

Administration's First Day's Business Record Greater

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who will act as assistant secretary until the routine of the office is mastered by the new staff.
Mrs. Rolph and the three Rolph children accompanied the mayor to the office to see that he was comfortably installed there.

COMMON SENSE IS TO DICTATE Business Methods Will Take Place of Old Routine in City Work

Two resolutions introduced before the new board of supervisors yesterday afternoon by Supervisor Murdock as chairman of the public efficiency and civil service committee of the board foresaw the new regime of business principles which the Rolph administration promised to adopt upon taking office.

The first resolution was one calling upon the finance committee and the committee on public efficiency and civil service, jointly, to consider and report upon the possibility of immediately introducing a system of uniform accounting in all offices and branches of the municipality. The resolution suggested the following as the basis for the study: "The report of the accountants employed by the Merchants' association, or the modification of the plan to meet the requirements of the business of the city, or the serious study by the members of Murdock's committee, and a complete report is expected within a short time. The resolution was unanimously adopted."

The second resolution, which was referred to Murdock's committee, together with the committee on supplies, was one calling upon the heads of the various departments to assist in the efficiency desired. Its substance sounds the very keynote of the "business government" which the Rolph administration is pledged to give to San Francisco. The resolution reads:
Resolved, that the various departments of the city government, including county offices and all boards and commissions, be urged to earnestly and freely cooperate with the board of supervisors in a determined purpose to increase efficiency and economy. The city should get more work and better work for the money it spends. It should use on permanent improvements what it can save on waste. Believing that we can accomplish this by methods that have brought results elsewhere, the committee formed two new committees to work for better conditions.

The committee on economy and civil service will seek to stop useless expenditures and to promote better operating methods in every department. It will not favor economy based on underpaid labor, but will ask that every dollar be employed as wisely as possible. It will insist that politics be eliminated as an object of service and that every dollar an employe earns shall be his. It will do all in its power to secure civil service on a basis of valid rights and not of unfitness and inefficiency.

The committee on supplies will standardize specifications and contracts, and treat those who deal with the city with absolute fairness. It will insist on being treated in the same manner. It will urge home industry so far as it is lawfully can. Both the city and honest bidders will be protected. Contracts will be closely checked. There must be responsibility in the use of material, and waste and loss of supplies will be guarded against to the fullest extent.

PRETTY SWISS SINGERS AT EMPRESS THEATER A "Society Texas Tommy Carnival" Also an Attraction

The Empress bill this week is attracting much attention. It is headed by several "lead" acts, among which are those provided by the Sarnthaller troupe of Swiss serenaders, who are pretty girls from the Alps and sing their native songs. W. J. Coleman, who is a clever monologist; the Gruetts, comedians; Calvert Dean and Leta Price, in a quick sketch of student life; and Maglin, Eddy and Nettles, who supply some superior athletic acts.

Cort Sale Opens

The seat sale for the great Puccini opera, "The Barber of Seville," opens at the Cort theater at 9 o'clock this morning.

REV. MR. DALTON TAKES MISS MARVEL AS WIFE

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes officiated at the wedding of Rev. Mr. Dalton and Miss Marvel at the residence of the bride's parents, 435 Bush street, San Francisco, Jan. 8.

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes Officiates at Wedding

The wedding party included the daughters of the bridegroom, Rev. L. N. Moyer and Mrs. Moyer and members of Bishop Hughes' family.

POLYGLOT SWINDLER EDITS PRISON PAPER

Articles are published in four languages. Madrid, we read in a Paris journal, possesses a model prison which produces its own newspaper. The editor is an international swindler, who can speak many languages, so to make the paper popular he has articles in Spanish, French, German and English. Everything is done in the prison. The editorial offices are on the second story, which in consequence, is known as the "gallery of all the talents." It seems that the authorities allow the prisoners on the staff to go out to distribute their journal and to canvass for advertisements, which are found on the fourth and last page. The editor has lofty ideas. His paper contains philosophical notes, general articles, a financial column, and a "poet's corner."

SLOT MACHINES USED AS BANK DEPOSITORIES

Budapest Institution Finds Idea Encourages Thrift. Slot machines as depositories for savings have been found by a Budapest banking concern to be an excellent means of increasing the amount of money handled by its savings department. The slot machines, according to the Budapest bank, are placed in the street and the persons placing money in them are automatically given a receipt, which may be exchanged against a bankbook or key until such time as the receiver is desirous of withdrawing the deposit from the bank. The idea is that people will deposit small amounts if relieved of the necessity of going to the bank to do so, and also that the eight of the machines will cause them to deposit coins within instead of spending them. It is said that the deposits of the bank have shown a remarkable increase since the idea was instituted.

Mayor Rolph's office policeman, stenographer and private secretary.



Miss Elizabeth Ferry, Thomas A. Walsh, and Edward Rainey.

ENGLAND'S ASCOTS ANCIENT CUSTOM

Inaugural Meeting of Famous Horse Races Held in Year 1711

There is a peculiar interest attaching to the famous heath at Ascot, Bally's Magazine gives some interesting details about the Ascots of the past. Ascot maintains its long reputation of being the resort of the most fashionable section of English society, but it was not always a place of such imagination to picture the scene on the day of the inaugural meeting on August 11, 1711, although the same relative section of society was there. Manners and customs differed; the course itself was totally unlike what it is now. There were no stands, royal or grand, while as for costumes, there was a sea of white and blue, with a fashionable dame of the past with her sister of the present. Anent which it may be interesting to remark that Dean Swift, in his journal to Stella, speaks of the reigning beauty of the period, Miss Forester, as being dressed like a man. She was attired in a riding habit made up of a blue coat, large flapped waistcoat, periwig and cravat, and a small, three cornered, gold laced beaver cocked hat, so mannish, indeed, that she was mistaken for a man.

"HALCYON DAYS" LIMITED TO TWO WEEKS IN YEAR

Name Derived From Bird and Its Nesting Time

The seven days preceding and the seven days following the shortest day of the year were called by the ancients the halcyon days. This phrase, familiar as an expression of tranquility and happiness, is derived from a fable that during the period indicated, while the halcyon bird or kingfisher was spawning, the sea was always calm and might be navigated in perfect security by the mariner. According to the poetic fiction the bird was represented as hatching her eggs on a floating nest in the midst of the waters. The festival of St. Thomas the apostle, or December 21, was instituted in the twelfth century, and assigned an early place in the ecclesiastical calendar for many a century. It was a day of the most undisputed evidence of the resurrection. He is regarded as the patron saint of architects and builders, with a representation in pictorial art holding a builder's square. It is said that after the dispersion of the apostle St. Thomas preached the gospel to the Medes, Persians, Bactrians, Ethiopians and people of India, and that among the last named he suffered martyrdom at Melapour, and was burned in a church that he had caused to be erected in that city, says the Indianapolis News.

OUR MODERN LAUNDRY ON THE PREMISES INSURES CLEANLINESS AT THE LURLINE OCEAN WATER BATHS, BUSH AND LARKIN STREETS.

Suits and towels thoroughly washed and sterilized. Inspection invited.

Notable Deaths

EWING HILL, ADVERTISING MAN—St. Louis, Jan. 8.—Ewing Hill, 70 years old, originator of the Ewing Hill brand of cigars, died at his home here. He was president of the Western Advertising company.

Marriage Licenses

SAN FRANCISCO
The following marriage licenses were issued January 8, 1912:

BOETZNER—MORSE—Otto F. Boetznar, 35, and Marie A. Morse, 24, of San Francisco. BROTTO—LORD—Peter Broetto, 24, 1109 Broadway, and Josephine Lombardi, 18, 127 Filbert street.

RADIUM AND ELECTRIC CURRENTS CURE WARTS

French Physician Announces Results of Tests. The warts of childhood and those of old age are quite different. Doctor Lobigous, a French physician, has found those of youth to be both contagious and infectious, and he advises electricity in some form instead of the ordinary and often unsatisfactory treatment.

CREMATED BODIES FOUND IN FRANKISH CEMETERY

Interesting Archaeological Discovery Made Near Brecht. An interesting archaeological discovery has been made near Brecht, where the remains of what was evidently a Frankish cemetery have been found. The main interest in the discovery lies in the fact that clear traces are to be seen in the cemetery of cremated bodies, as well as of bodies buried in the ordinary way, whereas hitherto it has always been believed that cremation was not practiced among the Franks. The facts would seem to be, judging from the relics found in this particular cemetery, that ordinary burying was by far the more common practice, but that cremation was resorted to in comparatively rare cases, possibly where some special honor was intended to the deceased.

MISTLETOE MAINE POISON THE LATEST AFFLICTION

Physicians Smile and Turn Away at Holiday Ills. "A Christmas dinner isn't a very digestible meal," said Dr. Henry C. Higgins, in a recent lecture.

100 FOOT BRIDGE IS CONSTRUCTED OF BAMBOO

Remarkable Span Is Built By Java Engineers. In Java government engineers have recently constructed a road bridge more than 100 feet long, with a central span of more than 60 feet, entirely of bamboo. The roadbed is composed of bamboo matting, which will be covered with a layer of dry earth. In profile the bridge resembles a steel structure, but all the members are bamboo rods. It is estimated that such a bridge should be good for 13 or 15 years. There are two kinds of bamboo used in building and cabinet making in the east—one having solid and the other hollow stems. The solid, used in Japanese furniture, is much smaller than the hollow, but both belong to the same species. In the construction of bamboo houses no nails are used. The parts are bound together with lashings formed from the skin of bamboo itself.

NEW STAMP ISSUE FOR THE COLLECTORS

Bavarian Government Announces Commemorative Issue. The Bavarian government announces the issue of a new series of postage stamps which a Paris contemporary tells us will be eagerly sought after by collectors. The stamps commemorate the nineteenth birthday of the prince regent. The authorities know something about stamp collecting. They have not been misinformed, a second printing is taking place on a thicker paper than that of the first. So every self-respecting collector will feel compelled to have both issues.

HOOT MON, CARNEGIE PUTS OWER ANOTHER UN

"Who Are You?" "Fine, Hoot's Versel?" Recruited to Colonel. Andrew Carnegie, on the occasion of his seventy-fourth birthday, told a group of New York reporters a Scotch story. The story, which arose out of an inquiry about Carnegie's health, ran thus: "A Scottish recruit stood on guard before a colonel's tent when the colonel, putting out his head, said sternly to the new soldier: 'Who are you?' 'Who are you?' 'Fine, Hoot's Versel?' The recruit grinned and answered: 'Fine! Hoot's Versel?'"

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

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