

The Call Has the Best
COMMERCIAL
REAL ESTATE
THEATRICAL
SPORTING
SOCIETY
MARINE

NEWS

THE



CALL



THE WEATHER
YESTERDAY — Highest temperature, 76;
lowest Thursday night, 54.
FORECAST FOR TODAY — Fair, with fog
at night; light south wind, changing to west.

VOLUME CX.—NO. 157.

SAN FRANCISCO, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1911.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

STATE PRIMARY FOR PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S PLAN

Governor to Call Special Session
of Legislature to Meet
December 6

Matters to Be Submitted Are
Limited by Resolution at
Conference

New Method of Choosing Elec-
tors Would Give Women
Opportunity to Vote

[Special Dispatch to The Call]
SACRAMENTO, Nov. 3.—The legis-
lature will meet in extraordinary
session December 6. Provision
for the presidential primary un-
doubtedly will be made during that
session, which is expected to last until
Christmas.

These were the principal develop-
ments of the conference begun today
by Governor Hiram W. Johnson with a
number of legislators called together
for the purpose of considering matters
to be included in the call for the ex-
tra session.

Although the inclusion of the presi-
dential primary provision in the call
is not absolutely certain, there is every
reason to believe that the governor
will find it expedient to include this
subject, even though it will have the
result of risking something which the
Johnson forces now have in their con-
trol, the naming of the presidential
electors in California in 1912.

Session With Legislators

In discussing the matter in the ex-
ecutive session with the legislators to-
day, the governor asserted that the
former controlling faction in the re-
publican party of this state would not
make provision for a presidential pri-
mary under present conditions, but he
felt that fairness should be the actu-
ating motive of the administration.

"We've got the conscience and the
other fellow has not," was the way he
summed it up.

Lieutenant Governor A. J. Wallace
joined with Senators Boynton, Cutten,
Shanahan, Stetson and Holohan and
Assemblyman Beckett and Young in
speaking in favor of the presidential
primary.

"If we give up all we have we are
giving up a sure thing for an uncer-
tainty, but to be consistent we must
give it," said Wallace in discussing the
proposition of letting the present or-
ganization head a convention for the
naming of presidential electors, and
thereby preventing the newly enfran-
chised women from participation in the
selection of presidential candidates un-
til 1916.

Many Subjects Suggested
In opening the conference this morn-
ing Governor Johnson said he had re-
ceived so many requests regarding
matters to be included in the call for
the extra session that he had decided
to have a conference with some of the
legislators.

With a view to limiting in a way
the matters to be submitted, Senator
Stetson offered the following resolu-
tion, which was adopted by the con-
ference:

Resolved, that it is the desire of
this meeting that only such mat-
ters be included in the call for a
special session as will relate to
extraordinary cases:

(A) Which have not existed dur-
ing previous regular sessions of
the legislature under existing con-
stitutional provisions.

(B) When legislation is neces-
sary to prevent great financial loss
or secure great economies to the
state.

(C) When legislation is abso-
lutely necessary to do justice or
prevent injustice.

(D) Where legislation is neces-
sary to render operation consti-
tutional amendments recently
adopted, such legislation being of
imperative importance.

(E) Where legislation is indis-
pensable to enable the state to
continue to perform functions now
being performed by it.

(F) And for reappointment of
political subdivisions of the state
as provided by the constitution.

(G) And consideration of muni-
cipal charters.

Wide Variety in Bills
Notwithstanding the adoption of this
resolution, the discussion this after-
noon ranged from the reappointment
of the state and the presidential pri-
mary to the poisoning of infected squir-
rels. The fact that committees were
named by Lieutenant Governor Wal-
lace and Speaker A. H. Hewitt with
the apparent sanction of the governor
to draft bills on certain lines of leg-
islation indicates that a wide variety
of matters will be included in the call
unless the governor sees fit to undo
some of the work begun by the con-
ference today.

Herewith is the list of committees
named during the day:

Primary election laws (including presidential
primary)—Young, Boynton, Cartwright, Shanahan,
Cutten, Griffin.

\$10,000 Day Profit Predicted for Cat Ranch in Oakland

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

CHICAGO, Nov. 3.—A plan
was presented to Postmaster
Campbell today that comes al-
most as near a solution of end-
less motion as the plan of
dumping refuse into the Chi-
cago river and then digging it
out again, with profit in each
operation.

The received letter reads as
follows:

Knowing that you have had
some interest in the fur busi-
ness I take the liberty of pre-
sents you with what seems
to me a most wonderful propo-
sition, and, in which no doubt,
you will take a lively interest,
and perhaps wire me the amount
of stock that you wish to sub-
scribe toward the formation of
this company.

The object of the company is
to operate a large cat ranch in
or near Oakland, where land
can be purchased cheap for this
purpose.

To start with we will collect
about, says 100,000 cats. Each
cat will average 12 kittens a
year. The skins will run from
10 cents each for the white ones
to 75 cents for the pure black.
This will give us 1,200,000 skins
a year to sell at an average of
20 cents apiece, making our
revenue about \$10,000 a day.

And so on.

The postmaster gasped; the
writer, L. T. Smith, gives no
address.

GRAIN BROKER IN TROUBLE FOR CHANGING COAT

Collector Stratton Accuses R.
Augustus Bray of Smug-
gling New Garment

R. Augustus Bray, grain broker and
relative of many who are serene in
Oakland society, must explain to the
United States grand jury a lively little
episode in alleged smuggling which
may be entitled "Old Overcoats for
New." His social compeer of the east
side of the bay, Collector of the Port
Fred Stratton, has put the sleuth
hounds of the United States treasury
department on the trail of the coats
and they are hunting their quarry into
the federal grand jury room.

To make the episode more interest-
ing to Oakland social circles the chief
witnesses against Bray may be his
wife's half sisters, Mrs. Victor H. Met-
calf Jr. and Miss Margaret Butters.
Mrs. Bray, Mrs. Metcalf and Miss But-
ters are all daughters of Mrs. Henry
Butters, widow of the millionaire.

The steamer Mongolla, with Captain
Henry Morton on the bridge, came into
port October 23, and among the pas-
sengers was Mrs. Victor H. Metcalf Jr.,
who had been touring in the Orient.
Bray and his wife and Miss Margaret
Butters were at the Mall dock to see
the vessel arrive and were among the
first to go on the ship and greet the
returned traveler.

When Bray went aboard the sharp
eyed customs officers at the dock noticed
that he wore a rather old overcoat for
him pass. When he came off the ship
they noticed him more closely, for it
appeared to them that his overcoat had
suddenly become renovated or reju-
venated and seemed entirely different
from the garment he had when he went
aboard. He wore a new overcoat. The
officers at the ship said nothing to Bray
but reported the mysterious change to
Collector Stratton.

Stratton, as one Oakland man to an-
other, summoned Bray, and asked him
to explain the transformation of the
overcoat. Bray, it is said, denied that
he secured a new overcoat on the Mon-
golla.

But the matter was not allowed to
rest there. Stratton turned the matter
over to Special Agents Bean and Tid-
well of the treasury department. They
investigated and found that Miss But-
ters and Mrs. Victor H. Metcalf Jr.
would testify against their sister's
husband in effect that he secured the
new overcoat on board ship.

In the meantime, Bray had conferred
with his friend, Colonel Oscar F. Long,
formerly of the transport service, who
is the husband of a daughter of Mark
Requa—another family prominent in
Oakland society. Bray asked the
colonel to shield him by taking the
overcoat for a while. But the colonel
refused, it is said, declaring that he
had a long and honorable service in
the army, and that he would not soil it
over a contraband overcoat.

Stratton sent Chief Boarding Officer
Charles Stephens to see Bray again and
conduct him to Stratton's office. Then
there was another scene, and now Bray
was to face the federal grand jury,
which will investigate the alleged
smuggling exploit of the grain broker.

WOMEN AND BABES MASSACRED AT HANKOW Rebels Seize Native City of Shanghai and Arsenal

Scenes at Shanghai, where the rebels have seized the native city and arsenal and are preparing to sweep up the river, and a portrait of the Chinese general, who has presented a memorial to the throne in which he refuses to accept the premiership.



A SECTION OF THE WATERFRONT
AT SHANGHAI



THE AMERICAN CONSULATE



THE BUND



A CHINESE SKY SCRAPER
AT SHANGHAI



UNDERWOOD AND UNDERWOOD PHOTO

YUAN SHI KAI

STREETS ARE PILED WITH DEAD

Imperialists Butcher on All Sides
as Hungry Flames Sweep
Streets

SHELLS DROP INTO
BRITISH CONCESSION

Rebels Bombard Loyalist Posi-
tion From Across River With
Terrible Destruction

War News of the Hour
Received From China
Rebels have seized native city
of Shanghai and arsenal.
Women and children are butchered
by frenzied imperialists while
flames sweep over Hankow.
Leaders telegraph General Li
Yuen Heng to cease hostilities
following victory at Shanghai.
Wusung, north of Shanghai, is
expected to fall at any minute.
Province of Yunan on the fron-
tier of Tibet has declared its
independence.
Yuan Shi Kai in memorial to
throne refuses to accept office
of premier.
National assembly drafts basis
of new constitution, which is
accepted by the throne.

RODGERS GLIDES 4 MILES FOR LIFE

Aviator and Death in Spiral
4,000 Feet Above the
Salton Sea

IMPERIAL JUNCTION, Nov. 3.—Un-
less some engine or other trouble un-
foreseen develops, Calbraith Perry Rod-
gers, transcontinental aviator, will
practically end his long flight from
the Atlantic to the Pacific Sunday after-
noon when he arrives in Pasadena.

Rodgers' hour of departure from this
place depends largely upon how soon
his mechanics can adjust the magne-
to and motor. It is expected he will re-
sume his flight Sunday morning.

Aviator Fights for Life
When Rodgers took the air at 7:30
this morning at the obscure little desert
waterhole called Stovall Sliding, Ariz.,
with but a trifle over 300 miles between
him and the Pacific coast, there was
every reason to believe that he would
make his goal, or at least very near to
it, by evening.

Two hours later he was fighting for
his life, 4,000 feet in the air, over the
Salton sea.

With a cylinder blown out, and his
motor a complete wreck, Rodgers vol-
untarily 4 miles and landed in front
of the depot here. He was flying at the
rate of 75 miles an hour when, without
an instant's warning, the number one
cylinder exploded, tearing out the crank
case, bending the shaft, and ruining the
magneto. Several pieces of flying metal
passed perilously near to Rodgers' head.

Long Spiral Started
Rodgers immediately "warped" his
machine and, with a circle two miles in
diameter, started a spiral to earth. His
landing was as graceful as it was easy.
A few railroad men were the only ones
who witnessed the descent and they,
with Rodgers, placed the aeroplane on
a pile of ties in order to lift it from
the ground and make repairs that much
easier.

When the special train following
Rodgers arrived, his mechanics at once
began work on the engine. The three
mechanics practically had to rebuild a
motor, and all the material they had to
work on was the remains of this one,
and the one wrecked at Kyle, Tex., Oc-
tober 29.

When Rodgers reached Imperial
Junction he had flown 4,034 miles in
4,703 minutes. In other words, the ac-
tual time he has put in from Sheeps-
head bay to Imperial Junction is 4 days,
6 hours and 23 minutes, which is much
faster than the time of the fastest ex-
press trains.

THIRTY-SIX RATTLES
ARE KILLED IN CAVE

Mottled Lizards Found House-
keeping With Snakes

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

RENO, Nov. 3.—J. W. Mallory and
Frank Barlage of Coleville, Mono
county, Cal., discovered a rattlesnake
den a few days ago at Toll house on
the West Walker river. They killed
36 snakes. Living with the snakes
were a number of lizards of mottled
skin. All were in a cave at an eleva-
tion of 6,250 feet.

TURKS HOLD FORTS ON OUTER TRIPOLI

Garrisons in City Are Still in
Hands of the Italian
Troops

BERLIN, Nov. 3.—The report that all
the outer forts at Tripoli are in the
hands of the Turks is confirmed in well
informed circles here. The Italians
hold the forts within the city proper.

VEGETARIAN IMPROVES
MORE THAN MEAT EATER

Brothers Test Diets on Trip
Across Continent

[Special Dispatch to The Call]
DENVER, Nov. 3.—That vegetables
are more nourishing than meat has
been shown by Jesse Buffum and War-
ren H. Buffum, brothers, who are walk-
ing across the continent as an experi-
ment, and who proceeded from here on
their journey toward the Pacific coast
today.

One is eating meat and the other
vegetables. They arrived in Denver
last night, and slept on the roof of a
hotel. They say they have not slept
in a bed since they started from Boston.

When they started west there was
but three pounds difference in their
weights. Warren H. Buffum, the vegete-
rian eater is now fifteen pounds heav-
ier than his brother.

CHAIR USED BY CLAY
BRINGS PRICE OF JUNK

Old Furniture Sold in Senate
Wing of Capital

[Special Dispatch to The Call]
WASHINGTON, Nov. 3.—Many pieces
of old furniture and other discarded
articles went under the auctioneer's
hammer yesterday at the annual sale
in the senate wing of the capital.

Although most of the articles sold
were purchased originally at handsome
prices, the sale figures ranged from 25
cents for a map 10x5 feet showing
irrigation projects in the west to 40
cents for a carpet from the private land
claims committee.

A desk, a bookcase and a chair which,
it was said, were once used by Henry
Clay, were all sold for less than \$10.

SHORT BUT SWEET (?)
"GOOD NIGHTS" AT U. OF W.

University Women Not to Abro-
gate 12:30 a. m. Rule

MADISON, Wis., Nov. 3.—The Self-
Government association, composed of
university women, has voted not to
abrogate the rule whereby all women
attendants must return from 12 o'clock
parties at 12:30 a. m. It is said that
a certain society faction among the
girls favored a 1 o'clock leave taking,
but the more serious minded won in
their advocacy of the earlier hour.

WOMAN IS MERRY PRECEDING SUICIDE

Gaiety at Party Attributed to
Knowledge That Her Death
Was Near

LONG BEACH, Nov. 3.—Mrs. Gertrude
Conkle, the beautiful wife of C. C.
Conkle, a wealthy resident of Seattle
and well known in railroad and finan-
cial circles of Colorado and the north-
west, committed suicide at the home of
her brother in this city Tuesday morn-
ing. She drank cyanide of potassium.
News of her death was suppressed by
the authorities until this evening.

Mrs. Conkle arrived in Long Beach
about three months ago and was visit-
ing at the home of her brother. At
the house it was stated tonight that
Mrs. Conkle had been watched for
many years by her relatives, who
feared she would attempt self-destruc-
tion.

An hour before the suicide occurred
Mrs. Conkle was the center of a merry
party given in her honor at her
home. Relatives now say they believe
that Mrs. Conkle's unusual gaiety was
due entirely to her insane joy in con-
templation of her death, knowing that
she had an unfalling means at her
command.

GERMAN IS CONVICTED
OF SPYING IN ENGLAND

Lieutenant of Hussars Sent to
Prison

EXETER, Eng., Nov. 3.—Lieutenant
Philip M. Schultz of the Thirteenth
hussars, stationed at Frankfort on the
Main, was convicted at the Devonshire
assizes today on the charge of spying
and sentenced to 21 months' imprison-
ment. It was alleged by the prosecution
that Schultz was commissioned by
the German authorities to obtain in-
formation as to how far the British
government supported France in the
dispute over Morocco.

\$20,000 REGISTERED
PACKAGE DISAPPEARS

Postoffice Inspectors Tracing
Bank's Money

LYNCHBURG, Va., Nov. 3.—A regis-
tered package containing \$20,000, a re-
mittance from a Bluefield, W. Va.,
bank to a correspondent, is said to
have disappeared from the mails last
Friday night between Bluefield and
Charlottesville, Va. Postal inspectors
began an investigation today.

HONDURAN REBELS BEATEN IN BATTLE

Revolution Involves Trouble
With Salvador in Which
Guatemala Is Concerned

PUERTO CORTEZ, Honduras, Nov. 1
(delayed in transmission).—Govern-
ment troops defeated 200 revolutionists
under the leadership of Ocho Velisquez,
a member of the cabinet of Honduras,
in a desperate battle Sunday. The rebel
losses are said to be heavy. Velisquez
escaped into Salvador.

Another engagement took place Sun-
day at San Pedro Sula, where a number
of rebels were wounded and 36
captured while planning an attack on
military headquarters in that city.

Still more serious trouble is reported
on the Salvadoran frontier, where
General Carras is said to be at the head
of a large body of revolutionists. Car-
rias is said to have invaded Honduras
from Salvador October 21 with sev-
eral hundred former adherents of
Zelaya, who ruled Nicaragua.

In connection with this uprising,
trouble is threatened between Hondu-
ras and Guatemala, on the one hand,
and the government of Salvador on the
other.

NORTHERN SALMON PACK
BREAKS ALL RECORDS

Total for Year Estimated at
5,850,000 Cases

SEATTLE, Nov. 3.—The 1911 salmon
pack is the largest on record, exceeding
by 750,000 cases, the output of any
previous year.

The total pack of canned salmon this
year for Alaska, British Columbia,
Puget Sound, Grays Harbor and the
Columbia river, is estimated at 5,850,000
cases.

Packers estimate the Alaska pack at
3,000,000 cases; Puget Sound 1,350,000
cases, Columbia river 500,000 cases,
British Columbia 750,000 cases, outside
points 250,000 cases.

OREGON DUE IN HARBOR
TONIGHT OR TOMORROW

Battleship to Anchor Off Mare
Island Monday

[Special Dispatch to The Call]
MARE ISLAND, Nov. 3.—The famous
battleship Oregon will drop anchor off
the Mare Island light next Monday. The
big man-of-war should arrive in San
Francisco bay Saturday night or Sun-
day.

1660 ACRES
RIVER LANDS
Peat and Sediment
A1 Levees
Ideal shipping facilities. Railroad
and river transportation at each end
of property; crops, asparagus, beans,
potatoes and barley. Acreage ditched
for irrigation. Large pumping plant;
50 head of horses; wagons; farming
implements; barns and houses go
with the property. Acreage leased
on cash rental yielding 20 per cent
on purchase price. Liberal terms,
low interest on deferred payments.
INQUIRE
HARRIGAN,
WEIDENMULLER & ROSENSTIRN
345 Montgomery St.