

NEWS OF THE COUNTIES ABOUT THE BAY.

FEAR THE LOSS OF THE PASTOR

Members of First Congregational Church Speculate Concerning Their Leader

SILENCE IS OMINOUS

Rev. C. R. Brown Sends No Reply to Flat Query as to Report of Resignation

OAKLAND, Feb. 22.—Does the Rev. Charles R. Brown, pastor of the First Congregational Church, contemplate resigning his charge?

The question is disturbing the members of that church, which is one of the largest on the Pacific Coast. Although such a leader in the church's affairs as George T. Hawley, president of the board of trustees, has declared almost unqualifiedly his belief that the pastor is not considering a change, there is much speculation on the subject. A few days ago the board announced that it had increased the pastor's salary from \$6000 to \$7000 a year. This action was taken during his absence. He is delivering the Lyman Beecher course of lectures at Yale Divinity School. Apprised by telegram of the move, the pastor wired in reply that he would confer with the members when he returned. To many of them the answer was ambiguous, and some of them construed it as meaning that Mr. Brown was considering a change of field.

Other queries by wire requesting a definite reply to the report of his resignation have failed to elicit a response. This has given rise to more rumor and alarm among the congregation. The Rev. Charles R. Brown is one of the ablest pulpits orators and theologians in the Congregational church. He represents a broad scholarship and his work for six or seven years in Oakland has placed his church in the front rank. Hence the importance which attaches in church circles to the situation.

MAY ACCEPT OFFER

MADE BY MRS. MORSE

Government May Rent Quarters for New Postoffice From Her.

BERKELEY, Feb. 22.—According to information received at the postoffice today the new postoffice for Berkeley is to be located in a building which Mrs. Ellen Morse is to erect at Bancroft way and Shattuck avenue for the Government. Mrs. Morse's offer was suggested by the Washington authorities several months ago after Superintendent of Buildings Hall had condemned the present postoffice quarters as inadequate. Bids for new quarters were invited and a number were received, including one from the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church people to fit up their church building at Allison and Fulton ways for a postoffice. Mrs. Morse stated today that while no official information had come to her that her offer had been accepted, she understood that such was the case.

The present postoffice building is at Center and Oxford streets, close to the entrance of the university grounds. If removed to the proposed quarters at Bancroft way and Shattuck avenue it is expected to assist in shifting the center of the business district in a southerly direction, at a point where a trend is observed toward a new and popular business district. The Masonic Temple is being constructed across the street from the corner of the new Morse building and make each feature of the celebration a course of erection in or are planned for the neighborhood.

SEARCH FOR SWINDLER.

OAKLAND, Feb. 22.—Under the pretense of collecting subscriptions for Mrs. M. J. Patterson's husband, who was chief cook of the 15-foot steamer ship Valencia, that went on the rocks at Vancouver, and whose little daughter is suffering from an attack made upon her by a young negro several weeks ago, a stranger has been circulating the housewives of North Oakland and Berkeley by soliciting alms, which have been freely given, but have never left the collector's hands. The man was arrested today in Berkeley. He says his name is Ira Johnson, and he appears to be well acquainted with Mrs. Patterson's many misfortunes.

Several complaints had been received by the police and Detective Quigley was sent to Mrs. Patterson's home at 216 Twenty-ninth street, where he was told that collections had never been authorized.

WOULD DIVIDE TOWNSHIP.

HAYWARD, Feb. 22.—A committee composed of F. W. Brown, William Tambresky and H. E. Brunner has been appointed by the citizens of Hayward to agitate the question of dividing the township. It is proposed that the new township be divided into Precinct Nos. 1 and 2 of San Leandro and all that portion of Precinct No. 2 lying north of San Lorenzo Creek.

GUESTS OF SAN RAFAEL MASON.

SAN RAFAEL, Feb. 22.—Grand Master Matt H. Flint, postmaster of Los Angeles and brother of United States Senator F. P. Flint, accompanied by many other Masons from the south, paid an official visit to Martin Lodge No. 191, F. and A. M., in this city last night. Light refreshments were served at the conclusion of the meeting.

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EVENTS OF WOMEN'S DAY PASS OFF MERRILY.

Fair Athletes Among Berkeley Co-Eds Display Skill in Various Exciting Contests.



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MISS PHOEBE BINNEY MISS KATHERINE HERSEY MISS LILLIAN WILLIAMS

SENIOR CREW CROSSING THE LINE

BERKELEY, Feb. 22.—Under clear blue skies, with sunshine tempering the breeze that swept in from the bay, the women students of the university today enjoyed to the full the programme of athletic and other events arranged by their representatives in honor of women's day. The rowing races at Lake Merritt, between class crews, were witnessed by a great throng, drawn to the scene by the prospect of seeing four sturdy crews battle for supremacy in this event, defeating their competitors by a narrow margin.

The basketball game in the afternoon on the Hearst Hall court between the varsity and the alumnae teams resulted in a victory for the varsity players by the score of 12 to 8. Tennis games on the courts at Hearst Hall were played this afternoon, and the like figures of the skillful players made a pretty picture for the spectators, who lined in sides the courts.

Perhaps never in the history of the women's day celebrations had there been a more successful programme arranged and carried out by the "co-eds." Everything apparently conspired to make each feature of the celebration a triumph for those who arranged it and those who took part. Not a hitch marred the carrying out of the schedule, and in all the complicated machinery of committees and sub-committees no clash or friction was discovered at any time.

The crowning bit of the day's celebration was enjoyed to the full by a great host of university youths and maidens, who danced at the colonial ball in Hearst Hall, which was packed by the undergraduate classes. Booths that rivaled in beauty and attractiveness the shop windows of great emporiums were built on the lower floor of the hall, and in these the courtship girls dispensed dainty articles of merchandise to the male students that had been so fortunate as to find their way into the place. Dancers in picturesque costumes, reminiscent of the days when George Washington was President and the Capitol was the scene of state merry-makings, were seen in abundance on the floor, and pretty were the pictures made by the university girls, who danced at the colonial ball in Hearst Hall, which was packed by the undergraduate classes.

The interclass race, a part of the women's day celebration, was held over the regular regatta course on Lake Merritt, and the contest was witnessed by a large number of students. From the start it was plain that the race lay between the classes of '06 and '08, and the long sweeping stroke set by Miss A. Cressalla proved effective in winning the race. J. A. Faylo acted as starter, and the judges were J. A. Mitchell, H. C. Klaus, O. Tinnemann and T. E. Robertson, one from each of the classes of the university.

The members of the class crews were: Seniors—Stroke, Miss A. Cressalla; bow, Miss Mabel Reed; coxswain, Miss K. Douglas. Juniors—Stroke, Miss Carol Sherman; bow, Miss Frances Hughes; coxswain, Miss Edith Rickley. Sophomores—Stroke, Miss Mattie Zander; bow, Miss Gladys Hughes; coxswain, Miss Hazel Wilkins. Freshmen—Stroke, Miss Hilda Atkinson; bow, Miss N. Johnson; coxswain, Miss L. Armitage.

BASKET BALL CONTEST.

Men students were excluded from the basket-ball contest in the afternoon and the courts sheltered none but the "co-ed" contingent. Miss Frances Hughes served as referee, with Miss Irma Weil and Miss Edna de Wolf as umpires. The varsity won only after a strenuous contest. The line-up was as follows:

Alumnae: Centers—Misses Mary Shafter '04, Irene Furlong '04, Margaret White '01; guards—Misses Florence Atkinson '05, Edith Nichols '05, Kate Comperiz '05, May Harborth '05; Misses Edna Robinson '05, Alice Farno '05; Mayne Rigley '05, Lillian Williams '05.

Varsity: Centers—Misses Julie Damon '06.

CORPORATION ATTORNEYS READY TO FIGHT FOR WATERSHED IN SAN PABLO CANYON

JUDGE WELLS TO DECIDE

Injunction Suit Against the Syndicate Company Is to Be Heard at San Pablo

OAKLAND, Feb. 22.—The preliminary battle between the Contra Costa and Syndicate Water companies in the courts of Contra Costa County is set for tomorrow before Superior Judge Wells at Marysville, and the forces of attorneys that are arrayed on each side are whetting their legal knives for the fray.

It will be a fight to secure the riparian rights of the San Pablo Creek, and the consideration of a motion to dissolve the injunction whereby the Syndicate Water Company is restrained from its work on the Clancy ranch on San Pablo Creek. Harmon Bell and E. Engis, who are the regular attorneys for the Syndicate Company, will be reinforced by A. Moore and George W. Reed. These legal lights will be opposed by M. C. Chapman, Morrison & Cope, Garrett W. McEnerney and E. S. Pillsbury for the Contra Costa Water Company, so that the legal battles that ever engaged the attention of the corporations of California is expected.

MAKING READY TO ENTERTAIN VARSITY MEN

BERKELEY, Feb. 22.—Preparations are now being made for the entertainment of delegates to the Association of American Universities conference in San Francisco on March 14. The Stanford and State University have the work in charge. The list of delegates is as follows:

California—President Benjamin Ide Wheeler, Professor J. Stringham, Professor A. O. Leuschner, Professor S. F. Lane, Professor Bernard Moses, Catholic—Rev. Thomas J. Conaty (now in California), Chicago—Professor E. D. Burton, Clark—Professor G. Stanley Hall and, probably Mrs. Hall, Columbia—Professor William H. Carpenter, Frederick P. Kappel and Miss Kappel, Cornell—President Jacobus Scharman, W. Harvard—Professor William James (now in California), Johns Hopkins—President Ira Remsen and, probably, Mrs. Remsen, Leland Stanford—President David Starr Jordan, Dr. John Casper Branner, Professor John Maxson Stillman, Professor Augustus Taber Murray, Professor John Ernst Matzke, Stanford—None, Pennsylvania—Dr. Clarence G. Child, Princeton—Professor Andrew P. West, Wisconsin—President Charles R. Van Hise and Mrs. Van Hise, Yale—Professor Theodore S. Woolsey.

The meetings will be held at the University of California building at the University of California, on Wednesday, March 14, the delegates are to be the guests of the regents of the University of California and the regents of Leland Stanford Junior University at luncheon in the regents' room, Mark Hopkins Inn, Leavenworth and San Francisco. The headquarters of the association will be held that afternoon at the Mark Hopkins Inn. In the afternoon the delegates will be entertained at dinner by the various alumni clubs of San Francisco, which are making preparations for receptions of the various college regents.

On Thursday, March 15, the morning will be devoted to the second session. At 12:30 p. m. the delegates will be entertained at luncheon at the Faculty Club, University of California. At 2:30 p. m. there will be a meeting of the executive committee of the association. The delegates will attend the third symphony concert in the Greek Theater at 8:00 p. m. The University Club of San Francisco will entertain the delegates at dinner Friday, March 16, at the University of California. The delegates will leave at 10 a. m. for Berkeley where they will be met by carriages and driven about the grounds and buildings. There will be a university assembly in the Assembly Hall at 11:15 in the afternoon. The attention will be given to the university. The delegates will return to San Francisco on Saturday, March 17, will be devoted to the closing business session.

The cast for the sophomore burlesque as announced today by Coacher Kruschke and De Leon is as follows: Bob Jones, California '06, E. F. Emphred, Megalophones Sam Frank, March, Jane Nauwig, Miss Cornelia Stratton, '07; Constantine Gage, Miss Sophie Treaswell, '07; Pamela, Miss Ruth Bartley, '07; Mrs. Beechey, Miss Eleanor Gassaway, '05; Lady Bapchid, Miss L. M. Merrill, '07; Mrs. Bostock, Miss E. E. Bostock, Miss G. E. Allen '07; Trendell, Miss E. T. Morton, '09, the merrily water de Leon, '06; Mr. Nauwig, Earle Muliken, '07; George Langton, Grover O'Connor, '07; Panshan, Carl Whitmore, '08; Preliminary Bostock, Richard Snell, '07; Sir Robert Bownate, Emil Kruschke, '08; Mr. Fawcett, Alfred Gairdell, '06; footman, Vance McClintock, '08.

CLASSMATES ARE MARRIED.

BERKELEY, Feb. 22.—William L. Finley, lecturer, writer, ornithologist and a '03 graduate of the University of California, was married last night to Miss Nellie Irene Barnhardt at the home of the bride's parents at Santa Monica. Mr. Finley is also a member of the class of '03, and for some time has had charge of the English department in the Santa Monica High School, resigning the position to become the bride of Mr. Finley.

RECTOR IS DELAYED.

OAKLAND, Feb. 22.—The Rev. Alexander Allen, who was expected to assume his duties as rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church before the end of this week, has notified the vestry that he will not be able to leave his home at Springfield, Ill., at the appointed time and that he will not arrive here before next Sunday. He has been invited to the rectorship made vacant by the Rev. C. T. Walkley, who resigned.

WILL BUILD ANEX.

OAKLAND, Feb. 22.—The members of the Home Club of East Oakland have been notified that F. M. Smith is completing plans to build a large annex to the club buildings.

RELICS FOUND.

Berkeley, Feb. 22.—Relics of a prehistoric age in the shape of skulls and other bones were found today by laborers working in the mounds at Shell Mound. The universities authorities will be honored to find, under Professor Adams' direction, in the east, it being known that the mounds contain such relics in comparative abundance.

WILL RESTRICT THE SALOONS

City Council Purposes to Establish Maximum Limit for the Liquor Licenses

OPPOSES WARD OPTION

Members Unofficially Reach Agreement as to the Regulation of the Business

OAKLAND, Feb. 22.—A limit of 250 is to be placed upon the number of saloons in Oakland. This will mean a reduction of fourteenth in the number of retail liquor licenses now in force in this city. The decision to restrict the saloons has been reached unofficially by the members of the City Council, after conferences with the Anti-Saloon League and representatives of the Knights of the Royal Arch, a secret organization of liquor dealers.

For several weeks there has been under discussion a proposition to submit to the voters of the city the question of ward local option. It was presented to the City Council by petition and was urged by members of the Anti-Saloon League. But an almost unanimous sentiment against the measure was uncovered in the City Council. The argument made indicated that there was only one vote in the Council which would be favorable to the plan. The principal objection raised was that ward local option would tend to centralize the saloons in one district, and in many instances would have a tendency to drive them out of business sections into portions of residential territory now free from them. The Fifth Ward conditions were cited in particular. Four-fifths of the ward is composed of residences, while in the remaining one-fifth, a business section, are located a large number of saloons. To adopt local option in this ward would mean to drive all the saloons out of the business section, where they have always been permitted to procure licenses. The same condition prevails in the Seventh Ward and in the Fourth Ward, where the residential sections are free from saloons.

PRINCE ENDS LIFE ON WEDDING DAY

Tragic Death of Son of Lady in Waiting to Italy's Queen.

NAPLES, Feb. 22.—Prince Pignatelli, 19 years old, has been engaged for some months to marry a young daughter of the Duke of Corigliano. The mother of the Prince is lady-in-waiting to Queen Helena, and the father of the Countess is a leader of the Neapolitan aristocracy. The two were to have been married this morning, and the bride and her family and friends were gathered for the civil ceremony. The time set for the bridegroom's arrival passed and he did not appear. Instead there came a messenger to the Duke with news that the young Prince had been found dead in bed—shot through the brain.

Beside the young man's bed were found open volumes of Schopenhauer and Nietzsche and two letters. In one addressed to his father, the suicide wrote that he would like himself because he was skeptical about the use of life. In the other, addressed to his fiancée, he wrote that she would not have been happy with him and that he considered all marriages foolish.

The Prince's head was a picture of the Madonna turned face to the wall. Yesterday the young Prince and the Countess spent the day shopping together, and all today presents and congratulatory telegrams to the young pair were arriving hourly.

WILL PAY TRIBUTE TO MOTHER ANTHONY

OAKLAND, Feb. 22.—Sister M. Anthony, commonly known as Mother Anthony of the Convent of the Sacred Heart, who came to Oakland in 1858 with the late Father Michael King, will be honored Tuesday evening by the sisters of the convent in celebration of the golden jubilee of her religious profession. The Alumnae Association will hold a reunion and elect a new president and there will be a reception at the university, address and 200 guests are expected. There will be religious services during the day beginning with early morning mass.

ROBBERS ACTIVE.

OAKLAND, Feb. 22.—M. Eppinger, who lives at 221 Twenty-fourth street, was awakened at 2 o'clock this morning by the raising of his bedroom window, and shortly afterward a man thrust the curtain aside. Eppinger sprang from his bed and the intruder

FORMER SENATOR SIMPSON ILL.

Alameda, Feb. 22.—Former State Senator William Simpson, father of State Senator and City Attorney M. W. Simpson, is seriously ill at his home on Benton street. He is 80 years of age and his health until recently was rugged.

INSURANCE MAN ENDS HIS LIFE

Writes Note to His Fiancee Residing in Oakland and Then Turns On the Gas

MAKES GIRL HIS HEIR

Ill-Health Is Believed by Maid to Have Prompted the Rash Act of Her Lover

Special Dispatch to The Call.

WATSONVILLE, Feb. 22.—W. F. Koentiger, insurance solicitor for the Metropolitan Life Company, committed suicide some time last night by inhaling gas. His body was found in the company's office this morning by Mr. Faw. The deceased left a letter for Miss Elsie Nelson of 608 Sixteenth street, Oakland, to whom he claims to have been engaged. He leaves her his personal property which is of nominal value. The deceased was a German aged about 35 years. He is a stranger here, having just been employed by the insurance company.

OAKLAND, Feb. 22.—Miss Elsie Nelson was seen at 608 Sixteenth street this evening. She said she was engaged to marry W. F. Koentiger. She could give no reason except that of ill health why he should have taken his own life. She said he left her several months ago to procure work at Watsonville. His only property interests, so far as she knows, consisted of a life insurance policy and a few personal effects.

OAKLAND RECEPTION.

Irish Residents Prepare to Greet Dr. Douglas Hyde.

OAKLAND, Feb. 22.—Preparations for the reception to Dr. Douglas Hyde, who will lecture at the Macdonough Theater next Sunday evening, have been completed and the tickets for the lecture distributed for sale. The committees in charge of the lecture and reception will hold a final meeting next Sunday afternoon at Maple Hall. In addition to the general committee of several hundred members, of which Hugh Hogan is chairman, the following special committees have been appointed:

Reception—M. J. Keller, chairman; H. Hogan, J. J. White, J. T. Moran, Rev. P. C. York, Rev. Henry Ryan, Rev. J. B. McNally, Rev. J. J. McSwaney, Rev. P. A. Foley, M. A. Melnis, Edwin Frary, Daniel Crowley, Mayor Frank K. Mott, F. C. H. Corley, Mayor Callahan, M. Collins, T. D. Dargie, D. Desmond, W. J. Hennessy, G. Fitzgerald, A. D. McKinnon, J. H. Long, J. E. McElroy, Mrs. H. M. J. Crowley, Mrs. G. Conolly, Bessie McElliot, Mrs. T. P. Hogan, Mrs. Kirk, Miss M. Carr, John Mitchell, John Edwards, John Foster, E. C. Bryan, J. W. McClymonds, Thomas Gallagher, Edward Dinneen.

Sandwich—J. B. McNally, chairman; T. J. Desmond, W. V. Harrington, J. Keller, Finance—Daniel Crowley, chairman; Mrs. Conroy, Mayor Callahan, Rev. J. B. McNally, Rev. J. J. McSwaney, Rev. P. A. Foley, M. A. Melnis, Edwin Frary, Daniel Crowley, Mayor Frank K. Mott, F. C. H. Corley, Mayor Callahan, M. Collins, T. D. Dargie, D. Desmond, W. J. Hennessy, G. Fitzgerald, A. D. McKinnon, J. H. Long, J. E. McElroy, Mrs. H. M. J. Crowley, Mrs. G. Conolly, Bessie McElliot, Mrs. T. P. Hogan, Mrs. Kirk, Miss M. Carr, John Mitchell, John Edwards, John Foster, E. C. Bryan, J. W. McClymonds, Thomas Gallagher, Edward Dinneen.

Dr. Hyde's Berkeley Lecture.

BERKELEY, Feb. 22.—Dr. Douglas Hyde's fourth and last lecture at the University of California will be given Saturday afternoon, March 3, at 3 o'clock in the Greek Theater. His subject will be "The Poetic Literature of Ireland." The public is most cordially invited to take this last opportunity of hearing Dr. Hyde. In case of rain the lecture will be held in Harmon Gymnasium.

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