

RICH WOMAN'S FAMOUS GEMS PASTE, SAY THEEVES

DIAMONDS NO GOOD, IS VEGG VERDICT

SAN JOSE, Dec. 23.—Were the diamonds stolen by robbers from Mrs. John Murphy real or were they only paste? Mrs. Murphy says they were the real thing. The robbers say they were only imitations.

The burglars recently entered the house of John Murphy, San Jose capitalist, and stole all of Mrs. Murphy's diamonds. A short time later the jewels were found on the front porch. Afterward the robbers were arrested and confessed. They claimed that all of the diamonds they got were paste, that there was not a real stone among them, and that for that reason they returned them.

"If they had been genuine we would have been in New York city having a good time," said Tom Anderson, one of the burglars, with a smile. "We took them back the night we found out they were phony and threw them on the porch, together with a money order we couldn't cash."

REAL GEMS, SAYS MRS. MURPHY Mrs. Murphy indignantly denies that she wore imitation jewels. She admits that among the jewelry taken and that returned was one imitation diamond hatpin, but she claims that she never pretended that it was anything but paste. She says the rest of the stolen jewels were genuine and that the robbers kept them.

The man arrested with Anderson is Arthur Fisher.

Chief of Police Frank Ross this morning stated that it is the custom among many society women who own real diamonds to lock them up in safe deposit vaults, where they will be safe, and to wear imitation diamonds so cleverly made that only an expert can tell the difference between them and the real stones.

THIEVES CAUGHT BY CHANCE Anderson and Fisher diverted suspicion while operating here by renting a home in the residence section together with Anderson's wife and obtaining clerical jobs. They avoided the police patrolled residence section at night, and were only caught by chance in San Francisco after shipping out all of their loot from San Jose.

Builds \$1,000,000 Mansion On Peninsula

A one million dollar mansion will shortly rise on the heights in the San Mateo hills, several miles west of San Mateo. The structure will be the property of Christian de Guigne Jr., polo player and clubman. The house will be of marble and concrete and will be used as a residence for de Guigne and his wife. An 80 acre tract which surrounds the site will be converted into a garden. A concrete garage to accommodate 30 machines is planned. It is said that the ball room will far surpass any on the coast. Excavation is in progress.

Fireman Overcome in Smoke Filled Cellar

Frank J. Cunningham of fire truck 1 today completely recovered from the effects of suffocation after collapsing at a fire at 859 Mission street this morning. With 20 others he was forced to flee from a smoke filled basement in which only men with oxygen helmets were able to remain. Those with helmets aided their companions to escape. Cunningham fell when he reached the street and was unconscious a quarter of an hour. The fire was in the basement of the Porce & Hewitt Furniture company.

Protests Dismissal Of School Teachers

A communication has been addressed to the supervisors by Daniel Shay, who styles himself "parent and tax payer," protesting against any proposed dismissal of necessary teachers by the board of education to make up a possible deficit of \$45,000. Shay declares that a number of teachers who had been engaged for a year regarding education to be one of the shortage of funds, and contends that this will impair the standard of the schools.

FAIR GABY THRILLED BY SAN FRANCISCO SO LIKE HER OWN DEAR HOME IN NICE!

Here is the smile that Gaby of the Lilies wore when she had her first view of San Francisco.



California Men Also Please Dancer; They Don't Wear Mustaches—Usually

Gaby Deslys stood at the window of her room in the St. Francis hotel today and took her first broad view of San Francisco. Impetuously she raised her hands to her lips and, as naively as a child, blew a kiss over the housetops.

"My greetings to San Francisco," she cried gaily, "the city I have been longing to see since I left Paris. Oh, it is so like my home near Nice, this California!"

"You find San Francisco a second Paris?"

"Yes, somewhat," she answered with a judicial pout. "But it is more like New York. And I love New York!"

Here are some of her likes, dislikes and idiosyncrasies as revealed in an interview with her:

She thinks California is wonderful.

Her favorite dish is boiled beef with horseradish—and her salary is \$5,000 a week!

She does not like mustaches.

She keeps the key of every hotel room she occupies.

She has a fresh laid egg every day from her pet hen, Henriette, which, with Hiram the rooster, occupies a golden cage in her dressing room wherever she plays.

From the moment her private car, three hours late from Salt Lake City, swung around the bay shore and gave her an idea of what San Francisco looked like, the little dancer, who upsets a kingdom, was as elated as a returning native daughter.

"Well, I have seen few, but they compare about equal with European men. Most of you Californians are clean shaven. In Europe they wear little mustaches, but now they are cutting them off. I am glad."

"In New York they are clean shaven, too. San Francisco is so much like New York—only so many, many miles away."

"I want to see all of California, this romantic land. Los Angeles—it must be beautiful. From here I will go to Honolulu, to Japan, to China."

"That will be fine, won't it—but China is so far from Paris!"

Suit for \$91,000 Is Stock Sale Result

SAN JOSE, Dec. 23.—That J. D. Martin pocketed an illegal profit of \$91,000 in a sale of oil stock which he swung for them is the allegation made in an action for the recovery of that sum instituted here by J. W. McCord, a stock holder in the Lost Hills Mining company. McCord has joined with a number of stock holders in the suit. The plaintiffs allege that they have discovered that Martin obtained a much larger sum than that which he claimed to be able to obtain.

LECTURE ON PETROLEUM A public meeting under the auspices of the California section of the American Chemical society will be held in the committee room of the Chamber of Commerce, Merchants' exchange building, next Monday night. Irving C. Allen, petroleum chemist, United States bureau of mines, will address the meeting on the relation of the bureau to the petroleum industry.

SHE KISSES—her hand to San Francisco and declares it is like her own beautiful city of Nice, and that she's just delighted to be here.

SHE EATS—almost anything that strikes her fancy, but she dotes on California fruit and just adores boiled beef and horseradish, which is her favorite dish.

SHE LIKES—Smooth shaven men and just hates mustaches, why, she doesn't say, but she likes San Francisco men because they are nearly all smooth shaven. She also likes the fresh egg that Henriette lays for her each day.

SHE SAYS—San Francisco compares very favorably with New York and Paris and she intends to see practically everything in California before leaving the state.

Protest Use of Tracks By Road for Siding

The United Improvement clubs east of Lake Merritt this morning asked the city council to join the San Francisco-Oakland Terminal Railway company from operating its lines in Forty-second avenue in Melrose to the Southern Pacific tracks and along East Tenth street to Fruitvale avenue. This line was formerly called the California railway. It is asserted by the petitioners that this line has not been used for the benefit of the public for 10 years, although the franchise was granted in 1908. According to the complaint the company is now using the line merely as a siding. Mayor Mott, as commissioner of public affairs, has the petition for consideration.

FIRE DESTROYS OFFICES Fire of unknown origin at 2 o'clock this morning destroyed the offices of Robert Frost, building contractor, at Twenty-sixth and Howard streets. A number of documents and plans were burned. The damage will approximate \$1,000.

MAZIR CLUB RAG DANCE A serpentine party and rag dance will be held next Sunday evening by the Mazir club at Majestic hall, Geary and Fillmore streets.

SENTENCE OF BASTIAN SCORED

Following the revelations of how William Bastian, the burglar de luxe, hoodwinked the authorities and gained a short prison sentence, resolutions condemning the handling of the case were today prepared by the officials of the Haight and Ashbury Improvement club. It was in the district of this organization that Bastian committed several of the 12 or 15 burglaries he is known to have perpetrated. The resolution is to be sent to the superior court, the district attorney and the Civic League of Improvement clubs. This course of action was adopted as the result of Chief of Police White's admission yesterday that Bastian had been arrested in New Jersey for burglary in 1908. Had Bastian's previous record been known to the police at the time of his trial, he might have been given a heavier term than that imposed by Judge Cabanis.

Takes Poison but Finds Life Is Sweet

John H. Snyder, 2448 Fulton street, walked up to Policeman William Dougherty at Columbus avenue and Kearny street at 11 o'clock this morning and said, "I have taken poison because I want to die." A minute later, however, he changed his mind and concluded he would rather live. He was rushed to the harbor hospital and was pumped out. He will recover.

SHOT DEFENDING WOMAN John Varano, a boiler maker employed by the Southern Pacific, fired six shots at Roy Garcia in Hinchley alley at 10:30 o'clock this morning. Garcia was slightly wounded by one shot. Varano was arrested. Garcia said his assistant fired when he protested against Varano's insult to a woman.

REBEL CORK DANCE A grand ball and reception will be given in Majestic hall, Geary and Fillmore streets, on the evening of February 7 by the Rebel Cork Benevolent association.

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 Westcott, Will J. French and A. J. Pillsbury, composing the state industrial accident board, and both employer and employee 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 propounded in the query of your neighbor.

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SOULMATE, EX-SOCIAL LEADER

Woman in De Villiers Killing Former Wife of Wilson's Political Opponent

By Associated Press. PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 23.—Further inquiry into the former life of Mrs. Roy L. Glover, the woman whom Daniel de Villiers went to see before he was shot to death at Los Angeles yesterday, revealed today the fact that she is the divorced wife of Vivian M. Lewis, republican candidate for governor of New Jersey against Woodrow Wilson in 1910.

De Villiers came to Paterson in 1906 and opened a riding school. Mrs. Lewis was one of his pupils. They left Paterson together and were next heard from in South America. It was reported afterward that De Villiers had deserted her. She came back to New York and lived here for a time. Lewis sued for divorce and was awarded the custody of their two small children, whom she left behind.

Lewis is a former commissioner of banking and insurance in New Jersey and was one of the republican state leaders. Recently he was appointed vice chancellor.

Attorney Urges City To Insure Employees

SAN JOSE, Dec. 23.—At the meeting of the mayor and council last night City Attorney John W. Sullivan advised that all of the city employees be insured. He also advised that when contracts are let by the city hereafter the contractor be required to take out policies for all of his men, so as to relieve the city of risk. The mayor was directed to see the manager of the state insurance board next Saturday.

Botanist Slain by Natives on Island

By Associated Press. MANILA, Dec. 23.—C. B. Robinson, a botanist in the bureau of science, department of the interior of the Philippine islands, has been killed by natives of Amboyna island, Malay archipelago. He had undertaken an expedition for the study of the flora of the island.

PHONE CO. WILL ARRIVE INDEPENDENTS

Scott Says Corporation Will Follow Policy Outlined by Theodore Vail

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company will follow carefully the policy mapped out by President Vail of the American Telephone and Telegraph company in regard to cooperation with independent lines operating in the Pacific coast states. This statement was made by Henry T. Scott, chairman of the board of directors, on his return from Washington. Other points brought out by Scott follow:

No advantage will be taken of the supreme court's ruling which annulled the order of the state railroad commission directing the telephone company to make connections with independent lines in Tehama and Glenn counties.

The telephone companies of America have met the government half way in placing the big and little companies on an amicable business footing.

The agreement reached in Washington with directors of the American Telephone and Telegraph company and the Chicago world's fair in 1932, says the real basis for the Anglo-German attitude toward the 1915 fair in an agreement entered into by 17 nations, including the United States, at the exhibitions conference held in Berlin in 1932 that they would not participate in an international exhibition for three years after having taken part in one.

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Thug in Street Who Cares? Ding, Ding; Car Goes On

H. L. BUTLER, conductor on a Telegraph avenue car in Oakland, wanted to show that he was a brave man by undertaking to capture a masked footpad or burglar at 1:45 o'clock this morning, but the passengers in the car would not let him.

Motorman J. L. Decosta also demurred when Butler stopped the car and started across the street near Woolsey toward the masked thug, who could be plainly seen standing in the doorway of an apartment house. Therefore, instead of catching the thief, the conductor climbed hastily back on the car, gave the two bell signal and the motorman threw the motor into the high.

A description of the masked man was telephoned to the police when the car reached the end of the line.

RAIN ALMOST OVER, SUN EXPECTED

The storm that visited the state Saturday and Sunday resumed business last night at 6 o'clock, and when the measurements were taken by the weather bureau this morning the gauges registered .23 of an inch of rain. The total for the season is 8.97, against 4.85 at this time last year and more than two inches in excess of the seasonal average.

Eureka reported .39 of an inch, Sacramento .18, Red Bluff .02, Paso Robles .03, Chico 1.50, Oroville .13, Porterville .14, Santa Barbara .52, San Bernardino .66, Riverside .34, Redlands .24, Pomona .58, Pasadena .68, San Diego .34, Los Angeles .72, San Luis Obispo .64.

Forecast G. H. Willson said this morning that there would be no more rain today and that tomorrow would break fair, indicating a clear Christmas day.

ARRIVAL OF FAIR CHIEFS DELAYED

Charles C. Moore, president of the exposition, and Theodore Hardee, chief of liberal arts, who were due to arrive from Washington at 9:30 o'clock this morning, were delayed and will arrive at 1:30. An informal reception will be tendered them by many of the exposition officials, who will cross the bay to greet them and welcome them home.

A banquet was tendered to President Moore in Washington by Secretary of State Bryan. President Willson was not present on account of his cold. The next morning, however, he granted an audience to Moore and Vice President R. R. Hale. All of the foreign ambassadors and ministers were present at the banquet tendered the exposition here.

BLAME AGREEMENT LONDON, Dec. 23.—Sir Henry Truman Wood, who was British commissioner at the Paris exposition of 1889, and secretary of the British commission to the Chicago world's fair in 1893, says the real basis for the Anglo-German attitude toward the 1915 fair in an agreement entered into by 17 nations, including the United States, at the exhibitions conference held in Berlin in 1932 that they would not participate in an international exhibition for three years after having taken part in one.

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BEGIN WORK ON RETURN OF ROLPH

Mayor Will Discuss Hetch Hetchy and Opera House as City Celebrates

Mayor Rolph's return today from his victorious Hetch Hetchy mission to Washington will be the signal for a triumphant celebration throughout the city, a twofold attack upon the city's water problem and the injection of new life into the plan to build the municipal opera house.

The mayor, to use his own laconic expression, is "bringing home the bacon." He is coming with a first hand story of the famous fight at the capital to get San Francisco the priceless Sierra water supply, and his arrival also means the immediate start of the condemnation suit against the Spring Valley Water company. In addition, he has gathered a mass of facts and figures on the methods of management and control of opera houses in eastern cities. He will lay these before the supervisors in an effort to frame a new ordinance that will eliminate the subscribers' perpetual rights to seats, the self-perpetuating board of trustees and other objectionable features, and at the same time be agreeable to the donors.

RECEPTION AT FERRY A large delegation, consisting of all members of the board of supervisors, City Engineer O'Shaughnessy, City Attorney Long, former Mayor James D. Phelan, various other city officials and citizens will meet the mayor upon his arrival at the ferry this afternoon. There will be a demonstration that promises to go down in history, marking as it does one of the biggest epochs in San Francisco's progress.

Escorted by a long line of automobiles, Rolph will be carried along Market street in a triumph and informal parade. Horns will be tooted, whistles blown, and the crowds along the pavements will give themselves up to unfettered expressions of joy that at last, after a battle of twelve years, this city has secured her right to an inexhaustible supply of pure water.

BANQUET TONIGHT The mayor will be taken to the Hotel St. Francis, where a reception will be held, followed by a banquet. Rolph has frequently expressed himself as being anxious that no time be lost in beginning actual work on the Hetch Hetchy project, and one of his first acts on arriving home will be to start on the job.

Senator Works was vigorously denounced by the board of supervisors yesterday for his opposition to the Hetch Hetchy bill. O'Shaughnessy declared that Works "acted so as to prove himself a disgrace to the state." Action on the motion was delayed until the return of Rolph and Supervisor Voelsgang.

Santa Monica May Get Vanderbilt Cup Race

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The members of the Vanderbilt racing company, of which W. K. Vanderbilt Jr. is president, held a meeting yesterday to consider the application of Pacific coast racing for a sanction to hold the Vanderbilt cup and Grand Prix races at Santa Monica February 21 and 22 next.

It was understood that the offer was favorably received, but no action will be made public for a day or so, as the Automobile Club of America will first have to give a sanction for the Grand Prix race and the A. A. U. will have to be consulted before a sanction is issued for the Vanderbilt cup race.

Tribute for Pilot of New Tariff Measure

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Senator Shimmons of North Carolina, who successfully piloted the democratic tariff bill through the senate, will be presented this week with an autographed and handsomely bound copy of the report of the committee on the tariff. The report contains a number of autograph notes of appreciation from President Wilson, Vice President Marshall and several senators in addition to the signatures of all members of the senate.

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