

FOUR BANK

Officials No Longer Hope to Pull California Safe Deposit Off Rocks Alone—Dalzell Brown's Desk Is Searched for Clues.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Any hope which the depositors of the California Safe Deposit & Trust company might have had of keeping the bank out of the hands of a receiver has been rapidly dissipated by the events of the last few days.

As those who have been investigating the affairs of the bank go further into their task, it can be seen that the affairs are more deeply involved than was at first supposed.

The bank is hopelessly insolvent, declared President David F. Walker, and the only thing to do is to appoint a receiver. Claims which claim upon the bank are becoming outlawed every day, and it is necessary that a permanent receiver should be appointed at once to take charge of the affairs of the bank.

When this receiver is appointed it will be the distinct understanding if any plan should arise whereby the bank could resume operations either in Montgomery and California streets or other corporation, that the receiver shall resign in favor of the organization.

It is believed that many papers will be taken from it which will throw additional light on the bank's affairs. It is believed that the hiding place of the missing Colton securities.

The special holidays declared by Governor Gillett cause an entire day to be lost. The governor will be in Sacramento next Monday to be prepared for emergencies when normal business conditions are reported to be in trouble.

C. S. Cushing, receiver of the California Safe Deposit & Trust company, this morning received a letter from the knowledge of the support to the effect that \$150,000 in securities had been taken from the vault of the bank in order to secure the release of J. Dalzell Brown.

"I did not hear of the matter until I read about it in a morning paper today and I am sure that if that sum of money had been taken from the vaults we would have heard of it," declared Cushing.

UNIONS ORGANIZE AGAINST CELESTIALS Asiatic Exclusion League Prepares for Active Campaign—Officers Elected.

Having for its object the exclusion from this country of the brown and yellow laborers of the orient, the Asiatic Exclusion league, with a membership drawn largely from the trades unions, was organized last night at Drew hall. Officers of the league to serve for the coming year were elected as follows: President, C. M. Haydt; vice-president, John Reed; secretary and treasurer, J. M. Crookwell; conductor, J. L. Leal-widge.

A constitution and by-laws patterned after those of a similar organization in California, were adopted.

An important action of last night's meeting was the adoption of a resolution calling for a mass meeting of citizens to be held in Arion hall, Friday night, January 10, to consider the subject of having the armaments of the States Senator John M. Gearin and J. A. Jeffrey, of the Portland bar will address the meeting. Arrangements will be made for other speakers to be present on that occasion.

Communications were read from different labor organizations going to show that there are over 500 Japanese employed in Portland that are in direct competition with the white laborer.

APPEAL TO COUNTY FOR AID IN CASE OF GIGS

Witnesses Brought From Southern Oregon to Testify as to Train Service.

The Southern Pacific company is presenting its side of the Ashland-Roseburg train service squabble before the state railroad commission today. Complaint has been made by citizens of Ashland, Grants Pass, Medford and a number of other places that the present service is inadequate and that the recent action of the company in retiring two trains is prejudicial to the interests of the affected district.

The witnesses argued that the stub train running from Roseburg to Portland was run closer to the schedule than the overland train which had been abandoned and that all stations and districts north of Roseburg were being served as well as those south of that point.

The hearing was continued from this morning to the afternoon and it is expected that the commission will take the matter under advisement for a future change of schedule of trains.

Believed Party of Travelers Broke Through at Delta and Were Drowned.

Fairbanks, Alaska, Dec. 21.—Four men are believed to have gone through the ice near the Delta and been drowned. This is the report brought here today by Hans Carlson, who has arrived over the trail from Valdez.

Carlson says that a party of four men and a dog, he found a large hole in the ice, and there were signs of a terrible struggle at the edges. Two days before he left Valdez a party of four men and a dog, he found a large hole in the ice, and there were signs of a terrible struggle at the edges.

IMPRESORATOR OFF ON A TECHNICALITY Charged as Police Captain Released as Putative Detective.

Astoria, Or., Dec. 21.—The case of E. M. Baker, charged with impersonating a police officer, was heard in police court yesterday and dismissed on a technicality after the demurrer to the complaint had been overruled and evidence submitted. The complaint charged Baker with impersonating himself as a police officer. There was no denial of the allegation, but witnesses testified that Baker, when he made a demand for money, asserted he was Detective Haywood.

OLD WILLAMETTE HONORS BENEFACTOR

Salmon, Or., Dec. 21.—An informal testimonial was yesterday tendered E. A. Edson, a resident of the city, by the students of Willamette university in recognition of his gift of \$50,000 to that institution. The gift was made in the form of a building on the campus. Among those who spoke were Mayor Rodgers, who introduced the honored guest, Supreme Judge Robert Eakin and F. A. Moore and Messrs. H. B. Thielson, C. B. Moore, W. H. Odeh, W. J. Freeman, H. Van Kinkle, E. Hofer and H. D. Kimball.

PEN MEN TO DO VAUDEVILLE STUNTS

Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 21.—A vaudeville entertainment is being planned by Warden Reed for the convicts at the penitentiary. The entertainment will consist of a vaudeville troupe of about 100 men, including the Christmas dinner the big dining hall will be used as a theatre. The troupe will be composed of several of the convicts are finished performers. The program will include musical numbers, song, and wing dancing and monologue work.

THREE LIVES LOST IN TOY STORE BLAZE

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 21.—Three lives were lost and property worth \$50,000 was destroyed in a fire which started in the Christmas store of Johnson & Hatcher, department store today. A public among the shoppers resulted.

Dutch Cabinet to Resign

The Hague, Dec. 21.—As the result of the rejection of the budget by a vote of 53 to 29 in the second national assembly the entire Dutch Liberal cabinet probably will resign. The crisis was wholly unexpected.

Teddy's Christmas

Washington, Dec. 21.—President Roosevelt and family will spend the holidays at Pine Knot, Virginia. They will leave Washington the day after Christmas and return the day before New Year's.

YOUTH WON ELDER LADY'S LOVE—SENTENCE COST HER \$275.

Because she has lost \$275 and to man to whom she was engaged to be married, Mrs. Maud F. Wilson has asked the police to recover the money and arrest the man. Acting on the information given them by Mrs. Wilson the authorities have wired the city marshal to arrest the man.

The man, who lives at 63 First street and whose name is not given, has been something more than a half-century old, detailed her woes to Deputy District Attorney Stevenson.

JOHNNY HAD A GUN AND IT WAS LOADED

Now Johnny's Behavior Is Under Juvenile Court's Scrutiny.

Johnny and his gun were in the juvenile court this morning. In fact, there were two guns, and Johnny was separated from both of them.

Mrs. Toney's Story

Mrs. Toney, in her direct testimony, told of Pettibone coming to their home at Independence, Colorado, bringing with him a small revolver, and leaving with Orchard, Orchard leaving home in company with Steve Adams on the night of the Independence depot explosion.

SENATOR WRITES GREATEST SOURCE OF EVIL LIES IN STOCK GAMBLING.

In a personal letter to a friend in Portland, Senator C. W. Fulton writes as follows concerning the bill he has introduced in the senate to put a stop to stock gambling.

STUDENTS RECEIVE HOLIDAY HONOR MARKS

Blanchet Institute, conducted by the Christian brothers, closed for the Christmas holidays with a pleasing entertainment by the students at St. Michael's hall, Fifth and Mill streets.

CHURCH SCRAPPERS ARE GIVEN FREEDOM

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—The appellate court today granted a writ of habeas corpus to J. E. O'Connell, who was convicted by a justice of the peace on a charge of criminal libel.

INDIAN VILLAGES SWEEPED INTO OCEAN

Seward, Alaska, Dec. 21.—Ailsburgh, by steamer from the westward, that terrific storms have occurred on the North Pacific and waves rolling mountains high have swept many Indian villages and the inhabitants from the land into the sea.

WILL SEND FLOWER SEEDS TO CHILDREN

Washington, Dec. 21.—Congressman Kahn of California has made arrangements with the agricultural department to have 10,000 packages of flower seeds sent to the school children of San Francisco.

FOUR PRICE BOOSTERS MAY BE SENT TO PENITENTIARY FOR LONG TERMS.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Four big milk companies and nine of their officers were indicted today on charges of being in a conspiracy in restraint of trade.

CONSPIRACY IN RESTRAINT OF TRADE

IN SPITE OF THE ACTION OF THE GRAND JURY THE COMPANIES AFFECTED INDICATED BY THEIR ACTIONS THAT AS A MEASURE OF RETALIATION THEY WOULD SHOOT THE PRICE OF MILK TO NINE CENTS A QUART, OR A CENT ABOVE A RECENT INCREASE.

ADAM'S BROTHERS WANT EVANS TO BE VICE-ADMIRAL

Washington, Dec. 21.—In order that Admiral Evans may enter Rio Janeiro as a vice-admiral, the commander of the Atlantic fleet will be a vigorous campaign with this end in view after the holidays.

POLICE PALMBEARERS AT GITTINGS' FUNERAL

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MINERS NEED NOT DO ASSESSMENT WORK

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