EXPOSITION HAS NEW YEAR PLANS WELL UNDER WAY

Lombard and Fillmore Will Be Gay Streets When Residents Finish Decorations

OLYMPIC SWIM TO BE A BIG FEATURE

City Organizations Assist Exposition Committee in Preparations

The New Year day exposition festival plans are being rapidly rounded out by the joint committee of the exposition company and the improvement organizations of the city. The festival will mark the ground breaking for the machinery palace, which will be the first important building of the exposition erected.

A special meeting of the committee in charge of the affair was held yesterday afternoon at the exposition headquarters. It was announced that the Golden Gate Valley Improvement club was arranging to decorate Lombard street from Van Ness avenue to Fillmore and along Fillmore street to the exposition site. Flags will feature the decoration.

The functions of the celebration will be held in the service building, which has been completed on the site. The executive committee, which will act as a reception committee, consists of F. L. Hanson (chairman for the reception), G. W. Owen, John Henderson, Samuel Adelstein, Fred L. Hans, L. Armknecht, George Skaller, W. W. Watson, S. W. Molkenbuhr, Eustace Cullinan, B. A. Palmer, Dr. J. Rosenstein, Charles F. Adams, D. A. Hagens, Edgar Painter, T. P. Martin, Joseph Rothchild, R. M. Armstrong, Alexander Russell, P. T. Clay and A. W. Scott Jr.

Chairman P. T. Clay of the New Year day celebration and Frank Carroll, John A. Hammersmith and Sid Cavill, members of the subcommittee on aquatics and Olympic club annual run, went over the course yesterday and completed arrangements for those events, which are scheduled to be features of the celebration.

The New Year run will start at the beginning of the panhandle of Golden Gate park, thence along the main drive to a point opposite the First avenue entrance, at Fulton street, thence along First avenue to the Presidio and through the reservation to the Presidio terrace, where a magnificent view is to be had of the bay and exposition site; thence to the Lombard street entrance and along Lombard to Lyon and north in Lyon street to the Harbor View baths.

The Harbor View baths have been turned over to the Olympic club exclusively on this day, and the club members will have their luncheon in the open air after they have enjoyed their swim in the bay.

WOMEN WELCOME AT CEREMONIES

As a special feature of the ground breaking ceremonies for the machinery hall of the Panama-Pacific exposition, the women's board of the exposition will hold a reception to all organized bodies of women around the bay after the exercises on New Year day. The reception will take place in the incompleted service building, which will be decorated and fitted up as nicely as possible for the occasion.

All organized bodies of women in San Francisco and the vicinity are invited, but as the shortness of time has made it impossible to be certain that formal invitations have been sent out to every one, the women of the board wish it particularly understood that if by chance an oversight has been made, all are welcome just the same.

The officers and directors of the women's board are:

Honorary president, Mrs. Phoebe A. Hearst; honorary vice president, Mrs. John Bidwell; president, Mrs. Fred G. Sanborn; first vice president, Mrs. John Johns; second vice president, Mrs. I. Lowenberg; third vice president, Mrs. William H. Taylor; fourth vice president, Mrs. F. B. Anderson; fifth vice president, Mrs. Robert Oxnard; sixth vice president, Mrs. Frank L. Brown; secretary, Mrs. Marcel E. Cerf; auditor, Mrs. Charles W. Slack; treasurer, Mrs. P. E. Bowles; general counsel, Mrs. J. A. Lewandowski; chairman of the board of directors, Mrs. James Ellis Tucker; directors, Mrs. Charles B. Alexander, Mrs. Aylett Cotton, Mrs. William H. Crocker, Miss Mabel Taylor Clumess, Mrs. E. R. Dimond, Mrs. J. D. Grant, Mrs. Reuben Hale, Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale, Mrs. C. Edward Holmes, Mrs. Abbie E. Krebs, Mrs. Jesse Lilienthal.

CALIFORNIANS WILL BOOST IN CHICAGO

Moving pictures of the progress made in the preparations for the 1915 expositions to be held in San Francisco and San Diego will be features of the second annual "Marshall day" banquet to be given in Chicago January 24 by the California society of Illinois, according to reports received here. Products of California, such as fruits and manufactures, will be distributed to all guests.

Transplanted Californians living in Chicago are making strenuous efforts to borrow a live bear to grace the occasion as a mascot.

This year, by unanimous vote of the society, women will be allowed to attend the banquet, which will be held with appropriate formality in the red room of the Hotel La Salle.

Active members in the Illinois organization are limited to those who are native sons of California, or whose wives are native daughters, or those who lived at least three years in the golden state. Under the name of "associate members" those interested commercially in the state are admitted to membership.

Any Californian who may be visiting in Chicago on January 24 is invited to communicate with E. Critcher, secretary of the society, at 337 Madison street, room 402.

FIREBOAT TO BE PART OF THE FUN

In response to a request from the Panama-Pacific exposition the fire commission yesterday decided to permit one of the fireboats to participate in the ground breaking ceremonies to be held at Harbor View New Year day.

Moore & Scott were awarded a contract to furnish 50 five inch hydrants at $56.90 each.

The commission granted pensions of $60 a month each to Lawrence Ballantine and William Wonderlich, hosemen who have been disabled through injuries sustained in the service.

New Batch of Citizens Schools Turn Them Out

Graduation Exercises Held in Many Institutions Of Learning Before Proud Parents

Closing exercises in all the grammar schools of San Francisco were held Thursday afternoon and evening in the various school buildings. Hundreds of graduates were given diplomas certifying to the completion of the prescribed work in the grammar grades. In many of the schools special programs of music and speeches have been prepared as an entertainment for the parents and friends of the graduates.

The program of the Lincoln school exercises was as follows:

LINCOLN GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Song, "When Johnny Comes Marching Home," class; salutatory, Fred Connell; "Liberty Bell," George O'Brien; piano, "The Acrobat," Ernestine Gielow; "Almighty Lord," class; "Casius' Speech from Julius Caesar," Elmer Bridge; "Killarney," Katie Hughes; piano, "Flower Song," Anna Shoor; "Dying in Harness," Mildred Riordan; "When the Sun in Splendor Rising," class; "Working and Shirking," Mitchell Damus; mandolin and piano, Eda Vosti and Josephine Boyle; "Mine," "In the Shadow," Letitia Hernon, Marjorie Erskine, Henrietta Bjorn, Frances O'Brien, Lillian O'Connor, Anna Shoor; "Our Flag," Sophie Winroos; piano, Rita Kennedy; "Farewell," Theresa Lustig; "In the Garden of the Heart," Marjorie Erskine; delivery of diplomas and medals to graduates; address to graduates; "Home, Sweet Home," class.

The Lincoln school graduates are as follows:

Letitia Hernon, Theresa Lustig, Frances O'Brien, Lillian O'Connor, Mildred Riordan, Lottie Stemberg, Eda Vosti, Sophie Winrood, Fannie Winroos, Elmer Bridge, Fred Connell, Mitchell Damus and George O'Brien.

The honor pupils are George O'Brien, Mitchell Damus, Fred Connell, Sophie Winroos, Theresa Lustig and Fannie Winroos.

BAY VIEW GRAMMAR SCHOOL

The program at the Bay View grammar school consisted of songs and essays selected from regular classwork. Diplomas were awarded to the following pupils:

Helen Bahr, winner of Denman medal; Henry Juhl, winner of Bridge medal; Julia Anderline, Virginia Bryant, Mary Casenave, Elvira Doering, Lea Fayt, Estelle Kramer, Emma Laboure, Agnes Mader, Loretta Murphy, Florine Nerelli, Lucy Perez, Mary Picetti, Blanche Peters, Esther Rossch, Annie Raikkonen, Annie Schmit, Maud Teufer, Roy Briel, John Gillberg, Lawrence Hogan, Charles Janes, Amos McWilliams.

CROCKER GRAMMAR SCHOOL

The program of exercises at the Crocker grammar school was as follows:

"The Angels' Serenade," class; opening remarks, Reginald Wilson; selections from "Julius Caesar," Herbert McManus and Immanuel Lindquist; selections from "Evangeline"—Evangeline, Ruth Quivey; Gabriel, Mitchell Steigman; Story of Justice, Sherwood Levy; Evangeline's Wanderings, Dorothy Walker. "Heroes of '61," an original story, by Helen Johnson; "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes," class; selections from "Snowbound"—introductory composition, Vivian Hayden; the father's story, Ernest Beck; the mother's story, Florence Butler; the uncle's story, Charles Unger; the aunt's story, Marion Ayer; the elder sister's story, Hazel McKinnon; the younger sister's story, Grace McDevitt; the teacher's story, George Eveleth; Harriet Livermore's story, Helen Butler; conclusion, Amy Talbot and Beatrice Harper. Selections from Dickens' "Christmas Carol"—The Cratchitt Christmas dinner, Lois Park; Scrooge's counting house, Lionel Soracco. "Blue Danube Waltz," class; "The Farewell," Bernice Wallerstein; presentation of diplomas, by superintendent of schools, Alfred Roncovieri.

The graduates of the Crocker school are as follows:

Mrs. E. T. Burke's class—Medalists, Bernice Wallerstein and Beatrice Harper; honoraries, Hazel McKinnon, Amy Talbot, Immanuel Lundquist and Grace McDevitt; graduates, Marion B. Ayer, Harold Joseph Zinns, Ethel May Hilmer, J. Ruth Janssen, Lenore Mary Lehn, Herbert McManus, Adolph Schaumer, Elda Irene Slack, Neva M. Stevenson, Charles H. Unger, Sigel G. Webb, Ernest W. Beck, Florence I. Butler, Helen E. Butler, Nathan J. Gohen, George Burdick Eveleth, Lucile Goeler, Elmer C. H. Gunther, Vivian Headen.

Miss Annette Murphy's class—Medalists, Lois Park and Reginald Wilson; honoraries, Alice Reilly, Ruth Peyser, Helen Johnson, Ruth Quivey, Paul Mohr, Maxine Selig, Seth Klinger and Dorothy Walker; graduates, Frances Albert, Frances Black, Lucile Bruns, Alma Cleary, Dorothy de Young, Dorothy Franz, Flora Grover, Stella Hymson, Hazel Knapp, Helen Mackay, Gladys Morrison, Helen Petersen, Irene Reedy, Amy Wilde, Alice Witt, Lawrence Davey, Pierre Goss, Leville Levin, Sherwood Levy, Wesley Mangels, Lelio Olivi, David Shapero, Lionel Soracco, Preston Stiger, Mitchell Steigman, Harold Steinhart, David Street, Rudolph Volmer, Robert Winthrop.

FRANKLIN SCHOOL

The exercises at Franklin school were as follows:

Song by classes, "California"; salutation, Teresa Liebschutz; song by classes, "Tit-Willow"; composition, Franceline Reveyron; piano solo, David Zimet; quotations, four pupils; song by classes, "Anvil Chorus"; reading, "Candle Lecture," Edna Breslin; French extension drill, seventh grade; joint speech, James Desmond and Clarence Walbridge; song, "Who's That Calling?" classes; recitation, "Farewell, Franklin," Gussie Lerer; song, "O, Dry Those Tears," Marie Segalas; song, "The Vesper Hymn," classes; valedictory, Benjamin Cohen; cornet solo, Willis Bauman; presentation of diplomas, presentation of medals, the oath of Franklin pupils, remarks; song, "Aloha," classes; salute to flag, pledge, "America."

LINCOLN SCHOOL

Lincoln school graduates are as follows:

Benjamin Cohen, Bridge medal; Teresa Liebschutz, Denman medal; Lena Canessa, Mollie Lerer, Gussie Lerer, Analetis McFadden, Franceline Reveyron, Marie Segalas, Tillie Tannen, Walter Costello, Dewey Ehrenberg, Ernest Gotelli, Chris Guldbeck, Willis Ryan, Walter Schwartz.

GLEN PARK SCHOOL

The program of the graduation exercises at Glen Park grammar school was as follows:

Song, "Spring's Bright Glances," seventh and eighth grades; recitation, "Snowbound," graduating class; composition, "Beginning of Glen Park School," Clara Schnee; composition, "The Viaduct," Grace McHugo; song, "Twilight Star," seventh and eighth grades; composition, "Letter of a Colonial Child Who Visits San Francisco in 1912," Edward Hicks; readings from "Julius Caesar," story of play told by Clara Schnee: (a) Act 1—Lottie Williams, Jack McHugo; (b) George Arata, Milton Smith. (c) Act 2—Louise Douglass, Hattie Freund, Charles Day. (d) Act 3—Anna Wittsche, Eldridge O'Leary, Edward Hicks, Charles Day. (e) Quarrel scene—Alice Breen, Ruby Bauer. (f) Ending of the story—Clara Schnee. Songs, "The Lily of the Valley," "Hark! What Means Those Holy Voices?" seventh and eighth grades; presentation of diplomas, Theodore Pfother; "America."

GLEN PARK SCHOOL

The Glen Park school graduates are as follows:

George Arata, Alice Breen, Ruby Bauer, Charles Day, Louise Douglass, Hattie Freund; Edward Hicks, medalist; Jack McHugo, Grace McHugo, Eldridge O'Leary, Clara Schnee, Milton Smith; Anna Wittsche, medalist; Lottie Williams.

JEAN PARKER SCHOOL

Elaborate commencement exercises were held by the graduating class at the Jean Parker grammar school. The program was as follows:

Song, "On the Moonlit Stream," seventh and eighth grades, directed by Miss Thompson, accompanied by Miss Lloyd; composition, "Whittier's Life," Josie Cuniberti; composition, "Whittier's Mother and Father," Helen Ahlers; familiar quotations: "Sail On, O Ship of State" (Longfellow), Pauline Coutard; "Polonius' Advice to Laertes (Shakespeare), Mary Pagano; "Graduation" (J. G. Holland), Annie Matiliano; "A Song" (James Whitcomb Riley), Anita Copurro; "Love of Country" (Sir Walter Scott), Lydia Roccatagliata; songs, "Berceuse de Jocelyn," "Fly Away, Birdling"; readings from "Snowbound"; "The Night of the Storm," Edna Brown; "How They Spent the Evenings Hours," Florence Torassa; "The Schoolmaster," Mary Francovich; "The Awakening Next Day," Emma Bellan; "The Conclusion," Irene Roberts; song, "O That We Two Were Maying"; jokes, Mary Peterson, Frances Luzio, read by Pauline de Martini, read by Santina Verga; class recitation, "At School Close" (John Greenleaf Whittier); distribution of diplomas, Charles A. Murdock; distribution of medals, Miss Jean Parker; closing song, "Addio."

HORACE MANN SCHOOL

A large graduating class received diplomas at the Horace Mann grammar school Thursday afternoon. The successful pupils were as follows:

Denman medals, Florence Greenblat and Pearl Hazel Wolf; Bridge medalists, James S. Bastable and Conrad J. Wahle; graduates—Harry Samuel Abinanti, Mildred Elizabeth Ahlers, Roselyn Marie Alexander, Helen Margaret Atkins, Vivien Dudley Barclay, Jeanie Morrison Benda, Florence Elmer Bennett, Arthur Martin Berndt, Blanche L. Bligh, Maud Gertrude Brennan, Raymond J. Buckley, Milton Baza Carnall, Mary Louise Cazaubon, Gussie F. Chertin, Irene Chester, Gladys Ila Clark, Katherine Florence Comer, Irene C. Conaty, Thomas P. Cusick, George J. M. Glavanish, Irene Isabel Davis, Lottie G. Doidge, Agnes Cecilia Dougherty, Ruby McIntyre Ellis, Mary Agnes Figoni, Rose Fontana, Robert Foulds, Martha Fritz, Edith Helen Gilbride, Raymond O. Glasson, Frederick A. Hage, Clara Doretta Hansen, Cleora Harris, Myrtle Josephine Hatman, Alice Heaney, Clarence Harry Herlitz, Anna B. Hertzmann, William Jacobson, Louise Warren Johnson, Clara Elizabeth Katz, Ruth Lillian Klear, Otto William Klippel, Thomas J. Kiely, Gladys Amelia Knight, Lindsay Knutsen, Fred E. Kommer, Clara Esther Lang, Hazel Margaret Leishman, Sarah Isabelle Lifschitz, Melba Evelyn Lincoln, Edna Claire Little, Harry Maddison, Agnes Manes, Ursula Helen Maronich, Marie Kathleen McCannon, Raymond A. McChesney, Leo C. MacDonald, Howard Newman Miller, Hulda Cecil Minderman, Elsa Newman, Ruth Margaret Nicolson, Florence Nyman, Olive A. Pearman, Helen Frances Pearson, Walter Carmene Pierce, Samuel Piercy, Selig R. Raphael, Evelyn Anna Rasmussen, Flossie V. Rahfeld, Charles J. Riley, Marguerite Anna Schroeder, Rose Marie Shapiro, Elsie Anna Sturcke, Martha Christina Stute, Edward R. Thatcher, Eva Florence Tippett, August Tornberg, Ruth Eleanor Truesdale, Marion Juliette Watson, Thomas E. Whelan, Elgin Bartlett Whigam and Gladys M. Wiley.

MISSION GRAMMAR SCHOOL

The program of the graduation exercises at the Mission grammar school was as follows.

Greeting, Anna Jaehne; song, "Traumerei," eighth grade; composition, "California," Alpha Krebs; song, "The Largo," school; "Independence Bell," graduates; "song, "My Pretty Jane," school; "Christmas," Agnes Petrie; salute to flag; pledge; distribution of diplomas and medals, Director Jones; "America."

The Mission school graduates are as follows:

Medalists, Alpha Krebs and Anna Jaehne; honoraries, Elsa Jaehne, Agnes Petrie, Helene Woods, Ruth Lundegaard, Cordelia Sander, Dora Korbus and Carl Beetschen; graduates, Hatton Peacock, Daisy Laird, Elva Sander, Eleanore Logan, Earl Curtis, Alberta Allen, Edwin Rathburn, Harry Hagedorn, Olga Hansen, Arthur Gosland, Ada Siskron, Fred Ehrhardt, Sam Shane, John McKay, George Keenan, Dewey Holohan, Ida Rueter, Genevieve Hoaeden, Ferdinand Friedhofer, Bertha Reinhard, Herman Fitzpatrick, Mildred Fernell, Ruth Hanlan, Gladys Maughn, Irma Grant, Flora Rueter, Ernest Tepper, Fernando Smith.

EVERETT SCHOOL

The graduates of Everett grammar school who received diplomas Thursday were the following:

Medalists, Grace Morris, Alfred Chapins and Willie Champ; graduates, Joseph Bell, George Bridgeman, Alfred Boehm, Wilton Franz, Thomas Giannini, Albert Gehrcke, Robert Hunter, Hugh Meyers, Willie Sauer, Norman Sutherland, Raymond Sweeney, Pearl Anderson, Dorothy Bean, Ella Davis, Aileen de Lane, Marie Eisenchimmel, Catherine Hermann, Charlotte Hoff, Anita Kramer, Gertrude Lawler, Adelina Magnani, Gladys Mahler, Alline McCord, Eva Nelson, Frances O'Connor, Mae O'Neil, Gertrude Permento, Gladys Purcell, Alice Rettig, Mabel Robertson, Etta Stubbs, Madeline Williamson, Helen Wunderlich and Anna Wunderlich.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL

Elaborate commencement exercises marking the close of the fall semester at the San Francisco state normal school were held at 8 o'clock last evening in Scottish Rite temple, when 30 young women who have completed the prescribed work at the institution received their diplomas.

The ceremony of graduation is in ritual form and has been used for several years. It is an allegory, in which woman is consecrated to her work in life. The program of exercises was as follows:

Miss Freda Grunig '11, "Woman"; Miss Musa Snyder '11, Miss Margaret Brennfleck '10, Miss Mary Cooney '09, Miss Elizabeth Bates '12, Miss Irene Bullen '11, Miss Jeannette Mack '09; "The Lord Is Mindful of His Own," Miss Edith Mobley '11; pronouncement of the teachers' creed, Archibald Cloud, deputy superintendent of schools, San Francisco; pronouncement of the teachers' vows, Will C. Wood, superintendent of schools, Alameda; the oath of fealty to the school system, Dr. A. A. d'Ancona, president of San Francisco board of education; delivery of diplomas of graduation, Edward Hyatt, state superintendent of public instruction; the charge on behalf of the faculty of the school, F. W. Hoffman; director music, Miss Eva A. Levy.

The graduating class is composed of the following:

Edith Roma Cella, Ruth Cunningham, Catherine Deacon, Flora Mae Dietrich, Nellie F. Douglas, Ruth Doyle, Clair Carmelita Drayeur, Helen B. English, Helen M. Fitzgerald, Minnie Theresa Gardella, Harriet M. Glidden, Gladys Hall, Ida Blanche Hitchcock, Kate Verona Hoy, Margaret Jeusen, Rosalind Jepsen, Dona McDermott, Edith Mary McDonald, Albina Machara, Irene Lavina Norris, Dorothy Jean Parker, Geneveieve Mary Russell, Marjorie Sayles, Alice Erma Sherwood, Katheryn Van Vliet Smythe, Andry Walters, Helen Coo Wenrich, Elizabeth Baker Collins, Helen Spaeth, Grace Violet Butler.

HUMBOLDT EVENING SCHOOL

The first Christmas graduation exercises of the academic department of the Humboldt evening high school was held at the school last evening. Thirteen students received diplomas.

An elaborate entertainment was arranged in honor of the friends and parents of the senior class. The graduates are as follows:

Bernice Crawford., Sophie Pankewicz, Frank E. Berger, George Gerhardt, Jules Gerhardt, Harvey L. Hansen, Clarence Harrison, Fred Hassmann, Albert E. Huddleton, Joseph Meagher, Fred Robinson, Clarence Rothschild and Alva Young.

HAMILTON GRAMMAR

The Denman medal was awarded to Oro Chenoweth and the Bridge medal to Saichi Nakahara at the closing exercises Thursday afternoon of the B eighth grade of the Hamilton grammar school.

Honorary mention was given to Leonard Lundquist, Tosaku Nishi, Eugene Brandelein, Blanch Dewey, Hilda Krotozyner, Leo Bernstein and Rebecca Banks.

The other members of the class are: Katie Bjorn, Madeline Bowen, Mathilda Boegershausen, Ewald Berendsen, Julius Berendsen, Margaret Carroll, Gladys Clark, Gerald Fitz Gerald, John Gerans, Ruth Hockwald, Tilly Jacobs, Theodore Kelly, Julian Littman, Harry McConnell, Lillian Mendel, Bessie Morris, Evelyn Maglinn, Josie Marr, Ben Nakada, Malvin Ostrom, Lily Patterson, Evelyn Rossi, Anna Robohm, Clarence Severin, Reuben Ratner, Eleanor Stadtegger, Emma Stamm, Bernard Spiro, Yoshigi Sugiyama, Emiel Tonges and Ricka Urbansky.

IRVING M. SCOTT SCHOOL

The graduation exercises at the Irving M. Scott grammar school were held Thursday afternoon. Dr. A. A. d'Ancona, president of the board of education, presented diplomas to following pupils:

Frank Adams, Albert Cuevas, Edward Devlin, Henry Kenny, Emil Sass, Mathew Tarabochia, Frank Weiss, Olga Anderson, Margaret Dillon, Anna Gaughan, Mary Glackin, Hazel Hamilton, Charlotte Hammargren, Lillian Jarvis, Agnes Peterson, Lillian Ranken, Rose Sanguinetti, Charlotte Wilkie, Claudia Wright. The Bridge medal was awarded to Frank Weiss and the Denman medal to Rose Sanguinetti.

FAIRMONT SCHOOL

Graduation exercises at the Fairmont grammar school included music and essays and addresses by Thomas E. Hayden and W. H. de Bell. The following received diplomas:

Edna Barkley, Emily Brady, Frances Bookhout, Bertha Brant, Leona Clarke, Olga Carlson, Hazel Coudrin, Annie Edler, Thora Froberg, Eda Gotelley, Sarah Johnson, Loretta Johnson, Evelyne Jones, Hannah Katz, Dorothy Levitt, Florence McDonald, Claire McNerney, Alice Magerty, Marguerite Murphy, Marion McKinnon, Eva Neuman, Madeline Schlach, Margaret Sleotte, Olga Sosnowski, Jeanette Torre, Gladys Wright, Maybelle West, Elizabeth Whelton, Clarence Binning, George Burger, Erwin Bowser, Vincent Cimino, Richard Cousins, George Daley, John Dolan, Fred Deihl, Joseph de Geller, Lester Hahlgreen, Elmer Georgenson, Lawrence Johnson, William Johnston, Leander Khlan, Joseph Leonard, Norman Lund, Frank Loran, Bernard McGransghan, Leslie Morrison, George Nelson, George Nichols, Alfred Peterson, Gustaf Ross, John Reilley, Walter Radbrush, Emil Solvin, William Sullivan.

JOHN SWETT SCHOOL

An elaborate program preceded the distribution of diplomas at the John Sweet grammar school Thursday afternoon. The program was as follows:

Flag salute; "Star Spangled Banner"; presentation of class, by the principal; song, "Just for Today"; composition, "New Year Day—Its Origin and Strange Customs," Raymond Stephens; song, "Let All Obey," graduating class; recitation, "Who Follow the Flag," Jack Schneer; song, "Speed Our Republic"; recitation, "Work," graduating class; song, "The Lily of the Valley"; reading from Christmas carol, Sidney Neumann; song, "A Bowl of Roses"; composition, "The Making of an American," Margaret Grossmann; presentation of diplomas, Colonel James E. Power; presentation of Denman and Bridge medals, Hon. Alfred Roncovieri; presentation of John Swett medals, Hon. John Swett; song, "Swanee River"; folk dancing, sighth grade girls; song, "Adio, Napoli"; reading, "The End of the Play," Charles Benninger; song, "Auld Lang Syne," graduating class; "America."

The graduates of John Swett school were as follows:

Medalists—Margaret Grossman, Raymond Stephens, Marie Bercovich, William Rathy, Jack Schneer, Ruth Braun, Myron Alexander, Sarah Abrams, Lillian Lachtrup, Christian Roehr, Alma Steele, John Argens, Victor Maxwell, Joseph Sommers, Raymond Page, Charles Benninger.

Graduates—Myron Alexander, John Argens, Charles Benninger, Alex Dorem, William Grapengeter, Dewey Hippely, Bourn Jones, Isidore Langendorf, Irving Laubenheimer, Victor Maxwell, Sidney Neuman, Raymond Page, Gilbert Jinto, William Rathy, William Rosewall, William Roehr, Chris Roehr, Clarence Rayne, Jack Schneer, David Sheson, Joseph Sommers, Raymond Stephens, Allan Swift, Paul Will, Harold Wright, Sarah Abrams, Marie Bercovich, Ruth Braun, Rewena Britt, Frances Cronley, Lillie Feinberg, Margaret Grossman, Lillian Lachtrup, Elizabeth Leathers, Ida Podjarsky, Florence Rosenthal, Alma Steele, Dorothy Straight, Anna Winterberg, Mary Zuckerman.

GRANT SCHOOL

The graduates of Grant grammar school who received diplomas Thursday were as follows:

Margaret Davis, Denman medal; George Richardson, Bridge medal; Edward Turklington, Frink award; Alice Blakeley, Stuart Bevaus, Jack Barkley, Edmond Bergerot, Jane Elliott, Edward Egan, Morgan Fottrell, Albert Galvin, Warren Hellman, Rose Haller, Kenneth Hewitt, Pauline Kearns, Dorothy Maling, Herbert Pawson, Leo Rosenberg, Alphonse Rosenberg, Fred Ritchie.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL

Graduates of the Washington grammar school who received diplomas from the hands of Principal T. H. McCarthy Thursday afternoon were as follows:

George Badaracco, Andrew Bellanca (medal), Emanuel de Martini, Floyd Elmore, John Figone, Louis Figone, Mario Giorgi, Albert Ganalihardon, Louis Guinasso, Caesar Mannelli, Frank Marquez, Jack Monnet, Dominic Rizzi, Frank Silvester, Eugene Sigrist, Anthony Tarantino, Philip Walsh, Alexander Zabaldano, Lorenzo Zelayeta, Glen Smith.

PACIFIC HEIGHTS SCHOOL

The graduates of Pacific Heights grammar school were as follows:

Medal pupils—Arthur James and Lillah Symonds.

Honorary pupils—Lillah Symonds, Arthur James, Bertin Moisant, Ninfa Valvo, Sanford Sheffel, Marion Robinson, Stella Galli, James Rothschild, Nina Lederer, Howard Ransahoff.

Graduates—Elizabeth Armer, Dorothy Bass, Melville Bulger, Albert Baruch, Olga Brandon, Noel Clarke, Eugene Castle, Gertrude Collischoun, Charles Doe, Leah Damon, Claire Eppinger, Florence Frost, Stella Galli, Vera Gibson, Suwa Hayashi, Sanford Israel, Arthur James, Clara Keim, Erne Lyons, Nina Lederer, Irving Morris, Bertin Moisant, Camille Middleton, Fred McWilliams, Bernice Peters, Howard Ransohoff, James Rothschild, Marion Robinson, Elizabeth Reidy, Sanford Sheffel, Emile Serveau, Herbert Schalck, Grace Spencer, Lillah Symonds, Florence Thatcher, Ninfa Valvo, Vivian Weissman.

YERBA BUENA SCHOOL

A splendid program of songs and recitations preceded the distribution of diplomas at the Yerba Buena grammar school Thursday. The following received diplomas:

Medalists—Louis Ratto, Elsie Pilgrim, Gertrude Swanson, Estelle Asquistapace, Ernest Kimme, Logan Mathews.

Graduates—John Asquistapace, Kevin Crowley, Della Demartini, Margaret Durenmatt, Edward Fitzpatrick, Arthur Johnson, Irene Kaiser, Delphine Koopman, Fred Lucas, Lillian McElligott, Carrie Monteverdi, Florence Mosher, Harriet Raubinger, Howard Rives, Edna Staengel, Gladys Tejeda, Lena Tovani, Marie Wolfe, Frank Ratto.

ORIENTAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

The Oriental public school held its graduation exercises Thursday afternoon. Mrs. C. C. Newhall, the principal, awarded the diplomas and medals. The graduates were Ruby Tsang, Maud Lai and May Shem. Ruby Tsang won the Denman medal.

ADAMS COSMOPOLITAN SCHOOL

Commencement exercises at the Adams Cosmopolitan grammar school were held Thursday afternoon and consisted of songs and recitations. The medalists were Annette Wolf, Isabel Groundman and Joseph Breit.

Reports of graduations will be continued in tomorrow's Call.

Chorus Girl Short Lived Longevity of Actor Folk

(Special Dispatch to The Call)

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 20. Prof. William Lyons Phelps of Yale, addressing an appreciative audience here on stage conditions, gave some interesting figures on the longevity of actors. He said.

"The average actor's life is 55 years.

"The life of the average actress is 52 years.

"The average for a star actor is 67 years.

"The average life of the star actress is 61 years.

"For the ordinary actor the average life diminishes to about 45 years, while the chorus girl is the shortest lived of all, her average being 37 years. This is due to her methods of living.

"The life of an ordinary actor is a dog's life."

GREAT BUSINESS BUILT BY CITY SHOE DEALER

Constant Effort by Bernard Katchinski Produces Splendid Results

Thirty-two years ago Bernard Katchinski opened a shoe shop at what is now 10 Third street. His only assistant was an errand boy. He slept and cooked his meals in a small room in the rear of the shop. He had previously been a barber in Sacramento.

Today the same Bernard Katchinski is proprietor of the Philadelphia shoe store, which occupies three floors in the 25 foot front building at 825 Market street. He has about 150 employes. He lives in a sumptuous mansion at 399 Webster streets, owns extensive real estate in the Western Addition and elsewhere and has recently purchased the Orpheum annex, 167 O'Farrell street. The Philadelphia shoe store has been incorporated, and within the present year Mr. Katchinski's two sons, Alfred and Harold, have been taken into the firm as members.

The Philadelphia shoe store is rated as the fourth largest in the United States, being excelled only by three eastern concerns. It is the largest on the Pacific coast.

Mr. Katchinski has applied himself industriously and persistently to his business ever since he started it 32 years ago in the little Third street shop. Step by step he has risen, constantly expanding and bettering his business, which has grown each year. Like the other merchants of this city, he suffered in the fire of 1906, but immediately resumed business at 1549 Fillmore street, where he remained until his present new store was completed about a year ago.

"I do not believe in charging high prices and having slow sales," said Mr. Katchinski yesterday, in reviewing his successful career as a merchant. "I do believe in a minimum of profit and a maximum of sales."

To this policy he attributes much of his remarkable success.

Mr. Katchinski was married in 1884, and besides the two sons, now his partners in business, has a daughter. He is a member of the present grand jury and is one of San Francisco's most public spirited citizens.

Prettiest Girl! Who? Secret Out Tomorrow

Who is lucky girl winner of The Call's trip prize.

Get Sunday Call and See Who of 40,000 Is Beautiful Enough to Win Hawaiian Trip

The suspense will be over tomorrow. Of course, there will be no sleep for many persons tonight, and there will be a wild scramble for The Call in the small, gray hours of the morning.

On a front page there will be a splendid portrait of the lucky girl who has won that trip to Honolulu.

This time tomorrow she will be busy planning to take an early steamer to Hawaii.

Do you know her?

Watch for tomorrow's Call and see.

GALLAGHER WELCOME IS UNUSUALLY HEARTY ONE

Labor Council Listens to Descriptive Address by Returned Delegate

Andrew J. Gallagher, delegate to the San Francisco Labor council and supervisor, who went to Rochester, N. Y., to represent the State Federation of Labor in the American Federation of Labor, returned yesterday and in the evening attended the meeting of the council, where he was greeted with much applause on his entrance into the hall.

Gallagher, speaking of his visit to the east, said that after leaving Rochester at the close of the session he visited New York, Washington, D. C., Philadelphia, Chicago, Minneapolis, Indianapolis and other large labor centers, also spent two days in Canada.

"In all places I visited," he said, "I found a remarkable optimistic feeling in all branches of labor. There is a better feeling in every direction and the indications are that for the next two years conditions will be very favorable for every class of labor. I also noticed a much better feeling within the international organizations, something that has not been known for many years.

"During my stay in Indianapolis I was summoned to testify in the trial of the men charged with the illegal transportation of high explosives through the country. My testimony was in relation to the transmission of a check to the McNamaras while they were in Los Angeles.

"On my way home I visited Victoria, B. C., Seattle and Portland, and at these places noticed the same optimistic spirit in labor circles as I did in the east."

NEW "FRAT" HOUSE—Stanford University, Dec. 20.—Fraternity row at Stanford is to be augmented by the addition of another Greek letter organization next week, when the local chapter of Phi Gamma Delta takes over a new $16,000 structure in Lausen street.

PURPOSE OF TRIP OF PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED

Goes to Panama to See If Time Is Ripe for Civil Government

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 20.—To determine if the time is opportune for establishing civil government in the Panama canal zone is the purpose of President Taft's trip to the isthmus. The president made this announcement in a speech here tonight, which was included in the hour he and his party stopped en route to Key West.

"You may think I could ascertain this as well in Washington, but I don't know," said the president. "At any rate, I am going, and I expect to issue the order creating the new government in the zone if I find conditions warrant it."

Today's was the first visit the president has made to Florida since he became the nation's chief executive. He now has visited every state in the union since he became president with the exception of North Dakota and Oklahoma.

The president and his party left tonight for Key West, whence they will sail for Panama tomorrow on the battleship Arkansas.

PRIZE DOGS DISAPPEAR

Wealthy San Mateo Residents Fear Pets Have Been Shot

(Special Dispatch to The Call)

SAN MATEO, Dec. 20.—Many of the wealthy residents of this county are complaining to the police of the disappearance of valuable dogs. Under the new ordinance enacted on account of the spread of rabies the police have been shooting all unmuzzled dogs. It it believed that this is the way the dogs have become lost. Among those who have reported that their prize pets have disappeared are Robert Coleman, capitalist, of Burlingame, and Mrs. Baldwin Wood.

WILSON TO KEEP HIS OWN COUNSEL UNTIL MARCH 1

President Elect Says He Will Not Announce Nominations Until Near Inaugural

CONFERENCE WITH W. J. BRYAN TODAY

Clark, Underwood, O'Gorman, Hoke Smith Are Soon to Pay Respects

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 20.—Whether William J. Bryan, or any of the other prominent democrats being mentioned by politicians for places in the cabinet of President elect Wilson, will be appointed probably will not be definitely known until a few days before inauguration. Governor Wilson said tonight that he would probably not make a single assignment of importance until about March.

Within the next 24 hours he will talk with Bryan and before New Year's he expects to see Speaker Clark, Representative Underwood, Senators O'Gorman, Hoke Smith and Gore and other prominent democratic leaders; but he indicated that he meant to keep strict silence about appointments until ready to make a general statement on the subject.

ALL LETTERS TO BE READ

"Scattering announcements would be foolish," he said, "even if I had them to make; I'll wait until pretty late. The time will depend somewhat on the number of written communications. All these letters recommending individuals for office are being grouped and will be taken up separately."

Wilson indicated that he would not feel at liberty to make final decision until the merits of all possible candidates had been set forth to him.

"What I am sincerely trying to do," he added, "is to see the field of choice and to try to get as many opinions as possible that are worth while."

POLICY OF SILENCE

The president elect made it clear that though gossip might be heard far and wide he would maintain a policy of silence, and nothing would be definitely established until he made the announcements over his own signature.

Wilson was asked if he believed he would encounter any difficulty in getting the men desired for cabinet portfolios to accept. It had been suggested in the case of the attorney generalship that noted lawyers often had been reluctant to leave their practice, and for this reason many able men had not been pushed by their friends.

"That has not been my experience thus far," replied the governor with a smile. "I have asked some people and they have been quite ready with their names."

ROLLA WELLS CALLS

The governor received a call from Rolla Wells, treasurer of the national democratic committee and former mayor of St. Louis, who brought