



THE WEATHER.

Forecast for October 5, 1905: San Francisco and vicinity—Cloudy Thursday, possibly light showers by night; fresh south winds.

THE CALL



THE THEATERS. ALCAZAR—'The Eternal City.' CALIFORNIA—'Ideal Extravaganza Co.' CENTRAL—'The Light House by the Sea.'



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AUTO WINS IN RACE WITH DEATH WHEELS SPIN OVER THE MOUNTAINS AS LIFE EBBS

J. V. Madison of Fruitvale generously volunteered to carry Mrs. Marie Zappettini and her brother to the death bed of their father in Amador County, in his automobile. Accompanied by his wife, who insisted on going, he made a break-neck run over mountain roads in the night and beat the trains. On the return journey he fell asleep and would have wrecked the machine but for the heroism of his wife.

Wild Night Ride Gives Dying Father Kiss of Child.

HEROISM SHOWN J. V. Madison Drives the Machine Over Rough Roads.

BEATS ALL TRAINS

Mrs. Zappettini Sees Sinking Parent Ere He Goes.

OAKLAND, Oct. 4.—Trusting to the speed of his automobile to bring victory in a race of nearly 200 miles against death that a loving daughter might reach the bedside of her dying father ere the sands of life ran out, J. V. Madison, the proprietor of the Fruitvale Lumber Company, braved the perils of unknown mountain roads in a night ride from Oakland to Jackson, Amador County, and won the race.

Twice it seemed that the trip must end in disaster, as accidents caused delay, but the difficulties were overcome and the goal was reached six hours ahead of the best time that could have been made by train.

Madison himself narrowly escaped death on the return from Jackson to Stockton, and only the presence of Mrs. Zappettini, who accompanied him, prevented a fatal termination of the run.

Exhausted by the terrible strain of guiding the automobile over strange roads through the dark, Madison fell asleep at the wheel and fell forward over the steering wheel. The twist of the wheel caused the machine to swerve toward the side of the road, where a high bank threatened destruction.

Madison began his trip from Fruitvale on Friday afternoon. On the morning of that day Mrs. Marie Zappettini, the wife of P. H. Zappettini of the firm of Zappettini & Perasso, the general agents of the Anchor Line Steamship Company in San Francisco, who lives at 1260 Merrill avenue in Fruitvale, received a telegram announcing that her father, John Mazzerio, a well-known resident of Volcano, Amador County, was at the point of death and desired to see his daughter before the end came.

A time-table showed that the last train by which Mrs. Zappettini could reach the bedside of her father for twenty-four hours had already gone, and she realized that unless she could find some other means of transportation her father might pass away before she could reach him.

DECISION TO GO BY AUTO. Then it was that the thought of making the journey by means of an automobile. She telephoned to a number of garages in this city, and also in San Francisco, but one and all the owners of the machines refused to make the trip because of the hard mountain roads.



WOMAN WHO RACED IN AN AUTOMOBILE FROM OAKLAND TO AMADOR COUNTY TO SAY A LAST FAREWELL TO HER FATHER ON HIS DEATH BED, AND THE MAN WHO DROVE MACHINE ON ITS LONG RUN, ARRIVING AHEAD OF DEATH'S MESSENGER.

FIVE STICKS OF DYNAMITE ALONG TRACKS

Explosive Found Near the Depot at Willows.

WILLOWS, Oct. 4.—Watchman Langer last night found a stick of dynamite at the switch on the main track of the Southern Pacific, a short distance from the Willows depot. No great excitement was caused by the discovery as the railroad company is replacing the wooden cutwells along the Shasta route with concrete ones. Dynamite is used in this work and the stick found was thought to have been carelessly dropped by an employe.

BLAST IN MINE INJURES PARTY OF SIGHTSEERS

Boston Millionaire and His Friends Barely Escape Death.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Oct. 4. W. B. Thomas, a millionaire of Boston and his family, who are members of a party traveling with H. O. Havemeyer, the sugar magnate, were within a few feet of a blast which exploded in the Portland mine at Victor yesterday and their escape from death was remarkable.

TUBERCULOSIS CAN BE CURED SAYS BEHRING

Hearst, at Mass-Meeting in New York, Denounces the Leaders of Both Parties

PARIS, Oct. 4.—Professor Behring, the discoverer of diphtheria serum, has made the following statement to the Matin: "In August next I will make known a new method for curing tuberculosis, which I have discovered. It is neither serum nor vaccine. It is a remedy which is not only a preventive, but a curative. As I already did in the case of serum against diphtheria I will reserve for myself for some time the secret of this remedy. I will explain my method to every one as I have already done to Dr. Roux and Dr. Metchnikoff of the Pasteur Institute, and will leave the test of applying it to the medical profession, but without revealing the nature of the remedy."

SECRETARY METCALF IS SURPRISED

Protests Against Stand Taken by the Cabinet.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—Strong protest was made by Secretary Metcalf of the Department of Commerce and Labor against any modification by the State Department of its circular of June 26, directing the American Consuls in China personally to inquire into the truth of statements in Chinese certificates before vouching them. The circular was the principal subject of discussion at yesterday's Cabinet meeting, at which Secretary Metcalf was unable to attend on account of illness.

Says His Department Is Not Responsible for Boycott in China.

Expect to Take Up Matter With the President at an Early Date.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—President Roosevelt to-day struck sturdily back at the railroad men who have been saying that he was about to weaken in his fight on the question of railroad rates and would consent to a modification of the Esch-Townsend bill so as not to confer power on the Interstate Commerce Commission to fix rates. He told Representative Townsend of Michigan, one of the authors of the famous bill which was to be introduced through the House last winter and was defeated in the Senate, that he had not changed his opinion on any of the principles involved and that if the railroad managers thought that he had they would have a rude awakening on December 4, when his annual message goes to Congress.

ROOSEVELT IS FIRM IN HIS FIGHT

Will Not Consent to Change in Rate Bill.

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Is Determined That Legislative Regulations Shall Be Enacted.

Townsend made the same statement after he had had a short talk with the President and had made an engagement to meet him to-morrow afternoon. Townsend went to the White House in some perturbation. The report that the President is going to fix the rates have been so persistent that he was uneasy. When he came out of the President's room he said: "President Roosevelt is dead in earnest on the subject of railroad rate legislation, and is just as determined as ever that legislative regulations shall be enacted looking to Federal supervision. He believes that to either the Interstate Commerce Commission or to someone else, somebody ought to be given authority to adjust rates found to be unreasonable. The crux of the whole matter is not that the commission should fix the rates, but that it should have the power to substitute another for a rate found on investigation to be unjust. Without such authority the evils complained of could not be reached."

NEBRASKA TOWN HELD

County's Officials in Sympathy With Mob.

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 4.—The little town of Mullen, in the middle of the eastern country of Central Nebraska, according to a brief telegram received here to-day, is in the hands of the cowboy mob which is seeking to drive from town O. F. Hamilton, a local attorney who has been active in assisting the Government in unearthing land frauds and in procuring evidence against the cattlemen charged with illegal fencing of Government domain.

Refuse to Protect Witness in the Land Fraud Cases.

Life of an Attorney Who Is Assisting Government Is in Danger.

The Sheriff is reported to have declared last night when he received telegraphic instructions from the Governor to afford protection to Hamilton that he did not care a continental what was done. He then went to bed. The citizens in the county, on the other hand, denounce the attempts to intimidate a Government witness and will stand by Hamilton as all costs. District Attorney Baxter has promised Hamilton that the Government will protect its witnesses and a Deputy Marshal has been sent to Mullen with instructions to swear in as many deputies as may be necessary.

MURDERS WOMAN IN DANCE HALL

J. McCarty, Recent Arrival From Truckee, Slays Myrtle O'Neil, His Companion

Myrtle O'Neil was shot and instantly killed in a dance hall owned by Charles Nilson, 523 Jackson street, by Jack McCarty about 9 o'clock last night. After the shooting McCarty covered the bartender, Edward Olsen, with his revolver and backed out of the door. He ran down Jackson street and turned on Montgomery avenue and was caught near Washington street by Policemen E. H. Mills, J. W. Evatt and J. E. Ward. According to the proprietor, McCarty came in there night before last and picked a fight with a man who happened to be dancing with the O'Neil woman, and left the place to get his weapon. In his excitement he forgot to load it, and when he returned he snapped the revolver six times at his intended victim. Edward Olsen rushed from behind the bar and knocked McCarty down with his fist. A warrant was supposed to have been issued yesterday, but owing to some misunderstanding it was not served.

DEAD CRACKSMAN AN OLD OFFENDER

Criminal Shot by Berkeley Policeman Well Known in Sioux City.

SIoux CITY, Iowa, Oct. 4.—John Conway, who was shot and killed by a policeman at Berkeley, Cal., was a college-bred youth of unusual intellectual attainments and refinement and the hero of several affairs of the heart. Six years ago he participated in the desperate hold-up of the Horseshoe restaurant in this city and was captured after a battle with the police. While confined in the local jail members of the Baptist church endeavored to reform him and one of the leading young women of the church fell desperately in love with him. He had traveled under an alias thus far, but through her entreaty he revealed his true name and wrote to his parents, who are wealthy residents of Chicago. His brother, Stephen Conway, a prominent official of the Armour Packing Company, at once secured his release on an \$300 bond. This bond was subsequently forfeited and Conway immediately resumed his career of crime. Disappointment in love caused him to become a thief.