

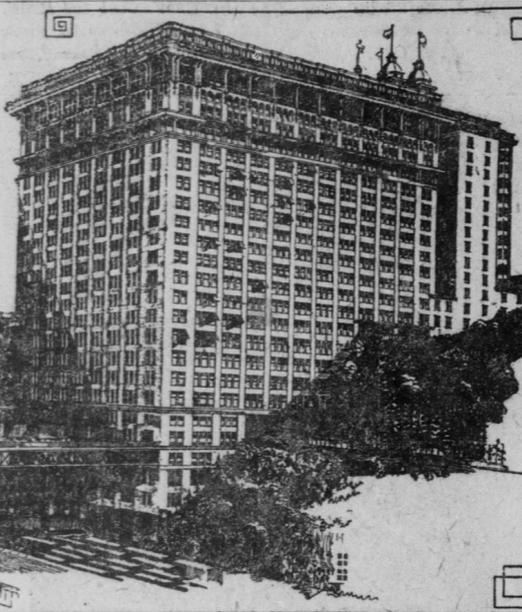
TACOMA PLANS LARGEST BUILDING IN THE WORLD

Lowest Floor of 24 Will Be 173 Feet Below Edge of Bluff Site TO COVER 48 ACRES

Railways, Docks, Stores, Factories and a Hotel Under One Roof

Tacoma, Wash., a city of only 100,000 people, located on the shores of Puget

Imperial building of Tacoma will be largest structure on earth when completed, and have railways, trolley lines, stores, factories, docks and homes under its roof of two acres, which will be turned into a municipal park, with splendid site on bluff overlooking Puget sound.



sonal, it is to have the largest building in the world. It will stand 24 stories in height and will be the most unique structure in existence, for it will house some forms of activity than any other building. This building is to be known as the Imperial. It has a breadth of 280 feet and a length of 415 feet and will cover with its roof an area of 48 acres. The immense Grand Central station, under construction in New York city, with its 22 acres of floor space will be more than doubled by this Tacoma skyscraper. That such a huge mass of brick and steel should be projected in a city like Tacoma, so far away from the largest commercial centers of the country, a city which in 1890 was credited with a population of only 37,714, is perhaps as remarkable as the mere fact that previous efforts of builders are to be outdone. The construction company is already financed, and work soon will start on the great structure.

Tacoma stands on a high bluff overlooking the waters of Puget sound, seventy-five miles northward are the Straits of Juan de Fuca, and midway between Tacoma and the entrance to the straits is Seattle, with 250,000 people. At the edge of this high bluff the Imperial building will stand, reaching out to the water front will be a monster port cocher, it might be called, with towers extending high in the air. The loadward end of the building will be sunk 175 feet into the earth, so that not more than eight or ten stories will appear above the ground at the building's front. Two million cubic yards of earth will be removed in order that all the lower floors can be completed to the full dimensions of the structure. When completed it will be possible for the tenants—or at least the majority of them—to live perpetually within the Imperial building without stepping outside of any of their wants, and they need not leave the structure if they wish outdoor pleasures, for the roof will be used as a municipal park. The top floors of the structure will be utilized for a hotel, next will come floors for department stores and shops; then, lower yet, will be wholesale establishments, next, manufacturing and on the lowest levels there will be stores and places for the handling of freight.

Four transcontinental railroads, it is planned, will enter the structure. The Northern Pacific, which for many years made Tacoma its western terminal, will enter the Imperial building on the sixth floor. The Harriman lines and the Milwaukee will be assigned to the second and third floors, respectively. It is expected that the Northwestern, which is to build to the coast, will enter the big block its passenger terminal.

So many different industries will be housed in the building that the wholesaler will receive his goods from the east or from rural districts, supply them to the retailer and thence to the consumer. The building in this way, will be a metropolis within itself. There will be thousands of rooms. Six million dollars will be expended before the contractors turn the structure over to the company.

The building of this structure came about in a peculiar way, through the medium of a civil engineer, A. P. Gillies, who visited Tacoma years ago and admitted the high bluff overlooking the water as a magnificent site for a colossal building, which would support such an undertaking. For 10 years he retained the impression of "early days and constantly thought of the site for enterprise. He is a graduate of the University of California, and the engineers helping to build the Cape to Cairo railway in Africa, from the southern end, and was appointed by the British government to explore Rhodesia. He is a grandnephew of David Livingstone, the famous African explorer.

About a year ago Gillies returned to Tacoma and laid his plans for the building. He traveled throughout the coast and represented to large merchants and manufacturers the advantages of establishing branches at Tacoma as a gateway to the orient. His plan met with approval and he returned to Tacoma with a large number of interested Tacoma men in the enterprise.

Twenty passenger and 12 freight elevators will be installed in the building, in addition to four hydraulic cranes, which will raise to any height freightcars from the tracks on the water front. Ships will unload their cargoes on the wharves at the base of the two projecting towers. Belt conveyors 1,000 feet long will convey freight from the wharves upward. The bridges from the main structure, 75 feet high and 600 feet long, will convey convey passengers from the wharves to the upper floors.

Power for the factories within the building will be furnished by the Nisqually river, a few miles away. It is expected that 10,000 horsepower will be needed to carry on the activities. An estimate places the number of yards of plastering needed in the building at 2,500,000, and 75,000,000 bricks will be employed in casing the steel framework, which will represent 40,000 tons. It is asserted by Gillies that 1,000 men will be employed for two years in completing this huge block. Twenty thousand incandescent electric lights will be needed to light it.

Three streetcar lines will run through the building, on the sixth, seventh and fourteenth floors, by means of an elevated roadway. The builders of the Imperial building are A. P. Gillies, Henry Hewitt Jr., J. C. Donnelly, Edmond Croft and F. C. Forrester, all prominent and influential citizens of Tacoma. The building was designed by W. W. Houghton, a Seattle architect.

THIRTY DAY TIME CHECKS HELD VALID BY COURT

Complaining Workers Lose Fight in Washington Tribunal

Special by Leased Wire to The Call

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 2.—Time checks payable a month after their dates may be given to employees in this state, according to the decision of the state supreme court sustaining the decision of the Lewis county superior court which upheld the demurrer of the Chehalis furniture and manufacturing company to a charge that the company was violating the state time check law. The supreme court unanimously held that the purpose of the law was to prevent the practice compelling employees to take merchandise in payment for services. The check which brought about the charge was issued March 15, 1907, payable April 15, 1907. As it was payable in lawful money the court holds it was not in violation of the law. The decision, however, points out that if the main had been discharged he was entitled to immediate payment in cash under the law, but the information did not allege such discharge.

The constitutionality of the candidate fee section of the direct primary law was sustained by Judge Linn in the superior court here this afternoon and he denied a writ of mandate asked by L. E. Barr to compel the city clerk of Olympia to place Barr's name on the ballot as candidate for city attorney without the fee.

SUES TO BREAK COAL COMBINE IN COLORADO

Attorney General Proceeds Against Alleged Trust Under Common Law, Lacking Special Statute

DENVER, Nov. 2.—Suits to enjoin the retail coal dealers' alleged combination continuing its present high scale of prices and to force its dissolution was filed in the Denver district court today by Attorney General W. H. Dickson. Eighty coal companies, including the Colorado fuel and iron company, one of the largest concerns in the west, are named as defendants in the action. In his complaint Attorney Dickson declares that the coal dealers have formed a combination to control the sale of coal in the state and have raised the price of coal and maintained it at a high and exorbitant scale. It is further alleged that the production of coal has been curtailed. It is less than the actual needs of customers. The plea for an injunction is based upon the common law, there being no antitrust law in this state.

HARRY NONNAST SENDS POST CARD TO FATHER

Missing Son Forwards a Brief Pictorial Message From San Francisco

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—The picture postcard craze yesterday reunited a family which had been separated for two years when Louis F. Nonnast received an illuminated card from his son, Harry, 24 years of age, who disappeared from home two years ago. The postcard was written from San Francisco and simply said that the writer was well and prosperous. Nonnast said that there had been no reason for Harry's leaving home two years ago. The card did not state whether or not the writer intended to return home. The father had offered \$100 reward for a trace of the boy.

TWO NEGRO PRISONERS LYNCHED IN ALABAMA

Citizens Find the Bodies of the Victims Hanging From a Telegraph Pole

MOLINE, Ohio, Nov. 2.—Abe Sumroll and Hank Lucas, negroes, were lynched early today at Vinegar Bend, Ala. Sumroll killed Julio Boaz, a young Cuban, on Monday night while he was trying to arrest him for burglary. Lucas' crime was the protecting of Sumroll from the officers of the law and from the posse of citizens. The bodies were found hanging to a telegraph pole north of town. It was at first feared that the negroes at the stake, but wisers heads prevailed.

STATE PAYS STAGE LINES

SACRAMENTO, Nov. 2.—State Controller Nye has settled with the stage companies that carry passengers into the Yosemite valley. This money became due when the state gave control of the valley to the United States government.

Bargains in Diamonds W. J. Hesthal, formerly 10 Sixth st., will open in a few days, 1624 Fillmore st. near Post.

TO ATTACK THE GERMAN RECIPROCIITY AGREEMENT

Ultra Tariff Opponents Plan to Review Before Congress

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—A program has been agreed upon by the ultra tariff opponents of the German reciprocity agreement for a review of that agreement before congress. As soon as congress meets it is planned to have a resolution of inquiry introduced calling upon the president to furnish congress with the details of the present modus vivendi on the tariff under which duties are being collected on German imports. The question of the legality of the act of the administration in negotiating the arrangement may be referred to the committee on judiciary. Speaker Cannon and other republican leaders have been approached with a view to permitting this program to be adopted in the house.

MISS GRACE DOLLAR BECOMES MRS. DICKSON

Elaborate Ceremony Witnessed by Seventy-five Guests in San Rafael Residence

SAN RAFAEL, Nov. 2.—Miss Grace Dollar, daughter of Robert Dollar, was married tonight to Frederick William Dickson of San Geronimo. The wedding took place at the beautiful home of the bride's father in Sixth street, which was elaborately decorated with white chrysanthemums and pink dahlias. Mrs. Stanley Dollar was matron of honor and the bridesmaid were Miss Agnes Bell and Miss May Dollar. The bride was attired in a robe of rich white brocade satin, profusely trimmed with rare point lace. In her culture she wore a magnificent diamond star and a bouquet of lilacs of the valley and orchids. The matron of honor and the bridesmaids were gowned in white silk and carried shower bouquets of white roses. The groom was attended by Wallace Alexander, Rev. Dr. Langdon was the officiating clergyman.

Following the ceremony a sumptuous wedding feast was served to 75 guests. Mr. and Mrs. Dickson have departed on an extended trip to Europe.

MAYOR USES AX ON GATE TO FENCED IN RIVER BED

Hihn Company Claims Land and Orders City to Keep Off Its Gravel Wad

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SANTA CRUZ, Nov. 2.—Another chapter was added today to the controversy between the city and the F. A. Hihn company over river bottom land. The Hihn company recently fenced in the channel of the San Lorenzo river and placed a lock on the gate. The fence was removed not long ago, but immediately replaced and notice filed with the city authorities by the Hihn company that suit would be instituted if it was again removed. As a weapon to work with, the city council passed an ordinance calling for a clear and unobstructed river channel. This did not seem to move the Hihn company to remove the fence, and today Mayor McEnulty, who was armed for the occasion, shouldered an ax and with Superintendent of Streets and Parks Greenfield, proceeded to the river bottom, chopped the fence down and cleared it away, the mayor working like a Trojan. The city proposes to keep the channel clear and use the gravel. The Hihn company claims the land and will fight to hold it.

CONFESSION OF CZOLGOSZ LOST IN INCENDIARY FIRE

Records Destroyed and Firemen Injured in Burning of Buffalo Police Building

BUFFALO, Nov. 2.—In the burning of the police building yesterday police records, the rogues' gallery and many important documents, including the original copy of Czolgosz' confession of the assassination of President McKinley, were destroyed. The fire was of incendiary origin. Two companies of firemen were caught in the collapse of the roof and cupola and eight men were seriously injured. None will die. The building was destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

FINDS ISSUE LEGAL

SANTA CRUZ, Nov. 2.—Judge Smith in the school board case rendered a decision today sustaining the legality of the issue of \$50,000, which was held up on a petition for an injunction to block their sale on allegations of illegality. The bonds will be issued for a new school and needed improvements.

A Denver court holds that it is cruelty on the part of a husband not to kiss his wife every day.

ROOSEVELT IS URGED TO CALL EXTRA SESSION

Request Comes From Conservative Leaders in Financial World

WANT LAWS CHANGED

Administration Fears That More Harm Than Good Might Result

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—It was learned here today from undoubted sources that President Roosevelt is being urged to call an extra session of congress to deal with the financial situation. The request comes from and represents the judgment of the conservative leaders in the financial world who have expressed their present situation as one compelling action of a character that will eradicate all ground for suspicion of American industrial methods.

The president has been assured from most reliable sources that there will be no opposition on the part of the industries of the country to the enactment of the necessary laws to carry out his ideas of federal control to the extent to which he has expounded them in his recent public utterances. These assurances are made at this time to avert what has been represented as the most dangerous situation which has confronted the country during an extended period of inactivity. It is the seeming growing lack of confidence based on known irregularities in business methods in some quarters and no sure and speedy means of separating the good from the unsound.

CONTROL OF CORPORATIONS

To this end it is suggested that the president call congress to the task first making such amendments to financial laws as will result in the maximum flexibility with the minimum of basic change in our system. Next, and perhaps the most important, is that which will embody his suggestions on corporation control into succinct recommendations for enactment into law. In this connection attention has been directed to what he said at Provincetown, Mass., August 29 last.

I believe in a national incorporation law for corporations engaging in interstate business. I believe the need of action is most pressing as to these corporations because they are common carriers, have a quasi public function, and which can be completely controlled in all respects by the state. It is the exercise of the power conferred under the interstate commerce law and under the post road law that is the issue.

The national government should exercise over them a similar supervision and control to that which is exercised over the common carriers. I do not wish to see this only by proceeding further along the lines marked out by the recent national legislation.

Almost every big business concern is engaged in interstate commerce and with a concern which has been too often the case in the past to escape thereby all responsibility for the arrangement of the business.

To meet his views the president then suggested amendments to the Sherman antitrust law and the adoption of a nominal clause to that and the interstate commerce law, which would have the effect of having federal legal machinery to detect and eradicate unwholesome business methods at this time was said to be the desirable end to be accomplished. This would mean it was placed out of the hands of the state and a starting afresh under business conditions which would have and would be the closest possible scrutiny.

PRESIDENT IS UNDECIDED

That the president has given the request for an extra session careful consideration is indicated by those who have been asked to lend their attendance to the matter. That information as to existing conditions is not alarming has been the continuing assurance of the president's advisers. His attitude in this view the president has been told that the call for an extra session of congress might have the reverse effect from that desired by those who have been asked to lend their attendance to the matter. It is an apprehension of unfavorable conditions which do not exist.

Falling in obtaining an extra session for those who have made the appeal for it has been the chief objective. The additional request, that the president make a public statement of the assurance he feels in the sound condition of public credit. This, too, has met with a measure of opposition from the administration's advisers. Both suggestions are still matters of consideration, although no information whatever is obtainable regarding either directly from the White House.

Spend your own money your own way. Does it not seem strange to you that a dealer who tries to substitute when you ask for an advertised article should assume that you are not capable of spending your own money?

AID GIVEN TO BEGAR BRINGS HANDSOME REWARD

Benefactor Receives \$1,000 From Man He Benefitted on Christmas Eve Nine Years Ago

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—On Christmas eve, 1898, John McNulty, a man in moderate circumstances, while returning to his home, aided a beggar, who stopped him on the street and applied for alms. The man insisted on getting his benefactor's name and address, and some days afterwards he might be able to show his appreciation. McNulty thought no more of the matter until last night, when upon returning from his work he opened a letter which had come for him and found inclosed a \$1,000 bill and a brief letter which read: "Dear Sir—Inclosed you will find \$1,000 in payment for your kindness and your merry Christmas given to me nine years ago, when I was broke and wanted a meal. I have traveled considerably in many places since that night, but I have always remembered your kindness. Take this and use it. Believe me, Yours P. E."

MANHATTAN OPERA HOUSE TO EMPLOY WOMEN USHERS

Management Secures Services of Former School Teachers to Act as Seat Pilots

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—There are to be women ushers in the Manhattan opera house this season. Last winter there was considerable trouble with some of the men who were employed in the capacity and many changes had to be made in the corps of seat pilots before the season was ended.

Hammerstein and his son, Arthur, have studied out the cause and effect of last year's petty troubles and they have decided that if women ushers who are employed in many of the opera houses in Europe are a success the plan should work in the Manhattan and will be tried.

Twelve young women, some of whom have been teachers in the public schools, have been engaged, and beginning Monday night they will take charge of the seating arrangements of the Manhattan.



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VIOLATORS OF SUNDAY CLOSING LAW INDICTED

Kansas City Grand Jury Proceeds Against Barbers and Merchants

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 2.—Ninety-seven indictments against barbers and small merchants charged with violating the Sunday closing law were returned by the grand jury here today. No indictments were brought against theatrical employees and actors because an injunction restraining officers from serving warrants against such employees is pending in the federal court. Warrants were served in most cases tonight and those arrested were released on bonds. The grand jury will consider the theatrical cases later.

FALLS FROM EXCURSION TRAIN AND DIES SOON

Mrs. E. C. Hinshaw, a Sonoma County Widow, the Victim of an Accident

SANTA ROSA, Nov. 2.—While returning from Ukiah, where she had spent the day, Mrs. E. C. Hinshaw, widow of a former representative to the assembly from Bloomfield, fell from the first section of an excursion train and was killed. She was not missed by the trainmen, and when notified of the mishap the train was so near this city that it was run here to await the coming of the second section. Mrs. Hinshaw was seen by the crew of the second section and picked up while still breathing, but life had passed away when Santa Rosa was reached. A daughter, Mrs. John L. Peterson, lives near this city.

GRASS VALLEY'S MAYOR TENDERS RESIGNATION

Accepts New Position, Which Renders It Impossible for Him to Remain in Office

Special by Leased Wire to The Call

GRASS VALLEY, Nov. 2.—Deep regret was expressed on all sides yesterday when the announcement of Mayor Clinch that he will resign the office to accept a position with a San Francisco firm was made known. The announcement was made by the mayor at the meeting of the trustees last evening and it came entirely unexpected. His resignation will be read at the regular monthly meeting of the board on November 14. In the course of his address Clinch stated that, as his duties as a prison director and the new position which he is about to assume will keep him away from Grass Valley about half of each month, he thought he could not do justice to the people who elected him by remaining in office.

SUBURBAN RESORT IS PROVIDED WITH CANNON

Five Pieces of Artillery Sent to Venice, Cal., Making That Point Strongest on South Coast

VENICE, Cal., Nov. 2.—Five pieces of artillery consigned to the chamber of commerce by the war department reached here today. They include one 16 foot Parrot gun, two 12 pound muzzle loaders and two Spanish breech loaders. The guns will be mounted on the Windward avenue pier and will provide Venice with better coast defense than any other point on the southern Californian seaboard. A request for the guns was sent to the war department several weeks ago by the chamber of commerce.

CALIFORNIANS IN NEW YORK

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NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—The following registered at local hotels: San Francisco—G. H. Stehl, at the Herald Square; Miss M. Barry, at the Continental; L. R. Rhodes, at the Continental; Miss Hooker, Miss C. G. Hooker, at the Hotel Wolcott; H. Kahn and wife, at the Hotel Belleclair; E. R. Lilienthal and wife, J. Lilienthal, Miss Lilienthal, at the Hotel-Netherland; Los Angeles—M. Brown and wife, at the Albany; F. W. Pabst, Mrs. A. E. Smith, at the Hotel Breslin; H. W. Berry, at the Wellington; A. Douglass, at the Algonquin.

GREENE AIDS COMPANY

EL PASO, Tex., Nov. 2.—W. C. Greene, head of the Greene gold and silver company, has presented that company with \$7,849.00 in stock to help the concern in any trouble that might arise and to enable it to continue its work of development.

FINDS TREASURE SHIP EMBEDDED IN SAND

Texan Discovers Lost Yacht Supposed to Contain \$150,000

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WALLISVILLE, Tex., Nov. 2.—The recent shifting of the bed of the Trinity river at a point a few miles above Pacific has solved the mystery of the disappearance of a British yacht, which has been missing for 70 years. The hull of the vessel has been brought to light and upon the deck are three brass cannon of ancient pattern. The discovery of the vessel was made by John M. Sparks, a well known citizen of Nacogdoches, Tex., who was making a trip down the river when his attention was attracted to the wreck. A rise in the river washed away the sand which had covered it for nearly three quarters of a century. The importance of the discovery lies in the fact that according to tradition the hull of the yacht contains English gold coin to the amount of \$150,000.

The yacht was said to have been chartered by the Mexican government to bring arms, ammunition and money to Santa Anna, for use in his campaign against the Texans in the war which finally gave Texas her freedom. The vessel was proceeding up the Trinity river when it struck a snag and was sunk. The officers and crew of the vessel were said to have joined Santa Anna and were all killed a few days later in the battle of San Juan. Sparks claims whatever treasure the vessel may contain by right of discovery.

GOVERNMENT CHARTERS STEAMERS IN SCOTLAND

Twenty-one Vessels Are Secured to Convey Coal to Big Fleet When It Visits Pacific Coast

GLASGOW, Scotland, Nov. 2.—It was announced yesterday that 21 steamers have been chartered here to convey coal and other supplies to the American fleet, which is to visit Pacific waters.

EAST HIGHLAND ORANGES ARE NOW READY TO PICK

One or Two Carloads of the Fruit Will Be Shipped From Southland Within Few Days

REDLANDS, Nov. 2.—Less than a week ago the final estimate of the 1908 crop of oranges, just cleaned up, was made. Today it was announced that orange picking will commence at East Highland during the coming week and the Mutual distributors company expects to ship one or two carloads within a few days. In a large majority of districts, however, picking will not begin before the end of the month and Redlands will contribute little fruit for the eastern Thanksgiving trade. The crop is in fair condition, and the shipments should exceed 4,000 carloads.

VOTE FOR JOHN J. DEANE THE POPULAR CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF ON THE REPUBLICAN TICKET

Mr. Deane is a sterling business-man of our community; was born in the city of San Francisco, and has always lived here. After being educated in the public schools and in St. Ignatius college he learned the printing trade in B. F. Sterrett's book and job office. For a number of years he held a case on the Chronicle. He left the printing business to enter the business world, with which he has been prominently identified for the past twenty-five years. He is an honorary member of typographical union No. 21, and is well known in fraternal circles, being a member of Alcatraz parlor, N. S. G. W.; Golden Gate Aerie No. 61, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and Golden Gate Camp No. 64, Woodmen of the World. He is a brother of the late William A. Deane, who was our county clerk for two terms, and a son of Margaret Deane, one of our earliest and best known public school teachers, and a lady who has devoted a lifetime to charitable work. His sister, Miss M. Deane, is now principal of the Redding primary school. Mr. Deane is a well known notary and a man whose integrity is unquestioned, and whose warm heart has made him many sterling friends. This is his first venture in political life, and a vote for him will be for a man whose efficiency and integrity guarantee an administration thoroughly satisfactory to himself and the people of San Francisco, whom he represents. Vote for John J. Deane. JOHN J. DEANE CLUB, Forty-first Assembly District, ANDREW L. HARRIGAN, Secretary