

National Department of Mines Is Being Urged

Many Old Locations in This State Are Again Being Developed to Considerable Profit

Strong pressure will now be exerted by the miners of the Pacific coast to secure the passage of the bill introduced by Congressman Englebright for the establishment of a national department of mines. This bill has been passed by the house of representatives and is now in the senate at Washington. The action of the trans-Mississippi congress, which adopted a resolution introduced by State Mineralogist Aubrey of California, has accentuated the attitude of the mining congress at Denver, which urged that a permanent mines law be needed. The Aubrey resolution at the trans-Mississippi congress asked that a law shall be passed at the earliest possible day, and that ample appropriation shall be provided for its maintenance.

There have been many land troubles in California in the last few years which vitally concerned the interests of the miners. Lands have been taken into private ownership in large blocks that were acquired by the fraudulent use of dummy locators, who have acted in the interest of land grabbers. In Nevada there have been land troubles also in which miners have been largely concerned. There is no existing national bureau that represents the miners of the United States in matters of this nature or in other ways in which a close knowledge of conditions is essential. All mining associations throughout the country are supposed to be making an active campaign for the establishment of a national bureau of mines and mining.

OLD MINES DEVELOPED

Within a week several attempts have been made in California to develop old mining properties. The management of the Union Hill mine in Nevada county has decided to sink a three compartment shaft to the depth of 1,000 feet. At Deadman's Flat the sinking of a shaft has been begun on the Alma mine. The Alma mine has as near neighbors the West Point, the Ironclad and the Osceola mines. The Alta Sonora mines owned by the Nevada Blue Chip Mining company, a new corporation, has begun operations on the Durgin ground, near the Cape Horn mine. The Cape Horn, the Gurin mine and other properties will be at work soon. A large shaft \$500,000 was found recently while exploring the De Saba power house, near the Oro Fino mine, was being taken out, so it is reported.

The Redding Courier-Free Press says that the great smelting plant owned by the Balkalia company will be blown in soon. This, with the Keswick smelter, the smelter of the Bully Hill mining company, the smelter of the Mammoth copper company at Kennett and the plant of the Great Eastern copper company at Ingot, will give Shasta county a chance to make a great record in the year 1910.

Properties near Grass Valley owned by the Gauthier estate, consisting of two claims, the Blue Bluffs Claims, Transcript, will be worked by John Burgess and others. A shaft on the property is 200 feet deep. A corporation has been formed to work the land, to be known as the Grass Valley Dana mine company.

According to the Oroville Register, a rich gold strike has been made a few miles from Hurleton, in the Phoenix group. According to the Hanford Sentinel, a deposit of cement rock has been discovered in a four foot formation. If this proves to be what is hoped for, the value to the county will be large. The cement output of California, from Napa, Contra Costa, and Solano counties, in the last few years has amounted in value to more than \$10,000,000, of which \$2,585,577, judging from the annual reports of the California state mining board, must be obtained in 1907. The outcome of the investigation following the strike by Allen will be of interest.

YELLOW JACKET DISCOVERIES

The Trinity Journal says that the Yellow Jacket discoveries of gold on East Fork have served to bring in experts from many places to view "The Cripple Creek of Trinity county." Specialists have already come from distant parts of Trinity county and in every case agree upon the facts that, aside from the large amount of free gold contained in the ledge, the schistose appear in such quantities that the question to be settled is to what class do these tellurides belong. Sylvanite has been pronounced too few in quantity to be of any value. It is the quality about which general opinion centers.

NEVADA MINES

The two topics of leading interest in the last week, relating to Nevada mines, were the settlement of litigation between the Goldfield Florence and the Little Florence companies, which enabled the parent company to pay its fourth dividend of a year, or \$420,000 in a year in all, and the statements made in the Goldfield papers that the Diamondfield Daisy has struck an important body of ore. Several other matters concerning the Goldfield district are worth mentioning and the other southern Nevada mining districts have been interested in the reports that have found their way into print in the newspapers of Nevada.

MARIN DEMOCRATS TALK

SAN RAFAEL, Oct. 25.—With the idea of making a whirlwind finish to the campaign in Marin county, the democratic county committee has instituted a number of rallies to be held at various points until the election on November 3. The first of these was held last night in the Red Men's hall at San Francisco. Michael Burke, ex-chairman of the county committee, presided. C. C. Cunningham, an attorney from San Francisco; Michael Burke, candidate for supervisor of the second district, and J. E. Lewis, democratic candidate for the joint senatorship of Marin and Contra Costa counties, were the speakers.

Suburban Brevities

MUSICAL PROGRAM AT EPWORTH CHURCH—Berkeley, Oct. 25.—Assisted by the University of California orchestra, a male quartet, and a ladies' quartet, the choir of the Epworth Methodist church will render a program of special music in the church auditorium to-night.

LECTURE ON CHRISTIAN CHARACTER—Mill Valley, Oct. 25.—Two lectures were delivered at the outdoor art club this morning and evening by Rev. A. T. Needham, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church of Mill Valley. In the morning Rev. Mr. Needham chose for his subject "The Negative and Positive Sides of Christian Character."

WILL LECTURE ON FORESTS—Berkeley, Oct. 25.—Hugo H. Lillenthal, founder of the juvenile horticultural society, will address the members of the Hillside mothers' club in the Hillside schoolhouse in North Berkeley tomorrow afternoon. He has announced as his subject "A Practical Solution for Improving Forest, Field, Orchard and Garden."

EAGLE DRUM CORPS BALL—San Rafael, Oct. 25.—The San Rafael Eagle drum corps gave a masked ball last night at Armory hall. The affair was largely attended and was a success in every particular. Prizes were awarded for the best dressed man and woman and in addition awards were made on gate prizes. The money raised by the ball will be expended in procuring additional instruments for the members of the drum corps.

Do You Want \$5.00? Read THE CALL'S weekly offer on page 10. There are 25,000,000 horses in the United States.

ST. JOSEPH'S GAINS 200 COMMUNICANTS

Archbishop Riordan Confirms 250 Children and 50 Adults in West Berkeley

New Marble Altar Dedicated Is Witness of Church's Unusual Growth

BERKELEY, Oct. 25.—Under most favorable auspices, Archbishop Patrick W. Riordan officiated this afternoon at the confirmation of a class of 250 children and 50 adults, members of St. Joseph's parish, West Berkeley. The services were unusually impressive, owing to the presence of the venerable ecclesiastic so soon after his twenty-fifth anniversary celebration and attracted a great throng to the church. Many visiting clergymen were present. Among those who assisted the archbishop were Rev. Father McNally of Palo Alto, Rev. Father Ramm of St. Mary's, San Francisco and Rev. Father Myers of Menlo Park, who pronounced the benediction.

Rev. Dr. P. X. Morrison, pastor of St. Joseph's, and his assistants, Rev. Father Brennan and Rev. Father Ryan, took part in the solemn rites. Following the services the archbishop delivered a short sermon, the theme being the transition from childhood to manhood and the responsibilities, spiritual, moral and material which were added.

A new marble altar was dedicated this afternoon by the archbishop. This accession to the new church's elaborate furnishings was due to the unusual growth of the parish during the last two years, particularly under the pastorate of Dr. Morrison. Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Maroney were sponsors for the confirmation class, of which the following were members:

- Harriet C. Longuey, Clement Tobin, Josephine Bolvard, James Hallock, Josephine Lutzgard, William Daniels, Agnes Saterne, James Cassidy, Charles E. Hartley, Rose Leschinski, Inez Sches, Gladys Duffield, Otto Orland, Josephine Roselli, Margaret McLaughlin, Charles Black, Ella McGovern, Albert Murphy, Olga E. Rose, Walter E. Healey, Teresa O'Keefe, Henry Murphy, Louise Avenzino, Thomas Scott, John A. McHenry, Margaret Benkas, Milton N. Hayes, Frederick D. Abraham, W. J. Conely, Frederick C. Berthaud, E. M. Healy, A. C. Reddan, L. J. Chianina, Martin J. Murphy, S. P. Shelly, J. V. Navarino, Robert J. Stangor, Victor Hugo Marengo, Thomas M. Marischo, James M. Casey, Edward A. Condon, Elizabeth W. Donohue, William Heafey, Barney Newell, Charles J. Donohue, Raymond P. Kennedy, Charles A. Gilmarin, Joseph J. Bennett, J. J. Symmes, P. S. Kidwell, Walter W. Hecker, L. S. Anderson, Harold A. Kidwell, Harold E. Jannarone, George P. Huillide, George J. McCord, Frank Thompson, E. J. Devine, Josephine Kelly, Henry P. Foubert, Albert F. Stagnoro, Robert V. Stagnoro, Charles J. Frathers, Edwin P. Flynn, Charles J. Hartig, William A. Waldron, Leland E. Houseman, Joseph P. Sullivan, J. J. Rose, Walter W. Devine, A. J. Bauer, A. J. Van Higgelle, Royal J. Grady, Frank J. Martin, Peter J. Blaney, Peter J. Navarino, Edward J. MacNamara, C. W. MacNamara, Peter J. Hynes, Thomas R. Gatten, E. J. A. Bolan, Zora Pendergast, John P. Farrell, Harry S. Stone, Doris K. McInyre, Ella C. Campbell, Nora M. Corbett, Frances D. Young, Sadie C. Healy, Rose C. Foley, Rosie L. Bovo, Genevieve Murphy, Josephine G. Halpin, Manie J. Valle, Mary A. Donahue, Mildred Holigan, Ethel Veronica Hoffman, Mary Kathlin, Ethel Kathlin, Eleanor M. Lux, Frances J. Knight, Mary Mansfield, Jessie M. Rose, Elizabeth Thomas, Marjorie A. Ellis, Camille Abbey, Ida Hitchcock, Gertrude MacGrath, Frances A. Galvinovich, Esther Morin, Elsie Geary, Katherine M. Bramstadt, Petronilla C. Anderson, Jennie Huille, Ruth C. Cappuro, Mabel McCord, Gonzales, Estier C. Kraft, Elizabeth C. Orman, Hazel Housman, Freda Stamm, Carrie Loeb, Charles S. Anderson, James S. Anderson, Mary C. Alameda, Blidell Hynes, Violet M. Green, Alphonse J. Verbeck, Frances Gerratt, George G. Holland, Veronica Catala Fingor, Jeanne Marie Bellenot, Charles Betagliatti, Thelma Bernice Pierocchini, Katherine E. Creamers.

WIFE OF MAGNESS IS HIS CHAMPION

Knocks Down Woman Who Spoke Disparagingly of Alleged Deserter

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. BALTIMORE, Oct. 25.—Mrs. Ada Gorman Magness, daughter of the late Senator Arthur Pue Gorman, although confronted on every side by what her friends urge her is evidence of her young husband's unworthiness, declares that her love is proof against all assaults on his character. "I care not," she declared today, "what my husband may have done in the past. That is past. Since our marriage he has been all I could ask and if he were to harm me I'll fight."

REACHES NAVY YARD

Must Face Court Martial on Charge of Being a Deserter

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 25.—Charles Joseph Magness, husband of the daughter of the late Senator Gorman of Maryland, who was arrested in Louisville, charged with being a deserter from the United States navy, was brought to the Philadelphia navy yard today and placed in the brig of the receiving ship Lancaster, where he will be held until the time set for his trial by court martial. His wife did not come with him. He is the first man to be incarcerated under the new law, which does not compel the putting of the prisoner in irons.

Personal Mention

- F. M. McArdle of Chicago is at the Stewart.
- Max Sternberg of New York is at the Fairmont.
- W. McClintock of Denver is at the Fairmont.
- Carson C. Cook of Stockton is at the St. Francis.
- P. E. Mathews of Sebastopol is at the Golden West.
- A. R. Peterson of Marin county is at the Dorchester.
- G. S. Chapin of Portland is registered at the St. Francis.
- Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Douglas of Denver are at the St. Francis.
- R. W. Turner and family of Nashville are guests at the Fairmont.
- S. S. Cob of New York and S. McKay of Los Angeles are at the Manx.
- J. S. Farley of Denver and S. Ballock of New Mexico are at the Holland.
- P. J. Rose of Toledo, O., and S. Kummer of Chicago are at the Hamlin.
- Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McKee of Los Angeles are guests at the Stewart.
- Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Patrick of Goldfield are apartments at the Fairmont.
- Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Campbell of Wilmington are guests at the St. Francis.
- G. M. Farnsworth of Colusa and C. R. Downs of Sutter Creek are at the Stewart.
- G. L. Marsh of Chicago and C. E. Lindsay of Santa Barbara are at the Jefferson.
- R. Green of San Rafael and P. J. Shepard and wife of Santa Rosa are at the Savoy.
- E. S. Aldrich and wife of Moscow, Idaho, and C. S. Eminger of Dayton, O., are at the Argonaut.
- Late arrivals at the Imperial were John Jamison of San Diego and E. White of Altura, Colo.

PROFIT IN TURTLES

Capturing giant turtles seems to be a profitable business along the Maine coast. A 1,500-pound one was recently taken in those waters, and so great a curiosity was it that the two captors promptly exchanged it for a perfectly good check of \$250.

FRIGATE BIRD'S SPEED

Wonderful power of flight are possessed by the frigate bird of the tropics. It has a spread of wing of 10 to 12 feet, can travel at 60 miles an hour, and is said to be able to remain on the wing for a week at a time.

VICTIM OF BLAZE RESCUED BY EELS

Attorney Carries Unconscious Girl From Shepherd Hotel, San Quentin

Explosion of Gasoline Injures Steward, Destroys Building and Ends Meeting

SAN QUENTIN, Oct. 25.—Two lives were saved, a political meeting was scattered and the only hotel at San Quentin was gutted by a fire at 6 o'clock this afternoon. The blaze was due to the explosion of a gasoline stove in the kitchen of the Shepherd hotel, located 400 yards from the prison walls. T. S. Randolph, captain of the prison guard; J. R. Taylor, a prominent citizen of San Rafael, and Shepherd Eels, the attorney and society man of San Francisco and Ross Valley, distinguished themselves by rescuing two persons.

Ray Sincor, steward of the hotel, and Miss Margaret Nails, daughter of the proprietor, were endangered by the blaze, the former being seriously burned. The young woman was so overcome by smoke that she had to be carried unconscious from her room, but she revived while the fire was burning and plunged back into the smoke and flames to recover her books and pictures.

When the gasoline stove exploded the vapors set fire to Sincor's clothing. Captain Randolph rushed to the blazing man and enveloping him in his coat, carried him from the fire. Sincor was taken to the prison hospital, where he was treated by Dr. Wade Stone, the prison physician. After taking Sincor out of harm's way Randolph, Eels and Taylor returned to the hotel and found Miss Nails overcome in her room. Eels carried her out.

The fire started Eels and Michael Burke, a San Rafael furniture man, both candidates for supervisor, were debating before their constituents in the hotel.

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HOTEL CHEF FOUND DEAD ON MOUNTAIN

Hunter's Body Shows Internal Disorder Caused Sudden End in Woods

TACOMA, Oct. 25.—A special to the Ledger from Hot Springs, Wash., says: The body of Julius Kumble, the chef of the Hot Springs hotel and companion of Fred W. Kloeber on the disastrous hunting trip of last Monday, was found this morning lying on the north slope near the extreme top of the Rooster Comb mountain, about four miles north of Hot Springs hotel, under circumstances that point conclusively to the fact that a disaster of the woods was not the cause of his death, but that Kumble died from the result of some internal disorder, in all probability a disease of the heart, and that his death was sudden. No trace of Fred Kloeber has been found, and it is thought he left Kumble after placing his body in the open, and that some accident befell him while on his return to the hotel. There is strong hope tonight that he may still be alive, and search will be resumed tomorrow.

THE GRAND ARMY

Since 1890, when the Grand Army of the Republic had 409,489 members enrolled, its numerical strength has been cut down almost half. There are only about 212,000 comrades left. Losses by death run up to 9,000 or 10,000 a year. There is practically no chance to gain recruits.

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TSCHAIKOVSKY IS STILL IN PRISON

Banking Delays in London Cause Bail Money to Be Slow in Arrival

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 25.—Owing to delays due to banking formalities in London, the money raised for Tschaikevsky's bail has not been received, but the family expects to have the remittance by tomorrow afternoon, and it is believed that Tschaikevsky will be at liberty tomorrow evening or Tuesday morning. The Russian revolutionist will go abroad immediately, traveling by way of Finland. He wishes to visit his mother in Kazan province, but his family has received an intimation that it would not be wise for him to remain in Russia pending his trial.

The crown attorney stated today that it would be six months and probably a year before Tschaikevsky was brought before the court. The accusation, he said, had not been formulated as new evidence was constantly cropping up. Tschaikevsky was taken to the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul this morning. He is in good health and is buoyed up by interviews with his wife and daughter. The officials directly in charge of the aged prisoner have shown him many kindnesses and have winked at violations of several fortress regulations, for which his family have been deeply grateful.

The chance of one finger mark being exactly like another is one in 64,000,000,000.