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CALIFORNIA REPORT

Promotions Committee Shows Conditions Improved.

BIG DEMAND FOR LABORERS

Monthly Bulletin Looks at Sunny Side of Affairs—Many Permanent Buildings Have Been Erected in Frisco Since Fire.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 30.—In its monthly bulletin of progress, which will be issued today, the California Promotion Committee will say:

The first month of the new year has been one of progress in California and reports received by the California Promotion Committee show that all parts of the state are feeling the influence of improved conditions. There is continued shortage of laborers in many lines all over the state, this being especially noticeable in ordinary laborers in the lumber industry, and in female help as operatives in mills and factories. Store help, telephone operators and domestics are in enormous demand. Office men, clerks and bookkeepers are called for in all parts of the state.

"Conditions in San Francisco, so far as building operators and commerce are concerned, are eminently heavy. More than \$33,000,000 is called for by the 7,734 building permits which have been issued since the fire. It is estimated by architects and contractors that fully \$100,000,000 will be expended in buildings during the coming year. One hundred and fifty buildings, between five and 22 stories in height, are now in course of erection or have been completed and occupied since the fire, and the total number of permanent buildings that have been erected or

are in course of erection is more than 7,000.

"California's hop and raisin crops have been exhausted at the highest prices paid in many years and it is estimated that the orange crop will amount to 80,000 carloads which bring top prices in eastern markets."

TWELVE ENTRIES.

Four Nations Are Now Represented in Balloon Race List.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—A cable dispatch was received yesterday by President Cortland Field Bishop, of the Aero Club of America, from the Aero Club of Spain, entering a team of three men for the international balloon race to be held at St. Louis, October 19. The message named the competitors and they are the same who took part in the first contest which started from Paris last year. They are Captain A. Duani, who finished fifth in the race last year; Lieutenant Herrera, who got eighth place, and Senor E. C. Salamanca, who was twelfth.

"The presence of the Spanish aeronauts in the race insures twelve well known balloonists," said Mr. Bishop. "France, England and America will be the other countries represented, but we still have time to hear from other foreign clubs, as the entries are open until February 1."

LYNCHED MAN HEIR.

CHICAGO, Jan. 30.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Des Moines, Iowa, says:

It was learned yesterday that James Cullen, who was lynched by a mob at Charles City, was a brother of R. C. Cullen, formerly a banker at Warren, Ill. R. C. Cullen's will, which leaves an estate worth \$200,000 to the man who was lynched, has just been filed. Years ago James Cullen lived near Warren, Ill., and was forced to leave town for brutal treatment of his wife and daughter. Later he settled at Charles City, Iowa, where he was lynched by a mob some weeks ago after murdering his wife and stepson and attempting to commit suicide.

SIXTY ENTOMBED.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Jan. 30.—Late advices from the disaster to the Stuart Coal Company's mine at Fayetteville, are that the number of victims will be sixty instead of seventy to eighty. The list of those positively known to have been in the mine at the time of the disaster includes 23 whites and 19 negroes. Besides these there are a number of foreigners whose names are not known. Very little hope is expressed that any of the entombed miners will be found alive.

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GRAFT IN GOVERNMENT.

House Investigating Committee Finds Thousands of Dollars Misspent.

CHICAGO, Jan. 30.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington, says: Scandalous conditions have been found in various government departments as a result of the investigations being made by the House committee on appropriations. The committee has discovered that in one branch of the public service contracts have been let at exorbitant prices for material invented by an employee who was a member of the board which made the award. In another department contracts have been awarded for material in the manufacture of which one of the officers was engaged. In still another inventions which were developed by employes during their government service have been used by the government at a high cost.

If the members of the House are successful in the campaign they have begun thousands of dollars will be saved the government annually, and there will be a more sharply defined tight of an employe to control exclusively an invention developed and perfected in the course of his official duty.

PROCLAIMS MARTIAL LAW.

Valencian Authorities Fear Serious Trouble with Striking Workmen.

MADRID, Jan. 30.—Martial law has been proclaimed in Valencia following a strike of workmen. Serious trouble is feared. The proposal to eliminate the everlasting bread trouble by establishing the bakeries as a popular trust, where bread can be obtained at actual cost, is meeting support in the press and in other quarters. Such a trust, it is believed, would protect the consumer from the middlemen and consequently stop the trouble so frequently occurring.

JAPANESE FOUND INJURED.

Mystery Surrounds Injury of Two Orientals in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 30.—Waka and Tsigma, Japanese were found lying desperately wounded and helpless on the sidewalk at the corner of La-

guna and Sutter streets last night. One was in a dying condition when found, and unconscious. The other said that they were set upon by a number of Japanese, owing to some trouble over a woman. The police, however, believe that this is the first of a war between cliques, similar to those which break out from time to time among the Chinese tongs. Both of the men died a short time after being picked up.

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