

SUITS BROUGHT FOR ARMS SEIZED BY PACIFIC MAIL

Watsonville Merchant Asks Return of Six Revolvers Taken From Wharf, or Equivalent

CASE IS FORERUNNER OF BIGGER DEMANDS

Company, It Is Alleged, to Be Asked to Return \$15,000 for Rifles

As forerunner of an attempt by Chinese to force the return of \$15,000 worth of revolvers and rifles seized by the steamship company at its wharves...

The Pacific Mail Steamship company claims the right to make the seizures because the British laws at Hongkong...

The suit follows closely upon the action of the Hongkong authorities who, at the request of President Yuan Shih Kai...

STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S CASE

Mr. C. J. Heggerty of the firm of Knight & Heggerty, counsel for the steamship company, said:

"The Pacific Mail Steamship company is acting under the laws of the United States as well as those of Great Britain. The situation is best explained in the words of a company official, who says:

"Since the overthrow of the old government in China, the difficulty on account of smuggling of firearms into Hongkong by the Chinese crews of out trans-Pacific steamers has increased. It is contrary to United States law for a vessel to have on, when leaving the United States, any merchandise not shown on the export manifest filed with the custom house. It is against the navigation laws of the United States for members of the crews to have firearms in their possession. When it is against the laws of the United States colony (Hongkong), and punished by fine and imprisonment for any officers or members of the crew of vessels entering Hongkong harbor to have in their possession any firearms or ammunition."

"A number of seizures of firearms and ammunition have been made by the Hongkong authorities on our ships, and some of our employees have been very severely fined, and, in one case, imprisoned. We have made strenuous efforts to break up this trade, and it might bring up a very serious situation if one of our vessels met with a disaster and the crew, by virtue of having firearms in their possession, should seize the boats."

"The only way we can stop this illegal traffic and avoid being fined by the authorities, is to make every effort to get our crews and officers of the ships and some of our employees to sign affidavits that the shipment was for Watsonville, we can only say that no local steamers approach the Pacific Mail docks."

In the suit of Do King Kee, Mr. Heron will contend that the six revolvers were not to be sent across the Pacific and were on the plea awaiting transportation to Watsonville. He said yesterday that a demand for the return of the weapons had been made upon the Pacific Mail and that while no refusal had been made, a sufficient time had elapsed for the beginning of legal action.

"During the last few months," declared Mr. Heron, "seizures of arms from merchants and from the Chinese crews of the vessels have been heavy. The Pacific Mail has realized at least \$15,000 from the illegal sale of the confiscated goods. We maintain that the company has no right, because of a British law at Hongkong, to seize firearms found on its vessels, particularly the right to make such seizures as were found on its wharves. If the courts should sustain the company's right of seizure on its ships, then we claim that the Pacific Mail has the right to convert the property to its own use by selling the guns. This is the first of a series of suits planned by Chinese to recover weapons taken from them illegally."

FIVE POSITIONS OPEN IN NATIONAL SERVICE Commission Announces Examinations for Lucrative Places at Early Date in This City

The United States civil service commission announces that the examinations listed below will be held in San Francisco at an early date.

Application blanks and further information relative to these examinations may be obtained from the secretary of the twelfth civil service district, room 241, postoffice building, San Francisco.

Associate physicist (male), qualified in electrical engineering, bureau of standards, salary \$2,000 to \$2,700 per annum.

Associate physicist (male), qualified in mechanical or civil engineering, bureau of standards, salary \$2,000 to \$2,700 per annum.

Assistant in plant biology (male), bureau of plant industry, salary \$1,200 to \$1,520 per annum.

Physician (male), salary \$1,500 per annum, Indian service.

The R. N. BURGESS COMPANY'S SPECIAL to the beautiful Mount Diablo country leaves San Francisco (Key Route Ferry) 8:40 a. m. SUNDAY, Oakland (Redwood) 9:10 a. m. Round trip fare 75c. Tickets obtainable only from Reserye. Only 255 tickets will be sold. Reserye closes early. R. N. BURGESS COMPANY, 724 Market street, San Francisco, 1533 Broadway, Oakland—Adv.

Coming Week in City Theaters Two Popular but Dissimilar Stars

Leading lights in theatrical firmament who will appear in San Francisco during coming week.



Two very dissimilar stars, but both of them popular, will appear next week at the Columbia and the Cort theaters, respectively. Eddie Foy is the star of the latter playhouse, and Frances Starr, in "The Case of Becky," will hold forth at the Columbia, beginning Monday night.

Eddie Foy at Cort and Frances Starr at Columbia Will Entertain Audiences

David Belasco's wizardry in stage production is of the same character as the mosaic work of a painter at no time in his successful career has this craft been more efficaciously employed than in his embellishing of "The Case of Becky."

Based upon the career of dual personality and the power of hypnotism, Edward Locke, added by Belasco, has built a play that for profound, absorbing interest stands, it is claimed, at the head of American stage literature.

Miss Starr's artistic triumph in the portrayal of the dual role of Dorothy and Becky has been pronounced one of the season's dramatic sensations.

Eddie Foy and all the little Foyes, seven in number, come to the Cort theater next Sunday evening in a musical comedy, "Over the River," which is one of the biggest and most pretentious musical offerings of the year.

"Over the River" derives its title from the fact that convicts sent to the penitentiary in New York are said to be doing time "over the river." Foy plays the role of Madison Parke, a wealthy man about town, who has had an escapade and is sent to the house of correction.

The first concert of the notable Ysaye season will be given next Sunday afternoon in Scottish Rite auditorium. The following Tuesday and Thursday evenings other recitals will be heard and the season will close with a concert, also in Scottish Rite hall, Sunday afternoon, May 13.

Wednesday afternoon, May 14, accompanied by a big orchestra, Ysaye will appear in the Greek theater, and will accomplish the tremendous feat of performing in a single recital two of the greatest concertos ever written. He will play the A minor Viotli concerto and a Beethoven work.

The entire engagement promises to be a brilliant one to the season of music, so far as Will Greenbaum's imported attractions are concerned.

A new dramatization of Charles Dickens' famous story, "A Tale of Two Cities," is announced for next week at the Alcazar, with Charles Waldron as Sydney Carton and Miss Justina Wayne specially engaged for the role of Mimi. All the members of the regular stock company and a number of regular players will round out the cast.

This stage version of "A Tale of Two Cities" is the only one completely in accord with modern methods of play building. While faithfully adhering to the original plot, it is free from superfluous detail and does not sacrifice dramatic value in order to emphasize characterization.

The Orpheum bill for next week has a particularly attractive appearance. Don, a "talking dog," will be introduced by the well known humorist, Loney Haskell. Don is said to articulate with remarkable clearness several ordinary words, and in the utterance of the vowel sounds of e and u, is said to be perfect.

"The Top of the World" dancers will be seen in "Kris Kringle's Dream," a feature of which is the "Colle Ballet," where several thoroughbred dogs appear with their pretty mistresses.

Lester, a ventriloquist, who defies anybody to detect him speaking, will introduce his puppet companion; the Curson sisters will dance in the air like butterflies; Hale Norcross will...

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DELEGATION WILL VISIT BALTIMORE

San Francisco Ad Club Prepares to Make Fight for 1915 Convention

San Francisco's delegation to the national convention of advertising men at Baltimore next month was chosen yesterday by the local ad club at its weekly luncheon at Technau's.

The contingent will be 30 strong, and will include some of the biggest workers who can be found in the city. These will exert every effort, and if they fail to accomplish their purpose it will not be because of lack of effort.

Following is the list of the delegation: J. Brunner, E. C. Ayres, J. Charles Green, F. S. Nelson, W. J. Harry, C. H. Workman, P. J. McConville, C. E. Hill, Bill Harrison, Atwood, R. M. Doppler, R. J. Bidwell, George Norton, C. H. Brockhaus, James O'Sullivan, G. H. Walker, Cooper, J. W. Judge, William Rizer, E. B. Hanson, C. J. Welton, F. E. Gilbert, J. H. Brown and William Dawson Mayer, George E. Perry and William Woodhead.

AUTO IN PAGEANT

By unanimous vote the club endorsed the proposal of E. B. Hanson of the San Francisco Exposition Tourist company, to have entered for San Francisco in the pageant at Baltimore an automobile which will soon start on a trip across the continent.

S. P. Johnston gave an interesting report of the plans being completed for the convention at Sacramento, May 19 to 21, of the Pacific Coast Advertising Men's association. This will be the largest gathering of its kind ever arranged on the coast.

MR. PERRY ELECTED MEMBER

George E. Perry, director of exploitation of the Panama-Pacific exposition, was elected a member of the local advertising men's association by a unanimous vote, and also chosen as delegate to the Baltimore convention.

President William Woodhead related how Los Angeles is going to boost for the southern part of the state, and urged that San Francisco go her sister metropolis one better.

LITERATURE FOR DISTRIBUTION

The Los Angeles Ad club has prepared thousands of pamphlets describing the southern part of the state, and commercial bodies in other parts of the southern California cities have arranged to send east an enormous amount of literature. All of this will be taken on a special train.

Another big boosting scheme of the Los Angeles advertising men is to distribute 5,000 ostrich plumes dyed an orange color, in addition to bombarding the spectators at the pageant with thousands of packages of fruit.

The Los Angeles club also is having built 1,000 letters from Los Angeles men and women to their Baltimore friends, boosting for their city. The Baltimore club has arranged a special delivery system to distribute the missives from the banquet hall, where the orange will be opened.

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NUMEROUS ROBBERIES REPORTED TO POLICE

Pickpockets and Burglars Are Busy in Many Parts of the City, Say Alleged Victims

Many reports of burglaries and pocket picking were made to the police yesterday. Burglars broke into the sporting store of C. A. Son, 1726 Fillmore street, and took revolvers worth \$70. U. Suzuki, 1631 Post street, claims his room was rifled of articles worth \$176. J. B. West, 625 Castro street, says a pickpocket filched his purse containing \$11 and a Masonic charm. A gold watch was stolen by "dips" from Sam Seaman, 1124 Howard street while on the water front.

The saloon of John Kane, 3033 Clement street, was burglarized of \$40 from the till. Leon Prantz, 546 Twenty-fifth avenue, says he was jostled by an elderly lady on a Guerrero street car and after she left the vehicle discovered that his pocket had been picked of \$20.

A burglar tried to gain entrance to the home of W. A. Brennan, 2920 Broadway, late Tuesday night, but was frightened away.

Mrs. Colonel A. Bradbury, 839 Leavenworth street, reported that Sunday afternoon, while she was alighting from her automobile at the Cliff house, she either lost or had stolen a valuable pearl necklace.

George Wintermark was held to answer by Judge Sullivan yesterday in bonds of \$10,000 on a charge of living off the earnings of Mary Heala.

OUTING EXCURSION TO HALF MOON BAY SUNDAY

Emmons Drayage Employees and Friends Participate in Third Annual Outing

One hundred and three auto truck joyriders made merry last Sunday in the third annual outing and excursion of the Emmons Drayage company employees and friends. The affair was held at Half Moon Bay, the party leaving 7:30 a. m. in five Federal trucks and nine touring cars.

Frank Ratto was marshal of the day and among the speakers were W. L. Huggson, president of the Standard Motor Car company, Dr. Dangel, president of the Work Horse Parade association; William H. Gutzkow, former park commissioner and O. B. Henderson of the Baker Electric company.

The affair was under the supervision of W. F. McLeod, manager of the company and Mayor John Ratto of Half Moon Bay.

One of the features was a baseball game between the traffic squad and the company employees.

Robbed of His Belongings Innocently he was enjoying a cool, delightful surf plunge, but was witness to his clothes being stolen. In a barrel he ran to 59 Stockton street, to dress on the \$1 a week credit plan—Adv.

The eight Chinese who were found in a furniture car from Mexico consigned to Holt a town near Sacramento, were taken to the immigration station on Angel island yesterday for deportation.

LOW RATES EAST

Table with columns: Destinations, Round Trip—First Class, and dates. Destinations include Chicago, Boston, New York, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Philadelphia, St. Paul, Washington, Baltimore, Memphis, and many other points.

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