

## GATHERING FOR AIRSHIP MEET

Three Aeronauts Are Already in Los Angeles—Others Close Contracts to Be at the Meet.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 2.—C. F. Willard and Roy Knabenshue, with two aeroplanes and three dirigibles, the first competitors to arrive of those who will participate in the aerial contests during a week of aviation to be held here in January, are in this city today.

The French aeronauts will sail from Havre Christmas day for Los Angeles, bringing with them a number of heavier-than-air machines.

The contracts with the French bird-men were closed yesterday afternoon, according to a cablegram received here by the committee from Edmund Cleary, manager of a syndicate of foreign aviators. The cable message follows:

"I accept your proposition received today and guarantee the appearance of Paul Han, Mescaerol, Maisson and four mechanics, with two 'cross-channel' Bleriot machines and two of Paul-Hans' own machines."

"Now I know where I stand. I will start to advertise the exhibition and will advise you daily of the progress here. I don't think you quite realize the enormous cost of getting this show out. Paulhan alone costs me \$16,000 for the American tour—actual contract, no 'show fake'—therefore I am deeply involved."

"I can get other aviators probably on proportionate terms with an equivalent arrangement, half down here and half on the appearance and fulfillment of the contract at Los Angeles. I will advise as to these possibilities and will co-operate in every way possible to make your meet a great success. We sail from Havre on the Bretagne, December 25."

## LOVETT LEAVES FRISCO: RETURNS TO THE EAST

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 2.—Robert S. Lovett, president of the Southern Pacific company, left on his special train for Chicago at dawn today. With him were the members of the party of Southern Pacific officials which has accompanied the associate on his tour of the Pacific coast.

President Lovett spent his last day in San Francisco in conference with Southern Pacific officials in the Flood building, the local headquarters of the Harriman roads. He lunched at the University club with a party of railroad and local business men.

## WILL PLAY GAME BENEFIT OF BLISS

Player Whose Leg Was Broken in Recent Game Will Be Aided by Fellow Players.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 2.—The barnstorming All-Star National League and Philadelphia American baseball clubs will play Saturday afternoon at Recreation park, the proceeds of the game to be given to Jack Bliss, catcher of the St. Louis Nationals, whose left leg was broken in a game at Stockton last Monday.

Bliss, according to the doctors who are attending him, probably will not be able to play again until late next season. His leg was fractured a few inches above the ankle and the ligaments of his left knee are badly torn.

## NOW GALLAGHER IS GONE: CALHOUN CASE BLOCKED

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 2.—The whereabouts of "Big Jim" Gallagher, member of the Schmitz boodling board of supervisors and the star witness of the prosecution in the recent graft trials, still remains a mystery to District Attorney Langdon and the police of this city, who are trying to locate him. Gallagher has been subpoenaed to appear as a witness in the trial of Patrick Calhoun, the indicted trolley magnate, December 6. Last Thursday Gallagher dropped from sight, and it is believed that he has journeyed eastward.

Immediately upon the discovery of Gallagher's disappearance, District Attorney Langdon notified the police department to instruct the police of the Atlantic seaboard cities to watch for Gallagher. Reports last night indicate that the former supervisor is still master of his own movements. Langdon declared the Calhoun case will be greatly handicapped.

## LAND OF NOD MONDAY NIGHT

Popular Musical Extravaganza Will Be at the Medford Theater First of the Coming Week.

"The Land of Nod," a musical extravaganza in a prologue and two acts, by Adams and Hough, with music by Joseph Howard, will be the attraction at the Medford theater, Monday, December 6. The production is under the management of Samuel R. Rork, and comes here fresh from Broadway, where it scored one of the greatest successes of any musical comedy in New York last season. One of the principal



"THE MAN IN THE MOON." "Land of Nod."

reasons why "The Land of Nod" has been so unusually successful is on account of its decidedly unique character creations and the novelty and picturesqueness of the play, which are briefly described as follows: The prologue shows a beautiful garden of flowers, where children are at play. Little "Bonnie" falls asleep beneath a rosebush, and the change of scene to the first act discloses her in "The Land of Nod." In this mysterious sleepland, with such strange features as a peppermint river, a house of cards, a candy bridge, balloon trees and mushroom palaces, Bonnie starts exploring. She encounters "The Jack of Hearts" and his parents, "The King and Queen of Hearts," "The Weather Man," who makes all kinds of weather while you wait; "April Fool" and the "Sandman" and his pal, "Knockout Drops," and the merry old "Man in the Moon." All of these queer people contribute to her amusement and entertainment. In the second act the "Nightmare Palace" is entered and the plot, begun in the preceding act, is carried to a logical conclusion.

The production represents an enormous investment and is said to be one of the most magnificent spectacles ever sent on tour. The cast remains almost the same since the original performance. Knox Wilson, who has always been the featured comedian, will be seen in his original part of "April Fool."

Prominent in the cast are Neil McNeil and Anna McNabb, who have been starred and featured with big musical productions for several years and are great favorites here. Other well-known names include Florence Sinnott, Louise Tozier, Dorothy Ellis, Claude Lightner, William Morgan, Nelson Riley and Robert La Londe. The chorus is said to include some stunning young women. Seats now selling.

## SICK MAN DISAPPEARS FROM AMBULANCE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 2.—Officials of the Central Emergency hospital are completely mystified today by the strange disappearance from the hospital ambulance of Jas. Doyle of Oakland, who was supposed to be dying from epilepsy.

So acute was Doyle's case that the physicians at the Emergency hospital determined to move him to the infirmary of the city, and late last evening an ambulance was summoned and Doyle was carried carefully from his room.

When the big van arrived at the infirmary the stretcher had been vacated. No attendant had accompanied the sick, and how he managed to leave the ambulance is a mystery to the hospital officials.

A debating team composed of University of Oregon girls will meet a similar team from the University of Washington in the spring. Women of the university are taking much interest in literary society work and hope to win this debate.

## CLUB MEETS IN REGULAR SESSION

Bills Were Ordered Paid and Other Routine Matters Were Attended to at Wednesday's Meeting.

The Medford Commercial club met last evening in regular session and considerable business was transacted. Carl Munson, A. C. Burgess and David H. Palmer were elected to membership.

The following bills which had been presented to the club for payment were ordered paid: Medford Furniture Co., \$2.25; Sanborn, Vail & Co., \$1.85; G. M. Bordeaux, \$80; Valley Sign & Carriage Works, \$5; Hutchison & Lumsden, \$40; Postal Telegraph & Cable Co., 50 cents; Hull Art Studio, 90 cents; Rogue River Electric Co., \$8; Sunset Magazine, \$1.20; Medford Publishing Co., \$10.75; Pacific Coast Stamp Works, \$2.25; Medford Book Store, \$3.60; Medford Studio, \$4; Sanborn, Vail & Co., \$3.88. Total, \$282.98.

N. S. Bennett, in appreciation of the support rendered him by members of the Commercial club in selling his nursery stock, presented the club with a box of cigars and a box of apples.

J. A. Westerlund gave a report of the Spokane Apple Show and said that it was quality alone that won the prize for the Rogue River valley.

A discussion followed upon various subjects of interest to the club members and short talks were made by Archdeacon Chambers and Rev. Lucas of the Episcopal church; also by Messrs. Root, Pickett, Walters, Cowles and Bennett.

## BARONESS GAVE \$200 TO FRISCO'S CHARITY

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 2.—At least one party that accompanied the Japanese commercial commission on its recent tour commemorated the visit by charity that is creating a sensation among the officials of the Widows' and Orphans' Aid society of the police. Baroness Shibashawa, wife of the leader of the Japanese delegation, sent to Chief of Police Cook \$200 to be applied to the association's fund. The money was accompanied by a note from Japanese Consul M. Nagai, stating that the baroness' gift was prompted by the courtesies shown by the local police to the visitors and the worthiness of the cause.

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## PETTY OFFICIALS MAKE TROUBLE

Americans Complain Regarding Minor Officials' Actions Toward them in Nicaraguan Republic.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 2.—Since the civil war in Nicaragua began numerous reports of indignities and oppressions suffered by foreigners at the hands of petty officials of the Honduras government on the Atlantic seacoast towns have reached here. It is said that a strong protest will be registered at Washington, and Americans, whom it is said, have been mistreated, will ask for protection of the government.

One American who has just arrived here from Honduras said that the situation is becoming unbearable, and it is said that the foreigners would be compelled to arm themselves to protect themselves and property.

It is asserted by passengers arriving from Central America that the petty officials have no respect for an American. It is said that the officials expect a crisis soon and all are gathering "graft" against that time when they will be out of office.

Americans, it is claimed, are the principal sufferers thereby.

The University of Oregon expects to issue, as a supplement to the February number of the University Bulletin, a complete directory of all Oregon high schools. It will contain the names of the teachers, the subjects taught by each, their preparation, the number of years in the high school course, etc., and is to be sent out free of charge.

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