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DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION HOLDS MEETING

Encouraging Reports Received on the Growth and Strength of the Organization.

Encouraging reports were received at the San Mateo County Development Association meeting held in the city hall, San Mateo, last Wednesday night, on the growth and strength of the booster organization. The county has reason to boast, for as a result of the enthusiasm displayed by its public-spirited citizens during the past few months, the local boosters have already outstripped Marin county, both in point of members and financial standing, where a similar organization has been in existence for over a year. And the campaign for membership is to be steadily continued. The importance and worth of the movement demand that at least a thousand active and alert citizens, imbued with a full sense of the beauties and commercial possibilities of the promising future of the Peninsula's garden spot, be on the rolls of the organization.

Transportation, water supply, roads and the question of the six new members to be added to the board of governors received attention at the meeting. Letters received from the Southern Pacific Company and United Railroads officials are to the effect that definite replies to requests of the organization will be forthcoming shortly, and an aggressive campaign will be initiated at the next meeting of the board of governors, Tuesday night, for better transportation rates if necessary.

The fight of the local boosters and combined strength of similar organizations in San Francisco and Santa Clara counties, to assure the location of one of the main state highways, pro-

vided for in the recent bond issue, down the Peninsula, has resulted in the awakening of our slothful neighbors. Matt I. Sullivan, the well-known San Francisco attorney, has been appointed by the Mission Promotion Association to act in conjunction with the local boosters in this matter, and assurance of support has also been received from the leading members of the San Jose Chamber of Commerce.

Messrs. Morse, Tuchsens and Martin, composing the committee to suggest new names for the six additional members on the board of governors, were unable to complete their report, but agreed to have their final decision before the association at the meeting next Tuesday night, at which time their suggestions are to be acted upon.

Various schemes for advertising the county, including one of the Sunset Magazine and the facilities offered by the California Development Board, were laid before the meeting and a definite decision upon their adoption will be reached in the near future.

On the suggestion of J. M. Custer, it was decided to initiate a new move towards securing cheaper transportation by the preparing of a petition to be circulated throughout the Peninsula. This petition will ask that the railroad company furnish a poorer quality of rolling stock, but at the same time make a corresponding reduction in fares. This is in line with the suggestion offered at the conference with Jas. Horsburgh, Jr., of the Southern Pacific Company, and will furnish one more possible center shot in the boosters' fight towards that end.

FRATERNAL ORDERS

F. O. E.

Grand Aerie Session, August, 1911

The Associated Aeries, F. O. E., of San Mateo County, met in Eagles' Hall, San Mateo, on Sunday last. The session was well attended. Progress was reported all along the line. The various committees appeared to have matters well in hand. On Thursday, August 28th, the grand parade will take place in San Francisco. Eagles of this county will be in a division by themselves, with band, drum corps and float, and every member in uniform. The Hotel Dale will be headquarters for San Mateo County Eagles. After the parade, a grand banquet will be given to Eagles and friends. The San Mateo County Development Association will furnish advertising matter and every one will boast for the county. The reception rooms of the hotel will be decorated in Eagles' colors. The hotel management has promised to do all in its power to assist. It is now up to the individual members to do their part.

The initiatory ceremony planned for last session did not take place, but will be put on Tuesday evening next. Mem-

bers, make a note of this. Delegates to the State Aerie, to be held at Stockton from August 17th to 20th, are Ambrose McSweeney and T. C. McGovern. Alternates, W. J. Martin and Harry Edwards.

W. O. W.

Progress Camp, No. 425, installed its officers for the ensuing term Wednesday evening last, as follows: Council Commander, Harry Edwards; Advisor Lieutenant, Geo. David; Banker, W. J. Smith; Clerk, Chas. Robinson; Escort, J. Bernardo; Watchman, J. Fourcans; Sentry, Geo. Kiessling; Physician, H. G. Plymire. The Camp is in a flourishing condition. Two new applications for membership have been received.

Doughnuts, taffy and cookies—the goodies of suffrage—are doing their delectable part in the campaign in Los Angeles. Mrs. George Drake Ruddy, president of the Los Angeles Political Equality League, has inaugurated outdoor meetings in the beautiful parks of the city and at each meeting a prize is given for the best candy, cake or pie, as the case may be. Needless to say, the meetings are well attended and are growing more and more popular.

Enjoy a bath at the Metropolitan barber shop. The plumbing has been overhauled and is in a first class sanitary condition. Hot water every day.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS TOLD IN BRIEF

Died—In this city, July 14th, Patrick Walsh.

Mrs. A. P. Scott and her little son Robert have returned from a two-weeks visit to Los Angeles.

L. G. Stang, the vocal bass soloist at the Hayes Street Congregational Church, San Francisco, was a visitor to this city on Tuesday.

Superior Judge Buck has appointed F. A. Cunningham of South San Francisco appraiser of the estate of Robert H. Tucker, deceased.

Franklin Cherry of San Francisco has become a partner of Daniel Stang in the conduct of Metropolitan barber shop and has moved his family to this city.

Lee Kofoed and Peter McCormick have returned from a trip they took to Stockton and Sacramento a few days ago, and report the weather very warm in both cities.

The local fire company had a lively drill last Monday evening on Linden avenue. When the alarm sounded the members responded promptly and many commendations were heard on their quick work.

Volunteer Hose Co., No. 1, of this city, will give a grand ball in Metropolitan Hall on Saturday night, August 5th. Huff's orchestra will furnish the music and there will be dancing all night. Admission 50 cents, ladies free.

R. T. MacKenzie and wife, who are in this city in the interest of The Fraternal Brotherhood, will be ready next week to institute a new lodge of that order here. The charter is still open. Admission fee, including medical examination, \$2. A policy pays four ways—accident, disability, old age and death.

R. H. Brotherton, receiver of the Pacific Jupiter Steel Company whose plant is located in this city, has filed his report. It shows the receipts for the sale of machinery, etc., to be \$2517.48, and total disbursements to be \$2208.57, leaving a cash balance in the hands of the receiver amounting to \$308.91. Brotherton was appointed on January 4, 1911.

In the advertising columns of The Enterprise is a notice of election at which citizens will be given an opportunity to vote on a proposition of issuing and selling bonds of the local school district to the amount of \$14,000 for the purpose of raising money to purchase additional school lots, making alterations and additions to school buildings, for insuring school buildings, for supplying school buildings with furniture and necessary apparatus, and improving school grounds. The school board will shortly call a mass meeting at which citizens will discuss the proposition.

METHODIST CHURCH

Remember the Sunday school at 10:30 a. m., the evening service at 7:30 p. m., when the pastor will speak on "The Unknown Quantity in Christ." Some seats will be vacant owing to some attending conventions, associations, some camping and others on various vacation outings. We have no rented pews. Come and occupy the best.

The Ladies Aid met in the home of Mrs. Dean on Thursday, when a number of the ladies were present and did good work. The church is greatly indebted for its existence to the Ladies Aid Society. Their socials, their plying of the needle, their plans, their sacrifice, their prayers have done much to keep the work alive in South San Francisco. In the day of reckoning as surely as God lives this service must be rewarded.

Mrs. Ralston and two of the children have gone to San Jose to spend a few weeks with relatives.

Dr. Evans of San Francisco will preach in San Bruno Methodist Church Sunday morning at 11 a. m. Come and bring your friend. Rev. D. Ralston, pastor.

NEWS ITEMS CULLED FROM COUNTY PAPERS

Superior Judge Buck is spending his vacation at Bartlett Springs. Court will not open until August 3d.

John Bromfield, the Call representative for San Mateo county, while playing tennis last Sunday at San Mateo injured his leg. He is now able to get around.

Attorney Geo. C. Ross left last Friday for his vacation outing in the mountains. On his return in about two weeks Mrs. Ross and her son Lee T. Ross, will depart for Honolulu to be gone a month or more. They will be accompanied by Mrs. Ross' sister, Mrs. Childs of Oakland. They will take Mr. Ross' big touring car with them and will motor through the islands.

The dozen saloon keepers who were thrown out of business recently by a decision of the state court upholding the validity of the law which makes the territory within one and one-half miles of the Stanford campus "dry" are to move their resorts two miles north to Fair Oaks, just south of Redwood City. The plans of the Menlo saloon men were made known last Tuesday, and the citizens of Redwood are indignant. It is reported that when the board of supervisors holds its next meeting a delegation will appear with a protest.

All pedestrian records between Redwood and Del Monte are being shattered by ex-Superior Judge E. F. Fritzpatrick, Dr. J. L. Ross and Attorney H. W. Walker, three of Redwood's foremost citizens, who, after many delays, started on a tramp to the fashionable resort at 5:30 o'clock Wednesday morning. At nine o'clock the trio had reached Mountain View, a distance of about fourteen miles, and at sundown word was received that they were well on their way toward the mountains. Judge Fritzpatrick and Dr. Ross are presidents of rival banks in Redwood City and Walker is a prominent attorney. The walk ended at Santa Cruz shortly before noon Friday. Henry Walker, who accompanied them as referee, said the best he could do was to declare a draw as both made a game fight. The match was for \$1000, and was the result of an argument as to who had the most endurance. Both are heavyweights.

Another aristocratic hamlet which in the future may rival Hillsboro as a resident site for the wealthy has sprung up in the hillsides between Woodside and the Spring Valley lakes. Among those who have vast tracts for palatial country homes in this new suburb are Robert Oxnard, the vice-president of the American Beet Sugar Company; George H. Lent, the wealthy broker, and Mrs. Carrie Robinson. A deed conveying part of the "Pulgas Rancho" in this locality from Robert Oxnard to George H. Lent was filed in the County Recorder's office last Wednesday. A company has a large force of landscape gardeners at work preparing a number of sites for country homes.

J. L. Brown, editor of the Daly City Record, has petitioned the superior court for an order establishing the standing of his paper as a newspaper of general circulation. He recently brought suit against Mr. Deller for damages in the sum of \$5000 and it is understood the defendant in the action questions the standing of the paper. The Daly City Record was until recently the Colma Record, and owing to the change of name it is a question whether or not it is a journal of general circulation. According to a recent enactment by the state legislature a paper must be in existence a year before it is a paper of general circulation. As the change of name was made only a few months ago it would seem that the Daly City Record has no legal standing. However, Brown brings the action to determine the question. The petition has been set for hearing for July 18th.

Lewis Everett Fuller, manager of the

San Mateo Co. Development Association, has filed the last will and testament of his mother, Mary E. Fuller, who died at San Mateo on June 19, 1911. The instrument names Marion Fuller as executrix, but she declines to serve and nominates her brother to act. The value of the estate is placed at \$25,000. It consists of cash in bank amounting to \$8612.13, household furniture valued at \$1000, 500 shares of the capital stock of the Cypress Lawn Improvement Co., worth \$3000. The real property of the estate consists of lot 1, block 3, Burlingame, valued at \$2200, lot on corner of Minnie and Griffith streets, San Mateo, with improvements worth \$8000, easterly portion of lot 1, block 3, town of Paradise, Butte county, valued at \$200, lots 1 and 9, block 359, Vallejo township, Solano county worth \$150. The heirs at law are Lewis Everett Fuller, and Marion Fuller, son and daughter of the deceased.

A ferry service between Redwood City and San Francisco may be inaugurated in the near future. Several attempts have been made in the past to have water transportation between the two cities, but all have failed on account of the lack of a suitable landing place near the business district. This difficulty was removed last Tuesday when the Frank Tanning Company, the Tacoma Mill Company and several individuals who have heavy interests in Redwood, co-operated to deepen the channel of Redwood creek from where the government dredging was discontinued to the point where the stream crosses Broadway, the principal business street. The work done by the government which was recently completed at a cost of \$12,000, has made a splendid channel from the bay to the factory district northeast of the city. When the other work is done, it will be possible to operate fair-sized boats within the city limits.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

Maxine Elliott, the American actress, has added to her popularity among American women by giving the English women aid through her gracious interviews with David Lloyd George and Winston Churchill, who promised, after a conversation with Miss Elliott, to consider the demands of English suffragists. For when it comes to the suffrage cause, a woman is a woman whether she be fighting for the ballot in the Republic of America or in the British Isles, and the diversified talents of all women are being lent for the success of the movement the world over. A letter of appreciation has been sent to Miss Elliott from the Los Angeles suffragists.

The Park Commissioners of Los Angeles are asking the women to help them bring about a realization of their many elaborate plans for beautifying the city. At the opening of Central Park, on July 1st, a member of the Park Commission declared that without the aid of women they were helpless in their endeavors. Such pleas confirm the claims of the suffragists that the women of a city, plus their vote, are an incalculable assistance in all municipal matters.

If a man and a woman are suspected of vagrancy, the woman takes the punishment in many towns of California. A case recently came up in San Diego where, although the woman pleaded to be tried by a jury of women, or a "woman" court, she was refused both and judged guilty and sentenced. Judge Puterbaugh, however, is convinced that the women in such cases are unjustly treated and that the man who is quite as guilty as the woman, should be given a much heavier sentence. The law, however, does not demand that he be brought to trial with the woman.

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Many industries are already established here, chief of which are the Western Meat Company, the Wool Pullery, the Soap Works, the Baden Brick Company, Pacific Jupiter Steel Company, the Steiger Pottery Works, the W. P. Fuller White Lead Works, the South San Francisco Lumber and Supply Company, and other enterprises, all of which are in full operation to-day. The American Smelting and Refining Company has purchased over 300 acres of land in South San Francisco for the purpose of erecting a great plant, which they estimate will cost upwards of \$5,000,000. The Doak Sheet Steel Company has purchased a large tract of land and has already commenced the construction of a large rolling mill. Other factories have recently made purchases, and South San Francisco is plainly destined to fulfill all that its promoters had hoped.

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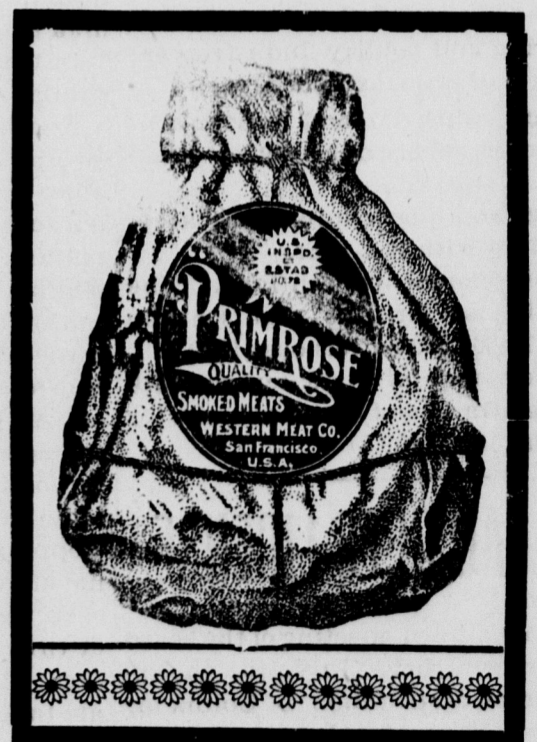
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Three churches—Catholic, Episcopal and Methodist.
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Fully equipped fire department, with 80-pound water pressure.
More than thirty Southern Pacific passenger trains stop here daily.
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Western Sand and Rock Company.
South San Francisco Belt Railway.
South San Francisco Water Company.
South San Francisco Union Stock Yards.
South San Francisco Printing Company.
Steiger Terra Cotta and Pottery Works.
South San Francisco Power and Light Company.
South San Francisco Lumber and Supply Company.
W. P. Fuller and Company Paint and Lead Works.
How to reach this city from San Francisco:—Take Southern Pacific trains at Third and Townsend streets, or San Mateo suburban cars at Fifth and Market streets, or cemetery cars (or either line on Mission street) at ferry. Change cars at Holy Cross Cemetery.
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SAN BRUNO NEWS.

Mayor Weisel is again on Baradat's beer wagon.
Hyde Green and family are visiting in San Francisco.
A. T. Green was in San Bruno on business Thursday.
J. J. McNeil has gone to Eureka to work a few months.
Mrs. Netherton and Mrs. McGuire visited San Francisco this week.
Mrs. W. C. Henry and children visited San Francisco last Monday.
Flags were flying Friday, commemorating the Fall of the Bastille in France.
Attend the Wheelmen's dance tonight and you will have a good time.
J. M. Graham is home from New Almaden, where he spent the Fourth.
Mr. Whitmore, a Palo Alto printer, has arranged to build a house in Belle Air.
Geo. Lowans, motorcycle patrolman, after a week's sickness, is on duty again.
Mr. Parker, the dry goods merchant, will move shortly to Ed. Pallas' new store.
Mr. and Mrs. Statler have purchased the new cottage of J. E. Ellsworth in Belle Air.
Mrs. L. Hudson leaves for Hanford today with her sister for a few weeks' vacation.
Mrs. Pfluger has to keep a horse and buggy to attend to her rapidly increasing business.
Judge Davis expects to take his vacation in October in the Santa Cruz mountains.
The Yeomen will hold their regular card party next Tuesday night in Green's Hall.
Chas. Cramer has commenced using a carryall to show people his bargains in real estate.
Mr. and Mrs. Hills, Jr., have moved into their new home, the Robinson place, Belle Air.
D. J. Lynch is home again and says he does not wish to have any more pets like the one he has taken

care of during the past few weeks. He is looking fine and says he can eat three square meals a day now.
Frank Smith, who is spending his vacation at Lake county, has an attack of measles.
Judge Davis was called to San Francisco Friday to act as attorney in an important case.
Louis Adams has been elected temporary treasurer of the Jenevein avenue fire company.
Mrs. A. A. Green and son Frank have returned from their trip to Santa Cruz, Fresno and Los Angeles.
Some of our citizens are looking into the matter of establishing a night school for both old and young.
A. A. LoReaux and A. A. Green attended the development association meeting in San Mateo Wednesday night.
Scott Moore, formerly of Belle Air, writes from Wyoming and states that country needs rain to get even a half crop.
Our two fire companies had their houses decorated on the Fourth and showed up in good style in the parade at San Mateo.
Peter Reiche will move to San Francisco next Monday. His friends regret his leaving and the Wheelmen and firemen will lose a good member.
Notice of Meeting.—The members of San Bruno Social and Improvement Club will hold a meeting in the fire house on Jenevein, avenue, July 20th.
Thos. McConnell, president of the Crystal Springs avenue water company, is undecided as to whether he will combine with the new water merger.
Mrs. Jenevein has secured the seven-room up-to-date house on the boulevard in fourth addition, built by Mr. Hansen, for her mother, who is now convalescent.
The men's vocal quartet visited several public places on the evening of the 3d and rendered some patriotic selections, ending with "The Star Spangled Banner."
The whitewashed fence on San Mateo avenue has been taken down by its owners. The bridge was braced

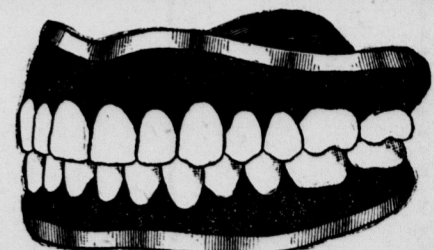
this week. This will be only temporary, as when high water comes again it will be up to the county to make an outlet for it.
The Jenevein avenue fire company passed a resolution thanking the San Mateo fire department for courteous treatment on the Fourth.
J. M. Custer deserves credit for the way he handled the transportation question at the meeting of the development association at San Mateo Wednesday night.
The Women of the Woodcraft held a very enjoyable whist party in Green's Hall last Monday evening. Refreshments were served and all who attended enjoyed themselves. Miss Mannsburg of Fruitvale and Frank Valentine were given the prizes.
For Sale.—The original 4-room cottage of J. E. Ellsworth in Belle Air; the Larsen cottage in San Bruno Proper; the new six-room house near Baradat's store; on monthly payments. To Let.—The Stewart cottage in Belle Air; the Jackson house in Belle Air; also the beautiful house and grounds belonging to Mr. Bills in Lomita Park. J. M. Custer, 45 Huntington avenue, San Bruno.
It costs the San Francisco automobilist \$1.25 on an average to cross the bay to motor in Alameda county. He returns by way of the Peninsula free. One thousand automobiles a short time ago passed a given point in the first township between the hours of 6 in the morning to 6 in the evening, and nineteen out of every twenty of them belonged in San Francisco. Supervisor Casey endeavors to keep the roads in good repair for them and there should be some method by which auto owners should aid in the expense.
Following are the names of the children from Dr. Juilly's orphanage at Lomita Park: Robert, 10; Rene 9½; Walter, 9½; Raymond, 9; Marthe, 8; Grace, 8; Blanche, 8; Edmond 7½; Gaston, 7½; Ernest, 7½; Marie, 5; Maurice, 5; Jeanne, 3½; Albert, 3½; Anthony, 3; Ethel, 3; Suzanna, 3; Adele 2½; Laura, 2½; Norma, 2½; Andre, 2; Julien, 2.
DR. G. H. JUILLY, Secretary.
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FRANCE NOT A DECADENT NATION

It is a dangerous thing to cast the pearls of deduction before the swine of statistics, lest the herd that follows turns and rends you. For years the prophets of ill omen have been announcing the present decadence of France and casting the horoscope of her ultimate downfall, drawing the most baleful conclusions from an inspection of the house of babyhood. But France has not yet fallen, and the latest statistics regarding births and deaths in that republic would seem to have the effect of still further prolonging the event to some unknown but probably far-off period in the future.
The vital records for 1910 show that depopulation in France has at last been checked, although not through an increased birth rate. In this respect the figures are discouraging rather than otherwise, since the number of births ten years ago was 827,297, or 52,939 more than last year. The gain has been made through a decrease in the number of deaths, which was 149,714 less than for twelve months with which the preceding decade began. The birth rate in France in 1900 was 21.2, and the death rate 21.9 per thousand, indicating at that time an eventual extinction of the nation if the respective rates were continued. The birth rate last year had declined to 19.7 per thousand; but the still further decline in the death rate to 17.9 per thousand left a margin of clear gain that adds not only to present actual numbers, but gives promise of marked advance in the aggregate population of the future, if not in the percentage of births to the number of inhabitants. Even more than that can be said from a standpoint of national healthfulness, since the net result is more satisfactory than would have been indicated by an increase through higher birth rate and no diminution in the percentage of deaths.
While available statistics do not touch upon that point, it may be safely assumed that the preservation of life has been largely maintained in the ranks of infancy, since mortality fig-

ures for all countries show enormous loss of life in children between the ages of 1 and 5 years. This, in itself, speaks well for the nation, and argues a happy condition of domestic solicitude for the children of that country, under which they thrive and prosper physically, at least.
Why France should ever have been regarded as a decadent nation is difficult to understand. Her peasant population is virile, industrious and thrifty to an unexampled degree. No other nation ever bore up so hopefully and successfully under the imposition of an enormous indemnity, long since lifted; nor is any other nation able to show a record of savings among its working people compared to that of the French artisans and laborers. That the shining figures of the nation have in the realms of literature and art often given evidence of a degree of abandon closely approaching to degeneracy cannot be denied. But that these represent the race at large, however proud it may be of its leaders, is open to question. Family for family, the French people are doubtless as discreet and domestically inclined as are the English or the Americans. And when it comes to innocent enjoyments they know how to have a better time on less money than their supposedly more virtuous and careful, and admittedly more prolific, neighbors.—Washington Post.

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