

COAST HAPPENINGS MIRRORED HERE

BRIEF OUTLINE OF CURRENT EVENTS ON THE PACIFIC SLOPE

Condensed Resume of the Week's Happenings
Covering Events of Interest From Nearby
Places—Will Allow Rapid Scanning

New Grape Pest Appears

DINUBA, Cal., March 24.—Vineyardists of the Alta district are worried over the appearance of a new grape pest, a hitherto unknown variety of cutworm.

New U. S. Submarine Launched

SEATTLE, March 24.—U. S. submarine K-4 was launched Saturday. It was christened by Mrs. J. P. Oldring, wife of the navy lieutenant who will command the vessel.

Mary Garden Mourns "Coast"

SAN FRANCISCO, March 24.—"Wiping out the Barbary Coast did away with the most interesting place in this city," so said Mary Garden, the cantatrice, on her arrival here.

Receives 2000 Volts in Eye

SANTA ROSA, March 24.—Neil McAuliffe, an employe of the Pacific Gas and Electric company, received a 2000-volt flash in the eyes while looking over the fuses at the station. He may lose his eyesight.

Franchise Taxes Overdue

SACRAMENTO, March 24.—Two thousand and ninety-four corporations were declared delinquent in a proclamation issued by Governor Johnson, as the corporations have failed to pay their franchise taxes.

Ten Kinds of Fruit on Tree

PASADENA, March 24.—A navel orange tree on which has been grafted ten varieties of citrus fruits is growing in one of the garden plots at the high school. The tree is doing well, but is not yet in bearing.

California Wines Invade France

SAN DIEGO, March 24.—Fifteen thousand gallons of claret and other California wines will be taken aboard the French cruiser Montcalm. Two thirds of this amount has arrived by boat from San Francisco. The ship will go to Toulon, France, via Panama and the Straits of Magellan.

Postals to Decide Plant

SANTA MONICA, March 24.—Mayor Dudley and the water committee of the city council mailed postcards to every voter in the city. Should the majority of the postcards returned favor the establishing of a municipal water plant a special election will be called and the city bonded for \$200,000.

Battle Over School Bonds

REDONDO BEACH, March 24.—The proposed \$150,000 union high school bond issue to be voted upon at the special election is the storm center of a big fight involving the Redondo Beach and Grant school districts. Because it is proposed that the new school shall be located in Redondo, opposition to the bonds has developed at Manhattan and Hermosa, whose people want the school built at either of these places.

Aliens Barred from Concessions

VENICE, March 24.—Under the suggestion of Trustee Gerrity, which met with the approval of every other member of the board, City Attorney Hanna will draft an ordinance under which it will be impossible for any one who is not a citizen of the United States to get a license in this city to conduct any business where a license is required. The board of trustees has also decided that it will not grant any more licenses for lunch wagons within the fire limits.

PASADENA BARS SMOKING ON STREET CARS

PASADENA, March 24.—Smoking on the street cars in Pasadena will be prohibited by an ordinance which passed its first reading in the Pasadena board of city commissioners by a vote of 4 to 1. Attorney Harry Tichnor, representing the cigar dealers of Pasadena, announced immediately after the vote was taken that the referendum petition would be prepared at once and declared that there would be no trouble in obtaining the necessary 10 per cent of the voters to hold up the ordinance. There was hearty cheering and applause from the crowd of no-smoking advocates when the vote was taken. The advocates of smoking on the cars made no demonstration.

FUTURE WARSHIPS COTTON-ARMORED, IS SOUTH'S BOAST

WASHINGTON, March 24.—Battle-ships of the future will be cotton-plated instead of armor-plated, if a plan submitted to the secretary of the navy by Col. Thornton of Hickory, N. C., materializes. Thornton informed the secretary of the navy he had perfected a species of projectile-proof armor out of cotton, but that he does not care at the present time to divulge details of the secret process.

LONGEST RAILROAD IN WORLD NOW OPENED

LOS ANGELES, March 24.—Cable advice to D. F. Robertson, manager steamship agency, California savings bank, and local agent for the Trans-Siberian railway, announce that the new railway from Tsingtau, China, to Peking was opened for passengers March 18. Passengers can now proceed from Peking by the world's longest railroad, a distance of 6410 miles, through the finest scenery in the world. Californians can now travel around the world from Los Angeles in thirty-eight days.

ESTIMATE COST OF REPAIRING COUNTY ROADS

LOS ANGELES, March 24.—Following is the estimated damage to the county roads, totaling \$73,500: Chatsworth road, \$50; San Fernando road, \$1200; Hollywood-Lankershim road, \$100; Sunset boulevard, \$250; San Vicente boulevard, \$100; Washington boulevard, \$50; Redondo-Wilmington road, \$200; Harbor boulevard, \$5000; Long Beach boulevard, \$12,000; Compton-Clearwater road, \$6000; Downey-Clearwater road, \$350; Long Beach-Naples road, \$50; Vernon-Downey road, \$2000; Telegraph-Laguna road, \$800; Whittier boulevard, \$600; Pasadena avenue, \$150; Huntington drive, \$50; San Gabriel boulevard, \$17,500; Pomona boulevard, \$3750; Covina boulevard, \$2500; Foothill boulevard, \$3100; Sierra Madre avenue, \$75; Huntington drive (east), \$4000; Altadena drive, \$1800; Citrus avenue, \$3100; La Canada-Verdugo road, \$300; Eagle Rock-Pasadena road, \$3750; Avenue 64, \$250; Lankershim-Burbank road, \$500; Sunset boulevard, \$250; Santa Monica boulevard, \$25; La Brea avenue, \$550; Nevada avenue, \$150; Electric avenue, \$225; Cherry avenue, \$175; San Gabriel-El Monte road, \$2000.

THE STORK WAS TOO BUSY FOR EMPLOYER

WAUPUN, Wis., March 24.—Six years ago the Loomans Lumber company promised John Howard, an employe, that with every arrival of the stork his pay would be increased. At the end of a year the first baby arrived. The next year twins arrived, and the following year brought two more babies. At the end of the fourth year President Rossman smiled only faintly as he signed the pay check, and at the end of the fifth year he smiled not a whit. The stork on Wednesday brought triplets. Then the employer applied the recall to his promise.

SHIP BREAKS DOWN AT SEA; 296 ABOARD

HAMBURG, Germany, March 23.—The Hamburg-American Steamship company's steamer Batavia, bound from this port to Baltimore with 296 passengers aboard, broke down at sea. A wireless from the vessel stated that both the hand and steam steering gear of the vessel are helpless. The captain says he will have the repairs completed by tomorrow night, when the steamer will proceed to Ponta Del Gara, in the Azores.

\$956,436 PAID IN UNDER MOTOR LAW

\$1,000,000 MARK WILL BE PASSED BY END OF MONTH

Car Total Now 83,707, Motorcycles 14,771, With 91,951 Operators' Licenses—Last Plates Arrive Friday

SACRAMENTO, March 24.—The total receipts from all registrations under the motor vehicle law are now close to \$1,000,000. State Treasurer Roberts reported that the money so far received from all classes of applications amounts to \$956,436. By the end of the month it is expected that the million dollar mark will be passed. The automobile registrations now total 83,707; the total of operators' licenses, for which no charge is made by the state, is 91,951. Motorcycles have been registered to 14,771, and the chauffeur licenses total 11,401.

Within thirty days at least the 100,000 mark in automobile registrations will be passed. Estimates of the total registration of automobiles range up to 130,000 for the year. This is in marked comparison with the original order for 100,000 sets of automobile plates. The last carload of plates, completing the original order, will arrive in Sacramento Friday. This will consist of 15,000 sets of plates.

Superintendent Ormsby said that, contrary to the original estimate, the number of automobile dealers in California had been found to be 750, instead of 500. This is taken as an indication of the tremendous growth of the business in California. That the law is being generally observed is indicated by the very small number of arrests reported. In fact, until the state officials announce finally that all registrations have gone through the proper channels, it is not expected that there will be a vigorous campaign on the part of the officials to round up the very small number of delinquents.

As soon as the state officials are in position to give the matter attention there will be close attention paid to reported infractions of the law. Officials will watch closely all phases of the law in operation, as it is probable that many amendments will be offered at the next legislature. Already a suggestion has been made that weight instead of horsepower be made the basis of taxation.

ONE COUNTY PRECINCT HAS BUT ONE VOTER

AVALON, March 24.—The county registrar of voters has changed the name of this precinct from Catalina to Avalon precinct. It has about 250 voters. The rest of the island, outside the city limits, will be called Catalina precinct, and at present contains only one voter, Charles A. Wilson, Republican.

SWALLOWS BUTTON LOSES APPENDIX

CHICAGO, March 24.—"Safety first," said Harry Spickerman, an office employe of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, as he placed one of the company's "safety first" buttons in his mouth. Then he swallowed the button. It was attached to a brass pin and Spickerman was taken to a hospital, where both the button and his appendix were removed. The surgeon asserted Spickerman would have died in a month if he had not swallowed the button, as his appendix was treble its natural size and he was in a dangerous condition.

16,750 BALES COTTON GINNED AT CALEXICO

CALEXICO, March 24.—Approximately 16,750 bales of cotton have been ginned by Calexico's two gins. Cotton growers estimate that by two weeks more practically all of the cotton of this crop will be in and ginned. However, according to reports from growers, it is likely that the season will be much longer next season, as it is at this late time in the season new bolls are opening and cotton fields are continuing to appear white.

ARBITRATION TREATY WITH SPAIN SIGNED

WASHINGTON, March 24.—Secretary Bryan and Senor Riano, the Spanish ambassador, signed the final ratification of the general arbitration treaty between the two countries agreed to recently by the senate. The exchange merely was the formal acknowledgment of acceptance by Spain and the United States.

CALIFORNIA IS STATE OF VARIED INDUSTRIES

FIRST ORANGE DAY CELEBRATION BRINGS ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT GOLDEN STATE PRODUCTS LEAD ALL OTHERS

California Leads Whole Country in Production of Barley, Sugar Beets, Alfalfa, Lima Beans, French Prunes, Apricots, Wines, Raisin Grapes, Celery, Mustard Seed, Petroleum, Gold and Precious Stones

The success attending the celebration of California's first Orange day, and resulting in a splendid advertisement throughout the United States of the citrus industry of the Golden State, has brought attention to the fact that California stands at the head of all the States of the Union, not alone in the growing of citrus fruits, but in many other products of the soil.

For instance, it might be interesting for the rest of the country to be informed that California's average barley crop is greater than that of any other state in the Union, and is almost one-quarter of the total production of the United States.

Equally interesting is the fact that the sugar beet industry is greater in California—and confined chiefly to the southern portion—than that of any other state of the Union.

From five to eight crops of alfalfa are grown every year. The weather conditions of the southern section of the state are so favorable for alfalfa that the planting and harvesting of this grain practically is continuous.

California produces almost the entire world's supply of Lima beans. This crop is confined almost exclusively to several counties in Southern California, bordering on the Pacific ocean.

This state produces almost the entire world's supply of French prunes, and it exports more than does France, which is California's nearest competitor.

In the growing of apricots California leads the world, and its peach, plum and other fruit orchards are famous, while certain districts in Southern California are becoming known for their splendid apples, and the California cherries are the first to reach the Eastern markets.

In Southern California exists the largest vineyard in the world. This state as a whole produces most of the wine for the United States, and the annual yield of raisins exceeds 100,000,000 pounds.

Imperial valley has added to its fame by supplying the country with the choicest of cantaloupes, while the cotton industry of that section of Southern California has become an important industry.

The greatest celery fields of the world are in Southern California, and from these fields the East receives this vegetable for its Christmas dinner.

Vegetables of all kinds are certain crops, and a large percentage of the garden truck grows the year 'round.

One Southern California valley produces almost the entire supply of mustard seed for the United States.

California produces half the English walnuts consumed in the United States, while the demand for California olives exceeds the supply, although this industry has had a wonderful growth during the past few years.

California each year sells approximately \$20,000,000 worth of lumber, and clips nearly 15,000,000 pounds of wool.

In the production of petroleum California leads the entire world. The output in 1913 was approximately 100,000,000 barrels, which was about 63 per cent of the production of the whole world.

California leads in the production of gold and precious stones, and is near the top in the output of copper and silver, while it has great deposits of iron and other minerals that await development.

California has ranked second to New York only in the development of electric power, and by reason of important works recently completed there is a possibility that the Golden State now stands at the head of the list in this respect.

California contains 153,650 square miles, or an area equal to that of New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Vermont, Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut and Ohio.

The population of these combined states is about 27,000,000, while that of California is approximately 2,400,000.

Combining and comparing the area and population of California with those of the states named, the record of production of California not only is remarkable in itself, but stupendous, when the possibilities of the state are considered when the population shall have reached a figure equal to that of even one of the most populous of the Eastern states.

MOVING BOG, MILES IN AREA, TRAVELS

CARRICK-ON-SHANNON, Ireland, March 23.—A quaking mass of bog several square miles in area is on the move in the neighborhood of Carrick, and the panic-stricken inhabitants of the countryside are fleeing before the threatening disaster.

The bog slide has been brought about by abnormal rains. Many thousands of acres in the counties of Galway, Leitrim and Roscommon are submerged, and the roads are impassable except in boats. The people in many instances have been isolated from communication with their neighbors, owing to the Shannon breaking its banks.

The flooded stream is carrying many carcasses of cattle and other live stock, while haystacks and outhouses as well as farm implements have been washed away.

The shifting bog bears the appearance of a treacherous morass broken up by huge fissures filled with water. Desperate efforts are being made to drain away enough of the water to check the advance of the mass, but the Shannon is so swollen that great difficulty is found in stemming its progress.

It is not unusual for this bog—part of the great bog of Allen, that stretches almost clear across the center of Ireland—to "move." A few years ago a section of it traveled nearly a mile in the region of the Suck of Castlethorpe. It carried along with it churches and houses, and there was quite a panic, but the bog didn't sink after all.

SANTA FE ORDERED TO REFUND OVERCHARGES

SAN FRANCISCO, March 24.—The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad company was ordered by a decision of the state railroad commission to refund to the shippers of 357 cars of oranges an overcharge of from 1 to 3 cents per hundred pounds. The oranges were shipped from Los Angeles to Oakland and San Francisco during 1911 and 1912. The complaint was made by commission houses of this city and Oakland.

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NAVY GRAFT MAY HALT JAP BUDGET

TOKIO, March 23.—The naval graft exposures probably will prevent the passage of the 1914-15 budget and seriously hamper the Japanese government in financial way. It was announced that the joint conference of parliament refused to approve the budget and as the approval of this budget is necessary, the proposed amounts cannot be voted. Unless the government finds some way to secure finances for its naval program 43,000 workers in the shipbuilding yards will be idle. The leader of the opposition parties in the chamber of deputies introduced an address to the throne for the impeachment of the cabinet because of naval graft exposure.

LOOKS AND SMELLS LIKE BEER; WILL REDLANDS ALLOW IT?

REDLANDS, March 24.—Redlands is a dry city, with something of a reputation for dryness. Mayor Williams, Marshal Larmore and other city officials are in a quandary, however, over an application for a permit to sell California beer said to contain only one per cent of alcohol. The liquor ordinance prohibits the sale of alcohol, with more than 1 1/2 per cent alcohol, and the San Bernardino brewery feels it has a right to sell its product. The city trustees will meet to act on the application and decide whether the beverage is really beer. Individually, they have given it a careful examination and state that it has the looks and the smell, but that they will not commit themselves on the taste.

ALASKA RAILROAD LAW CAUSES RUSH NORTH

SEATTLE, March 24.—Passage of the Alaska railroad bill by congress was celebrated here and at many points in Alaska. It was the occasion, also, of the vernal equinox, which means for Alaska the approach of the long days of sunshine and the unlocking of the frozen rivers. Steamers bound for Alaska were unable to take all the people who applied for passage. Two thousand men have gone north since the railroad bill was passed. Besides the usual spring migration of miners, steamboat men and salmon cannerymen, adventurers are flocking again to Alaska, eager to be on the ground before the railroad builders arrive.

1636 AUTOS MADE BY ONE FIRM IN ONE DAY

NEW YORK, March 24.—The new famous \$10,000,000 Ford distribution to employes seems to be justifying itself. The Ford Motor Company in February put out 24,621 cars—over 1000 a day for the twenty-four working days and smashed the best previous record of 23,396 cars in January. On February 27, 1636 complete cars were made—about 300 more than was ever produced in one day.

SETS NEW ALTITUDE PASSENGER RECORD

BERLIN, March 23.—A new altitude record for a biplane carrying four persons was established by Aviator Trenlen, who, with three passengers, ascended 12,000 feet.

ESTIMATED COST OF REPAIR WORK ON BRIDGES

LOS ANGELES, March 24.—Here is the estimated cost to repair and replace bridges throughout the county: Long Beach boulevard, replacement, \$2800; Downey-Norwalk, replacement, \$2000; Vernon-Downey, Los Angeles river, replacement of spans, \$21,100; East Sherman Way, replacement of short span, \$3900; Whittier road, Rio Honda, replacement of trestle and span, \$10,100; El Monte-Pomona, replacement of trestle and span, \$17,200; Covina boulevard, replacement of short span, \$3300; Citrus avenue, replacement of San Dimas wash, \$2600; Big Dalton wash, replacement, \$2600; Hollywood-Lankershim, temporary trestle, new location, \$500; Monterey pass, replacement of arch culvert, \$3000; Rio Hondo-Mission, trestle replacement, \$3000; Masonic Home, span replacement, \$4000; Abbot's dairy, repairing, \$1000; Railroad avenue, repairing, \$500.

Repairs on all bridges and roads have already been ordered, and work is being rushed as fast as possible.

CALL VOLUNTEERS TO BATTLE FIRES

SAN JOSE, March 24.—The forest fires on the borders of Big Basin and California redwood park, leaped over the fire trail, and urgent calls for additional help were sent by Park Warden Dool to Santa Cruz, Boulder Creek and Palo Alto.

Every available man who could be found has been rushed to the blazing forests, but the flames, fanned by a stiff north wind, are making terrific headway toward the south, fed by the dry underbrush to the heavily wooded stretches.

The line of fire is two miles long and spreading rapidly. Gangs of fighters are setting back fires.

Judge Logan of Santa Cruz and Prof. Wing of Stanford university are assisting the fighters.

CARUSO GETS RAISE TO \$3000 A NIGHT

NEW YORK, March 24.—It is learned that the new contract under which Signor Enrico Caruso, the world's premier tenor, will appear in the Metropolitan call after the coming season, will call for a raise of \$1000 per night over his present salary. Caruso will then be receiving a compensation of \$3000 nightly, undoubtedly the highest salary ever paid a tenor.

CONSOLIDATION ISSUE IS REVIVED

PRELIMINARY STEPS TOWARD COMBINING 2 GOVERNMENTS

Council Adopts Resolution for Conference With San Francisco and Oakland Officials—Will Consider Amendment

LOS ANGELES, March 24.—Preliminary steps toward the circulation of initiative petitions in the interest of Los Angeles city and county consolidation were taken Saturday, when the city council, at the suggestion of Councilman J. S. Conwell, adopted a resolution calling a conference between local city officials and representatives of San Francisco and Oakland, on Tuesday, March 31, to consider the provisions of the necessary constitutional amendment.

Councilman Conwell called attention to the fact that Percy Long, city attorney of San Francisco, would be in Los Angeles about March 28, and probably would be delegated to represent San Francisco at the proposed conference on the 31st.

Councilman Conwell's resolution, which was adopted by a unanimous vote, follows: "Whereas, the present duplication of work and expense in city and county government is an unnecessary burden on the taxpayers, and it has been proposed that consideration should be given to the organization of a consolidated city and county government for Los Angeles; and

"Whereas, before a consolidated city and county government can be effected in California a constitutional amendment must be adopted under which such proceedings may legally be had; and

"Whereas, if such a constitutional amendment be proposed by the next legislature it cannot be voted on until 1916; whereas, if it be proposed to the voters at the general election in November of this year it may carry at that election, thus effecting a saving of two years in the adoption of such an enabling act; and

"Whereas, both San Francisco and Oakland are interested in this problem and should be consulted before any petition is circulated, so that if possible a form of amendment may be agreed upon which shall be generally satisfactory; now, therefore, be it

"Resolved, By the city council of Los Angeles that the board of supervisors of San Francisco and the commissioners of the city of Oakland be advised and requested each to send a committee to Los Angeles for the purpose of taking steps looking to an agreement, if possible, on the terms and provisions of such a constitutional amendment for city and county consolidation.

The council of Los Angeles suggests Tuesday, March 31, as the date for such conference.

FRANZ JOSEPH, AT 83, PUFFS 20 CIGARS DAILY

PARIS, March 23.—The heaviest royal smoker in the world, according to statistics just published in Paris, is the Austrian emperor, who, at 83, daily consumes twenty long, cheap, black cigars, such as the Hungarian peasants smoke.

The czar of Russia smokes fifty perfumed cigarettes daily, while King Alfonso spends \$600 a year on his brand of cigarettes supplied by a London merchant.

The Kaiser's cigar bill is \$1000 a year. He consumes ten long, fat cigars daily.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS IN PARAGRAPHS

CLEANED FROM NUMEROUS SECTIONS OF BOTH HEMISPHERES

Dispatches Picturing Developments From the Outside World Stripped of Unnecessary Details and Presented in Brief

Revolution in Guinea

GEORGETOWN, British Guinea, March 23.—Four hundred and fifty rebels have raided El Terror camp and are preparing to attack the village of San Jose.

3000 Perish in Storm

LONDON, March 23.—It is estimated that 3000 persons perished during the recent storm that swept Russia and that more than 150 boats were sunk in the Black Sea.

Fountain Out of Boulder

NEW YORK, March 24.—A fountain is to be carved out of a huge boulder recently bought by John D. Rockefeller for his new home here. The boulder weighs 125 tons.

\$750,000 "Movie" Fire

NEW YORK, March 24.—That the lack of sufficient water pressure was responsible for the loss of the Eclair motion picture factory, valued at \$750,000, is the charge of Henry Maire, factory manager.

Butter by Parcels Post

WASHINGTON, March 24.—Butter, poultry, eggs, fruits and vegetables may be shipped first class, according to an amendment in the parcel post regulations approved by Postmaster General Burleson.

Imperator Damaged by Gales

NEW YORK, March 24.—With part of her figurehead torn away and some of her lifeboats missing as a result of terrific gales through which she passed, the steamship Imperator, the biggest in the world, arrived here from Hamburg on her first voyage since last fall.

Prohibition Killed in Kentucky

LEXINGTON, Ky., March 24.—Hopes for a state-wide election on prohibition died in the senate. With much confidence the bill, already passed by the House, was called out, but was voted back. The bill to provide \$50,000 for an exhibit at the Panama-Pacific Exposition was killed.

Test Thief for Sanity

FLORENCE, Italy, March 23.—The trial of Vincenzo Perugia, who stole the "Mona Lisa" from the Louvre in Paris and who was arrested here December 12 last when the picture was found in his house, has been indefinitely postponed in order to enable an attempt to examine into Perugia's sanity.

Germ Drowns in Whisky

PHILADELPHIA, March 24.—The tuberculosis bacillus will quickly drown in whisky, but it will survive for more than three years when submerged in water, according to experiments by Prof. R. C. Rosenberger, department of hygiene and bacteriology of Jefferson Medical College. For this and other reasons Dr. Rosenberger urges that persons who die of tuberculosis be cremated.

Find Building Older Than Sphinx

CAIRO, Egypt, March 23.—The discovery of a building antedating the sphinx is announced by Professor Naville, the distinguished Egyptologist. The building is a vast subterranean structure adjoining the tomb of Osiris at Abydos. It is 90 feet long, 60 feet wide and is surrounded by a wall 18 feet thick. The roof is supported by enormous granite pillars. A canal runs around the building. Professor Naville believes the structure to have been a reservoir and the oldest specimen of masonry so far discovered in Egypt.

CHURCH AD ON SPORT PAGE DRAWS RECORD CROWD

PITTSBURGH, March 24.—"Let's try it on the sport page," suggested Rev. Singleton Neissor, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Baptist church of McKeesport, when he took the copy for his weekly church advertisement around to the newspapers Saturday.

"Seems to me it ought to get some folks who never see the advertisement when it goes on the editorial page," he said. The experiment was a winner. When Rev. Mr. Neissor mounted his pulpit Sunday he faced a record-breaking audience. The congregation included light fans, basketball "bugs" and dozens of baseball followers. The church advertisement of this pastor will appear on the sport pages regularly hereafter.

RECORD RECOVERY IN BICHLORIDE CASE

CHICAGO, March 24.—A new world's record for recovery from bichloride poisoning is believed to have been set when Mrs. Frank Costello of Evanston was sent home from St. Francis hospital. On Saturday, Mrs. Costello swallowed 125 grains of bichloride, intending to end her life. Dr. Charles W. Rice, who treated her, said her recovery was to the fact that she swallowed an overdose of the poison and received treatment a few minutes afterward.

\$4,000,000 SUITS ARE COAL STRIKE OUTCOME

TRINIDAD, March 23.—Suits are being prepared by the Colorado Fuel and Iron company and other big coal operators in the southern fields against the national and state officers of the United Mine Workers of America for \$4,000,000 damages growing out of the coal strike. The officers of the union are charged with conspiracy to injure the business of the plaintiffs.