

# CALL'S EXPOSE OF POISONOUS CONES PRAISED

## Physicians Commend Campaign of Publicity Against the Deadly Tiddit

## Infantile Complaints Traced to Dyes Used in Coloring Cornucopias

The expose by Dr. A. C. Bothe, city chemist, at the board of health laboratories, of the poisonous compounds employed in coloring ice cream cornucopias, has met with general commendation by the physicians of the city. The result of the investigations, as published exclusively in *The Call* yesterday, has awakened public interest in the matter of adulterated foodstuffs, and the opinions expressed by the chemist and his associates are shared by a number of medical men of San Francisco.

It is generally believed by physicians that infantile complaints have been caused in many instances by the naphthol poisoning of the cones. Doctor Bothe's demonstration that the aniline dye is contained in the yellow confections will probably result in the manufacture of plain food and water cornucopias. The pink cones are colored with vegetable dye, the use of which is permitted by the state law as well as the city health ordinance.

Prosecutions for disregard of the law, if any are made, will be conducted by the state health authorities, who are empowered to bring actions under the McCarty pure food act. This law provides for both fine and imprisonment.

**LESSON TO CITY.**  
Dr. E. S. Howard, chief surgeon of the city emergency hospital service, speaking of the disclosures made by Doctor Bothe, declared that a valuable object lesson has been given to the city by the widespread publicity and scientific accuracy of the experiments.

"The discovery of naphthol yellow in the ice cream cones," said Dr. Bothe, "and his assurance can not be too seriously regarded. It is a clear demonstration that poisons are used by certain manufacturers in their goods. While the dye used in the cones was diluted greatly, it was easily extracted in a quantity sufficient to redden wool and other cloths."

"The hospital service of the city is called upon daily to treat children suffering with pains and aches. A simple remedy usually affords relief and that ends the matter. However, in many of these cases nobody knows the cause. The physicians know that there is an irritant in the child's stomach, but can not tell how it got there."

"The naphthol yellow from colored cones could cause this, and it is an excellent thing for parents to be informed of the presence of this acid in the cornucopias."

**REPORT AIDS CRUSADE.**  
Dr. Sidney Dammannbaum, city bacteriologist, in viewing Doctor Bothe's report, said:

"Bothe's work contributes materially to the foodstuffs crusade now being conducted by the board of health. Naphthol poisoning is highly dangerous and can cause death within a brief time. It might cause infantile paralysis, and we all know how common and serious that is among the younger children. These cones are sold on street corners under conditions which would undoubtedly contribute to contamination of the cones. The dirt and dust of the city certainly does not improve even pure foods, to say nothing of those which already contain poison. Hawkers carry these things from place to place, and the conditions under which they are sold are not inviting."

"The publicity given the experiments and discovery in *The Call* will undoubtedly have its effect on the parents of the city. The cones are not injurious when not colored with acids, but the confections in which this yellow is used are exceedingly dangerous to the babies and children who eat them."

**EVIL EFFECTS WIDESPREAD.**  
Dr. George M. Terrill, identified with the emergency service of the city, who has been called upon to attend many cases of infantile complaints, said:

"The expose demonstrates that the work of the board of health in testing foodstuffs is highly commendable. Many children have suffered what is commonly termed 'stomach ache,' when as a matter of fact, the intestinal tissues have been irritated by naphthol yellow poisoning. These cones are mainly sold to young children and given by parents and nurses to babies whose stomach tissues are the least able to withstand the irritant. In many cases it may be thought that the ice cream is the cause of the pains and the tears, but in all probability the naphthol yellow in the cone causes the trouble."

# UNBELIEVERS BACK OF STRIFE CHURCH PROPERTY IS TAKEN

BY REV. A. M. SANTANDREU  
Rector of the Church of Our Lady of Guadalupe

THE present difficulties in Spain have been caused by the antagonism of the anti-clerical forces to the Catholic church. Those people are not Protestants, but are unbelievers. In fact, there are not more than 3,000 or 4,000 Protestants in Spain, and those are chiefly foreigners—Americans, English and Germans. The anti-clericals are of the lower classes, of the type of the man Ferrer, who was dangerous to society. The premier, Canalejas, is not a bad man, but he is a politician and is influenced by political interests. The king is a good young man, and I do not think he is responsible for the situation now existing in Spain.

It is preposterous to assume that the Vatican will recognize the pretensions of the Carlists. They are a defeated party and have no more power or right in Spain than Spain has in the Philippines or Mexico.

In the present controversy there are three main points to be considered. The anti-clericals want, first, to curtail the number of religious orders; second, to limit the number of Catholic bishops in Spain; and third, to give to all religions the same liberty to establish their churches and cathedrals and to have street processions that is now enjoyed by the Catholic church.

In the question of the religious orders, the state does not contribute a cent to their support, and the position of the church is that those orders should have freedom of action. It is desired by the anti-clericals that the orders be registered. This means that the Spanish government would have control over them rather than leaving their jurisdiction under the authority of the church.

In the matter of the limitations on the number of bishops, the church believes that in that matter also it should be independent of the government and permitted to carry on its own work in its own way. It is true that the church is supported by the state, but that is done under a covenant with the government. Prior to 1835 the church was self-supporting in Spain, just as it is in this country. In that year the church property was confiscated under an agreement that thereafter the state would support the church. This support was not to have come from the public tax, but from the revenues of the church property under state control. However, there were gross frauds in handling the confiscated property. The church property was sold for a song and the revenues from the fund became less than they should have been. Now the burden falls on the tax payers.

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# BANTEL SUED BY STATE FOR FUNDS

## First Action to Determine if Late Treasurer Was Liable Is Begun

## \$90,000 Missed From City's Coffers Basis of This Hearing

The first of the suits to determine whether Charles A. Bantel is responsible for the \$90,000 that disappeared from the city treasury during his incumbency of the office was brought to trial yesterday, when Judge Seawell heard testimony in the action instituted by the state against Bantel and his surety, the Aetna indemnity company, for the recovery of \$14,182.92.

The sum sued for represents the state's share of the \$37,572.79 of United Railroads taxes left with the superior court in 1903, pending judicial determination whether the money was due.

The \$90,000 that vanished from the treasury during 1906-1907, while Bantel was treasurer, has never been traced. Responsibility for the shortage, or at least part of it, has been traced to J. J. Tomalty, book keeper under Bantel, who has been convicted of falsifying the records of the office. No evidence that Tomalty got any of the money was produced at his trial, however, and he has never made a statement involving anybody else in the theft.

According to Attorney Raymond Benjamin, who, with Robert W. Harrison, is appearing for the state in the case against Bantel, some new records will be introduced, but Benjamin says all he will try to prove is that the money was turned over by McDougald to Bantel, when the latter took office January 8, 1906, and that Bantel neglected to redeliver it to McDougald upon his assumption of the office on January 8, 1908. If the state wins the suit it will not mean that Bantel is criminally liable, but that either he or his surety must make good the amount. His bond is in the sum of \$100,000.

The sum originally paid into court by the United Railroads on August 18, 1903, was \$364,572.79, and William M. Abbott testified yesterday that he left a check for that sum, payable to Judge Seawell, with the court.

James H. McElroy and Edward Casey, deputies under County Clerk Greif, testified that the check for \$364,572.79 was deposited with the treasurer, and A. S. Levy, another deputy, said he remembered withdrawing of \$133,000 and \$124,000 in accordance with Judge Seawell's order, leaving, as he said, "about \$10,000" with the treasurer.

The trial will be resumed today. James G. Maguire is the attorney for Bantel, and Hartley Peart represents the Aetna indemnity company. Peart briefly cross examined the witnesses, but the line of defense that will be raised was not developed.

## FRAUD ALLEGED IN COAL LAND DEALS

### Government Sues Prominent Persons in Colorado

DENVER, Aug. 2.—Suits were begun today against a number of prominent persons and corporations charged with having fraudulently obtained valuable coal lands in Colorado by Attorney General Wickersham and Assistant United States Attorneys Hartzell and Ward.

The charge is that they secured nearly 4,000 acres of rich coal lands in Routt county for a comparatively small sum.

Among the defendants named are the Carbon fuel and iron company, the Continental trust company, the Tonopah coal and land company, E. E. Shumway, F. T. Henry, D. W. Brown, Henry L. Doherty, Frank W. Fruehuff and the Bankers' trust company of New York.

## WORLD'S ASTRONOMERS TO HOLD CONFERENCE

PASADENA, Aug. 2.—Eighty astronomers from the important observatories of the world will meet in convention here the last of this month in what is termed the fourth conference of the International Union for Co-operation of Solar Research. The visitors will pass much of the time on Mount Wilson, where the Carnegie observatory is located.

# ACCUSED SLAYER OF GIRL TAKEN EAST

## Joseph Wendling, Wanted in Louisville, Protests Innocence Before Leaving

## Precautions Are Made in Leading Prisoner to Train for Final Departure

Joseph Wendling, accused of the murder of the little girl, Alma Kellner, in Louisville, Ky., on December 8, started on his journey to the scene of the crime yesterday morning by the overland train. When he left the city prison he was handcuffed to Detective T. P. Burke, and Captain John P. Carney of Louisville walked at his other side, while Detectives George H. Ryan and T. P. Maloney walked behind him.

Before leaving the prison Wendling begged for a smoke, and Detective Burke handed him a cigar which he seemed to enjoy as he walked alone. A car was boarded at Eddy and Market streets which took them to the ferry. There Wendling admired a basketful of American beauty roses, and Burke purchased one and, handing it to Wendling, said, "Keep this in remembrance of me." Wendling smiled. They boarded the ferry boat and the local detectives saw the train leave the Oakland mole with Captain Carney and his prisoner, for whom he had had a long and arduous hunt.

At Ogden Captain Carney will leave the train with his prisoner and remain there overnight, leaving next morning for Denver, where he will be met by Wendling, said, "Keep this in remembrance of me." Wendling smiled. They boarded the ferry boat and the local detectives saw the train leave the Oakland mole with Captain Carney and his prisoner, for whom he had had a long and arduous hunt.

Up to the last Wendling smilingly protested his innocence of the murder and his assurance that he had nothing to fear from a trial by jury.

## ACCUSED YOUTH MAY ASK FOR PROBATION

### W. P. Morgan's Friends Take Up Spurious Checks

OAKLAND, Aug. 2.—Probation probably will be asked for W. P. Morgan, a youth arrested yesterday at Sacramento on a charge of passing fictitious checks, who was arraigned in the police court this morning. Morgan's friends have taken up several spurious checks which he passed in saloons and stores on departing from Oakland several weeks ago. Morgan was recognized and arrested while watching a baseball game at the capital city.

# AMENDED OATH IS APPROVED BY LORDS

## Phrases Offensive to Catholics Are Eliminated From the King's Obligation

LONDON, Aug. 2.—The accession declaration bill striking out the phrases offensive to Roman Catholics in the declaration made by the king after accession and substituting merely the words "I am a faithful Protestant," was passed by the house of lords on third reading today. No changes were made in the formula as adopted by the house of commons.

# THE ERIE MAKES CREDITABLE RECORD

## Practically 295 Sections in June Went Through on Time

The freight agents of the Erie railroad have received from headquarters a bit of information that they are showing shippers with great pride and satisfaction. The Erie operated 295 fast freight sections during the month of June, and but four failed to reach destination in time for advertised markets. All connections were made and the record has probably never been equaled.

## RAIN RELIEVES TOPEKA

Topeka, Kan., Aug. 2.—Nearly two inches of rain fell in Topeka this afternoon, affording an agreeable relief from the hot, dry weather which had prevailed for two weeks. Heavy rains are reported from other points in the state.

## THREE BOYS KILLED

New York, Aug. 2.—Three little boys who were missed from their homes in Madison street, Brooklyn, yesterday, were found dead today in a vacant lot, where a sand embankment had fallen upon them. The bodies were discovered by a dog.

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# FARMER IS FATALLY SHOT BY TRAMPS

## Hoboes Caught Stealing, but Get Advantage of Captor While Going to Jail

SISSON, Aug. 2.—Chester Wells Mapes, a farmer living a mile below town in Big Canyon, is dying with a bullet wound in his side and a bullet in the base of his brain. Two hundred men are scouring the cut-over lands between here and Mott hunting for two hoboes who shot him on a trail at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Mapes, who is a former living here 15 years, found that a cabin near his home was being robbed by hoboes. Taking his gun he started down the trail and captured the hoboes and was marching them to Sisson to deliver them to the officers. Half way to town the hoboes asked to rest. All sat down.

The hoboes watched their chance, grabbed the gun and shot Mapes once in the arm and once in the mouth and fled into the brush. Neighbors attracted by the shots went to Mapes' aid and carried him home. He is alive but no hopes for recovery are entertained.

Sheriff Howard came from Yreka and is directing the chase. Almost every man in Sisson tonight is armed and in pursuit. The hoboes have an ideal country for hiding.

Officers up and down the road have been notified. The Dunsmuir police force joined in the chase. Sheriff Howard has wired to Redding asking Sheriff Montgomery to come and bring his dogs.

# A Satisfying Food

Appetite is Nature's signal for fuel and repairs. Healthy appetite calls for the simple food elements that supply the natural requirements. Healthy appetite is satisfied when the proper kind and amount of food is taken into the body at stated intervals. But the wiles of the modern chef and caterer have created in most of us a false and often unnatural appetite which leads into all the different degrees of indigestion, dyspepsia, etc.—food insanity.

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