

PRETTIEST FUNCTION THE ST. FRANCIS Colonial Dance in Setting That Is Seldom Seen in San Francisco Entrance and Rooms Adjoining Marvels in Decorative and Floral Art

The first colonial dance at the St. Francis last evening was given amid a floral setting that has seldom been attempted in the city. The ballroom was practically unadorned, but the entrance and the rooms adjoining were

decorated with green and drooping festoons of evergreen and huckleberry. The promenade was formed to represent a rustic garden and even the miniature rippling brook was introduced with its fringed banks and mossy glades. The paths were thickly strewn with lights and in the grassy wood about the pond the soft colored electric lights lent their illusion to the picturesque scene.

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hostess at a table; Mrs. Eleanor Martin was hostess at a dinner given at her home in Broadway, and afterward attended the dance with her guests. Mrs. Andrew Welch presided at a dinner party, while parties for the younger girls were given by Miss Dorothy Woods and Miss Helen Jones at their respective homes.

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Mrs. C. O. Alexander wore a gown of green crepe de chine with a square train and elaborated with trimmings of green tulle in a darker shade. Miss Ruth and Miss Dorothy Boeckler were gowned in white dewdrop tulle trimmed with the glistening dewdrops and white lace. The tiny ruffles on these debutante gowns were finished with satin.

Mrs. William Boeckler wore a pale blue striped grenadine gown with point applique lace. Miss Jennie Crocker was gowned in white satin with an embroidery of diamonds on the handsome creation that attracted much admiration.

Miss Jennie Blair was gowned in white satin made in the prevailing direction and Mrs. Melmer Smith wore a white gown fashioned of satin in the same mode.

Miss Helen Jones wore a gown of blue chiffon satin elaborated with silver sparkles. Mrs. C. G. Miller wore a white gown with gold embroidery and Miss Marian Miller was gowned in pink satin.

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Miss Mary Keeney wore a gown of pale yellow satin embroidered in gold and with the costume were gold slippers and a gold wreath in her hair.

Miss Fernandine Pratt was gowned in pale blue satin with an embroidery of iridescent blue and gold on the bodice. The yoke effect was outlined in pearls.

Miss Harriet Alexander wore a white chiffon cloth made simple and embellished with white lace and silver sparkles. Mrs. Frederick McNear wore one of the handsome imported gowns seen last evening. It was made of blue and white and the color was an exquisite apricot satin with an embellishment of pink and mauve.

Miss Florence Hopkins wore a simple debutante gown in variable green and blue shades. Miss Katherine Donohue was among the debutantes who were beautifully gowned and wore an empire frock of white satin.

Miss Helene Irwin wore one of the chic creations and her gown was elaborately embroidered with oriental lace. Mrs. William G. Irwin was gowned in yellow satin with an embroidery of roses that was one of the brilliant and unusual combinations among so many attractive gowns.

Mrs. Eleanor Martin's gown was fashioned in the empire mode of white satin and trimmed in Venetian lace. Miss Dorothy Woods wore one of the prettiest gowns in the white effect and gold. The frock was white chiffon over cloth of gold and was embroidered in white roses.

Miss Edith Treanor wore a white and gold gown. Mrs. Edgar M. Wilson wore a handsome gown in gray shades and her daughter, Miss Maude Wilson, was gowned in a debutante frock of pink satin.

Mrs. Robert J. Woods wore a white crepe gown heavily embroidered in white. Miss Elizabeth Woods was among the best of pretty debutantes and wore a pale blue gown spangled in silver.

First Colonial Dance at St. Francis Beautiful Floral Decorations



Decorations are artistic. The entrance to the sylvan scene was formed with palms and foliage and at the hand there were arbors for refreshment. The lemonade and iced punch were served in great clusters on the bough over a rustic framework, and the punch room was designed in the same way with a lattice covered with green and yellow clusters of rich brown and pale yellow grapes. The effect was unusual in its variety and at the same time its grace and ingenuity of arrangement. No detail was neglected that might detract a picture to be remembered as the setting of the first colonial dance.

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NEW APPOINTMENTS MAKE THEIR SEATS Installation Proceedings in the City Commissions Smoothly Conducted

Yesterday was installation day at the various city commissions. Mayor Taylor's 10 recent appointees appeared at the several headquarters and were received and seated. Charles A. Day was elected president of the board of works, to succeed Michael Casey. The first official act of the new commissioner, John Duff McGilvray, after taking his seat, was nominating Day. Casey seconded the motion, and the thing was done.

At the election commission meeting Cameron H. King Jr. was chosen president. A. W. Voorsanger, the retiring member and president, introduced his successor, George Uhl, and hoped for him as pleasant a term as his own nine years of service. In the absence of Thomas Maguire, whose recent resignation had been accepted by the mayor, Voorsanger introduced Maguire's successor, Charles Gildea.

The fire commission warmly received its new member, George A. Newell, and the retiring commissioner, Wreden, President McCarthy said: "He has made an efficient and well meaning commissioner." Bernard Paymonville was chosen president for the new year. The board of health seated James W. Mullen in the place of John P. McLaughlin, and postponed the election of a president until Monday. It is understood that Dr. William Ophuls will be chosen.

Matthew Brady was chosen president of the civil service commission after Sheldon Kellogg had been seated in the chair vacated by George H. Bahr. Mrs. Mary W. Kincaid took her seat as a member of the board of education. Joseph O'Connor, principal of the Mission high school, was elected president of the board.

The resignation of E. Carey as a teacher of the department and of Mrs. Kate Fredericks was accepted. Jennie L. Powers was granted a leave of absence and Eliza D. Keith was transferred from the Hawthorne school to the Horace Mann.

The police commissioners met at noon, when Fred G. Sanborn presented his credentials and was seated. By a unanimous vote Commissioner Joseph Dillman was elected president of the board, vice Cutler.

RAISIN GROWERS OF FRESNO ARE FRIGHTENED The circular sent out by the state board of trade soliciting expressions of opinion on the proposed Cartwright trust law, has "raised hell" among the raisin growers, to quote a letter from J. H. Briggs, president of the state board of trade from John Fairweather, chairman of the Fresno Raisin Growers' Association.

The circular has frightened the packers of Fresno to such an extent that they have refused their agreement with the raisin growers. The result of the repeal of the law at Sacramento during the present session of the legislature.

It was pointed out that it was clearly unfair to the raisin growers to fix a price for their produce, and to have an agreement for the sale of their raisins. The raisin pool was nearing completion and would have been in order by this time had not the circular reached packers in Fresno, who were convinced of the wisdom of their being prosecuted for violating the law, took fright and backed out of their agreement.

Up to date, every answer received by the board of trade contains an expression of the effect that the law should be repealed.

WOULD HASTEN TRIAL BY JURY OF CRIMINALS CALL HEADQUARTERS, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, SACRAMENTO, Jan. 8.—To prevent strike breakers from carrying firearms under cloak of membership in humane societies, Senator Tom Fin of San Francisco introduced a bill amending the penal code so that only the board of police commissioners may issue permits to carry revolvers. The bill provides that humane societies have abused the privilege accorded them of authorizing their employees to carry arms and that the police have been unable to keep tabs on the number of permits which they have issued. Senator Savage of Los Angeles introduced his old bill providing that laborers in the employ of the state shall receive at least \$3 a day for their services.

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NEW POSTMASTER FOR STEGE WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—William H. Johnson has been appointed postmaster at Stege, Contra Costa county, vice H. Ellis, resigned. Other postmasters appointed are: Acton, Los Angeles county—Dora A. Houser, vice L. K. Rayburn, removed. Lytton, Sonoma county—William M. Baker, vice L. W. Hill, resigned. Stevenson, Merced county—William A. Darlong, vice F. G. Harper, resigned.

TO FILE PAXTON PAPERS It was understood last evening that the papers in the divorce suit to be brought by Mrs. Charles E. Paxton against her husband, the wealthy stock broker, will be filed in the superior court this morning. Mrs. Paxton is said to have signed the complaint yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Samuel M. Shortridge, attorney for the woman, declined last night to discuss the case in any of its phases.

CHINESE FOUND GUILTY SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 8.—A jury in the United States district court found You Ching, an American born Chinese, guilty on four counts, charging him with illegally importing 800 Chinese women into this country. The defendant contended that Soo Shee was his wife by legal marriage in China.

EVANS CHAMPIONS INDISCREET WIFE Says His Devotion to Profession Is Cause of Domestic Unhappiness

Naval Constructor Holden A. Evans' devotion to the urgent demands of his profession rather than to the light caprices of his wife, Mrs. Maude Evans, was responsible, according to the constructor himself, for the domestic unhappiness which had its culmination on Christmas day, when Evans found his wife in the act of receiving a kiss from Lieutenant Franklin Wayne Osburn, chief engineer of the U. S. S. Cheyenne. The kiss was given in the Evans home at Mare Island. A divorce suit was filed on Thursday in the superior court of Solano county by Evans on the ground of mental cruelty. Yesterday Mrs. Evans found a champion and it was her husband.

Constructor Evans does not invite sympathy to his case. He does not denounce Lieutenant Osburn, who, he admits, is the man whom Mrs. Evans declares she will marry as soon as she is free. But his simple tale of marital infelicity is permeated with pathos. Evans would have the public blame him for his wife's actions. He makes no serious charge against the woman who left the English stage to bear his name.

"I emphatically disclaim imputing any suspicion of infidelity to my wife," he said last evening, when seen at a house in this city where Mrs. Evans had taken refuge from publicity. "At the outside," he continued, "all that she can be charged with is an indiscretion. Not only is there no evidence of infidelity, but my belief is, in fact, I know for an absolute certainty that she is not otherwise than an honest wife."

"It is true that I found her with an officer in a compromising position in that he was kissing her. But I am chiefly to blame for that situation. "My wife and I have different views as to how life should be lived—concerning what life is. My wife is fond of social diversions. I have put my profession above my home and family."

"She was an English girl and is practically friendless here. She is without friends to advise her. I feel deeply the injustice that was done her in the imputation that she had been faithless to me."

Mrs. Evans was present at the time of the interview. "I am not a man," she admitted. "I also told my husband in the presence of witnesses that I would marry Lieutenant Osburn if I were freed from my present ties."

"You were discovered by your husband being kissed by Lieutenant Osburn," she was asked the young wife. "Yes," she admitted, frankly. She offered no excuse nor explanation. Lieutenant Osburn is now on his ship, the monitor Cheyenne, until recently called the Wyoming, which is cruising in the Santa Barbara channel testing its newly installed oil burners. As Chief Engineer Osburn will be closely engaged with his work during the voyage, it is probable that he will be called upon by his superior officers in the navy department to explain his part in the affair at the Evans home on Christmas day.

Mrs. Evans will go to Mare Island today to be served with papers in the divorce suit. She will return her youngest child to her husband's house.

SIGNORA MEANS TO FORCE DIVORCE Mme. Cavallieri Said to Have Lent Herself to Divorce Scheme

Whispers that the apparent mad infatuation of William K. Vanderbilt Jr. for the beautiful Italian opera singer, Madame Lina Cavallieri, has been a deliberately planned scheme to force his wife to get a divorce from him have been heard in San Francisco. The smart society among those who are intimate with the home life of the Vanderbilts in Gotham and in London. Certain it is that the estrangement between the young millionaire and his wife, who as a debutante was a belle of San Francisco society, is an open one and is rapidly widening. Letters received by the younger set of society girls and matrons and those who know Mrs. Hermann Oelrichs indicate that the separation takes place several months ago and is rapidly widening. Letters received by the younger set of society girls and matrons and those who know Mrs. Hermann Oelrichs indicate that the separation takes place several months ago and is rapidly widening.

Young Vanderbilt's attentions to the superbly beautiful singer began, it is said, with the young woman's first appearance in New York with the Metropolitan opera company. Madame Cavallieri is known the world over for her pearls, which are said to be the most beautiful collection owned by any actress in the world.

Shortly after Vanderbilt began paying attention to the beautiful singer in New York society said that the marvelous collection of jewels which had made the shapely neck of the singer famous had been augmented by an almost priceless collection. It was understood that the jewels were a handsome collection which Vanderbilt was known to have bought in the New York shops for the opera singer.

Army and Navy Orders [Special Dispatch to The Call] WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Army orders: First Lieutenant Frederick Madra of the medical reserve corps is relieved from duty in the Philippines and will proceed to San Francisco and report to the adjutant general of the army for further orders.

Captain John H. Parker of the Twenty-eighth Infantry is relieved from duty at the Presidio of Monterey and upon the expiration of leave granted to him today, will join his regiment. Major Hugh J. Gallagher, commissary, will proceed to Vancouver barometer, relieving Lieutenant Colonel George B. Davis, who will proceed to New Orleans, La., and relieve Major Arthur M. Edwards, commissary, who, after being thus relieved, will proceed to San Francisco and purchase commissary for duty as assistant.

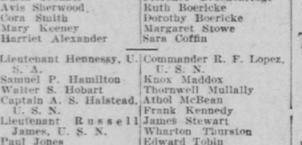
Lieutenant Colonel Albert D. Kniskern, deputy commissary general, when relieved at Chicago, will proceed to San Francisco and relieve Major Charles R. Krauthoff, commissary, of his duties as purchasing commissary. Major Krauthoff will then report to Lieutenant Colonel Kniskern for duty as his assistant.

Leave of absence for three months has been granted Captain John H. Parker of the Twenty-eighth Infantry. The following cables have been received from Rear Admiral Swinburne, Pacific fleet, Talcahuano, Chile: Lieutenant C. B. Barnes is detached from the South Dakota and ordered to the West Virginia.

Lieutenant D. E. Theelen is detached from the West Virginia and ordered to the Washington.



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[Special Dispatch to The Call] PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 8.—Julius K. Dillman of Chicago, originally known throughout the entire United States also as Julius D. Gray and George D. Curtis, admitted to be one of the best check forgers in the country and known to be the most successful passer of forged checks in the world, was arrested here this afternoon. Dillman, who has served time in San Quentin, California; in Auburn, New York; and in the state reformatory of Massachusetts, has been wanted in almost every city in the country for the last six years, since he was liberated from the New York prison.

Dillman carried the most complete outfit for making bad checks ever seen. His scheme was to step into a business place shortly after banking hours with his coat and hat off, a pen behind his ear, and state that he came from the office of the foreign office of Nicaragua, was being wanted in almost every city in the country for the last six years, since he was liberated from the New York prison.

He carried his own printing outfit and everything needed to turn an ordinary check into a firm's private check. Dillman carried a book showing the name of many firms standing in the name of the country from Maine to California. Every time he had passed a bad check he would make an entry opposite the firm victimized, with the date. He appears to have had a wholesome respect for the Golden Gate, for though a whole page is set aside under the caption "San Francisco," there is not an entry to show that anything was done there recently.

JOHNSON FATHERS WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE [Special Dispatch to The Call] CALL HEADQUARTERS, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, SACRAMENTO, Jan. 8.—Fathered by Grove L. Johnson, the woman's suffrage constitutional amendment was presented in the assembly today. He also proposed legislation of the blue law variety. An amendment to the constitution calls for a day of rest, when bars, saloons and race courses must be closed. A bill would prevent the sale of merchandise and the stopping of all commerce except the conduct of hotels, restaurants, lines of travel, the quiet distribution of newspapers and all work of necessity, mercy and charity. Any person who regularly observes any other day of the week than Sunday as a day of rest is exempted from the penalty, which is a fine of from \$25 to \$100 and imprisonment not to exceed 30 days.

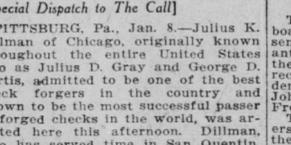
Saloon owners violating the Sunday law will be fined from \$50 to \$200 or imprisoned from five to ninety days and the license annulled for two years. Any proprietor of an actor appearing in a house of amusement would be subject to a fine of from \$50 to \$100 or imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. A fine of from \$50 to \$500 would be imposed on an officer neglecting his duty in connection with the law.

Greer offered an amendment providing that the constitutional amendments be submitted at special instead of regular elections. Polesky proposed an amendment making it necessary to secure only a majority vote on the question of removing the capital from Sacramento. Stuckenbruck put in an amendment for free textbooks. Senator Curtin offered the tax commission amendment for the revision of taxes. Amendments were offered by Anthony to abolish the poll tax, to exempt personal property under \$200 from taxation and for the initiative and referendum.

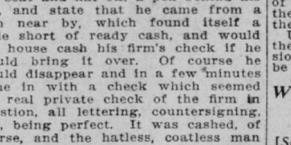
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CHANGE OF VENUE BILL UP AGAIN FOR DECISION [Special Dispatch to The Call] CALL HEADQUARTERS, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, SACRAMENTO, Jan. 8.—The notorious change of venue bill which died in the last senate was revived by Grove L. Johnson today. The bill as originally drawn made it possible to secure several changes of venue by the filing of affidavits in damage cases to decide if the measure was to be repealed. The measure was introduced by Senator Ruff, the arch grafter, to crawl out of the jurisdiction of the San Francisco court.

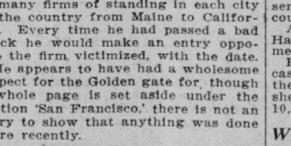
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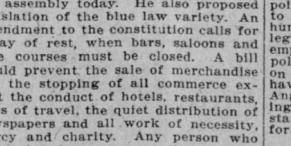
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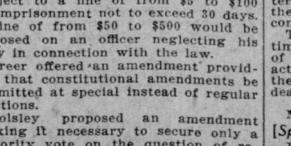
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Eleanor Morgan



Katharine Metcalf



Marlan Marvin



Christine Pomeroy

Society folk among those in attendance at function at St. Francis hotel last night, and photograph of section of decorations which were most artistic.

ROOT SENDS REBUKE TO NICARAGUANS Treaty Negotiations Ended Because of Emery Claim Decision

[Special Dispatch to The Call] WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Information obtained at the state department today indicates that the diplomatic relations between the United States and Nicaragua are much strained because of a rebuke which Secretary Root saw fit to administer as a warning to President Zelaya's government that it must proceed very carefully if a continuance of friendly relations is desired. Nicaragua has been making overtures for the negotiation of a new treaty of commerce, but Secretary Root has summarily terminated the matter by notifying President Zelaya that before any question of that kind could be discussed the foreign office of Nicaragua would have to assume a different tone in the decision of the Emery claim, a matter of current diplomatic exchange between the two governments. It is said that the secretary's language was emphatic.

The Emery claim grew out of a disagreement about two years ago over a mahogany concession. It was decided at length in Washington by attorneys representing the mahogany and the Nicaraguan minister. For some unknown reason there was a hitch in the negotiations. Secretary Root recently made inquiry through the American representative at Managua and urged that the case be disposed of without further delay, but the reply that Senator Espinoza, who lately has been minister of foreign affairs, is coming with new instructions in regard to the claim so exasperated the secretary that he declined to consider the commercial treaty any further.

Senator Espinoza may be able to present an explanation which will soften Mr. Root's anger, but as President Zelaya has been largely responsible for the present unfavorable status of the case his position may be extremely difficult until the matter is adjusted or until Mr. Knox takes charge of it.

TO CHECK ACTIVITY OF THE LOBBYISTS CALL HEADQUARTERS, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, SACRAMENTO, Jan. 8.—The Folk Missouri anti-lobbying bill and the Hughes bill to prevent corporations from contributing to campaign funds were introduced by Senator Sanford of Ukiah. The first provides that legislative counselor agents employed for lobbying must file with the secretary of state a statement as to their employment and work and an itemized account of their expenditures. It prohibits lobbyists from going on the floor of the legislature. The penalty for an individual is two years in the penitentiary or one year in the county jail, or a fine of not more than \$1,000; for a corporation the fine is \$1,000. The penalty for going on the floor is from 10 days to 12 months in jail or a fine of from \$100 to \$500.

The second provides for giving or receiving a campaign contribution on behalf of a corporation is imprisonment for a year or a fine of \$500.

STATE PENSION LIST PROPOSED BY VETERANS CALL HEADQUARTERS, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, SACRAMENTO, Jan. 8.—Senator Estudillo of Riverside, on behalf of the Spanish-American war veterans, has introduced a bill which, if it passes, will create a state pension list. The bill provides that boards of supervisors may appropriate money to be drawn upon by Grand Army posts or the United Spanish war veterans for the relief of indigent soldiers, sailors or marines of the various American wars, as well as for their funeral expenses and the relief of their families. It authorizes the levying of a tax of not less than one twentieth and not more than one-fifth of a mill to provide the funds for this pension scheme.

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