

TAX WILL RISE WITH THE RENT

Oakland City Council to Derive Revenue From Harvest.

Property Owners Must Contribute Out of Big Profits.

Needs of Municipality Increased Greatly by Influx.

OAKLAND, May 15.—Property owners who have increased rents exorbitantly because of the demand created by the sudden influx of business from San Francisco will be subjected to a stiff increase in the assessment valuation when the City Board of Equalization takes over the assessment rolls this fall. Arrangements have been quietly made to collect evidence in the shape of leases, rent receipts, old and new, and other proof of increases, for use by the board in raising the assessment roll on such affected properties.

Many owners have raised rents from 50 per cent to 200 per cent. Sather block stores, Seventh street, between Market and Myrtle streets, which had rented for \$18 a month have been raised to \$55. Washington street stores are 50 to 100 per cent higher. The same condition prevails on Broadway. Not a few merchants of this city who for twenty to thirty years, and even longer, are being forced out of the established places of business by owners who have been grasping enough to forget the past.

The emergency in many cases has led to much hardship because of the policy which has been adopted by taking all the traffic will bear. It is to combat this spirit as far as possible that members of the city board have decided to force higher valuations upon much property as a tax-paying basis.

Edwin Meese, chairman of the Council finance committee, said in this connection:

"The city of Oakland will be confronted by a heavy demand for the coming fiscal year for increased revenue. There will be need of a large increase in the Police Department. Fire fighting facilities must be improved. Street improvements must continue on the same liberal scale which has marked the present year's work. Repairs to public buildings will be required. In short, the sudden increase of probably more than 50 per cent in population means a heavy increase in the cost of conducting the city.

"The main source of revenue is from the direct property tax based on an assessment valuation fixed by the county assessors; that valuation is entirely insufficient for municipal purposes. It is figured on a county and State basis and has always been inadequate for city use.

"To increase that valuation will mean long and arduous labor by the City Board of Equalization, but this must be done, for there must be an increase in municipal income. I shall make every effort to secure increases on all property where the owners have materially increased rental incomes.

"The tremendous rise in rents on many pieces of property makes it imperative that the city government should take cognizance of the increased values represented by this increase. We propose to fortify ourselves with the proper evidence and compel property owners who are enriching themselves by reason of the new conditions to bear a greater share of the burden which the city must carry."

Councilman Meese says the present fiscal year will close without a deficit, despite the great amount of street improvements that have been made, and the heavy drain incidental to general relief work. Meese estimates that not less than twenty-five new policemen will be required at once.

Thirty Per Cent Rise in Rents.

OAKLAND, May 15.—Tenants of the Bacon block, Washington street, between Eleventh and Twelfth, have been notified of a 20 per cent increase in their rents.

Gives Police a Suicidal Score.

OAKLAND, May 15.—Mrs. H. G. Roberts, formerly a resident of Knights Landing, but recently living at 423 Twenty-sixth street, was hurried to the Receiving Hospital this afternoon, under the supposition that she had attempted suicide by taking chloroform. She was found with two bottles in her possession, both empty, but upon arriving at the hospital no indications of the poison could be found. She attracted attention by sitting in a wagon at Twenty-second street and San Pablo avenue in a dazed condition, and when the chloroform bottles were discovered, it was concluded that she had taken poison with suicidal intent. It is the belief of the doctors that she is in the habit of taking chloroform, and upon her promise not to use any more she was allowed to go.

Struck by a Passenger Car.

OAKLAND, May 15.—James Shaw of 725 Henry street was struck by a Seventh-street local early this morning at Seventh and Center streets and taken to the Receiving Hospital badly bruised and lacerated by the impact, but without any bones broken.

Bay Yields Up Its Dead.

OAKLAND, May 15.—The body of a man, clad in dark coat and light trousers, with a watch dangling at the vest, was seen Monday night near Long wharf in the bay by Southern Pacific employes. They failed in efforts to recover the corpse.

DARGIE'S WORK BRINGS REWARD

Oakland's Efficient Postmaster Reappointed by President.

Makes Record Which Calls Forth Commendation of the People.

OAKLAND, May 15.—Thomas T. Dargie has been reappointed Postmaster of this city in recognition of his excellent work for four years in charge of the local department.

Postmaster Dargie has made a record for efficiency which has called forth the commendation of the postal department. He has largely increased the facilities of the office, has secured increased carrier and clerical forces, has systematized and reorganized the entire work on a sound basis. For many years Postmaster Dargie was active in the Republican party councils of the State. He occupies a high position in the community. In private life he has been secretary for many years of the Tribune Publishing Company, of which William E. Dargie, his brother, is president. The reappointment of Postmaster Dargie will receive the approval of all persons who come in contact with the postoffice administration. Dargie is the only Postmaster in the history of this city who has been reappointed. His reappointment was recommended by Representative J. R. Knowland and concurred in by United States Senators Perkins and Flint of this State.

"BULL PEN" IS NOT NECESSARY, SAY THE OAKLAND OFFICIALS

Opposed to Drastic Measures for Subjugation of the Bibulously Inclined Visitors and Residents.

OAKLAND, May 15.—Chief of Police Wilson, as well as Mayor Mott, president of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners, are opposed to the suggestion of Prosecuting Attorney Leach that a "bullpen" be established under military guard for the imprisonment of persons arrested for drunkenness. Chief Wilson thinks he can still accommodate overhauled citizens at the city prison, but if worst comes to worst he will devise a plan less obnoxious than the "bullpen" to meet any exigency which might arise.

City officials do not hesitate to declare that the situation has been exaggerated and magnified beyond its legitimate proportions. They insist that the increase in drunkenness is not out of proportion to the increase in population. They point out that crime has not increased by reason of the new conditions; that is to say, crime of a serious nature. On the contrary, despite the unexpected changes due to the large movement into the city, the general order has been and continues to be excellent. As long as these conditions are unchanged necessity for drastic treatment is not admitted by Chief of Police Wilson. On the general subject Mayor Mott said today:

"Our city is orderly. It is well conducted and our people are meeting the emergency with remarkable adaptability. I see no reason for any unusual action on the part of city officials. Problems which confront us will be met as their importance deserves. It is not fair to ourselves to overestimate their importance."

GOVERNOR THANKS SCHOOL CHILDREN OF LOS ANGELES

Expresses His Appreciation of the Kindness and Sympathy Shown by Them for the Fire Sufferers.

OAKLAND, May 15.—Touched by the self-sacrifice and sympathy manifested by the school children of Los Angeles, Governor Pardee has written in the name of the State a letter of thanks to them. The message sent to H. Washburn of the Los Angeles School Department reads:

"My Dear Mr. Washburn: I wish you would see to it that the school children of Los Angeles, who responded, as did their parents, to the appeal for help that the people of San Francisco, rendered homeless and schoolless by the terrible fire that followed the earthquake of April 18, are properly thanked, in the name of these destitute people, for their great kindness.

"Tell them, please, for me, that I wish I had time to write them each a letter of thanks for and appreciation of their great generosity. But, of course, however much I would like to do so, I cannot find time, and even if I could find time I could not find words to express the feeling that I have toward them.

"So I shall have to ask you to say to them, one and all, girls and boys, big and little, that San Francisco's homeless people and their schoolless children are grateful and thankful to and proud—very proud—of your Los Angeles Californian school children.

"God bless them, every one.

"Very truly yours,
"GEO. C. PARDEE, Governor."

Oakland Marriage Licenses.

OAKLAND, May 15.—The following marriage licenses were issued by the County Clerk today: Ole M. Carlson, 22, and Annie Burr, 21, both of Oakland; Leslie Chapman, 23, and Ethel Dwyer, 19, both of San Francisco; Jonas T. Grant, 30, and Annie Magner, 40, both of Oakland; Claude A. Langley, 25, San Francisco, and Carrie D. Voehles, 25, San Jose; Thomas R. Creber, 36, and Alvirde M. Mundell, 32, both of San Francisco; Chester A. Jones, 22, and Gertrude F. McCord, 18, both of San Francisco; Jens P. Jensen, 36, and Anna C. Kling, 33, both of San Francisco; George S. Embury, 30, and Sarah D. H. Hanscom, 28, both of Berkeley; August E. de Bernardi, 23, and Ida Silverman, 19, both of San Francisco; Joseph Amerio, 26, and Mary C. Lovison, 22, both of Oakland; Homer E. Jensen, 28, Watsonville, and Marie Homer, 21, Alameda.

Friedman Company Incorporates.

OAKLAND, May 15.—Articles of incorporation of the Friedman Furniture Company were filed with the county clerk today. The capital stock of the company is \$150,000. The incorporators are Marx, Israel and Henry A. Friedman, all of whom live in San Francisco, but whose place of business for the company will be Oakland.

TEXT SCHOOLS TO BE OPENED

Work of Board of Education Is to Be Resumed in a Few Weeks.

Major McIvor of the Park Relief Station Gives a Solution.

The nucleus of the New San Francisco School Department will be organized in Golden Gate Park before many days. Major G. W. McIvor, in charge of the Park relief station, has provided tent accommodations for 300 children, and the matter is now up to the Board of Education. The board was to confer with Major McIvor yesterday, but there was a hitch in arrangements.

There are upward of 500 children of the school age in the Park relief section, and what to do with them has been a serious problem to the authorities. Major McIvor's idea seems to be the best solution.

President Roncovieri of the Board of Education was in favor of resuming school as soon as the fire was extinguished, but this was thought impracticable for many reasons. All of the school buildings are used for offices for municipal officials. Members of the Board of Health thought that it would be dangerous to have children congregate in large numbers. So Roncovieri declared that the School Department would not resume until August.

Since then it has been shown that it will not be wise to let the children run wild. The board believed that it is just as necessary for the work of the School Department to be resumed as that of any other municipal department. Many a tired mother who is wearied with other household cares is wishing that the care of the little ones could be taken from her hands for a few hours of the day. The re-establishment of the schools will work wonders in the straightening out of families.

The tents of the Park district schools are already erected. Major McIvor is waiting for the consent of the Board of Education. There are teachers in plenty who are eager to resume their work.

Since the charge of the Park relief section, Major McIvor has made it sanitary and comfortable in every way and has worked wonders in cheering up the homeless under his charge. The school scheme is his pet idea, and its establishment will make his little colony a complete one. If it is adopted in the park tent schools will be established in all the relief districts.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION IS CUT OFF ONE-HALF IN OAKLAND

Army Authorities to Follow the Course in Giving Relief That is Pursued Here.

OAKLAND, May 15.—Major James R. Erwin, in charge of food distribution in this city, has cut off by one-half the issue of rations outside of the established camps at Adams Point, the Willows and at Berkeley. Hereafter food will be issued on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays only, following the same lines as have been adopted in San Francisco.

The formal order explains, as follows, reasons for the change from daily issue:

HEADQUARTERS OAKLAND RELIEF COMMITTEE, OAKLAND, Cal., May 14, 1906.

"The authorities of San Francisco having announced that food supplies for sufferers would be issued only on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays of each week and for one day only, the relief committee of Oakland finds it necessary to make the same regulations, in order to prevent people from San Francisco from coming to Oakland which is already overcrowded and taxed to its utmost to supply the demands now being made upon the resources placed at the disposal of the relief committee.

Therefore it is ordered that, commencing Wednesday, May 17, issues for food at the relief stations will be made only on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and for one day only. On alternate days food will be issued only in exceptional cases, when request is submitted to this effect. Persons registered in the following designated camps will be supplied as usual:

City and Hearst's camps at Adams Point.
Chinese camp at Willows.
Berkeley.
By order of the Oakland Relief Committee.
JAMES R. ERWIN,
Major Ninth Cavalry.

Pickpocket Takes Papers.

OAKLAND, May 15.—E. R. Horswill, 154 Eighth street, has reported the theft of valuable papers by a pickpocket yesterday. Sam Carson complained that \$200 was stolen early this morning from his room at 52 1/2 Webster street.

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By GEORGE A. STORY, Cashier.

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