

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

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS' ESTIMATES PRUNED

Legislative Committee of Chamber of Commerce Votes for Economy

OAKLAND, Jan. 26.—After a lengthy session this afternoon, of the legislative committee of the chamber of commerce, at which the requests of the county officials of Alameda county, recently made to the Alameda county delegation to the state legislature were taken up, it was decided to make a considerable cut in the estimates asked for. The demands of the officials as originally made called for an increase to maintain their office of \$41,800. This was reduced about \$6,000, the watchword being economy and the greatest possible efficiency.

County Clerk John P. Cook was given a filing clerk at \$125, a permanent registration clerk, also to act as cashier, and ten additional deputies for one month in each alternate year, to serve during direct primary registration. These are not to be allowed if the board of supervisors makes an allowance for them.

The sheriff's office was granted one additional man instead of three, an assistant engineer at a salary of \$100. It was also recommended that steps be taken to limit his number of deputies without pay, which now totals six hundred.

It was recommended to grant the county recorder four deputies at a salary of \$125 to take the place of the comparer of copied recorded instruments, now paid out of the eight cents per folio allowed for recording. All deputies in the office to receive an increase of salary of \$10 a month, with the exception of the chief deputy.

The auditor's requests were indorsed in full. He asked for the increase in salary of one deputy from \$125 to \$150, one from \$100 to \$125, a raise in salary for the chief deputy from \$200 to \$250, for two deputies from \$200 to \$225, a deputy to \$200 and another deputy to \$175, an increase in the office detective's salary from \$125 to \$175.

It was recommended that but one justice of the peace be required for Brooklyn township instead of two, and that he be paid \$225 and \$25 a month for office expenses.

It was recommended that the probation officer's salary be made \$200 and that he be given an assistant at \$150. No further increase in the number of deputies was granted.

The salaries of the superior judges to be increased to \$6,000 a year, but that no additional judges are needed.

The board of supervisors requests for statistician and for two additional gardeners were not recommended. One additional gardener was allowed. Requests for purchasing a typewriter, one assistant at \$125, one allowance clerk at \$125, one county expert at \$200, one indigent clerk at \$150, one claims man at \$150 and four janitors were allowed.

It was recommended that the office of county statistician be abolished. It was also recommended that the proceedings of the board of supervisors be printed in synopsis only.

The members of the legislative committee present today were Dr. George C. Bader, chairman; A. Jones, and Theodore Gier. Recommendations were made in request from the Alameda county delegation to the state legislature to secure information before acting upon the requests.

BOTH SIDES OBJECT TO JUDGE'S DECISION

Rehearing Is Asked in Quiet Title Suit

OAKLAND, Jan. 26.—Dissatisfied with a ruling of Superior Judge Conley of Alameda county, in a quiet title suit to help the court of this county with its congested calendar, the attorneys on both sides in the suit brought by David Jacks against Michael Healey ask for a reopening of the case today. Judge Harris, to whom they made their application after Judge Conley had left the courthouse, and in whose department the case is continued, used the matter until January 26. Jacks sued to clear title to his land, on which Healey had placed a lien for street works. Judge Conley gave judgment for Jacks without taking testimony as to the validity of the lien.

UNIVERSITY GRADUATE IS FEDERAL ENGINEER

Sumner Smith to Demonstrate Mine Rescue Cars

BERKELEY, Jan. 26.—As assistant engineer to Director Holmes, in charge of the new United States bureau of mines, Sumner S. Smith, a graduate of the university with the class of 1903, has commenced a course in the mining sections of the United States in charge of the new mine rescue cars which are being demonstrated in Wyoming. Smith expects soon to tour Utah with the cars, showing its advantages in the saving of life after mine explosions. The mine rescue work is a new undertaking on the part of the federal government.

SALESMAN IRRATIONAL ONLY IN NIGHTTIME

Adjudged Insane on Testimony of Wife and Physicians

OAKLAND, Jan. 26.—Although rational in the daytime, John P. Hutchins, according to his wife, is irrational at night. She testified to this effect today in Judge Ellisworth's court, saying that often, at night, he stopped in the middle of a sentence and forgot things. Hutchins is a salesman. Medical testimony showed also that he was unbalanced. He was adjudged insane and committed to Stockton state hospital.

COMPLAINT IS FILED AGAINST PISTOL USER

Assailant of Ship Owner Is Formally Accused

HAYWARD, Jan. 26.—Gustav Borries, a ship's painter, who shot Captain B. H. Madison, a wealthy ship owner, January 17 at his home here, was charged with assault to commit murder today in a complaint sworn to before Justice Charles Prowse by M. J. Madison, son of the wounded man. The elder Madison is recovering from the injury. Borries was shot and wounded by a pursuing posse.

Elizabeth Wiley, a Member of the Class of 1910



DEATH WINS RACE WITH A MOTHER

Mrs. Hattie Wiley Arrives in Honolulu Day After Her Daughter Succumbs

BERKELEY, Jan. 26.—Mrs. Hattie Wiley lost in a race with death. When she reached the side of her daughter at Honolulu it was to learn that the girl died the day before the steamer Lurline arrived. Miss Wiley was a graduate of the University of California.

Miss Wiley left here last fall to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gallagher at Honolulu for the benefit of her health. On receiving word of her daughter's serious illness, Mrs. Wiley, whose home is at 2718 Hearst avenue, left on the first steamer.

BOTANY PROFESSOR ADDED TO FACULTY

Dr. Robert Almer Harper Comes to University From Wisconsin

BERKELEY, Jan. 26.—To take charge of classes in botany during the absence of the semester of Prof. W. A. Satchell, Dr. Robert Almer Harper has resigned his professorship at the University of Wisconsin to join the faculty of the department of botany of the university. On the return of Professor Satchell the new faculty man will probably be selected to fill the place vacated several years ago by Prof. W. A. Satchell, now in the federal service at Washington.

GIRL IS ATTACKED BY THUG ON LONELY ROAD

Posse in Pursuit Fails to Find Miscreant

OAKLAND, Jan. 26.—An attack was made last night by a thug on Maud Linnoos soon after she got off a Hayward street car on the San Leandro road. The woman's screams attracted men living in the neighborhood, and armed with clubs and rifles they made a search for the miscreant, but without success.

MINISTER'S WIFE IS DEAD AFTER ILLNESS

Mrs. Charlotte Louis Duff Dies, Aged 51 Years

BERKELEY, Jan. 26.—Mrs. Charlotte Louise Duff, wife of Rev. J. E. Duff, pastor of the Faith Presbyterian church, Tenth and Grayson streets, West Berkeley, died last evening after an illness of two years. She had been failing in health for the past six months.

UNIVERSITY SAVANT OFF TO LOS ANGELES

Prof. E. L. Cory to Confer with Engineers in South

BERKELEY, Jan. 26.—Prof. E. L. Cory, dean of the college of mechanics of the university, left tonight for Los Angeles, where he will attend the committee meeting of the American electrical engineers. He will return Monday.

ESTUARY TUNNEL PROJECT FAVORED

City Engineer Considers Bill That Also Will Permit Building of Transbay Tube

OAKLAND, Jan. 26.—City Engineer F. C. Turner, at the request of occupants of East Oakland water front property, has taken up consideration of the proposed legislative bill to enable the supervisors to construct a tunnel under the estuary between Oakland and Alameda. Such an improvement is sought by the east Oakland manufacturers and shippers so that by removal of the drawbridges east Oakland basin may be made navigable by vessels too large to be taken through the bridges.

While the bill was originated in this county to relieve the Oakland and Alameda traffic, it is so constructed that it will apply to any county in which streams must be tunneled. The existing statutes, while authorizing the supervisors of a county to build bridges, does not confer power to make tunnels under the waters.

"The bill proposed, briefly," said Turner, "gives the right to the supervisors to build tunnels. They are empowered to spend \$5,000 out of the county general fund for investigations and estimates and the bill also authorizes the supervisors to call an election to vote bonds for the construction of such tunnels."

"The bill is broad enough to cover the construction of a tunnel between Oakland and Goat Island or between Oakland and San Francisco. In view of the recent advances in the art of tunneling under water, it seems as if the time is not far distant when such a project will be necessary and will be undertaken. It is only a question of time when bay traffic will require that we petition the federal government for the use of Goat Island for a tunnel terminal. This bill will make that project possible, for it is a broad act."

The proposed law was drawn by Assistant District Attorney W. H. L. Hynes, who mailed a draft of it today to Assemblyman George Fitzgerald of Alameda, at Sacramento. The measure contains besides the provisions enumerated by Turner, a clause giving the supervisors power to rent part of the tunnel to traction companies. The rental for such use would be fixed by the supervisors.

The San Pablo improvement club and the Tri city rotary club have adopted resolutions favoring the tunnel project.

HUSBAND BOASTS OF HIGH AFFECTION

Tells Wife of Loving Other Women From the Moment of Their Meeting

OAKLAND, Jan. 26.—An affinity, whom Randall D. Taaffe declared to be "the only little sweetheart I ever had," was the cause of his separation from his wife, Corinna. The latter obtained an interlocutory decree of divorce today after telling the court that Taaffe had spoken as above to her.

Mrs. Taaffe found the affinity's photograph in her husband's pocket and took him to task. This was the occasion for his speech. He told his wife that he had loved the original of the photograph from the first moment he saw her. His affinity owned three automobiles, he declared, and was really a millionaire. He mentioned her name. Later, she said, her husband left her, saying he was going to China with the other woman.

CADETS WILL SHINE AT MILITARY BALL

Brilliant Dance of Student Soldiers Set For March 24

BERKELEY, Jan. 26.—The annual military ball, the showy dance of the collegians for the year, when officers wear their brilliant uniforms and Harmon gymnasiums decorated with illuminations of war, will be held the evening of March 24. Captain Hall Roe, regimental adjutant, has been elected general chairman of the committee in charge, and Captain E. Robinson, its chairman of the arrangements committee. Captain W. C. Little will be floor manager.

SOPHOMORE ELECT C. H. BEAL PRESIDENT

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Jan. 26.—C. H. Beal was today elected president of the sophomore class over K. R. Levy by a vote of 101 to 25. Beal lives in Palo Alto and majors in the department of geology and mining. He last season acted as stroke and captain of the freshman crew.

SANTA ROSA ELKS MAY BUILD \$150,000 THEATER

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SANTA ROSA, Jan. 26.—Santa Rosa lodge of Elks is behind a movement to erect a \$150,000 theater in conjunction with a handsome lodge home and several storerooms in Fourth street. The lodge is planning for a new building of its own and the matter will be considered at a special meeting Wednesday evening.

CITY MUST GIVE SITE FOR ARMOY

Municipal Officials and Commercial Bodies Will Devise Plan to Acquire Land

OAKLAND, Jan. 26.—By donating a site for the proposed national guard armory, the city of Oakland will procure from the state legislature an appropriation of perhaps \$250,000 for the construction of the building, according to a communication received today by City Engineer Frederick C. Turner from Assemblyman George Fitzgerald. Least the bill to appropriate the money be delayed, the city administration and the civic and commercial organizations are asked to rally to its support. Turner has apprised Secretary A. A. Denison of the chamber of commerce and Secretary Wilber Walker of the Merchants' exchange of the status of the bill, and has asked those bodies to suggest means of procuring a suitable site for the armory. The board of public works and the city council will act on the matter.

"Assembly bill No. 216, appropriating \$250,000 for an armory for Oakland, has been favorably recommended by the committee on military affairs of the assembly. The bill is now before the committee on ways and means. The adjutant general is in favor of the proposition, providing the city of Oakland will display sufficient interest in it to donate a site. Even if a suitable time we can not secure the whole \$250,000, we can get a big slice of it if we make an effort. Such an armory could be used for a convention hall, and for other purposes. We suggest that you write to Hon. Prescott F. Cogswell, chairman of the committee on ways and means, and get your friends to do likewise."

Turner writes as follows to the secretaries of the chamber of commerce and Merchants' exchange: "I inclose herewith a copy of a letter from Hon. George Fitzgerald in regard to a state appropriation for an armory in Oakland. It may be that Mr. Fitzgerald has already sent you a copy, but as he does not say so, I thought the matter of sufficient importance to send you a copy. We will get the council and board of public works to send a favorable resolution in regard to the matter, but the actual donation of the site will be one that will be hard to arrange for unless by bond issue or by private contract. Will you kindly make the matter up with your commercial bodies and advise the board of public works what would be the wise thing for the city officials to do?"

WIFE FREED FROM BIGAMOUS UNION

Ethel C. Groom Was Married to Charles W. Hoffman, Who Has Wife Living

OAKLAND, Jan. 26.—The marriage of Ethel C. Groom, daughter of Deputy County Clerk J. J. Groom, and Charles W. Hoffman was annulled by Judge Graham yesterday on proof that it was bigamous. Hoffman's first wife being alive and undivorced. Hoffman is stated to have been a manufacturer's agent. Upon service on him of the summons in the annulment proceedings he left for Australia, and has not since been heard from.

"If this man could be brought back he should be prosecuted with the utmost rigor of the law," remarked Judge Graham in signing the decree. Miss Groom's testimony was that she married Hoffman in Oakland, December 27, 1909, and that since the marriage he had on several occasions admitted to her that he had a lawful wife alive and undivorced. In collaboration Attorney Hartley F. Peart introduced a copy of a marriage license issued in Charlottesville, Va., November 11, 1887, to Hoffman and Margaret Harris, Elizabeth Wear, who lives in St. Louis, Mo., was granted a divorce in San Francisco yesterday by Judge Frank R. Willis from W. H. Wear, a publisher's agent, who deserted his wife in 1908. Wear first went to Los Angeles from St. Louis, and then came to San Francisco, where he started suit for divorce. His wife filed a cross-complaint. She stated that she is a cripple.

RICHMOND SEEKS MAIL DELIVERY

Manufacturing City Expects Carrier Service to Be Ordered Before July

RICHMOND, Jan. 26.—Owing to the rapid increase of business in the Richmond postoffice, which has been especially marked since the coming of the factory workmen, it is expected that the postoffice will be declared a city delivery by July 1.

Hundreds of applications are filed for boxes and 400 additional boxes will be added at once, making a total of 1,500 boxes. This, to a large extent, will relieve the long waiting line.

TEACHERS' PENSION BILL AMENDMENT IS URGED

School Board President Against Cutting Present Annuities

A delegation of teachers interested in the bill now before the legislature to pension 70 aged teachers waited on the board of education today evening to discuss the provisions of the measure.

President Vaughan said yesterday that the bill places the 70 teachers on the annual fund, from which \$25 a month is now being given to about 70 other teachers. He suggested at Wednesday's discussion an amendment to the bill that would provide for those teachers who were drawing pensions now and not cut them down to \$12.50. He said that he was told that the amendment he proposed would kill the bill.

"I stated that I and the other directors favored a proposition to continue President Vaughan, 'that will assist teachers who have grown old in the service, but that I would not favor any measure that would cut down the pension now being paid to half and that if the proposed amendment would kill the bill it ought to be killed. One of the committee, remarked, 'Then you are against a proposition that I am against anything that will work an injustice to those old teachers whose pension has already been cut down from \$50, the amount originally paid, to \$25.'"

ENTERTAINMENT TO RAISE WORK FUNDS

San Francisco Polyclinic Busy With Details

For the purpose of raising funds to carry on their work, members of the San Francisco polyclinic have planned an entertainment in the Valencia theater the first Monday after Lent.

LIBRARIAN WANTS BOOKS RETURNED

University Official Asks Fraternities For Volumes That Strayed From Library

BERKELEY, Jan. 26.—In view of the loss suffered by the university library through books taken away without authority, Librarian Joseph C. Rowell has addressed a letter to the students through the student daily asking for a thorough search of the fraternity and club houses for missing volumes.

Only a few days ago one fraternity found six library books during its house cleaning. "There is no doubt if other fraternities, sororities and student clubs would undertake a systematic search for university books in their houses, a very considerable number of 'strays' would be rounded up and restored to the rightful use of the whole university."

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PERJURY IS CHARGED IN BANKRUPTCY CASE

Fred L. McKnight, a Glenn county rancher indicted by the federal grand jury last November for perjury in connection with bankruptcy proceedings, was arrested yesterday in Mariposa, Kern county, but released on furnishing a \$2,000 bond. The indictment charges that McKnight concealed the possession of six horses and a wagon from his creditors.

FORGER CONVICTED—OAKLAND, Jan. 26.—John J. Roche was convicted today of passing a fictitious check on the manager of the Athens hotel. He will be sentenced by Judge Wells Monday.

Jake de Rosier, Who Equaled Record on Racing Motorcycle



FAST TIME ON NEW MOTOR DROME TRACK

DeRosier Goes Mile Over the Oakland Course in 42 Seconds

OAKLAND, Jan. 26.—Jake De Rosier, riding his famous No. 2 Indian, seven horsepower motorcycle, in his first try-out on the new Oakland motordrome track at Elmhurst today made a mile in 42 seconds. No preparation had been made for the spin and DeRosier wore his street clothes when he made this first time.

The best time ever made on the Salt Lake speedway, which is three laps to the mile and banked at an angle of 45 degrees, was 42 seconds. DeRosier expects to do much better than this in his final work.

Bakie Seymour, riding seven horsepower machines, almost equaled DeRosier's time, and both after their trial work were enthusiastic over the possibilities of breaking records on the track.

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FUNERAL OF PARKER TO BE HELD SATURDAY

OAKLAND, Jan. 26.—Funeral services for Charles M. T. Parker, manager of the Massachusetts Mutual life insurance company, who committed suicide yesterday morning, will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Oakland crematory chapel, Howe and Mather streets.

UNDEERTAKER ARRESTED—San Rafael, Jan. 26.—Under a charge of wife abandonment, Edward F. Glasco, an undertaker, visited by wife at the Union hotel last night, with the result that he was arrested on a charge of battery made by Gus Bromser, proprietor of the hotel.

CHRISTENSEN IN COUNCIL RACE—Alameda, Jan. 26.—Councilman Peter Christensen has announced that he will be a candidate for reelection at the municipal election in April.

Try a Laxative Cough Syrup

Make It Yourself

If you have been going all winter with a troublesome weakening cough, without obtaining relief or cure from the numerous old time out of date cough mixtures, then you should try making at home a cough syrup that has a laxative, cleansing and tonic action. Essence Menthio-Laxene, when made into a syrup, quickly relieves the most chronic coughs and colds on the lungs of old or young, and not only that, but it has a most decided curative action so that almost any chronic case may be cured in a week or two. Buy of your druggist a 2 1/2 oz. package of essence Menthio-Laxene, containing full directions for making a pint of laxative cough syrup very easily at home.

You make a syrup of granulated sugar. Here is the formula: Essence mentho-laxene 2 1/2 Ozs. Granulated sugar syrup 1 1/2 Ozs. It makes the sweetest, cough remedy known for old people and children like it so well, too.

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