

RECEPTION FOR ROLPH ON RETURN

Reception to Be Tendered Mayor and Supervisor Vogelsang Tomorrow

Upon the return of Mayor Rolph and Supervisor Vogelsang tomorrow from Washington, where they worked for the passage of the Hetch Hetchy bill, they will be tendered a complimentary reception and formally congratulated upon the success of their efforts.

Plans have been formulated by acting Mayor Jennings and the board of supervisors. It was the original intention to welcome the entire delegation that went to the national capital to fight for Hetch Hetchy, but this plan has been rendered impossible, as the members of the party do not return together. Mayor Rolph is accompanied west by his wife and Supervisor Vogelsang.

Former Mayor James D. Phelan, who was a member of the Hetch Hetchy delegation, arrived home yesterday morning. He was met at the ferry building by a delegation of about 50 San Franciscans, headed by Acting Mayor Jennings, who greeted him warmly and congratulated him upon the work he had done for the city.

Phelan was escorted to the Palace hotel, where an informal reception was tendered him. Addresses were made by Acting Mayor Jennings, Supervisor Giannini, Attorney Thomas Hickey and Phelan.

Among others who were present were Surveyor of the Port Gustavus Wardell, Postmaster Fay, Joseph Hayes, Secretaries to the Mayor Edward Rainey and McAtee and members of the board of supervisors.

Collins Seeks Release On Habeas Corpus

George D. Collins, serving 14 years in San Quentin for perjury, has filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus with the supreme court. The petition is similar to the one prepared by Collins with the assistance of Abe Ruef, who was a prisoner in San Quentin, and filed with the court of appeals last November. This petition was denied.

Collins avers that his sentence is excessive, that Judge A. G. Burnett of Sonoma, who heard his case and sentenced him, was appointed to act in this city by the governor and that he had no jurisdiction, and, further, that he has served seven years of his sentence, which is ample punishment for the crime, even were he guilty, which he denies.

The prisoner also mentions the fact that Governor Johnson refuses to pardon him, but has offered him a parole, and he therefore seeks to obtain his unhampered liberty through the high court of the state.

Chamber of Commerce Jaunt to Sacramento

A. A. Denison, secretary of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce, headed a delegation of Oakland business men to Sacramento today, where they will attend the sessions of the Northern California Promotion committee, formed recently at Marysville. Permanent organization will be effected at Sacramento today.

Japan Plans Steamer Line Through Canal

TOKYO, Dec. 22.—Japan has decided to inaugurate a steamship service with its terminals at Boston, by way of Panama. The steamers will call at New Orleans and New York.

Toy Town Tattle

The Campbell Kid dolls are just as popular as ever.

The beady eyed, jet black South Sea Islands dolls are fascinating and new.

The little Miss Muffet tea sets are the fad for the doll babies in toy town. They sell for \$3.00.

'Kink's Goo Goo Eyes' is becoming the pet toy dog of San Francisco.

UNION SQUARE

SCHUMANN-HEINK, IDEAL STAGE MOTHER, TO SUE FOR DIVORCE

Mme. Schuman-Heink, famous opera singer, who today announced she would sue for divorce.



Famous Diva and Mother of Eight Announces Plea for Legal Separation Is Ready for Filing

Mme. Schuman-Heink says she will sue for divorce. Her press agent has always heralded her as world's ideal wife and mother. She has eight children. Her husband says he insisted on being head of the family, but never reached that goal. He blames "those Heink boys" for the impending divorce suit.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Mme. Ernestine Schumann-Heink, the opera singer, has announced that the preliminary steps in her long expected divorce proceedings against William Rapp would be begun today.

"I have instructed my attorney, Elias Mayer, to draw the necessary papers in my suit," she said, "and the first steps will be taken today." "The information is not correct," said Attorney Mayer, when told of Mme. Schumann-Heink's statement. "Suit will not be started today."

"When do you expect to take definite action in Mrs. Rapp's behalf?" he was asked.

"I can not recall that. Perhaps later in the week."

DESERTION TO BE GROUNDS

Mme. Schumann-Heink said the decree would be sought on the grounds of desertion.

The blame for the circumstances leading up to the impending suit is placed by Rapp on "those Heink boys."

who are six of her eight children. The burden of the fault he attributes to Heinrich, the eldest son, who frequently has discussed with the greatest frankness his mother's domestic unhappiness.

"The underlying cause was dollars and cents," he said at one time. "Mr. Rapp was of the opinion that our mother gave too much to her children."

NOT HEAD OF HOUSE

In answer to such a statement by the eldest Schumann-Heink son, Rapp replied:

"The whole trouble in this is that I insisted on being the head of the house. I was not the head of the house."

VIRGINIA VAUGHN DEAD

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Miss Virginia Vaughn, writer of lyrics and poems, translator and friend of Nathaniel Hawthorne, the Brownings and other authors of the last half century, was killed by a streetcar in Eighth avenue today. She was 81 years old.

TRAIN DERAILED; 200 HURT

LORETTA, Man., Dec. 22.—Two hundred passengers were slightly injured when the Canadian Northern train from Duluth, Minn., and Fort William, Ont., was derailed near here yesterday and five coaches, a baggage car and a diner overturned into the ditch.

City of Paris
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OPEN EVENINGS

Until **CHRISTMAS**

NO SANTA CLAUS FOR LITTLE CHILDREN

Why Not Make the Youngsters Happy With Christmas Gifts?

When you are snuggled in front of a roaring open fire Christmas eve, smiling over the surprises of the day and happy for everybody and everything, if you have forgotten the waifs of San Francisco your cup of joy will not be full.

Out at the Children's hospital, 3,700 California street, there are scores of homeless waifs, boys and girls who have never known any daddy or "mummy," but who, like the "rocker nurse," you can be a real Santa Claus to these youngsters, who hang their stockings on the bed post on Christmas eve just like you did formerly in your protected home.

As has been the custom for a number of years, the Children's hospital opened headquarters downtown this morning at W. & J. Sloane's big store, 223 Sutter street, and The White House, Sutter and Grant avenue, and money and supplies will be received until Wednesday night.

"If you have a few extra presents, an extra turkey, or a dollar or more to spend around the place, let us put it to make it go the farthest in the children's hospital fund."

Then when you are in your smoking jacket at Christmas you can see a mental picture of a little white bed and you can claim the smile on that daddyless baby's face and be the happier.

The committee in charge of the Children's hospital is as follows: Mrs. L. N. Walters, chairman; Mrs. John F. Merrill, Mrs. L. L. Dunbar, Mrs. Z. W. Kerr, Mrs. Wendell Easton, Mrs. George Grant, Mrs. E. S. Heller, Mrs. Leigh Sypher, Mrs. Laurence Scott, Mrs. Elias Palmer, Mrs. Latham McMullin.

Frisco Stockholder Seeks Basis for Suit

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.—Whether there is a legal basis for restitution suits against directors and former directors of the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad on account of the syndicate promotion of subsidiary railroads and the sale to the "Prisco" system was argued before Circuit Judge Sanborn in the United States court today.

The petition of William Niles of New York, a stock holder of the "Prisco."

POET'S GHOST NO SURPRISE TO MRS. JOAQUIN MILLER

Widow Says They Exchanged Spirit Messages in Life as Well as Now

When Joaquin Miller was alive, we frequently communicated across the continent by thought transference.—Mrs. Abbey Miller, widow of the Poet of the Sierras.

This declaration was made today by Mrs. Miller at the home of her late husband, Joaquin Miller, the "Poet of the Sierras," at the Piedmont hills. At the same time she declared that he had communicated with her from beyond the grave.

She is corroborated by her daughter, Juanita Miller.

"This is the strange tale which rivals the psychic readings of the late William James and W. T. Stead and appears to corroborate the belief of Professor Hyslop and other leading psychical researchers.

By some of the ghost of the poet is said to have been seen about the cairn he built on the "Highlights" at his monument.

MENTAL MESSAGE ACROSS U. S.

"When Joaquin was alive," she said, "we frequently became aware of each other's doings without letter or message. As I could not stand the solitude of living in New York, yet clear across the continent traveled the force of his thoughts to me."

Especially in one case was this memorable. I became uneasy about my husband, so filled with a fear that he was about to undertake some dangerous mission, that I sent a telegram to inquire about his plans. Back came the answer that he was even then setting off for Alaska. The trip was a terrible strain on a man of his years, but he could not be persuaded to give it up.

"If we receive such messages in life," she continued, "there is no reason to believe that they do not come to us after death. I can not receive them after death. Even the soul may be clothed in a visible spirit."

Joaquin believed very strongly in a life after death and a life in which the individual essence of the soul was preserved. In one of his poems he expressed it clearly.

Mrs. Miller quoted him to illustrate her meaning:

God is not far, From Heaven's porch, Where paeans roll, Man is not far, From star to star, In silent language of the soul, You star streamer, he drove and whirled, With angels passing up and down.

CONTEMPLATES OLD SCENES

It was the wonder of the view of the Golden Gate and the bay which first attracted Joaquin Miller to these California hills, when as a boy with a party of others he drove and subjected a herd of wild horses on these heights. So now, it is in contemplating this well loved scene that the poet is most often observed by those who say his spirit has been seen.

UP-MERCHANT FOR BIRD

Oregon Senator Declares "Big Ditch" Regulations Must Be Maintained Unchanged

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The value of the Panama canal with relation to the development of a merchant marine and American shipping generally as to the Pacific coast cities, the Atlantic ports and inland waterways, was explained last night by Senator Chamberlain of Oregon.

Senator Chamberlain is a strong advocate of maintaining the law relating to the Panama canal as it exists today on the statute books. "In spite of British or other protest."

"Three things," said Senator Chamberlain, "are sure to follow the completion of the Panama canal and I state them in order of relative importance."

CONTROL OF RATES

"First, regulation and control of rates on all trunk lines whether transcontinental or coastwise."

"Second, an added stimulus will be given to construction of American ships and hence will begin the up-building of our disappearing merchant marine."

"Third, the development of Pacific ports, both Atlantic and Pacific, as well as those on inland waterways which can be reached by ocean steamers without breaking bulk passing through the canal in either direction."

"Of course it goes without saying that these predictions are based upon the maintenance upon our statute books of the present Panama canal law which evinces a determination to enforce a purely American policy. It is unnecessary to discuss the question of rate regulation and consequent rate reduction. That is conceded practically by all."

BENEFIT TO ALL PORTS

"I look for a new era in American shipbuilding as soon as the canal is an accomplished fact."

The ports which will be most benefited by the opening of the canal will, of course, be those that can be reached by seagoing vessels between the two oceans without breaking bulk. To illustrate what I mean, vessels sailing from Portland, Ore., or San Francisco passing through the canal to New Orleans or New York will tend to the more rapid development of such ports. Let us then continue the American policy we have set out upon in spite of British or other protest and the results I prophesy are sure to follow."

1915 PALACE TO BE OPEN TO PUBLIC

Exposition to Throw Open Machinery Hall During the New Year Day Festivities

Time public's first glimpse of the interior of machinery palace, the big building at the Palace Pacific international exposition, will be obtained on the fair grounds. Some will be presented in the big hall of the exposition statuary will be displayed in the hall.

The barbecue has been eliminated from the New Year day program, which includes a life saving crew drill, exhibitions by a fireboat and a submarine, and a drill by the California Grays. There will be special boat races under the auspices of the Pacific Rowing association, for which the exposition has offered cups. A motor boat race is one feature. The motor boat races are training station lads will enter half a dozen crews in the cutter race, and the Dolphin, South End, Alameda and other clubs will be represented in the barge and outrigger events.

The races will be directed by President J. E. Skully of the rowing association.

When He Awoke in the Cafe She Was Gone

Ask John McAuley if misfortunes come singly or in battalions. He was freed from the city prison today after being held overnight for being drunk.

He went to the property clerk's office and showed Abney Judge, in charge, a receipt for \$54. It was also seen by a woman known as Mary, who released likewise. She invited McAuley, who lives at 672 Howard street, to a nearby cafe. He had three drinks. When he awoke up the \$54 was gone. So was Mary.

Sculptors to Organize For Mutual Benefit

A meeting of all the academic sculptors of San Francisco will be held at the St. James hotel, Van Ness avenue, in the apartments of Billee Glynn, poet-journalist, at 8 o'clock tonight. The meeting is for the purpose of organizing a San Francisco society for mutual benefit. No invitations have been sent out, the artists being requested to come of their own accord.

One Dead, Two Hurt, As Auto Leaps Bridge

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—One person was killed and two were injured last night when an automobile in upper Central park dashed over the low stone coping of a bridge and dropped to a footpath bordering the drive 25 feet below. The driver, a young man of this city and another passenger in the machine escaped with minor hurts. The chauffeur was uninjured and fled.

Liner's Delay Causes Passengers' Protest

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The passengers of the liner Amerika, which arrived Saturday night, but did not get off at Hoboken until Sunday morning, adopted a resolution protesting against the 12 hour delay. Many of the passengers were planning to reach far western points in time for Christmas, but the delay caused them to miss their trains.

CALL-POST WILL REPLY TO QUESTIONS

Concerning State Insurance

BECAUSE of the great interest throughout San Francisco and California in the new workmen's compensation, insurance and safety act, commonly known as the workmen's compensation act, and the general desire for enlightenment on various phases of the law, The Call and Post will answer questions through its columns daily on anything relating to the proposition.

Send your written questions to The Call and Post. They will be answered by Colonel Harris Weinstein, Will J. French and A. J. Pillsbury, composing the state industrial accident board, and both employees and employers will have an opportunity to obtain a good idea of what the law is. The act goes into effect January 1, and its sponsors say it will be one of the greatest legislative benefits ever given to the workmen and women of California.

Write your questions plainly and make them concise. Watch the columns of this paper closely, as the question you intended to ask may be proposed in the query of your neighbor.

WILL QUIT JAIL TO BECOME A HAPPY WIFE

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Mary Erickson, a prisoner in the county jail, will accept the proposal of Fred Smith of Denver and marry him.

For some time Mrs. Erickson has been unfortunate and she has lacked food and shelter. Recently she threw a stone through a window, after having trapped around all night, in order that she might find a place to eat and sleep.

Smith read of her exploit in the papers and at once wrote the chief of police, saying she was just the woman he desired to marry.

JUDGE THOMPSON DEAD

SANTA ROSA, Dec. 22.—Judge James M. Thompson, one of the best known members of the Sonoma county bar, who has been ill for several days, is dead at the age of 74.

SANTA IN AIRSHIP

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 22.—Bob Fowler, as Santa Claus, appeared here in an aeroplane yesterday, giving away Christmas trees and other gifts.

MARRIED IN SANTA ROSA

SANTA ROSA, Dec. 22.—Miss Bertha Thorpe and C. R. Yarborough, both of Guerneville, were married yesterday by Rev. J. P. Turner.

ASKS PROBATION FOR SONS

VALLIJO, Dec. 22.—John Stokes, wealthy rancher of Goshute, whose sons are in jail, convicted of cattle stealing, has asked probation for the young men, and the sheriff is investigating.

GIRL MAY NOT LIVE

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 22.—Juvenile court officers are investigating the case of Miss Janette Sullivan, aged 16, of Sacramento, who is in a hospital here in a critical condition, the result of a dangerous operation.

TWO BODIES FOUND

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 22.—The bodies of Willie Treptown, aged 10, and Wade G. Denniston, aged 7, missing since Thursday, were discovered in a pond in East San Diego. It is supposed the lads fell from a raft on which they were playing.

EIGHT HOUR LAW VIOLATED

MARYSVILLE, Dec. 22.—Charged with violating the eight hour law for women, J. Rupert Foster, prominent hotel man of this city, was arrested on a complaint by the state bureau of labor, the offense alleged being that he permitted a waitress to work more than 8 hours in 24 on November 21.

RETROTHROU ANNOUNCED

SANTA ROSA, Dec. 22.—The engagement of Miss Clara Einhorn to William G. Stearns of Portland has been announced, the wedding having been fixed for a day early in January.

GOVERNOR SERENADED

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 22.—Carol singers from Grass Valley yesterday serenaded Governor Johnson at the capitol prior to his leaving for his San Francisco home to spend Christmas.

BOARDS ARE AT PEACE

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 22.—The trouble between the state board of control and the state board of health is to have ended Saturday, when Dr. Donald F. Currie of the United States public health service of San Francisco was appointed to succeed Doctor Snow, resigned. It is said Doctor Snow will be elected secretary of the health board.

TRAFFIC BLOCKED AT STOCKTON

STOCKTON, Dec. 22.—Three loaded freight cars were stalled in a street last night, blocking traffic until a wrecker arrived and cleared the tracks. Trains in both directions were held up.

EVERY 700,000 TONS OF COAL COST ONE LIFE

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 22.—One death from accident for every 700,000 tons of coal mined in state of the coal producing counties of West Virginia in the first seven months of 1913 was shown in the report of Earl Henry, chief of the bureau of mines, made public today.

Finds Four Pearls In an Oyster Stew

ROCHESTER, Mich., Dec. 22.—Norman King, while eating an oyster stew in a restaurant here, found four small pearls. He says a jeweler has valued the largest one at \$50.

MRS. COREY IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Mrs. William E. Corey, wife of the steel magnate, arrived here on the liner Amerika for a two months stay in this city. She was met at the wharf by her husband.

TREASURER FOR VALLEJO

VALLIJO, Dec. 22.—Nath Hatheway was named city treasurer today by city commissioners. He is to succeed W. T. Kelley the first of the year.

COURT DECISION EXTENDS CITY'S WATER FRONT

Islais Creek Project Made Certain, Black Point Probable, by Tide Land Ruling

The Islais Creek water front project was made a certainty, and the aquatic park at Black point cove a probability by the decision of the supreme court holding that the tide lands in the state are the property of the state, and can not be sold or given to private individuals. In its sweeping ruling, this decision gives rights to the city which are valued at millions of dollars.

The Islais Creek project has been approved by the state legislature, and bonds of \$1,000,000 have been voted for the development of the creek and eight miles of water front suitable for wharfage. By the decision, which was made in the affirmation of the judgment of Superior Judge Bordwell of Los Angeles in the San Pedro harbor cases, the Southern Pacific and other claimants to the Black Point Cove lands lose their rights, according to Harbor Commissioner Thomas S. Williams. He said:

The decision is a wonderful thing for San Francisco. It means the completion of the Islais Creek project, and that the Southern Pacific loses its rights in Black Point Cove." Williams says the city does not need the Black Point Cove shore line for wharfage, and therefore could utilize that tract for an aquatic park. He believes the private interests will appeal the cases to the United States supreme court.

Truckee Adds Big Features to Fete

The Truckee Chamber of Commerce has two added features to its Fiesta of the Snows opening next Saturday. The services of E. Deabaletts, ski expert, and George Brian, professional skater, have been engaged. Deabaletts is a native of Geneva, Switzerland. He is the possessor of many trophies and medals won in ski and other contests, and his exhibitions of this thrilling sport will be one of the great attractions at Truckee this winter. George Brian comes from Duluth, where for eight years he was instructor and exhibitor of fancy steps. Truckee's fiesta committee has engaged him to undertake the task of teaching California folk how to waltz, tango or tango on the ice.

Mrs. Holmes Wires to Have Daughter Freed

A second message guaranteeing to care for her daughter, Daphne Holmes, pretentious 29 year old actress, held in Boston for passing forged checks, was sent by Mrs. G. H. Graves, Mrs. Holmes' second avenue, Oakland, this morning.

Two months ago Miss Holmes eloped with Tom Corcoran, who agreed to back her in a theatrical venture. Corcoran was convicted Saturday of passing forged paper, and it is said that he induced the girl to pass the checks by assuring her they were genuine.

Congressman Pepper Of Iowa Is Dead

CLINTON, Ia., Dec. 22.—Congressman Pepper of Iowa, who died here early today. He had been ill for several months.

Congressman Pepper was operated on for peritonitis yesterday. Pepper was born June 10, 1876, in Davis county, Iowa.

President Now Fully Recovered From Cold

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson looked as well as ever when he met the Washington correspondents at a regular Monday morning conference today for the first time in several weeks.

CHRISTMAS FOR FORESTERS

Court Aurora No. 2, Foresters of America, is to have a Christmas tree festival in American Foresters' hall, Golden Gate avenue, this evening. The distribution of presents to the kiddies will be followed by dancing by the older people.

Store Opens at 9:30 a. m. Closes at 10 p. m.

The White House

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Below is pictured the daintiest white taffeta imaginable. A fur girle hugs the short little waist. It's price is negligible.



J. Magnin & Co.
Grant Avenue at Geary St.

ONLY 1,000 MORE TREES LEFT IN STOCK

Three big auto trucks were added today to the battery of machines delivering the 5,000 Christmas trees bought by The Call and Post and being sold through Prager's at 50 cents each.

When business was resumed today the big stock had been reduced to the last thousand trees and they were going fast.

Buy quick! DELIVERY STOPS TOMORROW

That was the word given out today, for there remain only two days, including today, on which trees can be bought, unless you will carry them away. So great has been the work of delivering the 5,000 trees that it has become necessary to set the final hour for delivery orders at 10 o'clock tomorrow night.

If there are any trees left Wednesday—and that is doubtful—they will be sold at the same price, 50 cents, which barely represents cost. They can not be delivered, however.

Today, as on every day since the beginning of the sale, a comparatively large percentage of the tree purchasers carried the trees away themselves. At the same time the big auto trucks were kept on the jump whirling all over town with loads. A hundred at a clip the trees were piled on them, to speed up hill and down dale.

BUYERS THROU STORE

From the opening of the doors of Prager's today the store was packed with tree buyers, the throng being larger than on any other day of the sale, in spite of the records previously established for a sale of this kind.

San Francisco has had another holiday record set—and it's being broken as fast as it is made, too.