

THE WEATHER. Forecast for December 5: San Francisco and vicinity—Increasing cloudiness Tuesday and possibly light rain by night; light east winds, changing to southerly. A. G. McADIE, District Forecaster.

THE CALL

THE THEATERS. ALCAZAR—"The Sward of the King." ALHAMBRA—"After Midnight." CALIFORNIA—"London Gaiety Girls." Matinee. CHUTES—Vaudeville. Matinee to-day. COLUMBIA—"The College Widow." GRAND—"Shadows on the Heath." MAJESTIC—"The Private Secretary." ORPHEUM—Vaudeville.

FRANKLIN K. LANE GIVEN PLACE ON THE COMMERCE COMMISSION



FRANKLIN K. LANE. SAN FRANCISCAN WHOSE APPOINTMENT TO THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION WILL BE SENT TO THE SENATE FOR CONFIRMATION BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO-DAY.

Democrats to Have a Majority of the Interstate Body.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Senators Perkins and Flint of California called on the President to-day to discuss with him the appointment of a successor to former Governor Fifer of Illinois on the Interstate Commerce Commission. At the conclusion of the conference, the announcement was made that the President would appoint Franklin K. Lane of San Francisco to the vacancy created by Fifer's resignation, which will take effect on January 1 next.

Mr. Lane, whose nomination will be sent to the Senate to-morrow, is a Democrat, and his appointment will change the political complexion of the Interstate Commerce Commission from Republican to Democratic. Former Governor Fifer of Illinois, whom Mr. Lane will succeed on the commission, is a Republican, as also are Commissioners Knapp and Clements. Democrats Cockrell and Perkins are Democrats. While Mr. Lane has been a Democrat in politics, he was a supporter of President Roosevelt in the last campaign.

In connection with this appointment, it is pointed out that, in the event of the enactment of railroad rate legislation by the present Congress, the Interstate Commerce Commission very likely will be reorganized.

"FADS AND FANCIES" PUBLISHED

Distributed to Its Subscribers at Last. Only One Hundred and Five Copies Are Issued.

Messrs. Roosevelt and Cleveland Among Those Given "Write-Ups."

Special Dispatch to The Call. NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The American says: "Fads and Fancies" has been published at last and distributed to its million subscribers to vanity. The subscribers, who paid from \$100 to \$10,000 each for the privilege of having their likenesses exploited therein for the enlightenment of posterity, have each received a copy, and while these are not conspicuously displayed in library tables at present, the 105 mortals may now inspect them at their leisure.

LIBERALS WILL RULE IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The political crisis in the United Kingdom reached a climax to-day, when Arthur J. Balfour, the Premier, formally tendered the resignations of himself and the members of his Cabinet to King Edward, who accepted them. His Majesty has invited Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman to an interview to-morrow morning, when he will offer him the task of forming a new Cabinet. Sir Henry will accept, and within a few days, maybe a few hours, a new Government will be formed.

SURGEONS TRY SCOPALAMINE AT OPERATION

New Anesthetic Is Declared to Be a Success.

Special Dispatch to The Call. CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—Scopalamine, the new anesthetic, was used to-day in the Mercy Hospital by Dr. John B. Murphy, in an operation upon John Nester, one of the wealthiest lumbermen in Northern Michigan. From a surgical standpoint, the operation was considered successful, and a small quantity of scopalamine and morphine was given Nester hypodermically shortly before the operation. The patient was on the operating table thirty minutes.

BIG ESTATE IS CLAIMED BY WOMAN

Says She Is Widow of Ex-Senator Johnston. Quietly Wedded to Rich Planter a Few Months Ago.

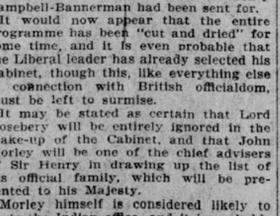


ARTHUR J. BALFOUR. RETIRING PREMIER OF GREAT BRITAIN. A LIBERAL WHO SUCCEEDED HIM.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 4.—Papers were filed in the Superior Court this afternoon by Josephine A. C. Johnston, asking for letters of administration on the estate of ex-State Senator William Johnston of Richmond, down the Sacramento River, valued at \$150,000. The petitioner claims to be the lawful wife of the former Senator.

MURDERESS MUST GO TO HER DEATH

GOVERNOR WHO REFUSES TO PREVENT THE HANGING OF MRS. ROGERS.



HON. CHAS. J. BELL. CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—"My stand is unalterable in the case of Mrs. Rogers. There are some things which we in Vermont respect, I am happy to say, and the supreme bench is one of these things. The laws of the State are there to be enforced, and I happen to be the official whose duty it is to see that they are enforced. If Mrs. Blickensderfer wishes to see me, I am ready to meet her."

CONGRESS READY FOR WORK

Senate and House Organize for Session. President Notified That His Message Is Awaited.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The assembling to-day of the members of the Fifty-ninth Congress for their first session was marked by no unusual incidents, but it attracted to the Capitol crowds of spectators who took a lively interest in the proceedings. The day was beautiful, the sun shone brightly and the air was keen. Society was out in force and filled the reserved galleries, while visitors, unable to find seats, roamed the corridors to catch glimpses of public men.

WOMAN WELL KNOWN

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HOODOO COAL MINE WILL BE ABANDONED

San Francisco Owners Will Blow Up Shaft of Wyoming Property.

EVANSTON, Wyo., Dec. 4.—Disgusted by their experience with mine No. 5 at Almy, the San Francisco owners have ordered that preparations be made to "shoot it." This will wreck the mine, which they have decided is a "hoodoo." Mere abandonment will not do, as the mine is on fire and has been for a week, and blowing up the shaft may choke it.

MARRIAGE ON RECORD

Ex-Senator Johnston Wedded to Mrs. Goodwin in San Rafael.

SAN RAFAEL, Dec. 4.—Ex-Senator William Johnston of Courtland, Sacramento County, and Mrs. Josephine A. C. Goodwin were married on Wednesday, September 13, 1905. Accompanied by W. H. Craig of Oakland they went to the County Clerk's office for a license and from there to the Congregational church, where Rev. W. H. Atkinson united them.

STEEL KING TO BE SUED FOR DIVORCE

Millionaire W. E. Corey Too Friendly With an Actress.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 4.—Relatives of Mrs. Mary Cook Corey, whose husband, William Ellis Corey, succeeded Charles M. Schwab as president of the United States Steel Corporation, have announced that Mrs. Corey has left for the West, where she will establish her residence and begin an action for divorce. Before leaving her home Mrs. Corey received a settlement of \$700,000, and her son, Allan W. Corey, received one of \$300,000. It is understood the mother and son will make their residence in Nevada. Allan Corey declares that he will remain loyal to his mother. Mrs. Corey first went to New York and took apartments at the Hotel Lorraine. She left there on October 1, bound for the West.

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