

NEWS OF THE WEEK

CONTRA COSTA BOARD OF TRADE MEETS

Proposition to Form Board of Trade Meets Approval of Business Men of County

MARTINEZ REBUILDING CONCORD TOWN

Reins of Government and Local Officers Sworn In

OAKLAND, April 2.—Contra Costa County is beginning to realize the vast resources that lie within its boundaries, and there is much talk of properly advertising this right little, tight little county.

Local men of prominence have advocated the permanent organization of a Contra Costa County Board of Trade, and in this connection Edwin Stearns, secretary of the Oakland Board of Trade, has offered to unite with Contra Costa to form one board that shall administer both Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

The town government of Concord, recently incorporated, has been organized, the following officials taking office: Mayor, Joseph L. Boyd; Trustees, H. W. Bott, M. N. Breckinridge, H. H. Elworthy and M. E. Lyon; Clerk, George P. Kieles; Marshal, John W. Guy; Recorder, Judge John J. Burke.

The residents of the San Ramon Valley have already organized and the spirit of promotion is rapidly spreading, with its center at Martinez, where Editor Milnes of the Daily Gazette is advocating the advertisement of the county in every way.

The members of the committees in charge of the arrangements for the anniversary are: Mrs. Albert Kayser, Theodore Gier, Professor Martin Genter, Finance—Theodore Gier, Carl Plant, J. Rothbar, Albert Kayser, J. H. Vetter, H. C. Brecht, Adolph Schubert.

Programme—Paul Uhl, Philip Conrad, Dr. H. Robinson, Adolph Schubert, Stephen Ruff, Ernest Reber, C. Schmidt, C. German, W. E. Curran.

Press and printing—Professor Futzker, Paul Uhl, Albert Kayser, Theodore Gier, W. E. Curran. Invitations—J. Sobst, G. Polte, Richard Levy, G. Kirchner, John Wemmer.

OAKLAND, April 2.—The engagement of Minette Cavallero, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cavallero of San Jose, and Thomas J. C. Burke, a popular resident of this city, has just been announced.

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Advertisement for 'Sore Throat' medicine, featuring 'A Harmless Antiseptic' and 'Cures Sore Throat'.

FAMOUS LE CORTEZ PLAGUE

Caterpillar Plague Increases on Campus.

Nature Study of Keith Slowly Dying

BERKELEY, April 2.—Ground Superintendent Bolton of the university has found that in Wildcat Canyon the oak trees have been attacked by a caterpillar plague, so that on all sides evidence of their ravages are visible.

The aid of the university botanists is to be invoked in dealing with this swarm of caterpillars, and their expert knowledge will be utilized in applying measures which it is hoped will not wipe out the present crop of caterpillars, but render the trees immune from future visitations.

After the discovery of the caterpillars in Wildcat Canyon, a close search for the insects all over the grounds was made, and it was found that the advance guard of the army of caterpillars had spread to the westerly part of the campus, some of the invading caterpillars having reached the famous 'cone' tree where memorial exercises in honor of the dead professor are held yearly, and beneath which is a tablet marking the tree as the Le Conte oak.

DEATH CLAIMS BABY BOY. OAKLAND, April 2.—After an illness of but two days, and just when he was believed to be on the road to recovery, William Clement Perkins, the infant son of Clement G. Perkins, cashier of the Custom-house of San Francisco, died to-day from congestion of the lungs.

Elks' New Officers. OAKLAND, April 2.—Oakland Lodge of Elks has commenced another lodge year with the election of new officers. Those who will pilot the lodge during the coming year are: Exalted ruler, George W. Frick; esteemed leader, knight, J. H. Clay; esteemed loyal knight, O. C. Hutchinson; esteemed lecturing knight, A. B. Tarpey.

BURGLARS STEAL JEWELRY. OAKLAND, April 2.—Burglars ransacked the residence of F. A. Blanchard, 4015 Telegraph avenue, to-night during the family's absence and stole a diamond pin, gold chain and a watch.

POLICE WANT FORGER. OAKLAND, April 2.—A forged check for \$86 was cashed yesterday at the Twenty-third avenue branch of the California Bank. The check was signed "E. H. Lake" and was drawn in favor of "J. Hulcock" on the Central Bank. The police were notified.

Model Yacht Race a Winner. The wind was rather light on Spreckels Lake, Golden Gate Park, yesterday, and in only one instance did the model yacht race, which was held on the course within the time limit.

DAVE WILL GO TO MEXICO. OAKLAND, April 2.—John L. Davis, who was a candidate for Mayor of Oakland at the last municipal election, has announced that he will leave for Mazatlan, Mexico, this week to investigate some mining property in which he is interested.

Hoffman Grows Hilarious. Richard A. Hoffman was arrested late Saturday night by Policemen Pearl and booked at the City Prison on a charge of felony embezzlement.

Cornell Oarsman Suggests Course. A former Cornell oarsman who resides here and continues to take an interest in college boating suggests a compromise course upon which the Berkeley-Stanford race could be decided.

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TENNIS GAMES PROVE EXCITING

Handicap Doubles Tournament on the Park Courts Interest Many Spectators

The handicap doubles tennis tournament played on the Golden Gate Park courts yesterday furnished some close and interesting matches, which were witnessed by many spectators.

By far the closest match of the day was the last one played. The contestants were Harold Gabriel and Marius Hotchkiss, the clever academic team, and A. H. Brabant and Robert Drolla.

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VALUES ALONG PROPOSED NEW LINE OF "KEY ROUTE" ADVANCE MOST SATISFACTORILY

MANY HOMES ARE BUILT

People From San Francisco Advance Satisfactorily

OAKLAND, April 2.—The announcement of the plans of the Key Route Company for their main line on Twenty-second street has caused a jump in property values in the vicinity of San Pablo avenue and Twenty-second street, and in several cases the price has advanced to \$400 a front foot.

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SATIRICAL JOURNAL ADVISES STUDENTS TO TAKE THEIR MILITARY WORK SERIOUSLY

EDITORIAL IS STRONG

Praises the Instructor and Declares That the Drill Is Part of the Course

BERKELEY, April 2.—"His place here is to teach us how to drill," so says the Pelican, the satirical quarterly of the Berkeley students, speaking of Captain Nance, military instructor.

When Captain Nance first introduced his ideas, which were regarded as revolutionary, the students rebelled.

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MASSONS PLAN TO BUILD TEMPLE

Vote to Spend One Hundred Thousand Dollars to Erect a Magnificent Temple

NOTABLE IMPROVEMENT

Structure Will Be Built on Lot at the Corner of Fourteenth and Harrison Streets

OAKLAND, April 2.—At the meeting of the Scottish Rite Masons in Oakland last week it was decided that the order would spend \$100,000 on the erection of a new stone temple upon their property at the corner of Fourteenth and Harrison streets.

A fine stone building will be erected on the lot, which is 100 by 100 feet in size. Part of the property is now occupied by the order and the balance let to tenants.

Although the Scottish Rite Lodge has only \$25,000 in the treasury, the necessary funds for completion of the stone edifice will be supplied by loyal members, if necessary.

NEW TRIBE OF RED MEN INSTALLED AT SAN MATEO

Grand Officers and Members Are Entertained by Oweneec Council, Degree of Pochontas.

SAN MATEO, April 2.—Fifty members of Manzanita Tribe of Red Men of San Francisco, accompanied by a number of grand officers, came down in a private electric car Friday night and installed Tonawanda Tribe No. 162, just organized.

COMMITTEES ARE NAMED. SAN LEANDRO, April 2.—J. N. Frank, chairman of the general committee in charge of the arrangements for the Odd Fellows' anniversary celebration, has appointed the following sub-committees to take charge of the details of the celebration:

GRAND OFFICER TO LAY STONE. HAYWARD, April 2.—The cornerstone of the new Carnegie Library will be laid next Saturday by the grand officers of the Native Sons of the Golden West, and an elaborate programme has been arranged for the ceremony, which will be followed by a banquet given to the grand officers, town officials and library trustees by the Native Daughters.

CHILDREN ARE ENTERTAINED. SAN RAFAEL, April 2.—The ladies of the Comm-11 Post Club gave the members of the juvenile section an April fool party Saturday and it was greatly enjoyed by the young people.

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REPLY TO GRAND JURY

Grand Jury and Its Allies Prepare for the Crusade That Is to Close Them

ALL SEEM QUITE EAGER

Condition of Affairs Deepens Puzzle Regarding Disposal of the Corruption Fund

The Grand Jury will honor the pool-rooms with the largest part of its attention this week, it is indicated by the fact that the Grand Jury is ready to be the foundation of their fortunes are not unmindful of the honor to be conferred upon them, and a great lull in the placing of bets is noticeable.

One of the most important questions before the Grand Jury is who received the money it is declared was contributed by the pool-rooms and others who put their hands over the eyes of the law? While no names are given, it is apparent into whose hands money so raised would be placed to purchase that for which it was intended, and therefore it is pretty apparent toward whom the Grand Jury is directed in its strivings to land those who save the protection.

As in the case of Chung, the Chinaman accused of passing out the bribe money to Serge, the Grand Jury will have to be satisfied with no corroborative evidence, all those who know the facts being parties to the collections and receipts.

The disclosures on this subject as far as they go, however, have made some people nervous, and they are wondering just how much the Grand Jury knows about the collection and the Grand Jury constantly are being asked what they know where it will do the most purifying. Facts from sources of this sort are likely to get into the Grand Jury room, to the danger of some of the Grand Jurors who would not what they know where it will do the most purifying.

Another thing that is bothersome to officials and others who have been on easy street is that the present Grand Jury doesn't seem to lose enthusiasm. The annual thing that is usually expected to develop in such bodies right after the first burst of glory seems to be delayed in this case. The jurors apparently get more interested the further they go, and then they have started on so many propositions that have hung more or less prominently before the public eye that they cannot well stop until they have accomplished something to show that what has gone before is not all smoke.

It is admitted by members of the jury that the hope of proving that Works Commissioner Maestretti was behind the offer of \$1600 to Merrill to leave town and not testify against him is dim, but there has been no cessation of efforts to establish the fact.

With the Police Judges, the Police Department and the Grand Jury working as hard as they can, it is not surprising that there was a hot time in store for the Grand Jury during the week. An attempt on the part of any of its allies to fall down will probably be noted by the Grand Jury, and the Grand Jury in such matters get into the crusade against the problem of where the alleged corruption money went all the more pursuing.

PIONEER WOMAN DEAD.—Oakland, April 2.—Mrs. Elizabeth Donahoe, who has been a resident of California since 1840, died yesterday at her home, 1015 Broadway, at the age of 92 years. She leaves six children, William, George, Donahoe, Mrs. C. L. Book, Mrs. J. Warner, Mrs. N. Smyth and Miss Mary Donahoe.

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