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WITH DON CHURCH -- interesting and sometimes humorous articles taken from old Richmond and Point Richmond papers, through the courtesy of the Richmond Museum.

## FORTY-SEVEN - YEAR - OLD NEWS

In the Independent of June 18, 

"The San Pablo Dam now has 80 feet of water behind it which amounts to 5 billion gallons. The tunnel to the Albany filters is 17,000 feet long and 8 feet high. The water will soon be turned on." (Then --- run for your life!)

JUNE 19, 1920.....

"Rev. D. W. Calfee, pioneer Methodist minister and who is known by almost every man, woman and child in this city will reach the age of 70 tomorrow. The word Calfee is synonymous

with the word Richmond and in the growth of the city he has taken no small part. Rev.

Calfee has alwavs been known as a builder and he was picked by the Bishop and told to come to Richmond in 1904 and build a new

church, The presen

brick church located at the corner West Richmond Avenue and Martina Street is the result of his work. Later the need of a new church was felt on the East side, and he was sent over there and the Wesley Methodist Church loc ated at Ninth Street and Nevin Avenue is the church he (This was dismantled when St. Lukes Methodist Church was built at 3200 Barrett Avenue).

JUNE 19, 1920.....

'One of the first buildings erected at the Point located on Richmond Ave. between Washington and Santa Fe Aves and now the property of Dr. C. E. Abbott, is being wrecked, and either a big garage or an apartment house will take its place.

> "The property was originally owned by Lyman Naugle and in the early days wa the first home of the Richmond Record and also the home of the first Post

> > erected, it was conside some building, but with the growth of the city, has been overwhelmed for years, and its early history lost sight of.

54 YEAR AGO, ---JUNE 24, 1913... "The Californi

Wine Association's Winehaven is the largest industry in the Universe.

The CalWA voted to increase its ca mital stock from \$10 million to \$20 mil lion at its board of directors meeting vesterday.

"The company will issue a formal statement relative to its extension and also option of minor companies scattered about the state. The owners insp ected the immense new warehouse of steel and concrete being constructed at Winehave and were well pleased with th

office. "When first

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display in the antique auto show.

At the Plunge grounds will be exhibitions of Judo, Police dogs, Karate, gymnastics, besides old fashioned games as sack races, 3-legged wheelbarrow, etc. all thanks to the coordinator Allen Hearne.

Puppet shows in the Community Center. Also added booths and games including turtle races, a golfing game and many more. The Richmond Museum will have a display and there will be a baseball tournament in Washington Park.

Among the new additions this year will be an "Art in Action Show"! Noted Pt. Richmond ceramist, Ernie Kim, of the Richmond Art Center, and Pat Kennedy, also from the Art Center, will demonstrate pottery making. Art and ceramic objects will also be for sale. Anyone wishing to register to sell art, please contact Betty Kelly at 233-0606.

Another added feature will be an old fashioned cinema (and place to sit down and rest) in the newly redecorated Odd Fellows Hall.

"AFS Cinema '25", as produced by Ted Hein, will offer tri-screen projections of the famous old 2 reelers, including Charlie Chaplin's first starring film (1914) and stars like Gloria Swanson, Wallace Beery, Edna Purviance and many more.

Excitement in the form of auto races, train chases, falling off the top of buildings will be accompanied by a specially taped sound track of piano music of the period. Special contemporary electronic effects will be included as part of the "underground" side-show. You won't want to miss this spectacular addition to the celebration.

There's something for everyone at the Old Fashioned 4th -- stay here and enjoy it !!





