

EVENTS IN THE COUNTIES BORDERING ON THE BAY OF SAN FRANCISCO

CHARTERS TO BE SURRENDERED

High School Secret Societies to Obey Mandate of Legislature and Board

OAKLAND, April 29.—The law will not be broken by the high school girls who are affiliated with the Lambda Theta Phi and the Alpha Sigma sororities of the Oakland high school, according to the gossip that has leaked from the secrecy of the Greek letter files. Both sororities, it is said, will heed the mandates of the legislature and the school board, which are backed by the desires of parents, and will relinquish their charters without defiance.

With the Greek letter fraternities it may be otherwise. There have been constant secret sessions of the various boys' organizations since the school directors pronounced the doom of secret societies, and before two weeks have passed there will probably be an inter-fraternity gathering to decide upon a procedure.

HAVE TWO WEEKS' GRACE

The fraternity members themselves take the position that they have a fortnight in which to plan resistance to the anti-fraternity law, or to dissolve their societies. In this they are confirmed by Principal C. E. Keyes, who said:

"I believe it will be impossible to act within two weeks. The board of education has authorized the high school committee to circulate blanks for the pupils to sign, in which will be defined the attitude of each individual. The non-fraternity members will identify themselves as such and must pledge themselves not to join any secret society; the fraternity pupils must give the names of their organizations and they must either sign individual withdrawal from the organizations, or must go on record as in opposition to the law. I have not yet received the blanks. To distribute them and collect them again will require about two weeks for the entire school. Superintendent of Schools McClintock has told me the blanks will not be demanded back until May 14."

NO CONCERTED ACTION

There is no concerted action as yet between the older established secret societies. The entire action of the Gamma Eta Kappa, Phi Sigmas, Theta Chi and members of the Mask and Book Interfraternal society is unknown even to the members.

Alpha chapter of the Lambda Theta Phi sorority is expected to survive much longer. Alpha chapter of the Alpha Sigmas is also expected to disappear from the high school halls.

ALAMEDA, April 29.—The student body of the Alameda high school met today with the principal, Dr. George C. Thompson, and adopted resolutions agreeing to comply with the order of the board of education forbidding pupils from joining secret societies composed of students. The agreement means that the expected war between the students and the heads of the department of education will not be waged and that an amicable settlement is in view.

OAKLAND ELKS PLAN A RAISIN DAY LUNCHEON

Special Menu Has Fruit of Vine in Many Dishes

OAKLAND, April 29.—The Elks' club will celebrate Raisin Day tomorrow by serving a special menu at the noonday luncheon, under the direction of Charles Husband, the house manager. The menu follows:

- Soup
- Bisque of Olan a la Raisins
- Prime Rib of Beef and Yorkshire
- Pudding with Raisins
- Target of Sole Stuffed with Raisins
- ENTREE
- Fricassee of Lamb, Surtis and Raisins
- California Raisins
- Stewed Prunes
- Apple Pancake and Raisins
- California Cream Cheese
- Buttermilk Coffee Tea Milk
- Iced Tea

SOPHOMORES IN REVOLT AT STUDENT BODY RULES

Class Refuses to Permit Alleged Dictation by Few

BERKELEY, April 29.—That the new amendments voted by the student body of the university fixing a rate of \$2.50 for membership in the student organization have not met with the entire approval of the student body was shown at a stormy meeting today of the sophomore class. It ended by President D. H. Hunt leaving the meeting and the class refusing to vote to make their constitution conform to that of the student body.

Miss Winifred Hunt, vice president of the class, presided after Hardy had left and heard the arguments of the various factions.

PHI SIGMA KAPPA FILES INCORPORATION PAPERS

College Fraternity Makes Move for Business Purposes

OAKLAND, April 29.—Omega chapter, Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity, University of California, filed articles of incorporation with the county clerk today.

The move was for business purposes to enable the organization to transact its financial affairs to better advantage. The final vote on the proposition was taken at a meeting held today at the chapter house at 2524 Bancroft way, Berkeley.

L. I. Reed of Berkeley, C. R. Shipway of Covington, E. L. Steel of Berkeley, Lester O. Wolcott, Edward K. Hilliard, Santa Ana; Ed. Tom R. Thomson of Berkeley are the directors.

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SOCIETY GATHERS AT CHURCH WEDDING

Two Well Known Families United by Marriage at Pretty Ceremony

OAKLAND, April 29.—At one of the largest weddings of the month Raymond Thayer and Miss Laura Burgher McKnight, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McKnight, were united in marriage at Brooklyn Presbyterian church this evening in the presence of several hundred guests. Rev. Henry Kendall Sabornie reading the service. White spring blossoms with quantities of greenery were banked in artistic arrangement on the altar, the same decoration being carried throughout the church. The bridal procession was led by the four ushers, Walter Evans, George Marwedel, Ivan Rankin and Percy Ramsden, who were followed by the flower girl, Miss Norma Thayer, the youngest sister of the bridegroom. She wore a dainty white lingerie frock and carried a basket of pink roses. Miss Cleo Posey was Miss McKnight's only attendant, serving as maid of honor. Her gown was of pale green messaline, following closely the empire model, and she carried a shower of anemone carnations. The bride was escorted to the altar by her father. Her wedding robe of white satin was exquisitely trimmed in duchess lace. It was made on the director's lines, the skirt finished with a long train. The bride veil of white tulle was held in place with a half wreath of orange blossoms and the bride carried a shower of lilies of the valley. The procession was joined at the altar by the bridegroom and his best man, Harold Ramsden.

Only the members of the Thayer and McKnight families and the bridal party were included in the reception which followed at the McKnight home in Fruitvale, the guests numbering half a hundred.

An attractive home in San Rafael awaits the return of Mr. and Mrs. Thayer from their honeymoon. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Thayer of San Rafael. Formerly the family lived in East Oakland, where they are well known. Young Thayer is associated with his uncle, E. K. Wood, and his father in the lumber business. His bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McKnight and the granddaughter of the late Mrs. Albrecht, whose Fruitvale residence was one of the oldest in that neighborhood. She is a girl of unusual beauty and has shown considerable talent along literary lines.

Mrs. Harold Havens is entertaining a number of friends at luncheon to-day afternoon at her home in Piedmont, an enjoyable game of bridge to follow the discussion of the menu.

Miss Laura Peasey, a charming young eastern girl who has come to Oakland to spend some weeks with her cousin, Mr. Charles D. Bates Jr., was the inspiration for a prettily planned afternoon at bridge today, over which Mrs. Bates presided, at her home at 1410 Broadway.

Several friends who have met frequently together during the winter were entertained most informally this afternoon by Mrs. George C. Pardee at her home in Eleventh and Franklin. An hour at bridge was rounded out by the discussion of a tempting menu.

One of the interesting numbers in the program of the concert given last night at the musical to which Miss Elizabeth Connell has included a large number of guests will be "On Jhelum River," Miss Mabel Frisbie, the gifted young soprano, rendering the entire song cycle. C. Francis Hamlin, violinist, and Miss Nellie Hobart Carpenter, pianist, will also contribute to the afternoon's pleasure.

Mrs. Cliff and her daughter, Miss Jean Cliff, are making plans which will take them to Tahiti this summer for an interesting tour. Later they probably will go abroad for some months. Since closing their home in San Pablo avenue Mrs. Cliff and Miss Cliff have had apartments at the Key Route hotel.

A number of friends went to Piedmont this afternoon to be the guests of Mrs. Edward Howard, who entertained at an hour of bridge, followed by a daintily served supper.

BANK SHARE HOLDERS SUE FOR RETURN OF MONEY

Misrepresentation by President Alleged in Suits

OAKLAND, April 29.—Arthur Brown petitioned the superior court today to annul the purchase of \$3,000 worth of stock in the Union national bank, now under a receivership. Brown said he had \$2,000 on deposit July 8, 1908, but that he was induced by representatives of President George Roeth to accept stock in exchange.

Brown asked the court to compel Receiver Edwin J. H. Smith to place him on the lists of the bank's creditors for the full amount of his former deposit. George Roeth Jameson de Fremery, R. W. Kinney and George D. Gray were defendants.

A similar suit was filed by C. E. Frank, who said that he purchased \$500 worth of stock under the same conditions.

Wellesley Park will have the electric car line on tract.

Spear's Vicious Tactics Show Distress of "Push"

False Issues Are Raised in Effort to Defeat Beverly Hodghead for Mayor

BERKELEY, April 29.—Vicious tactics are being resorted to by the Spear-Schmidt-Richardson machine in the last days of the campaign. With the aid of the Gazette, the machine's organ, the seasoned politicians who are trying to place Charles H. Spear in office as mayor are lending themselves to an outburst of vilification against Beverly L. Hodghead, the good government nominee for mayor.

Gross misrepresentations are being made and various false issues are being agitated with a view to turning the searchlight of political decency away from Spear. For many years Spear has figured in politics in Berkeley, in Alameda county and in the state. He has failed to show enough business ability to secure any office a second time. His record as president of the state harbor board, as is generally known, reflects no credit on him.

FOR YEARS PROFESSIONAL POLITICIAN

Spear has been for many years a professional politician. His business has been politics, yet he and his fellow workers of the rehabilitated push machine have the amusing effrontery to brand as politicians and machine men those citizens who organized at the outset of the municipal campaign to elect friends of the charter and rid the city of the blighting influence of professional politicians.

The Gazette tonight runs in various parts of the paper the following line: "Smash the Tennis Machine!"

To disrupt an organization of believers in good government would undoubtedly please Spear and his push. The Gazette tonight also renews its unjustified attack on Max Thelen, who has drawn the fire of the machine organ because of his aggressive fight for good government. There is an editorial abusing Professor William Carey Jones, the father of the new charter, and there is a further attack on the "Tennis Club bosses."

HAS NO REGARD FOR THE FACTS

With utter disregard for facts the Gazette runs a heading, "Proves Hodghead is Disqualified," over an article, showing that Hodghead appeared in an action in the supreme court as an attorney for the Western Union telegraph company. Eminent lawyers have read the charter provision that "no officer shall be in the employ of any public service corporation in the city or of any person having any contract with the city, or of any grantee of a franchise granted by the city," and they have agreed that Hodghead is in no way disqualified as a result of having appeared as an attorney for the Western Union. This fact, however, matters not to the Gazette in its effort to befog the issue with the voters of this city. By their tactics the push leaders admit that they have no honest issues to urge in the campaign. They are depending on falsification to muster votes for Spear.

Practically every one admits that Hodghead will poll the largest vote Saturday, and many of his supporters are sanguine enough to believe that he will receive over half the votes cast, thus obviating the necessity of a second election for mayor; three weeks later with the two highest candidates contending for the office, Hodghead today summed up the situation as follows:

HODGHEAD SUMS UP SITUATION

"I am very well satisfied with the situation as it presents itself at this time. My friends and supporters seem confident of my election. The people of Berkeley have taken a great interest in the new charter and seem to realize that it is now on trial."

"The main issue is the character of the government which we are to have under this charter. It was the hope of the freshers that it would result in putting into office a council of public men and free from political influences of every character, and as the charter gives the absolute right of nomination to the people it remains with them to determine the character of their city government, that is, whether it shall be organized along purely political or nonpolitical lines."

"If we can reach that point where the people are more interested in the selection of their officers than any individual is in securing the job, elections would be placed upon a higher plane. The habit of soliciting for votes should be discouraged as much as possible."

"I think the attempt to inject minor issues into the campaign has not proved successful. I am interested in the charter, and, if elected, will be still more deeply interested in endeavoring to demonstrate that we have not made a mistake in adopting it."

READS JACK LONDON AND GOES INSANE AT MILLS COLLEGE

Lecture by Socialist Completes Wreck of Oakland Man's Reason, Already Undermined

OAKLAND, April 29.—Beholding himself in the mirror of Jack London's socialistic writings as one of the people of the abyss, Charles Baker went insane after listening to a lecture by Austin Lewis, an adherent of London's teachings. Baker had pored for weeks over London's writings, and when he began brooding over the depletion of life in the underworld his mind tottered and the impetus of Lewis' lecture completed the overthrow.

Baker admitted that he spent his life where the red lights burned, and that his gayest times were had in the midst of popping corks and strains of Hungarian music. Things went well with him until by chance London's dissertations on the lower strata of society fell into his hands.

He absorbed the story of the carter and the carver, and the old fishwife, and read the tale of the waitress who regarded a lonesome gold sovereign with suspicion. Baker felt that in all this there was a great message for himself alone. Reason fled when he tried to digest the lessons with sauce furnished by the local lecturer.

Judge Wells committed Baker to the state hospital at Napa today.

Baker was remembered at the reception hospital as a man brought in apparently dying, but who revived and put up a good fight with a drug user who sought to make away with two silver dollars which rolled from Baker's pockets as he lay on the table.

ACCUSED OF FALSELY OBTAINING MONEY

Trouble Follows in Wake of Patent Flatiron Deal

OAKLAND, April 29.—W. H. Alford was arraigned before Police Judge Samuels this morning on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, preferred by P. A. Davidson of 1823 Thirty-fifth street, and his preliminary examination was set for May 4.

Alford was arrested at Sacramento while, it is alleged, trying to repeat the sale of exclusive rights for the distribution of a patent flatiron. The patent is held by the Imperial selling company of Los Angeles, and Alford's representation that he was state agent for the concern is made the basis of the fraud charge.

Davidson paid him \$125, according to the allegations, for the sole rights in San Francisco, Alameda and Santa Clara counties, and the investor swore out a warrant on being informed his recent acquisition was fictitious.

BERKELEY DAY NAMED—Berkeley, April 29.—September 18 has been named as "Berkeley" day at the Alaska-Yukon exposition at Seattle, which will open June 1. Many Berkeleys will be present for the ceremonies which will mark Berkeley day.

Come, make yourself at home. 20 Columbia Phonographs, \$6.00 each, at Schellhaas' furniture sale, Eleventh street at Franklin, Oakland.

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LA TRES JOLI CLUB TO ENTERTAIN MANY

Invitations Are Issued for Second Annual Dance of Organization at Maple Hall

OAKLAND, April 29.—La Tres Joli club members are preparing for their second annual dance at Maple hall the evening of April 30. The dances by the organization are given by invitation after Lent, and this affair is the first to be planned for Maple hall since the late period of simple living.

The committee of arrangements is made up of Ray Leavitt, Stuart Burgess, Leslie Rabjohn, Frank Loughery, Alfred Hughes, Roy Myers and Henry Kohler. Washington E. Ayer is chairman of the press committee.

There will be many young women present as guests, among them Miss Jessie I. Martin. The club members, hosts of the evening, are:

- Leslie A. Rabjohn
- Washington E. Ayer
- Claude E. Archer
- George H. Hartwell
- Ray Leavitt
- Stuart Burgess
- Alfred Hughes
- George W. Howson Jr.
- F. Adolph Kurtz
- Henry H. Kohler
- Carl W. Lidja
- George Mann
- Frank J. Loughery
- Roy F. Myers
- William O. Wedgwood
- Edwin A. Norton

DEATH OF WIDOW OF PIONEER NURSERYMAN

Mrs. Fannie Cooke Expires After Long Illness

BERKELEY, April 29.—Mrs. Fannie Cooke, relict of the late John Cooke, one of the best known nurserymen of the state, who died two years ago, died at her residence, 2143 Addison street, this morning after a prolonged illness. She was 72 years of age and a native of Ireland.

Her late husband was a pioneer of this city and prior to the earthquake owned valuable blocks in the center of the city. His principal holding was the site of the Studio building at Shattuck avenue and Addison street. There he formerly had his nursery and conducted his business. He came here 20 years ago and laid out the Garber, D. O. Mills, Shattuck and other big estates.

Among the children who survive Mrs. Cooke are: Mrs. Alice Muller, Mrs. Mary Lindsay of San Mateo and James R. George A. Fannie and John B. Cooke. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence.

PRESENTS MARBLE CHAIR TO THE GREEK THEATER

Regent Dohrmann Makes Handsome Gift to the University

BERKELEY, April 29.—F. W. Dohrmann, the well known San Francisco businessman and regent of the university, has presented to the university a handsome marble chair to be placed in the Greek theater below the diazoma. The chair, made from a single block of Italian marble from a copy of an old Roman chair, is already in the theater ready for installation.

The university authorities are anxious to have more chairs in the open space where wooden chairs are now placed in order that the ancient custom of having family chairs and individual memorials can be carried out. Ultimately the entire space below the diazoma will be filled with them.

YOUNG RABBIT HUNTER PUTS BULLET IN CHEEK

Ashland Boy Shoots Himself While Seeking Animals

OAKLAND, April 29.—Arlington Barquist, 15 years old, living at Ashland, shot himself accidentally through the right cheek with a small rifle while he was shooting rabbits in the Fruitvale hills. The bullet was removed at the county infirmary.

SAYS THE WOMAN CLAIM FOR ESTATE HAS SHADY CAREER BASED ON BIGAMY

Banker's Son Files His Answer to Suit for Breach of Promise

OAKLAND, April 29.—Disclosures of more than passing interest to the smart set of this city and to the highest social and political circles of Washington, D. C., were hinted at by Philip E. Bowles Jr., son of P. E. Bowles, president of the First national bank of this city, in an answer which he filed today to a suit for \$50,000 damages for alleged breach of promise which Miss Clara E. Haggett had instituted against him.

Miss Haggett complained that though she had passed as the wife of young Bowles while he was private secretary to Secretary of the Navy Victor H. Metcalf, and throughout the northwest, that he had constantly put her off when she begged him to have the ceremony performed.

SUIT FOLLOWED

Bowles admitted that he had conditionally promised to marry Miss Haggett, but hinted at recently discovered evidence regarding Miss Haggett's past and recent life which would absolve him from his vows. She was not, he said, an honest girl, but he became acquainted with her in a position to enforce demands for damages against her character. Bowles claimed that he had found this out since he had broken with her.

Miss Haggett's legal advisers have filed a notice that a motion would be made Friday, May 7, to have the suit set for trial.

In addition to hinting at moral lack on Miss Haggett's part, young Bowles claimed that all their understandings about marriage were based on his being financially able to carry it out to their satisfaction.

Miss Haggett's first complaint was demurred out of court on the ground that she had been uncertain in basing her demands. Judge Waste held that he could not determine whether she sued for breach of a civil contract or for services which she had rendered.

RETIRE SCHOOL TEACHER WILLS ESTATE TO COUSIN

Mrs. Juliet White Canavan's Testament Filed for Probate

OAKLAND, April 29.—The will of Mrs. Juliet White Canavan was filed for probate today. She made her cousin, Mrs. Juliet White Garber Stringham of Berkeley sole legatee. Mrs. Stringham was a daughter of the late Judge John Garber of Berkeley and Mrs. Canavan was his niece.

Other relatives, for whom no provision was made, are Mrs. Juliet White Garber, an aunt living in Berkeley, and John White, an uncle living at Selma, Ala.

Mrs. Canavan was a retired school teacher of Alameda county, whose services extended over many years. Her estate was valued at \$5,000. Attorney S. B. McKee was named executor.

VICTIM OF ASSAULT FAILS TO PROSECUTE

Disappears After Recovery and Alleged Assault Is Released

OAKLAND, April 29.—Harry Malley, charged with assault with a deadly weapon and free on \$10,000 bail, was released from custody in the police court on the advice of the district attorney this morning because the complainant, Clarence Sawtelle, had disappeared.

Sawtelle was stabbed in a saloon brawl and was dangerously ill for several weeks. Operations at the receiving hospital relieved him of a kidney and a rib, after which he became convalescent.

He failed to obey subpoenas served on him while he was at the hospital.

DR. O. D. HAMLIN LEAVES FOR TOUR IN THE EAST

Surgeon Will Attend Convention of Medical Association

OAKLAND, April 29.—Dr. O. D. Hamlin, chief surgeon of the receiving hospital, left this evening for an extended eastern trip, during which he will attend as delegate from the State medical society, the annual convention of the American medical association which will be held June 8 at Atlantic City. Dr. Hamlin will visit the principal hospitals in the larger eastern and Canadian cities. He will be accompanied by Dr. George W. Reineke.

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