

WORKS BOARD REJECTS BIDS Irregularities in Proceedings for Fourth Street Paving Delay the Work UNION MEN PROTEST Paving Cutters Claim They Will Save City Money in Dressing of Basalt Blocks

The Board of Public Works yesterday held a special meeting which was held for the purpose of rejecting the bids filed for the paving of Fourth street from Howard to Townsend...

The board decided that the conflicting descriptions would invalidate any contract that might be awarded for the improvement and after rejecting the bids filed ordered new bids invited for the work.

The board reiterated its desire to employ as many competent and experienced engineers as will apply. Funds have been made available for the preliminary engineering work...

The board had under consideration a plan to let contract for the repair of the sewer breaks, of which there are a great number at present. The force at the command of the board is not big enough to do all the work.

The finger print and photographic system of personal identification in use in the French army and several other European countries is to be introduced to the United States army and will be put into operation as soon as September 1st is possible.

The army tug General Griffin was placed in commission yesterday after having been equipped with an up-to-date oil-burning apparatus. The Griffin was provided with a temporary apparatus some time ago as an experiment and it proved such a saving to the Government that it was decided to equip all the army tugs in the bay with permanent burners.

Captain A. S. Brooks, Twenty-ninth Infantry, arrived from Fort Logan, Colo., yesterday with a number of recruits for the Presidio.

Dr. Hans Freiherr von Schurbein and Lieutenant Freiherr von Schurbein, two officers of the German army, paid their respects to General Funston, commander of the Department of California, yesterday morning when they were taken on a tour of inspection of the Presidio Reservation in the afternoon by Lieutenant C. B. Moore, Twenty-second Infantry, who was detailed by the general to entertain them during their stay in this city.

Articles of incorporation of the Municipal Street Railways of San Francisco were filed yesterday, the incorporators and directors being Claus Spreckels, James D. Phelan, George Whittell, Rudolph Spreckels and Charles S. Wheeler.

In the articles it is stated that the company proposes installing 200 miles of street railroads in San Francisco, the cars to be propelled by electricity or other lawful motive power, the limits of the system only being bounded by the limits of the city.

Of the capital stock of the corporation, \$14,000,000, Claus Spreckels has subscribed \$1,900,000, James D. Phelan \$1,000,000, George Whittell \$500,000, Rudolph Spreckels \$1,000,000 and Charles S. Wheeler \$100,000.

Of the capital stock subscribed 10 percent of the same has been paid into the hands of James K. Moffitt, treasurer of the corporation, giving him possession of \$450,000 for immediate work. It is the intention of the company to begin work immediately.

WRIT OF ATTACHMENT.—A writ of attachment was served yesterday on F. S. McKean, proprietor of a lodging-house at 428 Sutter street, at the instance of J. T. Wiseman, who holds a claim against McKean for \$126.43. The attachment was made on the furniture attached under a chattel mortgage.

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TO PRODUCE "SHOW GIRL" AT TIVOLI



MISS FLO BARNES, WHO SINGS "THE SHOW GIRL" AT THE TIVOLI.

Performance Tonight to Be an Attractive Affair.

The production of the Wallack Theater version of "The Show Girl, or the Magic Cap," at the Tivoli tonight promises to be an elaborate and delightful affair. Gus Sohlike has been specially brought from the East to stage it and among the new people who are to make their first appearance in it are Flo Barnes, a handsome and talented soprano; Eddie Weston; Jostie and Willie Barrows, famous dancers, and George Norvall.

All the Tivoli favorites will be in "The Show Girl," which will be rich in novel songs, dances, specialties and ensembles.

Allan Roper of Hongkong is at the Palace. Judge M. S. Sayre of Lakeport is at the Lock. Dr. David Powell of Marysville is at the St. Francis.

A. J. Thatcher, an attorney of Ukiah, is at the Lock. A Raymond-Whitney party of fifteen is at the Palace. Key Pittman, an attorney of Tonopah, is at the Palace.

J. H. Roberts, a capitalist of Sacramento, is at the Occidental. L. D. Owens, a hotel owner of Aetna Springs, is at the Palace.

Walter Frost of Chicago, president of the National Canned Goods and Dried Fruit Association, is at the Palace. He has been visiting the fruit regions of California and sizing up this year's prospective crop.

Californians in New York. NEW YORK, April 17.—The following Californians have arrived in New York: From San Francisco—J. Hansmister, at the Belvidere; J. T. Freddy, at the Astor House; A. E. Davis, at the Wellington; J. L. Howard, at the Buckingham; Mrs. Lynrucksels, at the St. Denis; L. S. Sherman, at the Hoffman House.

From San Jose—J. L. Chadlock, at the Bressin. From Los Angeles—Dr. A. Becker, at the New Amsterdam.

Will Lecture in French. Samuel Jacques Brun will give a lecture in French under the auspices of the French Club of the university Wednesday, April 18, at 8 p. m., in Siles Hall. Mr. Brun was formerly an instructor in French, first at Cornell, then at Stanford University. After having remained six years in the latter he gave his resignation and was admitted to the bar in San Francisco. He soon gained an enviable reputation as a lawyer. Mr. Brun is the author of two books which are very popular with the students of French, "Tales of Languedoc" and a "History of the French Revolution." The subject of Mr. Brun's lecture will be "Pierre Loti," after which Robert Dupey will read selections from "Pecheur l'Islande," one of the novels of the famous author.

Praise for State's Mineral Waters. At the banquet of the California Public Health Association held at the Bohemian Club on Monday night the delegates present discussed the fact that the mineral springs of California are in every way equal to those of Europe. There are 109 of such springs in the State, many of which possess medicinal properties of a high order. The only thing lacking is the proper care and maintenance of the springs here. The delegates who discussed the subject were Drs. J. E. Reinhardt, N. K. Foster, J. W. Ward, M. Regensburger, E. von Adelung, F. H. Osborne and Professor George Hyde.

SOUNDING BAY ON MARIN SIDE Mysterious Work Cause of Surmise That Would Line Seeks a Terminal There

For the past three weeks the firm of Hyde, Hartjes & Co. of this city has been busy taking soundings in Richardson Bay, between Sausalito and Belvedere. The work has been most thorough and has given rise to a rumor that the Western Pacific, baffled in its efforts for a terminal in Oakland, had decided to come in by the north side of the bay and that the work of Hyde, Hartjes & Co. was for the determination of the best place for this terminal.

At the Western Pacific offices, however, this rumor is emphatically denied. In the absence of Vice President Bogue, who is in Salt Lake City, his spokesman made the following statement: "The Western Pacific has nothing at all to do with the work going on in Richardson Bay at present. The work is probably being done by some of the electric railway companies of Marin County."

On the other hand, in the legal department of the Western Pacific, preparations are going on vigorously for the prosecution of the appeal from the decision of Judge Morrow, which decided that the Western Pacific had no right to the place on the Oakland side where it had determined to have its terminal.

Marcel Cerf, one of the attorneys of the company, said: "We are going to fight vigorously. We have appealed from the decision of Judge Morrow and the Circuit Court of Appeals, we think, will sustain us. In addition, however, we have begun suits to get the terminal by condemnation and as a last resort will get it in that fashion."

Hyde and Hartjes admitted readily that they were taking soundings in Richardson Bay, but would not state for whom they were doing it. The firm is the one which was building bulkheads for the Western Pacific, or its ally, the American Drisdreg Company, on the site of the planned Oakland terminal.

HIGH PRAISE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THIS CITY Chief Terry F. Owens of Denver Says San Francisco Laddies Are Famed Over This Country. Yesterday a big, line looking man might have been seen looking intently at the many wooden buildings in San Francisco and expressing surprise at their presence downtown. He was Terry F. Owens, the celebrated Fire Chief of Denver. He is in San Francisco with his wife and little baby, seeking to cure a bad cold contracted while on duty a month ago. He has been south and is now on his way home.

Chief Owens seemed displeased at the wooden buildings which he saw everywhere. "Bad places for fires," he said. He was delighted, however, with the work of the San Francisco Fire Department. He rode with Chief Sullivan to a fire in the Mission yesterday afternoon.

"The San Francisco boys are all right," he said enthusiastically, after watching them get out and away with the apparatus. "These men are the best of a class that I have ever seen and I have visited every department in the United States. They attack the country over. I see now why San Francisco has been free from disastrous fires; her men are so prompt and too intelligent. It does my heart good to watch them work."

Chief Owens is at the Grand Hotel. Free Matinee at Rink. The Central Park Skating Rink has issued a programme of events that will occupy the remainder of the week at the new building. This afternoon there will be a matinee given by Little Lillian Franks, who invites every school child of San Francisco to be her guest on this occasion and witness her exhibition of skating. All school children will be admitted free upon this occasion. Thursday evening Professor Franks will give his noted free skating act, something that has never before been given in this city. On Friday evening there will be a challenge race.

Change of Time. The summer schedule of the Mill Valley and Mount Tamalpais Scenic Railway will go into effect today, providing three trains daily and seven Sundays. The crooked little scenic road is growing in popularity yearly, and with the increased local interest is resulting in full trains over this most beautiful scenic line in the world.

CAMERA CLUB EXHIBIT.—The California Camera Club has a collection of heliogravure prints, the work of Professor C. O. Berkeley, which it will exhibit during the rest of this month. Professor Lange will address the club on the evening of April 24, and demonstrate the "chloride of silver process" by which these prints are made.

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Visits of Burglars Reported. A. F. Anderson, a sailor, reported to the police yesterday that about 3 o'clock yesterday morning he left open the door of his room in the Dewey House on East street for a few minutes, and when he returned his valise, a suit of underwear and a gold watch and chain had been stolen. Frank Ebner & Co., grocers, 411 Third street, reported that the store had been entered during the night by breaking the glass in the front window and a quantity of canned goods stolen. Dr. Perkins of the Metropole Hotel, 6 Turk street, reported that his show case had been broken and gold plates and gold crowns of the value of \$25 stolen.

AMUSEMENTS. GRAND OPERA HOUSE. Grand Opera Opheum Vaudeville Perfection "MOTORING"; Charles R. Sweet; Armstrong and Holby; Mile. Lotty; The Famous Agout Family; Goleman's Dogs, Cats and Doves; Jimmy Watt; Artie Hall and Opheum Motion Pictures. Regular Matinees Every Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. Prices—10c, 25c and 50c.

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