

WANTERS OF THE COUNTRY BUT THE BAY

WANTERS FROM HER HOME SEARCHING BABE IN ARM

No Trace Is Found of the Missing Mrs. Martin.

Search of Three Days Fails to Reveal a Clue.

Husband Is Left to Care for Four Little Ones.

BERKELEY, Jan. 12.—Carrying her tiny two-year-old babe in her arms and leaving behind her a family of four young children and their father, Mrs. J. A. Martin, a comely matron of West Berkeley, fled from her husband's home at 2446 Ninth street last Tuesday morning, and for three days has eluded those who have sought to find her whereabouts or a hint of the fate that may have befallen her and the child.

No explanation can be given for Mrs. Martin's mysterious disappearance except that she deserted her little ones and her husband while under the influence of temporary mental aberration. She is declared to have been a devoted mother, a loving wife, with all the comforts that a hard-working mechanic could provide and with no apparent reason for leaving such a life and unconcerned leave of her little ones and their father.

Despite Martin's search no trace of the missing woman and her babe has been found. A woman answering her description was sought at the Santa Fe Railroad office in West Berkeley, but it is not known to what point the ticket was made out.

In the household deserted by Mrs. Martin a brood of little ones huddled together under the care of their father, Elsie Martin, the 10-year-old daughter, who is trying to be mother to the four children that make up the family.

Martin is a carpenter, obliged to work through the day for the means of living. He is in deepest distress over the unaccountable adventure of his wife and is obliged to await, with such patience as he can command, tidings of her and of the two-year-old child she has taken with her.

The Martins came from Stockton to West Berkeley three months ago. Their home on Ninth street is a pretty cottage. They have been married for about twelve years. Mrs. Martin is 24 years of age, of a pleasant, pleasing appearance and can most easily be identified by the babe she carries in her arms.



BERKELEY WOMAN WHO HAS DISAPPEARED WITH HER TWO-YEAR-OLD CHILD, LEAVING BEHIND HER HUSBAND AND FOUR SMALL CHILDREN. SHE IS BELIEVED TO BE SUFFERING FROM MENTAL AFFLICTION.

STRANGE DEATHS Mysterious End Which Came to W. S. Boyd to Be Explained at the Inquest

SUICIDE THEORY HELD

Presence of Poison in Home of Berkeley Man Confirms Belief of Officials

BERKELEY, Jan. 12.—Witnesses who will give testimony that may help to completely solve the mystery involved in W. S. Boyd's sudden death on January 4 are being subpoenaed to appear at the inquest, which Coroner Mehrmann is to hold at the Morning Star Hotel tomorrow night. At that time Mrs. Boyd will make the first statement regarding the affair that has come from her lips to those outside the family, she having declined to discuss the matter with any but her relatives.

With such a record as is known, the authorities are inclined to regard it as most probable that Boyd committed suicide, inspired to the deed by dread of tuberculosis and perhaps by the fear that he might communicate the disease to his wife.

Boyd's first attempt at suicide, when, according to the belief of those best acquainted with the details, he swallowed strychnine, was not successful. This attempt was made on the night of December 23. The finding of strychnine in the house yesterday and the discovery of capsules intended to contain cyanide of potassium strengthened the belief of the family and interested friends that Boyd was determined to die, and that the strychnine failed him made death absolutely certain by swallowing cyanide of potassium. That deed was done on January 4.

The authorities to-morrow night at the inquest will hear from George Practice, a neighbor and intimate friend of Boyd, the story of Boyd's conversations, which included requests from Boyd that in event of the latter's sudden death the body be cremated and the widow be cared for.

J. Gilman, who attended Boyd, and who suspected that death was caused by poisoning, will testify, and City Chemist Rowe of Oakland will give the result of his analysis of the contents of Boyd's stomach.

AUTOPSY REVEALS POISON.

OAKLAND, Jan. 12.—An autopsy held on the body of James S. Slater, an engineer, who died suddenly at Niles on January 10, revealed the fact that the stomach of the deceased contained a quantity of cyanide of potassium, which was the cause of his death. A vial of the poison was found in the bed in which Slater was found dead and it is believed that he committed suicide.

DAUGHTER CO-ED Miss Alice Thompson Will Assist in Active Work of Agricultural Department

IS EXPERT ON SOILS

Bright Young Woman Is to Work Out Problems in Irrigation and Drainage

BERKELEY, Jan. 12.—The dainty figure of the bearded, grave old savants in the agricultural college on the campus, is to be a spectacle unique in the history of the university, to be seen when Miss Alice Thompson takes her place as an assistant soil analyst in Dr. Loughridge's office on January 15.

Miss Thompson is to be appointed by the Regents to this position, and she will be the first woman soil expert to do serious work in this line of agricultural research. No daintier or more thoroughly feminine "co-ed" than Miss Thompson graces the campus, but she also has the skill that comes of natural aptitude and years of preparation for her peculiar work. For three years she has studied under Professors Jaffa, Colby and Loughridge, and also with Professor Hilgard, the great authority on soils at the university.

Miss Thompson is a Berkeley girl, a graduate of the Berkeley High School, who entered the university with the class of 1904. She was graduated at Christmas and now is ready to begin work in the field which hitherto has been left for the male expert to cultivate. As assistant to Dr. Loughridge the young university girl will deal with soil problems, irrigation puzzles, drainage and similar features of agricultural science.



ALICE THOMPSON, WHO WILL BE MADE ASSISTANT SOIL ANALYST AT BERKELEY.

RECLAMATION EIGHT EMBOD

Agreement Reached as to the Marsh Lands of San Mateo County Adjoining Belmont

WORK WILL CONTINUE

Great Section of the Peninsula Will Be Drained of Water and Put to Use

Special Dispatch to The Call.

REDWOOD CITY, Jan. 12.—The long-standing and bitterly contested litigation between the county of San Mateo and the powerful interests that are behind the reclamation of the marsh lands near Belmont has at last been settled on a compromise that appears to be entirely satisfactory to both sides.

It will be remembered that H. May Pearsall and others began the gigantic task of reclaiming the lands. They secured permission from the War Department at Washington to dam several of the creeks in the district and were progressing very rapidly with their work when a series of injunctions, issued in the name of the county, reduced everything to a standstill.

The county officials claimed that the damming of the creeks was against public policy, as it robbed the county of valuable navigable streams and furthermore would flood Belmont. The contractors retorted that the stream are navigable and no harm could possibly be done to Belmont. The work was resumed and both sides hurled armed men to the scene.

Hostilities were averted, however, and the Superior Court was given another inning. It has been agreed by both sides that Phelps Creek, the waterway in controversy, shall be left forever free and unobstructed and that the dam already constructed be removed. With that understanding the work of reclamation may continue. When it is finished practically all of the marsh land between Belmont and this city will have been reclaimed.

YOUNG WOMAN BOLDLY ATTACKED ON STREET

OAKLAND, Jan. 12.—While walking along Jefferson street near Eighth, this evening, Miss Carrie Wall, whose home is at 350 Tenth street, was attacked by a man who came suddenly upon her and grabbed her by the arm and shoulder. With a scream of fright the young woman broke from her assailant and he followed closely in pursuit. Her outcry attracted the attention of passing pedestrians, among them two men.

The girl's assailant, whom she saw rescuers at hand, started to run away. He was followed through Eighth street, where Patrolman Jorgensen, attracted by the blowing of police whistles, came up and arrested him.

The prisoner gave the name of W. S. Jones. He is about 41 years old. He denied having attacked the young woman. She was overcome by the experience and went home without going to the City Prison to identify Jones. The police hold the man under suspicion. While Miss Wall was roughly handled she was not knocked down and she told those who came to her rescue she did not know whether robbery was intended or not.

FIERCE BATTLE FOR A WEAPON

OAKLAND, Jan. 12.—Frenzied from drink and a belief that his wife had been grossly offended by one of his neighbors, E. H. Gale, proprietor of the International House on Eighth street, this evening gave battle to E. J. O'Connell, a desperate offender, and it was only after a desperate struggle that O'Connell took a loaded revolver from him and held him until the arrival of the police.

O'Connell entered the house shortly after 7 o'clock this evening and as he passed Gale's door the latter asked him to enter his room. Not suspecting trouble, O'Connell entered, although he says he noticed that Gale had been drinking. As all the time keeping O'Connell covered with the pistol. At the door he turned his head for an instant and like a flash of lightning he was seized by the wrist. O'Connell, who is strong and athletic, was upon him. But Gale felt himself sorely aggrieved and he fought with a strength born of his outraged feelings.

Finally the superior strength of O'Connell won and the desperate man was disarmed. In the struggle the weapon was discharged and the household was aroused, but the bullet was imbedded in the floor, doing no other damage. O'Connell held Gale in the room until Sergeant of Police Brock and Police Officer White and Keefe arrived and placed him under arrest. Gale was charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

An investigation proved that O'Connell offended Mrs. Gale by asking her how much she weighed.

ALAMEDA COUNTY NEWS

MARRIAGE LICENSES—Oakland, Jan. 12. The following marriage licenses were issued by the County Clerk to-day: George H. Whalin, 24, and Marie MacIntyre, 19, both of Oakland; Frank D. Fasshild, 30, and Josephine K. Dow, 39, both of Oakland; Charles Amole, 33, Los Angeles, and Sara Rosenberg, 28, Oakland.

DEATH ENDS SUFFERING—Oakland, Jan. 12.—After living for six weeks with a broken back Edward J. Fulton, carpenter residing at 417 Magnolia street, who was injured in the collapse of a portion of a building at Second and Fourth streets, on which he was working, died to-day at Providence Hospital. He leaves a mother and two sisters.

OFFICIALS' SALARIES INCREASED—Oakland, Jan. 12.—The Auditing and Finance Committee of the City Council last night recommended that the salaries of Chief Deputy City Treasurer Richard Ayer, Assistant Deputy Treasurer George Gross and Deputy Assessor Frank C. Smith be increased from \$25 to \$100 a month. The committee also recommended that the salary of License Inspector Connolly be increased from \$100 to \$125 a month.

LEGAL FRANCHISE MATTER—Oakland, Jan. 12.—Arguments were made to-day in the injunction proceedings brought by S. O. Holmes to enjoin the Mayor and City Council from granting the franchise for a new street line proposed twenty-second street line. The points were argued by technical aid after a day spent in argument the matter was referred to Judge Melvin, who said he would render his decision next week.

FINAL DECREES GRANTED—Oakland, Jan. 12.—Final decrees of divorce were granted to-day in the following cases: In the case of a woman and her husband, she was allowed to resume her maiden name of Murphy; in the case of a woman and her husband, she was granted a final decree of divorce; in the case of a woman and her husband, she was granted the final decree of divorce. Judge Edisworth denied the decrees several days ago, but they were granted after a technical aid was given to the parties.

THIEF IN BERKELEY INN—Berkeley, Jan. 12.—For the second time within the last few months a clever sneak thief has operated with success in the Berkeley Inn, at Bancroft street and Telegraph avenue, his latest campaign for spoil having been conducted last Tuesday. The room of Marshall Steele was entered and a silver dress goods valued at \$100 were taken. Carl Lewis took a watch and jewelry, and other jewels valued at about \$100 were taken. Other guests of the Berkeley Inn were alerted and the police were called. The police are working on the case.

INVENTOR GOES INSANE—Oakland, Jan. 12.—Charged by his wife with having tried to-day to chop-rope their four children, Frank Hopkins, an inventor residing on Blake street, Berkeley, was captured at 1017 Adeline street to-night and taken to the Receiving Hospital for examination by the Lunacy Commission. Hopkins had a loaded pistol in his pocket, which was taken from him by Constable Bert Hempstead and Chief of Police Vollmer of Berkeley. The suspended lunatic is the inventor of a gun sight which, it is reported, has been adopted by the War Department.

Woman Loses Her Purse—Miss Romen Mousaloum of 135 Natoma street lost a purse on the street near Folsom and Rausch streets last night as she was on her way home from work. The purse contained three rings of unknown value, one of them set with a diamond, and \$41 in cash. The loss was reported to Station Keeper Rocca at the City Hall station.

Storm in Northwest—SEATTLE, Jan. 12.—A severe storm is reported to be sweeping along the section from the Columbia River north as far as Dixon's Entrance, Alaska. For the past three days vessels arriving from the Straits of California have reported a severe storm off Cape Flattery.

To Examine Army Captain—WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Captain Benjamin F. Montgomery of the Signal Corps has been ordered to appear before the Army Retiring Board at San Francisco for examination. He formerly had charge of the telegraph service at the White House.

Berlin, Jan. 12.—Baron von Richthofen, the Foreign Secretary, who is suffering from a stroke of paralysis, was slightly better to-night.

FEELING IS STRONG AGAINST AMERICANS

OAKLAND, Jan. 12.—The Rev. Arthur Smith, a missionary in China, returned to-day on the Siberia and is the guest of Cary Park at the city avenue. The missionary said to-night: "The strong anti-foreign feeling in China is due in large part to the defeat of Russia by Japan. The Chinese are awakening to the fact they are not a subject people. The feeling against the United States is very bitter because of the exclusion act. This feeling is heightened by imaginary wrongs and exaggerated descriptions of indignities heaped on Chinese in this country. The Chinese are very bitter against the United States. But China as a whole has come to a belief that it is easier and cheaper to carry on a negative war against the United States than to attack missions and kill missionaries. There is no violence there is no punishment to follow. This feeling is confined to the coast cities, however, and I do not believe that it would be safe for an American to venture into the interior provinces. It is the more intelligent of the Chinese want is that the exclusion act shall be intelligently interpreted, and shall be enforced only against those classes whom it is meant to affect."

WANTS THE WHIPPING POST IN MISSISSIPPI

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 12.—State Senator McLaurin of Warren, Miss., brother of the late Senator McLaurin, has introduced a bill in the Mississippi Legislature to restore the celebrated whipping-post in misdemeanor cases for male and female prisoners. If the measure is adopted any "person convicted of a crime" will be liable to suffer any fine imposed as a penalty by receiving at his or her option, instead of such, three lashes on the bare back.

The bill provides that for each dollar of fine three lashes shall be given, which shall be applied to the back of the convict. The whipping-post was abandoned in Mississippi years ago, because of its cruelty, and the proposition to re-establish it is causing uneasiness among the negroes, who fear being whipped.

THREE DIVORCES HELD TO BE QUITE ENOUGH

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 12.—In granting Josey La Crosse her third divorce to-day Judge Myrick of the Pueblo County Court told the woman that he considered three divorces quite enough for any woman, and warned her that she could never get another from him.

La Crosse, who has had considerable difficulty in remembering her maiden name, and the dates on which she had been married to the several individuals, but remembered that Charles La Crosse had lived with her less than a year, and that since that time she had supported herself by washing. She took the name of the husband before La Crosse.

CLAIMS TO HAVE DISCOVERED LOST ART OF COPPER WORKING

MENOMONIE, Wis., Jan. 12.—Andrew Graf of the town of Lucas, this county, has just discovered a new method for tempering copper quickly. In one second he can make copper as hard as steel. The inventor of the new method is a transformed into a hard spring. Graf has worked on this problem since his boyhood days, when a machinist in the railroad shops at Pittsburg, his father began experimenting in the same line as early as 1891, but was unable to devise a method. Graf claims his method is similar to the lost arts of the Japanese, who did wonderful things with copper.

ONCE WEALTHY MAN DIES OF LAUDANUM POISONING

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12.—Charles F. Reiber, a former resident of Philadelphia, who at one time a wealthy man, was found dead in his room at the Hotel Lincoln yesterday afternoon by an employee of the place. A cursory examination of the remains indicated that death had resulted from heart failure, but an autopsy disclosed the fact that Reiber had died from laudanum poisoning.

A book on a local bank showing deposits amounting to \$100 was found among Reiber's effects, but checks found showed that the entire amount had been withdrawn.

BOYS SHOOT A CHINESE "JUST TO MAKE HIM JUMP"

MARYSVILLE, Jan. 12.—Two boys, aged 13 and 11 years, were hunting with a 22-caliber rifle near Smartsville early this week, when they saw a Chinese miner working on the opposite side of the river. They fired at him, but the latter "just jumped" but one bullet penetrated his knee, causing an injury that will be permanent. The matter was reported to District Attorney Brittan to-day.

DEGREES GIVEN AT STANFORD

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Jan. 12.—The Academic Council of Stanford University met late this afternoon and granted the degree of bachelor of arts to twenty-nine students. The number is sixteen short of last year. The list by departments is as follows:

Latin—Mary Bissell Cleary, Glen E. Huntsberger.

Germanic languages—Blanche Bradshaw, Leon Gambaetta Levy.

Romantic languages—William James McConnell Shreiner.

English—Evangeline Singleton Gossett, Grace Holt, Hazel Moore Patterson, Mary Rosalie Stolz.

Education—Frances Hancy Galloway.

Economic and social science—Robert Hitt Newcomer, Ruth Estelle Seader, Law—William Clarence Day, Benjamin Clifford Day.

Drawing—Enid Kinney, Anna Reinhardt.

Mathematics—Ruth Bailey Gregg.

Chemistry—William Elmer Crawford, John Moody Foster, Dane M. Greer, Louise McDaniel, Henry Ennis Savage, William McConnell Shreiner.

Zoology—Georgia Danne Pitman, Edna Mary Resever.

Geology and mining—William Otterbein Clark, Edgar Miller Gleim, George Richards Stevens.

Mechanical engineering—Lawrence Hering Seargeant.

FATHER TOO SLY FOR GAY ELOPERS

TACOMA, Jan. 12.—George Morrow and Elsie Jamieson, aged, respectively, 20 and 14 years, eloped on horseback from the Jamieson farm, near New Westminister, B. C., on Wednesday and after ten miles of furious riding galloped into Hedley City looking for the Town Registrar to perform the marriage ceremony. In the meantime, however, the late father of Miss Jamieson had been apprised of the intentions of the couple and telephoned to the Chief of Police to arrest them on the charge of horse stealing.

The couple were before the Registrar ready for the ceremony when an officer arrested them. The father took his daughter home, while the young man was given his liberty and told to go his way.

DANCE AS BENEFIT FOR DEAD MAN

SEATTLE, Jan. 12.—While the body of Aloes Koppner, a barber of South Seattle, lies in the undertaking parlors unburied, his friends will dance to-night on the coast side town, which has expanded with remarkable strides since the incorporation of the Ocean Shore Railroad Company. Halfmoon Bay has at present an excellent water supply and the Supervisors have taken the new application under advisement.

LODGE ELECTS OFFICERS.

REDWOOD CITY, Jan. 12.—Redwood Tent No. 71, K. O. T. M., has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Past commander, George H. Buck; commander, John J. Reed; lieutenant commander, J. A. Bomberg; record keeper, Charles Knights; chaplain, J. C. Bomberg; physician, W. M. Barrett; sergeant, George W. McNulty; master at arms, W. E. Douglas; first master of guards, J. A. Le Vallet; second master of guards, G. A. Robert; sentinel, D. G. Geary; plecter, G. E. Le Vallet Jr.

Life Term for Chinese.

FRESNO, Jan. 12.—A jury to-night brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree, with the sentence fixed at life imprisonment, against Yee Foo, a member of the Bing Ong Tong, charged with the murder of Louis Mong, a member of the Hop Sing Tong, in this city on the night of October 3, 1905. The trial lasted ten days.

Pardee Remains Silent.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 12.—Governor Pardee this afternoon declined to confirm a rumor that former Superior Judge E. M. Sweeney of Shasta County was to be appointed to the vacant position on the State Supreme bench. The Governor would not discuss the subject of the Justiceship.

Prohibition Measure Unconstitutional.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 12.—The State Supreme Court to-day handed down an opinion declaring the Bryce act, under which sixteen counties adopted prohibition, to be unconstitutional.

Havana, Jan. 12.—President Palma to-day appointed Manuel Francisco Lemar to succeed the late Edward Yero as Secretary of Public Instruction.

DISAGREEMENT ENDS IN POLICE COURT

OAKLAND, Jan. 12.—Miss Iola Van Dyne, an Alameda girl who is now appearing in the company of which Edwards Davis, formerly pastor of the First Christian Church of this city, is leading man, this morning secured a search warrant for the recovery of several costumes which she alleges are illegally held by the management of the Crellin Hotel. Miss Van Dyne declares that she had made arrangements with Stirling L. Whitney, an actor formerly at the Crescent Theatre, to produce a sketch on the Orpheum circuit, and that she had furnished him with the costumes for the production.

She says that later she became dissatisfied with his acting and released him, and that he left the costumes at the Crellin Hotel, where he was staying. When she applied for the return of the costumes she says they were refused. The rightful ownership of the property will be determined to-morrow morning by Police Judge Smith.

DUNSMUIR HOME SOLD FOR \$50,000

OAKLAND, Jan. 12.—The house of the late Josephine Dunsmuir at Souther Farm, near San Leandro, with 117 acres of land surrounding it, has been sold for \$50,000 to the municipal government of the city of Oakland and incidentally disturbing the peace of City Wharfinger Greer with his trade of profanity, Captain F. R. Preble, master of the steam schooner Charles Nelson, was this morning sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 and to serve twenty-four hours in the City Prison for disturbing the peace. The outbreak occurred when the tide left his craft in the mud.

REYNOLDS ARE DIVORCED.

OAKLAND, Jan. 12.—Mrs. Adelina Reynolds of Berkeley State granted an interlocutory decree of divorce to-day from Frank A. Reynolds, a traveling man, on the ground of cruelty. She was also awarded the income from all of the community property, valued at about \$5000, until all of the three children reach their majority, she then to have one-half of it. During the pendency of the action he wrote several letters to the court, trying to defend his action in having gone away with another woman.

CAPTAIN PAYS FOR CURSING.

OAKLAND, Jan. 12.—For cursing the officials of the great city of California, the municipal government of the city of Oakland and incidentally disturbing the peace of City Wharfinger Greer with his trade of profanity, Captain F. R. Preble, master of the steam schooner Charles Nelson, was this morning sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 and to serve twenty-four hours in the City Prison for disturbing the peace. The outbreak occurred when the tide left his craft in the mud.

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