

SECRET DIVORCE FILED BY SOTHERN Actor Appears in Reno to Fight Divorce Instituted by Miss Harned Names of Prominent Actresses and Millionaire Reported Implicated in Case

RENO, Nev., July 22.—Mrs. Virginia Sothern is suing for a divorce on charges which do not require her to establish a residence in Nevada. She is not here, but has been quietly living in apartments at 37 West Sixty-ninth street, New York. The facts were given out by W. A. Massey, chief counsel for Mrs. Sothern, who arrived here tonight. "Mrs. Sothern has not established a residence in Nevada," says Massey. "She does not intend to do so far as I know, but this does not prevent her from filing a suit for divorce here. There are perhaps charges upon which a suit can be filed where it is not necessary for the plaintiff to live in this state. As to the nature of the charges contained in the complaint now on file that is a matter that need not be discussed at this time. It will be brought out at the trial. Mrs. Sothern is so far as I know, is now in New York city."

CLIMAX COMES IN CHICAGO

Sothern and Miss Harned Have Quarrel in Auditorium Annex SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL CHICAGO, July 22.—William Courtland who was Miss Harned's leading man for four years, was asked: "Is it true that you are going to marry Miss Harned as soon as she is divorced?" "That's a joke," he said. "You are absolutely not so. I have been Miss Harned's leading man for four years and she has been my wife for some time on terms of intimate personal friendship, but I have also been acquainted with her husband for some time. In fact, it was Mr. Sothern who gave me my first theatrical start and who helped me along as much as possible whatever success has come my way. I am extremely sorry to hear of their matrimonial troubles."

ENGINEERS REPORT ON WATER FRONT PLANS

Provides for Expenditure of Over \$43,000,000 in Wharf and Railway Improvements The complete report of Luther Wagner and Colonel W. H. Heuer, engineers employed by the federated harbor improvement association, has just been issued and will be laid before the governor, the mayor and the board of harbor commissioners. It provides for a comprehensive plan for the improvement of the San Francisco harbor front. The main features of the report calling for the expenditure of \$43,284,195, have been outlined in these columns. It is suggested that provision be made for improvements to cost \$10,860,000 by 1920 to accommodate the growing needs of the port. Included in the proposed improvements are: 5,400 feet of seawall, 19 wharves, the extension of the Belt railroad, 2,000 feet of seawall south of China basin, 15 wharves between Channel street and the south side of Central basin and the construction of the island creek basin. The report deals at length with the proposed extension of the Belt railroad across Market street in the history of the various plans suggested, the engineers recommend that the streetcar tracks be elevated at the ferry to a point equal in height to the second story of the ferry building. Along this it is proposed to construct a bridge for pedestrians, thus giving the Belt railroad a clear right of way across Market street.

COUNTY CLERK SHOWS INCREASE IN RECEIPTS

Annual Report Includes Big Balance in Income of Office Over Previous Years The annual report of County Clerk Henry I. Mulrevey, just transmitted to the mayor, shows that the excess of receipts over disbursements in the fiscal year 1907-1908 totaled \$34,034.15, the largest balance in the history of the office. The receipts were \$179,771.62, and the expenditures \$95,737.50. The various items of income were: General department, \$12,523.45; civil department, \$12,435.40; probate department, \$12,917.45; quiet title department, \$41,725.35; marriage license department, \$3,822; police courts, \$45,908; law library fees, \$20,240; fines imposed by superior court, \$1,230. The excess of receipts over expenditures in the year 1906-1907 were \$40,550—less than half the excess in the fiscal year just closed. The number of civil actions filed during the year ending June 30, 1908, was 6,882. There were 2,113 of these cases adjudicated and 682 dismissed. In the quiet title department, 6,763 actions were instituted under the McCroney act. Of marriage licenses 4,150 were filed, as against 4,556 in the preceding year. In the criminal department 420 informations were filed—29 less than in the year before.

TAFT JOURNEYS TO COLORED PRESIDENT Republican Nominee Will Confer With Roosevelt on Speech of Acceptance Governor Hughes Consents to Open Campaign in Ohio for National Ticket

HOT SPRINGS, Va., July 22.—Judge W. H. Taft left here at 8:45 o'clock tonight for Oyster bay to confer with President Roosevelt concerning his coming speech accepting the presidential nomination. He will arrive at Sagamore hill tomorrow afternoon. Taft will doubtless be the guest of the president Thursday night. He arranged to leave New York Friday afternoon for Cincinnati, where he will arrive Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. His headquarters in New York will be at the Manhattan hotel. Representative Herbert Parsons of New York arrived this morning and was in conference with Judge Taft throughout the day. Frank B. Kellogg was present and the work on hand was the revision of the Cincinnati speech. Judge Taft announced that he had received a cordial letter from Governor Hughes of New York accepting the invitation extended in a letter written by Judge Taft some days ago to open the republican campaign in Ohio at Youngstown September 5. Taft will not go to the Youngstown meeting, as Kellogg is present plans. He was unable to say whether Senator Foraker would be one of the speakers at the opening. Parsons intimated that he had been maintaining a consistent attitude of reticence as to discussing the political situation in New York. He would venture no opinion as to whether Governor Hughes was to be nominated again for governor, nor would he commit himself as to the probable successor to Senator Platt, except to say that he himself was not a candidate for either place. As to the general republican outlook in the Empire state, Parsons remarked that the party had a fight to make, but he believed success could be had. "The greatest danger we have," he added, "is overconfidence in the country generally." He expressed the belief, however, that Judge Taft would be elected.

COMMITTEES TO TAKE CHARGE OF BOND FUNDS

Supervisors on Building and Streets Will Oversee Distribution of Money Who shall have charge of the work to be carried out under the bond issue authorizations? was the question debated at length yesterday by Chairman Glanville of the supervisors' public utilities committee, Chairman Rixford of the building committee and Supervisors Murphy, Bancroft and McIeran, before both of these bodies. The matter had been referred to the two committees by the board. The building committee, which meets on Tuesdays, should continue to oversee the distribution of the money, reporting its action to the public utilities committee, which meets on Wednesday. This was made to the board on the Monday following. It was further suggested that the street committee have similar charge of the sewer construction under the \$4,000,000 authorization. Both Glanville and Rixford disclaimed any desire to take charge of the matter, but Glanville made a protest against the delay in action on the hall of justice and the board authorized the committee having authorized bonds in the sums of \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000, respectively, for these improvements.

BANK DEPOSITORS ASK FOR RETURN OF BOOKS

Market Street Securities Company Refuses to Give Them Back The Market Street bank was besieged with depositors all day yesterday. They were endeavoring to secure the return of their bankbooks, which they had surrendered for bonds issued by the Market Street securities company. Receiver Mosser could not return the books and the securities company has refused to do so. In a statement issued Tuesday to the depositors Mosser advised that the securities company had since the publication of his statement many of the depositors have attempted to get their books back. None of the officers of the securities company could be seen yesterday and it could not be ascertained whether the books will be returned for the bonds.

THIEVES STEAL BANK BONDS FROM HOME

C. R. Ingalls, a Contractor, Reports Ransacking of Residence to Police The local police were notified last night of the theft of \$400 in Market street bank bonds from the home of C. R. Ingalls in Tiburon yesterday afternoon. The bonds were part of the plunder secured by thieves who, during the absence of Ingalls' family, entered the house and carried away goods valued at \$150. Ingalls is a contractor in business in this city. He first discovered his loss on his return home at 7 o'clock. Owing to the fact that the numbers of the bonds are traceable, it is believed that they were immediately disposed of by the burglars.

GASOLINE EXPLODES, SETTING HOUSE AFIRE

Mark Widrin, a Tailor, Set Oil Near Store and Building Is Partially Destroyed Carelessness in handling gasoline was the cause of a fire which broke out shortly before 9 o'clock yesterday morning in the two story frame building owned by Mark Widrin at 829 H street. The lower floor is used by Widrin as a tailor shop, and it is supposed that he let the gasoline remain too close to the heating apparatus, which caused an explosion. The damage will be less than \$500. A fire caused by children playing with matches broke out about 9:10 yesterday morning in the dwelling at 1912 Eighteenth street, owned by J. Kanantz and occupied by the family of N. Carr. The blaze was extinguished in a few minutes. The damage will amount to about \$200. NOT THE REAL ESTATE MAN The carelessness of a morning paper with men's names has caused some annoyance to Thomas Magee, the real estate dealer. References to "Tom Magee" in accounts of the fight for control of the county committee have led some people to think the real estate man was concerned in the affair, that connection the name should have been spelled "McGe." Another mention of "Magee" by the same newspaper in an alleged confession of Claudians is not as easy to explain, but the one thing certain is that it could not possibly have been intended to drag the real estate man into the unsavory dynamiting mess.

BUSINESS MEN HIS BRYAN'S THERE Delivers Addresses Defending Bourbon Platform and Campaign Fund Publicity Notification of Nomination Will Take Place in Lincoln on August 12

FAIRVIEW, LINCOLN, Neb., July 22. Honesty in business and a defense of the Denver platform, particularly with respect to publicity before election of campaign contributions, formed the themes of two addresses made today by W. J. Bryan. The first address was at Capital beach to the association of grocers and butchers of Lincoln, and the second to the state democratic committee. In his remarks to the grocers' and butchers' association Bryan dwelt on the monopolies in certain branches of the branch of business in which there should be a monopoly, because, he said, the moment such monopoly was established a competitor would present himself and the people would thereby be protected against extortion. To the state committee he gave assurances that reports of democratic success from different parts of the country were not exaggerated. He expressed his gratification that democratic newspapers were receiving campaign contributions and that the masses were taking a hand in the subscriptions. This, he argued, was an auspicious beginning of new democratic politics. It had been definitely determined that the notification of Bryan of his nomination for the presidency shall occur on the grounds surrounding the state capitol. The exercise will begin at 2 o'clock on August 12. The decision to use the capitol grounds was arrived at because of their great service to the large number of people who are expected to be present. The Bryan home is four miles from Lincoln and it was manifest that the trolley service would be wholly inadequate. There were an unusually small number of visitors at Fairview today, most of them calling out of mere curiosity.

GUFFEY GAINS VICTORY State Committee Recognizes Him as Bourbon Leader

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 22.—The democratic state committee today recognized Colonel James Guffey of Pittsburg as the leader of the democracy of Pennsylvania despite the fact that he was ousted from the committee at Denver, and while it endorsed the candidates on the national ticket it voted in strong support of Guffey. The unseating of the Pennsylvania delegates by the credentials committee at Denver. The strength of the Kerr faction in the committee was insignificant and the Kerr men did not attempt to oppose the nomination of Guffey. Guffey, a friend of Colonel Guffey, who was chosen to serve for a year from the first of next January. As a result of the meeting Kerr's supporters will either have to accept Guffey as state leader or form a state organization of their own. This is foreshadowed in a lengthy statement given out by Kerr and Jere S. Black, president of the Bryan league.

DEMOCRATS TO HOLD RALLY

A democratic rally will be held in the Lyceum theater, 3350 Mission street, Monday night, July 27, under the auspices of the San Francisco democratic club of the thirty-third assembly district. Theodore A. Bell, James G. Maguire, Walter MacArthur, David I. Mahony and other good speakers will address the meeting.

CHARGES WIFE LEFT WITH HER "AFFINITY"

Husband Seeks Divorce From Woman Who, He Alleges, Deserted Him for Another John William Jackson, who sued his wife, Mary Ann Jackson, for divorce yesterday, charged that she is living in a cottage in Mill Valley with a man named Arthur C. Harding, her "affinity," and has been doing so ever since July 10. The Jacksons were married in Leeds, England, in 1882, and have three children. Other new suits for divorce filed yesterday were: Daisy Hoff against Alex. Hoff against E. Richard Hoff, failure to provide; Sophie M. Page against John N. Robbins, cruelty; Catherine V. Bel-served Thomas J. Belton for separate maintenance, alleging cruelty. The following divorces were granted yesterday: By Judge Cook—Charles A. Tomlinson from Sarah A. Tomlinson, desertion. By Judge Sturtevant—John N. Robbins from Catherine V. Bel-served; Vina R. Kost from Albert C. Kost, desertion. By Judge Trout—Patrick Glendon from Johanna Glendon, habitual intemperance.

JAPANESE VICE CONSUL EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK

K. Yamasaki Arrives on America Maru and Tells of Nippon's Plans to Entertain Fleet K. Yamasaki, Japanese vice consul to the city of New York, arrived here yesterday on the liner America Maru. He speaks English fluently and is enthusiastic on the friendly relations that exist between the two countries. Before being ordered to New York he was consul at Hankow. The Atlantic fleet was in Honolulu harbor when the America Maru left the island port, and Mr. Yamasaki says that he was greatly impressed with the appearance of the ships. "It is a beautiful fleet—magnificent," he said. "America has reason to be proud of it and Japan will take great pleasure in giving it a splendid welcome." He says that when he left Tokyo the commercial bodies had organized reception committees and were making systematic plans for the entertainment of the officers and men when the fleet visits Japan. The visit of the fleet, he said, would give Japan an opportunity to show the friendship that Nippon entertained for the United States.

CAT'S RESCUER FIGHTS CONVICTION AS BURGLAR

An appeal was argued before the supreme court yesterday in the case of A. C. Derwae, a wealthy citizen of Stockton who was arrested while climbing over the transom of a grocery to rescue a cat that was mewling pitifully within. Derwae was tried and convicted of burglary. Much interest was excited in San Joaquin county over the case, which was bitterly contested. The district attorney fought with great zeal and a precedent recently established in the appeal case of W. M. Amer, former treasurer of Madera county, was represented before the supreme court yesterday by Attorney George F. Buck.

HOTELMEN WANT HOUSES LICENSED Supervisors Will Be Asked to Regulate Use of Name for Hostelry Change of Rule Demanding License for Bar and Cafe Is Also Demanded

In order to put a stop to the practice of questionable character are indulging in of calling themselves "hotels," the Hotelmen's association voted last night to ask District Attorney William H. Langdon to draw up an ordinance for the purpose of compelling supervisors, compelling all hotel keepers to take out a license, just as is demanded from keepers of saloons and restaurants. In this way the hotelmen hope to force the issue of license to remove the lure of the word "hotel" from the front of their houses. A committee consisting of James Woods of the St. Francis, O. Rich of the Fairmont, Frank Fallon of the Arlington and Gustave Mann of the Majestic was appointed to wait upon the district attorney for this purpose and to press the matter before the board of supervisors. AGAINST DOUBLE LICENSE The board of supervisors will also be asked to consider and change the present rule of demanding hotels to take out a license for the bar and cafe. A committee was appointed to wait on the board of supervisors and the telephone company asking for a modification of telephone rates in hotels. The hotelmen say that the telephone is not a commodity and that they should be allowed to charge whatever they please for the service. The hotelmen raised \$700 and guaranteed \$1,000 to assure San Francisco's getting the trade-missionary congress next year. C. C. Moore, president of the chamber of commerce, and Arthur Briggs of the state board of trade appeared before the hotelmen and said that it was necessary to raise \$5,000 as an assurance that this city was sincere in desiring the congress and that \$1,000 was necessary in 45 days as a guarantee. Kirk Harris of the Hamlin, Frank Fallon of the Arlington and Edward Maple, secretary of the association, will wait on Moore and tell him what they have done. WANT FARES REDUCED A committee of the association met a committee of the stable keepers and hack drivers and agreed to reduce the coupe fare from \$1.50 and the carriage fare from \$2.50 to \$2 for the downtown section. Five new members were admitted into the association—Frank Fallon of the Arlington, C. E. Cooper of the Oxford, E. de Wolfe of the Granada, Manager McMillan of the Dorchester and Manager Ballantyne of the Alexander. Before the meeting a banquet was served at the Hotel Steward, which was attended by about 25 hotelmen.

WOMAN SAVES HOME; IS BADLY BURNED

Mrs. C. W. Johnson Pluckily Fights to Save Cottage From Destruction Fire yesterday afternoon destroyed the home of Mrs. C. W. Johnson at 357 North street, badly damaged an uncompleted structure next door and so seriously burned the owner of the first cottage that she now lies at the city and county hospital in a critical condition. Mrs. Johnson, who is 60 years of age and a breadwinner for seven small children, returned to her home from work shortly after 5 o'clock to find it filled with smoke that rolled up in great volumes from a pile of rags in a kitchen closet. With the first draft of air the smoldering pile burst into a flame and spread to the walls and ceiling of the one story building. After screaming loudly for help Mrs. Johnson fled to the rooming house. Policeman Joseph Speck rushed into the burning building in time to see the plucky woman fall unconscious in the blaze, and carried her to safety after putting out the fire on her clothing. At 10 o'clock her body was found to be covered with burns. Mrs. Johnson's husband, a structural iron worker, died three months ago from injuries received in a fall. Since his death she has worked in a laundry. None of the children were at home when the fire broke out. The rags are believed to have been smoldering for several hours.

PYTHIAN SISTERS INSTALLED

The following have been installed as the officers of Calantha Temple of Pythian Sisters for the ensuing term: Frances Braun, past chief; Mary Woodruff, most excellent chief; Mamie Perry, excellent senior; Dora Davis, excellent junior; Jennie Frandsen, manager of the temple; Carl Maltman, mistress of records and correspondence; Sadie West, mistress of finance; Alda Reeder, protector of the temple; Maria Richardson, guard of the temple. After the ceremony Frances Braun, the retiring chief, was presented an emblematic pin of her rank in the order. Grand Chief Mae Clark recently instituted a new temple at Tracy with 57 charter members. It has been named Joaquin temple No. 116.

MANY DOG LICENSES ISSUED

As a result of the resumption of the poundman's services the license department of the tax collector's office has experienced quite a boom. The dog tax list this week, 571 licenses having been taken out up to noon yesterday since Monday, when the dog catchers resumed their rounds. In all 2,243 canines are now protected against detritus and probable death by their careful owners.

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Special Sale of Ribbons of 15c the yard A new lot of taffeta and messaline taffeta ribbons, amounting in all to over 2,700 yards, will go on special sale this morning at 15c the yard. These ribbons are good quality and are offered in a splendid assortment of colors—black, brown, green, navy, pink, blue, gray, lavender, turquoise blue and old rose. These ribbons are all 3 1/2 inches wide and are certainly an unusual value 15c Special Sale Section

Suisine Silk A handsomely finished silk warp fabric is the pretty new material so suitable for evening dresses and dainty costumes. 28 inches wide. The yard 45c In Wash Goods Department

The Clearance Sale of Suits Continues Kimona sleeve suits which formerly sold from \$17.50 to \$27.50, special for \$10. Kimona sleeve models in novelty mixtures, shadow stripes and checks; combinations with plain coats and fancy checked skirts, \$32.50, \$35.00 and \$37.50 models for \$15.00. Only one of a kind, but each a splendid suit of high-grade material, workmanship and captivating style. \$40.00, \$45.00, \$55.00, \$60.00 to \$65.00. ALTERATIONS EXTRA

PRIZES FOR GOOD SHOWING IN PARADE Committee Makes Recommendations for Awarding of Labor Day Trophies The arrangement of the general committee for the Labor day parade by the unions of the San Francisco labor council decided to recommend to the council that the special committee which will award the prizes shall award the Katschinski silver trophy to the union making the best appearance in line, the Prager silver trophy to the union making the best display of its label, and the Whitehead-Hoag silver trophy to the union having the best float, and that the council donate a prize to the union making the best numerical showing of 75 per cent of its membership. It will also recommend that the reviewing stand for the judges shall be either at Eighth and Market streets or at Market street and Van Ness avenue. The music committee has awarded the contract for the music for the labor council in the parade and for the exercises in the pavilion to the Schupfer band. Secretary Gallagher received a letter yesterday from the boot and shoe workers' district council of St. Paul, Minn., with a request that the same be read to the San Francisco labor council. "This calls attention to the fact that the shoe company of that city is no longer entitled to the use of the union stamp, because it has reduced the wages of the workers. The paper makers' and paper mill employees' union sent a letter calling attention to the fact that they have been on strike since December 23, and that there has not been a desertion since

The Emporium We Plan Moving Into the Market St. Building in October The Latest Fad Dame Fashion's latest decree is the new French or Directoire Collar, therefore we have purchased a large line of ruching, to enable the handy woman to build herself a few of these collars at a merely nominal cost. We have the collars already made up at reasonable prices. Wide Directoire Neck Ruching, plain accordion, neat chignon, single or double rows, edged with Valenciennes lace and fine tucking, also net and chignon pleatings, from \$1.00 the yard down to 25c. Narrow, medium and wide chignon, net and mousseline de soie Ruching ranges in price from 50c the yard to 25c. Colored Chiffon Ruching, the yard 25c. Ruches, 6 neck lengths in box, for 50c and 25c. Cord Tourist Ruching, 6 yard lengths in box 50c. Baby Cap Ruching of fine net, the yard 50c. Sale of Towels and Crash Toweling About 30 dozen of all white cotton huck towels, each 17x38 inches, will be put on special sale today at, each 1,400 yards of unbleached all linen Russian crash toweling, 17 inches wide, special today, 9c the yard. Special Sale Section

Special Sale of Veiling at 15c the yard A shipment of more Tuxedo veiling presents a wide and varied assortment of all styles and colors, plain and dotted meshes, also the popular magpie effects are shown in this sale. The colors shown are black, brown, navy, white, purple, gray, light blue, green and pink. These are all pretty, becoming meshes and offer good values for the sale price, the yard 15c Special Sale Section

Linen Suitings We are showing a full line of silk finish linen suitings, in fancy checks, stripes and solid colors, including tobacco brown, gun metal, redseda, rose, lavender and natural. 50c The yard In Wash Goods Department

body, so that he may be placed in nomination and voted for at the referendum election to be held in 1909. One of the matters that is to occupy the attention of the united brotherhood of carpenters, that is to meet in annual session in Salt Lake city September 15, will be a proposition to establish a home for aged and disabled members. It is proposed to start and maintain a home on the lines of the printers' home at Colorado Springs. The idea meets with favor among the carpenters of his state. Emmet B. Fritsch, Richard Schwartzing, Theodore Lindquist, William Schneider and Emil Eisdold have been appointed by bakers' and confectioners' union, local No. 24, to make arrangements for a picnic in San Jose on Labor day, this to take the place of the former intention to parade in this city. The district council of carpenters will nominate candidates for officers for the next meeting July 23. The election will be held at the subsequent meeting.

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