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PUSH THE HETCH HETCHY PROJECT

THINGS begin to move. For thirty years, more or less, San Francisco has talked about bringing water from the Sierra, but not until this week was any definite official step taken in prosecution of this purpose.

The scheme propounded by City Engineer Manson is as yet mostly tentative. It may be thought advisable, for instance, to bring the water around by the upper bay shore rather than across the coast range at Altamont. This is a matter for expert opinion and is to be settled later.

Mr. Manson offers alternative propositions. One provides for an independent supply from the mountains as described above. The other includes a partial supply from the Sierra with the purchase of the Spring Valley property and plant.

The only possible course with people who have no notion of square dealing is to go ahead and ignore them. Possibly they may come to a more reasonable frame of mind by and by.

JUDGE DUNNE THE LOCAL ISSUE

THE really important local issue of the present campaign is the re-election of Judge Dunne. It is, besides, a matter of more than local significance because by the result of this fight San Francisco will be judged in other communities.

Judge Dunne is under fire solely because he has stood for the rights of the plain people against predatory wealth. The opposition to him comes from that source.

The so called labor convention rejected Dunne and accepted Carroll Cook, the "push judge." It is needless further to characterize that body. Its own action is the most effective and conclusive index of its character.

Judge Dunne will be elected. The patent alliance of "Tom" Finn and Patrick Calhoun, of P. H. McCarthy and the United Railroads, is argument enough.

TAFT AND FORAKER

ALL through last winter and spring, while candidates for president were being groomed, efforts were made to bring Taft and Foraker together. That is the politician's way.

The Fall Guy



both parties who have resolutely opposed the great policies of internal reform for which the administration has made itself responsible. His attitude has been that of certain other public men, notably (as shown in this same correspondence published by Hearst) Governor Haskell of Oklahoma.

Taft's letter written in July, weeks before the nomination was made, shows the estimation in which he held Foraker when he said, "I don't care for the presidency if it has to come by compromise with Senator Foraker or any one else on a matter of principle."

VICIOUS PRACTICE IN CRIMINAL COURTS

SOME means should be found to stop the scandalous practice of putting grand juries and jurors on trial by way of preliminary tactics of delay in criminal cases. The finding of a grand jury is entitled to its face value without further question in court.

These remarks are suggested by the course of counsel in the case of Blake, indicted for attempting to bribe jurors. The obvious purpose is delay and confusion, but the result is to bring the courts into general contempt.

SAN FRANCISCO BONDS AS AN INVESTMENT

THE strong demand for San Francisco municipal bonds is gratifying evidence of the good credit that this city enjoys in the investing centers. All of the recent issue of \$3,280,000 was disposed of by the underwriters in a few hours after the sale opened and nearly all went to eastern investors in search of a profitable and sound security.

Annual Legislatures

There are now only six states in the United States whose legislatures meet once every year. In the others the legislatures meet only once in two years, and this is true of the great states of Pennsylvania and Illinois.

Big Hailstones

On May 30, 1897, a terrific hailstorm visited Seaford, Sussex. Some of the "bolts" measured four and a half inches in circumference after lying on the ground for fully seven minutes.

The Insider

Relates interesting story of the suppressing of a passenger pest by Captain Friele—"Ninety Fathom Dan"—of the liner China

"Bad Memory," Roars Skipper
ON a recent voyage of the Pacific Mail liner China, Captain Dan Friele—"Ninety Fathom Dan," as he is called in affectionate tribute to his care for the lives and property dependent upon his skill—was annoyed by the persistent and not overwise chatter of a garrulous passenger.

Press Agent's Yarn Unjust to Artist
I see that little Katherine Parlow is now classed in the number of musical geniuses "discovered by accident." Her discovery is laid at the door of Dr. Grosz, a Berlin concert agent.

The Smart Set

THE wedding of Miss Jean Morgan and Dr. Albert Moore will take place this evening at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Francis Knorr, at 8:30 o'clock.

Senator and Mrs. Francis G. Newlands, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Sharon at their home in Menlo Park, have returned to Nevada.

Gossip of Railwaymen

"Aye there," bawled a tall gentleman from the far Norse land, as he steeled himself by clutching at the rail which separates H. M. McCartney's desk from the rest of the office.

Miss Edna Davis was hostess at a charming little tea yesterday at her home on Scott street in honor of Miss Maud Payne, whose marriage to Russell Bogue will take place on October 7.

Mrs. Bow King Mrs. Leonard Hammond
Mrs. Gertrude Ballard
Mrs. Clay Miller Mrs. Sydney Davis
Miss Gladys East Mrs. Gertrude Hyde
Miss Lisa Bohmann Smith
Miss Helen Thomas Miss Grace Hammond
Miss Anita Moore Mrs. Florence Hammond
Miss Claire Nichols

Miss Mary Josselyn, who has been spending the summer at her beautiful home at Woodside, left a short while ago for Colorado, where she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. David R. C. Brown at Aspen.

H. E. Webb, who for the last few years had been employed on the engineering staff of the Madra and Marmore railway, which is being built from St. Anthony falls on the Amazon river into the heart of South America, is the first of the Californians there to return home.

MASONRY ARCH—Subscriber, City. Where is the largest and second largest masonry arch in the world, and what are the dimensions?

THE SMART SET—S. E. S. Alameda, Cal. What is the "smart set" composed of?

MOTHS—G. L. Alameda, Cal. What should be done to rid premises of moths?

TO which they will call the attention of the congress. The Santa Fe officials who will attend the convention are:

E. P. Ripley, president.
J. W. Kendrick, second vice president.
George T. Nicholson, third vice president.
J. E. Gorman, freight traffic manager.
W. J. Black, passenger traffic manager.
A. G. Brown, general manager.
I. L. Hibbard, general superintendent.
J. J. Byrne, assistant passenger traffic manager.
Edward Chambers, assistant freight traffic manager.
W. E. Barnwell, general freight agent.
H. P. Answalt, assistant general freight agent.

The Southern Pacific is making all preparations to handle the movement of the troops of the national guard to Atascadero beginning October 4.

E. E. Wade, chief clerk of the passenger department of the Southern Pacific, is on a pleasure trip through the northwest.