

BIG THROG CHEERS SPREADING OF MORTAR

Grand President Daniel A. Ryan Wields Trowel in the Name of California

"In the name of the great God, in the name of California, in the names of our pioneer fathers and mothers, and to the glory of the Native Sons and Native Daughters of the Golden West, I lay this cornerstone."

With these words, Daniel A. Ryan, grand president of the order, yesterday afternoon tapped into position the cornerstone of the nine story building of the Native Sons of the Golden West to be erected on the site of the old hall in Mason street south of Post. A vast crowd occupied every available point of vantage and cheered lustily as the cornerstones were laid. The banners of 50 of the parlors of the order, were banked against the platform, from which Ryan addressed the gathering. Sixteen years ago—Washington's birthday, 1895—the cornerstone of the first hall of the order was laid by Grand President J. C. Sproule. The box containing current coins, daily newspaper, city and state publications and records of the order, was placed under the first cornerstone and again embedded in the cavity yesterday, but with it went a new box. Similar documents and articles were enclosed in the latter, and in addition a copy of Will Irwin's "The City that Was," copies of the daily papers showing the landing of an airship on a war vessel in the harbor and the sailing of Tetraxini in the open street, a map of San Francisco in 1847, a copy of the current telephone directory, a piece of oakwood from the United States cruiser California, built at the Union Iron works, and a copy of the Grizzly Bear magazine.

The building will be a steel frame structure with pressed brick and terra cotta front. It will cost \$225,000. Members of the order have already sub-

scribed for stock in the building association to the extent of \$195,000.

45 PARLORS PARADE

Prior to the laying of the foundation stone yesterday 45 parlors of the order paraded from the ferry up Market street to Eighth, around Marshall square monument, down Market and up Mason to the site of the building. Crowds lined the streets throughout the line of march and stood for almost an hour as the brightly costumed throng passed by. About 20 brass bands, drum corps, and drum and pipe bands furnished life and sound to the parade. A feature that attracted much attention was a cage of brown bears. Another cage containing four lions and a lady lion tamer also formed part of the procession.

A squad of mounted police led the parade, followed by Chief Seymour in an automobile. Along about the middle of the procession were four automobiles containing the grand officers, Mayor McCarthy, former Mayor James D. Phelan and Supervisor Kelly. The grand marshal was Angelo Rossi, and owing to his energy the parade got away promptly at 1:30. Rossi's aids were J. Emmet Hayden, T. B. W. Leonard, Frank W. Marston and George F. Welch. The following parlors of the Native Sons and Native Daughters marched:

California No. 1, with drum corps.
California No. 2, Junior Order Native Sons.
La Borella No. 3, N. D. G. W.
Pacific No. 10.
Golden Gate No. 20.
Mission No. 38, drill team and drum corps.
Yosemite No. 58, N. D. G. W.
San Francisco No. 49, piccolo and drum corps.
Oro Fino No. 6, N. D. G. W.
El Dorado No. 52, with band.
Mount Tamalpais No. 94.
Sea Point No. 138.
Ribbon No. 72.
California No. 103, N. D. G. W.
Bay City No. 104, with drum corps.
Neville No. 105.

South San Francisco parlor No. 157.
Alameda parlor No. 156, with drum corps.
El Vespero parlor No. 118, N. D. G. W.
Piedra parlor No. 187.
Keith parlor No. 137, N. D. G. W.
Olympian parlor No. 189, with drum corps.
Flouris containing lionards.
Fresquito parlor No. 134, with piccolo and drum corps.
Presidio parlor No. 148, N. D. G. W.

Marshall parlor No. 202.
Army and Navy parlor No. 267.
Berkeley parlor No. 210, with drum corps.
Twin Peaks parlor No. 214.
El Capitán parlor No. 222.
Buena Vista parlor No. 223.
Guadalupe parlor No. 231.
Castro parlor No. 232, with piccolo and drum corps.
Castro parlor No. 232, N. D. G. W.

SUN SMILES BLESSING AS NATIVE SONS SET CORNERSTONE OF THEIR NEW HOME



Grand President Daniel A. Ryan laying cornerstone of new Native Sons' building.

HISTORIC MEMENTOES PLACED IN RECEPTACLE

'The City That Was,' Tetraxini's Street Singing And Air Flight to Warship Are Preserved

Bay View parlor No. 238.
Clarendon parlor No. 240.
Argosius parlor No. 108, N. D. G. W.
James Lick parlor No. 242.

When the last parlor in the parade had fallen into position near the site of the building, Past President Lewis F. Byington made the opening speech. Byington said in part:

"The cornerstone of our building is loyalty; loyalty to the pioneer fathers and mothers; loyalty to the traditions of the west; loyalty to our state, and above all else loyalty to the flag of our common country."

"We hope that this building, when completed, may ever remain a lasting monument to the patriotic spirit of this order. When this fair city seated by the Golden Gate and resolutely facing the awakened East shall be enriched with the commerce of every land and every sea and shall rival in population, in beauty and in art, the greatest cities of the world, may California, with her glorious heritage, in every movement for the advancement of liberty and the betterment of humanity, stand in the forefront of the nation."

Mrs. Mamie C. Peyton, grand president of the Native Daughters, was introduced by Byington. She spoke of the rebuilding of San Francisco as one of the wonders of mankind. The following telegram from Governor Johnson was read by Byington:

Official duties compel me to decline the very courteous invitation to participate in laying the cornerstone of the Native Sons' hall February 22, and to attend the banquet at the Fairmont hotel the same evening. Permit me to express my high appreciation of the honor conferred upon me by the invitation and to express my best wishes for the memorable ceremony and an enjoyable evening.

Mayor McCarthy made a short address.

Past Grand President Charles M.

Belehaw delivered an address, after which Ryan laid the cornerstone.

James D. Phelan was introduced as the orator of the occasion. Apart from his references to the new Japanese treaty, which are reported in another column, Phelan said in part:

"The enthusiasm which has been displayed today recalls to my mind the laying of the cornerstone 18 years ago. Yet there was not the same enthusiastic demonstration on that occasion. What has happened today is significant of the trials and stress we have gone through. We have been drawn closer together in the upbuilding of our city. Anyone who contributes to that end is regarded as our benefactor and friend. We saw our magnificent city razed in a night, but we did not go away. It reminds me of the Indian who was found wandering in the woods and who was asked if he were lost. 'No, Indian is here. Wigwam is lost,' he replied. We are back to our old wigwam today. And this good Indian will be welcomed. San Francisco is a natural city, but Oakland is an acquired taste. I say San Francisco is a natural city because nothing less than a natural city could have withstood earthquake, fire, plague, fear—all the elements seem to have been against us. In the next five years we will be conspicuous in the eyes of the nations of the world. Let us do all in our power to bring about a consummation devoutly to be wished, namely, that the city itself shall be an exhibition of beauty, of charm and of cleanliness to our guests. We have less than five short years, and there will be no difficulty in doing it if we are imbued with the spirit of progress."

A banquet was held last night at the Fairmont hotel. Almost 600 members of the order sat down at the banquet board.

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