

DEMOCRATS WILL NOT REFUSE SEAT IN CABINET

Democratic Leader Returns From East Confident Coast Will Get Place in Nation's High Council

SAYS PHELAN LEADS IN PORTFOLIO RACE

Bourbon Legislators Expected to Organize Causes in Both Houses

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That the Pacific coast will be represented in Wilson's cabinet and probably by James D. Phelan of San Francisco and that William Jennings Bryan will be a member of that cabinet are two of the political convictions brought from the east by J. O. Davis, chairman of the democratic state central committee.

Davis did not call on Governor Wilson, but he did confer with democratic leaders throughout the middle west and the Mississippi valley. He found a settled conviction that the Pacific coast would be recognized with a cabinet place. He declares that while Phelan has done nothing by way of a campaign for cabinet recognition, the San Francisco man stands well with Wilson personally and is being considered for a portfolio.

Davis' opinion that Bryan will be a member of Wilson's cabinet is deduced from political facts and a conviction that no American is big enough to refuse a cabinet place.

"Bryan nominated Wilson," said Davis. "He built the platform upon which Wilson made his campaign. If Wilson, mindful of these facts, invites Bryan to assist him in the redemption of the platform pledges, I can see no valid ground upon which Bryan could decline. Then, too, I hold that no American is big enough to decline a cabinet place. My judgment is that Colonel Bryan will be invited into Wilson's cabinet and that he will accept the invitation."

BOOST BRYAN'S BROTHER Davis discovered that the Nebraska democrats were boosting not William Jennings Bryan but his brother and business manager, Charles Bryan for a place in the Wilson cabinet. He stoutly insisted that he had no opinion about the merits behind the Charles Bryan movement and that he did not know whether it was a genuine hunt for a cabinet place or an inspired campaign to embarrass the president.

Davis returned from the east all undismayed by the reported dangers besetting the tariff revision program adopted by Wilson. The chairman of the California democratic organization is of the opinion that the southern stand pat recalcitrants in the senate will not number more than three and that Wilson may rely upon the support and assistance of twice as many progressives and republicans.

The democratic senators picked by Davis to line up as stand patters, are Simmons, North Carolina; Martin, Virginia and possibly Fletcher of Florida. As a double offset to this probable democratic majority in the senate, Davis believes that John D. Works, California; Moses E. Clapp, Minnesota; Miles Polindexter, Washington; Robert L. Dingle, Wisconsin; Joseph L. Bristow, Kansas; and Albert B. Cummins, Iowa, will rally to the support of the new president.

SAFETY IN NUMBERS The proportions of the democratic majority in the senate, in Davis' opinion, will insure smooth sailing for the administration program, or, if not smooth sailing, its triumph. In view of the fact that the house, which goes to the people every two years, is never averse to "passing the buck" to the senate, this opinion can not be considered a mere fancy.

Former Congressman John Lentz of Ohio is the beneficiary of a Mississippi valley campaign designed to make him postmaster general. Lentz is the head of a fraternal organization and its members in several states are backing a campaign for a popular demand for the Ohio man.

The veil of mystery that surrounded the eastern trip of Jay Scott, secretary of the democratic state central committee has been lifted. When Scott left between days it was officially announced that he was a private or vacation trip, and that his destination was some point in Illinois. Now it appears that Scott went east to interview Governor Wilson for a newspaper service and in his capacity as secretary of the California state central committee.

SCOTT'S FRIENDS IN THE democratic organization expect him to do something for himself, as well as for the president elect before the series of interviews is concluded.

BOURBONS WILL CAUCUS Democratic caucuses in both senate and assembly are something more than possibilities, according to Senator A. Caminetti, chairman of the democratic state executive committee. Caminetti is of the opinion that this season of democratic triumph in the nation and near triumph in California is not the time for his partisans to "play dead."

"I believe that there will be democratic caucuses in the senate and the assembly," said Caminetti yesterday. "That does not mean that we are not progressives. I am prepared to show that all the truly progressive legislation this state has secured originated in the democratic platforms. In this time of splendid democratic triumph in the nation and comparative glory in California, where it was said the democratic party was dead, it behooves the democrats to bestir themselves. This is not the time to play dead."

Mark Daniels, saloonist, sets up a defense of mistaken identity to the charge that he is interested in a movement for the recall of Sheriff Fred Eggers. Daniels admits that he has heard gossip about a recall, but insists that it is not a party to the movement.

IMPERTINENCE IS COSTLY Saucy Remark Causes Judge to Add Six Months to Thief's Sentence

Fred Reed, a notorious sneak thief, whose specialty is butter, eggs and produce, became flippant when Police Judge Sullivan sentenced him to six months in the county jail yesterday, and, as a result, the judge tacked on another six months to the original sentence. After he had been sentenced to six months for stealing butter and eggs, he remarked from the dock "that the cops had never caught him and never would." Morphine was found in his possession, and Sullivan gave him the additional six months on the charge of violating the poison law.

The Call Is Old Folks' Santa Claus Vaudeville Is Arranged for Relief Home

Twenty Professionals Will Entertain for Aged Inmates

Gray haired and bent with age, and with eyes that have become dimmed with the adversities of many summers and many winters, but still filled with youthful enthusiasm for the glamour and joys of the Yuletide season, 1,300 men and women, inmates of the Relief home, will be given a Christmas this year that will make the day never to be forgotten.

Through the interest The Call has taken in the pleasures provided for the inmates by the management of the institution a corps of 29 professional entertainers from the local theatrical colony will give a real vaudeville entertainment Christmas afternoon.

A series of bright sketches that will make the building ring with laughter; monologues and musical numbers of many kinds have been arranged for through the generous response received by The Call in its endeavor to furnish cheer for the aged men and women at the home, and make their Christmas a bright and merry one.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the performers will be taken to the Relief home by automobile by The Call, where they will stage the program in the big assembly hall. Notified by the superintendent of the home, C. M. Wollenberg, of the entertainment provided for them by this newspaper, the inmates expressed their appreciation in a beautifully worded little note to the management of The Call.

The Christmas celebration at the home will begin this evening, when a big tree with 400 lights and loaded with thousands of presents will be on exhibition. Each of the women will receive a kimono handkerchief, two white handkerchiefs, a box of hairpins, and lots of candy and cakes. The men will each receive handkerchiefs and neckties, cornocob pipes, and both smoking and chewing tobacco.

Employees of the institution under the direction of Superintendent Wollenberg will distribute the gifts, after which hot punch will be served. The regular Christmas dinner will precede the entertainment.

Those who have donated their services to appear in the vaudeville acts are:

Miss Ella Grant, James Essler; Mrs. Charles Ridley, Phil Price; Miss Nellie Evans, Harry O'Day; Miss Grace Evans, Ben Lavin; Miss Grace Harris, Charles Cohn; Miss Chalmers, Ray McGrath; Miss Alice Bryant, Guy Gillen; Miss Lous Moore, Ralph Gillen; Miss Maggie Roark, Jesse Wilber; Charles Ridley, Billy Cassidy.

"ROSE MAID" A MERRY HOLIDAY ATTRACTION

Spectacular Musical Offering at Columbia Theater Simply Fine Cheer for Christmas Season

With all of the musical beauty and zest of an English Christmas pantomime, "The Rose Maid" remains at the Columbia theater during the holiday season. A well selected company of principals who can sing as well as act and a chorus that has been widely praised as the best singing organization for many years help make "The Rose Maid" the best possible holiday offering.

There are, besides the features mentioned, which in themselves are sufficient to carry a musical work to success, a large and well trained orchestra, and a group of little players called the "Kute Kiddies," the members of which have been praised as highly in San Francisco as in New York, where they made one of the great successes of the theatrical season in Broadway.

"The Rose Maid" has its terspicious novelty, the staircase waltz, the spectacular and exciting cavalry tournament and the Viennese melodies, which have made it as famous as its sister opera, "The Spring Maid."

SANTA ANA BANDIT IS IDENTIFIED AS JONES

Washington Postmaster Gives Clew—Had Same Alias as Matlock and Same Scars

SANTA ANA, Dec. 23.—Developments today virtually cleared the mystery of the identity of the young desperado who was killed near here a week ago in a battle with a posse. A telegram from the postmaster at Linnton, Ore., stated that a money order had been issued to Ira Jones November 27 last. This corresponded with the receipt found on the dead man's person.

Joe Matlock, or C. C. Curran, as he was known there, was at Glendale, Cal., on that date. Dr. S. A. Barber of Porterville, Cal., who operated on a man given the name of C. C. Curran for a bullet wound, asserted that Curran's body bore tattoo marks which corresponded to the description of Joe Matlock as given by the latter's father.

A puzzling feature of the case was that the two men apparently unknown to each other had used the name of C. C. Curran and both bore identical scars. Although convinced that the dead man was Ira Jones, the authorities buried the desperado today with "name unknown."

Go Home for Christmas Reduced rates via Southern Pacific to and from all points on its lines. Tickets on sale December 21 to 25; final return limit January 2.—Adv.

Some of those who will take part in The Call's Christmas vaudeville entertainment at Relief Home.



WILLIAM GILES LONG CROSSES LAST DIVIDE

Aged Father of City Attorney Dies at Family Home in Kernville

William Giles Long, father of City Attorney Percy W. Long, and a pioneer miner, legislator and lawyer of Kernville, died at his home at Kernville, Kern county, Saturday.

CASTRO ON HIS WAY TO AMERICAN SHORES

State Department Puzzled as to Course of Action Regarding Former Dictator

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The state department was advised today by the American embassy in Paris that Cipriano Castro, one time dictator of Venezuela, was aboard La Touraine, which is due in New York next Saturday. Castro is listed under the name of Ruiz. The department is confronted with the disagreeable question of what to do with the deposed president.

Castro has been kept under surveillance as much as possible for the last three years, though now and then he has disappeared from the sight and knowledge of the state department.

When informed that he had embarked from France to America last Saturday at Harve, the officials were incredulous and it was only late today that official confirmation was received of his sailing.

It tacitly is admitted that if Castro is to be kept out of the United States, it must be done under color of the public health laws and regulations, for there is no legal charge against him that would warrant such action. Therefore the decision of the question as to his admission will be left to the department of commerce and labor, which is charged with the conduct of immigration.

Officials here would not hazard a guess as to the purpose of Castro's visit. Should the former president cherish a design of starting another revolution against the government of President Gomez in Venezuela, it was pointed out, he certainly would find a difficult field for his operations in this country, where his every movement would be watched by agents of the department of justice.

WARRANT FOR SUIT COMPANY MAY A warrant for the arrest of Michael Simon of the Imperial Cloak and Suit company, 215 Grant avenue, was issued by Police Judge Deasy yesterday on the complaint that Simon conducted a suit club in violation of the lottery laws. M. Amstead is named as the complaining witness.

FILM THEATER MAN GUILTY Alfred Kahn, manager of the Silver Palace theater at 727 Market street, was found guilty yesterday on a charge of exhibiting an improper picture, and will be sentenced by Police Judge Deasy today.

RESTITION IN BANKRUPTCY—Norman Brookhart, a real estate broker of Oakland, filed a petition in bankruptcy yesterday in the United States district court. His liabilities are scheduled at \$1,000,000 to such.

POLITICS CUTTING TOO MUCH FIGURE

So Declares Captain Mooney, New Head of Detective Bureau of Police

Fitzgerald Exonerated When Board Learns He Was Not Given Warrant

Political influence is to be swept out of the detective department of the San Francisco police force if Captain John Mooney, the new head of the bureau, has his way. He declared himself emphatically on this point at the meeting of the police commission last night and gained for himself an ardent supporter in the person of Theodore J. Roche, the newest member of the commission.

Captain Mooney spoke out vigorously against the old system. "There is too much of this influencing of detectives going on right now," he said, "and it ought to be stopped. There are several detective sergeants and other special duty men in my office right now who can not do their full duty because of this."

"Do you know who these men are?" Chief White asked. "I do, and they ought to be removed," returned Mooney. Commissioner Roche observed that he thought so, but he did the system that permitted political influence to interfere with his department.

After the meeting was over Mooney said politics would have to be eliminated from the management and appointment of detectives if he was to remain in charge of the bureau.

Patrolmen Thomas F. Flood and Martin Galscher were found guilty of neglect of duty in guarding prisoners at the city and county hospital and will be punished this morning with a reprimand from Chief White. These officers left two prisoners handcuffed to beds while they went to the dining room of the hospital for food.

The accidental board of foreign missions of the Presbyterian church submitted a vigorous objection to the threatened removal of Corporal Goff from the Chinatown beat.

Henry A. La Follie, former patrolman who was dismissed from the service in 1909 for intoxication, was denied the privilege of having his case reopened for hearing.

At the conclusion of the meeting Commissioner O'Grady, on behalf of the board, complimented Chief of Police White and the department captains upon the efficiency of the police department during the year 1912, and requested the different captains to extend greetings and congratulations to the men on behalf of the commissioners.

RINCON HILL GRADE WILL BE CUT DOWN

Rolph Calls Chopped Up Condition of Mound Disgrace and Urges Conference

After a warm debate, in which Mayor Rolph declared that former administrations had engaged in the pleasant practice of "passing the buck" in connection with cutting down Rincon hill and charged the chief inspector of the Chamber of Commerce with "bluffing" in regard to plans for relieving the situation, the board of supervisors took up the question of the grade of Rincon hill "a disgrace" and said that a comprehensive plan for solving the entire problem should be made, advising all interested to hold a conference with the city engineers.

PERMITTED TO CONNECT TRACKS

The board of works recommended yesterday that the supervisors grant the United Railroads permission to connect a single track in Presidio avenue with the outer track in California street for the purpose of switching the Presidio avenue cars to the California street line to facilitate storage of cars at the Clement and Thirty-third avenue car barn.

FIVE SHACK OWNERS ARRESTED

The board of health continued its crusade yesterday against shacks and unsanitary conditions when Dr. W. C. Hassler, chief sanitary inspector, secured warrants for the arrest of five persons who are the alleged owners of shacks. The persons who are to be arrested are Henry Metzger, 2027 Lombard street; Stern Travesaro, 423 Lombard street; D. Bianchi, 2477 Lombard street; C. Snyder, 2325 Chestnut street; and Harry Samuel, 1040 Folsom street.

THE GERMAN SAVINGS and LOAN S.C.C.ETV (The German Bank) 526 California Street NOTICE TO DEPOSITORS THE HAIGHT STREET BRANCH Is now located in its new building, corner Haight and Belvedere Sts.

Lothario at 82? Can't Be Suit for Heart Balm Fails

(Special Dispatch to The Call) NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—That 82 years is too great an age for a Lothario was the substance of a report of a jury before Judge Humphreys today, when they returned a verdict in favor of aged Charles Horton, accused by 35 year old Thomas Quinn of stealing the affections of Quinn's younger wife. Quinn had asked \$2,000 damages. The Quinns have since been reconciled and Mrs. Quinn testified for her husband. Letters from Horton, who is now in the west, were introduced.

TRUCKMAN HURLS CABBAGES ON ROAD

Patrolman Makes Him Pick Up Unsalable Produce Then Arrests Him

H. Cambust of South San Francisco thought it was a good way to get rid of unsalable cabbages by throwing them off one by one from his wagon in the Mission road. Patrolman Sullivan of the mounted force picked up the trail of cabbages and caught Cambust throwing the last of 200 in the road. The patrolman compelled the driver to go back and pick up the cabbages. Sullivan then arrested him for throwing garbage in the street. The case was dismissed yesterday with a reprimand by Police Judge Sullivan.

CLOUD OF GLOOM LIFTS

Election Clerks Are to Receive December Pay Before Christmas

The cloud of gloom that settled over the department of elections last week when the election commission passed a resolution instructing Registrar Zemanek not to pay any salaries until the last day of the month has lifted. Except for the negative vote of Commissioner Cator, the commissioners decided yesterday that election clerks and other employees should receive their December pay before Christmas, just as other city employees. Zemanek straightway turned the salary demands over to Auditor Boyle. Official canvases of the bond election returns was begun yesterday.

TARS TO DANCE TONIGHT

South Dakota Crew to Give Affair at Scottish Rite Hall

Expecting to have the dance the best ever held in the history of their ship, the crew of the United States cruiser South Dakota have completed arrangements for their fifth annual ball tonight in Scottish Rite auditorium, Van Ness avenue and Sutter street.

Committees from the South Dakota's club, which have the dance in charge, announce that the grand march will take place at 9 o'clock. As the occasion is Christmas eve, special holiday features will be introduced during the evening.

ROOM FOR CIVIC CENTER

Supervisors Order High School of Commerce Transferred

To make way for civic center buildings the supervisors yesterday ordered that the high school of commerce building be moved from Grove street between Larkin and Polk to the library lot at Fell and Franklin streets.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE DEAD

Thomas O'Halloran, 19 years of age, son of Mrs. Bridget O'Halloran of 5542 Geary street, died at the central emergency hospital last night following a stroke of heart failure which he underwent at a family reunion at his home. O'Halloran recently graduated from a local high school.

BARRETT REAPPOINTED—President Arthur H. Barrett of the board of health, who was reappointed yesterday, had been reappointed by Mayor Rolph to serve the full term of seven years. Barrett, who is a lawyer and former newspaper man, was appointed a member of the health board by former Mayor Taylor.

TAMALPAIS YIELDS UP ANOTHER BODY

Grisly Find Recalls Mystery of Two Years Ago in Its Grewsomeness

Corpse Virtually Identified as That of H. Loose of Oakland

(Special Dispatch to The Call) MILL VALLEY, Dec. 23.—Reduced to a mere skeleton by wind and weather, the half clad body of a man was found early this morning in the dense undergrowth far up on the lonely side of Mount Tamalpais, about 100 yards from an old trail which long ago was abandoned. The grawsome find was made by Antonio Serrano, an employe of the North Coast Water company, who stumbled across the corpse while hunting red berries on the mountain.

The body was that of a man apparently 35 years of age, and dressed only in shirt and trousers. The coat, of gray material, was lying across one decomposed arm. No weapons of any sort were found about the body, although in the vest pocket was a rusty razor. In other pockets were discovered a pair of manfouze scissors, a silver match box without any inscription, suitcase keys, a drinking cup with a dark sediment in the bottom, a silver watch and 25 cents in coin. A fragment of a note was discovered beneath the body, the writing of which was legible only in spots. Freely interpreted, it was to the effect that the man, whoever he was, had sought the lonely place to die, being despondent and out of work. Death by poison was strongly indicated, as there were no visible marks of violence about the remains, which had suffered from the grisly attention of buzzards and coyotes.

Coroner F. E. Sawyer of this city was notified and the body was brought to the morgue, where an effort will be made to identify it. Through a repair slip found in the watch, bearing the name of Otto Sine, an East Oakland jeweler, and the date "October 22, 1908," the police have come to the conclusion that the unfortunate man was Herman Loose, an Oakland bar tender, who disappeared last January after threatening to kill himself. Indications pointed to the fact that the body had been dead at least eight months, and the description also tallied closely with that of Loose, about whose family nothing was learned, except that he was despondent prior to his disappearance.

Sine was unable to furnish a description of the man whose watch he repaired so long ago, but he knew that John Buhmann, also a bar tender, was a friend of Loose. It was through Buhmann that the identity seems to have been established beyond a doubt.

Loose, if it be he whose body is lying in the Mill Valley morgue, was employed by the firm of Herbert and Souderleiter of Oakland, and later by the Clinton hotel of East Oakland, which is but a short distance from the little jewelry shop where the watch was repaired.

POLICE TYPISTS URGED

In accordance with a recommendation from Chief of Police White, the police commission requested the supervisors yesterday to pass an ordinance creating the positions of two male stenographers for duty in the police department. There is a surplus of \$3,326.29 in the salary fund of the department, out of which the stenographers can be paid \$100 each for the remainder of the fiscal year. They would replace policemen engaged on the card system, which lists lost and stolen property.

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