

### IMMIGRATION WORK IN STATE DIVIDED

#### Secretary Straus Creates New District and Appoints Commissioner in Charge

#### Inspectors in San Diego Summarily Dismissed and New Men Are Named

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—The secretary of commerce and labor today issued an order dividing the present immigration district which takes in California and the southern border of Arizona. Commissioner North will continue in charge of the northern part of this district and will remain at San Francisco. The southern district will be in charge of Commissioner Waddell, whose jurisdiction extends as far south as Yuma, Ariz., with headquarters at San Diego.

By this division of the work a stricter watch will be kept upon the Mexican border, so that entrance of Chinese who are not entitled to come into the United States may be prevented.

Emil Engelcke, John Canfield and Bernard Manning, the first immigrant inspectors in charge, and the other Chinese inspectors stationed at San Diego were summarily removed today by Secretary Straus. His action was based upon reports by Harrison Nesbit, former chief clerk, and Clair E. Hillier, assistant attorney of the bureau of corporations, and also upon personal observations made by Assistant Secretary Wheeler. No information regarding the reason for dismissal was given out, but it is learned that the three officials failed to satisfy the investigators that they had been diligent in preventing the influx of Chinese into San Diego county from Lower California.

W. H. Weddle has been appointed inspector in charge at San Diego, with Ralph Conklin and Charles Cameron as Chinese inspectors. Weddle was chosen on recommendation of Assistant Secretary Wheeler. Hereafter the San Diego office is directed to report direct to Washington instead of to San Francisco.

Official notice of the division of the state of California into two immigration districts was received yesterday afternoon by Immigration Commissioner Hart A. North from Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Labor W. R. Wheeler. Commissioner North's district will begin at an imaginary line north of the Tehachapi and extend to the northern border of the state of California. South of the Tehachapi has been made into a district of its own and will have a commissioner to look after the affairs of the department.

Commissioner North stated yesterday that the dividing of the state into two districts did not come as a surprise to him and that he had no reason to believe that the department at Washington intended it as a reflection on his administration. North asserted that the work of the port of San Francisco alone takes up all of his time and that the officials at Washington realized that the state should be made into two districts.

Other changes are expected to follow and the personnel of the working forces in both districts will also be greatly changed.

### FLEET ARRIVES IN PHILIPPINE WATERS

#### Moros Impressed by Great Warships and Fire Salutes as Vessels Pass

MANILA, Oct. 1.—The Atlantic battleship fleet entered the Basilian straits at 1 o'clock yesterday, moving in single column. The fleet arrived opposite Zamboanga at 5 o'clock, finally clearing the straits on its way to Manila at 4 o'clock.

The passage through the straits was made entirely in the single column formation and the narrowness of the passage prevented any maneuvering. As soon as the open sea to the north was reached, however, the vessels changed to a double column formation and proceeded in that manner.

An interesting and picturesque demonstration of welcome was accorded the ships as they passed Zamboanga. General Bliss, commanding the department of Mindanao, aboard the coast guard steamer Negros, headed a large fleet of steamers, launches and Moro vintas or native canoes, all gayly decorated.

The Negros fired the admiral's salute in honor of Admiral Sperry as the Connecticut steamed by leading the fleet, and the flagship replied to the governor's salute in honor of General Bliss as department commander. The Negros then turned up the straits and sailed in company with the Connecticut for a few miles, the crew of the flagship manning the sides and the bands of the two vessels alternating with patriotic airs.

This ceremony was repeated with each vessel of the fleet as it steamed by, and many of the native crews of the vintas fired salutes to the Americans from their lantakas, or wire wound bamboo guns.

The Moros were greatly impressed by the size of the fleet and the great number of men the ships carried. As the vessels passed they testified their enthusiasm by clapping their hands, the sound timed to the peculiar cadence that is distinctive of the Moros.

**FAILS TO DIE BY GAS ROUTE**

After writing a note in which he stated that being of no use in this world he was about to end his life, Ernest Kuver, laborer, 2585 Seventeenth street, turned on the gas in his room and then lay down on the bed to await death. He was found shortly afterward by the landlady of the house, Mrs. Annie Salmon, who summoned an ambulance and had him taken to the central emergency hospital, where he was revived. Kuver will be taken before the insanity commission.

**Extra Train Service Account Army Maneuvers at Atascadero**

To enable the officers and troops of the United States army and state militia, and visitors to enjoy the first class hotel accommodations and other attractions of Paso Robles Hot Springs during the maneuvers at Atascadero, from October 1 to 15 inclusive, all Southern Pacific regular trains will stop at Atascadero and Paso Robles Hot Springs and also the following extra train service will be arranged: Leave Atascadero Hot Springs at 7:30 a. m., 10 a. m., 2 p. m. Leave Atascadero at 9:15 a. m., 12:35 p. m., 5 p. m. For further particulars see agents, 534 Market street, 14 Powell street, Third and Townsend streets, and Thirteenth and Franklin streets, Oakland.

### COURT DEADLOCKS ON SUTRO ESTATE

#### Death of McFarland Leaves the Justices Evenly Divided Over Validity of Trust Clause

#### Members of Highest Tribunal Now Enabled to Collect Three Months' Salary

By the death of Justice McFarland the supreme court has been brought to a deadlock on the validity of the trust clause in the contested will of Adolph Sutro. So absolute is the deadlock that yesterday the court issued an order directing a resubmission of the celebrated case. Not the least interesting result of the resubmission order is that it enables the learned justices to resume relations with the state treasury, their salaries having been held up for the last three months on account of their failure to act on the Sutro case within the time prescribed by law. After months of deliberation, the court met a few weeks ago to pass on the issue, but action was postponed because of the serious illness of Justice McFarland. After his death the court was polled, and it stood equally divided, three members declaring the clause to be invalid and three holding it to be legal. The issue rested with the aged jurist. It is known that Justice McFarland had formed an opinion, but what it was no man can say.

**CAN NOW DRAW SALARIES**

The deadlock has brought about a condition unique in the history of California jurisprudence, and the matter awaiting determination is one of the most important with which the courts have had to deal. As soon as it was apparent that a deadlock had been reached the justices discussed the various methods of procedure, but decided eventually, with a certain degree of humorous wisdom, to have the case resubmitted.

By adopting this course the justices will be enabled, incidentally, to draw their salaries once more. Under the California law, framed to expedite justice, the members of the highest court are restrained from drawing their pay when they allow any litigation to remain undecided 90 days after it has come under their jurisdiction. They are already three months beyond the prescribed limit in the Sutro case and have received no salary vouchers for July, August and September. By ordering that the case be resubmitted, instead of taking it under further consideration, they have lifted the barrier which has long separated them from their compensation.

**CASE SET FOR JANUARY**

Another phase of the case, which further involves the subject, is the selection of McFarland's successor. When Governor Gillett appointed Judge Melvin to the higher bench it was at first thought that the matter might be heard without delay. On second thought, however, it appeared that fresh complications would ensue in case Judge Murasky, the democratic nominee, should defeat Melvin at the November election. To make assurance doubly sure, the hearing will not be held until January 1 of next year.

A short cut out of the dilemma was offered in the code section which authorizes the supreme court, in such a crisis as has arisen, to call in a member of the appellate court to act temporarily. It was feared that this would

have been construed as a discourtesy to Judge Melvin, so it was not given serious consideration.

**WRONG NAME GIVEN**

Through an error of the police the name of John Christie, who was arrested with Walter Nelson at Ingleside, accused of picking pockets, on Sunday, was given out as John Christal. There was no man by the latter name taken into custody. The proper spelling of the name came to light when it was placed on the detinue book at the central station.

### City's Poor to Be Given Fine Ripe Peaches

FREE peaches by the carload for San Francisco's poor and peachless was the generous offer made by telegram to Mayor Taylor yesterday from the fruit growers of Loomis, Cal. Dr. Taylor sent an immediate reply accepting the proffered gift and will communicate with the Associated Charities in regard to its distribution. On the city's own behalf the mayor said a quantity of the fruit would be accepted and sent to the relief home, where more than 1,000 aged and infirm wards of the municipality will enjoy the bounty of the orchardists.

### TO RUSH WORK ON NEW FIRE SYSTEM

#### City Engineer Expects Building of Auxiliary Protection Will Take a Year

One year is the time set by the construction department of the city government for the complete installation of the auxiliary fire protection system, for which \$1,000,000 worth of bonds have been sold and \$1,500,000 more await the supervisors' action, computing from the date when the work is commenced.

Assistant City Engineer Conklic stated yesterday that the beginning of winter a year hence should see the system at least 85 per cent done, and possibly nearer completion than that.

Bids for the two fireboats and for many of the proposed fire cisterns will be called for next week, and a regular schedule has been laid out by the city engineer's office for the successive submission of different parts of the system to bidding.

The supervisors and the city engineers have the virtual assurance that San Francisco's fire insurance bill will be reduced more than \$1,000,000 a year upon the completion of the auxiliary system.

One insurance man, formerly connected with the city government, stated that in this way the system could be relied upon to pay for itself in three years.

The city engineer's office proposes to crowd the work on the fire protection pipes in order to save the money lost in insurance premiums.

**ASSOCIATION FILES PROTEST**

The fire commission received the protest of the Mission promotion association and of the South of Market street improvement association yesterday.

day against the board's action in choosing a lot at Stockton and Francisco streets for the new corporation yard instead of a site at Tenth and Harrison. The commission will hear the arguments of the protestants at length at next week's meeting.

**APPLY FOR BUILDING PERMITS**

The San Francisco national bank applied yesterday for a permit to erect a four story, class A office building at the northwest corner of California and Leidesdorff streets to cost \$100,000.

The Callaghan estate company made a similar application on a two story

\$95,000 structure to occupy the gore corner at Jones and Market streets.

The Clara Barton hospital also applied for a permit to erect a three story class A hospital building in Post street near Franklin, to cost \$75,000.

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**JULIAN SECORD IS DEAD**—Alameda, Sept. 30.—Julian Secord of Napa died at a local hospital last evening. He was the husband of Edith Secord and son of Mrs. Mary Secord. The remains were sent to Napa today for interment. Secord was 31 years of age.



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