

Have you seen Alonzo? Thousands of children and their elders saw him last Saturday—and like him. The first of his remarkable and amusing adventures will be pictured Saturday in The Junior Call.

Court Deals Blow to Spring Valley Company

Cretans Haul Down International Flag and Declare a Union With Greece

ISLANDERS DEFY FOUR BIG POWERS

People of Crete Boldly Decree Allegiance to Hellenic Government

One Hundred Thousand Join in Proclaiming Union With Motherland

French Troops Haul Down the Greek Emblem at the Fortress

Significant Action Follows the Independence of Bulgaria

Following the action of Bulgaria in throwing off the yoke of Turkey, the people of the island of Crete have boldly declared a union with Greece. The return to the Hellenic government may be opposed by Great Britain, Russia, France and Italy, the four powers that intervened to restore peace in the island in 1898, and constituted Crete, with adjacent islets, an autonomous state under a high commissioner of the powers.

CANDIA, Island of Crete, Oct. 7.—A decree announcing the union of Crete with Greece was published here this evening. Events leading up to the climax followed each other throughout the day with dramatic rapidity. The town was bedecked and early in the morning people began flocking in from all directions. There was much firing of guns and revolvers, with plenty of cheering, but perfect order prevailed. Mussulmans mingled with Austrians freely and unmoled.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the demonstration in favor of the union with Greece occurred on the military review grounds. More than 100,000 people, one of the largest crowds ever seen here, gathered at this place. All the prominent revolutionary leaders, each with his banner flying, appeared and they were supported by the heads of the different political parties, the mayors of the towns, the clergy and other influential in the councils of the island.

Speeches were made by various representatives, who declared that the peaceful political revolution which they had assembled to consummate was not directed against the powers, which had been the island's benefactors, but solely at proclaiming the island's union with the motherland. They called upon the government to act henceforth in the name of the free kingdom of Greece. They urged the people as a duty to go respectfully and announce their decision to the representatives of the powers, then they must call together an assembly to confirm the people's decision by an official vote.

Ten thousand men thereupon marched, singing and shouting, to the various consulates, leaving at each of them a written copy of the resolutions adopted. They then surged to the governor's palace and lowered the flag of Crete, raising the Greek flag in its place. The flags on all the public buildings were similarly replaced by the flag of Greece. With incessant and wild cheering for the union the great procession made its way to the fortress, where a Greek flag also was sent up to the top of a flagpole, but the French troops insisted upon the lowering of it and unfurled the flag of Crete and those of the four protecting powers.

ANGERED BY RESISTANCE This angered the populace and for a time there was danger of disturbances, but the leaders finally succeeded in restoring quiet.

A special issue of the government journal was distributed at 5 o'clock this evening containing the decree signed by five councilors, who announced their compliance with the people's decision and directed all public officials henceforth to conduct the business of the country in the name of the Hellenic government.

Thousands of people from outlying districts, most of them armed, are still pouring into the town, filling the streets and cheering the union. The government is taking special precautions to preserve order, and all the public buildings are strongly guarded.

TURKEY FOLLOWS RUSSIA

Approves of Proposal to Revise Berlin Treaty

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 7.—Turkey has fallen into line with the Russian proposal to revise the Berlin treaty, which, it is believed here, will ultimately be accepted by all the signatory powers.

To Turkey really belongs the formal

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ROAD DELIANS THAT VICTIMS AID ITS GRAB

"Help Us in Sutter Street Fight and See What Happens," Protestants Are Told

Complaints Against Bad Routing System Met by Plain Hint From Manager

Women of West Richmond Expose Plot of Trolley Line to Supervisors' Committee

That protests of the residents of the Richmond district against the inconveniences of the present routing of their streetcar service were met at the offices of the United Railroads with a plain intimation to help the company force through its trolley demand for the lower Market street tracks was the statement made yesterday to members of the supervisors' public utilities committee by Mrs. J. W. Felt, president of the West Richmond improvement club, and Mrs. Kate H. Dewey, its vice president.

In behalf of the club these officers paid a visit to the company's offices in Bruderrick street yesterday, their request of General Manager Black for better service being met, they stated, with the following response:

"We can't do anything more for you Richmond people in the transfer way as things are now, but I'll tell you what you had better do. Get behind us in this fight for a permit to run trolley cars on the outer Market street tracks. Go to the supervisors and see what you can do for us there. Then we will see what happens."

The statement of General Manager Black of the United Railroads to the board of supervisors last Monday that the few people traveling between the Richmond and the Sunset districts were practically the only ones discriminated by the recent routing of the Ellis-O'Farrell and the Eddy-Turk street cars was challenged yesterday by Dr. M. E. Van Meter in an open letter sent to the supervisors' public utilities committee here this week, in detail the contrary. He points out that the travel on both the above lines was very heavy, "so heavy that five times out of six" his homeward journey in the evening was "hanging to a strap."

Van Meter pictures the crowds of 30, 40 and even 50 people rushing along the two block gap in Devisadero street, women with babies, shoppers with bundles, and all exposed to the weather during the coming winter, and asks what sense there is in Black's claim that the change was made wholly to safeguard human life, when now the "crowds of men, women and children must rush pellmell over these same dangerous crossings, trying to catch a trolley near the corner about to go off and leave them?"

The doctor inquires if it was the law makers' intent that franchises should be split up and people forced to make two or three trips along a single street, as is now the case with the mass of passengers between Post and McAllister streets westward from Devisadero.

CHURCH WOMEN OBJECT TO "THE DEVIL" IN RENO

Wife of Mining Man Proposes Boycott on Theater That Produces Play

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

RENO, Nev., Oct. 7.—Mrs. Charles Worthington, wife of a Southern Nevada mining man, who is making her home in Reno, began a movement today among the church women of this city to prevent the presentation of "The Devil" here this week, or at least cause a boycott to be placed on the play and cause the unsuspecting theater goers to at least pause before venturing into a playhouse where, as she asserts, such an undesirable program will be presented. A meeting was held this afternoon and plans for stopping the performance were discussed. If no means can be found resolutions will be adopted, reciting the plot of the play and asking theater goers not to attend. These resolutions, Mrs. Worthington says, will be sent broadcast throughout Reno.

WAKES UP IN MORNING TEN MILLIONS RICHER

New York Man Receives Half of \$20,000,000 Estate Left by Santa Cruz Man

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—Waking this morning to find himself unexpectedly heir to an estate valued at \$19,000,000, Theodore R. Shear of 34 West One Hundred and Twentieth street, believes his sudden accession to the fortune will make no change in the well-ordered routine of his life.

He is a lawyer, 55 years old, and has a wife and three children. The bequest comes from a bachelor uncle, John R. Packard, of Santa Cruz, Cal., who died Saturday, leaving an estate valued at over \$20,000,000. Shear, according to the terms of the will, will receive half of it.

Packard was one of those who went west in '49 and accumulated a string of silver mines and cattle ranches. All his investments turned out well. His two nephews, Shear and Edward Winslow Packard, of Salt Lake city, were always favorites with him and they share alike in the big fortune.

OIL TRUST FLAYED BY DELEGATE

Bitter Attack on Octopus Feature of Second Session of Commercial Congress

John D.'s Company Controls Most of Precious Mineral Output, Says Denver Man

J. C. Stubbs Speaks for Railroads and Says Vast Improvements Are Planned

Conservation of National Resources Forms Chief Topic of Discussion During Day

Officers Chosen by the Congress

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Fourth Vice President—Herbert Strain, Great Falls, Montana.
Secretary—Arthur F. Francis, Cripple Creek, Colorado.
Treasurer—James C. Dahlman, Omaha, Nebraska.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Chairman—Ike T. Pryor, San Antonio, Texas.
Vice Chairman—Sam F. Dutton, Denver, Colorado.

ADVISORY BOARD
Chairman—Arthur B. Briggs, San Francisco.
Vice Chairman—J. H. Brady, Pocatello, Idaho.

An exposition of the railroad's point of view and an attack upon the Standard oil company constituted the main features of the second day's session of the Trans-Mississippi commercial congress. J. C. Stubbs, traffic director of the Harriman lines, spoke for his chief and stated that vast improvements and new construction with which to handle the business of the country awaited only a complete restoration of financial confidence.

The attack on the oil trust came from James L. Callbreath Jr. of Denver, secretary of the American mining congress. He stated that through its ownership of the smelter trust the Standard oil company had practical control of the mineral output of the country and retained by fraud a large percentage of the ore it took for treatment. He called upon the government to take action in the matter.

The conservation of the natural resources of the nation formed the chief topic of discussion. Former Governor Pardee of California and Governor Cutler of Utah, in vigorous addresses, upheld the position taken by President Roosevelt and Gifford Pinchot. Attorney General Dickinson of Colorado differed in some particulars from the president, while Frank H. Short of Fresno, the representative of the Huntington power interests, took the view that the people, having dealt wisely with the natural resources in the past, could be trusted to do so in the future without an abundance of federal control.

An uncompromising reference to some of Bryan's pet political views brought the congress to the verge of a political discussion, but the speakers steered successfully away from the shoals to the open sea.

FLEMING FIRST SPEAKER

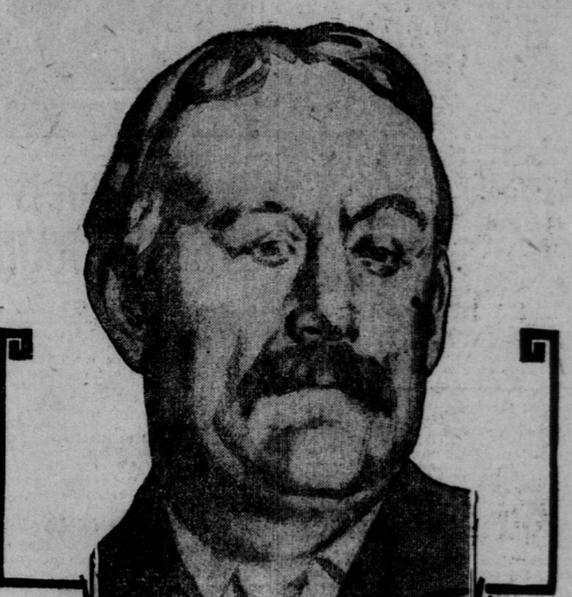
Vice President Ike T. Pryor presided when the meeting was called to order yesterday morning. The first business was the submission of resolutions from the various state delegations.

Colonel Fred W. Fleming, a banker of Kansas City, Mo., was the first speaker. Colonel Fleming pointed out that western life insurance companies transact only 11 per cent of the western business, while eastern companies secure 89 per cent of the premiums. He contended that it was necessary for the commercial welfare of the west that the insurance business be localized and that the legal reserve of the companies be invested in the west to help uphold there.

"I recently heard a man account for stagnating pessimism by saying, 'They don't get beyond the Missouri river often enough,'" said President Benjamin Ide Wheeler of the University of California, who followed Fleming on the rostrum. "The man who made that remark was the president of the United States, a man who himself absorbed a good deal of his fine sense

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Water Company's Claim for Big Reimbursement Denied



Judge Edward S. Farrington, who rendered decision, and City Attorney Percy V. Long.

PLEA FOR DECENCY MADE BY SWEENEY

President of Labor Council Declares Judge Dunne the Issue in Campaign

"There is one issue that you must face. I have said before and I say again that the law is on trial in San Francisco. We are menaced by corrupt men who for years have been trying to break into state's prison and some of our judges won't let them—men who when your city was in ruins and you were in the most terrible distress, took advantage of your helpless condition to rob you."

"Judge Dunne is the issue. It is not his personality; it is the welfare of the city that concerns you. Will the law prevail? Will the people stand for decency? Will they permit such conditions as prevailed last May when men, not of the carmen's union, but of Calhoun's and Black's union, came to me and asked me, 'Will you stand for another streetcar strike?' I said 'no' and I say now that we wouldn't have had the last streetcar strike if it hadn't been for union labor scoundrels."

"Do you want industrial peace? Do you want safety for yourselves and your families? Do you want to see your daughters in a position to go about the city without being insulted? You can have these things; you will see the law enforced; you will uphold order and morality; if you vote for—if you elect Judge Dunne."

In this wise John W. Sweeney, president of the San Francisco labor council, addressed the democrats of the thirty-ninth district assembled in meeting at 527 Clement street last night. The first mention of Judge Dunne's name elicited great applause and as the impassioned speaker proceeded he was interrupted by the cheering of the audience.

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RAILROAD SCHEME QUICKLY DEFEATED

Pardee's Election to Committee Foils Plot to Place John P. Irish in Power

Former Governor, George C. Pardee was elected a member from California on the committee of resolutions of the Trans-Mississippi commercial congress directly in the face of an attempt made by Arthur B. Briggs, president of the state board of trade, to foist John P. Irish in the place. The vote was 52 to 11.

Irish was the man the railroad interests of the state wanted on that important committee. C. C. Moore, president of the San Francisco chamber of commerce, was a member of the committee, with Leroy Wright of southern California, but Moore withdrew, pleading business engagements. It was reported about the congress yesterday that Moore refused to carry out the program made by the wire pullers of the Southern Pacific's staff.

The resolutions committee, which is the most important subordinate body in the congress, was in session when Briggs heard of Moore's withdrawal. He set about to capture the vacancy by seizure, picking out Colonel Irish as the warrior best calculated to hold the citadel against resolutions that might be antagonistic to the Harriman interests. Briggs, having recruited Irish, took him into the committee room and introduced him to Senator Ed F. Harris of Texas, the chairman. Irish sat during the meeting, contributing his views to the discussion.

PARDEE IS NOMINATED

A half hour later a caucus was held by the California delegation. Pardee was nominated by Delegate Darrow of Sacramento. Some one moved that the nominations be closed, but Briggs, who was presiding, said that the post was too important for that action. Then, after a pause, some one nominated Briggs' man, Irish. Percy T. Morgan, president of the California wine association, and E. H. Benjamin were also nominated. When the vote was taken

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DECISION IS VICTORY FOR CITY

\$25,000,000 Cut From Big Corporation's Excessive Value of Its Plant

Temporary Injunction Against City in New Rate Schedule Is Granted

Fifteen Per Cent Increase to Be Collected Until Case Is Finally Settled

Amount in Excess of Supervisors' Rate to Be Deposited for Court's Order

Six of the Features of Judge Farrington's Decision

1. Value of the Spring Valley plant placed at \$27,553,512.
2. Company granted a 15 per cent increase in rates pending final adjudication.
3. Company must file \$100,000 bond and deposit excess with a bank to be selected later.
4. Spring Valley must file with court list of consumers, showing excess collected from each.
5. Herman Schussler's valuation of \$52,500,000, based on comparison with Hetch Hetchy system, knocked out.
6. Company denied reimbursement for damage sustained in the earthquake and blamed for its own loss.

By a decision rendered yesterday by Judge E. S. Farrington in the United States circuit court the Spring Valley water company was granted a temporary injunction against the new schedule of rates, but at the same time the sum of \$25,000,000 was cut from the corporation's valuation of the plant. Judge Farrington fixed the value at \$27,553,512, but ordered that pending the final adjudication of the case the company should be allowed to collect rates 15 per cent in excess of those established by the board of supervisors last June.

It was further decreed that the amount collected in excess of the schedule adopted by the supervisors should be deposited with some bank to be determined upon by the city and the corporation. In case the injunction is subsequently dissolved this money must be returned to the consumers. The company has also been ordered to file within the next 10 days a bond of \$100,000 to safeguard the interests of the consumers.

The decision is regarded as a big victory for the city in that it places the value of the plant close to the estimate of the engineers of the municipality. In the words of Mayor Taylor, "the opinion may be considered a staggering blow at the fanciful pretensions as to the value of the Spring Valley company." City Attorney Percy V. Long and members of the board of supervisors also regard the judgment decidedly to the advantage of the city in that it fixes as a basis for future negotiations a valuation in keeping with the estimates of the representatives of the municipal government.

Judge Farrington arrived at his valuation by taking the estimate of \$28,752,500 made by Judge Morrow in 1903 and adding thereto the valuation made by the city engineer of the improvements since that date. As a verification of this estimate Judge Farrington takes the par value of the stocks and bonds and deducts therefrom the value of the property not now in use, arriving by this means at practically the same figure.

CORPORATION CULPABLE

The opinion knocks out completely the contention of the corporation that the city should reimburse it for the \$500,000 loss which it has alleged it sustained in the disaster of April, 1906. Not only does Judge Farrington deny the company this sum, but he intimates very strongly that the corporation was culpable in not removing its pipes from the marshy ground in accordance with the recommendations made previously by its own engineer. It has been the contention of various engineers that this negligence on the part of the company was to a large extent responsible

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