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WILL HEAR DOWN CITY HALL SOON

Special Committee Approves the Plan to Erect Entirely New Structure Fifty Thousand Dollars Will Be Appropriated to Start the Work Another month will probably see in progress the active demolition of the old city hall. Supervisors Rixford, Broderick, Booth, Pollok, McLeran, Murphy and Bancroft, the special committee in charge, received yesterday the long delayed report of Architects Albert Pissis, James Reid, John Galen Howard and Newton J. Tharp to the effect that the structure has entirely removed and the city build a new structure and the committee acted at once in favor of the recommendations. Its recommendation that \$50,000 be set aside and the board of works be directed to advertise for bids to have the structure removed will undoubtedly be approved by the board next Monday. The work of removal will be let in at least four separate contracts so that the raising of the different parts may proceed expeditiously. The supervisors believe the salvage of brick and iron will be sufficient to pay for clearing it away once the work is started, but the money will be provided to initiate the proceedings. The people will be asked in January or thereabouts to authorize a bond issue of probably \$5,000,000 for the construction of a modern fireproof city hall. No formal action was taken by the committee yesterday on this point, but the members expressed themselves as determined to make things move. It is understood that Mayor Taylor and many of the board members favor the erection of a classic group of small buildings instead of one enormous pile as more consonant with the city's needs. The plan offers several advantages. More light and air to the floor space would be available, and the devotion of single buildings to individual departments would aid citizens in doing business with the municipality. After a general plan had been chosen, also, the single buildings might be erected as needed and as funds were available. Their completion would be much sooner, in the opinion of the board members, than in the case of one great building.

OBJECT TO BASALT BLOCKS Property Owners of Kearny Street Want Bitumen Only The members of the Kearny street improvement club, in an endeavor to make a "quiet street" for the thoroughfare, adopted a resolution yesterday morning calling upon the street committee of the board of supervisors to recommend that Kearny street between Market and Broadway be temporarily repaired with bitumen or asphalt. Owners of large office buildings protested against the proposed paving of Kearny street with basalt blocks on account of the noise that would follow. They claimed that Kearny street was not a thoroughfare for heavy teams and insisted that a bitumen pavement be installed. George Kenner, president of the draymen's association, attended the meeting and argued that it would not be feasible to pave the street at the present time with either bitumen or basalt blocks, but recommended that the street be temporarily paved at once. Joseph Howell, president of the club, appointed James W. H. E. Monro assured Supervisors Center, McLaren and Broderick that the dumping of the material would not impede the state's project of installing a great interior basin and that the harbor commissioners had no objection to the project. Center vigorously opposed the scheme, and it was decided to look into the matter before making any recommendation.

DECIDES TO GO SLOW Action was postponed for one month by the supervisors' street committee yesterday on the application of the Rincon hill improvement company for a permit to install a spur track and to use facilities of the United Railroads in removing material excavated and dumping it five blocks east of Kentucky and south of Islais street. Luther Wagner, L. J. Scofield and Attorney H. E. Monro assured Supervisors Center, McLaren and Broderick that the dumping of the material would not impede the state's project of installing a great interior basin and that the harbor commissioners had no objection to the project. Center vigorously opposed the scheme, and it was decided to look into the matter before making any recommendation.

REFUSE QUARRY PERMIT S. H. Woodruff's application for permission to blast at his quarry in Douglas and Twenty-sixth streets was refused by the supervisors' fire committee yesterday. Attorney Walter L. E. L. Woodruff appeared for Woodruff. A small army of women and men, residents of the vicinity, headed by Max Popper and Attorney William White, crowded the committee room and assured the supervisors they put no faith in Woodruff's promises.

WILL NOT BUY BOXES The electrically committee turned down the application of the joint fire and police boards yesterday for an appropriation to purchase 50 boxes of matches for each of the 25 each. Supervisors Booth, McLaren and Center held that the city should "keep its money at home" when it could.

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BANK MERGER'S TO BE EFFECTED

Nationalizing of the Anglo-Californian Is to Assist Negotiations London and Paris Leases Its Present Site for a Term of Fifty Years The story to the effect that a consolidation between the Anglo-Californian bank and the London and Paris national bank was contemplated, which was published exclusively in The Call yesterday morning, has been substantiated by men who are high up in local financial circles. The report has been circulated throughout the financial district upon several occasions, but no credence has been given to it on account of the Anglo-Californian bank being a foreign corporation. Now that the Anglo-Californian is to become a national bank, the negotiations which have been pending for some time have assumed a brighter aspect. It has been stated authoritatively that should the merger be carried out the negotiations will be concluded in the east. It was learned yesterday that the London and Paris national bank has leased its present premises for a term of 50 years. Several sets of plans for a new bank building have already been submitted to the directors, but none of them have been accepted as yet.

MANAGER PARKER CHARGED Two charges of grand larceny were booked at the city prison yesterday against Joe M. Parker, former manager of the Hotel Balboa, who was arrested Monday night as he was leaving the city. Parker is a guest at the Hotel, about \$2,300, and from Mrs. Adele Gould, another guest, \$500. The police were forced to file charges, as his attorney had applied for a writ of habeas corpus.

The Modern House Keepers' Exchange 345 Maud Avenue, San Leandro, Cal.—Use a level cupful and spoonful: Cream two cups of sugar with one cup of butter, add a cup of salt, then the beaten yolks of four large eggs. Mix well, then add slowly one cup of sweet milk. Sift one cup of flour and mix with three cups of flour and beat the whites of the eggs with two teaspoonfuls of cream and a dash of salt. Whites of eggs and two teaspoonfuls of vanilla. Beat ten minutes. Take out a tablespoonful of batter and add two teaspoonfuls of sugar (obtained at any confectionery store). Put about one-half the batter in the tin, then drop in the mixture and continue under the batter. Bake in a moderate oven about 45 minutes. If you use a large loaf cup for measuring the ingredients this receipt will make a three layer cake and a small loaf.

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AUTO DEALERS ARE WEARY OF RACING Find That the Frequent Competition Is Becoming Far Too Expensive Any Benefit By R. R. l'Hommedieu Fresno is to have an automobile track meeting that is not meeting with much favor on automobile row. It costs about \$500 to prepare a car for such an event, not counting incidental expenses incurred. The fact that some of the dealers enter these events forces others into competition to protect the names of their cars, but taking it as a whole, virtually none of the participants is over-anxious to compete. Promiscuous track racing is a good thing for the promoter, but bad for the game. If it is not curtailed there is no telling when it will end. Mushroom tracks will be springing up throughout the state, backed by promoters who wish to derive a little easy money, while the automobile dealer pays the costs. All that is necessary under the prevailing conditions is a fee of \$50 to the national association and the race meet is on. Some time ago the automobile dealers' association of California passed a resolution putting itself on record as against track racing and prohibiting its members taking part in any meet not sanctioned by the association. Rules governing the Fresno races open the entries only to automobiles of which 12 have been built and run on the roads. This is directed at the Comet, the California built car, which is alleged to be of the racing order and is known to be faster than anything else in its class. The Comet is allowed to enter the Santa Rosa races and also those at Tanforan, and there is no reason why Fresno or any other town holding an open meeting, ostensibly for the sport's sake, should prohibit a car that has received the public and trade approbation. It is pointed out by the Fresnoites that, fearing the entry of the Comet, other cars will refuse to enter and the race meeting will be a failure from a financial standpoint. The sooner the trade cuts out these events, in which the dealers are the performers as in a circus and the promoter derives the gate receipts, the better it will be for the automobile sport. If there are to be competitions, they should be controlled by the dealers' association and any profits derived should go to the association. In the east the death warrant of the promoter has been signed, and now all races are being conducted by clubs and associations which foster and advance the interests of automobilists.

W. M. Gibson, manager of the local branch of the Flak rubber company, has received word from coast manager George E. Johnson, who is in Seattle, to the effect that the outlook in the north is most encouraging. This is backed up by several size orders to be filled from stock here. Gibson reports the changing over of de-mountable rims with Flak tires on R. H. Pease's and Louis Glass' touring cars. W. F. Culbertson of the Mobile carriage company, local agent for the Pierce Arrow cars, has returned from the south and reports the outlook in that section to be promising. In fact more encouraging than it was a year ago. Culbertson has left today for the north, to be gone two weeks. Rose J. Marx, manager of the local house of the Renault Freres selling branch, reports the sale of the racing motor car which has been a feature in automobiledom. The car has been sold to a prominent mining man of Blaine, Cal. Marx has received word from Paul Lacroix of New York to the effect that Louis Freres will handle the Renault cars in all races in the east. George Emmons, one of the principal owners in the Standard motor car company, E. L. Cutting, the manager, and L. L. Brenner, the Los Angeles manager, have left for the Ford factory to look over the 1909 production of which they hope to bring back with them to the coast when they return in three weeks. Robert Thompson, manager of the local house of the Michelin company, reports a change to Michelin tires on W. J. Patterson's big touring car. They are of the flat tread pattern. An interesting display of trophies is being made by Walter C. Morris of the silver cups that he has won with the Autocar, of which he is the agent.

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