

NEWS OF OAKLAND, BERKELEY, ALAMEDA, HAYWARD AND SAN LEANRO

DRIVEN BY SNOW TO TAKE HER LIFE

Woman Who Is Separated From Husband Commits Suicide in Lake

OAKLAND, Feb. 8.—Dressed in her oldest garments, Mrs. Margaret Kraetsch, 40 years old, living at 820 Thirty-sixth street, walked from her home to the Twelfth street dam early yesterday evening, laid her cloak and hat on the shore and leaped into the water. Her body was found this morning soon after her eldest child, Fred, had missed her from the house and had reported her missing.

MANY MEMBERS SECURED

Initiation Fee Reduced for One Day's Campaign

OAKLAND, Feb. 8.—Fully 1,000 names are entered on the roster of the Young Men's Christian association as the outcome of the vigorous efforts made today to increase its membership. The initiation fee was made \$5 for today only. Nearly 100 men were sent to the city hall yesterday, and it will be a day more before the manager of the campaign, E. C. Lyons, can tell how many recruits were brought in.

REAL ESTATE MAN IS ARRESTED FOR CONTEMPT

Justice Rebukes Hinch for Stopping Payment on Check

OAKLAND, Feb. 8.—J. S. Hinch, a real estate man of this city, was arrested on a bench warrant issued by Justice of the Peace James Quinn today and haled into court to show cause why he should not be punished for contempt in stopping payment on a check which he had given in satisfaction of a judgment rendered against him by Justice Quinn yesterday.

CRUDE METHODS USED IN CHINESE POTTERIES

Ware Is Formed on Wheel and Dried in Sun

Consul Albert W. Pontius, writing from Swatow, gives an account of the operations of Chinese factories in southern China: The manufacture of earthenware is carried on extensively in the Chauchow prefecture, the Kiangsu and the Chekiang provinces, and in the districts and the coast grades at Fungchi. It is estimated that the average annual output of the province is about 300,000,000. The finer grades and their way to Bangkok, Singapore and the Straits settlements, while the cheaper grades are sent to the interior.

CLOSE CONTRACT FOR NEW BANKERS' HOTEL

Directors Authorize President to Sign the Papers

OAKLAND, Feb. 8.—The directors of the Bankers' hotel have authorized the president, W. W. Bartholme, and the secretary, De Ver McLaren, to sign the contract with Percy J. Walker to erect the structure at Fourteenth and Harrison streets, to cost not exceeding \$2,000,000. The building committee is composed of E. A. Heron, H. C. Capwell, M. J. Layman and Edson F. Adams.

OPENS LECTURE COURSE ON PUBLIC HEALTH

Dr. Colby W. Rucker to Deliver a Series

OAKLAND, Feb. 8.—Dr. Colby W. Rucker, of the public health and marine hospital service, will commence a course of lectures Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Oakland college of medicine and surgery on public health and sanitation. Lectures will be held Monday and Wednesday afternoons and will be open to those interested in the subject.

MOVES TO REGULATE BILLIARD PARLORS

Councilman Prepares Ordinance to Fulfill Recommendations

OAKLAND, Feb. 8.—Councilman Oliver Ellsworth is preparing an ordinance to be introduced into the council to regulate billiard parlors. Police Judge Smith denounced the places as maintained in this city yesterday in finding the proprietor of such a resort in West Oakland guilty of selling liquor without a license.

Suburban Brevities

LENTEN SERVICES IN ALAMEDA—Alameda, Feb. 8.—Masses will be said in St. Joseph's church tomorrow, Ash Wednesday, at 7 and 9 o'clock. At the same time, the distribution of ashes will take place. Special services will be held in the church Wednesday and Friday evenings during Lent.

College Sorority Gives A Brilliant Reception



Two of sorority girls who received at yesterday's function.

WOMEN STUDENTS ENTERTAIN FRIENDS

Alpha Omicron Pi Holds One of the Largest Social Functions of the Year

BERKELEY, Feb. 8.—At one of the largest receptions of the year the members of the Alpha Omicron Pi sorority of the university entertained this afternoon and evening in their chapter house. The sorority was beautifully decorated for the affair and a bevy of pretty maids received the guests of the afternoon and evening from Berkeley, Oakland and San Francisco. In the receiving party were: Helena Barlow, Marie Matwell, Grace Courtland, Lillian Rice, Alice Miller, Blanche Adler, Rose Schmidt, T. Harrison, Joseph Miller, Lucille Kistler, Mildred Martin, Edna Hall, Mildred Kemp, Madge Kemp, Irene Flanagan, Grace Weeks.

DESERTER ESCAPES A FORGERY TRIAL

Harry E. McAllister, Who Left Army to Gain Woman, Returns in Custody

BERKELEY, Feb. 8.—Harry E. McAllister, deserter from the army and scion of a wealthy Baltimore family, has been relieved of the crime of forgery on the South Berkeley bank and has been turned over to the army authorities to answer for deserting without permission. McAllister left the army to marry a Monterey girl, and he was thought by the police to have committed forgery to raise the necessary cash to secure a marriage license.

MOST POISONOUS SNAKE CONQUERED BY MONGOOSE

Quickness and Skill Gives Victory to Animal

I have read the account of the operation on the jaw of the cobra in the Bronx zoo with considerable interest, for during my extended residence in India I became very familiar with these venomous reptiles. At the present time I am a student in that country of many thousands of snakes for a cure for the cobra bite. I have seen many specimens of the cobra, and our only assurance of protection was found in the fact that they did not bite. But the general commanding the station ordered his pet cobra to be killed. The only creature that can withstand the cobra's bite is the mongoose, a little animal with extended claws and very agile in its movements. We placed a cobra and a mongoose in a cage together. It was a fight to the death. It seemed to me that the cobra was the victor, and I was about to give up when I saw the mongoose strike the cobra on the head and force it to retreat. It was an interesting sight. The cobra was a specimen of the cobra, and the mongoose was a specimen of the mongoose.

SHEEP DIMINISHING THROUGHOUT EUROPE

Greatest Falling Off Is Noted in France

It is not only the population of France in the proper sense of the word that is dwindling, but the same may be said of the sheep, according to the London Globe. M. Tisserand, a distinguished authority on agriculture, states that in 1870 there were 27,000,000 sheep in France, in 1880 there were 26,000,000, fewer, and in 1907 the number had fallen to 17,000,000. But France stands not alone in this respect. The same authority says that Germany shows a greater diminution, 25,000,000 in 1870 have fallen to 19,000,000 in 1907. In Austria-Hungary in 1905 they had 10,000,000, against 20,000,000 in 1862. Norway, Sweden and Denmark tell the same story. In England the number remains practically stationary, 32,000,000 in 1871 and 31,500,000 today.

TIGER CAUSES REIGN OF TERROR IN SONGY

French Villager Spreads Report of Beast in Forest

Since New Year's day the people of the old Champagne department of France have been in a state of ferment. In fact in certain villages a reign of terror is believed, says the London Globe. It is claimed that the forest in Songy, in Marne, is sheltering a tiger. One villager saw the terrible beast, and since then he has been seen by others, but all attempts to hunt the tiger have failed. The question arises, if there is any truth in the report, and the beast is a tigress, how long will it be before there are a hundred villages in a row in France, for the forests with their extent and their abundant supplies of game and the temperate climate, would offer facilities for tigers to breed. It is more than likely the Songy tiger is a creature of the imagination.

Marriage Licenses

OAKLAND, Feb. 8.—The following marriage licenses were issued today: Timothy J. O'Leary, 30, Oakland, and Sarah Ann Fitzgerald, 30, Oakland. Harry L. Smith, 31, Honcut, and Violet A. Harris, 28, Berkeley. Matthew McKeown, 33, and Desolina M. Fitzgerald, 29, both of Oakland. Peter Larios, 22, and Madeline Gallego, 22, both of Oakland. Guido O. Giannini, 22, and Ada Morrow, 22, both of Oakland. Peter A. Anderson, 22, and Ira P. Nelson, 19, both of Oakland.

Found—New mattresses at H. Scheib's furniture store, corner Scott, Eleventh street, Oakland.

EVIL Omen Nearly FATAL TO WOMAN

Mrs. J. W. Striker Lights Fire With Gasoline, but Presence of Mind Saves Life

BERKELEY, Feb. 8.—Covered with burning gasoline, with which she had attempted to light a fire in the stove, mistaking it for kerosene, Mrs. John W. Striker, wife of the former superintendent of streets of this city, saved her life today by rushing to the bathroom, where she jumped into a tub of water. Her screams attracted the attention of her husband and daughter, Mrs. Lyon. Mrs. Striker now lies at the Roosevelt hospital in a precarious condition, but Dr. H. N. Rowell, the attending physician, believes that she will survive the shock.

PLEASANTON VOTES FOR \$40,000 SEWER BONDS

PLEASANTON, Feb. 8.—Pleasanton voted today for the issuance of \$40,000 bonds for the construction of a sewer system and improvement of the water plant by an overwhelming majority. The vote was 183 for and 35 against.

ASTRONOMER TO RECALL EPISODES OF EARLY DAYS

Henry Smith Pritchett Is Called to Deliver Charter Day Address at Berkeley

BERKELEY, Feb. 8.—Henry Smith Pritchett, president of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, was announced from the president's office of the university as the charter day speaker, March 23, when the founding of the university will be celebrated in the Greek theater. President Pritchett will arrive in Berkeley March 20. President Wheeler will precede him by a week to arrange the details for the day. There will be the usual procession of the faculty and students, with the regents and prominent men of the state as guests of the university.

UNDERTAKERS AFTER THEIR PAY IN ADVANCE

Odd New Year's Custom Is Started in France

An appellant of a novel kind for New Year gifts has made his appearance at Montpellier. We should say "appellants," for it seems that the undertakers' men of that district possess logical minds. They cannot receive gifts from those whom they have performed services. It is customary for workpeople to receive such. Therefore the undertakers' men have been soliciting from those to whom they have rendered no services, but will undoubtedly require them sooner or later. The theater of operations has been at the hotels, so to use the expression of a Paris contemporary, it is "trempe par anticipation." We are not told what success has followed this enterprise, but it is certainly annoying to be asked to reward services which no one wishes performed as far as he himself is concerned.

FIELD FOR AMERICAN CAPITAL IN MEXICO

Coconut Growing and Copra Extraction Profitable

Consul Arminius T. Haeblerle of Manzanillo calls attention to possibilities for extending coconut growing and their conversion into articles of commerce in that part of Mexico: Like the cocoon, the coquito (little cocoon) is used for extracting oil. The coquito grows wild in great abundance and is a small nut about two inches in diameter. Nut oils are imported into the United States from China, but those produced in this part of Mexico are used only for making soap, for lubricating machinery and for illuminating purposes. Raising coconuts for exportation would be a profitable enterprise in this district, where the supply is limited to local consumption.

SALEM CUSTOM HOUSE LIKELY TO BE SOLD

Was Haunt of Hawthorne and Inspired 'Scarlet Letter'

For nearly a century the old custom house in Salem has been in existence, but since it has been introduced into congress by Representative Gardner for an appropriation to build a new edifice, the old building has been for sale. It will be sold, as the government will not support two, says the Boston Transcript. The present custom house was built about 1819 on a part of the Crowninshield estate. The style of architecture is colonial, with the exception that the roof is of gambrel or pitched. Upon this roof is the old lantern which has been a landmark since the building was first built. It is situated to see the harbor for the approach of shipping in the days when Salem was one of the great ports of the world. The building has many valuable records relating to the early history of the colonies and to the "wheatcrack" period. The old building was a favorite haunt of Nathaniel Hawthorne, and it was there that he created the inspiration for his masterpiece, "The Scarlet Letter." In the event of the building being sold it probably will be converted into a warehouse, as it is located in one of the busiest streets of the city and fronts the water.

BOTANISTS DENY THAT MISTLETOE HURTS TREE

Roots Do Not Grow Into Bark, but Lodge There

Modern botanists incline to admit the mistletoe altogether of the charge of being an injurious parasite. They describe its relationship with the tree upon which it grows merely as that of a self-supporting lodger with his landlord; and some even go so far as to assert that the mistletoe does not grow into the bark at all, even penetrate the bark. What happens, they say, is that the mistletoe merely attaches itself to the tree, the substance of which grows round it year by year. Hence, when the roots of mistletoe are found deeply embedded in the wood, this only shows how long the plant has been growing. The editor of Contraband does not, however, agree with this theory.

CITY MAY HAVE PROVISIONS FOR WEAK AND POORLY NOURISHED PUPILS

Medical Director Urges Change for Weak and Poorly Nourished Pupils

[Special Dispatch to The Call] OAKLAND, Feb. 8.—Outdoor schools for the weak and poorly nourished public school children of Oakland may be established by the board of education. These were recommended by Dr. N. K. Foster, the medical director, tonight in a detailed report on the condition of the pupils of the city, and on motion of Dr. A. S. Kelley, one of the directors, the matter was placed in the hands of the committee on finance and building sites for consideration. Doctor Foster, in his report, speaking of the average health in the department, said: "Of 1,300 children examined we found 66, or 5 per cent, suffering from malnutrition to a degree that decidedly retards them in school work, and all are likely candidates for tuberculosis. This does not take into account very many more who are suffering from want of proper nutrition to a lesser degree. Doctor Foster explained that during the fall term of 1909 he and his assistants had found it impossible to start the health work by examining every pupil. Hence he had the teachers select such pupils as seemed in need of medical attention. By this means nearly 1,600 pupils were brought under observation. Of that number more than 200 were found to be not serious. Six pupils were found who suffered from six defects or more in status, and who suffered from five defects. The number of pupils whose scholarship is impaired by defects of health or physique is given as 1,282.

COMMISSIONS CREATED BY BERKELEY COUNCIL

Park and Playgrounds Boards Provided for by Ordinances

BERKELEY, Feb. 8.—Ordinances creating and fixing the powers of a commission for playgrounds and one for parks were passed by the city council this morning. The commissions, each of which will consist of five members, will have absolute control over their respective fields and make regulations governing them. The ordinances will be finally passed in 30 days.

JOHNSON ON TRIAL—OAKLAND, Feb. 8.—The second trial of Gustav Johnson, who accused of snatching the nurse and watch of Mrs. Elizabeth White, was held today in the court of Judge J. W. Brown. At the first trial the jury disagreed.

FEET SO SORE COULDN'T WALK DOWN STAIRS

TIZ Cured Her Quick



If you have sore feet, tired feet, sweaty feet, lame feet, tender feet, smelly feet, corns, callouses or bunions, read what happened to Mrs. Crockett of Jeffersonville, T I Z DID IT. Mr. Crockett says: "After the second treatment she walked downstairs one step at a time. She has not been able to walk downstairs before in past five years, except by stepping down on each step with one foot at a time. This is remarkable. Send five more boxes." No matter what ails your feet or what under heaven you have used with no getting relief, just use T I Z. It's different. It acts right off. It cures sore feet to stay cured. It's the only foot remedy ever made which acts on the principle of drawing out all the poisonous excretion which causes sore feet. Powders and other remedies merely clog up the pores. T I Z cleans them out and keeps them clean. Use it a week and you can forget you ever had sore feet. There is nothing else that can compare with T I Z. It is for sale at all druggists, 25c per box. Lather Dodge & Co., Dodge Bldg., Chicago, Ill. Recommended and sold by the Owl Drug Stores.

PROPOSALS FOR SALE OF QUARTERMASTER'S SUPPLIES—SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., JANUARY 27, 1910.—Sealed proposals, in triplicate, will be received here until 11 a. m., February 25, 1910, and then opened. Plans and specifications may be obtained here. A deposit of \$10 will be required to insure return of plans. For full particulars, see the advertisement in this issue of the 24th inst. of the Quartermaster, Department of California, Chronicle Building, San Francisco, Cal., F. G. SCHRAEDER, Chief Quartermaster.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE OF THE LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., FEBRUARY 8, 1910, AND THEN OPENED, FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING FUEL AND PROVISIONS FOR VESSELS AND STATIONS IN THE TWELFTH DISTRICT, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., ENDING JUNE 30, 1911, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS, COPIES OF WHICH, WITH BLANK PROPOSALS AND OTHER INFORMATION, MAY BE HAD UPON APPLICATION TO LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

PROPOSAL FOR WHARF EXTENSION—Office of Quartermaster, Department of California, San Francisco, Cal., February 8, 1910.—Sealed proposals, in triplicate, for construction of an addition to wharf at San Francisco, California, will be received here until 1 p. m., March 10, 1910, and then opened. Plans and specifications furnished on application. S. M. T. QUARTERMASTER, on application.

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Are metal insoles, zinc and copper. Are made as a galvanic battery. The zinc is worn in one shoe, the copper in the other. The nerves themselves are the connecting wires between the positive and negative, and every nerve of the body is fed a mild and soothing current of electricity the entire day, which positively cures.

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