

News of the Sacramento and San Joaquin Valleys

ALAMEDA TAX ROLL MAY GET A BOOST

State Board of Equalization Objects to Figures Given by County Assessor

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 30.—The state board of equalization today heard the reasons of County Assessor Henry P. Dalton why the assessment rolls of Alameda county this year did not show the values which the state board arbitrarily fixed last year. The rolls in 1909 were raised by the equalizers from \$188,132,200 to \$206,738,128, while this year they were but \$195,814,897.

That the Alameda rolls will be given another boost was indicated from the statements of J. Harry Scott, a member of the board. He told Dalton that the real estate and improvement increases were too small in comparison to the estimated increase in population in the county.

In three cities alone, Alameda, Berkeley and Oakland, it was pointed out that the population was estimated at 231,000, while last year the whole county boasted of a population of only 184,000.

Dalton argued that the state increase last year was unwarranted and that was the reason his totals did not meet it.

Assessor C. Moring of San Joaquin county and Assessor A. E. Martin of Butte county were also heard from concerning low rolls in their counties. The Butte values this year were \$20,182,225 and San Joaquin \$45,489,142. Both these rolls are below the figure set by the state last year.

SHANNON FINDS ELEVEN IS HIS LUCKY NUMBER

Probable Majority for State Printer 1,111 Votes

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 30.—If the advice received from the bay today are correct, W. W. Shannon has been nominated as state printer on the republican ticket over Richardson by 1,111 votes, a number which he says has followed him through life and has been a lucky one.

"Eleven always was my lucky number," he said, "I was married at 11 o'clock on November 11, which is the eleventh month of the year, and this happened in 1899, which will be 11 years ago the coming November."

"Maybe you won't believe it, but we were assigned to room 11 at the hotel where we spent our honeymoon, and when we came to Sacramento we went to live at 1100 O street."

SACRAMENTO PIONEER CLAIMED BY DEATH

Albion Chase Sweetser Passes Away at Niece's Home

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 30.—Another of the few remaining sturdy founders of the Sacramento pioneer society passed away last night when Albion Chase Sweetser died at the home of his niece, Mrs. M. J. Curtis.

Sweetser was 91 years old and had lived in Sacramento since 1848. He was the founder of the First Congregational church in Sacramento as well as a charter member of the pioneer society. There are only six of the latter left. They are:

Orlando Burns, San Francisco; Edward Twitchell, F. S. Hotchkiss, Sacramento; Thomas B. Harper, Lincoln; Joseph Simms, Union House; Jerome Madden, Berkeley.

TENDERLOIN WAR MAY PUT LID ON MARYSVILLE

Rival Districts Continue Their Bitter Feud

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

MARYSVILLE, Aug. 30.—The war between rival districts of the Marysville tenderloin will probably result in the closing of both districts.

Barney Van Buskirk opened up the concentration camp several months ago, and the police sought to force the inmates of the old line to go to the new district. They made arrests nightly, but the old district residents organized and employed an attorney. When the police made arrests of their number they fled and hid in the rooms of the concentration camp.

District Attorney Greeley has finally taken a hand, and unless the war between the rivals is stopped he proposes to close up both districts.

SACRAMENTO POLICEMEN HUNT FOR BIG BULLDOG

Animal Boards Train When His Fight Is Stopped

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 30.—A big English bulldog has eluded the Sacramento police force, and the details of his escape were made known today. After biting Policeman Ribble when the latter sought to break up a dog fight, the bulldog jumped aboard a local train just as it was leaving the depot and rode all the way to Davis before being put off the train. Ever since he was bitten Ribble has been out gunning for the dog and has received instruction from Chief Ahern to kill him on sight.

GOPHER HOLE CAUSES MINES TO SHUT DOWN

Main Ditch of Sierra Water Company Breaks

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

PLACERVILLE, Aug. 30.—Owing to a break in the main ditch of the Sierra water company at camp No. 2, the mines in this vicinity that are supplied from this source have been forced to close down. As there are reservoirs below the point of the break there is no danger of a water famine for domestic use in this city. A gopher hole did the damage.

H. O. CUMMINS' \$3,000 AUTOMOBILE IS BURNED

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

REDDING, Aug. 30.—A cablegram received today from Honolulu said that the \$3,000 automobile belonging to H. O. Cummins, a mining man of this city, was burned there this morning. He had it insured, but had failed to get a permit to leave the mainland with it, as usually provided in policies.

FOOT SPRINGS HAS LARGE FOREST FIRE

Former Secretary of Navy Assists Vacationists and Rangers in Fighting Flames

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

WILLOWS, Aug. 30.—Fire has been raging fiercely in the Foots springs section more than 10 days. The north wind fanned the flames which assumed large proportions. For some time Foots springs was in danger, but all vacationists helped to fight the flames. Former Secretary of Navy Victor Metcalf assisted the fire fighters. Associate District Forester Coert Dubois has been in charge of the fighters since Sunday. There are more than 100 men under foot. More than 100 square miles have been burned over. Glenn Manson's sawmill was saved from the flames yesterday after a heroic fight. The mill supplies lumber for the Stony Creek valley, and its loss would have been a calamity. The rangers are impressing many men as fire fighters in an effort to stop the flames before they cross Snow mountain into valuable timber section.

Lassen Forest Burning

REDDING, Aug. 30.—The fire in the Lassen national forest has burned over 20,000 acres of timber during the last few days, and now is raging at the head of Hat creek and the Shingletown divide. Two hundred soldiers are on their way to the Lassen forest to aid in subduing the flames.

From the fire on Mount Lassen, near the junction of Shasta, Plumas and Lassen counties, ashes and half burned leaves are falling in the streets of Anderson, Eureka, Vista, Millville and Shingletown, all at least 20 miles away. The sawmill settlement at Terry's mill became so hot yesterday from the fire that 30 women and children fled with their babies to the Round Mountain for safety. The fire is practically under control, though it requires constant guarding.

Government Timber Menaced

PORTERVILLE, Aug. 30.—The fire which has been raging for several days along Freeman's creek is beyond control, and immense tracts of valuable government timber are menaced. Three parties are contending for the timber foothills before noon today to fight the fire which has burned over five miles along Freeman creek. A gale is blowing the fire away from the giant firs, and it is probable that the big trees will not be in danger.

Tahoe Forest Fire Out

AUBURN, Aug. 30.—The forest fire in the Tahoe national forest reserve is out, and Major A. W. Chubb, Captain T. Q. Ashburn of the coast artillery corps are camped with 150 men on the American river near Auburn. The officers of the two companies are being trained by the citizens of Auburn at the Tahoe club tonight. At the request of H. T. Power, the soldiers will camp in Recreation park, this city, tomorrow. Twenty boxes of peaches were presented to the city after the fire was out. A baseball game between the soldiers and the Southern Pacific engineering corps, and at 5:30 the soldiers will go through the tactics retreat parade.

Zayante Blaze Checked

SANTA CRUZ, Aug. 30.—By cutting trails through the brush the fire fighters have checked the blaze in the Santa Cruz mountains in the vicinity of Zayante.

Mountain Dwellers Flee

DIFFICULTY, Wyo., Aug. 30.—A heavy forest fire in the Sierra Nevada mountains and families living on the mountain have fled to the valley.

Near Control in Targhee

OGDEN, Utah, Aug. 30.—There are 350 men fighting the Targhee fire and they are expected to gain control of the flames as soon as the heavy wind which has prevailed since last Saturday subsides.

Montana Helped by Rain

MISSOULA, Mont., Aug. 30.—Forest fire conditions continue to improve in this district. Heavy rain in the New Perce forest last night nearly extinguished the fires there. Ranger Thenson and his crew of 24 men in the Clearwater country near Indian lake, are safe.

Washington Town Menaced

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 30.—The only fire in the Washington is that in the Snoqualmie district in the city where a 15 mile front spreads out fanlike from Echo lake to a point near North Bend, encircling the town of Preston. Four hundred men are fighting the fire.

STOCKTON MAY BUY THE BOGGS' TRACT

Land Needed to Get Rid of the City's Sewage

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

STOCKTON, Aug. 30.—A committee consisting of Councilmen D. J. O'Keefe, George H. Heilmann, Robert Ingalls and J. C. Dewey was appointed last night to interview the owners of the Boggs' tract in order to see whether arrangements can be made for its purchase. It is desired to establish a sewage farm and septic tanks to dispose of Stockton's sewage, which has become a serious problem.

The state board of health has served notice on the city several times to stop polluting the waters of the river with the sewage. A bond issue will probably be called for raising funds to purchase the tract.

The West Side Improvement club sent a delegation to the council and asked that the garbage incinerator be removed from the city limits.

CONGRESSMAN NEEDHAM DECLARES FOR JOHNSON

Also Promises Not to Vote for Joe Cannon

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

MODESTO, Aug. 30.—In a statement issued to the press this evening Congressman J. C. Needham of the sixth district declares unqualifiedly for Hiram Johnson and urges that all republicans work to bring about his election and support the policies outlined by him. He states that in the event of his re-election he will not support Cannon for speakership of the next congress. He states that he decided this matter long ago and will explain his reasons in his opening campaign speech. He has been anxious to speak heartily in favor of all the progressive measures urged by the republican voters of California, but urges toleration in the framing of the state platform.

PHYSICIAN BEATEN BY SALOON KEEPER

Damage and Divorce Suits May Follow Row Over Vic-tor's Wife

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

STOCKTON, Aug. 30.—As a result of a fight in which G. Fritz Wille, a local saloonman, and Dr. C. E. Allen, a physician, participated yesterday the latter declares he will sue for heavy damages. Wille says the doctor was fortunate that he escaped alive. Mrs. Wille, the saloonman's wife, over whom the trouble occurred, threatens to bring a divorce suit as soon as the excitement dies down.

Wille states he found Doctor Allen at his home yesterday and declares further that the physician was responsible for breaking up the same. He called the doctor outside and pummeled him until he was nearly unconscious. The doctor remained at the house in order to avoid the notoriety of passing through the streets badly battered. Wille learned this and called again last night. Neighbors interfered and the doctor made his way home.

Doctor Allen states he was simply paying a professional visit and denies all of Wille's allegations. Mrs. Wille affirms the statement made by the physician.

NEWEST CREATIONS OF BURBANK EXHIBITED

Vegetable and Summer Pippin Produced by Wizard

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SANTA ROSA, Aug. 30.—The two latest creations by Luther Burbank have been placed on exhibition in the rooms of the Santa Rosa chamber of commerce.

One is the Martynier, or devil's claw, a vegetable which is used for flavoring and is somewhat of the nature of a pepper. It grows on a vine like the cucumber and when ripe the outer part turns brown. It has small pods inside of larger ones and it is these small ones which are used. The original plant was very small, while the Burbank variety is as large as a cucumber and all the pods grow on one stem.

The other creation is an early or summer Newton pippin. The original yellow Newton pippin is a winter variety. It is also different from the original species, owing to its having a deep, rich red color instead of being yellow. Samples of the new variety were exhibited at the recent Sebastopol apple show.

WELL KNOWN YOUNG MAN PLACED AT REST

Funeral of Francis Fitzgerald Held at Stockton

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

STOCKTON, Aug. 30.—The funeral of Francis Fitzgerald, 24 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Fitzgerald and one of Stockton's prominent young men, took place this morning at 9 o'clock from St. Mary's church. A requiem high mass was held by Rev. Father Leahy.

The services were attended by many friends of the decedent and numerous floral offerings were placed over the final resting place in San Joaquin cemetery.

The honorary pallbearers were: Fred Smith, Walter B. Hogan, Charles Faber, J. Dalton, Joe Cooney and Al Gilbeau.

The active pall bearers were: William R. Thresher, J. H. Thompson, Vic Marchal, Julian Hulbert, J. J. Galgrain and A. H. Wright.

STOCKTON TURNERS TO SING IN FESTIVAL

70 Slough City Residents to Attend Saengerbund

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

STOCKTON, Aug. 30.—About 70 local Germans will journey to San Francisco this week to attend the national saengerfest, which begins Thursday.

The singing section of the Stockton turn Verein will not participate in the singing today, but will take part in the singing. The singers follow:

First tenor, Martin Schneider; second tenor, Jacob Simon, O. H. Hess, E. V. Burke, William Beyer and Otto Saur; first bass, Paul Wilke; second bass, Gus Lelpelt and George Markert; second basses, Paul Pelkert and Herman Otto.

G. L. JOHNSON FLOATS ON THE "DRY" TICKET

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 30.—By a recount of three precincts ordered by the superior court, Grove L. Johnson, dean of the California legislature, today lost the democratic nomination for assemblyman to Charles A. Bliss, the republican nominee, and will be forced to go before the people as a candidate on the dry ticket, by virtue of the one prohibition vote cast for him at the primary election. The recount as held before the supervisors showed that Johnson had been given four democratic votes in the fourth precinct, when but one was for him. This made the total, Bliss 28, Johnson 25. Johnson announced prior to the recount that the outcome would make little difference to him as he intended to fight for re-election.

SANTA ROSA INDORSES STATE BOND ISSUE

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SANTA ROSA, Aug. 30.—The directors of the Santa Rosa chamber of commerce today passed a resolution endorsing the action of Governor Gillett in calling a special session of the legislature and the proposition to bond the state for \$5,000,000 for the purpose of aiding the Panama-Pacific exposition and to allow San Francisco to do likewise. The residents of Sonoma county to a man favor San Francisco for the exposition.

SURVEYOR OF PORT IS CRITICALLY ILL

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SANTA ROSA, Aug. 30.—The condition of Edward F. Woodward, surveyor of the port of San Francisco, who has been seriously ill at the ranch at Woolsey near here, is believed to be critical. Woodward's physicians now remain at the house all night, while a force of trained nurses is in constant attendance.

ALLEGEDLY BARRACK BALL GAME IS CLAIMED FOR CONSUMPTION

Royal Italian Physician Gives Demonstration of New Treatment

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

BOSTON, Aug. 30.—A private clinical demonstration of entirely new treatment of tuberculosis, which is said to have upset the general medical belief that tuberculosis can not be killed in the body of a patient, has been held in Boston by Dr. Antonio Maggiorani of Rome, honorary physician to the king of Italy.

The distinguished Italian came here for the purpose of conferring with eminent medical men who have specialized in the treatment and study of the dread white plague and to inform them regarding his discovery. The clinic was secret, but some of the details concerning the affair became known today. Dr. Maggiorani described his method as an inhalation treatment and said that he had established complete cures in as short time as two months and many cures in from eight months to a year. By his discovery he said a comparative immunity seems to be conferred on the patient. The chief ingredients used by Dr. Maggiorani in the liquid which mediates the air inhaled by the consumptive are iodine, formaldehyde and chloroform.

STANFORD FRESHMAN CLASS WILL BE LARGE

Graduate and Matriculated Students Already Registered

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Aug. 30.—With the prospect of the largest freshman class in a number of years the university will officially open tomorrow. The graduate and matriculated students have already registered and are ready to begin the work of the semester. The Sequoia monthly magazine came out today with a special issue. The Chaparral, a bimonthly comic, will be out Friday with a freshman issue.

BRADY LEADS IN ELECTION

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 30.—Idaho held her first direct primary election today. The members of the legislature are to be elected in the race for the republican nomination for governor.

ROTARY CLUB MEETS

The Rotary club held its regular monthly meeting last evening at the home of George H. Eberhard and Major George C. Collins were among the speakers. Paul Carroll presided.

REGULARS CONTROL COUNTY CONVENTION

Resolutions Indorse Taft and Pledge Support for Hiram Johnson and Spalding

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SAN DIEGO, Aug. 30.—The so-called regulars were in full control of the republican county convention which was held here today. A. H. Sweet was chairman. Eleven delegates to the state convention were chosen. They are John D. Spreckels (chairman), Colonel A. G. Gassen, M. I. Ward, Leroy A. Briggs, G. S. Smith, G. L. P. Dandridge, F. W. Jackson, F. N. Lee, J. C. Lazzarini, W. C. Hillary and former Major John F. Forward.

The resolutions indorsed in enthusiastic terms the administration of President Taft, Senators Perkins and Flint and Representative Smith were warmly commended. The support of the party was pledged to Hiram Johnson and the rest of the ticket nominated at the recent primary. The county's delegation in the legislature was warmly commended. The support of the party was pledged to Hiram Johnson and the rest of the ticket nominated at the recent primary. The county's delegation in the legislature was warmly commended.

MCKENZIE'S ASIATIC REPORT REPUDIATED

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SAN JOSE, Aug. 30.—The democratic county convention today adopted resolutions repudiating the McKenzie report, concerning Asiatic labor, as being in the interest of the Pacific Mail steamship company.

LIBEL TRIAL POSTPONED

BAKERSFIELD, Aug. 30.—The libel case of W. S. Twiss, president of the Kern County land company, against Fremont Older and H. A. Crothers, editor and publisher of the San Francisco Bulletin, which was to have come to trial today, was postponed until November 28.

STENOGRAPHER AND LAUNDRESS ARRESTED FOR DELAY IN RETURNING LIVERY RIG

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SAN JOSE, Aug. 30.—Miss Eva Bancroft, aged 20, and Miss Anita Crocetti, aged 19, both residents of San Francisco, are held at the county jail in this city under \$1,000 bail on charges of felony embezzlement. Miss Bennett said that she was a stenographer at the Fairmont hotel, and Miss Crocetti that she was a laundress at the same place.

The girls rented a rig from the stable of John Stabler in this city Sunday morning. They drove 30 miles to a mountain ranch owned by Miss Crocetti's aunt near Gilroy, and did not return that night as they intended. Stabler secured warrant for their arrest, and the sheriff's officers commenced a search for the girls, who remained in the mountains and had a good time.

They started for San Jose to return the rig yesterday, and were surprised when they were arrested at Morgan Hill by Deputy Sheriff Buchelester. They were rather indignant also, and took precautions to keep the story of their predicament from their friends and families in the metropolis.

JUDGE IS PLAINTIFF IN A DAMAGE SUIT

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

STOCKTON, Aug. 30.—Judge C. W. Norton is the plaintiff in a suit filed today against the Central California traction company and M. E. Angers. The plaintiff alleges that the company backed up flood waters on his land, greatly damaging him. He sues for \$10,716.70.

Hoodwinking Cergymen

Each morning! It's meat and bread to their souls. Then think of the lordly power and don't forget the steady flow of money squeezed from the workman's hard-earned pay envelope. But when these leaders "tie up" any industry no man can hold a job who refuses to pay fines even on trumped up charges, and steadily pay fees, whatever they are. The workman is absolutely at the mercy of this band of men who have secured and hold control. Many and many a honest workman has raised his voice and appealed to his fellows to rise and throw off the yoke of Gompers, et al. But, as one writes, "At every convention of the American Federation of Labor strong opposition comes up, but at the critical moment the impassioned orator appears and most dramatically puts the spotlight on the leader and covers him with a mawkish film of 'martyrdom' for his product at the price and in delight, forgetting the instructions of the peaceful workmen at home who desire to free themselves from the odium of membership under the great banner of strike, boycott, violence and hate." So we see the unequalled insolence with which these trust leaders propose to induce ministers to pull their weight in the fight against the modern aggressive and violent labor trust methods. There is a better way to secure justice for workers, as will appear further along. Just a little diversion here. I am engaged with having first brought to the attention of the public some years ago the name "Labor Trust." A trust is a combination of men or organizations for the purpose of selling their product at prices and restricting production to effect it. We will say a large oil company gathers in smaller ones and this controls production. The Labor Trust "gathers in" local trade organizations and thus has power to say how much work each man shall do. The oil company then fixes prices. The Labor Trust does likewise. The oil company may "use methods" to force an unwilling dealer to join. The Labor Trust men go further and slug the independent man if he tries to sell his labor without paying fees and "obeying orders." They are both exacting alike in purpose, which, in both cases, is entirely selfish to gain power and money for the leaders. Certain Labor Trust members do not hesitate to use violence, dynamiting of property, burning of homes, kidnapping men and even murder to force obedience. The oil company doesn't go so far. Both are extremely dangerous to the welfare of people and communities, for power placed in the hands of a few men, either representing capital or labor, is almost always abused and the public suffers. Remember, reader, that your safety lies in organized opposition to all trusts which try to ride over and dictate to the people. Only by opposing their growth can you retain your personal liberty. Now to ministers. The average congregation is made up of about 30 per cent of free citizens and much less than 10 per cent of members of the Labor Trust. The free citizen wants to hear words defending the rights and independence of the common man, free from the arbitrary dictates of any self-seeking organization either of capital or labor. The merchant, lawyer, school teacher, doctor, clerk, farmer and workman rebels against any forcible stopping of trains, boats, streetcars or factories, for the prosperity of the community is entirely dependent on steady continuance of these things. Men don't like strikes, boycotts, injured workmen or burned cars and factories. A famous divine says: "These men may hate capitalists, but their hate for other laboring men burns like a flame, eats like nitric acid, is malignant beyond all description." Then we remember cases of acid throwing, eyes gouged out, children pursued, women stripped, homes destroyed, men murdered and the long, long list of atrocities practiced by Labor Trust members on other human beings who cannot agree with the trust methods. Now for the better way. This trade association has evolved from the experience of the past and is the highest order of trades unionism at the present day. Under its laws it is not possible for the hood carriers' union or the street sweeper's union to order the school teachers or locomotive engineers to quit work in a "sympathetic strike." If any craft finds injustice, the case is presented to properly selected arbitrators, testimony taken and the case presented to the public through the press. Thereupon public opinion, the greatest of all powers, makes itself felt and curiously enough a fair settlement is generally the result. There is no strike, no loss of wages, no \$400,000 communitarian, and yet the faithful workers get their just treatment. There are many details which have worked out by men skilled in labor matters. I can recompense any interested man to know these details which can be secured by a postal request for constitution and bylaws written to the National Trades and Workers' Association, Kingman block, Battle Creek, Mich. Reader, look carefully into this great question of the relations of capital and labor and its successful solution. The new plan works and brings results for the members. I became so favorably impressed with the trustworthiness and practicality of the leaders of this new labor movement that I gave the association a sanatorium at Battle Creek worth about \$400,000 and with about 200 rooms, to be used as a home for the old members and the helpless babies, sometimes made fatherless by the pistol, club or boot heel of some member of the violent "Labor Trust." Suppose you attend church Labor Sunday and hear what your minister has to say in defense of the safety and rights of the common, everyday man. Let us ask you to read again a portion of one of my public articles printed a few years ago: "The people of the world have given me money enough to spend in these times of trouble, and I am going to make better and safer conditions for the common people, whether the Postum business runs or not." Scores of letters have come to me from workpeople and others, some from union men, recounting their suffering from union domination and urging that their cases be laid before the public. It will not answer for us to only sympathize with the poor, the oppressed, those who haven't power enough to drive off tyrants and resent oppression, we must help them tie the hands of the oppressors. Americans must act. Some of my forebears in New England left comfortable homes, took with them a few flintlocks, slept on the ground in rain and frost, hungry, footsore and half clothed they grimly pushed on where the eternal glow of human liberty urged them. They were free for me and for you a mantle of freedom, woven in a loom where the shuttles were cannon balls and bullets and where swords were used to pick out the tangles in the yarn. These old, sturdy granddads of ours stood by that loom until the mantle was finished, then, stained with their lifeblood it was handed down to us. Shall I refuse to bear it on my shoulders because the wearing costs me a few dollars, and are you cowards enough to hide your faces because some foreign labor union anarchist orders you to strip it off? I have faith that the blood of 1776 still courses in your veins will tingle and stir you to wear it. Then Americans will act. "There's a Reason." C. W. POST.