's additions to the stock adjusting sale. The biggest varieties and lowest prices that the Emporium has ever quoted for this class of goods. Dinner Set—100-piece \$9.90 American beauty semi-porcelain set for 12 persons, now \$6.45. Same set for 6 persons. \$3.45. Small Plates—Bread and butter. 3c. 12 1/2c Cups and Saucers—Now 8c. 40c English J & T Tea Pot. \$2.50. Open Vegetable Dishes—That were 15c to 25c each, now 10c, 14c, 19c, 24c. Meat Platters—(American beauty) that were 25c to 65c, now 19c, 23c, 43c. 8 1/2c wrought iron Umbrella Stand. \$3.00. 10c Milk Pitchers. \$1.20. \$1.10 thin-blown Water Tumblers, doz. 59c. 50c 16-inch Flower Vase. 17c. 25c Salt and Pepper. 16c. 15c 10-inch Glass Dish. 10c. 50c fancy Glass Globes. 35c. And many other articles.

- 10c Standard Gingham. In new striped and checked patterns; full line of 1905 colors and designs, now, yard 6 1/4c. Boys' Underwear. 40c quality Jersey ribbed cotton, light brown color; sizes 26 to 34, garment. 25c. 40c Tricot Flannel. All-wool, in plain colors, such as wine, tan and brown, yard. 25c. \$2.25 Table Cloths. Fine German damask; sizes 8 to 12, now \$1.78.

Free Song Recitals Daily 10:30 to 4:30. Our Great January Remnant Sale. Now in progress—remnants and short lots of everything to wear and use in the home at 1/4 to 1/2 off already reduced remnant prices.

- Boys' 50c Trousers. Heavy blue chevrons and chevrons in neat mixtures; ages 4 to 16, pair. 35c. Boys' Suits, \$2.50. 3-piece, for ages 10 to 16 years, and 2-piece for ages 8 to 16 years; made of strong chevrons and cashmeres, at about the cost of making. \$2.50. Corded Arabian Curtains. Three yards long, 50 inches wide; a \$2.50 quality, now, pair \$1.85. White and Colored Organdies. Imported, 68 inches wide; the white worth 35c a yard and the sky, pink, cardinal and Nile worth 40c, marked, each \$2.40 and 27c.

Final Stock Adjusting Sale of Art Needlework

Since stock taking we have culled out all articles that were soiled or rumped in the holiday rush, and marked them at new prices without regard to previous valuation, and beginning this morning at 9 o'clock we offer: 50c for Dollies, Art Squares and Novelties that were 1.00 to 2.50. 90c for Dollies, Fancy Boxes and Scarfs worth up to 50c. 13c for Stamped Linens that were up to 40c. 25c for Stamped Linens that were up to 75c. 39c for Stamped Linens that were up to 87c. 59c, 98c and \$1.98 for commenced Embroidery pieces worth \$2.00 to \$6.00.

The Emporium CALIFORNIA'S LARGEST AMERICA'S GRANDEST STORE

MORE EVIDENCE AGAINST HOCH

Relatives of Six of Man's Wives Believe the Women Were Killed With Poison. CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—Information of more alleged victims of the supposed Bluebeard, Johann Hoch, has been given the police by John Frick, an employe of the Nickel Plate Railroad. Frick is reported to the police that his sister, Mrs. William Schultz, married Hoch, who then called himself Albert Schuchburg, at Argos, Ind., in 1900. Mrs. Schuchburg had a child named Nettie, then 3 years of age. "Shortly after they arrived in Chicago letters ceased coming to me," said Frick, "and I am under the belief that my sister and her little girl were done away with. My sister had about \$1500 at the time of her marriage. Mrs. H. J. Schwartzman of Milwaukee telegraphed to the police that she was on her way here for the purpose of trying to identify a photograph of Hoch as the man who married her sister in 1900. The woman died shortly after, leaving \$1800 to her husband. Relatives of six of the thirteen wives credited to Hoch have expressed a belief to Police Inspector Shipley that the six women died from poison. The list of dead and missing is as follows: Mrs. Marie Welker Hoch, died January 11, 1905. Mrs. Mary Steinbecker, died 1894. Mrs. Mary Becker, St. Louis, died 1902. Mrs. Mary Schultz, died 1900. Child also disappeared. Mrs. Lena Hoch, Milwaukee. Mrs. Sophia Hoch, Milwaukee. Acting on the theory that Hoch in the missing Janice, the notorious H. H. Holmes "castle," the police are using the same methods to trace Hoch as were used in seeking Holmes. The officers believe Hoch to be a pupil of Holmes and that he will use the same ruses that were employed by Holmes to escape arrest.

DISCOUNT SALE on KITCHEN UTENSILS

- Fancy Trays 25 per cent off. Coffee Mills 25 per cent off. Tinware 20 per cent off. Scrub Brushes 25 per cent off. Paxton Roasters 25 per cent off. Oil and Gas Heaters 20 per cent off. Agate Steel Ware 25 per cent off. Iron-Framed Wringers 25 per cent off. German Shelf Paper 15 per cent off. Wire Bathroom Fixtures 33 1/2 per cent off. Coal Vases and Fire Sets 33 1/2 per cent off. Alcohol Stoves and Heaters 50 per cent off. Blue Flame Oil Stoves 50 per cent off. Aluminum Kettles and Steamers 50 per cent off.

Nathan Dohmann 122-132 SUTTER ST.