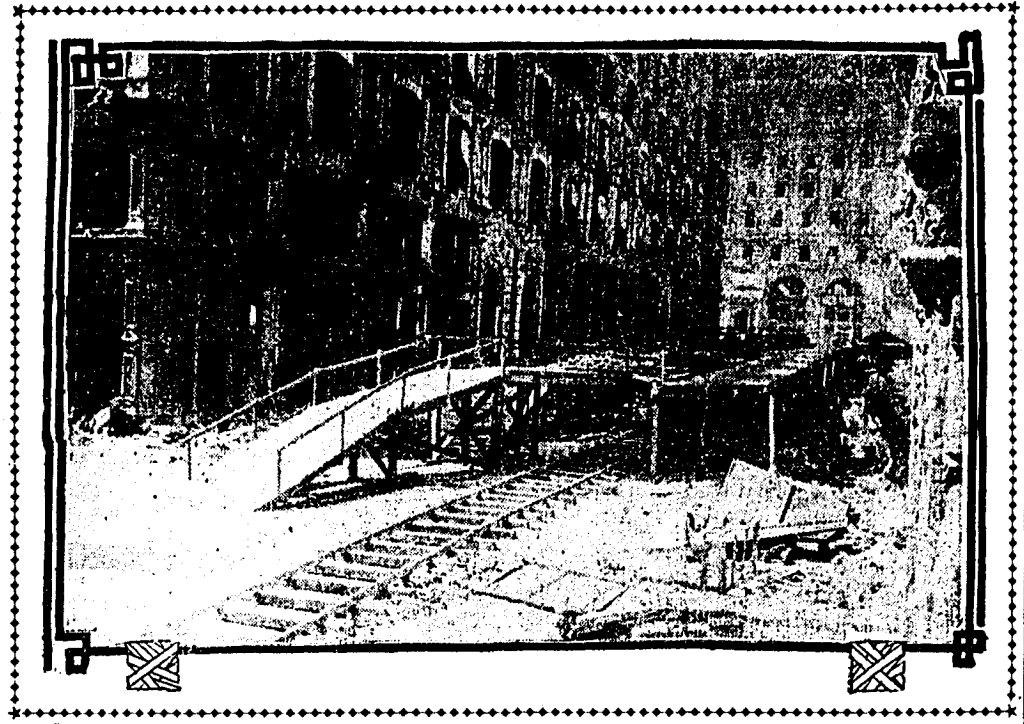


WORK OF DISMANTLING THE PALACE HOTEL TO BEGIN



Bunker Erected on New Montgomery Street for the Purpose of Removing the Debris.

THERE are indications that within a few days the work of razing the ruins of the Palace Hotel will begin, and that within a few weeks the bricks that held together so well on April 15th will be on the debris heap. In evident preparation for the dismantling of the hotel, a large bunker, or loading platform, has been erected on New Montgomery street, extending almost to Jessie. From it inclines run toward the hotel and toward the streets to facilitate the ascent to the upper platform of wagons, from which the debris will be dumped into the cars beneath. The car tracks run down New Montgomery street and connect with the main debris tracks south of Market.

Down the Palace will be no easy task. It was put up in the days when strong mortar was made, and it was further strengthened by iron rods between the bricks. As will be seen in the illustration, the brick shell of the hotel still stands, while more modern buildings collapsed under the fierce heat of the flames. Nothing but the wooden work of the Palace was destroyed.

The new Palace, to be erected on the old site, which is worth \$3,000,000, will cost \$2,500,000, making the total investment \$5,000,000. William F. Herin, William H. Crocker, and others have joined the Sharon estate in financing the project, and plans for the building are now being prepared by Eastern architects. There will be no delay in proceeding with the work.

BERTHA DOLBEER LEAPED TO DEATH

According to Hiram Johnson the Fall Could Not Have Been Accidental.

An attempt was made in Judge Coffey's court yesterday to prove that Bertha Dolbeer, when she fell from a ninth-story window at the Waldorf-Astoria, must have done so with an intent to end her life. Suicide is one of the links in a long chain of evidence which the attorneys for Horatio Schander are seeking to forge, and by which they hope to drag the Dolbeers millions away from Miss Edna Marion Warren, on the plea that the defendant was insane at the time of making the will. Hiram Johnson, who was one of the attorneys of Adolph Schander, the former contestant, testified that he had measured the window opening of the corridor of the Waldorf-Astoria from which Bertha Dolbeer fell to her death. "From your measurements, would you say that it was possible for a person standing in the corridor to fall accidentally from the window?" asked Attorney de Golla, Horatio Schander's attorney.

"I would say that it was not possible," said Johnson.

"You measured the window carefully, and with that idea in view, did you not?" asked the attorney.

"I did. I do not think it possible for any person standing on the floor to have fallen out. The sill is too high," William Gordon Macan, who acted as witness, testified that he had taken immediate possession of Miss Dolbeer's property on being informed by telegraph of her death. He was the executor of the will, and it was in his safe that a copy of the will was deposited, as well as a former instrument, which he said Miss Dolbeer had asked to have returned to her when she died. The document which is now being attacked. He said, further, that he had never paid any money to Miss Warren, nor had he ever consulted with Miss Warren, Miss Dolbeer or any other persons regarding the disposition which should be made of the property. He emphatically denied that he had informed Miss Dolbeer that if she did not make a will Horatio Schander would get her money.

SAYS WIFE'S RELATIVES CONSPIRED AGAINST HIM.

L. Mink Charges Louis Marks and Solomon Marks With Ousting Him From Firm.

L. Mink of the firm of Mink & Marks, cloak and suit manufacturers, brought an action against his partner and brother-in-law, Louis Marks, and his father-in-law, Solomon Marks, in the Superior Court yesterday. He claims \$50,000 damages for an alleged conspiracy to drive him out of the firm and to injure his standing, and alleges that his name was forged in order to carry out the objects of the alleged conspiracy.

It appears from the complaint that Louis Marks executed a chattel mortgage of all the firm's possessions in favor of Solomon Marks, and affixed Mink's name, as one of the parties thereto. They also, it is alleged, circulated false reports among the firm's creditors, thereby bringing its name into disrepute. The alleged forgery was committed April 21, 1906.

CLIFF HOUSE THREATENED BY EARLY MORNING BLAZE.

What might have developed into a disastrous fire that possibly would have wiped out one of San Francisco's notable resorts was headed by the prompt action of the Cliff House at the Ocean Beach at an early hour yesterday, when flames were seen bursting from the roof of the Cliff House about the chimney that led from the kitchen. The incipient blaze was discovered by a stableman, who promptly sounded the alarm, and within a few moments a bucket brigade had been organized, and after twenty minutes of heroic work the blaze was brought under control. Manager Wilkins of the Cliff House was unable to give any explanation for the early morning blaze other than that sparks from the chimney alighted on the roof and smoldered until they were fanned into flame. The damage to the roof was nominal.

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FIVE JURORS FOR INSURANCE CASE

Hard to Secure Unbiased Men for Trying Suit Against Transatlantic.

The suit of the Levi Strauss Realty Company against the Transatlantic Insurance Company for the recovery of \$10,000, alleged to be due on policies issued on property destroyed April 15th, was begun before Judge Edward Whitson in the United States Circuit Court yesterday. The forenoon was spent in an effort to get a jury, five being chosen out of twenty-four examined. That exhausted the panel, and Judge Whitson ordered United States Marshal Elliott to have thirty-six veniremen on hand at 2 o'clock today. By agreement between the attorneys, these men will be non-residents of San Francisco. The first question hurled at each prospective juror by Henry Achi, attorney for the plaintiff, was, "Were you insured in the Transatlantic?" Several admitted ruefully that they were, and were immediately excused. With those who said they were not insured in the Transatlantic, and said they could give no case in bankruptcy, the first question hurled at each prospective juror by Henry Achi, attorney for the plaintiff, was, "Were you insured in the Transatlantic?" Several admitted ruefully that they were, and were immediately excused. With those who said they were not insured in the Transatlantic, and said they could give no case in bankruptcy, the first question hurled at each prospective juror by Henry Achi, attorney for the plaintiff, was, "Were you insured in the Transatlantic?" Several admitted ruefully that they were, and were immediately excused.

PAINTER STEALS JEWELRY WHILE ENGAGED IN PAINTING.

William Lawson, a painter who has been employed in repair work on the Schwabacher mansion in Golden Gate Jackson streets, was arrested yesterday morning by Detectives E. O'Dea and Bert Wrenn and placed on the detainer book by the District Attorney. The theft of jewelry from the Schwabacher home, and according to the story of the police, was tempted by the display of jewels upon a dressing table in one of the rooms. He pilfered the jewels, it is charged, and was promptly placed under arrest. The greater portion of the jewelry was recovered by the two detectives at the rooms of Lawson at 1136 Golden Gate avenue. It is expected that the remainder of the stolen jewelry will be recovered to-day.

BLUE CROSS SOCIETY AMONG INCORPORATIONS.

Among yesterday's incorporations was that of the National Blue Cross Association, which is to engage in running hospitals in various sections and in caring for the sick generally. Its founders and incorporators are: B. B. Lee, who has subscribed to 30,000 shares of the capital stock; Asbury Reed, whose subscription is for 30,000, and J. W. Thatcher, 30,000. The corporation has a capital of \$1,000,000, of which \$30,000 is paid up. The incorporators are F. A. Pagendam, John Pagendam, L. T. Andrews and J. H. Watson Jr.

FACTS AGAINST LUMBER TRUST HARD TO SECURE.

United States Attorney Robert Devlin was before the Federal Grand Jury yesterday in relation to the so-called lumber trust. He was unable to secure any important facts has been developed. The Government is anxious to secure facts in the case, but those most concerned are the least likely to tell the Grand Jury what they know.

RELIEF WORKERS CHEER DOHRMANN

He Raises Money on Personal Receipt in Order to Pay Their Wages.

F. H. Dohrmann, chairman of the rehabilitation committee of the relief corporation, assumed the role of the good Samaritan yesterday and won a round of cheers from some fifty camp laborers, who appeared at the relief headquarters for payment of their August time-checks. While the corporation still has some \$3,000,000 in its credit in the bank, nevertheless, there was not enough money on hand to pay off the laborers. A rule of the corporation is that the cashier should not be allowed to hold more than \$500 a day in his possession and with the sum practically exhausted on Saturday and with Sunday and Monday intervening, and Chairman Dohrmann out of town, there was no one in authority to sign a check to draw out \$500 from the bank in the morning to pay the wages.

The laborers protested vigorously and many told tales of needing the money for which they worked. Shortly after 1 o'clock Dohrmann appeared at headquarters and, learning the cause of the protests, as vice-president of the corporation, he immediately ordered a check for \$500 drawn. As it required the signature of Secretary Duway Harvey, in order to be cashed, and fearing that the messenger would fail to reach him before morning hours were over, Dohrmann got into an automobile and advising the laborers to be patient started down to the Emporium, where he borrowed \$1000 on a personal receipt and returned with it to the relief headquarters and ordered the payment of the smaller amount time-checks. Later the messenger returned with the \$500 and all checks presented were paid.

In speaking of the affair, Dohrmann stated that the rule of the corporation only allowing the cashier to have \$5000 was faulty and that he would call the attention of the executive committee to the fact and endeavor to have it remedied. He stated that all labor claims should be paid immediately when due. The money he borrowed from the Emporium, he said, was in change, which was necessary to have, in order to expedite the payment.

YOUNG GIRL MISSING SINCE BIG FIRE.

Efforts to Find Trace of Lost Child So Far Have Proved Fruitless.

Rev. Geo. W. White, pastor of the Central M. E. Church, has appealed to the "Chronicle" to assist in locating a seven-year-old girl who has been missing since the days of the conflagration. The mother, who is now in Salt Lake City, is ill and destitute. The name of the girl is Mabel Jennings. She is described as being short, having dark brown eyes, small rather pointed nose, round chin with dimple and light curly hair. The evening before the fire the little one was left by her parents with a family in San Francisco who had two daughters, while they went to Oakland. Since that time no word has been received of the lost child, and the mother is frantic with grief. Any information bearing on the whereabouts of the girl will be thankfully received at the Deaconess Home, 129 Haight street, San Francisco.

SYMPHONY CONCERTS AT THE GREEK THEATER.

The University Orchestra begins its second series of symphony concerts at the Greek Theater to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The personnel of the orchestra will be practically the same as during the first series of concerts. Dr. J. Fred Wolfe continuing as director and Guallo Minetti as concert master.

To-morrow's programme, which will be the tenth given by the Symphony Orchestra, will be: Overture, "Marrage of Figaro," Mozart; (a) "Morning Star," (b) "Evening Song," Elgar; The Second Symphony, Beethoven; Adagio molto-allegro con brio, Larghetto, Scherzo: allegro, Allegro molto, Norwegian Melodies, Grieg. (a) Folk-song, (b) Cow-Jockey's Tune, (c) Country Dance, Jubel-overture, Weber.

The five remaining concerts of this series will follow on the afternoons of September 27th, October 11th and 25th, and November 5th and 22d.

UNITEDLY PASS TROLLEY RIGHT

Supervisors Grant Ordinance Giving Union Street Electric Traction.

MAY RE-ENFORCE POLICE

Board Refers Resolution Calling for Full Strength of Force to Committee.

The Board of Supervisors, without a dissenting voice or vote, yesterday, finally passed the ordinance granting the Presidio and Pacific Railway Company the right to convert the Union-street cable road into an overhead electric trolley system. Neither President Newhall nor any representative of the road was present, but the matter went through without any question.

A protest against the application of the Western Pacific for a franchise over streets adjacent to property on town, Missouri, Mississippi, Connecticut, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-third, Twenty-second, Twenty-first and Twentieth streets and Pennsylvania avenue was filed by the Southern Heights Improvement Club. The club claims that the proposed tunnel through the hill at Twentieth and Connecticut streets and the regrading of streets, made necessary if the road is constructed as contemplated, will inflict great damage on many property holders in the Potrero, whose losses the railroad has thus far shown no inclination to compensate.

Seven property owners on Iowa street, near Twenty-fifth, join in a similar protest.

The Street Committee, which meets this morning to consider the Western Pacific franchise, will give these protestants a hearing.

PRECINCT VALLEY SWAMP.

City Engineer Woodward notified the Board that the Western Construction Company had not fulfilled its contract to fill in York street, between Twenty-sixth and Army, delaying the construction of a sewer designed to prevent the present York-street sewer at Twenty-sixth from emptying into the Precinct valley swamp. A rule of the corporation is that the lighting of the street should not be delayed by the filling of the swamp, and the nuisance can only be abated by filling in the swamp. Woodward advised that this should be done by the private holders of the swamp land, and suggested that teamsters be allowed to make it a dumping ground for debris.

Supervisor Kelly wished to know why the City Engineer had not furnished an estimate of the cost to construct a temporary wooden sewer to unite the York and Army street sewers. This was given the railroad company in running down the leaders in the rioting of the previous day and night. Ford said that any man apprehended would be vigorously prosecuted by the United Railroads.

LIGHTING ENTIRE CITY.

When Supervisor Nicholas presented a resolution directing the San Francisco Gas and Electric Company to restore the street-lighting service in the district bounded by Market, Fourth, Harrison and Sixth streets, Supervisor Foxton interposed a suggestion that the lighting of the street should not be delayed by the filling of the swamp, and the nuisance can only be abated by filling in the swamp. Woodward advised that this should be done by the private holders of the swamp land, and suggested that teamsters be allowed to make it a dumping ground for debris.

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WATER SUPPLY COMMUNICATION.

William Muir directed a communication to the Board relative to the choice of a Sierra water supply for San Francisco. Supplementing to the former offer for \$23,000,000 of the waters of the American river, together with the necessary impounding and transmitting plant, Mr. Muir made a straight offer of the water rights alone for \$4,000,000. The letter was referred to the Special Water Committee.

The Election Commissioners' request for \$5000 to erect election booths was referred to the Finance Committee. Of 250 of the old booths turned over to the Chief Sanitary Inspector to house refugees, only fifteen were returned in time for the primary election.

E. W. McEllen was given a permit to explode blasts for grading purposes on the north side of Sutter street, near Leavenworth.

The runway of Second avenue between California and Lake streets was accepted. Grades were ordered changed on Fillmore street.

MINOR BRAWLS MARK THE DAY

No Serious Riots Between Union Men and Strike-breakers Take Place.

TRYING TO SELECT ARBITER

Judge Will Probably Be the One Chosen for the Third Member.

With the departure of the strike breakers the city again assumed a state of peaceful quietude and no serious disturbances were reported. A few non-union strikers remain in the city, and several minor brawls occurred among them and strike sympathizers. Among sufferers from conflicts of this kind was Leon Williams, a coal-passer, living at the Sailors' Home. Williams was the victim of misplaced battery, as he is a union man, and his complaint to the police was vociferous. He is employed on a steamer at the Steuart-street dock, and was returning to the vessel from an evening on shore when he was set upon by four men and badly beaten. Williams suspected that the men were union sympathizers, protested his union affiliations, but the quartet paid no heed to his exclamations. He was treated at the Harbor Hospital for minor contusions. There he displayed his union card and swore vengeance on the men who assaulted him.

LIVEMEN BACK AT WORK.

The return of the union linemen to work yesterday morning was the means of preventing riots around the repair cars, that occurred so frequently Monday. It was said at the different car barns that no trouble had been experienced in handling the cars and attending to the repair work on lines.

A small-sized arsenal of revolvers and "bulls" was exhibited at the property clerk's headquarters at Pine and Larkin streets yesterday. All the guns were the property of Farley's strike breakers and had been taken from the men under arrest. In most cases the weapons, which were nearly all new and of modern make, will be returned to their respective owners when they are released. Inasmuch as the most of the strike breakers were booked on the charge of carrying concealed weapons, they will be discharged on the plea that they were carrying revolvers on a traveler's pretext. Some of the weapons, however, will be confiscated.

Clay L. Ford, chief counsel for the United Railroads, called upon Chief Dohman yesterday to request the police to give the railroad company in running down the leaders in the rioting of the previous day and night. Ford said that any man apprehended would be vigorously prosecuted by the United Railroads.

JOINT COMMITTEE MEETS.

A meeting of the joint committee of the affiliated unions was held yesterday at 2 o'clock, at the rooms of the San Francisco Labor Council, for the purpose of discussing a suitable member to act with Cornelius and Mullaly on the arbitration board. The meeting was in executive session, so the names mentioned for the position could not be learned. Later Cornelius and M. J. Sullivan, the latter representing the electrical workers, called upon President Calhoun and arranged for a meeting to be held Thursday morning at the general offices of the company, at which time Cornelius and Mullaly will attempt to agree on a third member for the board of arbitration.

In view of the expression from both President Cornelius and President Calhoun, it is more than likely that some Judge living in this city will be selected. Mr. Cornelius said Monday in an interview that any impartial jurist would be acceptable to him, and went on to show why men in many other walks of life would be unacceptable to either the company or the unions.

When this subject was broached to President Calhoun yesterday, he was very reticent, and declined to discuss the matter in advance of the appointment of a member to act on the board. He admitted, however, that any upright Judge could occupy the position with perfect satisfaction to the company.

TROOPS AT AMERICAN LAKE ORDERED HOME.

The War Department has commanded that the troops at American lake, Wash., shall close their maneuvers and leave by train for the Presidio, September 15th. They will arrive the early part of next week, a month sooner than the original orders called for. No little interest attends this announcement, as the cause of the sudden order is in doubt. The reason may hinge on a basis of finance, or upon an uprising in some new possession, for which a portion of these troops may be needed. If the appropriation toward the support of maneuvers has become depleted that would curtail the length of stay first prescribed.

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