

PRESIDIO CAR LINE MEN HOLD JOBS

Platform Employees Work Less Hours for More Pay Under Municipal Control

Receipts from San Francisco's two municipal railways yesterday were turned into the city treasury this morning, amounting to the grand total of \$2,009.50.

All employees of the Union street line who are citizens and have been with the company a year will retain their positions. This ruling has been rendered by the civil service commission and means that practically all the motormen and conductors will hold their jobs.

Training Camp for Explorers Near N. Y.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Jacques Sussane, artist, scientist and Arctic explorer, has completed plans for the establishment of a training camp for Arctic explorers at a point 50 miles above New York, on the Hudson river.

BANK CLEARINGS IN CALIFORNIA CITIES

Bank clearings as reported to the California Development Board by the several clearing house cities for the week ending December 11, 1913, showing the amount of increase and decrease from the amount for the corresponding week of 1912, follow:

Table with 3 columns: City, 1912, 1913. Includes San Francisco, Los Angeles, Oakland, Sacramento, San Jose, Pasadena, Bakersfield.

SALESMEN HOLD BANQUET

The second banquet of the San Francisco Salesmen's association was held at a downtown cafe last night.

MANILA CLUB'S DINNER

The Manila club, composed of former residents of the Philippines, will give a dinner Saturday evening, December 20, and hold an election.

JEWISH CLUB PLANS DANCE

The semiannual ball of the Jewish-American Progressive club will be held Sunday evening at Golden Gate Commandery hall, 2137 Sutter street.

WEATHER FORECAST

For San Francisco.—Cloudy, with rain tonight and Saturday; fresh southeast winds.

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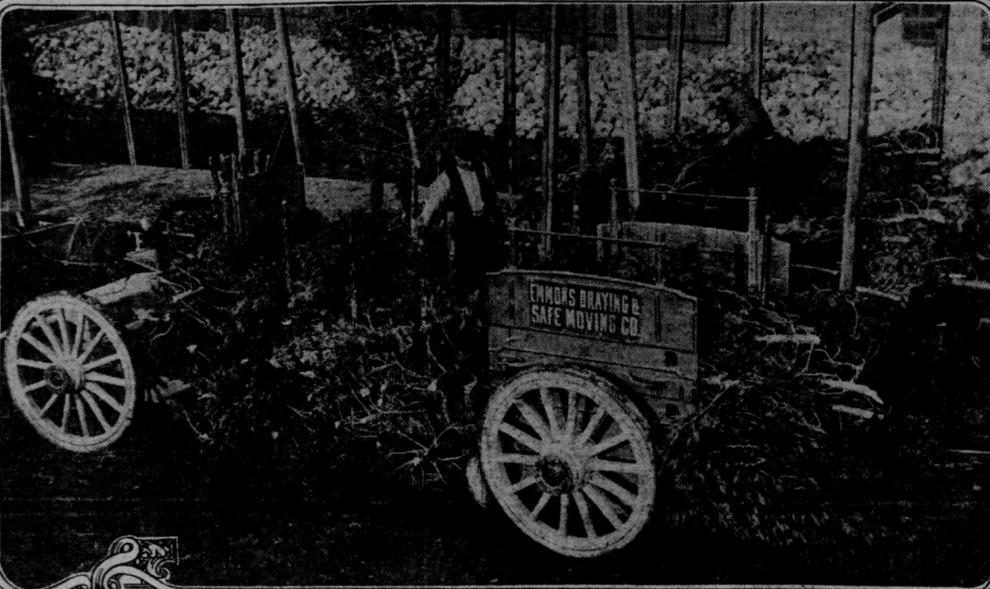
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NOW A MERCHANT

CHRISTMAS TREES FOR ALL TO BE THE CALL-POST'S PRESENT

Scene at railroad yard during unloading of Call and Post's 5,000 Christmas trees that will be sold at cost to the public at Pragers. The picture shows one of Emmons & Co.'s huge drays packed high with the noble trees taken from the Sierras.



Partnership With Santa Claus Formed by Call-Post, So Get Your Tree

The Call and Post is going to gladden 5,000 San Francisco homes for Christmas. It has entered into an alliance with Santa Claus, and there need not be a single home in the city without a Christmas tree this year—and as fine as can be found in California's forests.

FIRST CARLOAD ARRIVES

The first carload of the 5,000 arrived today. In this big holiday plan The Call and Post has received the co-operation of three generous San Francisco firms, Pragers, the Emmons Draying company and the Boos Brothers Cafeteria company incorporated.

The trees will be distributed through Pragers. By the generous arrangement with this store, which is as anxious as The Call and Post to make Christmas a real holiday for all, the 5,000 trees will be sold there, and 1,000 of them will be distributed through the store for the children to see. Each tree will be placarded:

"San Francisco Call and Post Special Christmas Tree, Only 50 Cents."

The 4,000 not displayed will be stored in a loft, whose use is donated by Boos Brothers, opposite Pragers.

Maybe you have already arranged for a tree of your own. But that won't matter. You can find a family that hasn't, and here is the opportunity to make that family happy. Send them a tree and make yourself a deputy of Kris Kringle.

Many orders have already been placed on this basis by the employees of the Call and Post, Pragers, the Emmons Draying company and Boos Brothers. The trees will go fast—order right away. Just go to Pragers with the 50 cents and reserve a tree.

The trees are as fine as they can be, six to seven and a half feet high, and just the smell of them makes Christmas happier.

SALE BEGINS TOMORROW

While the sale begins tomorrow, the delivery of this little forest is an enormous task, solved only by the generous action of Pragers in assisting the Call and Post. None will be delivered before December 26, and the last will go out December 24.

Delivery will be free in San Francisco as far as Thirtieth street in the Mission and as far as Potrero avenue. Don't delay. There will be a rush for them, and this is a big opportunity. Get in line quick!

\$50,000 Campaign by Tourist Association

The Tourist association of the San Francisco bay and river counties is today actively at work on plans for a \$50,000 campaign, to start in January. Throughout 1914 the most comprehensive scheme ever attempted in northern California will be carried out, and a big increase in tourist trade is expected.

The plans will be discussed at a meeting in the Merchants' exchange next Thursday.

San Francisco is to raise \$24,200 of the \$50,000, 12 other counties contributing the rest.

Wife Asks Divorce When Called Names

"Beast" and "bat" were the epithets applied to Mrs. Minnie Ruppel by her husband, Henry, a carpenter, according to the wife's suit for divorce, filed in the superior court today. She asks for an interlocutory decree, the custody of three children, her share of \$12,000 worth of community property and \$1,000 in cash as her own private property.

Unions Give School Silver Loving Cup

The Hancock school is today the possessor of a silver loving cup presented by the Building Trades council because a Hancock pupil, George Goeben, 12 years old, wrote the best essay on what unions have done and can do for humanity.

He was given a cash prize. F. H. McCarthy made the presentation speech. Miss Nellie G. Gallagher, Superintendent Rancovieri and Director Power also made addresses.

ALUMNI THROUGH PAYS HONOR TO MRS. HEARST

Noted Persons Crowd St. Francis at University of California Reception

Alumni of the University of California, more than 1000 in number, honored Mrs. Phoebe A. Hearst at a reception held in the ballroom of the St. Francis hotel last night.

Dr. Matthew Lynch, president of the association of class secretaries, stood at the head of the receiving line. Mrs. Hearst stood next to him. David P. Barrows, acting president of the university, and Mrs. Barrows were next, with Regents Guy C. Earl and Mrs. Earl, A. W. Foster and Mrs. Foster, Philip E. Bowles and Mrs. Bowles, James K. Moffitt and Mrs. Moffitt, Mrs. Le Conte, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Elston.

City and state officials and others who have achieved distinction were present, exchanging felicitations upon the revival of the "alumni reception" and renewing old friendships.

An hour after the guests arrived the Glee club of the university sang its "California, Alma Mater" hymn, which was encored time and again, and was followed by lively melodies.

Mrs. Hearst wore a gray and silver brocade, the silver pattern being a wreath and flower design. The brocade was of real lace, with lace angel sleeves. She wore some handsome diamonds and corsage of bouquet roses.

Mrs. Barrows, wife of the acting president of the university, wore a black gown with white lace veiled with black chiffon. Mrs. Earl was gowned in rose pink crepe.

Among those present were: Messrs. and Mrs. Madeline Varney James; Marion Leale; Charles Stetson Wheeler; William H. Crocker; Charles Slack; Alex. Delea; John Edelman; Fred Althorn; Alexander Morrison; George Childs; Isidore Merritt; C. H. Howard; S. Holway; Robert A. Dean; Scott Hendricks; Robert Cross; Merritt Cutten; Judge A. E. Graupner; Judge Marcel Cerr; Misses: Grace Elster; Fanny McLean; Edith Slack; Elizabeth Wheeler; Eugenia Rose; Marguerite Ogden.

PRESIDIO COMMANDANT CLUB DINNER GUEST

Colonel William H. C. Bowen, commandant at the Presidio, was tendered an informal dinner at the Bohemian club last night as the guest of A. Riley Hardin. Among those who were invited to meet the veteran soldier were Baron Van Schack, the German consul; Isaac Upham, Harry Fisher, Frank Unger, Howard Geeder, Harry S. Ponda, Charles Dickman and Charles Dillon.

THEATRICAL MECHANICS ELECT NEW OFFICIALS

At the regular meeting of the Theatrical Mechanical association, held December 9, the following officers were elected:

Past president, Edward Coneller; president, W. F. Scofield; vice president, Joseph Kier; secretary, William R. Whorf; financial secretary, Max Fogel; treasurer, James F. Blakie; marshal, S. E. Schreiber; sergeants at arms, J. J. Walsh; physician, Dr. G. W. Goodale; chaplain, H. A. Dohring; trustees, Robert Wakeman, H. A. Olson, Sam Newman, George Murray, Charles Johnson.

ENGINEERS ELECT OFFICERS

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Dec. 12. C. E. Becher, president; R. J. Scott, vice president; S. P. Wing, secretary; E. C. Thomas, treasurer, and A. D. Lowe, corresponding secretary, are the new officers who have been selected to manage the affairs of the civil engineering society for the next year.

ACCUSED OF DRAWING KNIFE, LABORER IS JAILED

Accused of drawing a knife on the crew of a Folsom street car this morning, following a dispute over a transfer, Vincenzo Bruno, a laborer, was arrested and charged with assault with a deadly weapon. Conductor Jackson and Motorman Haduff say that Bruno was ejected on a previous trip to the ferry.

CIVIC LEAGUE CRITICISES POLICE

In a report made last night by the committee on police, law and order of the Civic League of Improvement clubs and association the police force of the city was severely scored as being responsible for the prevalence of crime, and especially for the great number of burglaries and holdups in various parts of San Francisco.

Particular attention was called to the number of holdups in the Sunset district, and the chief was asked to send at least two or three plain clothesmen to patrol that district.

The committee also recommended that the officers clean out Howard and Folsom streets between Fourth and Eighth, "this being the district where many crimes have been committed recently, including the shooting of a policeman and the murder of one lawbreaker by another."

Electric Road Out Of Fresno Planned

Engineered by F. S. Granger of Fresno and backed by a half dozen Montreal and San Francisco capitalists, an electric railroad twenty-four miles long is to be built from Fresno to Academy by way of Clovis to tap one of the most fertile regions in California. Granger was the promoter of the San Jose-Los Gatos electric system.

Granger today is conferring with the railroad commissioners, and if his plans carry he will file articles of incorporation within two weeks, with a stock issue of at least a half million dollars.

Fair's Color Scheme To Harmonize With California Climate

Nine Hues of Temperature Condition to Be Carried Out in Painting Great Exposition Buildings

How many colors has California's climate? Nine. So says Jules Guerin, chief of color of the Panama-Pacific international exposition.

He has worked out the complete color scheme of the big fair to harmonize especially with the climate. The key color is buff, in which the buildings will be painted. The other eight are French green, cerulean blue, pinkish red, brownish red, golden burnt orange, terra cotta, gold and verde antique mottled.

PTOMAINE VICTIMS AT STANFORD IMPROVING

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Dec. 12. Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, head of the Stanford medical department, after having given his personal attention to the ptomaine patients in the Peninsular hospital, reports them improved.

COUNTIES OF NORTH TO HAVE BIG 1915 EXHIBIT

The North of Bay Counties association has been pledged to make a big exhibit at the Panama-Pacific international exposition. A permanent allotment of space has been made of it. This is the result of a conference with the exposition leaders.

GEORGE FILMER NOW ISLAM TEMPLE HEAD

George L. Filmer today is potentate of Islam temple, Mystic Shrine, having been named in the biennial election. He will direct the entertainment of visiting Shriners in 1915, for which \$75,000 will be spent.

WHIST PARTY FOR CHURCH

A whist party will be held next Wednesday evening, December 17, in Armory hall, 682 California street, under the auspices of the Paulists' auxiliary and company M, League of the Cross Cadets, for the benefit of Old St. Mary's church.

Fiesta of the Snows Arranged in Truckee

As a result of the storm of last Wednesday night, which in the mountains caused a heavy fall of snow, the opening of the "Fiesta of the Snows" is announced by the Truckee Chamber of Commerce to take place December 20. Truckee has only been waiting for assurance that winter has come to stay and to insure the permanency of the \$10,000 ice palace containing the skating rink, which is to be the center of the winter frolics. Truckee's program includes, in addition to skating in the ice palace, tobogganing, skiing, sleigh rides to neighboring points of interest and all kinds of winter frolics. Ernest Desballeys, a noted ski jumper, will give exhibitions in Truckee. It is hoped to make the fiesta an annual event.

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