



Lodi's Historic Firehouse and City Hall



In the winter of 1911, Lodi's city founders had concluded that their young town had grown to a size and complexity that called for a centralized seat of operations. In the five years since its incorporation at the end of 1906, Lodi had grown into a town of about 3,000 residents and the civic-mindedness of its citizens and leaders in the preceding years had produced many improvements that had enriched the community including:

- Establishment of the Opera House in 1905
- Formation of the Lodi Improvement Club (later to become the Lodi Women's Club) in 1906
- Establishment of passenger train service by the Central Traction Company with routes to and from Sacramento and Stockton in 1907
- Construction of the Lodi Arch in 1907
- Hosting of the Tokay Carnival (which would become Lodi's Grape Festival in later years) in 1907
- Opening of the Carnegie Library in 1910
- Acquisition and construction of Lodi's first water, gas, electric and sewer services in 1910

Using a rough pencil sketch laid out by the City Clerk, John M. McMahon, Superintendent William T. Gregg developed and submitted for City approval the detailed plans and specifications for the "New Municipal Building" on January 22, 1912 for the sum of \$50. In 1912, the 59-year-old Gregg was a long-time resident of Lodi, having moved here in 1887 from Tennessee, and lived at 215 S. Pleasant Ave with his wife and three boys and was a well-known carpenter and cabinet maker.

After approval of the plans by the City's Trustees on January 22nd, the City Clerk was instructed to advertise for bids to be submitted by, "8:00 o'clock P.M. on February 13th." These bids were not to include foundation, painting, hardware, plumbing, vault door and wiring since it was thought that those, "...would be done by day labor and by the city's paid employees, among whom are a plumber and an electrician." (Lodi Sentinel, February 15, 1912).

By the deadline of February 13th, the City had received bids from only two contractors. The first was from W.D. Voorhies & Son which was subsequently rejected because the bid was not accompanied by a certified check in the amount of 10% of the bid amount. They had included, with their bid, a non-certified check of \$350 instead of a certified check for \$389 (10% of their bid for \$3,893). Additionally, they had not included a sample of the brick to be used.

The second contractor's bid was submitted by Charles Inlow Rice for brick construction of the building for \$3,998 and was accepted by the City Trustees on February 14th. A contract was entered into with Rice at the end of February after he put up two cash bonds for \$2,000 each. The first bond was for the, "...faithful performance of the contract to build the city hall." and the second for the, "...payment of material men and labor."

In 1912, Charles Rice was a 24-year-old civil engineer and architect living with his mother and two sisters at 419 E Locust. Due to the long illness and subsequent passing of his father, he had only attended school through the first year of high school when he was compelled to go to work to support the family. In 1906, at the age of 18, while he was earning \$1.50 an hour as an order clerk in a general merchandise store in Lodi, he enrolled in a correspondence program called the "Complete Architectural Course". Using this training as his foundation, he became an architect and builder and would go on to build several buildings throughout Lodi. However, at this time, his experience in the building trade was somewhat limited.

Due to the youth and inexperience of Rice, the City Trustees hired Superintendent Gregg to supervise the construction of the building for, "3% of the cost of \$4,000," including the \$50 already paid for the designs and specifications for the building. To oversee this process a Building Committee, consisting of Trustees Charles A. Rich and Frank O. Hale, was established.



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In the first weeks of March, construction commenced on the new building and the undertaking got off to a bit of a rocky start when Superintendent John A. Henning was directed by the City Trustees to, "...purchase cement for the foundation of the building where he could get it the cheapest." Unsurprisingly, Rice was swift to deny any responsibility for the foundation or any consequent damage to the building.

In May, after Rice had been paid a milestone payment for successful completion of the roof, Gregg reported to the City Trustees that the building was progressing slowly and that he had condemned the roof. He informed the Trustees that the Paraffine Paint Company had agreed to replace it. (As a side note, Paraffine was a producer of asphalt paint that was used to waterproof wood and metal roofing. At their peak, they occupied 90 buildings on 38 acres in Emeryville.)

In June, after Rice requested an extension of 30 days, the Trustees only granted him a 15-day extension. Then, in July, Superintendent Gregg declined to approve the claims of the contractor Rice, stating he could only approve the roof, plastering and carpenter work. After the matter was referred to the Building Committee, the new Municipal Building was accepted and they approved final payment, as well as bond reimbursements, to Rice.

The finishing touches were put on the building including the installation of a railing in the assembly hall, installation of a vault, a paint job by C. E. Pickering for \$94.50 and furnishings by the two Trustees, Charles Rich and Frank Hale. Finally, the first City Council meeting was held in the building on August 5th where various topics were discussed and plans were approved including the purchase of a new fire truck (a \$5,950 Seagrave), the hiring of a janitor (J. W. McAfee at \$15 per month) for the new building, and the granting of a permit for, "C. I. Rice. [to build a] dwelling on lot 10 block 2 Larsons Pine St. Addition." This dwelling was to become the residence of the Mondavi family at 415 W Pine Street.

In spite (or because) of the adversity during the construction phase, over 110 years later the small but mighty building still stands. The original layout included offices for the city clerk, the city engineer, the superintendent of public utilities, the fire department and a bay for fire department equipment like the hook-and-ladder and hose wagons on the first floor. Upstairs, there was a meeting room for the Board of Trustees and a room for the firemen's sleeping quarters.

In the decades following the opening of the new building, Lodi residents saw many global, national, state and local changes. Throughout the first World War, the 1918 Flu Pandemic, Prohibition and many other potential difficulties, Lodi continued to grow and thrive. The City Trustees met regularly at the new City Hall to engage with Lodi's citizens, discuss the City's many issues and to make key decisions to ensure the ongoing wellbeing of its people and infrastructure. Some of the key endeavors accomplished by the City and its residents during this time included:

- Opening of Lodi Union High School in 1913
- Construction of the Jail behind City Hall in 1914
- Establishment of the first city park named for Mayor Frank O. Hale in 1916
- Building of Lincoln School in 1916
- Founding of Farmers and Merchants Bank in 1916
- Introduction of A&W Root Beer in 1919
- Building of a second Fire Station at Maple Square west of the railroad tracks in 1922
- Opening of Garfield School in 1923
- Super Mold Company produced the world's first successful tire retreading mold in 1926

Eventually, the administration outgrew the original City Hall and built a new two-story, brick Italian Renaissance-style City Hall on Pine Street for \$70,000 which was dedicated in February of 1928. The original City Hall was taken over by the Fire Department and the Firehouse remained operational until 1981.



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Cast of Characters:

City Trustees

Mayor: George Ezekiel Lawrence
(April 14, 1861 Lodi, CA
– December 13, 1933 Lodi, CA)



Trustees:

Charles Alexander Black
(August 2, 1851 Alleghany County, VA
– October 10, 1937 Lodi, CA)



John Millard Blodgett
(December 5, 1865 Mount Sterling, IL
– June 27, 1930 San Francisco, CA)



Charles Albert Rich
(October 20, 1848 Maine – June 24, 1923 Lodi, CA)

Frank Orlando Hale
(December 18, 1857 Clinton County, MI – November 27, 1932 Lodi, CA)

City Employees

City Clerk: John Morgan McMahon (1 September 1 1872 California – April 15, 1936 Downieville, CA)

Superintendent: John Abraham Henning (June 1, 1874 Salinas, CA – April 15, 1946 Lodi, CA)

Superintendent: William Turner Gregg (November 10, 1854 Salem, TN – May 5, 1924 Stockton, CA)

Builders and Contractors

Architect and Supervisor: William Turner Gregg (November 10, 1854 Salem, TN – May 5, 1924 Stockton, CA)

Contractor: Charles Inlow Rice (November 27, 1888 Delavan, CA – April 14, 1936 Red Bluff, CA)

Painter: Charles Edward Pickering (June 28, 1872 England – September 20, 1962 Lodi, CA)



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William Turner Gregg (Nov 10, 1854 Salem, Tennessee – May 5, 1924 Stockton, CA)

In 1912 William Turner Gregg was 59 years old and living with his wife and three boys at 215 S. Pleasant Ave in Lodi. He was a superintendent with the City of Lodi and an experienced carpenter and cabinet maker. He had been a resident of Lodi since 1887.

Father: Louis Mansfield Gregg (Feb 14, 1809 – May 23, 1868 Cornersville, TN) *Schoolteacher and Farmer*

Mother: Mary E. *Acuff* Gregg

Wife: Onetta "Ollie" *McClure* Gregg (Feb 9, 1868 Greenfield, MO – Mar 28, 1938 Lodi, CA)

Children:

Clyde Hall Gregg (Jul 10, 1889 Lakeport, CA – Jan 6, 1961 Lodi, CA) *Postmaster, Lodi*

Wife: Bessie F Weythman (Jul 16, 1892 Monitor, WA – Nov 17, 1970 Lodi, CA)

Ward Mansfield Gregg (Jul 7, 1891 Lakeport, CA – June 14, 1975 Lodi, CA) *Contractor, Lodi*

Wife: Emma Elizabeth *Pearson* Gregg (Jan 14, 1891 Lodi, CA – Nov 29, 1965 Lodi, CA)

Children:

Lulu Mae Gregg Thompson (Apr 7, 1915 Lodi, CA – Feb 4, 1996 San Joaquin, CA) *Fancy Presser, Lodi and Undercover Agent for the FBI, Manteca*

James Turner Gregg (Apr 20, 1918 California – Feb 10, 1934 Lodi, CA)

Floyd Wellington Gregg (Nov 17, 1893 Lodi, CA – Mar 28, 1948 Alameda, CA)



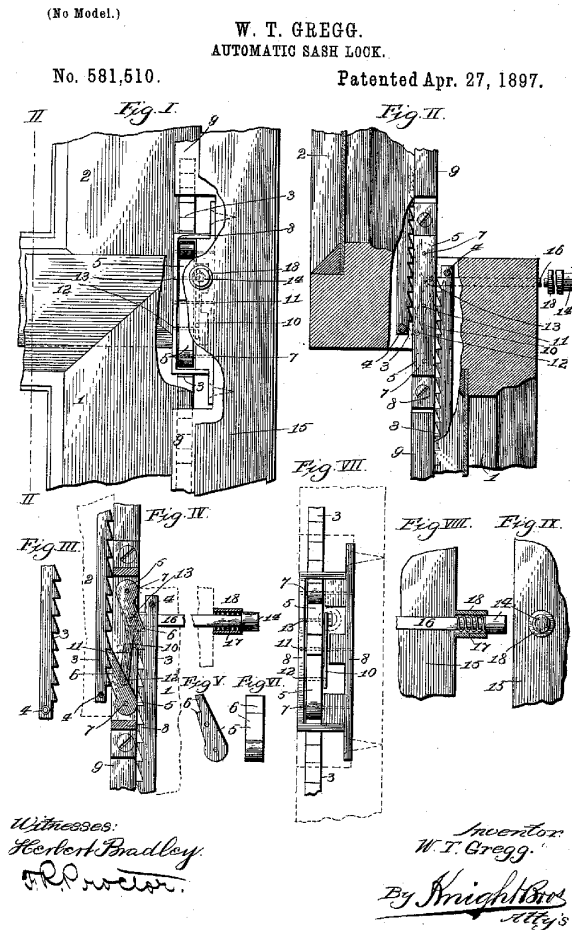
William Turner Gregg and his three sons selling popcorn, gum, nuts and candies.



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Gregg was also an inventor and held this patent for a sash lock dated 1897.





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Charles Inlow Rice (November 27, 1888 Delavan, CA – April 14, 1936 Red Bluff, CA)

In 1912 Charles Inlow Rice was a 24-year-old civil engineer living at 419 E Locust with his mother (Mary Ann *Inlow* Rice), 20-year-old sister (Jessie Bonham *Rice* Tower) and 16-year-old half-sister (Fannie B. *Rice* Felts). Moved to Red Bluff in 1920.

Father: Alexander Anderson Rice (Feb 3, 1832 Ralls, MO – Nov 1, 1906 Lodi, CA)

Mother: Mary Ann *Inlow* Rice (Aug 19, 1848 Bowling Green, MO – Dec 6, 1933 Red Bluff, CA)

Also built:

Nov 13, 1911 – Addition to dwelling at 419 E Locust St

May 27, 1912 – Dwelling on lot 14 Block 2 on Hutchins Addition (504 S School St)

May 27, 1912 – Dwellings on Lots 6 & 8 of block 3 on Burr's Addition (800 Block of N California St)

Aug 5, 1912 – Dwelling on lot 10 block 2 of Larsons Pine St. Add. (415 W Pine St - the Mondavi House)

Apr 19, 1915 – Dwelling at 223 N School St (Congregational Church Parsonage)

May 17, 1915 – Addition to Dwelling at 421 W Pine St (Meissner House)

Mar 20, 1916 – Dwelling on lot 8 of Larson's Pine St Addition for J.E. Nelson (405 W Pine St – One-Eighty Group)

THE SACRAMENTO UNION, SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 1915. 7

THE SACRAMENTO VALLEY AND THE MOUNTAIN COUNTIES

Will Build New Parsonage at Lodi

Special to the Union.
LODI (San Joaquin Co.), April 9.—At a meeting of the building committee of the Congregational church, the contract to build the new parsonage was let to Charles Rice, whose bid was a little under \$2500. There were 12 bidders.

The new parsonage will be modern in every particular. It will be two stories high and contain eight rooms. The old parsonage is now being moved onto the concrete foundation which contains a gymnasium and is already installed on the north end of the lot. Rice has also taken a contract from the Sunday school to finish the gymnasium and install the windows below the first story floor.

Work on the new structure will commence at once.

CHARLES I. RICE, Lodi, Cal., was born at Delevan, Cal., November 27, 1887. He obtained a grammar-school education and part of the first year in the high school. Owing to the long illness and subsequent death of his father, he was compelled to assume the support of the family at an early age. While he was earning \$1.50 a day as order clerk in a general merchandise store, at the age of 18, on March 3, 1906, he enrolled for a Complete Architectural Course. He is an architect and builder for himself.

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415 W Pine St



421 W Pine St



405 W Pine St



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The Paraffine Paint Company. The Paraffine Paint Company occupied approximately 38 acres in Emeryville including the project area. In 1884, the company began operations within a two-acre parcel in the same location as the parking lot east of the Emery Bay Public Market building. Brick buildings replaced original wood-frame buildings in the 1890s and as the business expanded, the Paraffine Paint Company continued to fill in San Francisco Bay.

The Paraffine Paint Company was established in 1884 in San Francisco by Truman Pierce and Melvin Beardsley. The partners produced P&B Paint, asphalt paint that waterproofed and preserved wood and metal. By 1887, the Paraffine Paint Company produced 15,000 gallons of asphalt paint annually in their Emeryville plant. The company began producing waterproof roofing and building papers in the 1890s. The 1906 earthquake brought an increased demand for building materials and the company continued to add new products. In 1912, Paraffine began diversifying and purchasing companies unrelated to paint and building materials. By 1918, the company owned eight subsidiaries that it incorporated into *Paraffine Companies, Inc.* In 1928, Paraffine was the second-largest industrial firm in Alameda County; its products were shipped throughout the United States and to Australia, China, India, and South America. Just prior to World War II, the company expanded into new manufacturing lines including insulation materials, fiber shipping cases, glass bottles, corrugated cartons, and paper pails and cartons. With eleven manufacturing plants, the company changed its name to PABCO. During the War, PABCO factories operated 24 hours a day and employed 3,000 people. In the 1940s the northwest portion of the project area was filled in with construction materials. By 1956 the Emeryville site had nine manufacturing plants in and outside of California. PABCO closed the Emeryville plant in 1972. The company continues to operate as a division of Fibreboard Corporation.

Prior to the demise of PABCO's Emeryville operation, the company occupied approximately 38 acres with eleven plants containing 90 buildings. Buildings extended from Powell Street, just south of the project area; north to 63rd Street (which no longer runs through the project area); west to the Bayshore Freeway; and east to the Southern Pacific tracks.



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Chronology:

1908

In 1908, a fire bell was added to the arch. This bell alerted the town that there was a fire and summoned Lodi's volunteer firefighters. This bell was used for the next 15 years.

December 19, 1911

A rough pencil sketch for the new City building was presented by the City Clerk, John M. McMahon, and discussed by the City Trustees.

January 22, 1912

The Plans and Specifications for the Municipal Building were submitted by **Superintendent William Turner Gregg** (Carpenter and Cabinet Maker) to and accepted by the City Council (Lodi City Council Minutes January 22, 1912). Gregg was paid \$50 for the plans.



The Clerk was instructed to advertise for bids to be submitted by 8:00 o'clock P.M. on February 13, 1912. Bids were not to include foundation, painting, hardware, plumbing, vault door and wiring since it was thought that those, "...would be done by day labor and by the city's paid employees, among whom are a plumber and an electrician." (Lodi Sentinel, February 15, 1912).

The building would have 9-inch-thick walls on the first floor and 6-inch-thick walls on the second. The lower level included offices for the city clerks, city engineers, superintendent of public utilities and the fire department. The upper level would provide for an assembly room for the Board of Trustees on the South side and sleeping quarters for firefighters on the North side.

A new steel 100,000-gallon water tower was constructed and the old 60-foot tall 60,000-gallon wooden water tower was torn down to make space for the new Municipal Building.

February 5, 1912

On motion of Trustee Hale, seconded by Trustee Rich, the Chairman of the Street Committee was instructed to purchase one dozen new chairs for the city hall.

February 13, 1912

Four bids were received from two contractors:

W.D. Voorhies & Son – Brick Construction \$3,893; Concrete Construction \$3,752

Charles Inlow Rice – Brick Construction \$3,998; Concrete Construction \$4,166

February 14, 1912

Two bids were assessed:

W.D. Voorhies & Son's bids were rejected because they were not accompanied by a certified check in the amount of 10% of the bid amount (a non-certified check of \$350 was submitted instead of a certified check for \$389), and they did not include a sample of the brick to be used.

Charles Rice's bid for brick construction for \$3,998 was accepted and the contract was awarded.

February 19, 1912

The City Council voted to enter into contract with **Charles Rice** to build the new Municipal Building.

Superintendent Henning was authorized to, "...purchase cement for the foundation of the building where he could get it the cheapest."

The City Council voted to construct the front of the building with red brick.

City Clerk, John M. McMahon, was instructed to purchase a vault door from **Waltz Safe & Lock Co.** (233-235 California Street, San Francisco). The vault door cost \$165 and was paid for on May 6, 1912.

February 26, 1912



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Charles Rice put up two cash bonds for \$2,000 each. The first bond was for the, "...faithful performance of the contract to build the city hall." and the second for the, "...payment of material men and labor." On motion of Trustee Blodgett, the certified check of C. I. Rice for \$450.00 was ordered returned to him. On motion of Trustee Rich, E. E. Deaver was authorized to place \$3500.00 insurance on the new municipal building.

March 4, 1912

William Gregg was hired to supervise the construction of the building for "3% of the cost of \$4,000...including the \$50 already paid".

A Building Committee, consisting of **Trustees Charles A. Rich** and **Frank O. Hale**, was established.

Charles Rice disclaimed any responsibility for the foundation or any consequent damage to the building.

March 11, 1912

The matter of painting and plumbing the new building was referred to the building committee and the Superintendent.

March 25, 1912

First payment of \$1,000 was paid to **Charles Rice**.

May 6, 1912

Superintendent William Gregg reported that the roof of the new building was complete and the second payment of \$1,500 was now due the contractor which was subsequently paid.

May 27, 1912

Superintendent William Gregg reported that the Municipal Building was progressing slowly and that he had condemned the roof. He reported that the Paraffine Paint Company had agreed to put on a new roof.

June 3, 1912

Charles Rice requested a 30-day extension to complete the building. The City Council granted him an extension of 15 days.

Charles Rich tendered his resignation from the Building Committee.

June 17, 1912

The **Building Committee** was authorized to place a railing in the assembly hall in the new building.

A committee of two (**Charles Rich** and **Frank Hale**) was appointed to select furniture for the new Municipal Building. The furniture was purchased from **Newfield and Sons** (\$196.50), **Friedberger and Kaiser** (\$181.50) and **Hale and Rich** (\$3.50).

June 24, 1912

Black and Hale were instructed to go to the City to buy furniture for the new municipal building.

On motion of Black. Trustee Rich was authorized to complete the specifications for painting new building and receive tenders for the same.

July 1, 1912

The Building Committee received bids from four painters to paint the new building:

Lossing & Meyers \$155.90

L.A. St John \$157.00

J.L. Pickering \$115.00

C.E. Pickering \$94.50

The contract was awarded to **C.E. Pickering**, "...he being the lowest bidder" who then painted it for \$124.25.

July 8, 1912

Superintendent William Gregg declined to approve the claims of the contractor **Charles Rice**, stating he could only approve the roof, plastering and carpenter work. The matter was referred to the Building Committee.

July 15, 1912



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The City Council accepted the new Municipal Building and approved final payment of \$1,068.95 to **Charles Rice**. (Note: \$21.50 of this was to pay **Jacob Hepper** for labor.)

July 22, 1912

On motion **Blodgett**, seconded by **Black**, it was ordered that the bond of **C. I. Rice** for \$2,000 to guarantee the faithful performance of his contract to be released and that the President of the Board to authorized to endorse the certified check accompanying said bond back to the contractor.

On motion of **Black**, seconded by **Blodgett**, it was ordered that the bond of **C. I. Rice** of \$2,000 for guarantee the payment of material, men and labor be released upon satisfactory proof being submitted to the Building Committee of the faithful performance of the obligations of the bond.

August 5, 1912

The City Council has its first session in the new Municipal Building.

J.W. McAfee was employed as janitor of the new Municipal Building at a salary of \$15 per month.

Charles Rice was granted a permit to build a dwelling on lot 10 block 2 Larsons Pine St. Addition. This dwelling was to become the residence of the Mondavi family at 415 W Pine Street.

The purchase of a **Seagrave chemical and ladder truck** for \$5,950 was approved.

September 4, 1912

A proposition for **Herring-Hall-Marvin Safe Co.** (214 California Street, San Francisco) to install a chest in the vault was presented.

Charles Rice was paid an additional \$498.00.



November 4, 1912

The matter of cementing the walls was referred to the Building Committee.

1913

The first motorized firetruck was purchased for \$5,950 plus \$320 in freight. The triple-combination (ladder, hose, and chemical) air-cooled Seagrave AC "buckboard" was housed in the left side of the Municipal building on Main Street.



1914

The first jail was constructed behind the City Hall. It was converted from the old power transformer building for \$168 of equipment and supplies from the Lodi Iron Works.

1927

New two-story, brick Italian Renaissance-style City Hall was built on Pine Street for \$70,000. First meeting was held in February of 1928.

1937

The firehouse was remodeled to include a Drill Tower.

1940

2,000-gallon ¼" carbon steel unlined single-wall underground fuel tank #3 (containing waste oil) was installed.

January 1953

The lower floor was remodeled to add two 10x10 offices.

August 1953

A concrete block addition was constructed onto the Firehouse for a workshop (later converted to a kitchen)



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1967

The Fire Department Headquarters was moved to 210 W Elm Street.

September 1981

The Main St Firehouse was decommissioned and the Fire Department moved its operations to the Cherokee Lane Fire Station 2.

1984

Harry Miller remodeled the downstairs to accommodate the Alcoholics Anonymous Drop-In Center.

June 3, 1987

The lease agreement for the AA Drop-In Center was renewed for two years.

1989

The old Water Works and Storage building was demolished.

1991

The AA Drop-In Center moved out.

The old water tower built circa 1910 was demolished.

The old Jail built in 1908 as a power transforming building then converted to a Jail in 1914 was demolished.

February 9 – March 24, 1993

2,000-gallon ¼" carbon steel unlined single-wall underground fuel tank #3 (containing waste oil) was removed.

April 5, 1995

A proposal to restore the Old Firehouse for \$500,000 was recommended to be rejected by Community Development Staff and City Council adopted the recommendation to not fund the restoration.

November 1, 1995

A feasibility study was presented that showed various uses for the Firehouse.

April 3, 2002

A proposal was made to build a \$5.25M indoor sports complex on the lot and tear down the Firehouse to accommodate a parking lot.

2021

The top wooden two-story section of the old Drill Tower was demolished by Diede Construction.

August 17, 2022

Lodi Historical Society made a proposal to the City Council to restore the old Firehouse and use it to house the Lodi Historical Museum and the Lodi Professional Firefighters Union Hall. The City Council voted to allocate \$10,000 to fund an engineering assessment.



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Gamewell Diaphone





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Lodi's Main Street, with an ice cream vendor working out of his decorative wagon, is shown in this photograph taken after 1910. Looking north down Main Street, the city's new water tower is visible above the buildings along the street. The Cosmopolitan Hotel, which charged 25 cents per night and 25 cents for meals, was used mostly by traveling businessmen and was visible to passengers getting off the train across the street. Main Street was lined on the west side with packing houses and on the east side with mostly Japanese businesses. The street became known as Japantown in the early 1900s.

Ralph Lea/courtesy photograph



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Lodi's early fire department

Mar 22, 2014



Charlie Anderson holds the halter on Dolly, the city's fire horse, inside the City Livery Stable in 1911. Whenever there was a fire emergency, Dolly was hitched up to the hose wagon kept at the stable. The city's volunteer firemen then drove Dolly to the scene of the fire. Two years later, in late 1913, the City of Lodi purchased its first motorized fire truck, and Dolly's services were no longer needed for fire emergencies.

Ralph Lea/courtesy photograph



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LODI, CALIFORNIA, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1911

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Lodi Growers Asked to Join New Deciduous Fruit League

Meeting to Be Held in Odd Fellows Hall Tomorrow Should Be Well Attended

Tomorrow afternoon in Odd Fellows hall, commencing at 2 o'clock, the deciduous fruit growers of Northern San Joaquin will meet to discuss the feasibility of organizing a branch of the International Fruit League of California. It is headed by J. W. Jeffrey, former state commissioner of horticulture, and already several branches have been formed in the northern part of the state.

There should be a good representation of local growers, for it is evident that something must be done to put the grape business on a better footing, and if this league can do it, then the vintners should join it. Anyway, be present and see if it can remedy any of the ills that now afflict the fruit business.

OBJECTS OF ORGANIZATION.

The objects of the league are set forth by J. W. Jeffrey as follows:

"At a large meeting of fruit growers held at Newcastle the first of November, a resolution was passed recommending that a league of deciduous fruit growers be formed, and also asking me to perfect such an organization. On the 21st a general meeting was held in Sacramento, to which all growers and shippers were invited, and this meeting approved the request of the Newcastle growers, also provided the funds for the preliminary work. In pursuance of this authority, I herewith outline the scope and duties of the league, and respectfully ask you to consider them and give the movement your support."

Better Fruit Standards.

The paramount object of the league will be the organization of growers and shippers' units in each district, devoted to the improvement of the fruit pack, to the elimination of fruit sold for marketing and the perfecting of methods of handling fruit from the orchard to the shipping car. The value of securing direct and authorized means of enforcing better fruit packing has been established in the largest deciduous fruit district in the state. These units should be made the source of representation and revenue for the permanent maintenance of the league.

Fruit Tariffs.

A reasonable tariff must be main-

tained upon deciduous fruits and their products subject to competition with foreign importations. At present these fruit industries are not represented by any organization whose duty it is to protect our tariff schedules. It will be the purpose of the league to collect data, present legitimate claims and arguments in favor of protection, and, by concerted effort, see that the fruit industries are properly represented at Washington.

Traffic Questions.

"In transportation matters, the league, through its executive committee and manager, should be prepared to coordinate the power and influence of the growers in the handling of traffic questions of common interest to the fruit business. Freight rates, refrigerator charges, promptness of general service, securing the co-operation of the state railroad commission and the Interstate commerce commission—these and kindred questions should be delegated to the league. The organization should also have the means of securing prompt and economical legal service to represent its members in all necessary cases."

Unfair Competition.

"It is a fact that the horticultural development of Northern California is not proceeding as the wisest, honest, disinterested and effective influence should be exerted against the planting of inferior soils and the promotion of hand-selling schemes the pro-

ject of which is detrimental and now constitutes a great menace to the fruit industry. The league should make every reasonable effort to direct the development of horticulture to wise and conservative ends."

Scientific Work.

"An efficient league could suggest some new problems for investigation by the horticultural departments devoted to research work. While it is true that our most difficult problems now relate to the preparation, transportation and distribution of our orchard products, we should encourage scientific investigation wherever identical results may be secured. The fruit growers should be in position to suggest lines of inquiry to be followed by the federal and state departments wherever it can be done without interfering with the purposes and policies of those institutions."

Publications.

"The league should have the means of issuing circulars concerning the progress of its work, and of giving out information upon subjects that might promote better orchard practice, and more businesslike methods of handling the fruit. It should also be within the scope of the league to collect statistics for publication, and maintain permanent records of matters pertaining alike to all the elements engaged in the fruit trade."

Economics.

"There are some problems of the farm of a public nature that should be

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LONG SICKNESS ENDS IN DEATH

EVA BARRETT WAS WELL KNOWN
HERE AND HAD MANY
FRIENDS

Eva Barrett passed away at French Camp Monday morning after suffering with apoplexy for the past year and a half. She was a native of Pennsylvania, and was 53 years, 5 months and 23 days of age. The body was shipped to Lodi and will remain at the undertaking parlor of Hale & Scott, from which place the funeral will be held when the arrangements have been made.

Deceased has no near relatives residing here. Her brother, Milton Barrett, resides in Oakland, and she was the niece of Mrs. L. D. Gilligle of North Center street, Lodi, and also of Mrs. Grace Hodgkins and B. C. Rodgers, both of Oakland, and cousins of George Thompson and Wallace Gillette.

NEARLY HALF INCH OF RAIN SATURDAY

Followed With the Mercury Dropping
Way Down Below the Freezing Point

Rain fell Saturday night, when it looked for a time that winter weather had started in earnest. According to Mrs. Pike's official record, the precipitation amounted to 0.44 inch.

The sky was clear Sunday night and the thermometer dropped to 25 Monday morning, ice forming in numerous places about the city. This was the coldest morning except on this winter. On November 22d the thermometer dropped to 25 degrees.

PLOWS WITH HEADLIGHTS Sun Outdone By Wise Farmer

E. W. FOWLER, who is farming 3000 acres on the Black tract, 12 miles west of Lodi, has introduced a novel method to reap work on his farm in order to have the tract seeded in barley before the heavy rains set in.

He has engaged two crews of men, working in day and night shifts, so that work is continually going on at the farm. Two traction engines, hauling five gang plows each, with the harrows and drills, are in operation.

Acetylene headlights are attached to the head of the traction engine, and enables the men to work at night with the same efficiency as at night as in the day time.

Last year Fowler's large crop of barley was flooded out by the unprecedented high water, but he proved that he was of the fighting spirit. He engaged huge pumps and unwatered the land. He then proceeded to reseed his tract and by July he was cutting a crop of barley.

WORK WILL START ON NEW HIGH SCHOOL NEXT APRIL

SCHOOL BOARD MEETS THURSDAY TO CANVASS
ELECTION RETURNS AND FORWARD SAME 'AT
ONCE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Attorney H. N. McRobbie, being asked "what is the next step in the bond election matter, replied as follows:

"The school law provides that the members of the high school board shall meet on the seventh day after the election" (Thursday, December 21st) at 1 p. m. and formally canvass the election returns received from the election boards in the four precincts. The high school board will on that day, after canvassing the election returns, forward to the board of supervisors all of the election returns, together with a certificate of the high school board certifying to the conduct of the election, the result thereof, and in this report the high school board petitions the board of supervisors to approve the election returns, which they always do on the certificate of the high school board. The return and certificate of the high school board will be presented to the board of supervisors at its first regular meeting, which will be on Tuesday, January 2d. The entire matter of calling for bids for these bonds, accepting and rejecting bids, directing the form of bonds, the date of its issuance, the attaching of coupons, the confirming of the sale of the bonds, and, in fact, all matters, from the date of receiving the high school board return, lies with the board of supervisors, and the next

time the high school board, as such, comes into the management of these funds is when the bonds are sold and after the money is paid into the county treasury.

"The next regular step after the sale of the bonds will be the selection of a high school site by the high school board; then will come the purchase thereof. The next step will be the calling for plans and specifications for a building, and in regular sequence the acceptance of one of these plans, and then will commence the construction of the building.

"The board of supervisors will undoubtedly fix its first meeting in February, Monday the 5th or Tuesday the 6th, as the date for receiving bids for the bonds. The formality of printing the bonds and coupons, the delivery of them and the payment of the money to the county treasurer will require a matter of two or three weeks, and the board should be in a position to act definitely upon the matter of sites not later than the 25th of February. The matter of advertising for plans should not take more than 10 to 15 days, and constructed work on the building should commence during the month of March, or at the latest April 1st."

FLETCHER SNIPES IS SLOWLY RECOVERING

Will Be Two Months Before Burned
Youth Can Walk Without Aid

Fletcher Snipes, who was so badly burned at the cream of tartar factory at Woodbridge November 24th, is still in a serious condition, and it will be a month before he leaves the care of Dr. Nelson, and another 30 days before he can walk unaided.

The young man is at the home of J. Demarex at Woodbridge, who is superintendent of the plant. A trained nurse is in attendance and the Lodi doctor makes constant trips to the bedside of the injured man.

Snipes' burns are very painful, but owing to his splendid constitution the wounds are healing rapidly.

The Gift Center

The Enterprise store shows for the holidays an unusually fine assortment of useful presents

WE MENTION

Bath Robes
Burl Cases
Traveling Bags
Umbrellas
Sweaters
Automobile Gloves
Belts
Furrier's Gloves

Fancy Suspenders
Tie and Neck Sets
Initial Handkerchiefs
Tie Holders
Cuff Buttons
Slippers
Silk Socks
Lounge Robes

We Issue Gift Orders

The

Enterprise Outfitting Store

MAX ELWERT, Proprietor

Select Your Remembrances Early

WE HAVE ANYTHING
YOU WANT

Silverware, Cutlery, Carving
Sets, Cut Glass, Hand
Painted China, Dishes,
Silver and Brass Novelties

Beckman
Welch & Thompson Co

TRUSTEES MAY CONSTRUCT A MODERN CITY HALL

CONCRETE BUILDING, 50X36, ON CITY LOT
DISCUSSED BY TRUSTEES—ORDNANCE
AGAINST HAND READERS INTRODUCED

The subject of a new city hall created somewhat of a surprise when the matter was brought up for discussion at the meeting Monday night. The had apparently been talked about for some time by the members of the board. City Clerk McElshon submitted a rough pencil sketch of the building, 40x20 feet in size and two stories high. It is proposed to build the hall on the city's property near the pumping station on the site where

the old water tanks were located. The structure will be of reinforced concrete and will be a modern and up-to-date building in every respect. The lower floor will be devoted to the city offices, vault and general assembly room, while the upper floor will be used for the city trustees' meeting room, with a separate room for meetings of committees.

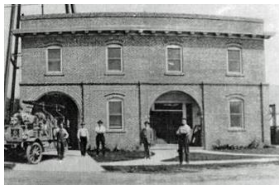
Nothing definite was determined at the meeting, but it is the plan to get estimates on the kind of building needed at the present time. It is also planned to remove the transformers from the small building near the pumping plant and use that building for a jail, and to equip the same with toilet steel cells, thus discarding the present quarters altogether.

HARD ON PALMISTS.

The fortune tellers and palmists in the city are to be dealt a blow that will likely put them out of business.

M. D. GLIDDEN
DENTIST

Crowns and Bridge Work, 25 W
GAS ADMINISTERED
122 E. Main St., Lodi.
Over Smith & Latta's



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ONE ELECTROLIERS ILLUMINATE LODI'S BUSY SHOPPING DISTRICT

PACIFIC CO. IS
FOR SEVEN
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TO STREET TO
A "GREAT
E WAY"

subject at Tues-
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essary to this mat-
ter an underground
conduit at the time
taken up to prevent
accidents after the streets

IS GENEROUS.

son appeared before
the board of the mer-
chandise and related an ex-
perience with the Southern Pacific
company that company to
be electroliers. When
called upon Superintendent
Brennan, the company
for only four, pro-
posed to allow it to place
conduits and furnish
the lighting.

negotiations brought
concessions from the
company, and a letter ad-
dressed to the committee,
chairman of the committee,
was sent to the superintendent
of the city, and although
could receive far more
new lighting scheme
company, it would at-
tempt to aid in im-
proving the city. The com-
mittee of the railroad company

an estimate of \$50 each for the elec-
troliers, installed, and the superintendent
stated that he would be willing to
install or pay for seven—one of them
to be placed south of the arch on Sac-
ramento street, three north of the arch
on the same street, and the other three
in the railroad park. Accompanying
the letter was a map of that portion
of the city designating exactly where
the lights are to be placed.

BUSY COMMITTEE.

The committee on electroliers has
not lost any time, as shown by the re-
port of Mr. Thompson. The city is
now assured of 41 of these modern
fixtures, which when lighted, each with
its three clusters of incandescents, will
splendidly illuminate the commercial
district.

The lights are to be placed as fol-
lows:

- On Sacramento street, between Pine
and Oak
- On Sacramento street, between Pine
and Elm
- On Sacramento street, between Elm
and Locust
- On Pine street, between Sacramento
and School
- On Elm street, between Sacramento
and School
- In the park

Total

THANKS S. P. CO.

A resolution was adopted instruct-
ing the clerk to write to Superintendent
Brennan, accepting the proposition
and returning thanks for the Southern
Pacific's co-operation.

It is understood that the telephone
and traction companies will be asked
to contribute to the electrolier fund.

DREDGING ON THE MOKELUMNE RIVER

The California Dredge commission
is preparing to dredge out several bars
and to remove overhanging trees and
foliage that interfere with navigation
in the Mokelumne river.

A dredge will be loaned by the gov-
ernment to carry out this work.

PRE-COOLING STOCK UNDER ASSESSMENT

COMPANY ALSO MORTGAGES ITS
LODI PLANT TO W. E. JOUR-
NEAY FOR \$10,000.

The Pacific Fruit Cooling and Vapor-
izing company, which operates a plant
here and also at Newcastle, 247 miles
that at a meeting of the board of di-
rectors, held on December 20th, an as-
essment of 2 cents per share was
levied on the subscribed capital stock
of the corporation.

The assessment must be paid before
January 25th.

This is the second assessment levied
by the corporation.

The Lodi plant has been mortgaged
to W. E. Journeay of this place for
\$10,000.

LODI TO HAVE SUBSTANTIAL CITY HALL

TWO STORIES HIGH AND
TO BE CONSTRUCTED
WITH CONCRETE

FIRE DEPARTMENT AND CITY OF-
FICES TO BE HOUSED IN
NEW BUILDING

W. T. Gregg, employed by the city
to draw plans and make specifications
for the new city hall, appeared before
the trustees Tuesday night to obtain
further data on how the structure was
to be finished. According to the draw-
ings, it will be convenient and sub-
stantial. The main building will be
35x50 and two stories high. It will
front on Main street at the site where
the old water tank stood. In the main
entrance there will be an arch, with
the door set back four feet. To the
right will be the city clerk's office, sup-
plied with a receiving window, where
the water and light bills will be paid.
On the south side of the lower floor
will be two offices, 11x12 and 11x12,
and two on the north side 12x12, be-
sides the lavatory.

On the north side, running back the
full length of the building, will be the
fire apparatus room, containing plenty
of space for hook and ladder and hose
wagons.

The principal part of the upper floor
will be devoted to the city council
room. The space above the fire ap-
paratus on the upper floor will be used
by the firemen as sleeping quarters.
This room will be supplied with a num-
ber of cots, it being the scheme to give
free room rent to well-known people
who will be on hand in case of fire at
night. A sliding pole will be installed
at one end of the room for use by the
firemen.

The entire structure is to be built
of reinforced concrete. The walls of
the first floor will be nine inches thick,
and the second story six inches. The
interior is to be finished with floor
plaster, and three feet of wainscoting
will be used in each room. The wood-
work will be finished in natural grain.

W. H. Lafferty, representing a com-
pany that makes a specialty of roof-
ing, appeared before the board, stating
that his built-up roofing material, in-
stalled, would cost \$144 to cover the
building. It was decided to specify
that kind of covering.

The specifications will be completed
this week, and bids will be submitted
as soon as possible.

Government Reviews C Experiments Conducted

EMERSON FIVE WON FROM STOCKTON TEAM

The Emerson school basketball team
won a hard-fought game from the
Pirates of Stockton New Year's day,
the score being 17 to 15. The game
was played at the athletic club house
in the Barnhart tract. Following is
the line-up of the teams:

Pirates—Hooper, center; Rhinehart
and Cruise, guards; Sprague and Hig-
ginbotham, forwards.

Emerson—Prey, center; M. Vassar
and Miller, guards; Hequick and
Squires, forwards.

EXPERTS FIND THAT CLEANED REDW
IS NECESSARY AS A FILLER IN
LODI'S FLAME TOKAYS

PRE-COOLING EXPERIMENTS CONI
SHOW THAT NO MARKED REDUC
NOTICEABLE IN THE DEI
OF THE FRUIT

Dr. B. T. Galloway, chief of the bu-
reau of Plant industry, department of
agriculture, in his report for 1911, tells
about various investigations carried on
under his direction relating to Cali-
fornia fruit and other products.

Dr. Galloway takes up the investi-
gations that have been under way in
connection with fruit transportation
and storage, and which have been de-
scribed in this correspondence from
time to time. The work has been in
charge of Dr. A. V. Stubenrauch of
California, who succeeded G. Harold
Powell as pomologist of the depart-
ment of agriculture. In connection
with the handling and transportation
of table grapes, experiments with
which were made at Lodi and Fresno,
Dr. Galloway said that 26 experimental
series of grapes from Fresno and 54
from Lodi were shipped to New York,
where they were inspected and results
noted.

"The beneficial effects of using the
redwood sawdust filler for packing the
grapes, were most marked," says Dr.
Galloway, but he draws the conclusion
that since it has been proved per-
fectly feasible to pack the grapes in
ordinary crates so that they will reach
market in good condition, the use of
sawdust is probably not desirable as
yet.

Use of Redwood Sawdust

On the other hand, it has been
demonstrated that it is desirable to
substitute redwood sawdust for cork
in packing grapes for storage. Fine
particles of the sawdust were fanned
out before it was used for packing,
which prevented the particles from
adhering to the fruit.

"The most important results of the
grape storage work of the year,"

PRE-COOLING

Describing the
experiments, Dr. Gail-
loway said, "At Lodi 12 f
were pre-cooled
cial experiment
were run in
handling and
in September a
average reduct
Fahrenheit in
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understood."

"Further fav-
cooling problem
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arrangements a

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Can Up SALE THIS WEEK

and ends must be cleaned out for
CLOCK TAKING time, now at hand

Big Reductions In
Chinaware,
Brass Goods

kinds of CHRISTMAS Novelties

M. D. GLIDDEN
DENTIST

BICYCLE RIDER COMES TO GRIEF

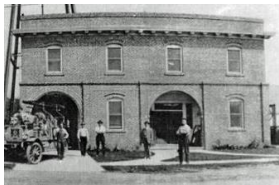
VIOLATED THE LAW AND DEPUTY
MARSHAL BURKHOLDER
SPOTTED HIM

Bert Phillips, a vineyardist residing
east of Lodi, is the latest victim to
come under the eagle eye of Deputy
City Marshal William Burkholder. He
was caught riding a bicycle upon the
sidewalk on Pine street, between Main
and Stockton streets Wednesday, and
a warrant was promptly sworn to.
Phillips will come up before Acting
City Recorder Frank Henning as soon
as the warrant is served, for during
City Recorder D. E. Breitenbacher's

Invento SALE

Reductions in all
CLOTHING for M
Boys; Winter Und
and in fact all Winte
Special bargains in
for this week

The
Enterprise Out
Store



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ED CHASE OF JAIL

ed the money, but as
L-car with the man
ed to hold him up
when the alarm was

about 11:30 o'clock
telephone message
saloon at Galt had
robbed of \$50. The
description of the
suggested to be on the
When the 3:30 freight

Lodi yards Friday
arrested three hobos
in a refrigerator car
men were put in
then that Floyd dis-
looked in the other
ing to break out, as
cut around the por-
fl that holds the bolt.

cer entered the cell
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with his head covered
the cell floor was lit-
ings, and investigation
had been done with
states that within a

s the man would have
le a small portion of
the door from opening.
as explained to the
the next morning
vice a formal charge
breaking and destroy-
erty will be placed

As he took no active
up, it is thought he
answer that charge.
s were released Fri-
the description of
did not tally with

on to Stockton, where
preliminary hearing
opinion that the man
oncested inside his
searched carefully be-
ed, up.

LETTER ROBBER.
y it was learned that
letter addressed to
ose home was robbed
\$94. This letter was
Mrs. Gillette, which
y time of the robbery,
now answer for rob-
home.

COMMENCE SUIT TO RECOVER PAYMENTS

ACTION OF MODESTO MAN BASED
ON FAILURE OF LODIANS TO
CARRY OUT CONTRACT

J. I. W. Durston of Modesto has
filed suit against A. J. Weigert, E. E.
Breitenbucher and Doyle H. Neesham
to collect money alleged to have been
paid by himself to the defendants for
land in the Underwood tract in North-
ern San Joaquin.

Durston sets forth in his complaint
that according to the contract for the
sale of the land, which was sold upon
the installment plan, the defendants
were to plant Tokay vines and later
replace any missing vines. The vines
were planted, but no missing vines
have been replaced, he claims. For
this reason he considers the contract
terminated and he wants to recover
the money he has paid. Mrs. C. H.
Durston has filed a similar suit.

Attorneys C. R. Gailfus and J. W.
Hawkins of Modesto filed the papers.

SMOKE CONSUMING DEVICE INSPECTED

To inspect the efficiency of the
smoke consuming device recently in-
stalled at the demand of the farmers'
protective association of this region,
the supervisors of San Joaquin, Cala-
veras and Amador counties went in a
body Thursday to the smelting plant
of the Penn Mining company near
Campo Seco in Calaveras county.
J. W. Stuckenbruck of Acampo accom-
panied the party.

Manager A. F. Bussey of the smelter
company showed the supervisors over
the plant and explained the new in-
vention of Dr. S. W. Young of Stan-
ford university, which is designed to
remove all the harmful sulphur fumes
from the smoke.

No action was taken by the super-
visors other than to notify the smel-
ter company to have the contrivance
in working order before April 3d, when
another inspection trip will be made.

The farmers of the three counties
declare that the fumes have damaged
their crops for years and threaten to
enjoin the plant unless something is
done.

DOING LEVEE WORK NEAR LOCKEFORD

VOTING BRISK IN THE AUTO CONTEST

THE SENTINEL'S OFFER
GREAT INCENTIVE TO
CONTESTANTS

VOTES WITH SUBSCRIPTIONS
GIVES ALL EQUAL CHANCE
FOR COVETED PRIZE

No. 41, with 3,062,200 votes, leads
this week in Zimmerman's automobile
contest. But this number is not so far
in the lead, as a glance down the list
will indicate. Voting is now becom-
ing quite spirited, for The Sentinel is
offering special inducements that will
make any of the contestants a winner
if a little easy work is done.

For every new subscription to The
Sentinel, 50,000 votes will be given,
and for every renewed subscription,
25,000 votes will be given.

The contestants find, however, that
nearly everybody in Northern San
Joaquin takes The Sentinel, and their
only hope to gain new subscriptions is
to go after the new families that have
come here within the past few
months.

On renewals, however, the contest-
ants have a clear field, and the money
is pouring in to this office at a rapid
rate. As most of The Sentinel's circu-
lation is local, and there are thousands
of readers, it is no trouble for an en-
ergetic contestant to get a few hun-
dred thousand votes every day.

This is how the vote stands now:

No. 1 .. 2807725	No. 102 .. 1087025
No. 2 .. 2706545	No. 103 .. 250200
No. 3 .. 12945695	No. 105 .. 27629
No. 4 .. 1095650	No. 106 .. 234615
No. 5 .. 295740	No. 107 .. 2169930
No. 6 .. 47055	No. 110 .. 46968
No. 7 .. 2854400	No. 111 .. 21260
No. 8 .. 3059785	No. 112 .. 20025
No. 9 .. 3049760	No. 113 .. 32375
No. 10 .. 2287000	No. 116 .. 26100
No. 11 .. 729381	No. 119 .. 20105
No. 12 .. 490795	No. 120 .. 2047570
No. 13 .. 3062290	No. 126 .. 103000
No. 14 .. 32650	No. 128 .. 3024115
No. 15 .. 3000000	No. 130 .. 1177650
No. 16 .. 98000	No. 133 .. 2042225
No. 17 .. 555180	No. 138 .. 1148615
No. 18 .. 2070000	No. 141 .. 835275
No. 19 .. 395600	No. 143 .. 2336815
No. 20 .. 2110000	No. 144 .. 3099204
No. 21 .. 96110	No. 146 .. 19250
No. 22 .. 2997000	No. 151 .. 2692000
No. 23 .. 1384500	No. 156 .. 79525
No. 24 .. 2006000	No. 158 .. 2935055
No. 25 .. 75150	No. 159 .. 32395
No. 26 .. 2988320	No. 160 .. 88235

LODI FIREMEN DISCUSS NEW EQUIPMENT

STRONGLY FAVOR AUTO
TRUCK IN PLACE
OF HORSES

MANY THINGS DISCUSSED FOR
GOOD OF LOCAL FIRE
FIGHTING CREW

There was a large attendance at the
firemen's meeting Friday night, the
principal discussion being the equip-
ment that will undoubtedly be pur-
chased when the new city hall is com-
pleted.

The matter of buying an auto truck,
which has been under consideration
for some time, was again taken up. It
was decided that as this kind of fire
apparatus would represent consider-
able outlay at the beginning it would
be far more efficient and cheaper in
the long run. The truck in view, fully
equipped, will cost \$5000. It will
carry 1000 feet of hose, a chemical ap-
paratus, two 17-foot extension ladders,
hooks, picks, axes, in fact everything
that is needed in fighting fires. The
auto will carry six men and has a
speed of 45 miles per hour. It will be
kept in readiness at the fire house,
and there will always be some one in
attendance who understands running
it.

Five single cots will be occupied by
a like number of firemen each night,
who will receive room rent free, and
will be trained in their work. It is
the scheme to have everything ready
for quick work, so that in case of fire
the house men will be able to be on
the scene in the shortest possible time
and get a stream of water playing on
the fire, and the rest of the volunteer
firemen can come to their aid as soon
as possible. This will do away with
the necessity of keeping horses.

The matter of purchasing an auto
truck has been discussed with the city
trustees, who seem in favor of it but
state that as there is no money on
hand for that purpose at the present
time it will have to come under a spe-
cial tax levy.

A tower 65 feet high for drying hose
after fires will be suggested to the

30 YEARS AS A CONDUCTOR ON S. P.

A. A. MCLELLAND ENDS
LONG SERVICE AND
IS PENSIONED

POPULAR TICKET TAKER ONE OF
BEST-KNOWN MEN IN
THE COUNTY

A. A. MCLELLAND, who for
the past 35 years has been in
the employ of the Southern
Pacific, was granted a life pension,
dating with January 1, 1912. Mr. Mc-
Clelland, for 30 years has been in
charge of the branch line to Valley
Springs as conductor, and is one of
the oldest ticket takers in the rail-
road's employ.

When Mr. McClelland first came to
Woodbridge it was to take charge of
the Valley Springs run. The road was
then a narrow gauge, and made but
one trip a day. Later the track was
standardized and the train made two
round trips daily.

"Mac" is one of the best-known men
of Northern San Joaquin. He knows
everybody and everybody knows him.
To hear his cheery "howdy" and feel
the strong clasp of his hand would
make an optimist of any pessimist.
In his 30 years' residence here Mr.
McClelland never overlooked an op-
portunity to spread good cheer. His
friends—they are legion—will join in
wishing him many years of happi-
ness. Now that his daily labors are ended
and a substantial pension will come
along every month with the advent of
the Southern Pacific's pay car.

Mr. McClelland also celebrated his
68th birthday Monday, entertaining in
the evening the Klondike club, of
which he is a member. Cards and
light refreshments were enjoyed. The
guests of the evening were Frank Per-
rott, C. L. Newton, E. A. Covell, Dr.
S. R. Arthur, Fred Perrott, Charles
Rutledge and Blake Woods.

Trustees to be added to the rear of the
new city hall.

The bean supper after the meeting
was a big success, and Frank Christie
received many compliments for the
manner in which he prepared it.



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SOCIATION FOR THIS CITY

Highly praised the retiring board of directors for its co-operation and assistance in promoting the interests of the city and Northern San Joaquin.

PRaise FOR SECRETARY.

P. A. Dougherty Jr., secretary of the association, was highly praised by Mr. Welch. He is a competent, painstaking official, and the organization was deeply indebted to him for duties performed not covered by his salary. It is a fine tribute the retiring president paid this popular young man. It is interesting to know that Mr. Dougherty was engaged for another year at an increased salary, which will be as a pleasant surprise to him.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Upon motion, Mr. Welch named a committee of five to nominate a board of directors, which reported as follows: J. K. Newfield (president), H. Zimmerman, Dempsey D. Smith, W. Shattuck, W. J. Robinson, M. O. Alt, A. V. Friedberger, Charles Faber, H. C. Dewley and R. J. Steele. These gentlemen were unanimously elected.

The new president then gave an interesting talk and commended the retiring president for his zeal in promoting the good of the association. Mr. Newfield favored a rising vote of thanks to the retiring president and board of directors, and all members stood up, showing that they quickly grasped the opportunity of showing their appreciation.

The old board included the following: Hilliard E. Welch (president), P. A. Spooner, A. V. Friedberger, George L. Melasner, V. R. Larson, Max Elwert, A. C. Kengle, John Guggolz, K. Newfield and E. A. Thompson.

ELECTROPLIERS REPORT.

S. H. Zimmerman, chairman of the committee arranging for the electroliners that will illuminate the business district, when called upon said that work was progressing rapidly and that work would have more of these modern fixtures than the committee figured on. Mr. Zimmerman said the alternator of electroliner would soon be added upon, and the city was advertising for underground conduits to carry the wires.

Upon motion of W. A. Spooner, a rising vote of appreciation was extended to Max Elwert, a retiring director,

who is now ill at a sanitarium. J. L. Pickering and Brigran & Keeney were taken in as new members.

After the new board organized a splendid supper was served, when the members were entertained with several speeches.

HE'S GLAD TO GET TO CALIFORNIA

NO MORE MIDDLE WEST CLIMATE
FOR WELL-KNOWN
RESIDENT

Horace M. Smith, perhaps one of the best boatmen in Northern San Joaquin, returned from an Eastern trip Tuesday morning. He has been visiting his daughter in Southern Nebraska, remaining there nearly a month.

Mr. Smith says he was never so glad to get back home in his life. "One does not know how to appreciate Lodi climate," said the enthusiastic citizen, "until he has visited some of these Eastern states during the winter. But with the thermometer standing 15 below in Kansas, the snow a foot and a half deep and the cattle dying off in great herds, one who has enjoyed other conditions cannot help but think strongly of this land of sunshine, and wonder why the people here do not appreciate it more. I found land high there, too—many holding it at \$125 an acre. I told them if they would give me an entire section to live on it 12 months, I would not take it. Lodi is good enough for me, and although I enjoyed my visit with relatives I do not believe I ever want to take another trip there during the winter."

NO TRACE OF VISCONTI'S SLAYER

The officers are still quietly working on the Visconti murder case, and although unwilling to divulge their movements they are confident that they will very soon run the guilty party to earth.

The police are positive the Italian arrested by Constable Floyd shortly after the murder knows more about the case than he will tell, and by some of them it is believed he is the guilty one. His actions were quite strange shortly after the murder, and this was not only noticed by the Americans who were at the place where the other Italian committed suicide, but by the Italians as well.

The man stated plainly when he gazed upon the remains of the suicide that it was the second man he had seen killed that day, and afterward changed it to, "This is the second man I have seen dead today;" and when questioned further said he had seen the murdered man at the undertaking parlors at Lodi.

Now it has lately developed that this same Italian came from South America about two months ago. Following up the clue that the man who was killed had deserted his wife and came to the United States, where he was followed by a relative or former lover of the deserted woman who

NEW LOCATION FOR PUBLIC BUILDING

LOT AT CORNER OF SACRAMENTO AND LOGUST
IS SUGGESTED

LODI EAGLES OWN IT AND WOULD
SELL TO THE CITY
FOR \$2250

The Eagles are desirous of selling their lot on the northwest corner of Locust and Sacramento streets to the city as a site for the new city hall. The lot is 40x80 and the Eagles want \$2250 for it.

The argument has been raised that the present contemplated site is not desirable. It is an out of the way place, where a handsome city building would not be appreciated and which it would be difficult for people to reach. In fact it has been stated that a person would need the protection of an officer to be safe in going there any dark night, and as that section of the city is void of sidewalks during the winter it would be almost impossible to reach the water works site.

Now it has been set forth that the city already owns a larger corner lot at Sacramento street and Lodi avenue, for which it paid about \$2600 some time ago. What is the matter with the city selling this lot and buying the one from the Eagles, which, although it is a little out of the business district, would be more central and afford better advantages.

These are matters that should be given attention by the people and properly brought before the board of trustees before the contract for the new city hall is let, and no doubt the trustees will be glad to hear the public's views upon the subject.

The members of the board of trustees have shown by their past records that they are out for anything within reason that will benefit Lodi. Still, they have only a certain amount of money to spend for purposes of this kind, and are striving as best they can to make both ends meet.

FAVOR EAST SIDE.

In talking with a number of business men, it would seem that the majority are in favor of building the city hall at the water works site, as planned by the trustees. As one of them explained: "In cases of this kind it is impossible to make a selection of site without some opposition."

There are many points in favor of the proposed location. As the fire apparatus will be housed in the building and the nearness of its location to the most dangerous fire hazard in the city should be considered. The mills, warehouses and Oriental quarters afford these conditions. Then it is necessary to have as much of the city's belongings as near together as possible. The cement block house in the rear will be converted into a jail, which will be convenient to the court.

It is admitted that the proposed site is not in the best business or residence section, but it is argued that the city hall will be built for convenience—to fill an absolute necessity—and not designed as a structure of

LEAGUE GAME FRIDAY NIGHT

THE LODI AND STOCKTON
FIVES BATTLE FOR
LEAGUE HONORS

CONTEST STEPPING STONE TO
CHAMPIONSHIP OF SAN
JOAQUIN VALLEY

(By Earl Gaines.)

Tomorrow night at the Athletic club building the Lodi Union High School five will meet the Stockton High quintet in what should be the fastest basketball game ever played in this community.

Lodi has already won one game from the county seat boys, and should they lose this game will be entitled to decide the supremacy of the two teams. If, however, they win they will then only have the Turlock High to compete with for the championship of the San Joaquin valley.

Preliminary to the championship game the Froshman boys' team of the Lodi Union High will play the undefeated Emerson School five. This will certainly be a hard-fought game, as both teams are desirous of winning the contest.

Basketball fans, be sure and come, because the locals need your support to win this game, and besides the admission to both games is only 35 cents.

League officials have been engaged for this game and the teams will line up as follows:

Stockton—Spayd and Patterson, forwards; Prouty, center; Furry and Niestrath, guards.

Lodi—L. Wilkinson and F. Gum, forwards; C. McFarland, center; E. McKenzie and T. Bender, guards; R. Benedict, E. Folendorf and W. Gum, extras.

Attended Installation.—Twenty members of Stockton chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of which there are a number of Lodi members, attended the installation of officers of Modesto chapter Tuesday night. Those who attended from Lodi were W. H. Lorenz, James T. Langford, W. H. Thompson and George W. LeMoine.

NEW SYSTEM OF FIRE ALARMS IS GOOD

J. L. PICKERING WOULD
DIVIDE THE CITY INTO
FOUR DISTRICTS

BELL'S RING WILL CORRESPOND
WITH DISTRICT IN WHICH
FIRE IS LOCATED

James L. Pickering, one of the sub-fire chiefs, has devoted considerable time to the study of fire alarms, and believes that the following system will be of much good in Lodi. He presented his plans at the trustees' meeting Monday night, as follows:

Up to the present time the department, in responding to an alarm, has depended on some one to tell them the location of the fire. Sometimes the information was correct and more often it was not. The result has been confusion and delay on all alarms turned in. With the city divided into districts or precincts, and a special alarm for each, it is believed that this handicap will be removed. The fire districts will be as follows:

District No. 1.—That portion of the city lying east of Sacramento street and north of Pine street.

District No. 2.—That portion of the city lying east of Sacramento street and south of Pine street.

District No. 3.—That portion of the city lying west of Sacramento street and south of Pine street.

District No. 4.—That portion of the city lying west of Sacramento street and north of Pine street.

The plan is to ring the fire bell continuously for about one minute, until the firemen are called, then to ring one bell for District No. 1, two bells for district No. 2, three bells for District No. 3 and four bells for District No. 4. These rings will be timed so that there can be no mistake made in the call.

A sign will be posted at the Tokay arch with this information. All telephone calls for the department will be sent to the Hotel Lodi (Lodi 45) and the alarm turned in by some one on duty there.

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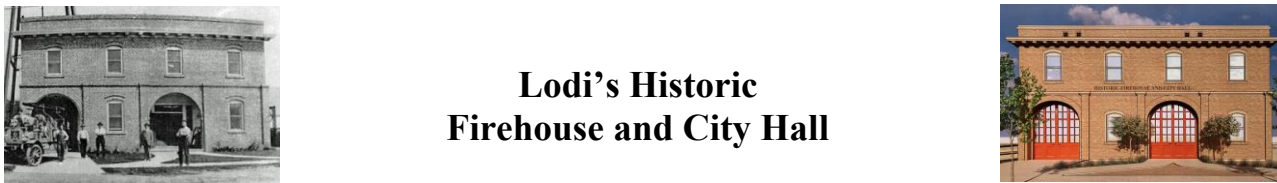
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COLONY IS ENTHUSIASTIC FOR BOOST ORGANIZATION

FIRST MEETING SATURDAY NIGHT WAS WELL ATTENDED

ANOTHER MEETING WILL BE CALLED TO ORGANIZE PERMANENTLY

29 ENTHUSIASTS SHOW THAT A BOARD OF TRADE IS VERY NECESSARY

That those people residing north of the Mokelumne river, in and adjacent to the Christian Colony, want a boost organization to look out for their section was evident at Saturday night's meeting in Layella school house, when 29 enthusiasts gathered to form a board of trade.

Temporary organization was effected by naming J. W. Stuckenbruck, chairman and James T. Langford secretary.

Mr. Stuckenbruck was the main speaker. He dwelt at length upon the need of a board of trade, and showed that if such a body was organized much good would result to the Christian Colony.

Rev. R. A. Neill, pastor of the Christian Colony church, was also an interesting speaker, and outlined a plan of organization that met with approval.

Permanent organization will be effected on Saturday night, February 26, when another meeting will be held at Layella school house. A committee of three—Messrs. E. M. McCausland (chairman), T. R. Burdett and James T. Langford—was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws and present plans for permanent organization. This committee will have a full report at the next meeting.

Interesting talks were given by T. R. Burdett, I. G. Brown, E. M. McCausland and others. Particular stress was laid upon the fact that the Colony receives any advantage it must be through the united efforts of its own people. They cannot expect others to boost for them. The line of argument seemed to imbue those present with the necessity of a board of trade, and it is a foregone conclusion that it is a foregone conclusion.

ANOTHER PIONEER GOES TO REWARD

Word has been received in Lodi of the passing away of Mrs. S. J. Fitzgerald, who died in Los Angeles. Deceased was the widow of J. W. Fitzgerald, who died in Lodi about eight years ago. She was among the early pioneers of this section and had a great many friends here. For some time she has been residing in Los Angeles with her daughter, Mrs. Sam Harris. She was the aunt of Mrs. N. L. Graham, and was about 75 years of age.

SEPTIC TANK IS OBJECT OF COMPLAINT

A very surprising letter, addressed to the city trustees, was read at the meeting Monday night. The communication was from the secretary of the state board of health, and was as follows:

"This office has received information that the city of Lodi has done nothing to get its septic tank in working order and that, as far as being a nuisance, it is in worse condition than it has ever been."

"In view of these statements, I am instructed to request that you take proper action to permanently abate this nuisance at the earliest possible date and furnish this board with a detailed report of existing conditions and the action you expect to take and when you expect to proceed in the matter."

The clerk was instructed to write to the state board of health, instructing it to send a representative to Lodi at its earliest convenience to look into the matter, and to inform the board that it had evidently been misinformed.

About ten days ago Eugene Grunsky, said to be one of the best consulting engineers in the state, and former city engineer of San Francisco, thoroughly inspected the septic tank here. At that time he pronounced them to be in perfect working order, and no improvement was made. He had no comment to make upon the necessity of attempting to improve upon the condition of the same.

Electric Sign Estimates. A number of communications and offers were received from different electrical companies, giving estimates on an electric sign reading "Lodi," to be placed on the Tokay arch. The prices ran from \$100 to \$200. No action was taken.

The Hitching Rack Question. A communication from the Lodi Merchants' association stated that at its last meeting it was the unanimous opinion that the iron hitching racks recently taken out should be replaced as soon as the street work is completed, and that additional hitching racks should be provided for in other business quarters. The reason given was that the merchants depended largely upon country trade from all directions, and it was therefore necessary to provide a place to hitch the horses.

It was argued by members of the board that a better plan could be adopted than placing the hitching racks on the principal business street, for the hitch deteriorated the composition of the pavement and the hitchers would soon stamp holes in same as soon as the weather turned warm.

The city was informed through the office of Eugene D. Graham, county

\$10 PER TON FOR 12 YEARS IS PROPOSITION TO LODI GROWERS

George West & Son Tell of Plan to Convert Tokay Vines into Profit-Bearing Varieties of High-Class Wine Grapes—Scions on Hand to Graft 350 Acres

That Judge P. H. Smith had set the trial of the People vs. John Doe and McNeil, appealed from the recorder's court of the city of Lodi, for January 25th, at 10 o'clock.

This trial relates to a fine imposed upon some men who were selling sawing machines here about a year ago without a license. The firm the men were representing took exception to the fine and put up their bail money, which has been held by the city marshal ever since. The company now has appealed the case to a higher court.

Overcharge Rebated. Frank J. Deity complained that the city had him charged with two and a half months' light and water bill while he was absent from the city. He had just thought to have them shut off before he left, and did not know he would be gone so long. It was decided that but one month's charges should be collected.

Water Heats to Be Fridge? A letter from Superintendent J. D. Brennan of the Southern Pacific company stated that his company would take immediate action to aid in filling up the holes in East Pine street between the Earl and Buck companies' shops. The railroad company delivered two cars of crushed rock for this purpose Monday, and the city joined in aiding to put the roadway in proper shape.

Letters were received from the Earl and Buck companies congratulating and thanking the board for its quick action upon their request.

City Offered Horse Wagons.

The board of the city department of Piedmont, in a communication, stated that city had recently purchased a horse wagon and five free truck, and had no further use for its horse wagons and offered them to the city of Lodi for about half what they were worth. It was remarked that Lodi would also have some horse wagons and trucks, and the city would sell within a short time.

Iron Works Wants Money.

The Byron Jackson Iron Works, "men" had done work at the pumping plant, charging \$7 per day for the same, want their money. The total amount is \$225.85, and Engineer Henderson has given O. K. to the bill. Although the bill has been standing for some time it cannot be paid until it is properly audited.

Building Permits.

The following building permits were granted: J. J. Anderson, shop at his place on East Oak street; Miss Ann Brack, dwelling on South Stockton street, to cost \$2200; Jacob R. Baum, bath-larn on Kilburn street; A. V. and J. Friedberger, store building on North Sacramento street, \$2200; W. A. Brown, dwelling, on South School street, \$850; Ed Spielerman, garage at 227 South School street.

New City Hall.

The specifications of the new city hall were read and approved after a few slight changes in accordance with wishes of the board. "Everything is now in readiness to go ahead with the work, and the matter will be submitted to the competitive bid within a short time."

FLETCHER SNIPES GETS SETTLEMENT

Fletcher Snipes, who was seriously burned at the cream of tartar factory recently, has received a settlement from the company for his injuries. The cream of tartar factory has paid all the expenses incident to the cure of Snipes and has paid him full salary up to March 1st, amounting in all to \$762.

"Knowing that local vintyardists are greatly interested in the plan of George West & Son to relieve the table grape condition and get a better variety of grapes for blending wines, The Sentinel detailed a reporter to interview Louis Wetmore, general manager for the West, Monday morning.

"So far, Wetmore has secured enough vines to graft 250 acres, but will get more if the growers demand them. Mr. Wetmore does not wish the growers to rush headlong into this scheme, but rather desires to see each vintyardist graft only a portion of his vines. Then by waiting for results the growers will determine if they desire to change over any more of their vines.

"Wetmore will contract for a term of 12 years at a price of \$10 per ton.

"It is learned from people who have experimented with these varieties of grapes that the average yield of a young vineyard is about six tons of Petit Syrah and four tons of Alicante Bouschet to the acre. Of course these yields depend greatly upon the quality of the soil in different locations, but it is reasonable to assume that Tokay vines grafted into these varieties will produce about that amount of tonnage the third season after they are grafted."

BEST AUTHORITIES

APPROVE GRAFTING

"In order to gain reliable data," explained Mr. Wetmore, "before attempting to present a plan to the growers, I have taken the matter of grafting Tokay vines onto vine varieties up with the best authorities, for although we were confident that it would be practical to graft in this manner, we were very anxious that no mistakes, that might reflect upon us, shall be made."

A letter addressed to George P. Beveridge, superintendent of the Great Western Vintyards company, which owns 2000 acres in vineyard at Reedley, received an answer approving the method of grafting the vines as already explained in The Sentinel.

"Another letter I wrote to the agriculture experiment station of the University College of agriculture, at Berkeley, and the reply thereto, are as follows:

The Letter.
"Professor Frederic T. Blodgett, University of California, Berkeley, Cal.—Dear Professor: With you would I have a letter telling me how

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NEW MEMBERS FOR THE W. I. CLUB

LIST WILL BE WELL AUG-
MENTED, REPORT OF
COMMITTEES

SATURDAY'S MEETING WILL BE
OF GREAT INTEREST FOR OLD-
AND NEW MEMBERS

The membership committee ap-
pointed at the last meeting of the Wo-
man's Improvement club will have
splendid reports at the next meeting
Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Clark
Snyde on West Oak street. It is ex-
pected that fully 50 names will be
added to the list.

After the new names are turned in
the officers for the coming year will
be elected. That all may have an op-
portunity to vote for their favorite
candidate, the present officers request
that all members—new and old—be
present.

Dues will also be decided upon. It
has been decided that the club will
meet once a month hereafter, the date
to be fixed at Saturday's meeting.

The club-house idea will also be
thoroughly discussed. The members
are very strong for this building, and
will outline the plan of operation at
Saturday's meeting.

CITY HALL TO COST \$3998

CONTRACT LET, BUT LOCATION
FOR NEW CITY HALL NOT
DECIDED UPON

At the meeting of the city trustees
Wednesday night the bid of W. D.
Voorhies & Son on the new city hall
was eliminated from competitive bid
for the reason that it was irregular,
not being accompanied by a certified
check and a sample of brick to be
used in constructing the building was
not submitted. The bid was \$3893 for
a brick structure, and \$3752 for rein-
forced concrete. The only other bid
was that of C. I. Rice, \$3998 for brick
and \$4166 for concrete.

After the Voorhies bid had been
rejected there was much discussion re-
garding the awarding of the contract.
Rice was \$414 higher on the concrete
structure, while the bids on the brick
were almost the same, for in the Voor-
hies' bid it was stated that the bid did
not include bond irons on the brick,
which it was roughly estimated would
cost in the neighborhood of \$100.

The call for bids did not include the
foundation, painting, hardware, plumb-
ing, vault door and wiring, which it
was thought would be done by day
labor and by the city's paid employees,
among whom are a plumber and an
electrician.

It was finally decided to accept the
bid of C. I. Rice for a brick building
for \$3998, although it has not yet been
fully decided just where the structure
will be erected. It is the general be-
lief, however, that it will be construct-
ed on the city's lot near the pumping
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H. B. Lee, nearly 70 years
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TICKETS BY THE EMEN

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TRUSTEES DECREE THAT LODI DOGS MUST BE MUZZLED

The proposition of granting the Central California Traction company a franchise to build a switch at the corner of Sacramento and Lockeford streets to enable it to haul fruit from the California Fruit exchange shed brought forth much argument at the first meeting of the city trustees in the new municipal building. John F. Stofn, in behalf of the property owners in North Lodi, stated that he couldn't see why the Traction company should be granted a franchise to make a switch yard off Lodi's main street. It would decrease the value of property in that district and greatly inconvenience traffic. J. W. Essminger, E. W. Spencer, E. E. Deaver and Allison Ware expressed themselves similarly.

H. A. Mitchell of the Traction company stated that it was simply a business proposition with his company, and any business man would do the same thing. He said the Traction company would buy the land if it could, but as it was public property it was unable to do so.

Mayor Lawrence told him that as the board had no legal advice on the subject it could do nothing. He didn't know whether the board had a right to act in the matter, as the property involved was public. The matter was laid on the table until further knowledge concerning it could be had.

The board of health addressed a communication to the trustees asking them to pass an ordinance compelling owners to muzzle dogs. The communication stated that the head of a dog from Lodi, supposed to have had the rabies, was sent to W. J. Sawyer at the state university, and he stated that the dog had rabies, and urged the trustees to pass an ordinance to compel dog owners to muzzle the animals. The clerk was instructed to notify the city attorney to draw up an ordinance.

The City Street Improvement company's petition that it be granted the right to have Oak street from Sacramento to School brought forth considerable discussion. The petition failed to state the width of the proposed street. The matter will be taken up and settled at a special meeting tonight.

The Merchants' association, through Trustee Blodgett, asked that it be permitted to send a committee to confer with the trustees on the proposition of passing an ordinance to prohibit street fairs from operating in this city. Dr. Blodgett was instructed to request the committee to meet with the trustees tonight.

It was decided to extend the sewer and water systems in the Burr addition 1008 feet to supply seven houses in that district. The cost will be \$581. Work will start immediately.

P. J. Beary asked about the prospects of getting water in the Barnhart tract. As the street committee

has not been able to get in its report he was not given an answer.

Frank J. Henning, secretary of the merchants' association, addressed a letter to the board asking that the association receive support against the promiscuous distribution of bills and other literature. The matter was referred to the marshal.

The fire department asked the board to purchase a combination chemical engine and an auto hose truck, but the city hasn't enough money.

The fire escape ordinance, making it a misdemeanor for any one to make a two-story public building not having the proper means of exit, was laid on the table until next Monday as the firemen wish to thoroughly inspect it at the meeting Friday.

Marshal Coleman and Sewer Inspector Hepper were granted a leave of absence for a period of two weeks, and instructed to appoint substitutes.

The following building permits were granted: H. E. Welch, concrete residence in Larson's Plus street addition, \$2500; C. L. Tazari, dwelling on East Lodi avenue, \$2200; Leon McClung, to remodel home on Church street.

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YOUNG FOLKS AT BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Geraldine Scott entertained a few friends at her home on Cherokee lane Thursday afternoon, in honor of her 11th birthday. The afternoon was spent in playing games and guessing contests, followed by ice cream, cake, candy and nuts.

Those who enjoyed the afternoon were Misses Thelma McCoy, Ferna Sjosten, Ethel and Bernice McCoy, Ethel and Olive Jewell, Vyvian Lehman, Helen Gilmore, Sarah Theresa Blumeyer, Geraldine and Evelyn Scott; Masters Walter McCoy, Donald Lasell, Vernon Lehman, Elbert McCoy, Lawrence Werly, Everett Gilmore and Sherwood Scott.

FINISH GARAGE BY SEPTEMBER FIRST

Work is progressing rapidly on the Sierra Auto garage building and will be completed by the 1st of September. The workmen are now installing the steel roof trusses, which are the largest in this city. The building is 60 by 94 feet, and when completed will be the largest and best equipped garage in Northern San Joaquin.

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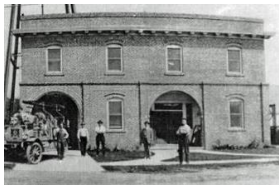
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