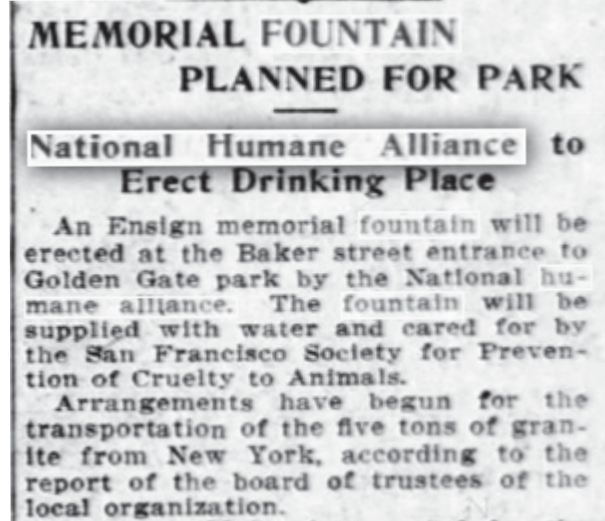


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Actress' Husband Heads Donor Society

Mrs. Minnie Maddern Fiske, the actress, who is appearing in San Francisco this week, will be the guest of honor tomorrow morning at the formal dedication of the new drinking fountain for animals which has recently been erected at the junction of Mission and Otis streets and Duboce avenue. The monument is a gift to the city from a New York organization known as the National humane alliance, of which Mrs. Fiske's husband, Harrison Grey Fiske, is president.

The speech of presentation will be made by John Partridge, of the San Francisco Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and Mayor McCarthy will respond in behalf of the city. It was originally intended to place the fountain near the entrance to Golden Gate park, but as it is intended for service as well as an artistic monument, it was decided that more animals would be benefited where the teaming was heavier.

The program of exercises will begin at 11 o'clock. A speakers' stand has been built by the board of public works, and a large crowd is expected to attend the affair.

CUP OF KINDNESS FOR THIRSTY HORSES

Granite and Bronze Drinking
Fountain Given City by Na-
tional Humane Alliance

Partly through the efforts of Mrs. Minnie Maddern Fiske, a granite and bronze drinking fountain for animals has been given San Francisco by the National Humane Alliance of New York. Arrangements were completed yesterday by the San Francisco society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, for the immediate construction and shipment of the fountain.

The fountain will be erected at the intersection of West Mission and Mission streets, opposite Duboce avenue, where it will be accessible from all sides to the large number of teams constantly passing through that section of the city. For several months the local society has been endeavoring to secure the gift of the fountain from the National Alliance, but experienced some difficulty in obtaining a site which was acceptable to them.

The fountain is of highly polished granite, embellished in bronze, and weighs five tons. It is quarried in Maine and shipped in sections ready for erecting. Through the efforts of the local society the Southern Pacific company has agreed to transport it from New York free of charge.

The gift is made possible by an endowment of Harmon Lee Ensign, a wealthy philanthropist, who was active in the cause of animal protection, and on his death bequeathed his entire fortune to be used in the relief of animals. In compliance with his wishes, the National Humane Alliance, which he founded, each year donates to different cities a number of fountains bearing his name.

Harrison Gray Fiske is president of the Alliance and Lewis M. Seaver, secretary. It was largely through the assistance and cooperation of Minnie Maddern Fiske that the San Francisco society was able to secure the fountain at a time when requests for them far exceed the funds for the purpose. Nearly all large cities and many small ones throughout the United States have one or more Ensign fountains, but this is the first to be erected here.

ENSIGN FOUNTAIN READY TO BE PUT UP

**Gift of Humane Alliance Arrives
and Will Be Placed at Mis-
sion and Otis Streets**

The Ensign fountain, recently presented to the city by the National Humane Alliance of New York, reached here yesterday and was hauled to Mission and Otis streets, where it will be put up. The fountain was shipped in five sections, the heaviest weighing 3,300 pounds.

The new animal fountain was secured through the efforts of the San Francisco Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals and was brought from New York by the Southern Pacific company free of charge. The hauling from the railroad to Mission and Otis streets was done by George Renner of the Stetson-Renner drayage company, who donated men and teams for the work.

Superintendent of Streets McElroy will have charge of the work and will supervise the making of the water connections.

Fountain Dedicated

The presentation to the city of a handsome granite fountain for horses at the junction of Mission and Otis streets and Duboce avenue was witnessed yesterday morning by an assemblage of about 500 persons. These gathered around the fountain, which was covered with white cloth and the American colors. On the platform were the officers of the San Francisco Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and Mrs. Minnie Maddern Fiske, the actress, wife of Harrison Grey Fiske of New York, president of the National humane alliance, who presented the fountain to the city in behalf of the fund created by the late Harmon Lee Ensign, founder of the alliance. Ensign left his fortune to protect dumb animals. Mayor McCarthy and his family and others were also on the stand.

John Partridge, president of the San Francisco society, introduced Mrs. Fiske, who pulled a red, white and blue ribbon, which unveiled the fountain.

Mayor McCarthy accepted the gift on behalf of the city and declared that the administration was anxious to care for the dumb animals. He congratulated the San Francisco society for its efforts in that direction and remarked that in one day recently more than 1,400 horses drank from a trough in Market street put up by that society.

Walker C. Graves, on behalf of the Mission promotion association, returned thanks for the gift to the city south of Market street and declared that the Mission district was gradually getting what belonged to it.

M. W. McIntosh, president of the State humane society, spoke in behalf of the state of Maine, from which the six ton granite base for the fountain was quarried.

Supervisor John O. Walsh announced that he proposed to work for the passage of an ordinance to prevent the use of horses for more than 12 hours a day.

The ceremonies closed with the presentation of a bunch of La France roses to Mrs. Fiske and one to the mayor and the singing of patriotic songs by little Miss Lillian Sparenburg.

The police opened the crowd to allow horses to come up to drink, but several backed away. Finally J. M. Ratto, in a buggy, drove his horse to the new fountain and it took the first drink. The animal, on command of its owner, then rose on its hind legs and bowed to the crowd as if grateful for the drink.