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TREASURER GONE; NATIVE SONS TO EXAMINE BOOKS

T. E. Lahan, Secretary of San Jose Police Board, Missing

TO EXPERT ACCOUNTS

Double Assignment of Salary Brings First Suspicion

HAS STATE FAME

"Insanity," Say Friends; "Off to Mexico," Is Others' Belief

Thomas E. Lahan, missing treasurer of San Jose Native Sons, who are now expediting his accounts.



Special by Leased Wire to The Call
SAN JOSE, Nov. 3.—Thomas E. Lahan, secretary of the board of police and fire commissioners, treasurer of San Jose parlor, N. S. G. W., and past grand president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, has disappeared from the city and his friends are charitably advancing the theory of insanity as an excuse for the condition of various funds for which the missing man is held responsible. Lahan is comparatively a young man, but has gained state fame in fraternal circles as a brilliant orator, a shrewd politician and a good fellow of the first water. The news of his disappearance under suspicious circumstances has caused an immense sensation in the Garden City, where he has been a leader for years. The police of this city have discovered that Lahan left San Jose Wednesday evening on a northbound train after raising \$200 by assigning his October salary to both the City store and a collector named George Plyler. The former assignment was the only one honored and the presentation of the second started an investigation of Lahan's accounts. Trustees of the Native Sons are now expediting the parlor's books, and until this is completed whether or not a default exists will not be made public. The accounts of San Jose parlor are usually gone over every three months, but Lahan has succeeded in withholding his books on one pretext or another so that not even his check stubs or receipts have been balanced. Trustee O'Connell said this evening: "We are loth to say anything about this disagreeable affair until the full facts are in our possession, but it appears already that there is some shortage, as members of the parlor who are known to have paid their dues have not been credited with payments." Lahan was chairman of the accommodations committee at the recent big celebration in San Jose on Admission day and in his official capacity handled large sums. Friends of Lahan now recall that the expenditures of this department were lavish in the extreme, yet there were no books kept, nor has any account of this money been rendered to the parlor or the general committee. Affairs are said to have reached a climax last Wednesday night, when the local parlor was honored by a visit from Congressman Knowland. The latter in his official capacity as a grand officer of the order had the privilege of calling for the books of the lodge and it is said that fear of such action on the part of the congressman led Lahan to disappear. A peculiar feature of the affair is that the missing man left all his be-

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Oriental in Jail Escape Injury at Hands of 500 Rioters

Special by Leased Wire to The Call
TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 3.—At Everett last night mill workers and laborers made a demonstration against the Hindu population. Five hundred persons marched down the water front shouting and singing to the "Hindu quarters" near the sawmills. Shacks occupied by East Indians were found empty and the enraged mob wrecked many of the small buildings. Scouring every corner for Hindus, but finding none, the rioters gradually dispersed. All foreigners were in the city jail for the night, where about 25 of the East Indians will remain tonight. Mayor Jones addressed the mob, advising it to keep within the law. He has wired Governor Mead for authority to call out the militia. The police say this will not be necessary.

TWO ITALIANS SLAIN

PASSAIC, N. J., Nov. 3.—Rafael Ruffano and his wife, Antonette, were murdered at Garfield, N. J., last night. Early today a neighbor found the woman's body on the walk in front of the grocery which the couple owned. On the kitchen floor Ruffano's body was found. Both had been shot in the head.

WALKER BRINGS EASTERN MONEY TO REOPEN BANK

President of the California Safe Deposit Company Cheers Financiers

CERTIFICATES TODAY

Clearing House Bills for \$20, \$10 and \$5 to Go Into Circulation

AS GOOD AS SPECIE

Banks to Receive Help That Will Enable Them to Meet all Ends

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Nov. 3.—Editor The Call, San Francisco: I am coming to San Francisco to reopen the California safe deposit and trust company. That institution is absolutely sound. Its resources are more than ample to meet all obligations. The interests of the stock holders and depositors will be protected. We bring assurances of aid from the east. We ask patience on the part of our depositors and forbearance from the general public. A little time will be required to enable us to get the cash essential for the safe conduct of our business. The company has been a prosperous one for 25 years and has done much to uphold San Francisco and the state. The institution will positively resume at an early date. It deserves the co-operation and support of all interests. I shall do my part and will pledge my resources to enable the company to resume.
DAVID F. WALKER.

The above terse and optimistic dispatch was received last evening from David F. Walker, president of the California safe deposit and trust company, who with W. J. Barnett, a director of the company, will reach this city tomorrow night with relief said to be ample to extricate the bank from its temporary difficulties. The reassuring tone of the message will do much to strengthen the public confidence in the only San Francisco bank which failed to comfortably ride the wash of the eastern storm wave. With the issuance today of clearing house certificates which will put a circulating medium into the hands and purses of the people, the tenseness of the situation here will slacken and the California safe deposit and trust company will have quiet surroundings in which to recuperate.

J. Dalzell Brown, vice president of the bank, was on duty yesterday and with a force of clerks was busily engaged in settling up the accounts of the institution.

"There has been no change in our situation," said he. "Mr. Walker and Mr. Barnett are hurrying westward with money to put the bank on its feet. They will arrive Tuesday night. How soon after that date the bank will reopen I can't say, but it will reopen very shortly, that is positive. The bank examiners are still at work on the books and as far as I can learn they have found everything in solid shape."

ISSUE CERTIFICATES TODAY

At 10 o'clock this morning, when the doors of the banks open, will begin the circulation of the city clearing house certificates which are to accommodate San Francisco with sufficient currency to meet all the demands of trade pending the replenishment of the gold supply. With enough certificates on hand to meet the needs of the banks the clearing house will be ready to deliver the paper in such values as the financial institutions require and are prepared to secure. But before any bank can get the certificates it must have on deposit with the clearing house securities greatly in excess of the amount of

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Langdon and Heney Will Tell of Graft in Greatest Rally of Campaign

THE campaign against graft will be closed tonight by District Attorney William H. Langdon, Special Prosecutor Francis J. Heney and Special Counsel Hiram W. Johnson at the greatest meeting of the campaign at the Pavilion rink, Sutter and Pierce streets.

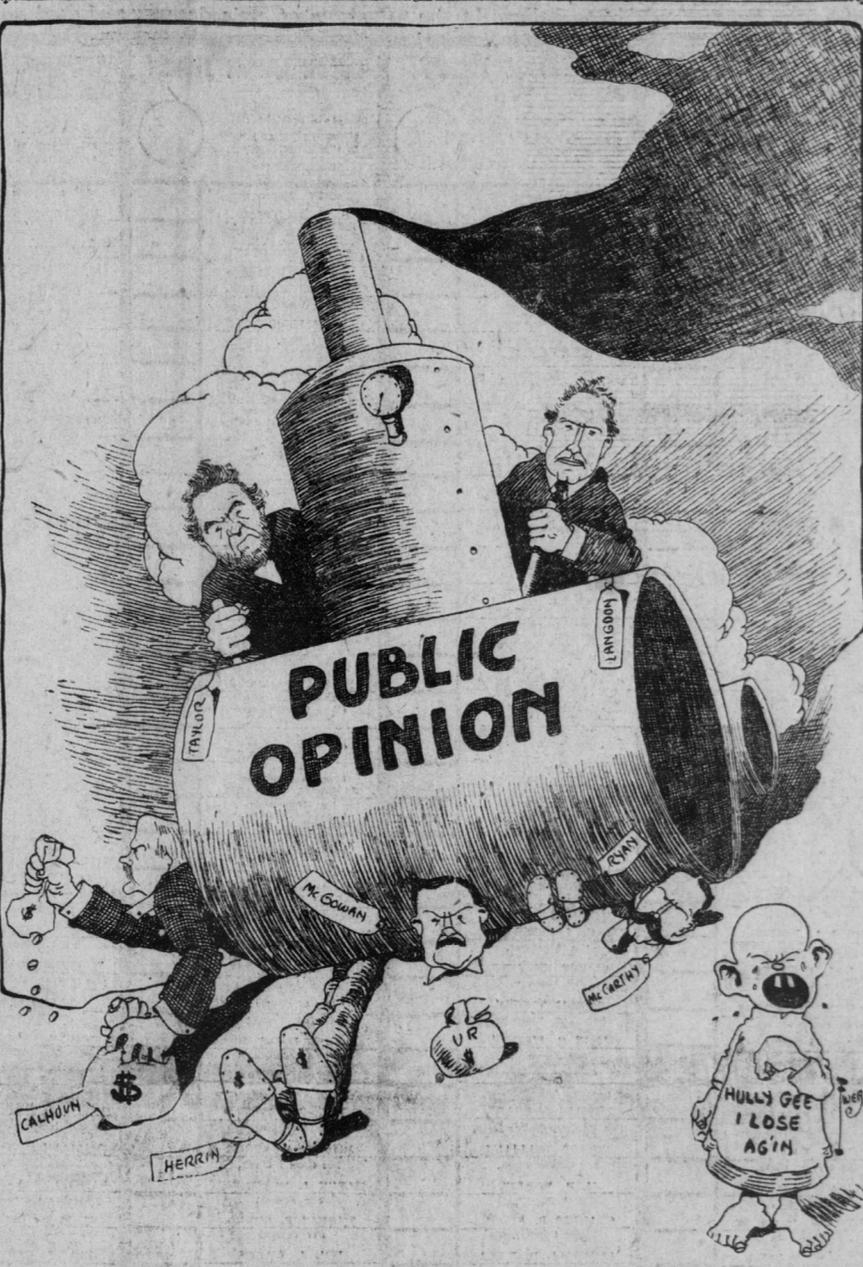
Attorney J. Dwyer, who has been associated with the leaders in the graft prosecution and who with Langdon, Heney and Johnson has assisted in the tremendous prosecution campaign made last week, will preside.

The story of the graft prosecution from its inception will be told by the three eloquent men who led in the great work.

No men can present the paramount issue which the people of San Francisco will be called upon to decide Tuesday as can Langdon, Heney and Johnson. They will tell what has been done, what remains to be done to purge the city of the stains of unparalleled corruption into which it was plunged by the "higher ups" who bought the city from Ruf and Schmitz. They will discuss the record of Frank McGowan, the candidate of the interests, whose chief purpose is to end the prosecution through the defeat of Langdon, and show his connections.

The Pavilion rink will accommodate fully 10,000 persons. Especial attention has been paid to the seating arrangements. The doors will be opened at 7 o'clock, and all who go early will get seats.

Clearing the Way



Taylor and Langdon Are Certain of Being Elected on Tuesday

Entire Good Government Ticket Which They Head Will Be Swept Into Office by Voters of San Francisco

By George A. Van Smith

The people of San Francisco will go on record tomorrow for a continuation of good government by electing Mayor Taylor and District Attorney William H. Langdon by overwhelming votes. With Langdon and Taylor the good government ticket which they head will be swept into office and San Francisco will be assured of decent government after six years of municipal rottenness.

The last card of the politicians has been played. The people of San Francisco will

show their hands at the polls tomorrow. They have already shown their temper and in no unmistakable manner. The people of San Francisco want good government. They have had a few weeks of it during the administration of municipal affairs by Mayor Taylor and the men he has put in office. The people of San Francisco demand the punishment of the men responsible for their city's degradation. They know that they can secure justice only through the re-election of District Attorney William H. Langdon, and their votes will be cast accordingly.

The campaign now over, except for such demonstrations as are planned for today and tonight, has been one of the most remarkable political battles ever fought in America. The issue has been clean cut from the opening of the primary campaign. That issue has been good government and the completion of the graft prosecution. It has never been divisible and every attempt to separate the question of completing the graft prosecution from that of stable government for San Francisco has failed. The republican attempt to put through a job chasers' ticket, masked by the nomination of District Attorney William H. Langdon, was promptly repudiated by a majority of the republicans of San Francisco and by a convention minority which was but a few votes short of one-half of the delegates who put up the Ryan ticket.

SCHMITZ COUNSELS "BIG SIX"

Through his "big six" the felon ex-Mayor Schmitz put up his county jail ticket with Frank McGowan, friend and servant of the bribe giving and machine interests, as his candidate for district attorney. Thanks to the "big six" Schmitz was able to label his ticket with the name of the party he had betrayed and disgraced. From his conference table at the county jail Schmitz was enabled to nominate Sheriff Tom O'Neill, who had been disqualified by a judge of the superior court as one who could not be trusted to perform the sworn duties of his office. His debt of hospitality paid, Schmitz was enabled to recognize the services of Coroner Walsh, whose disqualification followed quickly after that of O'Neill and for the same reasons. He gave a renomination to Harry I. Mulrevey, whose bungled records had staved off for a time Schmitz' trip across the bay. He did a like kindness to "Bud" Nelson, the recorder who deserted on April 18, 1906, the priceless records entrusted to his care. He

Watch The Call's Election Bulletins

On Tuesday night The Call will flash the most complete and earliest election returns by stereopticon on huge screens at the following points in San Francisco:

At the main office of The Call, Third and Market streets, in front of the Claus Spreckels building.

At the Fillmore street branch of The Call, Fillmore street between Post and Geary.

At the Mission agency of The Call, corner of Twenty-second and Valencia streets.

In Oakland The Call will display election returns by stereopticon at its Alameda branch office in the Bacon block, Eleventh street between Broadway and Washington.

Watch The Call's Tower Signals

Colored searchlight flashes from the tower of The Call building will tell the story of the election on Tuesday night:

Here is the signal code:

RED flashes will indicate the probable election of Taylor.

GREEN flashes will indicate the probable election of McCarthy.

WHITE flashes will indicate the probable election of Ryan.

PLURALITY OF 6,000 FOR TAYLOR

Brady and Mooser Expect Heavy Vote Next Tuesday

Committeemen Report to Headquarters by Districts

Total of Ballots Is Estimated at 54,600

Good Government Leader Probably Will Get 23,000

Committee's Estimate of Election Figures

Taylor	23,000
McCarthy	17,000
Ryan	11,000
Reguin	3,600

That Mayor Edward Roberson Taylor will receive 23,000 out of a total poll of 54,600 and be elected by a plurality of 6,000 over McCarthy, the runnerup in the municipal race, is the kernel of the careful estimate of tomorrow's vote made by Matthew Brady, chairman of the democratic committee on organization, and Louis H. Mooser, chairman of the printing and advertising committee.

The estimates made by Brady and Mooser are based on their personal canvass of the city, coupled with the reports made by assembly district committeemen, which in turn were based on the reports made by the precinct committeemen. Their canvass was thorough and painstaking.

The precinct committeemen were instructed to give the canvass ample time to insure thoroughness and to weigh every doubt against the democratic good government ticket. Conservatism is shown in the estimate of the total vote, 54,600 being the smallest estimate made by any of the men who

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