

BRILLIANT M-CAREME BALL BREAKS SEASON OF LENTEN PASSIVITY.

SEQUOIA CLUB AND CERCLE FRANCAISE ARE HOSTS



TWO CHARMING YOUNG WOMEN AND A FASCINATING YOUNG PARISIAN WHO WERE INVITED TO TAKE PART LAST NIGHT IN TWO M-CAREME FESTIVITIES, ONE IN THE BOHEMIAN CLUB, AND ONE IN THE ADJOINED ROOMS OF THE SEQUOIA CLUB.

Blossom's Comedietta, "There's a Crowd," Proves Charming Success, With the Incomparable Miss Ethel Hager as Soubrette to Enliven Play.

STORER CASE CAUSES STIR AT VATICAN Wife of Ambassador Secures Aid of Papal Secretary of State.

AMERICANS HONOR A MEXICAN HERO Celebrate Hundredth Anniversary of Birth of Benito Juarez.

RUSSIA'S GREAT NAVAL PLANS. A Hundred Million Dollars to Be Expended in Two Years.

ST. JOHN IS DENIED BAIL IN COLORADO Union President Held on Charge of Conspiracy to Murder.

BUILDINGS AT MINE SWEEPED BY SNOWSLIDE All Structures Destroyed at Mountain Queen in Colorado.

WIRE "TAPPED" BY "WIRELESS" RECEIVING INSTRUMENT IN LOS ANGELES RECORDS MESSAGE BEING SENT BY OLD METHOD

COTTON MAY LEAVE HARRIMAN'S EMPLOY Report That Oregon Attorney Is to Join the Hill Legal Staff.

COLD INJURES PEACH TREES IN GEORGIA ATLANTA, Ga., March 21.—Reports received from many of the peach-growing sections of the State indicate a loss of between 40 and 50 per cent from the cold of Monday and Tuesday nights.

FASTEN CRIME ON PRISONER Italian Held in San Mateo Jail Said to Be Guilty of Attempt to Wreck Cars OFFICERS FIND TRACKS Imprints From Hobnailed Shoes Such as Benzito Wears Are Discovered

CHINESE IS CHARGED WITH MURDER. The name of Lin Ying, the Chinese who shot and killed Lem Chung in front of a store at 807 Jackson street on March 4, was taken from the detinue book last night and he was charged with murder. Ying was arrested last Thursday night by Detective George McMahon and Sergeant Fraher and was positively identified by several eyewitnesses to the murder.

WARNELL PLEADS SELF-DEFENSE. EUREKA, March 21.—J. L. Warnell, who shot and killed his business associate, Peter Iverson, during a quarrel Tuesday evening, was arrested early this morning by Sheriff Lindsay. He claims that he acted in self-defense.

QUARTET OF CLEVER AMATEURS WILL COMPETE HERE FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIPS. The St. Louis Athletic Club will send a quartet of boxers to take part in the annual championship boxing tournament on April 4, 5 and 6, who will make the coast as instructors stop here.

DRUMMER IS ARRESTED. Michael Schlegel, a drummer, living at 1259 Webster street, got into an altercation with a street track sweeper named Frank Maguire yesterday and was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon. Schlegel alleges that the sweeper brushed mud on his trousers. A fight ensued, in which the drummer drew a pistol and threatened to shoot Maguire. He was booked at the Mission station.

FOUR SPECIAL \$150 EXCURSIONS Over the Santa Fe and Santa Rosa Roads, leaving San Francisco on the Sausalito Ferry at 7:45 a. m. for Monte Rio Park and Mesa Grande, Camp Meeker and the Cazadero Big Trees, allowing from 3 to 5 hours at the famous Cottage Colonies on the Russian River. Return to San Francisco, 7:40 p. m. Every ticket insures a seat. Get them in advance at 620 Market st., under the Chronicle building.

WANTS GUARDIAN APPOINTED.—On the death of Eleanor Stetson the Supreme Court yesterday granted an alternative writ of prohibition against the Superior Court and Judge Coffey. Mrs. Stetson wants the Superior Judge directed to appoint a guardian ad litem for Mary Margaret Cole, daughter of the late John Stetson, in order to effect a proper settlement of the deceased capitalist's estate. Arguments in the case will be heard on April 2.

SLAUGHTER ONLY MONTH

National Assembly Will Have but Small Part in the Government of Russia

CZAR YIELDS LITTLE

Right to Voice Their Complaints the One Privilege Granted to His Subjects

ST. PETERSBURG, March 21.—The imperial manifesto and the ukases of March 8, which touched the fundamental law of the empire the provisions for a National Assembly in Russia, promised in the manifesto last fall, are disappointing in many respects. They constitute neither a constitution nor a bill of rights for the Russian people. They do create a popular assembly, but the promises granted to it are so hedged about with restrictions and conditions that it will be rather a presentment in name than in fact.

Nevertheless by the terms of the manifesto the Emperor himself is powerless to revoke what he has now given. This constitutes the great victory which the people have won. They at last have an authoritative medium through which they can make their voice heard, and it is in this assembly, probably, that the historical struggle against prerogative and privilege will be fought out.

An examination of the documents shows clearly that their purpose has been to in-trench the Government at every point against the assaults of the people. The assembly is organized in office for only half the members, and these are chosen by the nobility, clergy, Zemstvos and commercial interests, so that, with the other half directly nominated by the crown, the Government can always interpose a declaration of the Council as a buffer between it and the direct representatives of the people in the Douma, or lower house. Besides certain important questions, notably the assistance in office for members of the Council of the Empire, the Cabinet, the provincial general governments and other functionaries of the Government belonging to the three highest ranks in the Russian hierarchy, the members of the Council are excluded from the jurisdiction of the Emperor, and are assigned to committees or "commissions," as they are called, of the Council of the Empire. The composition of such committees is restricted to the members appointed by the Emperor.

NOMINATE DOG FOR OFFICE.

ST. PETERSBURG WORKMEN SHOW THEIR CONTEMPT FOR THE ELECTIONS. ST. PETERSBURG, March 21.—The workmen in one of the mills in this city, to render the elections in office today, nominally chose as their delegate a pet dog called Rosa, declaring that the selection was made in a spirit of economy, as if she should be elected it would cost the Government only 7 cents a day to maintain this delegate instead of the allowance of \$5, and at the same time the dog would be quite as useful as a representative of the workmen's interests as any of their candidates who have a chance of election.

THE WORKMEN OF ANOTHER foundry designated as their delegate the factory chimney, on the ground that it would not suffer from machine gun fire.

THE FIRST APPEARANCE OF AN JEWISH disorders is reported as the riotous celebration of the anniversary of the destruction of a synagogue and destroyed the altar and the religious emblems and pictures.

JEWISH EDITOR IMPRISONED. PUNISHED FOR HAVING REPRODUCED THE SPEECH OF HERR BEBEL. ST. PETERSBURG, March 21.—The Court of Appeals has sentenced M. Novotich, formerly editor of the Jewish paper the Novosti, to imprisonment for one year in a fortress for the publication of articles against the Emperor and the army. The principal count in the indictment was based upon the reproduction in the Novosti of a speech by Herr Bebel, the Socialist leader in the German Parliament.

RUSSIA'S GREAT NAVAL PLANS. A Hundred Million Dollars to Be Expended in Two Years. LONDON, March 21.—The Pall Mall Gazette today says it learns that the Russian Government has prepared a naval programme involving the expenditure of \$100,000,000 during the next two years, of which amount British shipbuilders will secure a good share.

NO OUTBREAK AT SEBASTOPOL. ST. PETERSBURG, March 21.—The sensational reports current last night to the effect that the execution of the naval mutiny at Sebastopol in November last, had been followed by an extensive mutiny of sailors at Sebastopol yesterday prove to have been unfounded.

ST. LOUIS BOXERS COMING. Quartet of Clever Amateurs Will Compete Here for the Championships. The St. Louis Athletic Club will send a quartet of boxers to take part in the annual championship boxing tournament on April 4, 5 and 6, who will make the coast as instructors stop here.

RECEIVING INSTRUMENT IN LOS ANGELES RECORDS MESSAGE BEING SENT BY OLD METHOD. LOS ANGELES, March 21.—An occurrence which may be of considerable significance in view of the continued extension of wireless telegraphy happened here today. The receiving operator at the local station of a wireless telegraph company, although several blocks distant from the Santa Fe offices, heard the Santa Fe operator calling "Vg," which is the telegraph call for Las Vegas, N. M. The wireless operator attended his instrument and then heard and took down portions of a lengthy message regarding Santa Fe business. Later in the day the same operator caught the replies being sent from Las Vegas. The wireless operator verified the messages which he had received. There is no connection of any sort between the offices of the Santa Fe and the wireless company excepting the ordinary telephone connections, which are in no way joined with the telegraph instruments of either office.

BOSS COX FACES THE GRAND JURY. ASKED TO TELL OF PAYMENT OF GRATUITIES TO COUNTY TREASURER IN CINCINNATI. INTEREST ON DEPOSITS. COURT TO DETERMINE NATURE OF THE TRANSACTIONS ON PART OF THE OHIO BANKS.

CINCINNATI, March 21.—George B. Cox, who announced his retirement from Republican leadership in Hamilton County at the close of the last campaign, was one of the bank presidents summoned to appear before the Grand Jury today to testify in regard to the payment to the County Treasurer of interest or "gratuities" for the deposit of public moneys. The other bank officials summoned included the heads of all banks in which county funds have been deposited during the past few years. This action was taken by County Prosecutor Rulison, following up the investigation by the Drake committee of the State Senate, before which County Treasurer Hinckle and others testified that the bank had been paying what amounted to 2 to 2 1/2 per cent on funds deposited with them, such payments being made personally to some one in the County Treasurer's office, and that deposits would not be made in any of the banks until an understanding as to the payment of these gratuities had been reached. Checks for \$2,000 and \$5,000 to cover the amount of interest estimated to have been paid were yesterday turned over by County Treasurer Hinckle and former Treasurer French, respectively, both of whom promised to pay any additional amount if this was insufficient, the money to be held until the courts had decided whether it belonged to the county or to the officials personally.

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WOULD BE MURDERER DIES FROM SELF-INFLICTED WOUND. LOS ANGELES MAN WHO SHOT WIFE AND THEN HIMSELF PASSES AWAY AT RECEIVING HOSPITAL. LOS ANGELES, March 21.—Michael E. Power, a hack driver, recently from Portland, Ore., who attempted to murder his wife, Emily Power, and then turned the revolver on himself, sending a bullet through his brain, died today at the Receiving Hospital.

THE WOUNDED WOMAN IS RESTING EASILY. SHE WAS SHOT THROUGH THE LEFT CHEEK, THE BULLET KNOCKING OUT TWO BACK TEETH AND LODGING IN THE JAW. SHE WILL RECOVER.

SAN JOSE, March 21.—Abbott Kinney, founder of the California Venetian in Southern California, has just purchased 250 acres of the Dunne ranch near Morgan Hill. The purchase price was \$37,500.

McKENZIE GIVES CONCERT. J. W. McKenzie's sixty-sixth concert took place at Lyric Hall last evening. He was assisted by his pupils, who well upheld the reputation of their instructor. The programme was rendered in a manner reflecting the highest credit upon all concerned.

OVERTURE (selected), orchestra; male quartet (selected), George Abrams, L. Mitchell, Arthur Kernan, Charles Hulbert; "Zenda Waltz" (Wiltmark), McKenzie Musical Society; "Nightly" (Waltz), McKenzie Musical Society; "The Poetess" (Fantasy) (Gounod), Hugo Caronetti; "Ave Maria," by request (Bach-Gounod), Gertrude Holmes; "The Poetess" (Fantasy) (Gounod), Hugo Caronetti; "Ave Maria," by request (Bach-Gounod), Gertrude Holmes; "The Poetess" (Fantasy) (Gounod), Hugo Caronetti; "Ave Maria," by request (Bach-Gounod), Gertrude Holmes; "The Poetess" (Fantasy) (Gounod), Hugo Caronetti; "Ave Maria," by request (Bach-Gounod), Gertrude Holmes.

Swift's Opening Continues Today, 10:30 a. m. to 10:30 p. m. ELEGANT DISPLAY OF Pure Food Products Charming Electrical Effects Enchanting Music Greatest Exhibit of Its Kind Ever Given in San Francisco No Housekeeper Should Miss It Souvenirs Refreshments 436-444 Drumm St. Swift & Company, U. S. A.