PEOPLE'S PLACE OPENED FOR WORK

New Settlement House on Lombard Street a Center for Good.

BY LAURA BRIDE POWERS.

Over on Lombard street, at the corner of Jones, a new Settlement House has been opened.

It is called the People's Place.

Established in a densely populated district, where babies abound like mushrooms, and whole families dwell in a couple of rooms, this People's Place, like others of its type—the North Beach Settlement and the South Park Settlement—is like an oasis in a desert.

Here, mothers, weary and overwrought, find rest, entertainment and such knowledge as they most stand in need of—such as sanitary care of their homes and their children, knowledge of nutritive foods and the like; fathers—such of them as are lured to enter—find entertainment in reading, in lectures and in clean, healthful pastimes in clean, well-lighted, comfortable rooms; boys and girls find amusement and wholesome employment under the guidance of the residents, who at the People's Place are Mr. and Mrs. Musgrove and Miss Sherlock.

The Settlement stands primarily to wean the residents thereabouts from the street, the saloon and the dance-hall; to satisfy the human longing for pleasure, in a clean, uplifting manner and therein implant ideals of clean character.

These are the agencies through which the weighted poor must be raised to a status of intelligent and useful citizenship, and every San Franciscan who hopes for civic betterment owes it to himself to go down in his jeans for a year's dues for the support of the People's Place and the other worthy centers.

Visit the People's Place some day when time hangs heavy. It will give you something to think of — and it won't be about yourself—unless it be to discover a little strain of selfishness somewhere in your makeup.

This interest in others is a marvelous cure for "nerves."

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The San Rafael Improvement Club has enough ginger in it to improve a whole county.

You should see those women over there sail into the proposition of annihilating the mosquitoes thereabouts, and the San Rafael mosquito is no mean foe, as you who have met with him will agree.

These women have organized an auxiliary of school children — 650 of them—whose business is to assist in the war on the ubiquitous mosquito, to assist in planting trees and caring for them after planting—a phase of work too often forgot—to do police duty in reporting stagnant pools, littered lots and other civic deliquencies.

Now, this work is, of course, of great financial value to San Rafael; it makes the suburb more luring as a home place by increasing its healthfulness, its beauty and its comfort. But inestimably more valuable than all this is the fact that these children are being trained to good citizenship. That's the biggest thing these women of the improvement club are doing—training citizens to a correct estimate of their civic duties. Now, that funds may be had with which to carry on this splendid work, a carnival will be held next month on the grounds of the Tamalpais Academy, and a beautiful time is promised.

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The Contemporary Club met Monday, April 10, in Utopia Hall. After concluding the regular routine of business the club was treated to a spirited and amusing debate, "Resolved, That Higher Education Unfits Woman for Wife and Motherhood."

Affirmative—Mrs. J. W. Orr, Mrs. J. B. Mitchell.

Negative—Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. C. D. Robinson.

Judges—Mrs. H. A. Chase, Mrs. W. A. Halstead. A decision was rendered in favor of the affirmative, after a merry discussion. A vocal solo by Miss Robinson and an instrumental solo by Mrs. Chapin, with dainty refreshments, closed a pleasant afternoon.

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It is with deep regret that the clubwomen of the State will learn of the serious illness of the president of the State Federation, Mrs. George Law Smith—than whom no woman in the State is better beloved.

That Mrs. Smith possesses the warm friendship of thousands of California's wideawake club women—and hosts without the State, whom she met during the biennial at St. Louis—is the natural result of a charming personality and a splendid possession of tact and world-knowledge. It is these qualifications—and premarily her tact—that made her administration of the California Club an era to be remembered with pleasure.

Late last night it was learned that the sufferer was improving, and her physician entertained hopes of her being able to sit up at the week's end.

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The latest story by Mrs. Isidor Lowenberg, and recently read before the Laurel Hall Club, will be published in the May number of Club Life. It is a California love story of unusual power and interest.

Mrs. Lowenberg is one of the clubwomen of the State who insists upon keeping busy—wherein lies the secret of a happy life.

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The regular monthly meeting of the department of education of the California Club was held on April 7, when an address was given by Charles S. Greene, librarian of the Oakland Public Library, on "Traveling Libraries, and the Library Extension Work Undertaken by the California State Library."

Mr. Greene's lecture was instructive, humorous and full of telling points. He recalled the time when all visitors to the San Francisco Public Library were given a sort of dog check as they entered the door, and they could not obtain a book without formalities, that showed they were under suspicion of desiring to steal books, and could not go out the door without accounting for themselves and their checks.

The contrast between the old way and the new is marked, as libraries not only have open shelves, but books are sent out by freight to borrowers hundreds of miles away. Even the $3 fee at first charged by the State Library as payment of freight has been abolished, and railroad and stage charges are paid by the State from a surplus fund.

Mr. Greene gave unlimited credit to women's clubs for their work in behalf of traveling libraries, and especially to the California Club, which inaugurated the work in this State. The club is still sending out six sets of books to applicants.

The State Library has now 112 such libraries traveling about, has three more ready and fifteen more forming. Nearly all the counties have borrowed books.

An especially interesting development of the movement has been the sending out of books in embossed type for the blind. Such books are very bulky, "Robinson Crusoe" being three very large volumes and the Bible sixty-five. By a United States law books for the blind may be sent free through the mails, both going and returning.

Mr. Greene advocates the appointment of a new library officer, to be called a State library organizer, to continue the work begun by small traveling libraries and assist the small towns in installing libraries of their own.

A final report on the bird day bill was made to the department by Mrs. Alice L. Park, Audubon committee. The bill passed both houses of the Legislature, but suffered a pocket veto.

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To-morrow the California Club will present the following programme, the day in charge of the department of social science, Mrs. Jacob Brandt chairman: Address, "Mothers in Their Extremity," Dr. Minora Kibbe; talk, "Legitimate Field for Women Physicians," Mrs. Sidney Smith Palmer; lecture with stereopticon views, "Welfare Work," Mrs. Elizabeth R. Wheeler, formerly chairman of civics, Rhode Island Federation.

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This afternoon the Daughters of California Pioneers will hold their regular monthly meeting in Pioneer Hall, when, as usual with the Daughters, an interesting programme will be offered, as follows: Original stories, Ella M. Sexton (a) "The Woman Made Whole," (b) "Dorothy's Night Off": vocal solo, selected, Miss Elizabeth Price; flute solo, Miss May Ludlow (a) "Raphaela," (b) "Legende" (Terschak); vocal solo, with flute obligato, Mrs. Thomas Nunan (a) "Tell Me, Beautiful Maiden" (Gounod), (b) "Elegie" (Massenet); reading, original poems, Miss Ina Coolbrith; Miss Blanche Price at the piano.

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A meeting is called of the executive board of the Camino Real Association of California for Thursday, April 20, in Los Angeles, where business of an important nature will be brought up—probably the paying up of dues, quite the most important part of most organizations.

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The Association of Pioneer Women of California held its business session in Golden Gate Hall with a full attendance of members. Several matters were disposed of that have been "hanging fire" for months.

A resolution was adopted indorsing the anti-polygamy movement of the Council of Women, and a memorial to the late Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford, who was an honorary member of the association, was adopted.

Miss Burnett, Miss Gordon, Miss Bragg and Mrs. Scooffy contributed to the short programme, which was followed by the usual social hour.

POSTUM CEREAL.

DRUG HABITS

Easily Formed but Hard to Break.

A man down in old Virginia tells of his experience, which points a simple and effective way out. He says:

"About fifteen years ago my wife, through using coffee and laudanum for relief of neuralgia, became addicted to the habits, continuing until she had about destroyed stomach, nerves and mind. This brought on periods of dementia lasting from one to two weeks, growing steadily worse until the 3d of August, last year, our family physician called in consultation another doctor, who had been resident physician at our State Insane Asylum.

"They decided the only hope was to place her in a sanitarium, otherwise she would be hopelessly insane before the year was out. On investigation we found the charges for such a patient beyond our means, so it was necessary to face the worst at home.

"Upon the advice of a friend she stopped the use of coffee, of which she was very fond, and began the use of Postum Food Coffee as a remedy for the constipation which accompanied the attacks. The result was more than we expected. It not only relieved the constipation greatly, but aided her to break the laudanum habit, for when she found herself possessed of the desire to 'take something' a cup of strong Postum would allay the desire and soothe and refresh her.

"This led to the regular use of Postum and Grape-Nuts, that also seemed to nourish and strengthen the overwrought nerves, she steadily got better and better, and to-day, instead of being in an insane asylum, she is still with us in her own home, sounder in mind and body than for several years past. The attacks of dementia have steadily grown milder and less frequent until now we have every reason to believe that she will soon be fully restored—sound in mind and body.

"I know this has been accomplished entirely by the aid of Postum and Grape Nuts, for not since that consultation over a year ago has she taken a particle of medicine of any sort.

"In writing this my greatest desire is to bring the use of your products to the notice of some other unfortunate, trembling upon the brink of that most terrible of all calamities, Insanity, and I thoroughly believe and know that leaving off coffee and other drugs and taking good food and drink is the surest means by which it can be averted. I give the name of our family physician, also the consulting physician, who can vouch for the truth of what I have written. You are at liberty to furnish name and address to any one really interested." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

RAILROAD MEN WILL TESTIFY

Many Officials Requested to Appear Before the Senate Committee on Commerce

SCOPE OF THE INQUIRY

Alleged Violations of the Anti-Rebate Law Will Be Carefully Investigated

WASHINGTON, April 16.—Following is a list of the railroad men who have been requested to appear before the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce, which will begin its inquiry into railroad regulation to-morrow:

W. K. Vanderbilt of the New York Central, George Gould of the Gould system, E. H. Harriman of the Union Pacific, J. J. Hill of the Great Northern, A. J. Cassatt of the Pennsylvania, D. E. Kenna, vice president of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe; Walker D. Hines, general counsel of the Louisville and Nashville; Hugh L. Bond, general counsel of the Baltimore and Ohio; Winslow Pierce, general counsel of the Gould system; President Hughitt of the Chicago and Northwestern; President Ripley of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe; President Tuttle of the Boston and Maine, Vice President Wilcox of the Delaware and Hudson, President Truesdale of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western; President Spencer of the Southern; President Mellen of the New York, New Haven and Hartford, and President Fish of the Illinois Central.

Of these only Cassatt, Fish and Tuttle have signified a willingness to attend and they say they will not be able to be present at the beginning of the committee's sitting. A number of other witnesses have been summoned, however, and it is expected that the committee will be able to proceed soon after coming together.

Among the non-railroad men to be heard are Senators Spooner, Knox and Morgan, Professor W. Z. Ripley of Harvard and Victor Morawetz, the eminent corporation attorney of New York.

Chairman Elkins of the committee has announced his purpose to go very thoroughly into the subject. The resolution under which the hearings will be held directs the committee "to consider the question of additional legislation to regulate interstate commerce and to authorize the Interstate Commerce Commission to fix rates of freights and fares, and to acquire further information as to interstate commerce, including violations or evasions of the anti-rebate law and devices and methods by which such evasions are accomplished, and including refrigerator and other private car systems, industrial railway tracks, switching charges and the like, and also to consider what legislation should be enacted in relation to the liability of railroad companies engaged in interstate traffic, or operating lines in any Territory of the United States for injuries received by their employes when in the discharge of duty."

CANADIAN LINE HAS COMPETITOR

Special Dispatch to The Call.

TACOMA, April 16.—The Great Northern Railway has awarded to a St. Paul firm the contract to build eighty-six miles of railroad from points on its Republic line through Oroville to Princeton, B. C. J. D. Farrell, assistant to President Hill and Vice President Louis W. Hill both confirm the report that this extension is the beginning of the Great Northern's new line through Southern British Columbia from Kootenay mining district to the coast. It will parallel the Canadian Pacific line.

For nearly ten years Victoria and Vancouver have been urging the construction of this road by the Canadian Pacific. It will develop large mining territory besides opening undeveloped parts of Fraser River Valley. The Canadian Pacific has been stirred to action by this competition following the great Northern's recent entrance into Vancouver. The Canadian road threatens to build across Washington from Spokane to the Sound cities and Portland, thereby paralleling both the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern.

WILL ADVERTISE MERITS OF CITY OF SANTA CRUZ

Promotion Committee of Beach Town to Start To-Day on Tour of State.

SANTA CRUZ, April 16. — The Santa Cruz Promotion Commitee will start to-morrow on a tour of the State to advertise the merits of the Beach City. The committee will be accompanied by the Thirteenth Infantry Band of Angel Island. The members of the committee who will make the trip are F. W. Swanton, Richard Thompson, J. M. Walsh, F. R. Walti, A. P. Swanton, H. E. Irish and F. R. Howe. Eugene Anderson and J. W. Anderson will operate the stereopticon that will be used to show the beauties of their section.

RED MEN OF VALLEJO PAY A VISIT TO ST. HELENA

Crack Degree Team of Samoset Tribe Initiates a Large Number of "Palefaces."

VALLEJO, April 16.—One hundred members of Samoset Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, of this city and their wives returned this afternoon from St. Helena, where they went last night to attend a big initiation of "palefaces." The crack drill team of Samoset Tribe, which is composed of twenty members, gave the degrees to the neophytes. At the conclusion of the lodge ceremonies a banquet was served to the Vallejoites.

SOLANO'S CHERRY CROP WILL NOT BE VERY LARGE

Reports From Vaca and Suisun Valleys Indicate Reduction in the Usual Yield.

VALLEJO, April 16.—Reports from the Suisun and Vaca valleys and other fruit raising sections of Solano County show that the crop of cherries and prunes will be extremely light in these sections this year. The crop of Royal Ann cherries, which is usually extremely large in these favored valleys, will be small. Other fruits and grains are doing well.

A woman knows more about styles in a minute than a man does in a lifetime

LENT LAYS ON ITS HEAVY HAND.

Weddings Are Celebrated Quietly and Home Parties Break Monotony.

The Lenten season has had its effect in social circles, and the gay seekers after pleasure have held aloof from their social duties to a marked degree. Smart affairs have been scarce indeed, though a few quiet affairs have broken the monotony. The outdoor season has already begun and many have been enticed away from the city.

ENGAGEMENTS.

The engagement is announced of Miss Nellie Harmon and Dr. V. E. Putnam, the wedding to take place in May.

Rev. and Mrs. H. N. Schoenfeld announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Mary, to J. Schwartz.

WEDDINGS.

Miss Edelle Josue and Charles Travers were married on Saturday evening, April 15, at the home of the bride's parents, 253 Collingwood street. Miss Katherine Pennell was maid of honor, while Harry Vensano served as best man. The ceremony was quietly celebrated, only relatives being present.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Crumlich announce the marriage of their daughter, Ray Quigley, to F. A. Gier. The ceremony took place at Grace Church on Wednesday evening, April 12.

In an evergreen bower, from which suspended a floral bell, Miss Helen Carroll was united in marriage to Edward L. Bronson, at the home of the mother of the bride, Mrs. Celia Carroll, 631 Guerrero street, last Wednesday night. Rev. Father Morgan officiated at the ceremony.

The bride wore a white satin gown trimmed with duchesse lace and orange blossoms. The bridesmaid was Miss Loretta Carroll, sister of the bride, and the best man was David Buckley.

Following the ceremony and reception the young people left for Southern California, where they will remain for a fortnight.

HOME PARTIES.

Captain and Mrs. Charles Swanson celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary on April 9. Their home, at 140 Fourteenth street, was prettily decorated for the event, ferns and roses being used. The guests were entertained by Miss Ellen Peterson with recitations and by Mrs. O. Rice with music. Among those who attended were: Mr. and Mrs. L. Sivertsen, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Wallen, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Davis, Mrs. L. N. Nopander, Mrs. O Rice, Mrs. R. J. Poulson, August Peterson, C. Wold, Miss Ellen Peterson, Misses Alda and Mildred Wallen, Miss Paulson.

Mrs. A. M. Wallin, vice president of the Golden Gate Club, entertained the members and guests at a luncheon in her home, 1253 Waller street, April 12. The affair in honor of Mrs. J. G. Davis, president of the club, was most delightful and among those enjoying Mrs. Wallin's hospitality were Mrs. Standish, Mrs. Charles Swanson, Mrs. C. Schards, Mrs. R. J. Poulson, Mrs. Nelson, Miss Turner.

Mrs. B. G. Heatley of Cincinnati, who has been the guest of her niece, Mrs. A. R. Clary, was the guest of honor recently at a luncheon given by Mrs. G. T. Wendling. Covers were laid for six. Mrs. Heatley will shortly return to her home.

Miss Gertrude Kearney entertained a few guests at her home, 54 Fair Oaks street, Thursday evening, April 13. Musical numbers were enjoyed as well as dancing, making the occasion very pleasant. Among those present were Miss Genevieve Locke, Miss Ethel Walsh, Miss Glendolyn Clifford, Miss Alice Locke, Miss Clara Rogers, Byron Mobbs, Frank Tyler, Carleton Cook, Harry Gunnison, Charles Blakison, Leo Steaneau.

Miss Olga Meese was given a pleasant surprise party on her birthday by Miss Winnie Wreden. The affair, which took place Sunday afternoon, April 9, at 827 Fillmore street, was attended by many young guests who passed a most pleasant day. Dancing and games led in favor as to amusement, those indulging in the pastimes being Misses Ethel Scheuman, Lulu Rohde, Mabel Winkle, Bertha Fisher, Caroline Jurgens, Clara Bernthal, Othela von der Mehden, Anna von Husen, Gladys Adams, Freda Hilbert, Nellie Butler, Lillian Howie, Emma Strott, Ruth Manning, Erna Tamm and Alma Muse.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lasselle Taylor Jr. celebrated the third anniversary of their wedding Sunday evening, April 9.

The affair was a dinner, at which covers for seven were laid. The dining room was prettily and appropriately adorned with orange boughs and blossoms sent from Los Angeles by Mr. Taylor Sr. Those present on the pleasant occasion were Miss Mary F. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newman, Mrs. Taylor Sr., Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Taylor.

Mrs. George X. Wendling entertained at a five hundred party recently at her home, 560 Steiner street, in honor of Mrs. Charles Evans of Oregon and Mrs. C. M. Cross of Hanford. The guests were Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Valentine, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Goldwater, Mrs. Neely, Mrs. Thorne, Mrs. Kellogg, Mrs. Nicewonger, Mrs. Toner, Mrs. Robie, Mrs. Hanson, Mrs. Phelps, Mrs. McLaurin, Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Truelinger, Mrs. Little, Mrs. Luce, Mrs. Nathan, Mrs. Luchsinger, Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. Coggins, Mrs. Clary, Mrs. Hechtman and Mrs. Haskins.

A happy reunion of Rock Island, Ill., residents and friends took place on Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Viola Hakes-Mitchell, on Green street. Those present included Miss Lucy Buford, Miss Blanche Buford; Mrs. Pratt, widow of the late Captain Pratt; Lieutenant Conger Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Conger, Mrs. Frederick Schwatka (nee Brackett), Miss Freda Schwatka, Miss Louise Smythe, Thomas Rodman and Robert Rodman.

Master Albert Bode was pleasantly surprised by his young friends on Saturday evening, April 1, in his home, 1703 Jones street. The young people masqueraded and provided a great deal of pleasure for themselves throughout the evening. Among the guests were Misses Clara and Rosa White, Miss Hazel Hanell, Miss Evelyn Marshall, Miss Emma Wallace, Miss Pauline Graft, Miss Frances Bergmann, Miss Jenny Myshrall, Miss Annie Bode, Albert Piche, Eugene Fisk, Albert Alvarez, Willie Frische, George Assmann and Albert Bode.

Miss Elsie Oneto was given a party by several of her friends at her home, 632 Grove street, Monday evening, April 10. After much enjoyment in music and dancing the guests were served with supper, at which more entertainment was provided. In the party were Misses Elsie Oneto, Kathleen Murphy, Gertrude Toomey, Carrie Kirschbaum, Ella Redell, Josie Scatena, Ruth Heffernan, Lillie Olsen, Eloise Goldman, Julie Simmons, Leah Hill, Chastina Roberts, Florence Donohue and Lucille Tone, James and Willie Toomey, Ernest Rhode, Frank Guisto and Harry Kennedy.

CLUB PARTIES.

Le Douze Trefle enjoyed a delightful outing at the home of Miss Bessye Pettis, in Mill Valley, last Sunday. The club held its meeting with Miss Pettis on Saturday evening, which was followed next day by a tramp through the woods. In the assembly were Miss Mae McCorkell, Miss Pauline Shutz, Miss May Irwin, Miss Emily Dobbs, Miss Frances Irwin, Linval Castle, Leslie Stadtfeld, Charles Skinner, Charles Finger and William Delvin.

The Violet Whist Club gave its annual musicale-luncheon on the afternoon of April 6, at a down-town restaurant. Members of the club providing music and entertainment were Miss Juliet Greninger, Miss Alice Busch, Miss Ruby Roylance, Miss May Laydon, Mrs. Lillian Schiller, Miss Anna Joost. The programme was followed by a delightful luncheon, at which more entertainment was afforded by toasts and speeches. Mrs. Lillian Schiller, president, organized the club three years ago. The membership consists of the following: Mrs. Otto Frank Schiller, Miss Juliet Greninger, Miss Alice Busch, Miss May Laydon, Miss Ruby Roylance, Miss Alvina Eisenman, Mrs. Alexander Queisser, Miss Belle Herzer, Miss Lillian Curley, Miss Doris Heuer, Miss Alice Hall, Miss Evelyn Sresovich, Mrs. Bessie Waibel, Mrs. Marie Walters, Mrs. Pearl Constine, Miss Florence Kustel, Miss Julia Wolters, Miss Anna Joost.

The juvenile members of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music will give a concert in Y. M. C. A. Hall on Wednesday evening, April 19.

Deutscher Club will soon occupy its new quarters in the Kreling building and will give a large reception on the opening date.

The Iolanthe Musical Club gave a serenade to Professor J. T. Moore at his home in Fruitvale last week. Much enjoyable music was rendered, among the players being Professor and Mrs. J. F. Moore, Miss May Corey, Miss Josie Greeninger, Miss Frances Greeninger, E. Corey, J. Laird, A. Mitchell, R. C. Greeninger, A. Werner and Mrs. Greeninger.

The ladies of the George H. Thomas Circle, No. 32, will give an entertainment in Golden Gate Hall, Monday evening, April 24. A programme of good numbers has been prepared and includes a one-act farce. Cards and dancing will also be attractive features. The proceeds are to go toward the building fund of a home for old soldiers and their wives at Sautelle. Tickets are 50 cents.

The directors of the Deutscher Club announce a reception and dance to be given at Golden Gate Hall, Wednesday evening, April 26.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. Isaac Binnard of Butte, Montana, is the guest of her parents at Hotel Dufferin, 749 Ellis street.

George W. McCallan of the Southern Pacific freight auditing department is in Eureka for a vacation.

Isadore, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Wolfe, 1889 Sutter street, was confirmed in the Geary-street Temple, Saturday morning, April 15.

Mrs. W. H. Cass of Los Angeles is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mamlock, 1608 Fulton street.

Mrs. H. Tishler has moved from 1121 McAllister street to 1403 Eddy street.

Mrs. R. Rotenberg of this city is the guest of her granddaughter, Mrs. Harry S. Goldberg, in Los Angeles.

Mrs. K. MacDonald will leave about the first of May for a trip through Ireland and will be gone six months.

Mrs. B. Rice has moved from 1335 Laguna street to 1152 Buchanan street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. O'Connell and Mrs. Archibald Thompson spent last Sunday in Colusa.

WILL TELL OF BEAUTIES OF GREAT PASSION PLAY

Mrs. Edward Xavier Rolker to Lecture This Evening for Benefit of Youths' Directory.

Mrs. Edward Xavier Rolker will deliver an illustrated lecture on the great Passion Play at the Maple room of the Palace Hotel this evening for the benefit of the Youths' Directory. Mrs. Rolker witnessed the Oberammergau presentation twice and has spoken on its charms many times. The pictures to be used were taken by President Jordan of Stanford University.

Besides the lecture, there will be a superb musical programme, including an organ interpretation of the Passion Play by Professor A. L. Aritgues. Among the others who will take part in the programme are: Edward Xavier Rolker, Mrs. Henry Ohlandt, Mrs. Louis L. Janes, Miss Pohlman, Mrs. W. L. Rothchild, Mrs. Ernest Hueter, Mrs. J. L. Shepard.

POLICEMEN'S HOURS CHANGED.—The change in the time for policemen to report on and off duty as adopted by the Police Commissioners at the meeting last Wednesday night went into effect yesterday. The hours will be from 8 a. m. till 4 p. m; from 4 p. m. till midnight and from midnight till 8 a. m. By instruction of Chief Dinan bailiffs in the police courts, who have heretofore been on duty from 7 a. m. till 5 p. m., will in future be on duty from 8 a. m. till 4 p. m., as he sees no reason why an exception should be made in their case.

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

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One of the $5.00 Skirts Reduced From $8.50

This Is the List:

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$4.50 Skirts Now / $3.50 Skirts Now $2.00
Mixed tweeds—also black, navy blue and brown.

$6.50 Skirts Now / $5.50 Skirts Now $3.50
Worsteds, serges and tweeds, in black, navy and brown—also stylish fancy mixtures.

$8.50 Skirts Now / $7.50 Skirts Now $5.00
Mohairs, alpacas and tweeds in black, navy blue, brown and novelty mixtures—also staminas in champagne, pongee, tan and white. Some are made exactly like illustration.

$10.00 Skirts Now / $ 9.00 Skirts Now $6.50
Mohairs, alpacas, tweeds and staminas. Same colors as in the $5 lot.

$12.50 Skirts / $11.50 Skirts $8.00
Staminas in champagne, tan, white and pongee—mohairs, alpacas and tweeds in black, navy, brown and mixtures—also plaid effects.

$15.00 Skirts / $13.50 Skirts $9.50
Fine serges, broadcloths, tweeds and staminas in navy blue, brown and black—also silks in champagne, black, brown and blue.

$18.50 Skirts / $17.50 Skirts $11.00
Staminas, voiles, silks and every other fashion-demanded fabric—black, blue, brown, champagne and tan. Elegant skirts—cheap at regular prices.

$22.50 Skirts / $20.00 Skirts $12.50
Silks in black, white, blue and brown—staminas in pongee, white, blue, brown and black—also rich and handsome plaids with silk drops.

$25.00 Skirts / $22.50 Skirts $15.00
Silks in black, blue, brown, white and champagne—also staminas in black, white and beautiful checks. A magnificent lot.

$37.50 Skirts / $35.00 Skirts $25.00
Staminas in black, white and high-art plaids—all made with silk drops. Beautiful skirts—every one a tailored gem.

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