

PERMISSION FOR THE BIG FIGHT IS RECOMMENDED

Supervisors' Police Committee, After Debate, Overrules Protest of Churchmen

Herget Declares Jeffries Never Took Part in "Prize Fight," Only Boxing Contests

The supervisors' police committee recommended yesterday that a 45 round professional boxing permit be granted to the Broadway athletic club for July 4.

Chairman Herget pointed out that the Johnson-Jeffries fight shall be held in this city on that date.

"If you allow this fight here you will jeopardize this city's chances of getting the Panama-Pacific exposition," said Bane.

"Don't you believe it," responded Herget. "We are just as much interested in getting that exposition as you are."

"Then prove it by your action in this matter," replied Bane.

"See here, Mr. Bane, I belong to the Royal Arch and that organization has subscribed \$250,000 for the exposition," said Herget.

"Our subscriptions are made individually," said Bane.

"When you say you have subscribed individually," asked Herget.

"We certainly can," interposed White. "Do you want the names of our members who have taken stock?"

"Oh, no," said the chairman; "but I might say to you gentlemen that I have subscribed \$1,000 myself."

"We certainly think there is weight in this exposition argument. This fight business may influence congress against San Francisco," said Bane.

"I think there will be a lot of congressmen who will want to come and see the fight," replied Herget.

"The fight will attract a very undesirable class to San Francisco—thieves, bums and loafers," asserted Bane.

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COME NO STRANGER TO OAKLAND CENTENARIAN



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WOMAN REACHES CENTURY MARK

Mrs. Jonathan Hunt Has Twice Witnessed Coming of Halley's Comet

OAKLAND, May 24.—In Mrs. Jonathan Hunt of 4208 Piedmont avenue, who will celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of her birth next Friday, Oakland boasts a resident who not only has the unusual record of twice witnessing the visit of Halley's comet, but had the honor of first watching it while a mother surrounded by her children.

Now, after 75 years, the return of the vagrant of the heavens has found her surrounded not only by her children, but by grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mrs. Hunt, who is one of the oldest residents of Oakland, as well as one of the oldest women in the state, and one of the oldest great grandmothers in the country, settled with her husband in 1836 on a tract of land on the outskirts of Oakland which they named Glen Echo, and where Mrs. Hunt still lives. Here her husband died 25 years ago and there are now living three children, eight grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

William Hunt lives with his mother, while Mrs. A. P. Flint and Mrs. Samuel Hubbard are the others.

Mrs. Hunt remembers hearing in 1815 about Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo, she has seen the moon once, and has watched the development of the electric cars, the automobile and the flying machine, to say nothing of the marvelous changes wrought by the telephone and the telephone and wireless telegraph.

Mrs. Hunt, who was born in Springfield, Mass., in 1810, is the daughter of Rev. Samuel Osgood, who for 50 years was the pastor of the First Congregational church of that city. In 1828 she was married to Jonathan Hunt of Bennington, Vt., a descendant of the Green Mountain Boys, and they later moved to New York city, where Hunt became a prosperous and prominent merchant.

Fourteen children were born to the couple during this period, and in 1856, with nine of their children, they came to California by the way of Panama.

Colonel Hunt was elected to the San Francisco, and later, in company with William C. Balston, inaugurated the Pacific Insurance company, of which he was president.

"Blab Mouth," Officer Calls James Darling

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MILWAUKEE, May 24.—Colonel Jerome A. Watrous, paymaster of the United States army, retired, criticizes past Commander in Chief James Darling as a "blab mouth" for his fiery protest against the installation of a statue of General Robert E. Lee in the hall of fame, and said Darling's style of patriotism is the veriest sham.

Colonel Watrous' statement in part follows: Darling's latest advance on the dead enemy and his dead flag, uniform and confederacy, recalls Senator James Gordon's recent remark about a class in the south that is still carrying on the war of the rebellion. The old senator, himself a gallant confederate soldier, called the rampant fighting class that hopes in the limelight on the slightest provocation "blab mouths," adding that they had a small part in the war and have little influence.

Darling's fresh outbreak is proof that we have at least one of Senator Gordon's class of "blab mouths" at the north. Darling's style of patriotism is the veriest sham.

Oldest Office Holder Is Candidate Again

Serves for 52 Years and Aspires to Another Term

DURHAM, N. C., May 24.—After having served in office continuously for 52 years, John Laws of Orange county, at the age of 85, again is in the race as a candidate for re-election for register of deeds. He is declared to be the oldest office holder in point of service in the United States, and during his long term has weathered many political upheavals. It is not doubted that he will come out victorious at this—his latest—battle at the polls.

But Laws' claim to distinction does not rest alone with his political service. His matrimonial experience has given him fame as well. At the age of 49 he took to himself a wife barely entered on her teens, and only recently became the proud father of the third child by this union.

The veteran office holder saw service in the Mexican war, was a friend of Andrew Jackson and knew President Polk personally. Except for the fact that Laws does not drink water straight, but mixes it with milk, lemon juice and other ingredients of soft beverages, he is without eccentricities.

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ROTARY CLUB WORK

Members Send Messages to Similar Organizations Asking for Moral Support

Eighty Telegrams to Members of Congress Present Claims of San Francisco

Another boost to the movement for the Panama-Pacific exposition to be held in San Francisco in 1915 was given yesterday by the Rotary club of San Francisco, which, at its regular meeting, adopted a resolution to telegraph every Rotary club in the United States, urging them in turn to telegraph their representatives and senators and ask them to support the project.

Seventy-eight telegrams were forwarded to 80 members of congress, one each for the members present at the meeting and luncheon.

REQUESTS SENT BY WIRE

The following night message was sent to the Rotary clubs: Rotary club expects you to boost San Francisco for Panama-Pacific international exposition 1915. Wire your congressmen. Have your businessmen wire congressmen. Do this every night. It will make a difference. Have raised over five millions. We don't ask money. Wire undersigned. ROTARY CLUB.

The wire to the congressmen was as follows: California, playground of America, western hospitality, San Francisco, California, raises five millions, will raise 10, use influence favor of Panama-Pacific international exposition 1915, asking money. One million population within 50 miles, assuring big receipts. Work for congressional cooperation. Two hundred representative businessmen, all classes, composing the ROTARY CLUB.

MORAL SUPPORT ASKED

Telegram was forwarded to prominent manufacturers and wholesalers throughout the country asking them to pledge their support to the exposition in congress in favor of the opening of the Panama canal. Prominent among those who have taken this action is Rowland Allen of the Morgan Allan company, who telegraphed a number of business associates in Massachusetts and has received a personal letter from Congressman Weeks of that state, promising to give San Francisco a claim careful attention.

We would appreciate your using your influence with Connecticut congressmen in favor of the opening of the Panama canal. San Francisco has raised more than five millions by public subscription, and the state of California and this city will add enough more to make the amount over 10 millions. We are, therefore, asking an additional \$1,000,000 from congress for money appropriation. All we ask is official recognition.

NEW ORLEANS MEN BUSY

The following is the tenor of a telegram received at exposition headquarters from Representative William Kahm: New Orleans has enlisted steamship and railroad companies, banking, political and clerical influence in the state in favor of San Francisco. Members are receiving large numbers of letters and telegrams from all parts of the country, and are doing their best to get them to vote for New Orleans. One member received 20 such letters and telegrams from as many New York states, but nothing in favor of San Francisco. A similar campaign should be inaugurated for San Francisco immediately.

Oakland Chamber Helps

OAKLAND, May 24.—In response to a request for opinion and support from the San Francisco chamber of commerce, the Oakland chamber of commerce this afternoon at the meeting of directors took definite action in support of the Panama-Pacific exposition. Secretary A. Denison was instructed to wire the Oakland congressional representatives, urging them to vote for San Francisco as the place of holding the fair, and to request Oakland members of the House and Senate to make connections with influential eastern connections to use influence with representatives in favor of San Francisco.

The telegram received from President William Kahm of the San Francisco chamber of commerce reads as follows: San Francisco chamber of commerce asks your indorsement of exposition in 1915, and especially urges on behalf of Panama-Pacific exposition that you wire your representatives in congress to support San Francisco's claims. Please have business houses in your city wire their congressmen to secure influence of their congressmen to vote for this city. Must be done by Wednesday night to make effective. Please notify undersigned by wire of action taken.

Legislature Visits Congress

[Special Dispatch to The Call] NEW ORLEANS, May 24.—The Louisiana legislature now sitting in biennial session tonight moved on to Washington to appear before the congressional commission in support of the claims of the New Orleans Panama-Pacific canal exposition.

The legislators left at 8:30 o'clock in a special train of Pullman cars with two special private cars attached. Besides 90 members of the house and 30 members of the senate, in the party are: Governor Sanders; Lieutenant Governor P. M. Lambremont, president pro tem of the senate; T. C. Barrett, speaker of the house; General Dunsen, several state officials and a score of distinguished citizens from different parts of the state.

This is the first time in the history of the United States that a state legislature has moved bodily on the national capitol. The members bear an official copy of joint resolutions providing a constitutional act that will give \$4,000,000 for the exposition.

Secretary of State J. T. Michel is sitting on the lid and acting governor. He is the only state official remaining in Baton Rouge. President Protem Barrett of the senate was to have remained and held the office of acting governor, but he caught the exposition fever tonight and left for Washington.

ASHES UNCLAIMED

Washington, May 24.—The ashes of Sidney Lascelles, alias "Lord Bessford" whose body was cremated here last week, remained unclaimed as did his body after death for many years at Asheville, N. C. The undertaker who cremated the body said that he did not know who would claim the ashes, or when, but that he would keep the dust until some one called for it.

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Fight for New Orleans Influences Congressmen

WASHINGTON, May 24. T. Cary Friedlander, San Francisco, Cal.

Situation has changed in this respect that New Orleans is making a vigorous and aggressive contest for the exposition and their aggressiveness may prevent action being taken this session.

WASHINGTON, May 24. Homer S. King, President P.-P. I. E. San Francisco.

Hundreds of telegrams coming to members from their districts asking them to stand for New Orleans, prompted by business men of that city. None coming from San Francisco. Most important that our people get busy immediately in same way. Many members will not commit themselves at this time, hence accurate poll impossible. Have struck some snags on committee of forwarding telegrams to congressmen in New Orleans, especially with McKinley of Illinois. Our people should bring every possible influence to bear on him.

E. A. HAYES.

LACK OF SERPENTS PUZZLES PLUMBER

[Special Dispatch to The Call] YOSEMITE, May 24.—The ninth annual convention of the Master Plumbers' association of California opened here yesterday with President Eustace in the chair.

After an address of welcome by the chairman, Andrew Young of Chicago, past national president, was introduced and addressed the delegates, referring to the Yosemite valley as "the especial glory of California," which was, in his opinion, "the spot in which the creator intended to be and made the Garden of Eden." The only thing that puzzled him was "how it happened that there were in California so many beautiful, good and virtuous Eves and apparently so few tempting serpents."

Young spoke impressively as to the duties of the master plumber, reminding the delegates that they should be energetic in securing the adoption of good sanitary laws, not for selfish reasons, but for the maintenance of the public health.

Young was one of the founders of the national association and for many years chief sanitary officer of Chicago. Today's deliberations were principally regarding the business and financial reports of the association.

COUSIN CONTESTS DOUBTFUL WILL

War Veteran Appears as Claimant for Estate of Susannah Moore

Indications Are That Testator Was Born in Ireland, Not New Brunswick

While the will of the aged miser, Susannah Moore, which was filed by the public administrator last Monday, is being investigated, heirs are cropping up in various quarters to file opposition to each other, or a claim to the \$70,000 estate. The latest contestant is Peter A. Moore, a war veteran living in Braintree, Mass. Through the efforts of his attorney, Edward J. Parker, the services of Attorney Frank J. Hennessey of this city were secured and several days ago an opposition was filed to the claims of Mary Humer and Margaret Kane of New York, supposedly nieces of Susannah Moore. The fact is satisfactorily established that Moore is a first cousin. His father came from Dundalk, Ireland. They went to St. Johns, New Brunswick, together and later separated, the miser's father making his home in New York. Peter Moore remembers visiting his cousin years ago in that city, where she kept a dress making establishment.

In the event of the claims of the New York nieces proving legitimate and the will a hoax, Moore's claims will naturally receive secondary consideration. According to Attorney J. J. O'Toole of the public administrator's office the claims of both parties are good. As yet there is a veil of mystery surrounding the will and the illegitimate daughter, Mrs. Mary C. Davies, of Lemhi county, Idaho.

A discrepancy in the statement accompanying the will, supposedly in the handwriting of Susannah Moore, lies in the fact that the place of her birth is given as St. Johns, New Brunswick, while it was learned by O'Toole that she was born in Dundalk, Ireland. The discrepancy is made more obvious by the statement of Peter Moore to the effect that it was his own father, and not Susannah's, who went to New Brunswick.

Attorney Hennessey stated yesterday that his action in the matter would be governed by the result of the taking out of Moore's deposition in Quincy next Friday.

GIVEN ONE YEAR TERM—James Cady, who pleaded guilty to stealing a watch and locker from John Cahill, was sentenced to serve one year in San Quentin by Judge Dunne yesterday.

FURNITURE FOR THE JUNE BRIDE

THE purchasing of furniture as a gift should be made with care and deliberation, for your gift is the measure of your personality. We believe that its acceptability and appropriateness depends much upon its refinement in design, quality and real usefulness, rather than upon its cost. This standard has governed the selection of each piece throughout our display.

During the removal sale 25 per cent reductions may be enjoyed on such splendid pieces as these:

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