

THEATERS OFFER GOLDEN PROGRAMS

Return Engagement of "Man of the Hour" Proves Popularity of "Graft" Play

Productions at Local Amusement Houses Win Approval and Draw Big Crowds

AMERICAN That the Offenbach masterpiece, "The Love Tales of Hoffmann," is appreciated by the music lovers of San Francisco is shown by the large audiences which are nightly greeting the operatic success at the American theater.

ALCAZAR White Whittlesey and the Alcazar players are presenting a fine performance of "Brother Officers" this week.

CENTRAL "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," at the Central theater, is the best melodramatic production seen there for a long time.

ORPHEUM As usual the Orpheum is playing to capacity houses and the program justifies the patronage.

NATIONAL The show at the National this week is proving to be all that was claimed for it and is packing Grauman's playhouse at every performance.

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Captain E. V. Smith, paymaster, United States army, has returned from Washington, where he appeared as counsel for Lieutenant Russell T. Hazard, Seventh infantry, before an army retiring board.

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Popular Stars on Local Bills



Edna Phillips to Appear at Orpheum Ruby Bridges in "The Man of the Hour" at the Van Ness

WOMEN QUAKE FOR DIRECTOR'S FATE

Native Sons Call Council of War to Consider Status of New Gown at Big Ball

In anticipation of the tremendous moment of September 3, when a battery of 12 exquisite director gowns worn by 12 equally beautiful women will be suddenly brought to bear upon the assembled guests at the Native Sons' dance, the members of that organization have hastily called a council of war and are looking over their own resources in case of a passage at arms.

Perhaps it will annoy the directors and committees, who are deep in preparations for the approaching affair, to have to bring their attention seriously to anything so far from the realm of their usual discussion; but, on the other hand, who knows? Native sons are but human.

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NEW CLASSES SET TO BURN

Board of Education Directs Transfers From Grammar to Primary School

Building in Andover Avenue Will Be Rented for Holly Park Pupils

Four classes from the Bay View grammar school were transferred to the Burnett primary school at a meeting of the board of education yesterday.

ASSIGNMENTS ORDERED The following transfers and assignments, to take effect September 1, were ordered:

BUILDING PLANS URGED It was recommended that, in order to facilitate the work of erecting schools under the bond issue, the work of perfecting the plans and specifications of the Bryant, Mission grammar, Sutro, South End and Madison schools be first taken up.

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SENATE COMMITTEES ADJOURN WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—The subcommittee of the senate committee on finance, which has under consideration proposed changes in the administrative department of the treasury, today completed its preliminary work in Washington and adjourned to meet in New York at the call of the chairman, Senator Burrows.

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MEET AT PORTLAND

Advance in Cost of Transportation of California Redwood to the East

Local Interests Assert That It Will Exclude Them From the Market

Shippers of California redwood lumber and shingles are disturbed over the new adjustment of the lumber rates to points east of Chicago.

During 1903 only about 150 cars were disposed of in this territory. In 1906 this had increased to about 1,000 cars, with a considerable gain in the number of cars shipped each year up to the present time.

THE QUESTION will be discussed undoubtedly with eastern lines at the next transcontinental meeting, which will be held probably in October.

IRISH SOCIETIES TO JOIN IN ADMISSION DAY FETE Picnic Will Be Given at Shell Mound Park by St. Rose's Parish

THE UNITED IRISH societies of the city will aid in the celebration of Admission day by a picnic to be given at Shell Mound park under the auspices of St. Rose's parish.

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The Emporium Shoe Sale Odds and Ends and Broken Lines of Women's, Misses' and Children's Shoes

Women's Shoes and Oxfords, with turned, welted and extension soles. Some are in black vici kid, others in bright patent colt, and a few in tan russet calf skin. Lace, Blucher, Pump and Ribbon-Tie effects are shown; also all new and late toe shapes.

Entire Stock of Cut Glass at 30% discount 2nd Sale on account of Removal

Table listing various glassware items and their prices, including Nappies, Sugar and Creamer, Celery Trays, Spoon Trays, Water Bottle, 8-inch Bowl, 10-inch Bowl, Whiskey Bottle, Ice Cream Tray, Cologne Bottle, Ostrich, Flower Basket, Horseradish Bottle, Vinegar Bottle, and Candlestick.

BATTLESHIPS SAIL FOR MELBOURNE Led in Single File by Flagship Connecticut Out of Sydney Harbor

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Aug. 27.—The fleet of American battleships sailed from this port this morning, bound for Melbourne. The sky was cloudless, the sun was warm and only a moderate sea was running.

THE AMERICAN fleet's visit has enabled us to realize the meaning of a sea power. Now that the bond has been formed and a wider outlook has been gained in our minds, the result is bound to be helpful.

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LAUREL HALL CLUB MEETS AFTER VACATION Mrs. J. B. Hume, State President, Will Address the First Meeting

One by one the various women's clubs of the city are getting in line for the work of the new term, which in almost every case will begin during the first week in September.

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SIGMA CHI HONORS GUESTS AT BANQUET Greek Letter Fraternity Men Plan Erection of Memorial

The San Francisco alumni chapter of the national Greek letter fraternity of Sigma Chi gave a banquet last night at a downtown cafe in honor of Grand Counsel Charles Ailing and East Grand Counsel Joseph C. Nale.

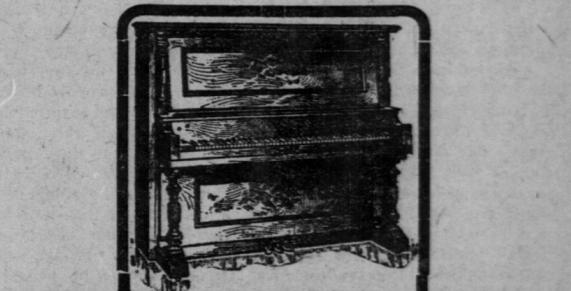
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