

**AUTO BIDS GIVEN TO SCHOOL BOARD**

Directors Ordered on Joy Riding Tours to Test Quality of Cars Proposed Issuance of \$100,000 Insurance Arouses Protest Against "Wenchers"

The board of education at its meeting yesterday had before it representatives from automobile companies who submitted bids for a five seated automobile for the use of the members of the board. The bids were:

Phonograph company, \$4,900; Thomas Flier company, \$4,000; Consolidated company, \$5,487 for a 1911 model and \$2,700 for a 1910 model; Barton company, \$3,500; Reliance company, \$3,200; Loomis company, \$3,650; T. J. Tiers company, \$2,925; Hayes company, \$2,275; Stufemaker company, \$2,250; the White company, and Mercantile company, \$1,950 each; standard motor company, \$1,950.

The bids were referred to Directors Payot and Whelan, who for several days have been testing cars and expect to test several more during the week. It is the opinion of the board that all things being equal, the award should be made to the one that in the greatest degree fosters home industry.

**WANTS WHITE SHADES**  
Dr. George W. Frink asked the board to substitute white for translucent shades in the schoolrooms on the ground that white is the best for the children's sight. "I will make this proposition," said the doctor. "Put the translucent shades on one schoolroom and the white on another of the same size and if after a test of such length of time as you desire, a year or more, if the white does not prove the better I will have them taken down and replaced with green at my expense."

He was informed that the matter rests with the board of public works, not with the directors, they having assigned that which is the duty of the board. The doctor suggested that the Grant school be moved back on the school lot to give the children a large sunny playground in front and that the building be raised eight feet to furnish a room for recreation for the children in winter. The board promised to consider the matter.

The clerk read the approval of Mayor McArthur of the \$100,000 insurance on the Lincoln school property, Fifth and Market streets.

Director Payot objected to some of the companies on the ground that they had "wrenched" after the catastrophe of 1909. He asked the board to know why English to profit by the work in other schools will be sent there, and the other class will be of retarded pupils who need special attention. Miss Marie G. Klein was assigned to the foreign class, being able to teach in three foreign languages, and Mrs. Frances H. McAllister was assigned as teacher of the retarded class.

Miss A. C. Duffy and Miss M. E. Kelly were transferred from the polytechnic to the Newton J. Tharp commercial school, and Miss Irene Purlong and Miss Amy Farbett were assigned from the commercial to the polytechnic school. Miss Alice Barclay was transferred from the Sunset to the Harrison school.

Harriet S. Tabor was elected an assistant in dental science department, and Miss M. T. Clarke was appointed a special teacher of stenography for the Hamilton evening school.

Hereafter the reception hours of the directors for private teachers will be on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3 to 5 o'clock.

The next meeting of the board will be Friday, October 14.

**TAX AMENDMENT CHANGED TO SUIT**

Governor and Father of Measure Are Satisfied With Act of Special Session

SACRAMENTO, Oct. 5.—The special session of the legislature came to a close this morning after a three days' session, during which time considerable more than three words, as set out in the governor's call, were inserted in constitutional amendment No. 1 for the separation of state and county taxes. By opening up the entire subject matter of the amendment, which was forced by the assembly, the legislature made a few important changes which will better satisfy persons who at first were opposed to it.

Senator John B. Curtin of Tuolumne, regarded as the father of the measure, expressed himself today as being pleased with the turn of affairs because the rate on banks is now placed where it belongs; the public demand that a two-thirds vote rather than a three-fourths vote be required to change the tax rate, has been recognized; small counties that would have suffered from the change in tax system had been protected from loss, and other changes were made to obviate objectionable features.

Governor Gillett sent a message to both houses, expressing his appreciation at the final outcome, believing that the measure had been materially strengthened.

**INSURANCE MAN ENDS LIFE WITH A BULLET**  
Frederick Epstine Kills Himself Because of Ill Health

Frederick Epstine, 59 years old and a former well known insurance solicitor, committed suicide at his home, 1322 O'Farrell street, yesterday morning by shooting himself in the head. Epstine left a wife and three children. He had been in ill health for two years and on numerous occasions had threatened self-destruction.

**Sultan of Sulu Fell Captive to Charms of Comic Opera Star**

Ruler in Love and Met Actress At Cafe

By WALTER ANTHONY

The story is authenticated. The sultan of Sulu, who attended a performance of "The Prince of Plisen" Monday night at the Savoy theater, fell desperately in love with Frances Cameron, the "beauteous leading lady" of the company. He wanted to meet her, and told Henri Gressitt, who, as Savage's manager, was entertaining the sultan in a box, about his longing. Of course, the sultan couldn't speak a word of English, but he had catholic eyes. The gallant Henri assured the impetuous Moor that he would see to it that the sultan should meet the maid. So he took him to a downtown cafe after the performance and sat him with his retinue, including brother Dato Raja Mada Mualle Wasit, their attendant to the few remaining pearls in the sultan's treasury, in a far corner, where the sultan's majesty could feast his eyes on the loveliness of the American widow. An



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interpreter suggested to Henri that the sultan would like to greet the lady and pay his respects. "Let us go over there, then," said Gressitt, naturally eager for the "copy." The sultan wouldn't budge. It would be indecorous, he said. So Henri strolled over to the distant table and told the fair Miss Frances about it. But she wouldn't budge, either. Why should she travel to the mountain? Let Mohammed come to her. There ensued a deadlock until the sultan and his 10 Moors had finished their crab meat, then Henri led them out. He started toward the door, but turned, and the dark army kept close to his heels, fearing they might make a social error of some sort. Henri slyly led his forces to the table where sat the fair Frances. It was too late for the sultan to back out then. He threw his court decorum to the winds, pledged the prima donna's health and slipped her his card, which, when translated, read: "Yours devotedly, Haji Mohammed Jumabul Kiran II, Sultan of Sulu."

Josephine Lovett, no less than Laura Hope Crews in the Henry Miller company at the Columbia theater, is a San Francisco girl. Her father will be remembered by San Franciscans as George T. Shaw, who a decade or so ago was a member of the board of education and many years ago was one of the founders of the Mechanics' library. His daughter took for her stage title her mother's maiden name, Lovett, and was discovered in New York by Henry Miller after she had been a big success in the role of Shirley Rosemore in "The Lion and the Mouse." Even before that, however, Miss Lovett had been associated with Miller in his dramatic presentations, having played the title role in "Heartsease." That was as long ago as 1896, and Miss Lovett refuses to recall anything prior to that date.

Phoebe Davies is coming west. The wife of Joseph Grismer and one of the best known and loved players in this far country is on her way to this city in order to attend the debut of Violet Romer, whose mother, Mrs. Shawhan, is an old friend of the heroine. Violet Romer is billed to appear in a series of "inspirational dances" at the Columbia theater next Sunday afternoon. It will be her first professional appearance and Phoebe Davies is coming west to see the daughter of her old friend and plan for her eastern appearance. In case Miss Violet "makes good," as the wife of Joseph Grismer, it is likely that Phoebe Davies can make a place for the local dancer if Miss Romer proves her ability next Sunday afternoon in her "inspirational dances."

Bessie Barricade returns to the Alcazar next Monday night and plays the stellar role in "My Wife," which was Miss Billie Burke's introduction through the faith of Charles Frohman and the complaisance of John Drew, whose leading woman Miss Burke was, Bessie Barricade will have the role of Trilby Dupre and it should fit her vivacious, gay manner perfectly. According to statements from the box office of the Alcazar, Miss Barricade's personal popularity has been evidenced in an unusually heavy demand for seats for next week's presentation of "My Wife."

On the morning after the London premiere of "The Great Divide," an English reviewer took exception to a scene in the play on the ground of immorality. Henry Miller's comment on the criticism was: "There are some people who can find evil even in the ten commandments. Such a person prefers to sniff at the root rather than the blossom of the violet."

Last year Miller gave out an interview on the New Theater in New York. He referred to it as "A gilded incubator," and the phrase has stuck. Vicarino made another big hit in "Lucia" last Tuesday night. Her success with the Bevan company has been so great that Manager Bevan has determined to try an experiment. He is going to put a coloratura soprano in the role of Mimì in "La Boheme." The soprano is, of course, Régina Vicarino. The date of the presentation of the Puccini opera with Vicarino in the leading role is not yet named, but it will be during next week. Meantime "La Traviata" will be sung tonight with Vicarino in the role of Violetta. "La Boheme" with Francini as Mimì will be sung Friday and Saturday evenings, and the Saturday matinee will be given to a



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is said, and then Hammerstein, who does not overlook sensations, engaged her for his vaudeville in New York. The fact that she is a real countess assists, no doubt, in appreciation of her dances, which are to be uncovered in this city this winter to the cold waves of November.

**COLMESNIL CHOSEN ACTING ARCHITECT**  
Draftsman Will Temporarily Succeed Auto Victim

George T. Colmesnil was appointed acting city architect yesterday by the board of works. Since the death of City Architect Fisher in an automobile accident in Golden Gate park, Colmesnil, who was a draftsman in the office, has had charge, and Commissioners Casey and Broderick formally confirmed him in the post at yesterday's session. Casey said the board would take its time in finding a permanent successor to Fisher.

The application of the Western Pacific railway company for permission to install a wooden bridge temporarily over Mississippi street, between Twenty-second and Twenty-third, was approved.

**PHYSICIAN TO REPORT ON HENNESSY'S HEALTH**  
Charge of Throwing Acid Continued Until Saturday

The case against Dr. Walter J. Hennessy, charged with throwing acid on Mrs. Laura Lyle Jones in the Miles hotel three weeks ago, was continued again before Judge Shortall yesterday. The case has been postponed almost daily for three weeks. Assistant District Attorney Becsey consented to a further continuance only on consideration that he be allowed to send a doctor to examine Hennessy. The case will be called next Saturday, when the doctor's report will be heard.

George Keene, attorney for Mrs. Nettie Blum, jointly accused with Hennessy in the acid throwing charge, induced Judge Shortall to reduce her bail from \$1,500 to \$1,000.

**FAMILY SUIT OVER CASH**—George Smith began suit in the superior court yesterday against his wife, Ruth Elizabeth Smith, for \$1,200. The couple had a joint account at the Fibers bank and Smith stood to their credit. Mrs. Smith took out the cash and deposited it to her individual account in the same bank June 25.

**ASSOCIATION FOR COUNTY FAIRS**

Promotion Bodies of State Cooperate to Further Development of Resources

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

STOCKTON, Oct. 5.—Secretary J. M. Eddy of the chamber of commerce has returned from Visalia, where a meeting of the various promotion bodies of the state was held yesterday and the California district and county fair association was organized. The following resolution was adopted and explains the purpose of the organization:

Resolved by this convention of delegates from the commercial organizations of California, assembled in the city of Visalia, October 4, 1910, to consider the subject herein outlined, that we co-operate to secure concerted action of the various communities in procuring the enactment of laws by the legislature of 1911 to promote development of California resources by appropriation of state funds to re-establish district and county fairs for the encouragement of agriculture and other productive industries.

It was decided that it would be best to have the president and secretary of the association residents of the same city, and on account of the central location of Stockton J. M. Eddy was elected president and W. C. Wall secretary.

A meeting will be called soon by President Eddy, when an executive committee will be announced, and a systematic campaign started. The district feature was included for the benefit of some of the smaller counties which can not hold county fairs.

The association did not approve of the plan for holding four or six large district fairs, as advocated by race-horsemen.

**DANISH DELEGATES MARCH IN FRESNO**

Brotherhood Participates in Big Parade Given by the County Fair

FRESNO, Oct. 5.—Committees to discuss and suggest amendments to the constitution of the order were appointed at the session of the national convention of the Danish Brotherhood here this morning.

The business session this afternoon was done away with in order to allow the delegates to participate in a body in the big parade held in connection with the county fair now in progress in this city.

The brotherhood made an excellent showing in the procession, fully 300 of their number being included in the line of march, all portions of the United States being represented.

While no definite conclusion has been reached as to where the next national convention will be held, it is generally conceded by the delegates that the gathering in 1911 will be in one of the central states, the coast states being considered as too far away for some of the delegates. The work of the present delegation probably will be ended Saturday.

**BOGUS ARMY OFFICER PLEADS GUILTY OF FRAUD**  
H. R. Carpenter, Hotel Swindler, to Be Sentenced Today

Hunter R. Carpenter, who managed to secure large sums of money and swindle hotel keepers in this city out of board bills about a year ago by posing as an army officer and was indicted Tuesday by the federal grand jury for the offense, pleaded guilty yesterday in the United States district court. He will be sentenced this morning by District Judge E. S. Farrington of Nevada, who is presiding over the district court in this city for a few days during the absence of Judge J. J. de Haven.

Jerome P. O'Sullivan, indicted by the grand jury for forging an indorsement on a \$36 treasury order, also pleaded guilty and will be sentenced today.

After changing his mind twice, Lau Sau, a Chinese indicted for receiving and concealing opium, entered a plea of not guilty and his case will be set for trial October 18. It is said among his Chinese friends that he will withdraw his plea and admit his guilt in the hope of securing leniency.

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