

RADICAL BILL TO PENSION WOMEN

HERE ARE PROVISIONS OF THE
PROPOSED STATE LAW TO
PROVIDE FOR MOTHERS

PLANS COMPREHENSIVE
AND FOR ALL CLASSES

WOULD GIVE \$15 MONTH, ONE
CHILD AND \$7 MONTH FOR
EACH OTHER

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 18.—The California Legislature will meet again in two weeks to consider and pass or reject bills which are introduced in the session which adjourned a fortnight ago. There are about 4,000 such bills. The Courier prints below one of the most important. The legislative session was until this year of 90 days' continuous duration. It was thought wise to divide it, 30 days for introducing bills, and a lapse of 20 days, and then 60 days for action on the proposed laws.

MOTHERS' PENSIONS—SENATE BILL 39:

This bill provides for an appropriation of \$100,000 annually for the partial support of mothers of children under 14 years of age.

The administration of the proposed law is made the duty of the juvenile courts in the several counties.

The payment of the pension or allowance is to be made directly to the beneficiary by the state treasurer, after audit and allowance by the state board of control. The audit and approval of the state board of control is to be based upon a certified copy of the order of allowance made by the juvenile courts.

The declared purpose of the act is to provide for the partial support of mothers of children under age of 14 years whose husbands are dead, are permanently disabled by reason of mental or physical infirmities or are prisoners.

Others and children must have legal residence in the county in which application is made to the juvenile court for the prescribed relief or pension.

The pension allowance must not exceed \$15 a month if the mother has one child under the age of 14.

If she has more than one child under the age of 14 the allowance must not exceed \$15 a month for the first child.

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JOHN WILLIAMS DIES SUDDENLY ON SUNDAY

John Williams who had made his home in Oxnard for some years until about 18 months ago died suddenly at his home in Boyle Heights, Los Angeles, Sunday. He was father of Miss Emma Williams of Lehmann Brothers' store.

Mr. Williams was quite aged and had retired from all active business before he came to Oxnard. He worked in his garden and visited around the town and had many friends here. He is survived by his wife. The funeral was held this afternoon in Los Angeles.

Word of his death was received this morning by Bowen Matthews from Miss Roberta McKnight. She and Miss Williams had been on a long vacation and were called from there by Mr. Williams' death.

More Lands to Be Opened for Settlers in Near Future

A. W. Mangum, of the Bureau of Soils of the United States Department of Agriculture, has been detailed in charge of the soil classification work now being carried on by the Forest Service in Southern California. Mr. Mangum, who has held the rank of Expert with the Bureau of Soils for a number of years, was engaged in cooperation with the State of Washington in classifying the soils of cutover timber lands for over three years; recently he has been associated with the Forest Service in land classification in Idaho.

The Forest Service is working out a general classification of all lands in the National Forests to determine finally which are chiefly valuable for

WILLIAM C. EUSTIS.

Chairman of Inaugural Committee
Busy Man in Washington



Photo by American Press Association.

MADERO IS BEATEN AND SEEKS AN ARMISTICE

FIRST UNCENSORED NEWS FROM
AMERICAN AMBASSADOR WILSON
FOR SOME DAYS

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 18.—Foreign Minister Lascurain announced that Madero agreed to the appointment of a President Ad Interim who will take charge of the Government until Madero and their followers settle their difficulties.

It was not stated whether the plan will be adopted.

NO NEWS FROM WILSON

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—At a late hour today the State Department had received no confirmation of the report that Madero had agreed to the appointment of a President Ad Interim. No dispatches were received from American Ambassador Wilson since noon.

LOST STAND AT PALACE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Felix Diaz is rapidly winning control of Mexico City. Madero's downfall is hourly nearer. This is the gist of an uncensored dispatch from Ambassador Wilson the first uncensored news since Saturday night.

Wilson reports to the State Department and last night that Diaz is steadily advancing and will soon control the residential sections.

The Federals are retiring from positions to the Federal Palace where the last stand will probably be made.

NO FIRING FOR A WHILE

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 18.—(Continued) The guns of both the Madero and Diaz factions were silent for hours after daybreak. The reason of the inaction is unknown, the national Palace denying an armistice.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Fifty four eastern railroads threatened by the proposed firemen's strike, agreed to arbitrate their differences with their employees under the Erdman Act, thus averting an immediate strike.

agriculture. When the work on each project is completed there will be opened to settlement and entry under the homestead laws. Hereafter, thousands of acres have been opened to entry upon individual applications, in tracts of 160 acres or less, but this method was too expensive for the Government and too slow for the settlers. Congress was therefore asked to make a special appropriation and authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to undertake this work on a larger scale.

At the present time there are two parties engaged in this work on the Angeles and Santa Barbara National Forests. It is expected that both projects will be completed by July 1.

CHIEFS NAMED TO MANAGE WORK

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIR-
MAN APPOINTED BY EXECU-
TIVE COMMITTEE

ARE TO HAVE CHARGE
OF MANY ACTIVITIES

CIVIC AND COMMERCIAL BODY
WILL PUSH VIGOROUSLY ITS
PROMOTION

That the reorganized Board of Trade of Oxnard is to continue the energetic effort to promote the welfare of Oxnard was signalled by its meeting a week ago, as indicated by the action of the executive committee of the board which Monday night appointed standing committees as follows:

Finance, Charles Donlon
Publicity, Roy B. Witman
Streets and Highways, H. H. Eastwood
Health Dr. Ralph Avery
Membership, F. E. Gray
Legislation, C. F. Blackstock
Transportation, J. E. Sloan
Entertainment, Tom Donlon.

These committees are the result of the resolution passed at the meeting of the board a week ago when the executive committee was empowered to name these chairman, and the chairman to be given the right to select four assistants on each committee.

The executive committee consists of Major J. A. Driffl, president; R. B. Haydock, vice president; C. J. Elliot, secretary; W. H. Lathrop and Leon Lehmann.

The purpose of the standing committees is to create more general interest in the Board of Trade by giving participation in its official activities to more members. Besides affairs can be much more quickly and easily disposed of in this way.

When secretary Elliott receives a communication affecting the particular interests of one of the committees, or public matters necessitate action in a certain direction, he will refer the matter to the chairman of the standing committee in whose purview the desired effect lies, and the latter will call together the members of his committee and act at once.

In this way vexatious and costly delays in giving publicity to things of vital importance, or in stopping movements calculated to injure the city or its business or health, will be avoided. It is believed also that with the chairman and members of the standing committees and the executive committee of 50 citizens who can influence largely in the right line the growth and activities of Oxnard.

THE WEATHER
Fair tonight and Wednesday.
Light west winds.

FOULKE E. BRANDT.
Pardoned Schiff Valet Snapped
as He Started For Minnesota.



Photo by American Press Association.

FOR CATCHING MULES HE IS WITHOUT PEER

Paul Revere was a rider bold,
And well, indeed, has his tale been told;
Sheridan's ride was a glorious one,
And often has been dwelt upon.

But the hunt, at least for the present season,
Must go to darling Charlie Eason.
'Twas on D street, mares, and the morning was early, Carelessly prancing upon his dashing charger, Deputy Sheriff Charles C. Eason, caroled a lay of the plains. Suddenly two mules, attached to each other by harness, infuriated by sheer muleishness, and determined to get to the green fields or bust, came within the ken of Sheriff Eason's keen eyes.

To see was to act. He dug the heels of his spur into his beloved Arab and surrounded the mules. To be truthful he made a brave and skillful capture of the runaway brutes who belong to Gill Brothers, but who were planning evidently to hike for anonymous parts. Those who saw the courageous and clever horsemanship of Sheriff Eason sang his praises loudly.

IGNORED BY STALLINGS

BOSTON, Feb. 18.—Players on the reserve list of the Boston National League club team who have signed contracts for the coming season will not be asked to go to the Athens, Ga., training camp by Manager Stallings. A statement to this effect was issued today by Secretary Nickerson of the club.

STAFF CHANGES AT THE COURIER OFFICE

H. A. Lill who has been news gatherer for the Courier for some time is now in the position of business manager. This does not mean that he is not just as eager as ever to get news, but that his principal energies will be directed toward the handling of the advertising, circulation and printing business of the company. He has had several years experience in the management of newspapers and thoroughly understands the work to be done.

The business manager's position in a newspaper corresponds very much to that of trouble man with telephone, electric, street railway and public service corporations. If you have any trouble in connection with The Courier tell the business manager.

Y. M. C. A. MEETING WILL DISCUSS SUMMER WORK

The Young Men's Christian Association county committee will meet here at the Methodist church Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. This meeting was set for February 7, but the rains at that time caused its postponement. Several Oxnard business men will speak, as also teachers and others. Much important business will be discussed, among others the big relay race, the tennis tournament at Nord-hoff and other summer activities.

METHODISTS TO HOLD CONFERENCE TONIGHT

The second quarterly conference of the Methodist church will be held to night at the church. The Rev. F. D. Mather, district superintendent, will preside at the meeting. All the official members are expected to be present. The quarterly conference is in reality a quarterly business meeting of the church. Reports will be made from all departments. These reports are expected to be the best in the history of the church.

PIERPONT MORGAN SAYS HE IS GETTING BETTER

LONDON, Feb. 18.—J. Pierpont Morgan sent the following cablegram to the United Press here today: "I suffered an attack of indigestion during my trip on the Nile, but since my return from Egypt, my health has improved very considerably, and am making steady progress toward recovery."

(By United Press)

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 18.—Fire destroyed 1500 buildings was controlled today after the famous Mosque of St. Sophia was threatened for hours. The cause was unknown.

ARE THERE SHAMROCKS IN OXNARD CITY? CITIZENS AGITATED OVER MATTER

Though hardly approaching the severity of a feud, yet the arguments over the shamrock in Oxnard is fast taking on a serious aspect. The city is dividing into camps—those who believe that the shamrock is common hereabouts, and those who deny its presence at all. Between these are those on middle ground who say that in isolated spots the shamrock may be found, but that it is not usual in this city.

The chief of the middle camp is George Bellah, the city clerk, and heading the extremists who urge that the beautiful Irish symbol plant is as ordinary here as harr clover, is Henry Levy. Opposing him with all his force is L. G. Buckalew, janitor of the Oxnard high school, who is considered by many an authority on shamrocks, though he is not born on the Emerald Isle.

Bellah who gave voice to his opinions in The Courier Monday insists that he discovered on a street between First and Second streets a patch of genuine shamrocks, and he is treating them as the notable banquet of the Loyal Sons of St. Patrick

on March 17, an event which is expected to eclipse all previous efforts in the Lucullan line.

Bellah's argument arose with a local descendant of an Irish king, but was mild compared to the controversy waged now. Henry Levy, broker, and brother of the amiable banker, believes and dares to insist that shamrocks may be picked up in almost every patch of grass in the gardens and on the laws of Oxnard residents.

Janitor Buckalew came to The Courier office to disprove this.

"What they think is shamrock is merely sheep sorrel," said Mr. Buckalew. "The difference is apparent to any student of the genus trifolium. Sheep sorrel is sour to the taste while the shamrock has a delicious sweetness in keeping with fond memories it arouses in the heart of the exile. I have never eaten a shamrock salad but I imagine it might be very nice. There is no genuine shamrock that I have seen in Oxnard. Tell Mr. Levy to get his shamrock and he will learn the truth."

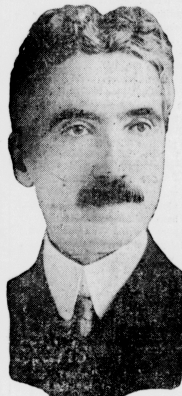
William F. Linnett, the shoe merchant, who is a connoisseur in matters

de cuisine, and confesses to a general knowledge of plantology, said: "The shamrock is the white clover, the shamrock or seamar of the Gaelic tongue. It is often known as the white trefoil. Originally the name shamrock was applied to a plant of the genus Oxalis, the Oxalis Acetosella or wood sorrel, which has trifoliate leaves.

"Of course, you know that when St. Patrick first preached the Christian faith before a famous chieftain in Ireland, Derick O'Brien, earl of Kerry, O'Brien asked him how he could explain the mystery of the trinity; how could there be three persons in one God. St. Patrick instead of attempting a theological definition of the faith, thought a simple image would best serve to enlighten the ignorant people, and stooping he plucked from the green sod a shamrock. He bade them there behold one in three. Sure, it was so powerful an analogy that they were all baptized that same day. If you really want to see shamrock at its best, you can see it blooming on the banquet table at the feast to be given here by the Loyal Sons of St. Patrick on March 17."

THOMAS F. CONWAY.

New York Lawyer Urged by Democrats For U. S. Attorney General.



CHAMPION ATHLETES TO MEET NEXT SATURDAY

LOS ANGELES SCENE OF STRIVING
OF NOTED AMATEURS
FROM STATE

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 18.—Preparations are being made for the A. A. U. meet, which is to be held February 22 at Harvard Field. Practically all the noted athletes in the south have sent in their entries, which come all the way from the Tehachapi to Phoenix, Ariz. The fight for the championship seems to be between the Los Angeles Athletic Club and the University of Southern California, with the U. S. C. a favorite by a shade. U. S. C. has won the meet for the last few years and last year finished first with 45 points, the L. A. A. club being second with 20 points. The prospects of U. S. C. are exceedingly bright at the present time, with such men as Fred W. Kelley, the Olympic hurdler; Ira Courtney, also of the Olympic team; Stonewall Jackson, the former Cihigh school star; Waldo Troup, Hodge and Berger in the sprints and Borgstrom, the interscholastic champion polo vaulter, clearing the bar at twelve feet in practice. Dean Cromwell, head coach at U. S. C., said yesterday: "Prospects at U. S. C. were never brighter for a winning team this year. We have a first place man in nearly every event."

The Los Angeles Athletic Club is counting strongly on Jim Donohue, who finished third at Thorpe in the Pentathlon last summer in Stockholm, to roll up a number of points for them, while Sweeney, the speedy miler, is expected to be a sure pointwinner for the club in his event.

Then there is Pomona College, with a strong team entered in both the field and track events. Occidental College is also expected to make a good showing, with such men as Sid Foster, Baer, Craig and Cook in the sprints; Beckis in the high and broad jumps and discus, and Wilson, the former Long Beach High star in the pole vault.

James E. Sullivan, president of the A. A. U., intended being in Los Angeles in time for the meet, but a letter was received by the local branch of the A. A. U., in which he stated he would be unable to get here in time for the big meet. On account of urgent business he will be forced to postpone his trip to the Coast and will arrive here some time in March.

A. CAMARILLO TO PLANT WALNUTS

BIG ACREAGE WILL BE SET OUT
BY THE ENTERPRISING
SUPERVISOR

LEMONS, ALSO, WILL BE
NEW, BIG ENTERPRISE

FACT THIS LAND UNTOUCHED BY
FROST MAKES CITRUS CULTURE PROFITABLE

Supervisor A. Camarillo is preparing to branch out extensively in the walnut and lemon industry and as an initial step has secured the stock for the planting of 200 acres of walnuts and 50 acres of lemons. The walnut orchard will occupy an ideal tract of land east of the Camarillo depot and the lemons will occupy a stretch of creek land, in the frostless belt.

During the recent freezes this locality escaped the frost. Small family citrus orchards at the homes of both Adolfo escaped the cold snap, as did also the new lemon orchard of the Citrus Heights Development company, giving ample proof that the locality about Camarillo is a favored spot and in the frostless belt. The same conditions prevail at Sonoma and Moorpark, and of late the section has been investigated by Riverside county citrus growers, whose crops have been repeatedly destroyed by frosts, this season's damage being almost ruinous to the entire crop, covering a very large area of fancy priced land.

HAP HOGAN'S ORDERS MAKE PLAYERS SCARCE

Captain Fred Snodgrass has gone to Los Angeles to make arrangements for players for the Sunday game here. Trouble has arisen from an order of Hap Hogan to his players that they shall not play in any more games before the opening of the season. He wants the men rest up and be in the best of condition at the beginning of the training season.

Oxnard is affected only in the matter of pitcher. But the order deprives the Seletto Kids of most of their players. Snodgrass has give as much of his time to aiding the Major's to get a team as to getting one for Oxnard.

The race that is causing more speculation than any other is the 440-yard event. It will be a fight from the pop of the gun between "Lary" Gillette of Pomona and Stonewall Jackson of the U. S. C. Gillette holds the southern interscholastic record of 50 seconds flat for the distance, and Jackson is accredited with close to 48 seconds in practice. Both boys are in fair condition and should run the race of their lives. Less than a week ago Jackson ran 100 yards in 10 flat and has plenty of endurance.

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