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"It's just like a Christmas tree every Saturday," writes an enthusiastic youngster who has been reading the stories, solving the puzzles, making the toys and romping with Alonzo in The Junior Call.

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HOUSE ARMS FOR BLUE FIELD FOR SLASH AT DAWN

"Blues," Landed From Transports, Sleep on Arms for Daylight Conflict With "Reds"

Field Signal Service Establishes Wireless, Telephone and Telegraph Stations in Open

First Message Ever Sent San Francisco Paper Is Received by The Call

CAMP ESTRADA, Cal., Oct. 12 (12) Camp Atascadero, Cal., Oct. 12.

THE CALL, San Francisco, Cal. (By wireless from the field)

This is the first field message ever sent by a wireless packet to a San Francisco newspaper.

At 4:15 p. m. the blue forces, under Colonel Smith, Eighth Infantry, are going into bivouac.

BECK, Signal Officer.

Lieutenant Paul W. Beck, Commanding U. S. A. Signal Corps, Camp Estrada, via Camp Atascadero:

Wireless received. Congratulate you on wonderful efficiency of your signal corps.

E. S. SIMPSON, Managing Editor Call.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL BY FIELD TELEGRAPH

IN THE FIELD NEAR CAMP ATASCADERO, Oct. 12.—Beneath the rays of a perfect California moon two hostile armies lie bivouached tonight, ready to advance upon each other at daylight.

The "Blues," under Colonel F. A. Smith of the Eighth United States Infantry, occupy a strong line between Templeton and Camp Atascadero; the "Reds" sleep on their arms five miles away, near Myers ranch, under the command of Lieutenant Colonel H. B. Moon of the Twentieth United States Infantry.

Scores of camp fires blaze and fit among the oaks and hills, dispelling the gloom of the thick shadows, lighting up the valley. Around the warm glow of each camp fire are the prostrate forms of a dozen soldiers, sleeping under arms, seeking the warmth in protection from the frosty night air.

Beyond the tired, sleeping lines move the outposts, marching up and down, steadily, patiently, from rock to thicket, from bush to tree. Still further ahead, every now and then, the oaks or sharply silhouetted against rock and hillside, the moonlight night striking a gleam from rifle and scabbard, walk vigilant pickets and sentries.

Further still, like a silent shadow shapes, cavalry patrols silently dip in and out through the wooded hillside.

There is great lack of military pomp about this bivouac. No trumpet calls re-echo along the lines, no shouting orders to advance to the long lines of sleeping troops. In the main camps the long lines of sleeping men, wrapped in blankets, seek their rest. With the coming of the dawn the bugles will give tongue and the two long lines will jump to the fore, advancing upon each other. Neither army has been able to discover the other's exact location. Both sides have advanced cautiously, keen and alert, taking advantage of every opportunity, leaving unguarded no weak point.

"BLUES" LAND FROM TRANSPORTS

The invading "Blues" marched from the direction of Monterey today, the supposition being that they had there been landed by their transports. The defending army, the "Reds," took up a position in the vicinity of San Luis Obispo. For the purpose of attack Colonel Smith has at his disposal the Eighth United States Infantry, the Fifth California militia, Seventh California militia and the First battalion of the Arizona Infantry. The infantry is strengthened by Batteries D and F of the First field artillery, a squadron of the Fifth regular cavalry, under Major Fortner; one platoon, Company A, First battalion of engineers, and a half of Company B of hospital corps.

The "Red" army, which has supposedly concentrated in the vicinity of San Luis Obispo, sent out an advance guard composed of the Twentieth Infantry, Captain Parker's machine battery of eight machine guns, the Second California Infantry, three troops of California cavalry with Captain Adams' troops of the Fourth regular cavalry, and Battery B of the First field artillery, one platoon, Company A, First battalion of engineers and half of Company B of the hospital corps.

The two armies are about six miles apart, each on the same side of the bay, and that the respective cavalry outposts will come in contact with each other about 8 o'clock tomorrow morning. The outcome of the battle that will ensue will depend upon the strategy shown by the two commanders and the tactical disposition of their respective commands.

EFFICIENT SIGNAL CORPS

The signal corps under the command of Lieutenant Paul W. Beck today established a complete wireless and field telegraphic and telephone service, enabling Colonel W. R. Schuyler, chief umpire, to keep in touch with every move of the troops in order to decide which side has the advantage according to the general principles of strategy and tactics in modern warfare. Besides this service a wireless service has been established between the fighting ground and the main camp. By this Colonel Maus will, from his headquarters, be in touch with the armies during the entire fighting.

Much of the important work of the maneuver will be given to the militiamen from California and Arizona, it being primarily for their benefit and instruction. The brigade staffs of General Koster and General Wankowski were given a hard ride over the field today, the various positions being explained to them by Colonel Marion P. Maus. During the battle they will ride along both lines to observe the movements of the troops. The California national guard will break camp Wednesday and the Arizona Thursday.

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IS it vacant—your lot, your house, your pocket? Fill it with a CALL Want Ad—the sure cure for that kind of emptiness. And it cures with magic quickness. Bring your ad, mail it or just phone it to Kearny 86.

SEAL GREAT PISTOL'S POINT IN BROAD DAY

Pretty Young Santa Rosa High School Miss Kidnaped in Parent's Home

Taken to San Francisco on Boat and Is Discovered and Rescued by Friend

Sonoma County Town Thrown Into Fever of Apprehension by Boldness of Crime

SANTA ROSA, Oct. 12.—One of the most sensational kidnaping cases which have ever come to the notice of the local police force was reported here late this afternoon and has thrown the city into consternation owing to the boldness of the operators and the ease with which they made away with their young girl victim. It was only by the merest chance that they were balked at the moment they were landing in San Francisco and their prey rescued.

Miss Lois Forsythe, the 15 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Forsythe, prominent residents of this city, who had been left at home by her mother, was confronted by three men just as she was ready to leave the house in the afternoon for a visit. One of the men, with a revolver at the girl's head, demanded that she keep quiet and accompany them on pain of death if she raised an outcry. The girl was taken to the depot and then on the train for San Francisco.

As the boat was landing in San Francisco at 6 o'clock Miss Forsythe was noticed among the passengers by Clarence H. Whitney, a former resident of this city, who was returning home from a visit here with friends. Seeing the girl alone and in evident distress he approached her and asked her to get into the boat with him, sobbing out a portion of her story.

Whitney took the girl under his protection and telephoned from the ferry to the parents here, telling them of the girl's whereabouts and safety. This was the first intimation the family had of any trouble, as she was supposed to be visiting friends in this city.

She was then taken by Whitney to his home, 1381 San Jose avenue, Alameda county, where he conversed with her parents over the phone telling of her experience.

The family is one of the best known in the city and ranks high socially and in religious circles. Miss Forsythe is a high school miss, and bears a character above reproach. She is a great favorite in a large circle of acquaintances and the whole affair is wrapped in mystery.

Miss Forsythe told her father over the phone tonight that she had seen the man with the revolver before. He was about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches tall, was about 40 years old, blonde, and had a light mustache, she said. The other two kept in the background and she did not see enough of them to get a description.

FIND SHORTAGE IN LUMBERMAN'S ACCOUNTS

S. F. Hopkins Says Books of Confidential Agent W. B. McNider Show Irregularities

PETALUMA, Oct. 12.—Rumors of financial irregularities, which were circulated at the time of the resignation of Manager W. B. McNider of the local lumber company were verified today, when S. F. Hopkins, proprietor of the company, stated that there was a shortage in McNider's accounts. According to Hopkins, the discrepancy will amount to more than \$4,000.

McNider was very well and favorably known here and was employed as confidential agent of Hopkins, cashier of the Petaluma savings bank. Hopkins placed McNider in charge of the affairs of the lumber company and all went well until McNider suddenly resigned and left Petaluma. It was whispered that there had been trouble, but Hopkins refused to discuss the matter until today, when he stated that an examination of McNider's books had revealed irregularities amounting to between \$4,000 and \$5,000.

McNider had the confidence of the businessmen of Sonoma county. He was affiliated in some enterprises with George P. McNear, president of the Bank of Sonoma county. He was prominent in social circles and enjoyed a wide acquaintance throughout the county.

KILLED MAN SHE HAD BEEN SOLD TO FOR \$100

Mrs. Julia Madelin Makes Statement in Mysterious Affair

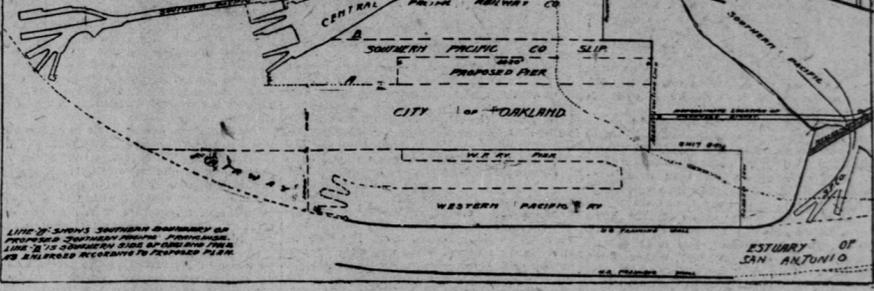
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., October 12.—That she was sold for \$100 and forced by her father to marry a man she did not love was the statement made today by Mrs. Julia Madelin, who last Saturday shot and killed Tony Madelin, to whom she was married four years ago. The girl said she had no regrets for her act.

He was ill and lying on the bed when he came in Saturday night," she said. "He asked me why supper was not ready and I told him I was not well enough to get it. Then he ordered me to get up and close a window. I said I could not, and he struck me, he beat me and kicked me, and then, taking out his knife, said he would kill me. I ran around him and got the revolver, and when he made as if he would stab me I killed him."

The position of Madelin's body when found by the police indicated that he had been deliberately fired upon from the back while he sat at the supper table. A knife was found on his body.

Mayor Mott and Other Leading Citizens Speak in Favor of Proposed Agreement

Map of Oakland Water Front Showing Proposed Settlement of Harbor Frontage



HUGE COMBINE TO RIVAL F. M. SMITH

\$1,000,000 Corporation Acquires Vast Death Valley Properties

F. M. Smith, the borax king, is to have serious opposition in the field of commerce over which he has long held solitary sway. A new \$1,000,000 corporation, known as the Sterling borax company, has been formed and has acquired valuable properties in Death valley close to those which have yielded a fortune for Smith. It was announced that while the new company had not been organized, the express purpose of fighting Smith, it was intended as a formidable rival.

The new concern comes into existence in the form of a consolidation of the American borax company, the Stauffer chemical company and affiliated corporations. The merger includes the Brighton chemical company, which is a branch of the American borax company, and the Frazier borate mining company and Thomas, Thor, Kildson & Co. of Chicago, both of which have in the past been connected with the Stauffer company.

At the very outset the new corporation has clashed with the Smith interests, both endeavoring to purchase the Borax Properties, Limited, an English concern, which recently took over the Palm borax company. The British company has begun the erection of a \$75,000 plant in southern California to treat boric acid ore. When completed the plant will be able to treat 100 tons of ore a day. By its acquisition either company would be able to add great strength to its position.

The Sterling company has mines at Lang, in this state, and Ventura county as well as in Death valley. Its promoters claim that its fields are as large and rich as those owned by Smith. Its main office is located in the east. The borax operators, who are for the most part eastern capitalists, are as follows: Thomas Ghorokidson, Charles de Guigne of San Francisco, John Stauffer, H. Mather, and E. Dawes of the firm of Dawes & Myler of Pittsburg.

The industry of California has been an extremely profitable one for the last 20 years. The production for 21 years has been 767,469,000 pounds, valued at 17,456,334. The production in 1890 was a little more than 6,900,000 pounds. Last year it had increased to 106,000,000 pounds.

NEW YORKER SAYS HE WAS "WILDCAT" MINE VICTIM

Thomas H. Ray Charges L. R. "Hare and Wife With Fraudulent Representations

SAN RAFAEL, Oct. 12.—In a suit filed here today Thomas H. Ray, a prominent New York businessman, makes sensational charges against L. R. Hare and his wife, alleging that the couple induced him to take stock in a fraudulent mining concern known as the Konzarok-Alaska gold mining company of Seward peninsula, Alaska.

Ray declares that he purchased \$600 worth of stock in the company and that the conditions were exaggerated; that a fictitious map was shown him and that others who purchased stock had found it valueless. He bases the latter claim on the fact that \$5,000 worth of stock, alleged to be worthless, has been transferred to him by Stephen Hunter of Chicago.

Hare and his wife, Catherine, were formerly residents of Marin county. The abo Conqueror, burst in the air at an altitude of 4,000 feet, have recovered this morning from the effects of their thrilling experience. Forbes drove out this morning and examined what was left of the balloon, prior to having it packed for transportation back to New York, whether it will be shipped tomorrow. The envelope is torn into five pieces, and there are also in it many holes, as a result of its contact with roofs.

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TWO BALLOONS INJURED IN INTERNATIONAL RACE

Spanish Bag Bursts Six Thousand Feet in Air, but Its Occupants Escape

MESTENDORFF, Province of Saxony, Prussia, Oct. 12.—While the Spanish balloon Mantana was passing over this place this morning at a height of 6,000 feet, it was struck by a bullet. The balloon managed to land safely and the occupants of the car were uninjured.

BERLIN, Oct. 12.—Hollan Forbes and Augustus C. Post, the American aeronauts who had a narrow escape from death yesterday when their balloon, the Conqueror, burst in the air at an altitude of 4,000 feet, have recovered this morning from the effects of their thrilling experience. Forbes drove out this morning and examined what was left of the balloon, prior to having it packed for transportation back to New York, whether it will be shipped tomorrow. The envelope is torn into five pieces, and there are also in it many holes, as a result of its contact with roofs.

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SHOCK LASTS FORTY SECONDS

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 12.—An earthquake shock lasting 40 seconds was felt here today at 10:32 o'clock. Clocks were stopped, but the intensity of the shock was insufficient to cause any damage.

"WHITE SLIP" TRANSFER OUTLAWED

Supervisors Quickly Pass Sullivan's Ordinance by Two-thirds Vote

New Regulation Compels Return to the System in Vogue September 1

Mullally Disgusts Even Friends With Bid for Trolley Permit

United Railroads Has Bad Time at Meeting of the City Fathers

Yesterday was a bad day for the United Railroads in the meeting of the board of supervisors. By a two-thirds majority the members put through finally the "Sullivan" ordinance, which, among other things, outlaws the "white slip" transfer nuisance and compels a return to the system in vogue September 1.

The Sutter track matter was gratuitously given place for discussion, and Thornwell Mullally disgusted his two staunchest friends on the board, Pollok and McAllister, by making a \$25,000 bid for a temporary trolley permit. He explained a moment later that he meant the sum to fit in snugly on the Mission viaduct proposition. Two years ago the company agreed to advance 10 per cent of the cost of this work.

Pollok told Calhoun's nephew that his offer was "specious," and McAllister said he had been "friendly," but that this was too much. McAllister wanted to know if the road would give \$500 real money per month instead of \$25,000, and Mullally said it wouldn't and couldn't. "The bond holders wouldn't let it."

"Just to put the onus where it belonged," in McAllister's words, the board then made 3:30 o'clock next Monday the hour for a special order of business to hear what proposition the company might be willing to make, "so that the people may understand," as Pollok phrased it, "just who is responsible" for the horsecar conditions.

"BLACK SYSTEM" EXPLAINED

The benefits of General Manager Black's October transfer system were explained by the hour before the board's 12 to 6 vote enacted the Sullivan bill.

Broderick, Center, Comte, McAllister, Pollok and Rixford voted "No," to nobody's surprise, but Murdoch changed his mind and voted "Yes," to Black's visible disappointment; Jennings also joined the supporters of the regulation, and Connolly remained in the ranks favoring city control. Booth, Hancock, Hicks, Murphy, Glanville, D'Ancona, McLean, Johnston and Payot stood, as last week, for the measure.

The West Richmond woman's improvement club came in force to ask the supervisors' protection against Black's "inauguration of a 10 cent fare," and the club's vice president, Mrs. E. H. O'Donnell, won the mayor's and the members' hearty approval by the mayor's "If you can't, what is our charter good for?"

Thomas Gray said he once won a prize from the United Railroads by pointing out what could be done in the way of transfer riding on its system. "During the last 10 days," he said, "I have been busily getting acquainted with this new 'black system.' It's a wonder. The Polk and Twelfth street line no longer exists. The cars don't go, and the transfers don't work the way they are labeled."

Gray then took up in detail examples confirming his general criticisms. Dr. Van Meter called the board's attention to a misstatement of the officials that the Devisadero gap inconvenience only the passengers between Sunset and Richmond.

CLEANS UP CALENDAR

After putting in the entire afternoon on the two railroad matters the board settled into the collar about 8 o'clock and began to clean up its two weeks' calendar. The ordinance giving notice of the special Hetch Hetchy bond issue election November 12, almost a duplication of the ordinance calling the election, being required by the charter, was passed to print. Broderick and McAllister being the only two to vote "no."

The board referred Benjamin Ide Wheeler's offer that the university hospital co-operate with the city in the care of acute and surgical cases to the hospital committee; the offer of A. L. Taylor to sell a Mokelumne river water supply for \$29,715,000 to the public utilities committee. The communication of the city to the Mission grammar school a month had been killed at Third and Townsend streets by the scattering of streetcars was likewise referred to the same committee. The tenement house law was amended to permit one story construction on yard space of corner lots. The sale of ground squirrels and the driving of unbroken horses were prohibited. The construction of the Mission grammar school at a cost not to exceed \$150,000 was approved.

FEAR WAR BETWEEN THE CHINESE TONGS

Threats Made to Assassinate Hip Lung, Chicago's Wealthiest Celestial

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—Threats to assassinate Hip Lung, Chicago's wealthiest Chinese; Moy Dong Hoy and Harry Lee, countrymen, recently freed of the charge of murdering Chin Wai, greatly alarmed Chinatown and aroused the police to action today.

Inspector Wheeler detailed four detectives to guard Hip Lung and look for assassins connected with the notorious highlanders of San Francisco, who are supposed to have been sent to murder the chief Chinese.

Members of the Chicago Chinese colony are convinced that secret warfare has been adopted by the highlanders by the death of Chin Wai by the murder of the man acquitted.

The arrival of several strange Chinese, their mysterious disappearance when the police were asked to capture them and letters threatening death to Hip Lung, Chicago's wealthiest Chinese, have followed.

The first warning came to Hip Lung through a friend said to be connected with the highlanders, and one of those assigned to kill him. His refusal to carry out the death plot was followed by the assignment of San Francisco members to the work.

Hip Lung appealed to Chief Shippy and investigation convinced him that another outbreak of the Chinese tongs was imminent.

EARL LOSES RIGHT TO ALICE THAW'S DOWRY

Divorce Court Annuls Interest in Financial Settlement of Former Wife

LONDON, Oct. 12.—By an order of the divorce court issued this afternoon all the rights and interests of the earl of Yarmouth under the financial settlement made prior to the earl's marriage to Miss Alice Cornhill Thaw in Pittsburg on April 27, 1905, are extinguished.

According to counsel the financial settlement amounted to \$600,000. This sum was settled upon Miss Thaw for life. If she died before the earl she was to have the sum for the earl's life. The settlement also gave the earl an income of \$50,000 a year from the day of the wedding. The earl made no opposition to the court's order.

The earl's marriage to Miss Thaw of Yarmouth and the countess was annulled in London on February 5 last.

REUBEN LLOYD, ATTORNEY, SERIOUSLY ILL AT HOME

Well Known Lawyer and Park Commissioner in Condition Forbidding Operation

Reuben H. Lloyd, the attorney and park commissioner, lies seriously ill at his home at Sacramento and Hyde streets. He has been absent from his office for more than a month and has not attended the meetings of the park commission during that period. Dr. John Galloway is in daily attendance. Lloyd is suffering from a hardening of the prostate and it is reported that his condition is such that an operation is out of the question.

WIFE OF HAYTI'S PRESIDENT DIES

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, Oct. 12.—Mme. Nord Alexis, wife of the aged president of Hayti, died here today after a short illness. The body will be embalmed and sent to Cape Haytien, where Mme. Alexis was born. The government is preparing for a national funeral.