

NEWS OF OAKLAND, KEY, ALAMEDA, HAYWARD AND SAN LEANDRO

ASSESSOR WORKS ON CITY BUDGET

Thinks Council May Reduce the Rate Owing to Special Burden of Bonds

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—The city government will disburse in the annexed district in the fiscal year 1910-11 for improvements about \$200,000, according to City Assessor George E. Gross. The assessed valuation of the new territory is fixed at \$16,000,000 by the county assessor, and approximately the same figures will be used by the city assessor in framing his budget.

The assessed valuation of the old town will not vary from the valuation for the present fiscal year by more than \$1,000,000, according to Gross' rough estimate. He is now at work on his assessment books, and is receiving from the departments of the city government their estimates of expenses for the year 1910-11. Because of the urgency of beginning public improvements early in the year, the city council has passed resolutions calling upon departments to submit their estimates to the auditor before February 1, and asking the auditor to submit his budget to the council before March 1.

None of the departmental estimates is yet complete. The park commission filed with Gross an estimate of \$248,870 to continue the park work. This does not include the playground expenses, which the park commission is to take up Thursday afternoon. In allowing an extension of the city council to take to the policy of spending tax income from the annexed district in the annexed district. "The bond tax will amount to about 20 cents on the \$100 valuation, and I do not know what policy the council will pursue—whether the present tax rate of \$1.26 will be held, or whether the rate will be reduced. I think a \$1.26 rate or lower is likely to be fixed owing to the heavy taxation on the old city under the bond issue."

ROOTERS WILL LEARN TO SING BLEACHER SONGS Professor Wolle Offers New Course in Music

BERKELEY, Jan. 18.—To teach the lost art of singing on the bleachers at baseball and football games, Prof. J. Fred Wolle, head of the department of music at the university, has organized a special class in the many at the feet of a number of students, among them being John Hartigan, the varsity yell leader. Professor Wolle will give a series of lectures on the subject and lead the students in college songs and popular tunes with the proper musical instruction. For several years the yell leaders of the university have striven to induce the men students to spend more time at their bleacher rallies and learn to sing the songs properly. The leaders barred peanuts from the bleachers to secure proper attention to the songs, but this has not had the desired effect. Recently the women have taken up singing, and there is a plan on foot for the men and women to sing together. The course offered by Professor Wolle will overcome the yell leaders' difficulties, and they have announced that they will enter the course as music 2 B. There is expected to be mourning in the Stanford camp when the plans of Professor Wolle are made known there.

FORWARD DATA ON HARBOR TO ENGINEERS Special Committee Ends Labors in Behalf of Appropriation

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—The special committee consisting of Mayor Victor H. Metcalf, Dr. George C. Pardee, E. C. Sessions, B. P. Miller and J. T. Flynn appointed by the chamber of commerce and the engineers to collect data on the harbor to be submitted to the United States army board of engineers has forwarded its report to Washington. Briefly it shows that \$5,000,000 has been spent on shipping facilities along the harbor, exclusive of the sums spent by the railroad companies, by private concerns and individuals, and that for every dollar which the federal government has expended in improving the harbor \$10 has been spent from private sources. The committee also prepared statistics showing the great increase in the total tonnage of vessels which entered the port of Oakland in the last few years over the record of a few years ago. This report has been sent to Washington in the hope that it will influence the engineering board to recommend a congressional appropriation for the further improvement of the harbor.

BAY CITIES METHODISTS HOLD ANNUAL BANQUET Bishop Hughes and His Wife Are Guests

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—The annual banquet and rally of the Methodist churches of the bay cities was held this evening at the First Methodist church under the direction of the church extension society of Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley. J. A. Forderer of Alameda, president of the society, was chairman of the evening. George W. White, D. D., pastor of the First Methodist church, delivered an address of greeting. Dr. E. D. McCroary of the San Francisco city extension society, and other workers in various church activities, gave short speeches. At the rally, which was held in the church auditorium, Dr. S. D. Hutsinpiiler of Berkeley, district superintendent, presided. Bishop Edwin H. Hughes delivered the closing address. Bishop Hughes and Mrs. Hughes were the special guests of the banquet.

OAKLAND Y. W. C. A. RESUMES ACTIVITIES First Shakespearean Lesson Monday Evening

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—Miss Julia E. Colby, director of the Shakespearean section of the Y. W. C. A., will give the first lesson of her course for the Young Women's Christian association at the Y. W. C. A. administration building, Fourteenth and Castro streets, next Monday evening. The various classes of the Y. W. C. A. are resuming their work after the holidays, and the gymnastic classes are now equipped with the finest gymnasium in the city. Under the direction of Mrs. Florence Verge Mills the choral class is making excellent progress. Classes in dress making, water colors, elocution, millinery, music and Spanish are open each evening to any Oakland or Berkeley woman who can spare the time to attend.

Noted Actress to Advise Oakland Kirmess Dancers



Mrs. Leon Hall, who is promoting benefit entertainment for the Anti-Tuberculosis society of Alameda county.

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OLGA NETHERSOLE ENGAGED TO SPEAK Promises to Attend Rehearsal for Anti-Tuberculosis Society Benefit

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—With the promise of a spectator as famous as Miss Olga Nethersole the little folk of the various groups which are engaged in preparing the pretty figures of the kirmess are devoting themselves strenuously to the rehearsals between now and Monday, when the actress will be with them and give an informal talk. The Monday gathering will be at the Key Route hotel. The first full dress rehearsal is planned for Wednesday evening, January 26, at Idora park, and in a way will measure the success of the four days of fun which is promised for the first week in February in the Piedmont rink. All over the city groups of women are contributing their share of work to the big festival, whose proceeds will be devoted to the treasury of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society of Alameda county. Mrs. A. D. Thomson, Mrs. Charles H. King, Mrs. Ernest Tanner and Miss Anita Thomson are preparing the artistic program. The cover has been designed by Miss Lucy Herrick, who is assisting her sister, Mrs. Mark Requa, in the preliminary arrangements. Mrs. Leon Hall and a coteries of women of the Oakland club will offer these souvenirs for sale during the kirmess week. The tea which is planned for Thursday at the Thomson residence will be a benefit to the big charity affair. An address on the needs of the crusade against the "white plague" will be made by a prominent physician. Among the society women who are acting as patronesses are: Mrs. M. Smith, Mrs. Isaac Requa, Mrs. Wickham, Mrs. H. C. Tait, Mrs. Charles Butters, Mrs. Charles Wingate, Mrs. Harold Haines, Mrs. E. B. Braden, Mrs. William Dougherty, Mrs. Philip H. Henry, Mrs. W. E. Shanon.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY EXPLAINS JURY WORK Judge Brown to Address East Oakland Congregation

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—District Attorney W. H. Donahue delivered an address before the Men's league of the Pilgrim Congregational church, East Fifteenth street and Eighth avenue, this evening on "Our Jury System." The functions of the grand jury were explained by the prosecutor. Following the dinner at 6:30 o'clock and the district attorney's speech there was a debate between members of the Spartan club of the church and members of the Filii Regis club of Brooklyn Presbyterian church on the ship subsidy question. The Men's league will have charge of the evening service of January 30 at the Pilgrim Congregational church. Superior Judge Everett J. Brown will speak on "Men and Other Men," his address to be part of a symposium by prominent citizens on the theme "The King's Business Requires Men."

OAKLAND TO ENTERTAIN GRAND ARMY VETERANS Mayor Appeals to Citizens to Make Occasion Noteworthy

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—Mayor Frank K. Mott, in a communication addressed to the Merchants' exchange last night, made a formal announcement of the approaching encampment of the G. A. R., department of California and Nevada, to be held in this city during the latter part of April. The communication in part reads as follows: "We beg to call your attention to the forthcoming encampment of the Department of California and Nevada of the Grand Army of the Republic, which will be held in this city during the latter part of April. Our city has been honored in being chosen as the meeting place of this encampment, and it behooves us to join hands with our fellow citizens and members of the Grand Army in making the encampment a most successful one. As loyal, patriotic Americans, we should keep always fresh in memory the great and splendid services of these men to our beloved country, and an appealing to the citizens of Oakland to promptly and actively interest themselves in the success of the coming event."

SAN LEANDRO TRUSTEES CLOSE "BRIDGE" SALOON Automobile Resort Failed to Comply With Laws

SAN LEANDRO, Jan. 18.—The license of the "Bridge" saloon in the San Leandro road, one of the best known automobile resorts of Alameda county, was revoked at last night's meeting of the board of trustees as the result of evidence obtained by two special detectives, which showed that Frank E. Schechter and H. F. Chase, the proprietors, conducted a disorderly house in connection with the establishment. It was closed up finally this morning by the officers and no other license will be issued in place of the one revoked. This action reduces San Leandro's saloons from 19 to 18 in number.

Suburban Brevities

BURNED BY EXPLOSION—Oakland, Jan. 18.—George Lindquist, 34, of the city, was badly burned this afternoon at his home by the explosion of a gas heater. The entire surface of his face was badly scorched. VALUABLE DOG STOLEN—Berkeley, Jan. 18.—The kennel of W. S. Hessel, of 1027 University avenue, was entered last night and his Boston terrier Sierra, valued at \$150, stolen. The animal was considered one of the best in the state. ALAMEDA WOMAN DIES—Alameda, Jan. 18.—Mrs. Nina E. Hyde, for the last two years a resident of this city, died at her home, 643 Taylor avenue, last evening. She had lived in California for 18 years. She is survived by her husband, C. H. Hyde. Mrs. Hyde was 43 years of age. CHICKEN THIEF CONVICTED—South San Francisco, Jan. 18.—Ernest Indergard, charged with stealing chickens from the ranch of Matt Callan at Colma, was convicted by Justice of the Peace Ambrose McSweeney this morning and sentenced to 180 days in the county jail at Redwood City. CHARGE DISMISSED—Oakland, Jan. 18.—The charge of grand larceny against Harry Williams was dismissed today by Judge Ogden on motion of the prosecution. Williams was arrested recently with Maurice Moriarty, who was convicted of petty larceny, for stealing tools from Ferguson cemetery. The testimony in the Moriarty trial showed Williams' innocence. Marriage Licenses OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—The following marriage licenses were issued here today: Frederick C. Park, 22, and Mary Davilla, 16, both of Oakland. Newton E. Leonard, 24, and Kattie K. Busch, 23, both of San Francisco. Hugh Legend, 35, Emeryville, and Gertrude Larson, 25, San Francisco. Frank Edwards, 27, Oakland, and Laura McCormack, 19, Berkeley. John Hultquist, 40, and Greta A. Post, 54, both of Oakland. Thomas J. Percen, 21, Berkeley, and Alpha V. Phelps, 18, Oakland.

PROPOSE ATHLETIC PARK FOR SCHOOLS

Fitchburg Residents Plan Campaign for New Educational Building

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—Under the auspices of the Mothers' club of the Lockwood school, Fitchburg, and the Fitchburg improvement association, a vigorous campaign is to be waged to induce the board of education to include within the proposed school bond election budget funds for the erection of a 20 room class A concrete school, and the acquisition of a tract of 17 acres adjoining to be converted into one of the largest public school playgrounds and athletic grounds in the country. The campaign was officially launched last night at a mass meeting held in the assembly hall of the school under the auspices of the Mothers' club, when resolutions in favor of both projects were unanimously adopted. G. M. Moore, J. F. Kingstone and W. G. Peyeritz were appointed a special committee to present to the board of education the petition now being circulated in this district. Mrs. W. G. Moore, president of the club, presided. At a meeting held tonight the Fitchburg improvement association unanimously endorsed the resolutions adopted last night and all present pledged themselves to work for the success of the plans. It was declared that the district is rapidly growing, that the present Lockwood school is inadequate and that an addition would not be satisfactory, it would only afford temporary relief. It is proposed that the city purchase the Fox tract of 17 acres, bordering East Fourteenth street, thus making it easy for access by means of the Oakland Traction cars, and convert it into a central playground and athletic stadium, which would include football and baseball fields, a track oval, lawn tennis and basket ball courts, and an outdoor gymnasium for the smaller children. The tract is in the center of the annexed territory, and would afford ample space for all the inter-scholastic contests, not only for the outside schools, but also for the high schools of central Oakland. This land can be purchased for about \$2,000 an acre, entailing an initial expense of \$35,000, while it is probable \$15,000 would be required to put the grounds in shape. When finished it would be the largest and most convenient school recreation park in the west and would serve for decades.

WOUNDED MAN STILL DENIES BEING BANDIT Surgeons Take Issue With Police in Regard to Patient

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—John Schaeetz, the Fruitvale brewery worker lying wounded at the Acropolis sanatorium and whom the police suspect of being a saloon bandit, is still living, although he has suffered for two days from hemorrhage of the lungs and surgeons have said he can not long survive. He still denies that he was the robber wounded by S. E. Swenson, the bartender at Adam Craft's East Oakland saloon, after he had held up the place. The police contradict Schaeetz' stories and advance several reasons for believing the man guilty. Dr. S. L. Boolson and Dr. J. M. Shannon, who are attending the patient, both assert that the nature of Schaeetz' wound is certain he could not have been the robber. Boolson adds emphatically that the dying man's reputation is that of a law abiding man and casts his own personal belief on the side of his patient, whom he says he has known for several years.

PROCEEDS OF PLAY WILL GO TO HOSPITAL FUND

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—The Judeans, a local organization composed of young Hebrew merchants, has arranged to devote the proceeds of the performance of "The Merry Millers" at the Liberty theater next Tuesday evening to the fund for the establishment and maintenance of a free clinic for indigent tuberculosis patients in Alameda county. The clinic will be maintained under the auspices of the Alameda Society for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. Tickets are now on sale.

WARM SOCKS WERE ALL THAT PATIENT NEEDED

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—Very much frightened and limping painfully, Harry Brown of Seventh street, near Park avenue, was received in hospital today and asked for medical treatment. His expressions of pain made Steward Platt think that he had a very serious case to handle. But after Brown's shoes had been carefully removed, and then his socks, it was found that he was suffering from chilblains. Platt prescribed a pair of woolen socks.

Collector is Accused of Misdemeanor Theft Piano Firm Claims Employee Withheld Part of Collections

HAYWARD, Jan. 18.—A San Francisco piano house last night caused the arrest of George C. Farrel, claiming that he had failed to account for \$80 collected for the firm. Farrel declares that he did not take the money with felonious intent, but forgot to turn in his monthly report. It is understood he also owes a number of the local merchants.

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STANFORD STUDENT WINS SCHOLARSHIP

H. R. Stolz Successful in Competition for Rhodes Oxford Prize

[Special Dispatch to The Call] STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Jan. 18.—It has been learned that H. R. Stolz '08 of Redlands has won one of the Rhodes scholarships, which entitles him to three years at Oxford university, England, and provides amply for all his expenses during that time. He will leave for Oxford next October. Stolz is vice president of the Associated Students and a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity. He is the second Stanford man to obtain the honor, a scholarship having been granted to Hugh Moran '05 in 1906. This is the fifth Rhodes scholarship that has been won in this state, two having been granted to students of the University of California and one to a student of the University of Southern California. The first Nestoria meeting of the year was held last night and the officers who are to serve for the following semester installed. G. F. Morgan '10 succeeds S. A. Lindauer '10 as president, and M. Y. Malone '10 is to serve as vice president and C. R. Numan '11 will be the secretary. D. H. Walker '09, who was editor of the Daily Palo Alto during the spring semester last year, has been elected president of the Press club, to fill the vacancy left by the graduation of V. F. Bellows in December. The Eneina club, at its first meeting last night, decided to give a reception to the faculty some time during the present semester. President A. E. Meekin '10 appointed a committee composed of J. P. Hemphill '09, W. S. Porter '11 and G. F. Morgan '10 to take charge of the affair. At a meeting of the Quad board last night Editor L. L. Hill announced the appointment of two new members to the editorial board of the junior annual, F. H. Hilton, who has been assisting with the photographic work, has been given charge of the organization and honor society departments, which was left vacant by the failure of W. H. McConnell to return to college. Miss H. Park has been appointed to assist in the art department. A new telephone exchange is to be installed on the campus by the Pacific States telephone company, in order to handle the calls from the campus and the immediate vicinity. BOYS' CLUB TO PRESENT INTERESTING PLAYLET Dramatization of Tennyson Poem to Be Given [Special Dispatch to The Call] SAN RAFAEL, Jan. 18.—A play at the Lyric theater will be given by the members and friends of the boys' club of the Presbyterian church on the afternoon of February 5, at 3 o'clock. The title of the piece is "The Young Knight, or How Gareth Got His Spurs." It is a dramatization of Tennyson's setting of the old King Arthur legend of "Gareth and Lynette." The young men will be assisted in the production by a number of young women of the church. Rehearsals have been held weekly for two months.

COMPLAINING WITNESS IN CASE DISAPPEARS Authorities Unable to Try Robbery Case

[Special Dispatch to The Call] SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—The disappearance of Harry Hecker, complaining witness in a robbery case, from his home in Edinburgh street, San Francisco, has caused the authorities of this county to believe that he may have been abducted by friends of the accused men. On the night of December 2 Hecker was knocked down and robbed of \$20 by two men at Hillcrest.

QUARRELS WITH WIFE AND DRINKS POISON

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CHURCHES ESTABLISH SABBATH NURSERIES Provide Rooms for Care of Infants During Services

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—Sunday morning kindergartens have been established by the First Baptist and by the First Congregational church as a means of disposing of the child question during services. Trained kindergarten teachers are in charge of the work—Miss Caroline MacIver at the First Congregational church and Miss Maud Twyman at the First Baptist. The Plymouth Congregational church in Moss avenue has adopted the idea, and a Sunday morning nursery is being established at that church. The pastors of the churches were responsible for the innovation in Oakland, designing to provide a place where parents may leave their small children while they themselves attend morning services.

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PREPARED TO ISSUE MUNICIPAL BONDS

City Council Will Soon Pass Ordinance Fixing Form and Denominations

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—The city council will pass an ordinance determining the denominations and forms of the bonds which are to be sold for water front improvements and new municipal buildings, probably at the next regular meeting. This will be the last legislation preparatory to the issuance of the bonds. The bonds are to be steel engraved and the printing will probably be done in Chicago. That no time may be lost, the board of public works will call for bids on the issue soon after the passage of the last council ordinance, and by the time the bonds reach Oakland the city officials may affix their signatures and turn the pledges over to the purchasers. The fee of \$3,000, which is due to Dillon & Hubbard for expediting the election proceedings, will be paid out of the city treasury. The New York attorneys' opinion as to the validity of the bonds is an asset to the city, approval by Dillon & Hubbard bringing a half point in the stock exchanges and bond markets. This means that Dillon & Hubbard's services pay for themselves. As soon as the first bond money is in the city treasury the water front work will begin and the architects' competition for the new city hall will be called.

ODD FELLOWS WILL HOLD CONVENTION

Manchester Unity to Meet in Oakland

OAKLAND, Jan. 18.—The annual convention of the California district, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Manchester Unity, will open in Hamilton hall tomorrow and continue until Friday night. Fifty or 60 delegates from lodges in all parts of the state will attend. They will be the guests of the Oakland lodges during their stay in this city, and elaborate arrangements have been made for their entertainment. Following are the officers for California district: P. P. G. M., H. H. Herrington, M. D.; P. P. G. M., Frank Marini; P. P. G. M., Thomas M. Miller; P. P. G. M., William K. Hill; P. P. G. M., Joseph Hagan; P. P. G. M., William H. Sawtell; P. D. G. M., Charles A. Roberts; P. C. secretary, John S. Currie; P. treasurer, Odilon LeFebvre; trustees, W. E. Williams, Samuel Pinkerton and John A. Johnson; conductor, John H. Gault; guard, Ernest Lauf; warden, Hartley H. Runyan; auditors, Angelo Campana and C. W. Kahl; M. D. book examiners, Frank Roberts and Thomas M. Miller.

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