

OVER A MILLION FOR STOCKHOLDERS

It Was a Record Year for Los Angeles Bank Clearings and Great Earnings Shown.

UNCLE SAM AFTER SANTA FE.

All the Important News of the Week
In "The City of the Angels" and
Southern California.

Special Correspondence.

Los Angeles Jan. 3.—Bank clearings in this city broke all previous records last year. With just an even half hour of trading institutions capitalized for nearly \$7,500,000, the total for the year 1906 was \$75,655,517, against \$73,855,298 for 1905, a gain of \$1,800,219. The clearings for December were \$52,715,300, an increase of \$10,874,101 over the corresponding month in 1905.

Nearly all Los Angeles banks declare either semi-annual or quarterly dividends on the first of the year.

The disbursements to the stockholders will be close to \$380,000. The deposits in these 50 banks will run to very near \$65,000,000. The savings banks hold close to \$40,000,000 of deposits and on these there will be a dividend to depositors amounting to 2 per cent, or a total of \$800,000 in dividends to depositors.

The distribution to depositors and stockholders will therefore amount to considerably over \$1,600,000.

Following is the Los Angeles clearing house showing by months in 1906, together with comparison with the two preceding years:

	1906.	1905.	1904.
Jan.	\$4,533,829	\$3,450,280	\$2,814,793
Feb.	4,283,827	3,187,510	2,523,556
Mar.	5,188,379	3,840,532	2,886,281
Apr.	5,029,948	4,022,421	2,706,922
May	4,732,065	4,240,261	2,855,943
June	4,559,050	3,932,342	2,804,293
July	4,487,143	4,273,533	2,795,843
Aug.	4,617,178	4,199,333	2,658,683
Sept.	4,912,517	4,030,239	2,417,533
Oct.	5,041,109	4,098,193	2,729,635
Nov.	5,627,190	4,674,821	3,435,180
Dec.	62,715,300	41,836,229	27,500,250

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The showing by quarters is as follows:

	1906.	1905.	1904.
First quarter	\$14,306,076	\$10,456,384	\$8,283,603
Second quarter	14,249,064	10,026,034	8,323,129
Third quarter	13,097,839	12,393,636	7,847,119
Fourth quarter	15,728,528	12,897,244	9,285,074

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Following are the clearing house totals for the last 12 years:

	1906.	1905.	1904.
1906	\$75,655,517	\$49,985,298	\$34,343,951
1905	73,855,298	68,455,671	47,985,298
1904	68,455,671	64,343,951	47,985,298
1903	64,343,951	60,232,109	47,985,298
1902	60,232,109	56,120,267	47,985,298
1901	56,120,267	52,008,425	47,985,298
1900	52,008,425	47,896,583	47,985,298
1899	47,896,583	43,784,741	47,985,298
1898	43,784,741	39,672,899	47,985,298
1897	39,672,899	35,561,057	47,985,298
1896	35,561,057	31,449,215	47,985,298
1895	31,449,215	27,337,373	47,985,298

Nine of the financial institutions have national charters and do the bulk of the commercial banking of the city. Their capital stock amounts to \$4,350,000, and the surplus and undivided profits to \$1,170,000. The deposits in these national banks will pass \$50,000,000.

WORKING ON REBATES.

The United States grand jury has resumed its investigation of the Santa Fe freight records. The personal expenses of G. A. Davidson, the Santa Fe auditor is now largely disregarded by the investigators. What United States Attorney Lawler seeks are written records from the railroad offices and all other lines of investigation have been abandoned to get them. So far, only a few of the vouchers, way bills, etc., which the district attorney is pursuing have been produced.

Mr. Davidson's friends say he is now appearing before the grand jury solely to present either the records of his office or excuses for not getting them. There have been more excuses than anything else, so far, but the railroad officials to be hauled into court again and again, while his subordinates are under his direction until better results are reached.

Mr. Lawler's persistent attempts to get access to the Santa Fe's own books are the result of a statement from



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grand jury members concerning the kind of evidence acceptable. An indictment must be based on figures taken from the railroad books which indicate rebates. Personal evidence is discredited and less and less of it is being admitted as evidence at all.

Both Judge Wellborn and Judge Rose have confirmed the United States attorney's right to assume command over the corporation's premises and carry on a search for evidence by force, if necessary, has enabled Mr. Lawler to threaten extremists if his requests are ignored or evaded.

SPECTACLE OF SPLENDOR.

The annual tournament of roses held at Pasadena on New Year's day was a spectacle of regal brilliancy. The rose reign supreme in the state pageant and thousands cheered the chariot of the parade was unequaled by anything in the past of its kind. In the evening at Hotel Green, the tournament ball was held, with a cosmopolitan throng of 800 in attendance, including social leaders, flower girls, athletes, "broncho busters," "tent peggers," etc. The queen of the fete, Mrs. Elmer F. Woodbury, led the grand march, first proclaiming welcome from her mock throne. The large ballroom was decorated with huge garlands of roses and festoons of smilax.

CAT SHOW AT SAN DIEGO.

At cat show will be held at San Diego in the near future. A delegation of eight local women and twenty-one cats will be sent from this city by the Southern California Cat club. Special Agent James M. Abbott of the Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast division of the government office at public road inquiries, is in the city to take active part in the development of good roads in southern California. Mr. Abbott has made a special study of the efficiency of petroleum as a road building factor. He is expected to be in Mr. Abbott's opinion, destined to become the most famous highway in the world, and he will give it special attention.

DEATH OF A FORTY-NINER.

Funeral services for Andrew Wesley Shipley, 882 East Forty-sixth street, were held last Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock from St. Luke's church. Mr. Shipley was 81 years old. He was a forty-niner, but returned to his native state, Maryland, in 1855, where he was active in politics until his return to this city in 1883. He is survived by a widow, a daughter, Mrs. Carrie York, and two sons, William and A. L. Shipley, all residents of Los Angeles.

Adolph Hermansen, the adderman who fell from the fifth story of the Cohn-Goldwater building last Saturday night while fighting the flames which caused a large damage, died on Monday afternoon at the Oranienburg hospital. Deceased was married only a short time ago. The money loss is estimated at \$250,000.

CARS STOP ON NEAR SIDE.

All street cars in this city now stop only on the near side of all intersecting streets and at special places where neighborhoods are placed on streets paved with asphalt cars stop far enough back not to obstruct the cross walk and on unpaved streets with front steps opposite the near cross walk.

ANOTHER COLONY TRACT.

Under the auspices of the Home Extension association, another big grain and grazing ranch will soon be settled with hundreds of families. The special committee sent out by the Home Extension club to report on the Waco lands, about twenty-five miles north of Bakersfield, has filed a unanimous opinion for the selection of those lands as the location of the fourth Home Extension colony. The tract consists of between 5,000 and 8,000 acres adjacent to and including the towns of Waco.

A NEW WINTER MELON.

O. D. Whittle, a local horticulturist, has produced a new winter melon, which he claims will eventually revolutionize the melon industry. The new hy-

brid, a blend of the casaba or pineapple melon, the pomegranate and muscat grape, is oblong in shape and weighs 10½ pounds. It is a pomegranate in color, with a greenish yellow skin and a deep orange color, marked with patches and stripes of dark green.

NEW APARTMENT HOUSE.

Plans have been prepared by Architect Long for an eight-story reinforced concrete apartment house, to contain 300 rooms, which it is said a syndicate of Los Angeles capitalists is figuring on erecting on one of the corners at Tenth and Hope streets. The estimated cost of the structure is \$300,000.

MINER HICKS IS HERE.

L. B. Hicks, the miner who was rescued after his entombment of nearly 14 days, is here exhibiting himself. He is accompanied by Harry Linville, who was the man at the pipe which kept life in Hicks while his rescuers worked to reach him. Hicks shows no evidences of his recent ordeal.

SNOW STORM AT BAKERSFIELD.

For the first time in 10 years, a snow storm visited Bakersfield, Cal., last Monday. A fierce wind and rain, followed by large flakes of snow fell. Throughout the country rain was general. The mountain districts received heavy snow.

Architect J. K. Taylor will provide 10,000 more feet of floor space than called for by the original plans for the new federal building here. A change in the original plan, Indiana or Wyoming gray or buff sandstone is probable.

AN EXAMPLE OF PAVING.

A heavy truck of the Pioneer Truck Co., loaded with material, through the paper-like sheeting of asphalt at Main and Fourth streets last Monday morning, and was mired to the hubs. A movement of the truck was made here by health officers and physicians to defeat the plans of all interests that have brought carloads of impure foods into California.

AGAINST RACE TRACK DRINK.

A movement to have all legislation permitting gambling and liquor selling at Ascot park annulled, was introduced at the meeting of the prohibition union at Mammoth hall last Sunday afternoon. A petition to the city council, asking that all legislation favorable to the Ascot park be annulled, was largely signed. Some of the best temperance speakers have been engaged to address the union at meetings during the season.

Chief of Police Kern has ordered patrolmen to enforce the sweeping ordinance, which states that sidewalks in front of all stores in the downtown district must be kept clear of all obstructions. It is the morning, this ordinance has been violated until its good effect has been entirely lost.

RAIN HAMPERED BARBECUE.

Rain put a damper on the big barbecue and celebration last Monday at Long Beach, a suburb of this city, held by the Independent Order of Foresters of California. About 3,000 visitors braved the storm. Twenty beehives had been cooked to feed the expected crowd, so there was plenty drawn up, and the program of sports was carried out in part.

Mrs. Frances M. Dorris, wife of A. P. Dorris, a wealthy banker of Harrisburg, Pa., is suing for the appointment of a guardian for her. The petition asks that Mrs. Kate M. Pickett of Riverside, mother of Mrs. Dorris, be named as guardian. The contention is made that Mrs. Dorris is mentally incompetent.

FIREMEN'S FUND APPROVED.

The plan of the members of the fire department to organize the Firemen's Relief association for the benefit of the members has been officially endorsed by the city board of directors. About \$2,500 in the relief fund now administered by the fire board and the board agreed to turn this over to the firemen if the city attorney will give his approval to the plan.

Negotiations for the sale of the interests of the California Development company in the Imperial valley are off. The California Development company officials have been informed that their president and engineer are going ahead with the repairing of the Yuma dam. The money is being furnished by the Southern Pacific, and is held in trust for that corporation by the California Development company. Prospects for an early settlement between the ranchers and the California Development company are not bright.

RAINS MAY DAMAGE ORANGES.

Orange growers fear that the rain will seriously damage the growing crop in addition to the damage done for a week or more. Rain at this stage of the development of the fruit causes too rapid growth, and both oranges and lemons become too large, pithy and puffed. The fruit that has matured in the last six weeks already have had a bad effect and it is asserted that the eastern market will soon be flooded with over-sized oranges. Last season marked down over-sized fruit fully 25 per cent, and it is feared that, on account of the larger production this year, the price will be further scaled, probably 35 or 50 per cent.

It will be another week before extensive shipments are resumed.

GASOLINE AND KEROSENE FAMINE.

The famine in high grade kerosene and high grade gasoline has existed in Los Angeles for more than two weeks. Wholesale dealers in these commodities state that they are unable to account for the failure of the Standard Oil company to deliver to the local market any high grade household oils. It is believed by some that the Standard Oil company is getting ready to further increase prices of high grade kerosene and gasoline, and the failure to supply the market patrons in Los Angeles is but a step in that direction.

OSTEOPATHY LAW KNOCKED OUT.

Judge James has ended the war that waged bitterly between the two osteopathic institutions here. By declaring unconstitutional the act creating the state board of osteopathic examiners he has given a long sought victory to the Los Angeles school of osteopathy, and the alleged monopoly of the Pacific school has been broken. The decision gives every graduate of an incorporated osteopathic school the right to practice in the state of California.

CARLOAD OF IOWANS ARRIVE.

A special car bearing 30 business men and stockholders and their families of Newell, Iowa, arrived in Los Angeles New Year's morning over the Salt Lake Route.

The party visited in Salt Lake City and most of the members proceeded to Wheatland, Colo., on their arrival here. The Iowans will remain here all winter and several expect to make their permanent homes in Los Angeles, and adjacent cities. Fire insurance companies have taken steps to cut down their liabilities in the business section of the city. Residence sections are not affected by the horizontal line of 15 per cent in the rates. This rate is not confined to California alone, but is general throughout the east.

DIPLOMAT SPOKE ON CANAL.

John Barret, the newly elected director of the International Bureau of American Republics, spoke before the American League club at a banquet New Year's eve. He is for Washington to enter the gut of his directorship New Year's night. The distinguished speaker electrified his hearers with

his views on the Japanese situation and he urged trust in President Roosevelt.

MORE NOISE THAN USUAL.

It was indeed a noisy welcome that greeted the New Year at midnight in this city. It was a cold night. Everywhere, but particularly in the business district, the noise of horns, screaming of whistles, firing of revolvers and shouting of throngs added to the blitheness of the night-seven babies. New Year's eve was given over to good old California revelry.

NURSE FINDS JEWELRY.

Rosemary Gless, the opera singer of Salt Lake City, is believed here to be the rightful owner of jewelry found in a "plant" by thieves. The hiding place was the garden of Dr. Wolbourn's hospital, 950 South Olive street. In passing across the large lawn last Sunday morning a nurse saw papers scattered about the grass. With a small shovel she began to dig and soon came to the jewelry. Unknowing it upon a large package. Unknowing it, she found that it contained a divorce decree and a hand bag. She continued digging and turned up another package, which proved to be a small purse filled with cash and jewelry. The police have no clue as to the identity of the person who hid the jewelry.

SUBWAY PERMITS ISSUED.

Waiving the time limit restriction the city council has passed ordinances granting to the Los Angeles-Pacific Railway permits for four miles of subway from Fourth and Hill streets to the city limits west of Pico street. Legal advice requested on beach front. The city has no right to demand any cuts to the beaches outside of the city proper.

BRYAN DUE THIS MONTH.

William Jennings Bryan and wife will arrive here on Jan. 28 to remain several days. They will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Cox, Jr., at their home on Broadway.

The second annual exhibition of the Poultry Breeders' association of southern California opened at Chutes park Sunday. It is a most successful program in the line of western poultry shows. About 1,500 birds are being exhibited.

HELD A NEW YEARS SOCIAL.

Under the auspices of the Mutual Improvement association, 100 or more people enjoyed themselves on New Year's night at the mission church in Tenth street. The gathering was purely social and a musical program was carried out, after which games were played. Ice cream and cake was served.

Ex-State Senator Joseph C. Rich of Salt Lake City was the principal speaker at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in West Tenth street, last Sunday. The service was largely attended. Mr. Rich, accompanied by his wife, is spending the winter here. They are guests of Mrs. Hooper of Seventh street. Mr. Rich is ex-judge of the Fifth Idaho legislative district.

GUESTS AT SABBATH DINNER.

Mrs. Eliza Wolcott, whom older residents of Salt Lake City will remember as the "Mother of missionary work" in Los Angeles, tendered a Sabbath dinner to the president of the city last Sunday. Those present were President and Mrs. J. E. Robinson, Mrs. M. S. Horne, Alexander Pyper and wife, Mr. Charles Pike, Mrs. Mollie Wolcott and daughter. The dinner was served at the home of Mrs. Wolcott, Court and Grand avenues.

Mr. Charles Pike, manager of the local branch of the McDonald Candy company, left for Salt Lake City last Monday to attend an important business meeting of his firm in that city. He is expected back in a few days.

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VISITED SAN BERNARDINO.

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Singing by the congregation; prayer by Judge J. C. Rich; selection by Golden State Mandolin club; recitation by Isetta Johnson; duet by Elder Lorenzo Smith and Mrs. Simco; "A Letter to Santa Claus" read by Master Ferrelle Martin; instrumental selection by Mrs. Ina Simco; recitation by Barbara and Ora Johnson; recitation, Verna Pollock; vocal solo, Ella Smith; recitation, Zona Pollock; recitation, Walter Pollock; vocal solo, Mrs. Simco; benediction, Presiding Elder James Peacock.

WILL SPEND WINTER HERE.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bransford, Mrs. W. M. Bransford and Mrs. Ellen Blood, also Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wood and family of Salt Lake City, are guests here for the winter. All have apartments at the Lankershim hotel.

Salt Lake and Utah residents registered at Los Angeles hotels this week follow:

Lankershim—H. C. Wood and wife, family and maid, Salt Lake City; J. S. Bransford and wife, Salt Lake City; Mrs. W. M. Bransford, Salt Lake City; Mrs. Ellen Blood, Salt Lake City. The Angelus—W. Cullen and wife, Ogden; Mrs. J. S. Lewis and mother, Ogden; Mrs. E. J. Pihay, Salt Lake City; Mr. E. B. Hall, Salt Lake City; William Ochs, Salt Lake City; A. D. Bailey, Salt Lake City.

Rosslyn—Hugh Garpin, Salt Lake City; James S. Bishop, Salt Lake City; J. A. Enker and wife, Salt Lake City; Charles Hengartner, Salt Lake City; M. Merrill and son, Salt Lake City; W. L. Brown, Salt Lake City; Laura C. Dawson, Salt Lake City; R. H. Stanley and wife, Salt Lake City; William M. Morris, Salt Lake City; O. F. Riebel, Salt Lake City.

Hollenbeck—William Bowen, Salt Lake City; Mrs. E. C. Francis and son, Salt Lake City; Mrs. A. M. Ruml, Salt Lake City; Miss Marion Bateman, Salt Lake City; E. J. Jeremy and wife, Salt Lake City; Miss Louise Hodges, Salt Lake City; J. P. Thomas, Salt Lake City; George L. Mackenzie, Salt Lake City; J. M. Cause, Ogden; E. B. Koch, Salt Lake City; J. W. Cohen, Salt Lake City.

Natick—J. E. Henderson, Ogden; J. A. Ward, Salt Lake City; E. B. Moss, Ogden; O. P. Ferguson, Ogden. Westminster—John C. Cutler, Salt Lake City; L. O. Shattuck, Salt Lake City. Alexandria—A. L. Goldie, Salt Lake City. Hayward—Mrs. F. G. Luke, Salt Lake City. Nadeau—D. D. Babcock, Salt Lake City. H. K. SILVERSMITH.

F. Auerbach & Bros.' cut price clearance sale starts Monday morning. Read page 32, magazine section.

BOYS' CLOTHING COMES VERY HIGH

Expert Testimony on the Cost
Per Annum to Garb Two
Youngsters.

RANGES FROM \$460 TO \$40.25.

Some Statements Made Before Judge
Morse That Are of Interest to
Heads of Families.

The question of the necessary cost of clothing two boys, 8 and 10 years old, was considered in Judge Morse's court yesterday afternoon during the hearing on the motion of James C. Arnold to reduce the alimony which he pays to his divorced wife, Emma Arnold Matthews, for the support of their two children. Arnold has been paying his wife \$30 per month for the children and he claims that since her marriage her present husband has been using the money furnished by him for the children.

Expert testimony was offered on both sides as to the cost of clothing the boys. Mrs. Matthews declared that there was no reason for the boys wearing cheap clothes when their father did not do so. She figured out a schedule, which showed that it would cost \$460 to board and clothe the boys for a year. Arnold on the other hand had a friend of his who is a hackdriver testify in his behalf. The hackdriver stated that he has two boys the same ages as the Arnold boys, and he submitted an itemized statement showing that it cost only \$40.25 to clothe them for a year.

FIGURES RIDICULOUS.

Mrs. Matthews introduced the boys in evidence and showed the court that they were well dressed and cared for. After the inspection the court decided that the figures presented by Mrs. Matthews were ridiculous, while those presented by Arnold's friends were not much better. However he reduced the amount of alimony from \$30 to \$12 per month for the board of the children and instructed Mrs. Matthews to file a requisition with the clerk of the court each month for clothing for the boys and Mr. Arnold would be compelled to pay it.

TEMPORARY ALIMONY.

The motion for temporary alimony in the sum of \$50 per month for plaintiff in the case of Irene M. Noonan against James A. Noonan was granted by Judge Morse. Mrs. Noonan asks for a divorce on the ground of desertion and permanent alimony. The court decided that the defendant will have to pay alimony in the sum given above.

DEFENDANT RESTRAINED.

The court issued a restraining order in the case of Susie Rynearson against Wilford Rynearson to enjoin defendant from withdrawing any of his money.

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