

FAIR BOARD TO BANQUET FRENCH COMMISSIONERS

Dedication Will Take Place September 5—Visitors to Spend Two Days in City

W. L. HATHAWAY SOON TO DEPART

Representative of Exposition to Attend Convention of Underwriters

Preceding the selection of the site for the pavilion to be erected at the Panama-Pacific exposition by the French government, a banquet will be given to the French national commission Thursday evening, September 4, at which the directors of the exposition will act as hosts.

The members of the commission now en route to San Francisco are M. Tirman, director of exhibitions in the French ministry of commerce and industry; G. Roger-Sandoz, president of the commission for the study of the Panama-Pacific international exposition; M. Pellerin de Latouche, administrator of the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique and of the Paris-Lyon-Mediterranean Railway company, and Alfred Savy, member of the international jury of awards at the St. Louis exposition, who is the government architect.

The commission will spend two days in San Francisco. They will accept and officially accept the site for the French national pavilion and arrange for space for French industrial and educational exhibits.

W. L. Hathaway, insurance commissioner of the Panama-Pacific international exposition, will depart in a few days to attend the National Association of Life Underwriters' annual convention in Atlantic City, and the national meeting called by the Philadelphia Fire Prevention association, which is to be held in that city.

Primarily, Commissioner Hathaway's trip is for the purpose of discussing plans for the world's insurance congress that is to be held under the auspices of the exposition in this city from October 1 to 15 inclusive, 1915.

Plans for an international congress on marriage and divorce during the Panama-Pacific exposition in 1915, when the enactment and enforcement of uniform legislation will be taken up, were discussed yesterday by the California state commission at a luncheon held yesterday at the Hotel St. Francis.

The date for the congress is expected to be May 19 to 24, 1915. The conservation of resources as interpreted in the preservation of the home hygiene and other subjects will be taken up at that time, and representatives from foreign nations as well as the United States are expected to be present.

J. W. Henderson, president of the California commission and third vice president of the international commission, presided yesterday.

SPECIAL TAX RATE 4 CENTS 2 MILLS

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 30.—The state tax rate for the ensuing sixth-fifth fiscal year to raise the amount of the third installment of the Panama-Pacific international exposition tax will be four cents and two mills on each \$100 of taxable property. This will raise \$1,226,654.

The total assessment wealth of the state for 1912 has been fixed by the state equalizers at \$3,108,324,704, or an increase of \$188,981,815 over the 1911 wealth.

The valuation is divided as follows: Country lands and town lots, \$1,660,130,794; value of improvements thereon, \$230,530,419; total real estate and improvements, \$2,282,094,217; personal property, \$301,630,523; money and solvent credits, \$111,630,200; total value upon which counties will collect taxes, \$2,633,264,144; operative property of public service corporations, \$291,907,845; profits assessed by the state board, \$151,112,742.

The table shows that but four counties decreased their total assessments under what they were in 1912, the counties being El Dorado, Humboldt, Mono and Tuolumne.

Some of the total increases were: Los Angeles, \$73,589,096; San Francisco, \$19,084,971; San Diego, \$14,440,987; Alameda, \$13,432,006; Fresno, \$2,149,416.

By the increase Fresno now leads Sacramento in assessment by more than \$24,000.

The Fresno assessment is \$2,198,876 and Sacramento, \$91,256,203. City Commissioner J. A. Filcher of Sacramento was chosen director general of exhibits and Ted C. Atwood, county clerk of El Dorado county, was named executive secretary by the Sacramento valley Panama Exposition commission today.

Both will resign their offices. Filcher will receive \$5,000 a year and Atwood \$3,000.

Arrive at New York NEW YORK, Aug. 30.—The French national commission to the Panama-Pacific exposition, headed by Albert Tirman, reached New York today on the steamer Provence.

The commission will spend two days in New York and then proceed to San Francisco.

Viscount de Jehu, first secretary of the French embassy at Washington, and representatives of the exposition met the commission at the dock.

Fraternity Coming INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 30.—San Francisco was elected unanimously to the 1915 convention city of Delta Tau Delta in the closing session today of the convention here.

HIGH SCHOOL INITIATED New \$80,000 structure to Hayward Opened With Housewarming HAYWARD, Aug. 30.—Housewarming exercises were held in the new \$80,000 Hayward union high school, on the Fourth boulevard, this evening.

MISS MAYS SMITH TO SING Concert Star at Oakland Fete

Miss Lulu Maysmith, Oakland song bird who will appear on Admission day concert program before starting on her western tour.



Soprano to Appear Twice at Admission Day Carnival Before Starting Tour

OAKLAND, Aug. 30.—Miss Lulu Maysmith, who is about to start a western concert tour under direction of James Bradford, will be one of the vocalists during the three day carnival and Admission day celebration of the Native Sons in Oakland, September 2 to 4. She is a lyric soprano of unusual merit.

Miss Maysmith will sing in the grand court honor Sunday and Tuesday afternoons during the celebration. One of her selections was specially written for the occasion by Lionel Dalton and James Gearheart, and is entitled "California, the Land of the Golden West."

Wide-spread attention is being given the athletic events and the regatta on Lake Merritt during the carnival. Under the direction of the N. S. G. Y. the eighteenth annual track and field championship events of the Pacific Association of the Amateur Athletic Union will be held September 2 at Mary's college track. Athletes of state, national and world fame will participate.

A regatta will be held on Lake Merritt the same afternoon and draws from the Ariel, South End, Dolphin, Alameda and San Diego boat clubs have entered. It is also likely that crews from Hawaii will be entered in the two Pacific coast championship events—the senior barge race and the senior skiff race. Another feature will be the 25 foot cutter race with crews of 10 men and coxswain each from the Yerba Buena naval training station and the U. S. S. Marblehead. The committee in charge of the field events and regatta is composed of the following:

H. Hauser, Al Kihn, L. N. Cobble-dick, Harry S. Anderson, J. J. Digby, M. B. Morrison and George J. Hans.

Harry G. Williams will be grand marshal of the Admission day pageant, which starts September 2 at 3 o'clock a. m.

ACCOUNTING DEMANDED BY PRATHER EXECUTOR

Suit Brought by E. F. Adams Against S. D. Prather and W. B. Newbert

Suit for accounting of stocks and bonds in various corporations founded by the late Thomas Prather of Oakland was filed in the superior court yesterday by Attorney Edson F. Adams, executor of the estate, against Samuel D. Prather, brother of Thomas Prather, and Walter B. Newbert, Mr. Prather's confidential secretary.

Named as co-defendants are the following corporations in which Mr. Prather is alleged to have held the stocks on which Mr. Adams now seeks accounting: Merced River Electric company, Ernest Stone company, Yolo Water and Power company, Bank of Hayward and Hayward Savings bank.

Mr. Adams alleges that shortly before Thomas Prather died, on April 19, he left his affairs in charge of Samuel Prather and Mr. Newbert. He alleges that since Prather's death the brother and Newbert have increased their salaries and disposed of the books of the company so that the value of the estate can not be determined. The sum involved in the accounting suit is said to be \$400,000.

Judge Dunne granted Mr. Adams an order restraining the defendants from transferring the stock until the case shall be heard.

MARGARET ANGLIN HERE Talented Actress Ready to Rehearse for Sophocles' "Electra" BERKELEY, Aug. 30.—Margaret Anglin, who will appear in Sophocles' "Electra" in the Greek theater of the University of California next Saturday evening, arrived today to prepare for the production by the drama club. Her husband, Howard Platt, supervisor of arrangements for the drama, and Newbert will be joined when dress rehearsals will be held on the stage of the Greek theater.

TENNIS FINALS AT NIAGARA NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE, Ont., Aug. 30.—In the final of the ladies' open championship of the lawn tennis tournament here today Mrs. Williams of Philadelphia defeated Miss Mary Brown of Los Angeles, the American national champion, 5-6, 2-6, 6-4.

In the doubles championship round, John and Beavers of California, beat Whitely and Gordon of Boston, 6-2, 6-0, 6-2.

In the men's open championship final Gordon of California beat Whitely, the Massachusetts champion, 8-6, 1-6, 6-4, 8-6.

NEW SMOUGER BARES DRUG RING IN 4 DAY HUNT

Woeful Inefficiency Shown in Port Force, Says Wardell, Exposing Plot to Bring in Opium

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Wardell, who was arrested on the charge of smuggling opium, says that the Chinese ring leaders are now being investigated.

"We have the goods on all the men arrested. Some have confessed and will turn state's evidence. As a matter of fact, we expect that all of the customs men under arrest will turn out to be witnesses for the government—confess, you understand."

CHINESE RING LEADERS The three Chinese for whom warrants were issued are, according to Surveyor Wardell, among the ring leaders of the smugglers.

"The opium smugglers had a regular cabal," he said. "They met frequently at the houses of the members. Whenever one of the conspirators was arrested several of them were at times, the others would furnish bail for him. We know that they had frequent quarrels as to the amount of ball money that each should put up."

"They went further than that; they threatened with death any member of the ring who should expose the workings of the gang or confess to being implicated in the smuggling of opium.

The boldness of the smugglers was almost incredible. We know now that every one of the customs men under arrest not only carried opium off ships and turned it over to other persons on the wharves, but even went so far as to take it up to Chinatown and deliver it to the Chinese opium dealers.

GRAFT ENOUGH TO RETIRE "Some customs men made so much money out of the smuggling of opium that they were able to retire from the service. I know of one man who got between \$50,000 and \$60,000. That means that he must have smuggled ashore not less than \$300,000 worth of opium. Another man, according to evidence we have, brought in \$100,000 worth. Others smuggled ashore from \$5,000 to \$10,000 worth of opium each.

"The customs men were paid so much a tin for all the opium they smuggled in. The amount they received varied according to the difficulty at the time of getting the stuff off the boats. The price started at \$4 a tin, but as it became more difficult to smuggle the opium in the price advanced to \$5, then to \$6. Some of the men got as much as \$10 a tin for each tin they brought ashore, and we know of one man who got as high as \$25 a tin, but he dealt directly with the opium consumers. This man is not yet under arrest, but we hope to get him."

Ellison, formerly a customs guard, but who resigned from the service about August, was supposed last night to be in Oakland, though he lives in Marin county.

MILLER ARREST GAVE CLEWS Miller, who was arrested last night, was sent to San Francisco by President Taft, who specially requested that he be given a job in the customs service. He is already under indictment for opium smuggling, having been arrested July 25. He was his arrest at that time that developed the clues upon which Wardell and Tidwell worked. These clues were turned over to Wardell by Deputy Surveyor Stephens, who had carefully worked them up.

Wardell and Tidwell started their investigation about four days ago. Yesterday was payday, and each of the customs men went to the office to get his money. Each was invited to the surveyor's office and there was placed under guard of Inspectors Efland and Snloe. Before that, however, about four days ago, some of the men had been brought into the office and questioned, and it is known that at least three of them have confessed their own part in the conspiracy and told of the complicity of their associates.

As soon as the men reached the surveyor's office, they were stripped of their badges and buttons.

Neither Wardell nor Tidwell would discuss the probability of complicity of men higher up in the service.

MORE OPIUM DUE TODAY Meantime, it is expected that a large shipment of opium will reach here at 10 o'clock this morning on the steamship Manchuria. As to the steamship Wardell and Special Agent Tidwell will personally superintend a thorough search of the vessel.

Surveyor Wardell said he believes that every China steamer that reaches this port brings a shipment of opium. But, he says, he intends to put a stop to it at once.

Of the men arrested, all except McKenna, McGrath and Tal were able to give bonds. These were fixed at \$2,000 for each of the men except Joseph, Reay and McGoough, who were held under bonds of only \$500 each as "detained witnesses." It is expected that the government will use them to prove the guilt of their companions and that they either will not be indicted or, if they are, will be given immunity in return for their testimony.

TAYLOR TRAPPED IN AUTO Taylor, who is accused of being one of the big men of the ring, was arrested about three weeks ago at the muzzle of the rifle by three customs officials, and two companions were taken with him. He had an automobile which he utilized in bringing opium across the border from Mexico, and this was seized. The automobile, according to Tidwell, has figured prominently in the operations of the San Francisco ring.

All of the men arrested, with the exception of Reay, McGoough and Joseph, are held on conspiracy charges. It was the intention yesterday to convene the grand jury and present the evidence to that body immediately, but it was impossible to

obtain a quorum, so the matter went over until this week, the men being charged before United States Commissioner Maling.

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OAKLAND, Aug. 30.—Edward Davis, M. A., former clergyman of Oakland, will be the leading attraction at the Oakland Orpheum tomorrow afternoon.

Davis will present an allegory written by himself and staged in a sumptuous fashion. It is entitled "The Kingdom of Destiny," and the theme is handled in blank verse, with a musical accompaniment.

The Vanias, a quartet of grand opera soloists, will be heard in a song comedy and singing.

Maud O'Delle and her company will present "The Goat," a new playlet by Ruth Mitchell.

GUARD BATTERIES TO RELIEVE MINE PATROLS

Mounted Troopers Prove More Effective in Michigan Strike Zone

CALUMET, Mich., Aug. 30.—Eighty men of Batteries A and B of the Michigan national guard have been ordered to Calumet to replace 400 infantrymen who will leave the mining district next week. Mounted patrols have proved more useful than infantry in the present state of the district affected by the strike of copper miners.

The Calumet and Hecla mine is said to be working at about one-third of normal output.

Four women are under arrest charged with participating in minor disorders. The striking miners plan big demonstrations in Calumet tomorrow and Monday at Hancock.

Six deputy sheriffs charged with the murder of Stephen Patrick and Alois Tolan, miners, shot in Painesville, Aug. 24, will be examined on Tuesday. Sixteen cases arising from strike disorders are on the September docket of the Houghton county court.

RAILWAY CAR STRIKES WAGON; TWO INJURED

William Bulmann Suffers Fracture of Skull; Gilbert Riley Breaks Arm ALAMEDA, Aug. 30.—William Bulmann, 1540 Union street, and Gilbert Riley, 2050 San Jose avenue, narrowly escaped death at 6 o'clock this evening when the delivery wagon on which they were riding was struck by a car of the Southern Pacific company Chestnut street and Encinal avenue.

The wagon was demolished and the men were buried under the debris. Bulmann fracturing his skull and Riley breaking an arm. The horses were freed from the vehicle in the crash and escaped injury.

This is the first accident on the company's new cross-town line.

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DEER CLOSE TO EXTERMINATION POLICE WORK ON WOMAN MYSTERY

University Expedition Asserts Animal Fast Disappearing in Mendocino

What Is Perhaps New Species of Beaver Discovered at Point Arena

BERKELEY, Aug. 30.—Data gathered on the status of game animals by an expedition from the University of California museum of vertebrate zoology, just returned from three months' work along the northern California coast, show that in Mendocino county, where considerable investigation was made, deer will be practically exterminated in a few years, unless more drastic protective measures are taken.

Knowledge was obtained of the distribution of destructive rodents north of San Francisco bay, and outlines of life zones, which government authorities have shown to be indicators of appropriate farm crops, were made more precise.

A large number of specimens of birds, mammals and reptiles were added to the collection of the vertebrate zoology museum.

The work done by the expedition was principally by the counties of Marin, Sonoma and Mendocino, of which little biologically had been known previously.

Miss Anna M. Alexander of Oakland financed the trip.

What is perhaps a new species of the beaver was discovered at Point Arena. The mountain beaver is known at that place as the ground bear, and was known formerly to scientists as the mammoth mole.

Another discovery was of the rare Phenacomys, or tree mouse, a small animal resembling the meadow mouse, which builds nests in trees, and apparently never comes to the ground. This species was found in the dry trees near Mendocino city and on the slopes of Sanhedrin mountain.

GRANITE CONTRACT ON CITY HALL AWARDED McGilvray-Raymond Company Lowest Bidder at Price of \$991,313

The contract for furnishing and installing the granite for the new city hall was awarded by the board of works yesterday to the McGilvray-Raymond Granite company on the bid of \$991,313.

Bids from other contractors were received for various alternate propositions into which the granite specifications were divided, but the only other bid embracing the whole proposition was that of the Raymond Granite company of \$1,434,796.

This was \$434,796 higher than the successful bidder.

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Dilatory Neighbors Fail to Report Lest They Become Involved

OAKLAND, Aug. 30.—Although no less than three persons saw two women enter a building under course of construction in Arlington street, between Lowell and Los Angeles streets, Emeryville, Friday night, and later were aroused by screams and appeals for help emanating from the building, the police were notified only today.

Investigation revealed pools of blood on the floor and splattered about the walls under circumstances that point to some mysterious crime.

The police are working on the case and making a search for the contractors, Roger Brothers.

The discovery of the blood and the subsequent notification of the police were made by William H. Bates, 815 Forty-fifth street, who, while passing the building yesterday, was impelled by curiosity to inspect the interior.

The sight of the blood caused him to quickly summon the officers. When the latter reached the scene a short time afterward, it was discovered that some one had surreptitiously covered the telltale pools with sand.

Inquiry among residents in the neighborhood elicited the fact that Mrs. R. Barnes, 384 Fifty-seventh street, had seen the two women enter the building Friday night.

Philip Peterson, 11 years old, 99R Fifty-seventh street, heard screams and cries of "Don't strike me, my back is broken!" and Mrs. Charles E. Hudeleston, 875 Arlington street, also saw two women enter the place, but only one leave some time afterward.

The reason given by all of these people for not notifying the police was that they were afraid of being involved in some way.

THREATS OF LYNCHING FOLLOW DOUBLE MURDER

FRESNO, Aug. 30.—James Collins met his wife and 6 year old daughter on Front street in Merced this morning and immediately opened fire with a pistol, killing the woman and fatally wounding the child, according to a dispatch received here today.

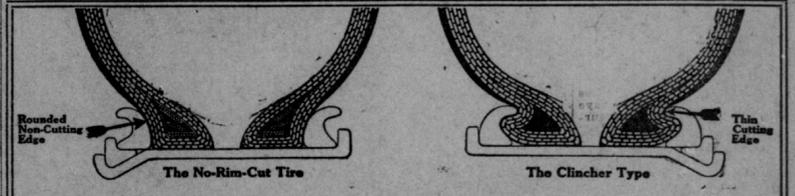
The Collins family had been visiting relatives in Fresno recently and returned to their home in Merced last night.

Collins is a Merced character and little is known about him here.

His sister in law said that while he was in Fresno he acted like an insane man.

He had previously been accused of mistreating his wife.

Fearing a lynching, Sheriff Cornell of Merced county, after arresting Collins, quickly spirited him away to Modesto this afternoon.



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