

Rapid Work on New City Hall Site Lot Will Soon Be Ready for Masons



Scene showing steam shovel at work on new City Hall site, Van Ness avenue and Fulton street.

Big Steam Shovel Removes Debris From Civic Center Property With Great Speed

THE site of the new City Hall at Van Ness avenue and Fulton street is being excavated so rapidly that although the work was started less than a month ago, a force of masons could be engaged right now to start several parts of the foundation of the proposed building. The big lot is being cleared of sand and debris at the rate of 800 cubic yards a day, and while the contractors have until September 15th to complete their task, it is more than likely that the site will be cleared fully a month before that time.

COUNTIES EAGER TO ASSIST LAND SHOW

Many Boards of Supervisors Throughout State Start Plans of Entering.

Napa county will be represented at the California land show in San Francisco next October with a comprehensive exhibit of its extensive products. A hearty response was received to the invitation of the land show committee for Napa to join with the other counties of the State in the promotion of California land settlement. After hearing an outline of the show plans the Supervisors adopted a resolution reserving an exhibit space of 240 square feet for Napa's display.

"The land show is an opportunity to bring our resources and advantages to the attention of the world," said Edmond Brock, chairman of the Board of Supervisors. "Napa county has come through a trying season and touched either by frost or drought and we shall be able to make our exhibit doubly interesting by exhibit of that fact. We are planning to exhibit at the Sacramento State Fair in September and our display, much augmented, will be repeated in the San Francisco show."

Yuba county also has come forward with an extensive determination to be represented at the land show. General Manager, Edward H. Brown was the speaker during the week at the Chamber of Commerce meeting of the Lodi Merchants' Association. In September also representatives of the Stockton Chamber of Commerce and the Tracy Merchants' Association.

LOWEST BID FILED BY STEEL TRUST

Proposals for New City Hall Structural Work From Home and Eastern Concerns.

Bids for furnishing, fabricating and delivering the structural steel for the City Hall have been opened by the Phoenix Iron Company, another Eastern concern, which bid on all three periods of time, and agreed to deduct \$121,000 from its price if it did not have to pay the freight. Its figures were: For shortest time, \$645,000; next period of time, \$530,000; for longest time allowed, \$450,000.

Drops Unconscious as Ball Hits Him

Sphere Slips Through Youth's Hands and Strikes Him on Head at Belle Isle.

NEW YORK, June 14.—Lewis Duraw almost ended his baseball career Sunday morning during a game at Belle Isle when a batted ball went through his hands and struck him on the head. For a time it was feared that his skull was fractured. The lad sank unconscious to the ground and the police from the Belle Isle station were summoned. Lieutenant Kling ordered the boy sent to his home, 495 Mullet street, where his wounds recovered.

Man Who Lives on the Geographical Center of Population Unimpressed

KANSAS CITY, June 14.—The exact geographical center of the United States has been the source of much municipal heartburning in Western Kansas for many years. Fort Riley has claimed the spot more vigorously than most places, but a dozen or more farms, hamlets and towns have disputed the claim.

LANTERN FEAST AT PACIFIC GROVE

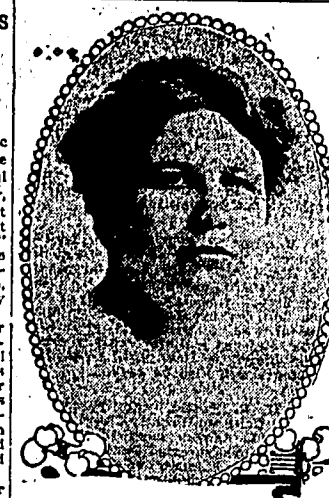
Thousands Throng Hostelties of the Peninsula for the Annual Event.

Special Dispatch to the "Chronicle." PACIFIC GROVE, June 14.—Pacific Grove, known the world over as one of the most picturequely beautiful spots on the globe, gives each year, among various other entertainment features of the summer season, what is known as "The Feast of Lanterns," an event which brings people to the Monterey peninsula from all the country around and from a distance, too, until taxed to the limit are hostelry and cottage accommodations.

SEARCH FOR BODY. The maidens, giving the alarm, the sorrowing and relenting parent summoned his household and all, bearing lanterns, circled the lake and, on shore and in boats, searched the night through for the beautiful little Chinese lady who held their hearts. And for years, in commemoration of the unfortunate happening, the Chinese maidens who bore her company visited the spot on the anniversary of the drowning where they had last seen the mandarin's unhappy child.

MILITARY BAND MUSIC. Music, always embraced in the elaborate entertainment, will be contributed by the military and the city bands, ballads in Oriental language will be sung by pretty girls in costume. Selections by a Japanese orchestra is another feature. In Oriental lodges tea will be served by daintily-gowned attendants and the opening feature, gaily decorated ma-

Oakland Audience to Hear Mrs. Hazlett in Interpretation of "Job"



Mrs. James Hazlett, who gives her interpretation of "Job" in Oakland this evening.

Well-known Reader to Appear at First Congregational Church Tonight

MRS. JAMES HAZLETT gives her interesting interpretation of "Job" this evening in the First Congregational Church, Twelfth and Clay streets, Oakland, at 7:30 o'clock. Of these readings Rev. Albert W. Palmer says: "The old Biblical drama lives for her auditors. The debate between Job and his three friends, Eliphaz, Bildad and Zophar, is listened to with breathless interest. The voice of Jehovah from the whirlwind and Job's final confession are solemn and inspiring."

WATER POWER ABUNDANT. More small towns in Norway use electricity than in any other country, owing to the abundance of water power. One of the few events of the summer will be the festa to be given by the Sonoma Valley Women's Club from July 20 to July 25th.

DOINGS OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

THE few club meetings of the week will begin with the porch ten to be given today by the Woman's Outdoor Club at the club's headquarters on Nineteenth avenue and Sloat Boulevard.

The Denman School Club gave an entertainment on Friday night for the benefit of the Happy Land Day Home, and as a result there will be more happiness among the North Beach mothers who are compelled to put their babies in a day nursery while they earn the living for themselves and the babies.

The San Francisco Non-Partisan Alliance, organized from the membership of the Real League, has decided to hold meetings every Tuesday throughout the summer in room 251 of the Phelan building, and will hold a meeting at that place next Tuesday.

Tuesdays during the summer vacation have been selected as the time for instruction in parliamentary law, physical culture, and public speaking to be given by Miss Mary Fairbrother and Mrs. Olivia Kingsland in room 248 of the Pacific building, in the mornings at 10 o'clock, and in the evenings of the same day at 8 o'clock.

Wednesday, June 12th, is the regular day of meeting of the Woman's Political League, in the afternoon having decided to continue its weekly meetings during the summer months. Wednesday, also, is the day of the meeting of the Woman's Outdoor Club, which will meet twice a month during the summer, that its department of vocational training may be perfected as soon as possible.

Thursday, June 13th, the Pioneer Mothers' Monument Association, of which Mrs. Fred U. Sanborn is president, will hold a meeting at its permanent headquarters, room 701, Exposition building, to continue the discussion of the monument raising fund for the erection of a statue to the pioneer mothers of California to occupy a prominent position in the Court of Honor at the exposition.

One of the few events of the summer will be the festa to be given by the Sonoma Valley Women's Club from July 20 to July 25th. The affair will be called "The Valley of the Moon Festa," and among the attractions will be a children's circus, confetti battles, Fourth of July parade, baseball games, dancing in the evening and other diversions not yet announced but known to be in course of preparation.

Mrs. Carrie A. Burlingame is directing the affair and is receiving the assistance of prominent club women of the valley. The proximity of Sonoma to San Francisco insures a large delegation from this city to the scene of activity during Fourth of July week and the Sonoma Valley clubhouse fund, the beneficiary, is expected to receive material aid from the festa.

The "Alaska Potlatch" given by the Cort Madera Woman's Club on Friday was pronounced one of the suc-

HOMES FOR HOMELESS TOTS SHOWN AT 'THE VALENCIA'

Work of Native Sons and Daughters Depicted in Photoplay.

An executive committee of the Native Sons and Daughters of San Francisco, consisting of Mayor Ralph Fairfax Wheeler, Henry Dalum, E. E. Fischer, Helen McCloskey and Bessie Kohm, is rapidly completing elaborate plans for a special benefit performance to be given at the Valencia Theater, June 26th, 27th and 28th.

The home-handling work of the Native Sons and Daughters is not confined to any creed, but homes for homeless children are secured throughout the entire State of California. The work was begun in 1910, and in this short space of time over 350 children have been adopted into good homes through the successful efforts of the Native Sons and Daughters.

In addition to "The Cliff House Baby" a specially selected and high class vaudeville programme will be given, particulars of which will be announced later. The tickets for the performance are on sale at Sherman, Clay & Co. and are being sold around town by ladies who are aiding the movement in this manner.

FARROT HAS PRIVILEGES

The parrot that sits in his cage and saucily surveys the second act of "The Serenade" at the Tivoli Opera-house is allowed more privileges than any of the creatures of the menagerie. He interjects irrelevant and immaterial remarks, no matter who may be occupying the spot-light, and often he prattles in so unexpectedly that cues are upset and the action almost halted.

Advertisement for D. N. & E. Walter & Co. featuring 1,250 pieces of furniture and rugs at clean-up prices. The ad lists various items like curtains, furniture, and rugs with their respective prices. It also includes a testimonial for Dandruff Came and a list of services for homes, apartments, hotels, and steamships.