

Donohoe Out and Successor Named T. J. Roche Appointed in Spiro's Place

COMMISSIONER FOUND GUILTY OF MISCONDUCT

William H. Hammer Is Seated
on Fire Board as Soon as
Vacancy Is Created

Mayor Rolph yesterday appointed William H. Hammer fire commissioner after finding John Donohoe guilty of misconduct in office and dismissing him. The mayor also appointed Theodore J. Roche police commissioner to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Isaac H. Spiro.



THEODORE J. ROCHE,
The new police commissioner.

Hammer is a member of the shipping firm of Hammer & Co., 310 Clay street, a member of the foreign trade department of the Chamber of Commerce and identified with other important civic and business organizations.

Roche is an attorney of the firm of Sullivan, Sullivan & Roche, with offices in the Humboldt Bank building.

Both Hammer and Roche have been frequently mentioned as the probable successors of Donohoe and Spiro.

RESIGNATION CLEARS WAY

The way for the appointment of Roche was cleared on September 18, when Spiro handed the mayor his resignation as police commissioner. Previous to his resignation charges had been prepared against the commissioner who took the matter into court. Judge Seawall decided in favor of Rolph on the question of jurisdiction and Spiro resigned the evening before the day set by Rolph for his trial.

Donohoe, who was charged with misconduct in office at the same time as Spiro, refused to resign. Rolph then declared that both Spiro and Donohoe had promised to retire, and that Donohoe, by refusing to do so, had broken his promise. He was tried on written charges preferred by Frederick J. Churchill, secretary to the board of works and former assistant secretary to the mayor. The trial began in Rolph's office, with the mayor as judge and Churchill as prosecutor, September 29, and was concluded last Tuesday. Attorneys Herbert Choyenski and John T. Williams defending the accused commissioner.

DONOHOE FOUND GUILTY

Rolph took the case under advisement and gave his decision yesterday at noon, finding Donohoe guilty of every charge presented and thereupon removing him from office.

In letters sent yesterday to Donohoe and to the board of supervisors, notifying them of the commissioner's removal and the appointment of Hammer, the mayor makes it plain that he does not find Donohoe guilty of corruption in office.

In this respect he writes to the supervisors:

In fairness to Mr. Donohoe, I wish to state that I do not find him guilty of corruption in office in the sense that he derived any pecuniary profit through the official misconduct charged against him.

HARMONY RE-ESTABLISHED

The board of fire commissioners was also advised by Rolph of his dismissal of Donohoe and appointment of Hammer. Upon receiving notice, Chairman Brandenstein called the commission to order and Hammer took the chair that had been vacant since Donohoe was suspended, September 7. Brandenstein instructed him in his new duties and harmony again reigned among the fire commissioners.

Hammer, the new fire commissioner, was born in this city in 1869. He has been in the shipping business for 20 years and has known Rolph 30 years. This is the first political office he has held, although he was actively engaged in the affairs of the Horace Davis club and was one of the organizers of the nonpartisan movement.

He is a member of the foreign trade department of the Chamber of Commerce, being one of a committee of seven. He is also a member of the Commercial club and of the Merchants' Exchange club.

A BIG JOB TO FINISH

"I am taking this office," he said yesterday, "because I wish to work for the betterment of San Francisco along the clean business lines laid down by Mayor Rolph's administration. I feel that we will all pull together for the good of the city. We have strong rivals up and down the coast and a big job to finish by 1915."

Roche, who succeeds Spiro as police commissioner, is 35 years of age and was born and raised in this city. At the age of 20 he was admitted to the bar and he has been a member of the firm of Sullivan, Sullivan & Roche for a number of years.

Roche has never before held public office. He is a member of the Olympic club and various fraternal organizations. His mother was the daughter of Domenico Toletti, the Italian artist, who was well known in this city. The new police commissioner will take office when the commission holds its regular meeting today.

Donohoe's attorneys announced during his trial that in the event that Rolph decided against him they would take the affair to the courts. Both Donohoe and Spiro were "hold over" members of the McCarthy administration.

WOMAN IS FORMALLY ACCUSED OF BURGLARY

Mrs. Ida Wright Is Arraigned on
Two Charges

OAKLAND, Sept. 30.—Mrs. Ida Wright, accused of a large number of daylight burglaries, was arraigned before Police Judge George Samuels today on two charges. The preliminary hearing on the first charge was set for October 8 and second hearing was set for the following day.

The complainants against Mrs. Wright are Mrs. R. G. Baldwin and Mrs. M. J. Duffy.

Although the woman has steadfastly denied that she is guilty of crime, the police are convinced that she is the clever woman thief who burglarized a large number of homes and apartments in the afternoons during the absence of the tenants. The police have learned from Harold Wright, a son of the woman now detained in the detention home, that she served a term for three months in the city prison of Colorado Springs, Colo. The boy admitted to the police that his mother operated in other cities and that he was arrested twice in Pasadena for stealing automobiles.

Roche Is a Junior Member of Law Firm

Theodore J. Roche is an attorney, a member of the firm of Sullivan, Sullivan & Roche, of which Matt I. Sullivan is the senior member. He is 35 years of age and was born and raised in this city. He is a member of the Olympic club and various fraternal organizations.



WILLIAM H. HAMMER,
The new fire commissioner.

Hammer Like Mayor Is a Shipping Man

William H. Hammer is a member of the shipping and commission firm of Hammer & Co., 310 Clay street. He was born in this city in 1869, has been in the shipping business for 20 years. He is a member of the foreign trade department of the Chamber of Commerce, of the Commercial club and the Merchants' Exchange club.

Ocean Twilight Made to Order By This Chemist

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 30.—Prof. C. Y. Barnhap of London, Eng., today presented a proposition to A. R. Fraser, owner of the \$1,000,000 pier destroyed in the Ocean Park fire, to illuminate the entire ocean front along the Strand in Ocean Park with phosphorus.

If this proposition is carried out Professor Barnhap says the result will be virtually a twilight every night lasting fully eight hours.

The scientist mentions particularly that an ideal condition would exist under his artificial twilight for lovers to stroll the same as by moonlight. Professor Barnhap, who is a graduate of Oxford university and an expert chemist, claims to have patented a concoction similar to phosphorus which, when thrown into salt water, causes an illumination.

One ordinary barley sack of the material, says Barnhap, will illuminate the entire ocean front from Plana Del Rey to Santa Monica at a cost of less than \$5. One sack of the concoction will illuminate one mile wide by four miles in length. When the water is illuminated it gives a regular twilight effect lasting for approximately eight hours.

Fraser will take the matter before the Venice board of trustees. If the project is successful it would be able to eliminate the present lights along the promenade and would mean a saving to the city of hundreds of dollars annually.

NEW TYPE OF CAR SAVES CROWD FROM DISASTER

Conductor Able to Avert Smash
as Motorman Falls Dead

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

CHICAGO, Sept. 30.—The new "near side" car saved Chicago from one of the worst street accidents in the history of the city today when, rushing along at top speed, a car crowded with passengers was left without its pilot.

W. H. White, the motorman, suddenly dropped over on his seat, his hands released the controller and the air brake and he fell to the floor dead of heart disease.

The new "near side" car has both the motorman and the conductor in the front end, the passengers entering the same way. Conductor Hagerty, sitting beside the motorman, reached over and grasped the lever, bringing the car to a stop.

Mare Island Notes

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

MARE ISLAND, Sept. 30.—Naval Constructor and Mrs. Henry M. Gleason have announced the engagement of Mrs. Gleason's sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Herrold, who makes her home with them, and Lieutenant Lord S. Shapley. The wedding will probably take place upon return of the married, to which Shapley is attached.

The Guam station ship Supply is expected to arrive in the lower bay tomorrow or Wednesday with submarine P-2 in tow. It is reported that the Supply and the diver will come up to Mare Island before the week is over, as the vessel is to take out a large amount of stores and supplies to the island station.

Radio officer, Lieutenant R. M. Farwell, is anxious to secure the names of the operators of the different wireless stations within five miles of Mare Island so that the can license them under the new law. The names should be forwarded to Mare Island at once.

Commander B. B. McCormick has been detached from the New York navy yard and ordered to Mare Island. It is believed that he will take command of the cruiser Buffalo, which is due to leave Mare Island early next week.



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LIQUOR LID RILES OAKLAND OFFICIAL

Baccus Pleads Cause of Barbers
When Closing Law Is
Enforced at Ball

OAKLAND, Sept. 30.—When W. J. Baccus, commissioner of streets, objected before the city council today to the strict enforcement of the rules as applied by the police department and criticized F. C. Turner, commissioner of public health and safety, because Chief of Police Petersen stopped the sale of liquor at a dance at 1 o'clock Sunday morning given by the Barbers' union, Turner arose in his place to remonstrate, and agreed with Baccus that he was willing to resign his present duties and assume those of some other commissioner.

Baccus informed the council that the barbers had complained to him that the police had appeared in the Germania hall at 1 o'clock and stopped the sale of liquor. Baccus turned to Turner and said he should be more lenient, that no harm was being done by the dancers.

"I will not be more lenient as long as I am in this position," said Turner. "I suppose it's up to me, then, to get you out of that position," Baccus returned, with a smile.

"Go ahead," said Turner. "I am in favor of it and will vote for it." But Turner is still in charge of his department and will continue to shoulder the responsibilities.

Street car conductors are not necessarily fond of jam.

THOMAS W. LAWSON cuts loose

EVERYBODY'S MAGAZINE pledges itself to its readers, to its readers yet to be, and to Mr. Lawson—seriously, earnestly pledges itself—to fight the stock exchanges of all the big and little Wall Streets in America until they shut down their gambling and until they agree to conduct business as legitimate stock-exchange business should be conducted.

This is a stronger pledge than we gave Mr. Lawson in "THE REMEDY," in the current issue of EVERYBODY'S—and different.

We gave him the one he asked for.

This one no one asked for.

We give it, or take it, or whatever is the surest way to bind ourselves by it, because we have come to the conclusion, after years of crusading, and after a long study of every big evil that besets the body, mind, or soul of Columbia, that no evil approaches, either in present harm or in future menace, the Monster of the Street with his myriad tentacles.

We are pledged to Mr. Lawson to hurl every barbed shaft of his into the body of the Beast. He knows the vulnerable spots and how to make the shafts. But they must be big shafts. EVERYBODY'S is to be the huge shaft-burster.

More than that, we mean to cut and haul big timber for his shafts, and to aid him in every possible way.

And more again, we mean to do what we can to persuade other monster-hunters to hunt and harry this Beast.

It is risky business. It isn't comfortable having tentacles feeling round one's throat.

And when the Beast is hurt and lashes his tail and roars in panics and threatens to wreck everything, it's scary.

But—EVERYBODY'S is going in with Lawson, knowing that hurling shafts is risky business, knowing the power of the Monster, hoping to dodge tentacles and tail; and, above all, hoping if it does meet up with a husky side-swipe of the Monster's tail or is too fondly embraced by a fat tentacle, it will have the courage to put up a good fight.

An expert financial man on a big New York daily says that of every ten men who speculate in Wall Street nine lose every cent, while the tenth dies before he has lost quite all. His widow is able to save a little from the wreck.

Now what possible excuse can there be for perpetuating a game where the wheel is "fixed" and the player has absolutely no chance?

The sporting answer is: "You can't legislate to protect fools."

But that is just what legislation is for—to take care of the weak and foolish. The wise man takes care of himself.

However, we are not going to tell Mr. Lawson's story.

It is fair to say that for years EVERYBODY'S has believed that the government, either state or national, ought to find a way to prevent legal crooks' taking advantage of the greediness of the weak and foolish by tempting them with worthless securities promising quick riches.

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