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

STUDENTS TO HOLD EVENING PAGEANT

Rev. G. G. Eldredge to Deliver Baccalaureate Sermon in Greek Theater

BERKELEY, April 21.—Jubilee day, May 17, will be the red letter day of the celebration at the university this year in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the institution.

Besides the address which President Arthur Hadley of Yale will deliver in the morning there will be a "good of the university" meeting at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. James K. Moffitt, president of the graduates, will preside at the afternoon meeting. Among the speakers will be: Governor Gillett, President Wheeler, John R. Glascock of the class of '65, Charles S. Wheeler, William R. Davis, Russ Avery, Mrs. Grace Torrey and Max Thelen.

A feature of the evening program for jubilee day will be the pageant of the classes, in which 1,500 costumed students will take part, marching through the campus and Berkeley to California field, where a monster rally will be held.

It was announced today that Rev. George G. Eldredge, pastor of St. John's Presbyterian church, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class in the Greek theater May 15 at 3 o'clock. The Orpheus club of Oakland, under E. D. Crandall, will contribute the musical program for the occasion.

Gossip of Railwaymen

ANOTHER eastern railroadman who is a recent addition to the Flood building row has been taken in, and on an old one at that.

C. Benjamin Condon, general agent of the Chicago and Alton and numerous other Hawley lines, was recently given several cars of freight by Jim Keller, traffic manager for Baker & Hamilton. Among the list was a load of endless chains coming from the Endless chain company at Springfield, O.

Chains are pretty weighty and the rates help the railroad companies to keep the wolf from the door. The agent in Springfield was notified and a few days later Condon received a wire asking the street location of the Endless chain company in Springfield.

Condon picked up the telephone to call up Keller and then he realized that he had been stung. That's why Condon and Keller were eating lunch together at the Transportation club—on Condon—the other day.

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Passengers traveling over the Sierra railway are loud in their praises of the scenery along the route. On the main line the fields are filled with wild flowers and the hills clothed with trees and spring foliage. The scenery on the Angels branch is at its best and must be seen to be fully appreciated.

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James J. Hill has assured the governor and the railway commission of Washington that immediate steps will be taken to avoid future trouble with snowslides on the line of the Great Northern. The points at which the disastrous slides of the last winter occurred were thought to be safe, but these and other points not already adequately protected will be covered with sheds at once.

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A. A. Hapgood, city passenger and ticket agent of the Southern Pacific at San Jose, was in the city yesterday.

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The Association of Railway Telegraph Superintendents will hold its annual meeting at Los Angeles on June 20, instead of on May 20, as heretofore announced.

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In the last two days of March the movement of colonists westward and northward through St. Paul was heavier than ever before in a similar length of time and the number of pieces of baggage passing through the station was 4,000. During the month of March 4,000 cars of immigrant movables passed through, of which one-fourth was destined for Canada.

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Otto Meers, who was with the First California volunteers during the civil war and who is president of the Silverton and Northern and several other mountain railroads in Colorado, is in the city for a few days on his way home from Honolulu.

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T. M. Schumacher, vice president, and W. J. Shotwell, assistant to the vice president of the Western Pacific, returned yesterday.

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Among the recent informal rulings of the interstate commerce commission is one to the effect that free transportation may not lawfully be given to the officers and employes of a bridge company which makes annual reports, but files no tariffs, because it is a nonoperating company.

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A. S. Hughes, general traffic manager of the Denver and Rio Grande, is in the city on his way back to Denver.

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Phil K. Gordon, Pacific coast agent of the Washington-Sunset route, left last night on a trip to Portland.

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C. Haydock, commercial agent of the Illinois Central at Los Angeles, is in the city in charge of the Los Angeles delegation of Knights Templar.

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Warren Holten, city passenger and ticket agent of the Southern Pacific at Oakland, has returned from a visit through the east.

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Rolling stock and equipment to cost millions of dollars will be ordered by the Oregon Short Line at once. Contracts are now being made in the east for the delivery of 47 locomotives, 87 passenger cars and 1,473 freight and maintenance cars. All of these cars will be of steel.

Rock Island's total expenditures on equipment and betterments this year will aggregate over $11,000,000. The greater proportion of this is to be for new equipment, some of which already has been ordered. The appropriation for equipment alone is $7,500,000. Locomotive orders will include 84 freight engines and 50 for passenger service. Fifty-nine locomotives are to be ordered at once, comprising 25 Pacific type passenger engines, weighing 226,000 pounds, and 34 consolidated freight engines, weighing 208,000 pounds.

The general improvement program will involve the expenditure of $4,000,000, including the construction of about 250 miles of new track. The total rail order will include 35,000 tons of rails, of which 20,000 tons will be 85 pound steel. One hundred miles of the Illinois division, as recently noted, are to be laid with 100 pound rails, the heaviest manufactured. New ballasting will cost $800,000.

Take the family for a Sunday outing on the Ocean Shore Railway. Miles of superb scenery.

Collegians to Appear In Drama of Ancient Rome

RICE PHOTO

Miss Mildred Martin, as Agrippina, and George Manship, Nero, as they will appear in the Greek theater tonight in the drama, "Nero."

STUDENTS READY TO STAGE "NERO"

English Club of University to Produce Classic Drama in Greek Theater Tonight

BERKELEY, April 21.—Scenes of the Roman empire when Nero held sway and defied the ghosts of his departed predecessors will be enacted in the Greek theater tomorrow night by students of the English club of the university. "Nero," the classic play, has occupied the attention of the cast under Coach Garnet Holme for the last two months, and aside from the spectacular end of the production creditable acting is expected to be the result of the constant drilling.

The costuming of the play will be exceedingly elaborate, as no expense has been spared by Manager C. E. Brooks in securing Roman dress and Roman settings for the play. The supernumeraries, too, will be a feature, chief among them being the Praetorian guard of husky football and crew men, led by D. P. Hardy of the varsity crew. The cast follows:

Agrippina.....Mildred Martin
Nero.....George Manship
Tigellinus.....E. G. Clewe
Seneca.....D. Y. Lamont
Burrus.....G. W. Jones
Brittanicus.....E. T. Harrison
Otho.....J. J. Miller
Slave to Nero.....B. Coleman
Scaman.....J. D. Hartigan
Poppaea.....Barbara Nachtrieb
Acte.....Irene O'Connor
Locusta.....Gwendolyn Powers

BEATEN SENSELESS; THREE RIBS BROKEN

Four Arrested as Assailants of Railway Foreman

BERKELEY, April 21.—Because he discharged William Papadakos, a section hand, from his employ, Peter Shon, a Southern Pacific foreman, was attacked last night at Posen station by four men and beaten into insensibility. At the Roosevelt hospital, where he was removed for treatment, three ribs were found fractured. He has had Joseph Kunes and the three Papadakos brothers, William, Joe and John, arrested as his assailants.

STABBED IN NECK DURING QUARREL

Assailant Sent to Jail and Victim to Hospital

OAKLAND, April 21.—Stanley Burgess, living at 44 Fourth street, San Francisco, was stabbed in the neck this evening with a pocket knife by Joe Whateley, also of San Francisco. The men quarreled at the Seventh street Southern Pacific station. Whateley was arrested. Burgess' wound, which extended from the ear to neck, was dressed at the receiving hospital.

SERIOUSLY INJURED BY KEY ROUTE TRAIN

Run Down While Driving His Cows Across Railway Track

OAKLAND, April 21.—Joseph Pachreo, living at 251 Louisa stret, was run down by a west bound Key route train at A street station this evening while he was driving cows across the tracks. Two ribs on the left side were broken and his head was hurt, how seriously not being known. He may not recover.

REDUCTION ASKED FOR SUNDAY TRAVEL

Appeal Made to Railroads to Curtail Service

The question of Sunday railway traveling is, according to the Christian World, exercising great consideration in the north of England. Some people in and visiting Harrogate recently petitioned the Northeastern railway to put on one Sunday train each way between Harrogate and York, one ostensible reason being the opportunity it would give to attend one service at York cathedral. The company replied that even this extension of railway travel would involve the employment of 62 extra men and they refused. A memorial has been presented to the Great Northern directors for the limitation of Sunday traffic, coming from share holders themselves to the number of 2,629, of whom no fewer than 95 are qualified for directorship. Richard Bell, late member of parliament, put the number of railway servants required to work on Sunday at 85½ per cent of the total number required. An earnest appeal is now being made to religious people to reduce Sunday traveling in the coming season.

Small upright piano cheap for cash at H. Schellhaas', Eleventh street at Franklin, Oakland.

FIGHT OVER BABY BEGINS IN COURT

Grandparents Who Want Child Say His Father Has Never Seen Him

OAKLAND, April 21.—A struggle in court over the custody of 1 year old John Martin Ernst, whose parents eloped and were subsequently divorced, was begun today. It promises to be bitterly fought out between the boy's father on the one hand and his mother's parents on the other. Mrs. Katherine Ellen Ernst, the child's mother, died a few days ago.

J. M. Yore and his wife, the baby's grandparents, filed a petition for letters of guardianship today before Judge Wells. They were opposed by John Nye Ernst, the child's father, who disputes their right, and who says, furthermore, that he is prepared to show that the Yores are not fit persons to be intrusted with the boy. Judge Wells continued the hearing until May 5.

Ernst is the son of Mrs. Mary F. Ernst, a wealthy milliner. He eloped with Miss Yore and they were married at San Rafael over two years ago. Mrs. Ernst was granted an interlocutory divorce on the ground of extreme cruelty. She went back to live with her parents last December. The court awarded her the custody of the child.

Testimony was given today to the effect that Ernst, who now wants his boy, has never seen him and that he has never shown any interest in him.

SUCCESS OF WAR DUE TO HOOKWORM

Marse Henry Suggests Statue to "Lazy Bug"

Doctor Stiles says that half of the population of the south is afflicted with the "hookworm," otherwise the lazy bug, which is also known among the erudite by a Latin name of difficult orthography and cryptic meaning.

If this be true, it is plain that the hookworm, and not the patriots who fought beneath the union flag, saved the union. Historians sin equally with journalists in the matter of inaccuracy and narrative warping prejudice. They disagree upon many points in reporting the civil war, says the Louisville Courier-Journal. They agree, however, upon the fact that the north was numerically stronger than the south, and that the southern soldier's insatiable appetite for debating the question at issue until the number of perforations in his anatomy precluded the possibility of his remaining in the ring caused a prolongation of the "rebellion" that was wholly unlooked for by the north when its sons girded up their loins and set about the task of convincing the recalcitrants of the error of their position and the folly of attempting to maintain it.

It would be extremely interesting to know just how many degrees of heat would have been added to the affirmative side of the question "Have States the Right to Secede?" if the hookworm had not permeated the chivalry of the south and given "Massa Linkum's boys" the tremendous advantage of being unhandicapped by inertia traceable to the ravages of a specific micro-organism. Even as matters stood, the discussion that occurred between Sumter and Appomattox was characterized by considerable sprightliness. It titillates the imagination to attempt to picture the briskness it might have had but for the hookworm's supremacy below the Mason and Dixon line.

May we venture to suggest that a niche in statuary hall should be reserved for a heroic statue of the hookworm and a tablet with his Latin name and vulgar popular appellations cut deeply in its face above an acknowledgment in bas relief giving credit where credit is due for the preservation of our glorious union and the striking of the shackles from the hands of 4,000,000 human beings wrongfully enslaved.

Marriage Licenses

OAKLAND, April 21.—The following marriage licenses were issued today:

Richard T. Stone, 39, and Lulu M. Bryan, 29, both of Oakland.

Peter C. Petersen, 39, Oakland, and Sophie M. Lehmann, 28, Hayward.

Joseph D. Silva Jr., 27, and Mary Santos, 19, both of Newark.

James Rice, 27, and Ida McChase, 37, both of Oakland.

De Forrest S. Griffiths, 26, Los Angeles, and Grace Sweetland, 25, Carson City, Nev.

Emil A. Zeitfuchs, 28, and Lottie Carlock, 27, both of Oakland.

Clarence O. Crum, 27, and Agnes M. Traynor, 19, both of Oakland.

Joseph E. Short, 36, San Francisco, and Lena Schwartz, 27, Oakland.

The efforts made by the United States government to establish a wireless communication between Japan and San Francisco, by way of Hawaii, have been in the main unsuccessful, although messages have been successfully forwarded.

SCHOOL HEADS TO CONSIDER NEEDS

Principals Summoned to Discuss Work of Department by Superintendent McClymonds

OAKLAND, April 21.—Superintendent McClymonds has called a meeting of the principals of the public schools for tomorrow morning, after the Grand Army parade. The pedagogues will gather at the common school assembly hall, Eleventh and Grove streets, for discussion of the needs of the department.

McClymonds has also instructed the principals to send data for a school census to his office. The age, full name and date of the beginning of present grade work of each pupil is wanted.

A sacred concert will be held at the Fremont high school, Fruitvale, Sunday afternoon, April 24. Principals and teachers are invited to attend.

SPRUCE GUM "FIXED UP" WITH WAX AND ROSIN

Adulteration Prevents the Slabs From Becoming Sticky

"This has been a great gum year in the Maine woods, so everybody says up there," said a Bangor man to a New York Sun reporter. "There are two or three Bangor mercantile houses which make a specialty of spruce gum in the rough and buy large quantities of it from the lumber men and those who make a regular business of gathering gum in the forests.

"These buyers are supposed to give the gum a process of refining to make it fit for the chewing gum trade, but it seems to be an open secret that the refining is really a process of adulteration. The gum, unseparated from the bark and wood of the tree from which it was backed, is thrown into a kettle, where it is boiled until it has been resolved into a savory but by no means pleasing looking mass of the consistency of molasses. The separated bark, wood and often other foreign substances that rise to the surface are skimmed off. With the gum finally freed from its natural ingredients, to the mass are added paraffine and rosin, with sometimes sugar.

"The admixture thickens the boiling mass, and after all is well assimilated by vigorous stirring, the gum is pounded on a smooth marble slab, where while it is yet hot it is rolled out in a thin sheet a quarter of an inch thick, which is separated into inch cubes by a steel die. These are wrapped in paraffine paper, packed 200 in a box and the famous Maine spruce gum of commerce is ready.

"Not all the spruce gum is treated in this way, though. Some is put up unadulterated and with the natural flavor of the spruce intact. In this way, though, the gum soon becomes sticky in the chewer's mouth, and so, while absolutely pure, it isn't as desirable in an economic sense as the spruce gum with its reinforcement.

"The impression that some gum gatherers seem to want to establish that gum from certain localities is of better quality and flavor than that from certain other localities is only sentimental. The quality of the gum depends on the sap of the trees—the bigger the tree the better the gum.

"There is sentiment as well as commercialism manifest among the lumberjacks in the gathering of spruce gum during their long winter in the wilderness, as is well known in Maine. In their idle hours or by the campfire they whittle out of fragrant cedar blocks miniature barrels, boxes, caskets and the like, hollowing them out and filling them with the choicest of the gum from which they haxe expelled and expressed every mite of impurity. These they bring into the settlements when they return in the spring as gifts for sweethearts, wives, children or friends.

"Doctors up our way say that the pure spruce gum is an excellent tooth preserver and aid to digestion. The adulterated article is known locally as 'patent gum,' and there is always a ready and profitable market for it."

FAMOUS PAINTING AGAIN ADORNS CHURCH WALL

Vandyck Stolen From Notre Dame at Courtrai Recovered

It is just two years ago that the art world was aroused by the theft of one of Vandyk's most celebrated pictures, "The Elevation of the Cross," from the church of Notre Dame at Courtrai. It was found some time later under curious circumstances, says the London Globe. The canvas had been damaged to such an extent that it was necessary to send it to a distinguished artist at Antwerp to be restored. The work has been completed, and the picture is once more in its old place in the ancient church. There were Thanksgiving services in honor of the event, and the famed picture is now, so we learn from a Paris contemporary, attracting more attention than ever among the tourists.

ESTUARY FLOATER PARTLY IDENTIFIED

Body of Supposed Floater of Murderers May Be That of Andrew Larsen

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

ALAMEDA, April 21.—The body of a man found in the estuary several days ago with the pockets of the clothing filled with rocks was partially identified tonight as that of Andrew Larsen, an employe of the Selby smelting works, Vallejo Junction. The identification was made by Larsen's wife, who lives on a ranch near San Jose. She recognized him from the fillings in the front teeth. The body when found was in an unrecognizable condition.

Larsen worked for many years at the Selby smelter and was a trusted employe.

Larsen was said to have had enemies at Vallejo Junction, and when he disappeared it was feared that he had been murdered. Detectives were called in on the case, but their efforts to trace him proved fruitless.

Pieces of the clothing found on the dead man's body have been sent to the smelter works, where friends of Larsen may be able to recognize them as having been worn by him.

Acquaintances who visited the morgue today took that course, not being positive as to the identity of the body.

MONEY HIDDEN IN JAR TO SURPRISE CHILDREN

Widow Divides Coin Among Members of Man's Family

The finding of nearly $2,000 in shining gold coins, hidden away in a hole in the cellar floor of their dead father's home south of Union City, Mich., came as a pleasant surprise to the children of D. B. Disbro, who died a few weeks ago. The disclosure came about in this way:

They, with the members of their own families—for they are all men and women grown, were invited to eat dinner at the old Disbro homestead by their stepmother, who has been such for nearly a quarter of a century. After a bountiful meal, the elder Mrs. Disbro invited the guests to accompany her to the cellar, says the New York Herald. Then, in their presence, she raised a small stone from the floor and took from a hole beneath a glass jar, in which could be seen many gold coins. Pouring them out into her lap she divided the precious store into nine equal parts and presented each of the children a share, for there are just nine children in the Disbro family.

Explanations followed, and it was found that when the first Mrs. Disbro died 25 years ago Disbro found in her pocketbook several hundred dollars in gold coin, with the written request to Disbro that he add to the store as he felt able, and some day present the whole to their children. He faithfully followed the request, with the result that there was more than $2,000 when he died.

He confided the secret to his second wife and after his death she carried out his wishes and divided the money among his children. As she had been amply provided for in Disbro's will she refused any portion of the hoard, but the children insisted upon her accepting a few of the coins as a token of their esteem.

MONEY GIVEN TO BABY TO STOP HIS SCREAMS

"Nice Man" Comes Along and Takes $99 in Roll

Mrs. Dulsan Galuisan of 1607 Race street, Cincinnati, rushed breathlessly into police headquarters and told a story to Detective Chief Crawford that reminded him much of the homage paid by the "Newlyweds" to their baby.

Mrs. Galuisan went to a butcher's shop to pay a 20 cent meat bill, says the New York Herald. She gave the butcher a $100 bill and received 99 $1 bills and 80 cents in change. The butcher wrapped the roll with a rubber band. When Mrs. Galuisan arrived home her 18 months old baby caught sight of the roll of new green bills and set up a cry for them.

To hush him she gave the tot the roll to play with, she says, and then forgot it. "King Baby" grabbed his new found plaything and toddled out to the street with it. Ten minutes later the mother missed him, and, running out to the street, came across the child playing on the sidewalk minus the roll.

"Nice man, mamma," he chuckled when she asked what he did with the money. The police are looking for the "nice man."

Bishop Green of Ballarat complains that there is too much praying for the king. "While Anglicans are loyal, we do not want to pray for his majesty five times in the course of one service," says he. It hardly seems loyal to imply that King Edward needs so much praying for.

"HELLO, CENTRAL, GIVE ME 1915"

That's What You Say When You Want to Talk to Panama Fair Headquarters

"Hello, Central! Give me 1915."

If you want the Panama-Pacific international exposition headquarters, just try this on your telephone.

Nobody in all San Francisco, or in any other part of the world for that matter, is being allowed to forget the great event of five years hence, and the mystic numerals of the year already have become a trademark.

Just to make it easy to remember, and as a reminder that up in the exposition offices in the Merchants' Exchange building every thought and energy is turning toward the accomplishment of five years hence, the numerals of the all important year have been assigned even to the telephones. At the request of exposition officials, the Pacific States telephone company has given the designation of "Sutter 1915" to the trunk lines reaching the exposition offices, and the Home telephone company has been asked to give the same number with a proper prefix.

Arrangements have been made to print, in pamphlet form, the speech made by Representative Julius Kahn before the house of representatives on April 18, calling attention to San Francisco's plans for a world exposition in 1915, and these will be distributed in all parts of the country.

TO SELECT DELEGATES

At a meeting of the finance committee of the exposition yesterday Morris Meyerfeld Jr., president of the Orpheum theater, was made a member of the committee. A meeting of the publicity committee will be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon, while at 3 o'clock the directors will meet to consider the list of 24 or more delegates who are to accompany Governor Gillett to Washington to present San Francisco's claims before congress.

Plans for the Washington trip have been practically perfected, but the date on which the party will start has not been definitely decided. The plan now is that the delegation leave San Francisco some time between May 1 and May 5.

In order to secure a general uniformity in the indorsements given by various organizations, a blank form of resolutions has been prepared at the exposition headquarters and will be sent out as a guide to various bodies and to meetings and conventions where such action is likely to be taken.

SUPPORT PLEDGED

The form prepared is as follows:

Whereas, a committee of representative citizens is engaged at present in perfecting details for the holding in San Francisco during 1915 an exposition to celebrate the completion of the Panama canal; and

Whereas, the work of these citizens has already received the general indorsement of the press, the public and specifically of the representatives of the 37 counties of California in convention assembled; now, be it

Resolved, that —— places itself on record at this time as pledging its united strength and untiring efforts in assisting in every way possible arranged plans for this exposition; we pledge ourselves to vigorously cooperate with the directing committee of the Panama-Pacific international exposition in assisting to raise the $5,000,000 of capital stock desired, and offer at this time to the committee the further pledge of our enthusiasm and support, promising to give this undertaking every possible publicity and encouragement, both here and abroad; and,

Resolved, further, that we call upon our representatives in congress to aid in every possible manner to secure federal support to this undertaking, joining with the governor of California, the Hon. James N. Gillett, and any delegation of citizens which may be with him, in personally presenting this matter before congress.

Suburban Brevities

LECTURES ON TUBERCULOSIS—Alameda, April 21.—Lectures on tuberculosis, its causes and prevention, will be given in the public schools next week by local physicians.

EMMA GOLDMAN TO SPEAK—Berkeley, April 21.—Emma Goldman, the anarchist, will deliver two lectures in this city Saturday in Armory hall, Addison street. At 3 o'clock she will talk on "Francisco Ferrer, the Modern Martyr," and at night on "The Modern Drama." Dr. Ben L. Rietman will preside.

CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE MEETS—Alameda, April 21.—The committee that is planning for the erection of a clubhouse and gymnasium for Alameda boys met last night. Dr. George C. Thompson presiding. The chairman is to name a committee of five to submit a plan of action at the next meeting.

WOMAN DIES SUDDENLY—Oakland, April 21. Mrs. Mary Nicholson, a widow, 50 years of age, who has been a ward of the Associated Charities for several months, died suddenly this morning at her home, 264 Fourth street. A neighbor, Mrs. A. Katz, found Mrs. Nicholson dying on the floor.

Newport Arrives From Ancon

The Pacific Mail steamship Newport arrived last night, 22 days 2 hours 33 minutes from Ancon, and 5 days 7 hours 35 minutes from Mazatlan. It brought 20 cabin passengers and 12 in the steerage. It also had on 873 tons of general merchandise, $53,770 in treasure and eight bags of mail. Captain Russell reports that the weather was excellent all the way up the coast until two days before they reached this port, when they ran into a stiff northwest breeze.

PASTOR CHANGES FIELD—Petaluma, April 21. Rev. J. Irion, who for the last six years has been pastor of the local German Evangelical church, left today for Pomona, where he will assume the duties of pastor of the German church of that city.

RULES FIXED FOR GREAT AUTO RACE

Conditions Announced for Grand Prize Contest of Automobile Club of America

By R. R. L'HOMMEDIEU

The conditions and entry blanks of the international road race for the grand prize of the Automobile Club of America have just been issued. The event, which is to take place on October 15 at the Motor parkway, Long Island, is held under the auspices of the Motor cups holding company, of which William K. Vanderbilt Jr. is president. The president makes the following announcement:

"The Automobile Club of America has given its sanction to the Motor cups holding company for running the international road race for the grand prize of the Automobile Club of America, the gold challenge cup of the value of $5,000, to be run on October 15, 1910, on the parkway of the company and adjoining roads. This circuit is one of the best in America for sustained high speed. The highways are broad, even, well oiled and without any hills. The four turns on the course are well banked and may be easily taken at high speed. There will be cash prizes for the drivers, as follows: First prize of $4,000, second prize of $2,000 and third prize of $1,000.

The distance of the race will be approximately 207.08 miles, covering the course of 12.54 miles 22 times. As the international association of recognized automobile clubs has no formula for international racing in force this year, no restriction as to weight, cylinders, dimensions and so forth will be made, the only condition being that all cars must conform to the technical ruling of the Automobile Club of America as to safety requirements. The entry fee, payable on or before August 1, 1910, is $1,000, and from August to the closing date, September 1, 1910, $1,250. All entries are to be made through the Automobile Club of America. Unless 15 entries have been made before August 1, 1910, I reserve the right to declare the race off."

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Knox Motor Car Much Admired

C. W. Ayers, who recently purchased a Knox tonneauette and started for his oil interests at Bakersfield, has just written a very interesting letter on his arrival to the Reliance automobile company. Ayers says:

"We reached here last evening at 6 o'clock. Had delightful trip all the way until within 50 miles of Bakersfield, when we encountered rain and muddy roads.

"The Knox came clear through without a whimper and running smoothly as velvet. Never made an adjustment of any kind and she took the road like a humming bird. The road was rough in some places, but mainly good and we made sped of 55 miles an hour at times. Engine perfectly cool and running without jar or friction when we arrived.

"Everywhere we stopped a great crowd of admirers gathered around, and we could hear such expressions as 'Handsomest and classiest car I ever saw,' 'Isn't she a beauty?' 'Bet she can go, all right,' etc., etc. Here at Bakersfield, where many new cars of different makes are exhibited on the streets, mine attracted the greatest attention, and I have o bump into the crowd in order to get stared away.

"It is the smoothest and easiest running car I ever drove, and I think the person who would not fall in love with nightinotwoa ror. bnoa i Ssat() tif it is not human."

Adds to United States Motors

Following the announcement that the United States motor company would take into its big selling organization concerns making pleasure vehicles selling from $500 to $5,000, comes the statement that the Alden Sampson manufacturing company of Pittsfield, Mass., makers of the Sampson commercial vehicles, have been taken into and are now a part of the organization. This means that the United States motor company will devote its interests to the commercial end of the industry as well as to the pleasure vehicle field.

It is President Briscoe's intention to make a wide line of commercial vehicles, and the Alden Sampson plant at Pittsfield, Mass., will be enlarged with additional buildings, machinery and other equipment in the furtherance of this policy.

The Alden Sampson manufacturing company has been identified with the automobile industry for many years, and while it has not turned cars out in great quantities, it has always built commercial vehicles that have sustained a lasting reputation for the company and its product.

There was probably no builder of commercial vehicles who had spent more time and money on experimental work than the late Alden Sampson. Up to his death about a year ago he had spent hundreds of thousands of dollars in perfecting his product, and when that stage had been reached and when he was about to reap the rewards of his efforts his death occurred.

After looking over various commercial vehicle propositions President Briscoe finally set upon the Alden Sampson vehicle as being the nearest to perfection of any on the market.

FASTEST

SAN FRANCISCO

"OVERLAND LIMITED"

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UNION PACIFIC—SOUTHERN PACIFIC
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Market St. Ferry Depot. Broadway and 13th St., Oakland