

The Weather

OAKLAND AND VICINITY—Clouds and rain 5:30 tonight and Thursday; at times scattered, moderate showers, possible in moderate westerly winds.

Temperature yesterday... Max. 68, min. 54

RAINFALL

24 hour ending 4:30 P. M.	1.39
Seven-day ending 4:30 P. M.	11.26
Normal to date	11.26
Last year to date	11.81

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LEAGUE TICKET ELECTED; BOND ISSUES ALL LOSE

DAY OFF FOR FIREMEN IS VOTED DOWN

Fourth successive victory at polls is scored for sponsors of new system of municipal government.

New Council Will Take Office July 1; Control Of Body to Be in Its Hands Until That Time

The entire council-manager ticket was swept into office in Oakland's municipal election yesterday in the fourth successive victory at the polls for the forces sponsoring the new system of city government.

At the same time the voters of the city expressed disapproval of the firemen's "day off" amendment to the city charter and defeated all three bond issues put before them on the ballot.

The Oakland Council-Manager League's councilmanic candidates—Arthur E. Newell, Mrs. Wilhelm W. Youkum and Dr. John F. Slavich—were elected by substantial majorities, the latter unopposed, although the name of former Mayor Frank K. Mott appeared on the ballot as a candidate for councilman at large No. 2. Commissioner Charles I. Anderson, former No. 1 for councilman at large No. 1, while William J. Bacus, former No. 3, was elected as councilman at large No. 1.

NEW COUNCIL WILL TAKE SEAT JULY 1

The election of its three candidates to the council yesterday completes the league's sweep of the new council, which will take office on July 1, the other six of the thirty-nine councilmen having been chosen at the primary election three weeks ago.

The league forces also gained control of the present commission form of government until July 1 when Ernest L. Thompson defeated Donald Marshall for the unexpired term as commissioner No. 3 for the unexpired term over Commissioner George H. Wilhelm.

The new short-term commissioners will assume office as soon as their election is certified, late today or early tomorrow morning, it was announced. The city council started the canvass of the vote at its meeting shortly before noon and was scheduled to complete the task late this afternoon. Thompson and Wilhelm then will be ready to take the oath of office.

CANDIDATES TO MEET AT CLUB BREAKFAST

Thompson and Wilhelm will join Fred C. Morrison, elected short-term mayor at the primary, on the present city council with Mayor John L. Davis and Commissioner Frank Colbourn.

All the successful candidates are scheduled to meet at breakfast tomorrow at the Athens Athletic Club under the direction of the women's and men's campaign committees of the league, headed by Mrs. Youkum and Carlos White, respectively.

At that time according to Harry J. Harding, president of the league, plans for a huge "civic day" demonstration to mark the inauguration of the new regime on July 1 are to be discussed. Preliminary plans, he said, call for a dinner, program, and a general civic celebration.

LEAGUE TO CONTINUE AS ORGANIZATION

"The league will continue as a permanent organization," Harding said, "maintaining constant vigilance against the efforts which doubtless will be made by politicians to regain control of the city government. It has been in the experience of other city manager cities that politicians do not easily give up and the forces of good government must remain active if they are to reap full advantage of the victory they have won."

The vote was high yesterday, a total of 36,792 ballots being cast. There was about 3000 more than were recorded in the primary three weeks ago when the council-manager ticket in the lone fight to establish the new system of government. The first was when the council-manager amendments to the city charter were adopted last fall, and the second came six weeks ago when the city hall freeholders' charter was defeated overwhelmingly.

SEWER AND PARK BONDS DEFEATED

Voters of the city yesterday repudiated the attempt to "finish the job" by electing three candidates whose choice assured unanimity in the new council.

At the same time the choice of Wilhelm and Thompson, the league held, was necessary to prevent "unfair saddling of debts and li-

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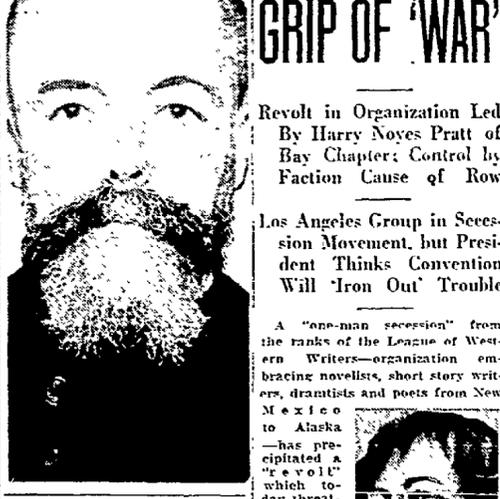
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COMMENT ON COMMUNISTS FLEE IN FACE OF ARTILLERY

Timely Topics

BY CALVIN COOLIDGE

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S. F. FIRM WINS P. O. CONTRACT

K. E. Parker Co. to Build Oakland Structure on Bid of \$545,200

The contract for the new Oakland postoffice at Twelfth, Thirteenth, Alice and Jackson streets was awarded today to the K. E. Parker company, of San Francisco, on its bid of \$545,200, according to dispatches received here from Washington.

Work is scheduled to start soon after June 1 and the building to be completed and ready for occupancy within 600 days.

The contract was awarded, dispatches said, after a decision to use terra cotta construction, with granite foundations, instead of the sandstone which was an alternative. Terra cotta was chosen, it was announced, because of a strong sentiment in Oakland favoring the use of a California product in the new building.

DATE TO START WORK NOT FIXED

The exact date for the start of construction has not been fixed. The contract, signed by the secretary of the treasury, must be mailed to Parker for his signature and then returned to Washington. He also must file a bond to guarantee faithful performance of the contract. These preliminaries, dispatches said, will take from two to three weeks. The contract is valued at \$545,200 and will be given 600 working days in which to complete the job.

Parker was the low bidder among 18 contractors from all sections of the country on both types of construction, bids ranging from his offer of \$545,200 to \$1,000,000. Parker also submitted the low bid for sandstone construction with an offer of \$588,000.

FOUNDATIONS TO BE COMPLETED MAY 27

Foundations for the building, which have been under construction since last January, are scheduled for completion on May 27. George Peterson, of San Leandro, who won the foundation contract with a bid of \$38,480, announced today that his work is virtually complete and the foundation will be finished on schedule.

The contractor contract was awarded a week ago to the Otis Elevator company on its bid of \$16,298.

The new building will be two stories in height, will face on Thirteenth street, and will cover the entire block. Three entrances will be provided on Thirteenth street and one on Twelfth street. Near Alice street. A marble lobby will extend along the Thirteenth street side of the main floor. Executive offices, civil service and claims departments, general work room will be located on the main floor. Mail trucks will load and unload in the basement via sub-level driveways on Jackson and Alice streets.

On the second floor will be located the offices for the postoffice inspectors, customs and revenue officials, secret service, arm, and navy recruiting officials, immigration service, weather bureau, and department of labor. There also will be an assembly room.

Hawks Cuts Berlin To Hamburg Time

HAMBURG, May 13.—(AP)—Captain Frank Hawks flew here today from Berlin, taking 53 minutes for the 160 mile trip which the regular passenger planes usually require in two hours.

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SLIGHT STORM WILL CONTINUE

Trace of Rain Recorded Here and on North Coast; May Reach Valleys

A freak storm which broke in the bay region early this morning, bringing a trace of rain in Oakland and thunder and lightning in San Francisco, will continue intermittently along the northern coast, possibly in the central regions of the state tonight and tomorrow.

This was promised by forecasters at the government weather bureau, which declared the showers are caused by the breaking up of a humid condition in the interior, causing precipitation as warm cloudy air meets with cold winds off the ocean.

Especially Oakland, the only points in the state where rain fell early today were Eureka and Santa Rosa. The rainfall predicted by the weather bureau will be "spotty." The precipitation will not be heavy in any locality.

Thunder and lightning in San Francisco shortly after 6 o'clock this morning awakened thousands of persons to whom such noise from the elements, particularly at this time of year, is a rarity.

Tahoe City Has Bad Electrical Storm

TAHOE CITY, May 13.—(AP)—The worst electrical storm in years broke over this region today. Enormous hail stones fell for 10 minutes followed by rain.

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Captain Dollar Is Defeating Illness

SAN RAFAEL, May 13.—(AP)—Captain Robert Dollar, 87-year-old shipping magnate, held his own today against an ailment following a recent night in his San Rafael home, according to an announcement by Dr. Rafael G. Duffley.

In his official bulletin, the physician gave the patient's pulse as 88, his temperature as 98, and his respiration as 24. No further improvement is expected either way at this time, Dr. Duffley said, but if he continues to hold his gain of last week, he may be allowed to leave his bed soon.

Dr. Jordan Grows Gradually Weaker

PALO ALTO, May 13.—(AP)—Dr. David Starr Jordan, 50, chancellor emeritus of Stanford university, is growing gradually weaker.

A bulletin from the family physician today said that the aged savant's condition overnight was practically unchanged, except for the continued falling of strength that has characterized the progress of his illness.

Hope had been abandoned for Dr. Jordan's recovery some days ago, and physicians were concerned in making him as comfortable as possible.

RICH WOMAN DIES IN CRASH

Car Overturns, Pins Victim Down by Neck and Strangles Her

GILROY, May 13.—Miss Carrie B. Scull, 47, of Palo Alto, member of a wealthy and prominent California family, was strangled to death today when her automobile overturned on the highway four miles south of here.

A friend who was riding with her, Mrs. M. C. Gould, also of Palo Alto, escaped with cuts, bruises and shock.

The two women were en route to a ranch that Miss Scull owned and operated at Goleta, near Santa Barbara, according to H. Ray Fry of San Jose, the dead woman's attorney.

CAR SKIDS, UPSETS AND TRAPS DRIVER

Mrs. Gould said Miss Scull turned her car to pass another machine. The automobile skidded on the highway, which was wet with fog, struck the dirt shoulder beside the pavement and overturned.

Miss Scull was thrown clear of the car but the running board of the overturned machine fell across her neck and pinned her head in the soft earth. She was dead when passing motorists lifted the machine and extricated her. Examination of the body here indicated that death was due to strangulation.

Mrs. Gould was brought here for treatment, after which she was taken to her home at 425 Embarcadero road Palo Alto.

OWNER OF LARGE REALTY HOLDINGS

According to Fry, Miss Scull was the daughter of a former partner of the late Leland Stanford, founder of Stanford university, and held a large real estate interests in various sections of California. She recently refused an offer of \$150,000 for the Goleta ranch, he said, when the city of Santa Barbara sought to purchase the land for a municipal airport. She lived alone in a mansion at 250 Lowell avenue, Palo Alto.

Miss Scull personally managed the Colet ranch, Fry said, and made frequent trips there to superintend its operation.

There are no immediate relatives, the attorney said, and funeral arrangements have not been completed.

Mary Sails to Join 'Doug' in England

NEW YORK, May 13.—(AP)—Mary Pickford sailed on the Bremen early today to join her husband, Douglas Fairbanks, now in England. She said they would make a tour through Holland, Switzerland and Italy.

Mary Pickford, the famous silent film star, is expected to arrive in England tomorrow. She is accompanied by her husband, Douglas Fairbanks, who is also on the Bremen.

The couple are expected to spend some time in England before returning to the United States. They are both well and happy.

16 Burn to Death In Cinema Blaze

TOKYO, May 13.—(AP)—Sixteen persons were burned to death and 30 were injured in a fire during a cinema performance in a temporary shack at Shimazaki village, Island of Hokkaido, last night.

The film suddenly burst into flames terrorizing the audience of 200 that started in a stampede for the exit.

Sixteen houses in the vicinity were destroyed before the blaze was brought under control.

L. A. Jewelry Shop Looted of \$5000

LOS ANGELES, May 13.—(AP)—Shattering the window of Montgomery Bros. jewelry store with a brick, a burglar early today escaped with jewels valued at \$5000, police reported.

The burglar scooped up expensive gems on display in the window and escaped before he was seen by any one. He planned the robbery of a time when few people were on the streets.

The haul, police said, included valuable watches, diamonds and gem-studded pins.