

NO PARTY LINES IN CHINATOWN'S CENTRAL OFFICE

San Francisco's Pagoda-Like Exchange Looks Like Tiles From Mah Jongg.

By Times Special
SAN FRANCISCO, July 7.—The popularity of Mah Jongg has done much to stimulate American interest in all things Chinese. There are few objects, however, even in the Celestial Republic itself, more fascinatingly Oriental than the unique telephone exchange in our own country which provides telephone service for the Chinatown district of San Francisco.

Chinese Exterior

In outward appearance this telephone building is as typically Chinese as a "one bamboo" tile Pagoda-like, it lifts its tower, studded with protruding beak-shaped balconies—a fitting monument, it would seem, to some long-dead mandarin of the Forbidden City.

But there is nothing dead inside the exchange, where Chinese girl operators are kept busy handling the traffic, under the general supervision of Mr. Lee Ku Shoo, the manager, who is a graduate of the University of California.

Operators Are Linquists

These operators are required to be proficient not only in English, but in several different Chinese dialects, for many diverse tongues are spoken among the four hundred million inhabitants of that vast country which stretches from Siberia to India, and from the mountains of Turkestan to the shores of the Yellow Sea.

The Chinese, moreover, are proverbially secretive and have no use for party line telephones, so every subscriber served by San Francisco's pagoda telephone exchange has his own individual line. There are about 1,500 of these lines in service, and the calls average .000 daily.

FARM EFFICIENCY IS SEEN AS BLOW TO U.S. WORKERS

Migration of Surplus Agricultural Labor Is Menace, Says Speaker.

By Times Special
DETROIT, July 7.—Forty per cent increase in the agricultural efficiency of the United States has resulted in worse prospects for workers instead of better," declared A. W. Frye, supreme commander of the Maccheses International Fraternal Benefit Society, in an address here at a conference on old age dependency.

"The United States has increased the productivity of its farms more than 40 per cent in the past twenty years," said Frye. "This at first sight would seem like security of abundant food for everybody. On the contrary, it has resulted in a migration of the surplus farm labor into industry so that the aging industrial worker is forced out by the rush of new blood from the farm."

"Since 1900 the number of industrial workers in this country has increased from 19,000,000 to 31,000,000. The farm population has been steadily decreasing. In the past few years migration from the farms into industry has been at the rate of 2,000,000 a year. Of course this can't go on. It will be overdone and the pendulum will swing back. But the effect has been that the percentage of wage earners in America 50 years old and older has diminished 10 per cent in twenty years."

HOOSIER CROWD FEEL CONFIDENT

Believe They Can Yet Put Ralston Over.

By Times Special
NEW YORK, July 7.—Still confident they will be able to do what they came here for—nominate Ralston—the Hoosier delegation sat patiently through the monotonous balloting today. There are very few breaks in the ranks of the regular delegates, and when delegates have been compelled for one reason or another to leave for home, alternates have stepped into their places. As far as Ralston's interests are concerned it matters nothing at all who is here for Indiana, as long as Taggart is on the job. The delegation is solid for his leadership, is ready to do his bidding, and voted 20 for McAdoo and 10 for Smith, only because Taggart figured that proposition to be the most nearly neutral division he could make at this stage.

The Hoosier delegates have agreed among themselves to take turns sitting through the convention session, thus permit all to have respite from the hot stuffy hall—for it is hot to day for the first time in ten days.

There are more telephone operators in the United States than there are telephones in Russia and Finland combined.

Rear a Family, and Live Together, Come What May, Is Recipe for Happy Marriage



MR. AND MRS. W. F. WILLIAMS

"**B**ELIEVE me, if the young persons of today would make up their minds when they get married that they are going to settle down and rear a family and live together, come what may, as we have, they would know what it means to be really happy."

This was the explanation for fifty happy years of married life, given today by Mrs. W. F. Williams, 368 W. Twenty-Eighth St., as she and Mr. Williams celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Williams knows whereof she speaks. She has had fifteen children. Seven are living, and with sixteen grandchildren, joined

Williams is 75 and Mrs. Williams is 65. When Williams came to Indi-

apolis, fifty-nine years ago, from Evansville, Ind., Monument Place was a park with a few two-story buildings around it. Sixteenth St. was the north city limit. Mrs. Williams was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1858. She came here when she was 7. They were married in St. Mary's Church, now a garage in E. Maryland St., by Father Everhardt, July 7, 1874.

Children who joined in the celebra-

tion.

From 1 to 3 p. m. the Williams received informally at their home for dozens of friends and neighbors. This evening the children were to drive the happy couple to Noblesville for a picnic.

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FIGHT TO FINISH, STATE PHONE CRY

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could be prepared in time. It will be filed early this week.

Evansville, while cooperating with the State, may also take independent action and file an injunction suit in a Vanderburgh County State court, it was indicated.

Leslie La Croix, traffic manager of the Evansville Chamber of Commerce, visited the commission offices and assured cooperation of his city in the fight. Evansville has been particularly hard hit by the new rates.

Hustling Hundreds Meet

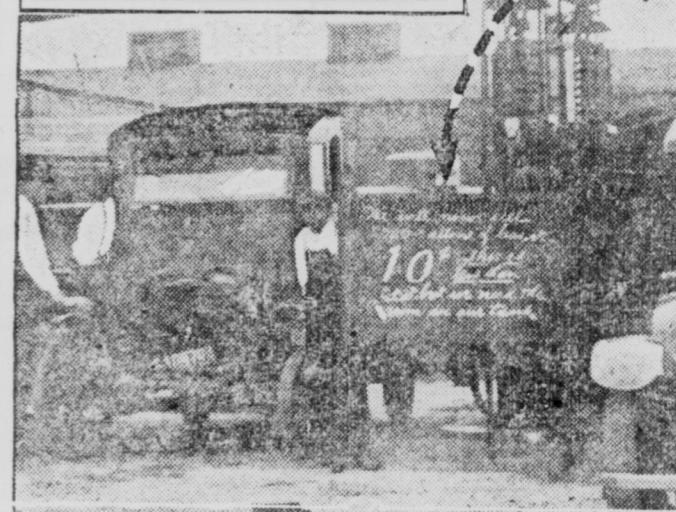
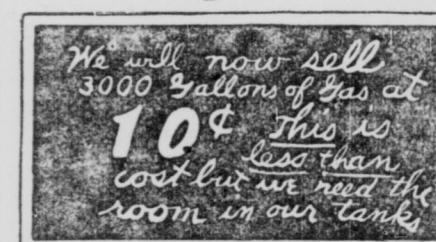
A resolution commanding Attorney General Lesh on his action and urging him to push his good work will be presented tonight at a meeting of the Englewood Hustling Hundreds, at 35 N. Rural St. Report on erecting silent policemen at Rural St. and Sherman Dr. and Washington St. will be made.

It is the State's contention that in making measured service compulsory and doing away with flat-rate telephones for business houses, the company has gone entirely outside the bounds of the injunction issued by Federal Judge George T. Page of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals.

The State also contends that in putting the rates in effect without complying with the Indiana law requiring thirty days' notice and approval of the public service commission, the company exceeded its legal rights.

Meantime the commission is going ahead with plans for a hearing beginning July 16, at which a new

Gasoline Sells for 10 Cents a Gallon as Price Cutting War Grows More Bitter in Omaha, Neb.



ELROD'S STATION AND BARGAIN SIGN

valuation of the company's property will be determined.

Civic Clubs Aroused

Aroused by the increased rates, civic and business organizations are taking a hand in the fight. The subcommittee of the Chamber of Commerce public service committee will confer with the public service commission Tuesday morning. Its recommendations will be reported to a special meeting of the board of directors of the chamber Thursday noon.

The board of governors of the Indianapolis Board of Trade will hold their annual meeting tonight. It is understood the telephone situation will be discussed.

The executive committee of the Indianapolis Federation of Community Clubs will meet at 7:30 p. m. at 416 Indiana Trust Bldg. A committee to cooperate with other committees of similar character probably will be named.

A Goofing Family!

On the same day Edith Cummings was losing to Glenna Collett in the Buffalo Invitational, her brother, Dexter Cummings, was winning the national intercollegiate golf title for the second straight time.

A Chinless Wonder

It takes a sharpshooter to clout Bud Taylor, the Terre Haute bantamweight, on the chin. Taylor has no chin to speak of.

Eighty thousand carrier pigeons were used by Great Britain during the war.

Only two white captains are left in command of Japanese merchant vessels.

The Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York has one of the best collections of jade in the world.

The national death rate from tuberculosis has increased 50 per cent since 1904.

There is a collection of nearly 300,000 finger prints in Scotland Yard.

Meals served in the House of Commons bring the British government considerable revenue.

Materials used in the manufacture of buttons come from all parts of the world.

There are no definite records to show Stratford-on-Avon was the birthplace of Shakespeare.

High seas bookshops are becoming increasingly popular on transoceanic liners.

CHILDREN'S TALE SENDS MAN AND WOMAN TO JAIL

Small Girls Testify They
Were Forced to Sell
Beer.

Two little girls are free from enforced duties of selling liquor and a man and woman are in jail under sentence to imprisonment on charges of contributing to delinquency, as the results of efforts of Trafficman Frank Owens.

Anna Haines, 1502 N. Kealing Ave., faces four months in the correctional department of the Indiana Woman's Prison on conviction before Juvenile Judge Frank J. Lauer of having a 12-year-old foster-teen and a 7-year-old boarder sell beer at her home during her absence. William Lower awaits transportation to the Indiana State Farm to begin a ninety-day sentence on conviction of buying the beer. Charles Huggins, also a customer, was fined \$50 and costs.

The three adults were convicted on the hissing testimony of the smaller child, who detailed the transactions of the sales, and identified the two men as customers.

The elder girl will be made a ward of the court and placed in a private home. The younger child has been sent to her grandparents.

Owens discovered the alleged traffic with its child bartenders when he was sent to the home to check up on failure to report on alleged traffic violation by Mrs. Haines.

British aircraft experts recently completed successful experiments with a plane that can land in almost any field.

Ambassador Poses for Sculptress



MRS. NANCY COX M'CORMICK, AMERICAN SCULPTRESS, IS COMPLETING A STATUE OF HENRY PRATHER FLETCHER, AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO ITALY. HERE THE AMBASSADOR IS POSING FOR HER AT THE EMBASSY IN ROME.

IMAGINATIONS PLAY BIG ROLE AT CONVENTION

McAdoo Inspires Followers
to Stick to Last
Ditch.

*By C. A. RANDALL
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NEW YORK, July 7.—"We'll stick together for McAdoo if it takes 900 ballots to nominate him" is the battle cry today of the adherents of McAdoo forces. Not one whit disengaged by the rather fruitless "harmony" conferences over the weekend, the McAdoo delegates today actually believe they have the entry on the run.

They regard Sunday's offer of all the other candidates to release all pledged delegates as the first sign of surrender. It is when the enemy makes offer of compromise that his weakness can be detected, they reason, and confidently look for a break in the ranks of all those opposed to McAdoo.

To persons not vitally interested in the outcome of this convention it is doubtless difficult to understand how tired, almost worn out delegates can still maintain their enthusiasm for some particular man for President.

Right and Wrong

It is no longer a mere matter of selecting a candidate. It is a battle now between right and wrong. The forces of righteousness are engaged in a hand-to-hand struggle with the legions of sin and iniquity.

Of course, that may not actually be the case. But in the imaginations, perhaps overheated imaginations, of the McAdoo supporters their side is fighting God's battles, while all their opponents are either knowingly or unwittingly fighting for the devil's triumph. And as far as this convention is concerned it is imaginations rather than facts that count.

In conferences with his delegates over the weekend McAdoo inspired them anew by referring to the long struggle the allies had in winning the World War.

"Can we," he asked them, "meekly surrender a great principle and give in to the powers of sin after a short skirmish of only a few weeks, when we still have fresh in our minds the fact that we sent our boys overseas to sacrifice their lives and to stay, no matter how many years, until they had won out?"

Sticking

To such a proposition it is accepted as a true statement of conditions, there are but one answer. And so the McAdoo delegates are sticking.

If it were only true that McAdoo really represented all that is pure and good and honest, and that the "other side" were made up of the dirty, the mean and the dishonest, this would really be a dramatic, a thrilling fight.

But there are many here who cannot think of McAdoo as quite sole defender of truth left in the land, nor can they be made to believe that all those who have failed to rally to McAdoo's cause have sold out to the devil.

And it did not help matters any that on Sunday evening when McAdoo addressed his delegates in what amounted to a combined prayer meeting and political rally, Gavin McNab, a lawyer on E. L. Doheny's staff, was one of the six people sitting on the speaker's platform.

Germans in Italy

The eight firms that have been formed for broadcasting in Italy have turned to German radio manufacturers for their supplies. This came about after Americans failed to land contracts there and the British could not become interested in that field.

Mt. Etna has been active as a volcano since 500 B. C.

Famed Bells on Radio

The Carillon of Malines, one of

the world's most famous chimes, will be broadcast through 2LO in London and may even be caught on this side of the ocean. The tones of the bells will be relayed to Brussels, broadcast there and picked up in London.

Eyeglasses did not become popular until 1250.

Sales Safeguarded

According to a new law in Canada, automobiles may be sold only by

legally authorized dealer who can furnish a bond protecting the buyer if the auto sold happens to be stolen.

Stealing will be reduced considerably.

KEEP POSTED on the Political Situation

NEVER has there been a presidential election which has aroused such interest as the coming fall campaign. Being independent in politics, The Times is able to print fair and impartial account of the present political situation.

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