

# VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROVES SUCCESS Skeptics Should Visit the Junior Exposition

Miniature Steam Engines and Aeroplanes and Home Made Dresses and Bread on Exhibit

FOLK DANCING ALSO FINDS ITS PLACE

Graceful Exercise Displaces Form of Torture Known as Calisthenics

It doesn't need any argument to convince a person that vocational training in schools is a good thing after he has seen the junior exposition at the Auditorium. There are enough miniature derricks, steam engines, aeroplanes, wireless apparatus, home made dresses, bonnets, cakes, bread, biscuits and salads to satisfy even the most skeptical.

The struggle of the teacher to convince the parents and the general public has been a long one, but now she is beginning to have success. Each person who goes out of the Auditorium after seeing the bewildering display of handwork is henceforth an advocate—yes, even a plain booster.

Yesterday afternoon the program at the Junior exposition included folk dancing, and the most disbelieving and scornful came away enthusiastic over this new form of calisthenics.

### FORM OF TORTURE

The traditional method of raising the arms up and down for a measured length of time, opening and closing the hand, and then stepping forward with one foot is a form of torture still vividly remembered by many people.

The new substitute brings the same muscular development with all the laborious features removed. At least this is what Mrs. Newton Tharp, who had charge of the dances said, and from the look on the faces of the children she was very nearly correct. They all enjoyed it, and hopped and skipped around joyfully and gracefully at the same time.

The ability to walk into a business office without stumbling violently over the edge of the rug and to make hands and feet appear as if they belonged on the body instead of being casually attached is worth more than Greek or Latin, says Mrs. Tharp, and from the graceful appearance of the children they certainly were being well educated.

### DON'T BE ALARMED

This form of cultivating grace and poise is often disguised as a "rhythmic interpretation of the traditions of the Danish, Norwegian, Russian and other peoples," but the spectators yesterday afternoon didn't realize it. If they had, they might have been worried for fear they missed something interesting. Each dance is supposed to be suggested by nature. For instance, take the Norwegian folk dance, which is supposed to be inspired by the sight of the mountain goat leaping from pinnacle to pinnacle. Don't be alarmed—the dance doesn't look like that at all.

The children wore gay colored bows in their hair to match the colors of their schools, which were the Noe Valley, Kate Kennedy, Denman, Sutro, Grattan and George Penbody. The members of the recreation department of the exposition, which had the folk dancing in charge, is composed of Colonel James E. Power (director), R. W. Dodd, John Elliott, George Miesling, Prof. Robert Bercher, James E. Rogers, George Schlitter, Thomas Boyle, Joseph Hickey, N. Pendergast, Miss Arnes E. Reagan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Brother Joseph, Miss S. E. Jenkins, Miss Rachel Wolfsohn, Miss Sarah D. Hamilton, Miss Kate F. Casey, Miss Genevieve King and Eustace Pelotto.

### WORK OF UNGRADED SCHOOL

More interesting, perhaps, than any other is the department of the ungraded school, where the work of the backward children is exhibited.

Little Tony Gonzales has woven a pleasing little mat on a small loom, and other children have done their share in making raffia baskets, cutting paper designs and doing other work suited to their ability.

Their work corresponds largely to that of the children of the first and second grades. Mary Fenocchio of 1645 Stockton street, 9 years old, who is a Jean Parker school student, and Lenora Smith, 101 Alpine terrace, of the Dudley Stone school, do beautiful weaving and introduce designs of their own. Elinor Marshall, 829 Central avenue, a 6 year old student at the Fremont school, has pounded a lamp shade of brass, and so on through the list.

### TOY CASTLE EXHIBITED

And 9 year old F. Bourn Haynes of 2029 Broadway brought to the exhibit a castle of his own make, with soldiers costumed in uniforms he made himself, while inside the walls a little town is placed, where tiny hardware and grocery shops display even their wares.

The second grade children of the Redding school are making their history and geography extremely practical.

As fast as they learn of the California missions and the life of the Mexican days they build a "dobe" chapel and farm buildings on a sand lot which represents the topography of the district. They get clear up to date, for a most lifelike Market street is there, with streetcars, fire stations and skyscrapers, all of cardboard, while the view of the bay is blocked off by a ferry building, designed by John M. Steffens, 8 years old.

### THAT SEWING DIVISION

In the sewing division every man who hopes to get married about five years from now, when the girls who have designed evening gowns costing \$5 and tailor suits at a price above the same are out in society, can look up the name tag and select an economical wife.

And the dresses are right there with the class and style, as any one who has visited the department will tell you.

Dorothy Jones of 1263 Eleventh avenue, who has learned how at the Polytechnic school, is one of those, and Mary MacMurray of 227 Flood street, attending the Coswell school, is another. If you go today you can find out about more of them.

Instrumental music and piano solos were part of yesterday afternoon's program, as was also an exhibition of "educated" and "trick" animals.

Mrs. A. P. Black was chairman of the afternoon.

In the evening there was band music and fancy and folk dancing. The principal event was a series of commercial tests of typewriting, shorthand, and use of the adding machine. Special prizes to exhibitors and the winners in literary contests were awarded.

Paul Sinsheimer was chairman of the evening.

Today is the last day of the exhibition. The evening session will be devoted to a grand recreation pageant, in which there will be parades, drills, dances, tableaux and other displays.



Snapshots taken at the Junior exposition by a Call staff photographer. The upper picture shows Joseph H. Conrad trying a hat on Mrs. L. Kean, who had charge of the schoolgirls' millinery department. The hat had been made by one of the girls. Below is a group of girls of the Everett grammar school lunching on some of the cakes that formed part of their cooking display.

## BROMFIELD RECITAL IS SUCCESS IN TWO WAYS

Concert Wins Both Plaudits and Pecuniary Reward for Singer

Miss Grace Bromfield's recital last night in Century club hall was an exception from the usual rule that provides artistic successes and financial failures for local concert givers. Miss Bromfield's concert was successful in both important essentials of art and finance. The hall was comfortably filled, the audience was receptive and appreciative and the program offerings were effective and varied.

With a manner of ease and grace, Miss Bromfield's vocal presentations were distinguished by a voice of lyric charm and wide range. Her selections were culled from the garden of international song, and comprised compositions by Charpentier ("Depuis le Jour" from "Louise"), Rubenstein, Strauss, Rogers, Richard Strauss, Cadman and Oley Speaks.

Of particular interest and beauty were two duets which the soprano sang with Robert D. McLure. They gave Mazort's simple and exquisite "La ci darem La Mano," from "Don Giovanni," and "Abschied der Vogel," by Hildach. McLure sang two groups of songs and the prologue from "I Pagliacci." He was especially effective in Schuler's "Ich Liebe Dich," which won an encore, the response being a pretty little Celtic solo.

Arditi's waltz sing, "Parla," was the

final number on the program and was interpreted with brilliancy and beauty by Miss Bromfield, who has established herself as one of the best of local sopranos.

### ALLEGED BUNKO MAN HELD

Gordon Kinsley was arrested here in a tenderloin hotel yesterday on a warrant charging him with using the mails to defraud. He was held on \$2,000 bond by United States Commissioner Krull and his hearing set for next Tuesday at 11 a. m.

# HUSBAND MAKES BIGAMY CHARGES

First Mate Was Reported Dead in Prison, San Francisco Woman Pleads

(Special Dispatch to The Call)

WOODLAND, May 23.—Mrs. Florence Watson of San Francisco was arrested late this afternoon on a charge of bigamy preferred by A. J. Colyer, also of San Francisco. According to the story told by Mrs. Watson, the arrest is due to spite on the part of Colyer. She admits that she is a bigamist, but pleads ignorance of the law.

Her tale is that she married G. W. Watson of Red Bluff several years ago. Hearing that Watson was in a penitentiary and later had died, Mrs. Watson thought a second marriage with Colyer would be perfectly legal. Since learning that she had no right to marry Colyer during the existence of Watson, Mrs. Watson claims that she has refused to live with the San Francisco man, and her arrest today is the consequence.

She broke down when she was taken into custody by Sheriff Monroe at the home of her sister and brother in law in this city, immediately upon the receipt of instructions from Chief White of San Francisco. As the county jail is unfit for women prisoners, she was taken to Sacramento and was held in custody there this evening. She will be taken to San Francisco in the morning.

A 6 year old son is under the care of the probation officer. Mrs. Watson has been here for some time, living with her relatives. She was formerly Miss Florence Whitney.

### ELECTRIC SMELTER AT HEROUT IS SUCCESS

New Industry, Employing Hundred Men, Puts Out Seventy-Five Tons of Iron Daily

(Special Dispatch to The Call)

REDDING, May 23.—The electric iron smelter at Herout on the Pitt is no longer an experiment. Twenty-five tons of pig iron is the daily output, three taps being made every 24 hours. Four carloads of iron, or 220 tons, were shipped from the smelter last week, the consignments going to various points in California and one carload to Salt Lake City. One hundred men are employed.

No fuel and no blast are used in smelting at Herout. Electricity is used, 4,000 horsepower to the furnace. The iron produced is claimed to be the best pig in the world.

### FACTORY TO REMAIN OPEN

Match Company Announces There Will Be No More Suspensions

(Special Dispatch to The Call)

CHICO, May 23.—The Diamond Match company announced today that there would be no suspension hereafter during the summer months. The match factory will run continuously and the payroll of the company will be increased. Heretofore there has been a six months' layoff during the warm season.

### COMMISSION BEGINS ITS SMELTER INQUIRY

Attorney General Webb Refuses to Interfere in Benicia Case. Pending Report

BENICIA, May 23.—Dr. J. H. Holmes, chief of the United States bureau of mines, Washington, D. C., arrived here with Dr. W. F. Snow, secretary of the state board of health, and Dr. Ralph A. Gould of Stanford university, to begin an investigation into the alleged nuisance created by the operation of the Selby smelter on the opposite shore of Carquinez straits.

The three experts are members of a commission created as a result of a lano county and the smelter people stipulation entered into between Solano county and the smelter people. Doctor Holmes was appointed by Secretary Lane and the other two by Governor Johnson.

Attorney General U. S. Webb has refused to interfere pending the findings of the commission.

### OCCUPATIONAL CRAZE IS MURDER DEFENSE

Benicia Attorney Contends Unbalanced High Explosives Unbalanced His Client's Mind

BENICIA, May 23.—Will the constant handling of nitroglycerin induce a high nervous state and even insanity? This is the question introduced by Attorney J. R. Cronin in the case of Andy Stein, on trial for murder in the superior court.

Stein was head powder man for the San Francisco Bridge company, which had the contract for the removal of Kirkman island in Carquinez straits to make way for a new Southern Pacific ferry slip. The night of February 20 Stein suddenly appeared in the door of the Hotel Bird and began firing into the guests, who were dancing. E. G. Ahlson, member of a prominent San Jose family, was among those who were killed. Cronin, Stein's attorney, says that his point is sustained by high medical authorities.

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