

## Expayers Group James McCormick

Shebourne E. McCormick, Oakland businessman, has been named chairman of the Alameda County Taxpayers' Association. McCormick's addition to our staff is another step towards our general objective of interesting the citizens of our community in local government and tax problems. L. Hommedieu said.

## Transport Department Offices to Close

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—The district offices of the Highway Transport Department, Office of Defense Transportation, will be closed by November 1, the agency announced today. The agency earlier announced the closing of 46 other district and field offices by September 22. The new closings will bring about staff reduction of 850 employees.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Beamheads of 601-C Bunker Way, Alameda, lost their son, Robert, 14 months, after he fell from a second-story window at his home yesterday. The boy received only minor cuts and bruises.—Tribune photo.

## El Cerrito Firemen Dance Friday Night

EL CERRITO, Sept. 11.—El Cerrito firemen will hold their dance Friday night at Memorial Hall here. Fire Chief O. A. Burnett disclosed today.

Burnett said two dance orchestras will furnish music for the affair, proceeds of which go to the Firemen's Association. Tickets may be purchased from any fireman in El Cerrito.

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...of the fish pond directly front of the police station. All was stepped down to their shorts... of their fishing was nearby.

Williams asked them what they were doing.

"We're going to take a swim," they announced in unison.

The chief pointed to an over-sky and told the trio that it was a good day for swimming. Neill said, "We're going to the police station, pond the place."

The youngsters agreed, put their shirts and pants and went their way.

## 'Future of Labor' Is Topic for Discussion

ALAMEDA, Sept. 11.—"What the Future of Organized Labor" will be discussed by the Rev. Tom Simpson at the first Fall meeting of the Alameda Forum at 600... Born in County Ulster, Ireland, Simpson is a graduate of Princeton University, was chairman of Seattle Civil Service Commission and has been a Presbyterian minister in the State of Washington. C. Wright, program chairman, introduced the speaker, with Tol Lease, presiding, and William M. Moore in charge of a musical group to precede the address.

## Chabot Observatory Opened to Visitors

In line with a policy of being open during the period that are in session, Chabot Observatory today opened its doors free to all afternoon and evening, a Saturday and Sunday.

On Saturday afternoon, equipment will be attached to telescope to show the spectra of the sun and sun-spots, according to Director Mark G. Linsley.

Linsley reserves the room placed for observation Sept. 11-15, 16-22, and October 21-16-20.

Illustrated lectures are given at 8 p.m., with two telescopes available for visitors.

## Car Gone 56,000? Then It's Average

DETROIT, Sept. 11.—If an automobile has been driven 56,000 miles it's an average vehicle. That's the finding of R. L. P. Company, statisticians for the mobile industry, reporting on survey of car registrations.

The report showed that 56,000 of the 24,000,000 cars at the average are 10 years old or more. The average age of all cars on the road was placed at eight years.

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