

NEWS OF THE FOUR CITIES BORDERING SAN FRANCISCO BAY

MYSTERY VEILS BRUTAL MURDER

Slayers of Louis Jurgens Successfully Cover Trail and Police Are Puzzled

Article Dropped Near Body of Victim May Lead to Detection of Vicious Thugs

OAKLAND, Dec. 1.—The murderers of Louis Jurgens, the aged proprietor of the St. John house, are still at large and their identity remains a mystery.

This far from having been found in relation to the crime, the police are working so vague and intangible, that the heads of the department say there is very little likelihood that the slayers will be brought to justice.

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The police say the murderer had evidently planned the crime with great care. Following their victim into the room which he had unwittingly chosen as his death chamber, they struck him first as he reached up to turn on the light.

PUT VICTIM IN BED

When the dying man sank in a limp heap the murderers lifted him to the edge of the bed and while on searched his pockets for valuables, the other removed his coat and boots, hanging the former on a hook and placing the latter beside the bed.

The funeral of the murdered man will be held tomorrow afternoon from the family residence at 1963 Grove street. An inquest will be held by Coroner Tidgals Tuesday.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH GIVES MINSTREL SHOW

Pleasing Entertainment in Berkeley Is Followed by Dancing

BERKELEY, Dec. 1.—Before an audience which filled Lincoln hall in Alcatraz avenue, South Berkeley, the minstrel show of St. Augustine's parish was held tonight. New and novel features were introduced for the affair, which was followed by dancing.

MRS. MARY MATTHEWS BURIED IN OAKLAND

Aunt of Well-Known San Francisco Society Woman Laid to Rest in Mountain View

OAKLAND, Dec. 1.—The funeral of Mrs. Mary Matthews was held this morning from St. Francis de Sales church, where a requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Thomas Mcweeney. Interment followed at Mountain View cemetery.

ADRIAN ROSSETER DIES

ALAMEDA, Dec. 1.—Adrian I. Rosseter, a member of an early and prominent family of this city, died last evening in San Francisco. He was a son of Mrs. Winifred Rosseter and the late John H. Rosseter, and was 24 years of age.

TOEPIKE CHOSEN TRUSTEE

SAN MATEO, Dec. 1.—At the meeting of the city council last night the vacancy which has existed on the board of trustees for a year caused by the resignation of H. Gilling was filled by the appointment of William H. Toepeke. Toepeke is a member of the San Francisco firm of architects, Havens & Toepeke, and has made his home in this city for a number of years.

DR. HOMER C. EDWARDS RETURNS

OAKLAND, Dec. 1.—Dr. Homer C. Edwards, chief physician of the United States Army and Surgeon, has returned from a six weeks' sojourn in the south.

CHICKENS CONTEST

Alameda County Poultry Association Holds Exhibition at Idora Park

Single Comb Buff Orpington Club Will Hold Meeting With Large Display

OAKLAND, Dec. 1.—With 90 exhibitors and more than 1,000 specimens, including some of the best blooded birds in the world, the poultry show of the Alameda county poultry association is to open at Idora park tomorrow.

Another valuable collection is the black-breasted red game bantams, exhibited by George England of Los Angeles.

Superintendent Healy will open the show to the public at 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, and the display will continue until Sunday evening at 10 p. m.

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SOCIALISTS AND RADICALS FORCE CONSIDERATION OF MATTER OF RESPONSIBILITY

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LARGE CROWDS PRESENT AT REVIVAL MEETINGS

Threatening Weather Has No Effect Upon the Young People in Charge

The second of the series of revival meetings under the auspices of the 15 young people's societies of the Methodist churches of this city attracted a gathering of more than 800 people to Grace Methodist Episcopal church, Twenty-first and Capp streets, last night.

GERMAN DIPLOMAT ADVANCED

BERLIN, Dec. 1.—The foreign office appointment bill, which provides for the German diplomatic representative at Mexico from minister resident to plenipotentiary, has been advanced by the German consul general at New York, who was recently given the post at Mexico City.

STEEL PLANT RESUMES WORK

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—After an idleness of 18 months the old open hearth department of the Illinois steel company plant at South Chicago was reopened today and 1,000 men resumed work.

ARMY ORDERS

First Lieutenant Sylvester C. Loring, Fifteenth Infantry, will proceed to the presidio at San Francisco and report to commanding officer of the general hospital post for observation and treatment.

\$20,000 GIVEN TO OAKLAND CHARITIES

Tag Day Committee Distributes Funds and Awards Trophies to Workers

Berkeley Receives \$600 for Students' Infirmary Out of \$1,000 Collected

OAKLAND, Dec. 1.—Twenty thousand dollars, the net result of tag day in Oakland, was distributed to charities this afternoon at a meeting of the committee held in the Key Route hotel.

When the total returns of the day had been checked, the reason it was found that the expenses of the crusade for charity were less than \$500.

This left \$20,000 to be distributed among the charitable organizations for which the tag day was held.

FORGOT DEPOSIT BOX AND IS ROBBED

Forgetful Man Walks From the Vaults Leaving Valuables Lying Loose

OAKLAND, Dec. 1.—Failure to return a safe deposit box to its customary place in the vaults of the Oakland Bank of Savings, after inspecting its contents, cost M. Eason, of 565 Thirty-eighth street, a valuable silver ring and a double set chain, attached to a charm set with pearls.

GRANT SCHOOL WINS PRIZE

Grant school received the second award for the largest sum contributed by a school regardless of the attendance, having turned in \$490.44.

PORTUGUESE OBSERVE LIBERTY RESTORATION

Prominent Men Participate in the Interesting Exercises in Oakland

OAKLAND, Dec. 1.—Dr. Coste Duarte, consul general for Portugal in San Francisco, presided tonight at Germania hall over the exercises held under the direction of the uniform rank of the Portuguese Union of California in commemoration of the restoration of the liberty of Portugal.

FERRY BOAT COLLECTIONS

The ferry boats proved to have been one of the most lucrative fields of endeavor. Mrs. Prentiss Selby had charge of this brigade. The largest amount on one boat was collected by Mrs. William Hall, Mrs. E. S. Ward and Mrs. J. J. Conroy, who increased the day's receipts \$140. The full amount collected on the ferry systems was \$2,784.73.

SOME LARGE CONTRIBUTIONS

Among the large contributions which increased the receipts above the amount accounted for in detail were those for \$1,000 each from F. M. Smith of Oakland and J. H. Chanslor of San Francisco.

SEE PEACE IN FAR EAST

ROME, Dec. 1.—The situation in the Balkans was debated in the chamber of deputies today and a speech made by Signor Fusinato was received with much enthusiasm.

ALAMEDA BONDS SELL WELL

BOSTON, Dec. 1.—A \$50,000 block of Alameda, Cal., municipal improvement bonds offered on the Boston market by H. Rollins & Sons, Boston bankers, is meeting with ready sale.

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Miss Zoe Ackerman, Winner of Prize in Tag Day Work

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Alexander Divorce and Property Injunction Suit Ends in Drawn Battle

TOULON, France, Dec. 1.—The Harry Addison Alexander divorce and property injunction proceedings ended here today in a drawn battle. Both husband and wife will receive a decree of separation on January 1.

CONVICTED OF TAKING BRIBE

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PLEADS GUILTY OF REBATING

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 1.—The Stearns salt and lumber company of Ludington pleaded guilty in the United States court here today to six counts charging rebating in connection with shipments made on the New York market. The sentence will be passed tomorrow morning.

EVERYTHING YOU WANT CAN BE FOUND IN THE ALAMEDA COUNTY WANT COLUMNS OF TODAY'S CALL

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\$5,000 SPENT FOR COUNTY STATISTICS

Useless Report Covering Four Sheets of Paper Needless Drain on Treasury

"Legalized Graft" Furnishes Political Hacks and Hangers On With Livings

OAKLAND, Dec. 1.—Harry E. Magill, county statistician, whose expenditures in that capacity had been limited to \$5,000, reported to the grand jury today that he had spent all but \$7 cents.

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Mrs. J. H. Rea, wife of the defendant, said that she heard two shots fired, and that her husband afterward told her that he had fired the shots to warn away an intruder.

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Clarence D. Van Duzer Ordered to Appear for Examination on Judgment Debt

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TOWN VOTES BOND ISSUE

WILLITS, Dec. 1.—A special election was held here today for the purpose of bonding the town for \$30,000. A large vote was polled and the bonds were carried, five to one. The bonds are to be used for town improvements and the building of a complete sewer system.

SUICIDE SAVES POLICY

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 1.—The coroner's jury in the case of W. H. True, the agent who committed suicide here yesterday, returned a verdict of suicide due to despondency. It was established that True shot himself a few minutes before a policy on his life for \$4,000 expired.

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SAYS HE FIRED TWO SHOTS TO SCARE MAN

John Rea, on Trial for Killing Carl Moller, Declares Death Accidental

Army Officers Tell of Improbability of Hitting Human Target at Long Range

OAKLAND, Nov. 1.—"I fired two shots over the head of a man whom I saw in the marsh, with the intention of scaring him off the preserves," said John Rea today in an attempt to explain the killing of Carl Moller near Irvington. Rea was being tried for murder and took the stand in Judge Ogden's court this afternoon.

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