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BADLY SHAKEN UP.

California's Earthquake More Serious Than Reported.

SHOCKS KEPT UP FOR SOME TIME.

Rumbling Began at 11:21 p. m.—The Most Fearful Shock at 4:53 a. m.

INHABITANTS PANIC STRICKEN.

Ensenada, Alamo, and San Quentin Experience the Most Severe Shocks—Other News.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 25.—The earthquake which visited southern California just before midnight Tuesday was the worst San Diego ever experienced, and seems to have been more severe the further south it progressed. In this city a large number of buildings were cracked and the plaster dislodged, although no houses were shaken down. In a jewelry store on Fifth street, a large ornamental lamp was thrown from its case, and, crashing through a showcase, did about \$200 damage. So far as known no one was hurt. Reports from outside the city say that the church and schoolhouse in Paradise Valley, which was built upon stilts, were thrown down and almost totally demolished. A telephone message from Campo, on the border of the desert in the southeast part of the county, says that the first shock, which occurred at 11:21 p. m., was preceded by a loud rumbling like the sound of distant thunder. Several sharp tremblings followed in quick succession. The rumblings and shocks kept up at intervals of twenty minutes or more through the night until 4:53 a. m., when a fearful shock, with vibrations lasting twenty-five seconds, and accompanied by loud rumblings, caused the inhabitants to rush out of their houses in terror. At Jamul the walls of the stone kilns at the cement works were cracked and other damage done. Rumblings have been heard all day in the hills and the mountains thereabouts, and the inhabitants are panic-stricken. Messages from Lower California are to the effect that Ensenada, Alamo and San Quentin experienced the severest shocks within the memory of the oldest inhabitant. At Ensenada, buildings swayed to and fro and the people rushed into the streets, frightened by the unusual noises which followed the seismic disturbances. The mining town of Alamo was also severely shaken, and at San Quentin the Peninsular railway came in for considerable damage to its roadbed. Reports from the latter place say the shocks were simply unparalleled, lasting fully seventy seconds.

Under Distressing Circumstances.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—J. W. Collins, president of the California National bank of San Diego, has been arrested for the embezzlement of \$200,000. A. K. Burnett, of San Diego, was seen at the Grand last night and expressed surprise at learning of President Collins' arrest: "Collins has been one of our most prominent and public-spirited citizens," he said, "and every one has had implicit confidence in his integrity. He is about 45 years of age, has resided at San Diego for at least eight years, and by shrewd investments made a good deal of money during the boom of 1886-7, when the bank was founded. Last fall he put a large sum in a motor road then being constructed near Seattle or Tacoma, I have forgotten which city, and it was said that the enterprise would prove unprofitable, as I believe it has. Of late it has been rumored that he had lost much of his shrewdness. It was whispered that he had shown symptoms of mental collapse. About two years ago his wife and children were drowned in the bay under peculiarly distressing circumstances, and he has certainly not been the same man since his bereavement. That is the most satisfactory explanation which I can give of his alleged embezzlement."

Another Will Contest.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—When the late Dr. Samuel Merritt, of Oakland, died, he left a \$3,000,000 estate to his sister, Mrs. Garcelon. Two nephews threatened to contest the will and Mrs. Garcelon compromised with them for \$500,000. Mrs. Garcelon died and left numerous legacies, amounting to \$300,000 to eastern relatives. Six-tenths of the remainder was given in trust to

Boudoin college, Maine, and four-tenths to the Merritt hospital, Oakland. The two nephews have engaged counsel and threaten to prevent the payment of these bequests. Today the trustees of Boudoin college and representatives of the eastern beneficiaries brought suit in the federal court of this city alleging the nephews' claims prevented the trustees from paying the bequests and asking the court to enjoin the nephews from setting up any claims to the estate.

Aberdeen's Railway Clash.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 25.—The city council last night granted a franchise to the Aberdeen and Victoria railroad company through certain streets of this city. One street, over which a franchise was granted, is now occupied by the Northern Pacific grade. This is on the face of the Finch bluff, for which the Northern has paid out about \$13,000 for right of way, and expended over \$50,000 in grading. It turns out that the only available room for a railroad occupies a legal county road which is now a street of the city of Aberdeen and on which no authority has granted right of way heretofore. The Northern brought a condemnation suit for it against E. C. Finch over a year ago and a jury awarded him \$5,550 therefor.

Tacoma Spreading Herself.

TACOMA, Feb. 25.—The county auditor has filed a plat of Hayden's addition to Tacoma, situated nineteen miles south of the city and six miles from Roy. The platters did not ask the city council to accept the plat, as required by law, and it is believed to be a swindle, as there is already one Hayden's addition to Tacoma. Also the name of George Hayden, one of the platters, is not in the Tacoma directory, nor is he known at the postoffice. One lot has been recorded as being sold for \$250 at the new addition. One of the platters of which, Mr. Page, is believed to be one of the owners of the Highland Park addition to Fairhaven, which, it is said, is out in the woods.

Deserves to be Lynched.

GRASS VALLEY, Cal., Feb. 25.—Yesterday evening a man on horseback, armed with a shotgun, rode up to within hailing distance of a group of children on Rocky Bar Hill, two miles south of this place. He asked some question which the children could not answer, and then he told them that if they did not respond he would shoot. The children were still silent and the man fired both barrels of his gun into the group. The 5-year-old twin sons of Robert Allen were struck in the face by the shot, but owing to the distance, the wounds are not serious. The man escaped and no one knows who he is.

Thank Offering for Health.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—The University of Chicago today had another gift of \$1,000,000 added to its endowment. A letter was received by the trustees from John D. Rockefeller tendering that sum in 5 per cent. gold bonds, to be handed over to the trustees with accruing interest to March 1. The giver reserves the right to designate the expenses to which the income shall be applied. The letter concludes: "I make this gift as a special thanks offering to Almighty God for returning health."

Facelious McErmott.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—At the banquet of the New York board of trade and transportation last night E. J. McErmott, of Louisville, made the banquet notable by his laudations of ex-President Cleveland and his denunciation of Hill. Then, too, his remarks on the silver question were pointed. "If the government is compelled to buy silver from Colorado," said he, "why should she not buy bourbon from Kentucky? Silver weigh one down, while bourbon buoys one up."

The Dead Lock in France.

PARIS, Feb. 25.—The ministerial deadlock continues and a dissolution of the chamber of deputies is probable. After a five-minute session today the chamber adjourned until Saturday.

ROUVIER GIVES IT UP.

PARIS, Feb. 25.—Rouvier has given up the attempt to form a ministry, and Boungiers, a member of the late cabinet, has undertaken the task.

Horse Thieves Captured.

BUSHNELL, Ill., Feb. 25.—Last night two men named Gibbons and Walters were arrested here by a deputy sheriff from Sprague, Wash., who accuses them of stealing sixty head of horses in Washington and selling them here. They were bound over for ten days.

New Trial Refused.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 25.—The Post Publishing company, defendants in the Quay libel suit, were refused a new trial this morning. The company was fined \$300, and Messrs. Barr and Mills, president and editor respectively, \$50 and costs each.

SO GREAT IS ECONOMY.

The River and Harbor Bill is to be Slashed Right and Left.

NORTHERN RIVERS TO SUFFER.

The Pacific Coast to be Included in This New Idea of Saving.

DRAGGING ITS DREARY LENGTH.

Sympathies of the Press in Favor of Dubois—Mormons Said to Favor Claggett.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—It is believed by a number of democrats, who claim to be on the inside, that the river and harbor bill will be from \$5,000,000 to \$8,000,000 less than that passed two years ago. The cut in all improvements is said to be very great, and of such a character as to hamper all work now in progress and to delay the completion of all waterway improvements much beyond the time generally intended, and to such an extent as to make future expenditures greater. The idea of economy in the present house seems to have prevailed in every committee, and even reached the river and harbor committee, which usually appropriates more liberally than the others. The greatest cut is said to be in northern rivers, and lakes, and the Pacific coast. These sections have been trimmed down with an unsparring hand, while the South is pretty well taken care of. Such are the reports that are given out by leading democrats whose interests are affected by the action of the committee.

Dragging its Weary Length.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The contest of Claggett against Dubois continues to drag its dreary length along until the people are getting tired of it. The impression has been all along that Dubois was entitled to the seat, and that the vote was not a valid one in any sense. It was quite an innovation that the senate allowed Claggett to speak in his own behalf. Senator Sanders, of Montana, who is one of the men supporting Claggett, claims that the newspaper men in Washington have been against Claggett and in favor of Dubois. This may be so, and if the sympathies of the press are with Dubois it is because it is generally believed he is entitled to the seat as a matter of right and equity, and because of the hard work he has done for the state in the past four years. The opposition to Dubois comes mainly from the Mormons, who in every section of the west are doing their utmost against him.

Spokane has a Bond Muddle.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Mayor Fotheringham, of Spokane, Wash., reached Chicago last night with city of Spokane bonds for some \$1,200,000, which he desires to sell to Chicago brokers. Mayor Fotheringham's departure from Spokane was made quietly to avoid some interference with the sale of the bonds, threatened by the Western agent of the Boston bond-buying firm of Blair & Co., who claimed to have some prior right to purchase the securities, and hinted he would stop the transfer to Chicago brokers by injunction. Spokane citizens, who claimed the issue of the bonds were illegal, are also after the mayor with an injunction. The mayor maintains the bonds are valid.

Rain Makers Want Time.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Secretary Rusk today, in answer to a senate resolution, communicated to the senate the report of the special agent of the department of agriculture upon the rain-making experiments. General Dyrenfurth, who is in charge of the experiments, in summing up their results says: The few experiments made do not furnish sufficient data from which to form a definite conclusion, or evidence upon which to uphold or condemn the theories of the artificial production or the increase of rainfall by concussion. What it has done so far is altogether preliminary, but with the benefit of the experience gained I hope the subject will be pursued.

Strikers Sentence Commuted.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 25.—Rusnak, Sabol and Todt, the three Hungarians sentenced to death for killing a foreman during the strikers' riot at the Edgar Thompson steel works, two years ago, were notified today that their sentences were commuted to life imprisonment.

To Liberate Cuba.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Another revolution is on foot to liberate Cuba. Preparations are in active progress and the first blow may be struck within a few days. The movement is to be the largest and most completely organized ever inaugurated for Cuban independence. There are said to be 8000 Cuban patriots in this country ready to join the war. In Cuba the revolutionist party is also actively preparing for the outbreak, and when the word is given the forces on Spanish and United States soil will act in conjunction for the overthrow of the Spanish yoke. The plans have been in progress for several months, but so much secrecy has been maintained that the news of the contemplated uprising only leaked out yesterday. R. A. C. Smith, the well-known Wall street banker, who has immense interests in Cuba, when spoken to regarding the probable revolution, said the island was never in a more prosperous condition. The planters were investing their money at home, and that fact demonstrated to him that they have no idea of revolution.

Attempted Assassination.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Feb. 25.—An attempt to assassinate John McDonough, mayor of the city, was frustrated Wednesday night, solely by the mayor's suspicions. Late that night two negroes aroused the mayor and tried to induce him to leave his residence on the pretext that he was needed at police headquarters and that they had been sent for him. He was suspicious and did not leave the house. In the morning it was ascertained that the negroes had lied, and another negro voluntarily confessed he had been hired to get the mayor out of his house Wednesday night. For his services he was to receive \$30. He backed out, and the party employed other negroes. It is said the principals were lying in wait behind the trees, and as soon as the mayor left his house they were going to shoot him. The police are on the track of the parties. The mayor has been extremely severe on evil doers and especially on violators of the Sunday law, and the plot to assassinate him grew out of that fact. The publication of the fact aroused intense feeling.

Romantic Suicide.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 25.—An inquest is being held today on the remains of Frank George, a suicide from taking morphine, who it is supposed was worth considerable property in King county, Wash. Before suiciding he purchased a cemetery lot, selected his tombstone, coffin, etc., and arranged all the details for his funeral, paying for everything but the coffin and the undertaker's charges. This occurred a few weeks ago. He then appeared to be perfectly sound in mind and body and in good spirits. Nothing further was heard of him until yesterday, when he was found dead in his bed at a lodging-house. From his appearance he must have been dead more than twelve hours. He left several letters. In one to the undertakers with whom he had arranged for his burial, he inclosed \$100 and wrote: "Please do the best you can for the money, and I will meet you in a better world if we make the proper connections."

Revolution Not Far Distant.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The British steamship Cyril arrived from Brazil today, bringing news of general dissatisfaction in that country, and reports the existence of a difference between the army and navy there that will result in conflict whenever the two factions meet. A serious encounter between the two took place January 31, at Manaus, an important town in Para, in which three sailors and one soldier are known to have been killed, and many injured. Cap. Oliphant of the Cyril, says continued troubles in Brazil might be expected, and that a general revolution is not far distant.

"Dead Things Sometimes Crawl."

TOLEDO, O., Feb. 25.—The name of Grover Cleveland will be presented in the Chicago convention by Frank Hurd, unless the programme arranged at the Ann Arbor conference this week is upset. Mr. Hurd said last night: "I am heartily desirous of seeing Mr. Cleveland placed in nomination, and shall do everything I can to assist him. I think Hill will have no show against him. New York may want Hill, but the great West will rush like a whirlwind to the expressionist's support. He can be elected without any help from Tammany."

The Lowest Dregs of Population.

BERLIN, Feb. 25.—The damage done yesterday and today amounts to thousands of marks. The newspapers warn people against overestimating the importance of the disturbances, which they say are due to roughs. A socialist paper disclaims on behalf of the socialist leaders any connection with the rioters, and declares the members of the mob belong to the lowest dregs of the population.

RIOT AND WAR RUMORS

The Poor of Berlin Demand an Audience of the Emperor.

BUT THEY ARE NOT RECEIVED.

Cuba Said to Be on the War Path—Revolution Threatened in Brazil.

MEDDLESOME REPORTERS CAUSE

Mrs. Leslie Wilde and Her Husband Unnecessary Pain—Stanford Not a Candidate.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Dispatches from Berlin give particulars of one of the worst riots of modern times. It was caused by a refusal of the government officials to receive a deputation from several thousand poor people, out of employment, urging their appeals by the pangs of hunger for bread. The men wanted Herr Forckenbeck to ask the emperor to appoint a fair and unprejudiced commission to enquire into the wrongs which the workmen complain of, and promote immediately the legislation necessary to reduce their grievances, but, in spite of his well-known political sympathies, the burgomaster refused to receive the delegation, sending them a message to the effect that the workmen had better return peaceably to their homes, as there was nothing to be gained by a demonstration. Inflamed by a sense of their feelings that great wrongs were perpetrated upon them, the demonstration continued until it broke out in a fierce riot. The whole police force of Berlin was called out, under orders to go to any extremity to suppress the rising. The working people were not sanguinary, but they were resolute. They opposed the police stubbornly, and refused to disperse. They gathered in a large body on the Frankfurter strasse with the intention of marching toward the palace near Kaiser strasse, where a severe conflict took place. The police used their weapons unsparingly, while the populace were but poorly prepared to meet the solid attack of the well-armed police force. They battled bravely, however, with sticks and any other weapons that each happened to have. It is said the soldiers were in sympathy with the rioters, but as the police acted with much judgment the riot was suppressed with less casualty than might be expected. Large numbers were wounded more or less severely, but it is not known yet whether any were killed. A multitude of prisoners were taken and lodged under a strong guard in the cells. The military remained under arms, but took no part in the struggle. This course is said to have been followed by the direct orders of the kaiser, who was made aware of the situation as soon as the riot first broke out. He commanded that the military should not interfere unless the police should prove themselves unable to cope with the mob.

Stanford Is Not a Candidate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The question was asked Senator Stanford today if he would accept a nomination for the presidency if tendered him by the farmers' alliance. "I would not accept it," answered the senator, "as I am in no sense a candidate for the place. I am interested in one or two national questions, to which I propose to devote all my attention. I look for success through the republican party, and will work with that party."

Burned to Death.

VIENNA, Feb. 25.—Details of a horrible story were received today. A band of masked men went to the house of Mary Leppers, a young woman in the village of Minin, forced their way into her bedroom, and bound her with cords. They then poured a large quantity of petroleum over her, applied a match, and calmly watched the horrible spectacle. The victim's shrieks and cries were blood-curdling. The motive assigned is the woman was suspected of having murdered her husband.

The Squatters and Locators.

DENVER, Feb. 25.—All is excitement at Creede, Colo., this morning. The sale of school lands will occur this afternoon, and the squatters are determined not to let outsiders buy the land upon which they are located. Fully 7000 men are in camp, and bloodshed may result. There is a question as to the state's title to the land, as an official survey has never been made.

The Work of Tramps.

UMATILLA, Feb. 25.—A pitiful specimen of humanity was taken to Pendleton this evening, a raving maniac, the result of exposure and starvation. A man about forty years of age hobbled into town yesterday, almost naked, his bare feet bruised and his eyes glaring. It was some time before he could talk, but finally said his name was Harry Flynn, and that he had been sheep-herding in the John Day country. He started to town, was robbed of his money and clothes by tramps, and had slept out on the hills several days without food. Clothing and shoes were furnished him and food offered, but he could not eat. About two hours after he arrived he disappeared suddenly and a party was sent to search for him, expecting to find him dead. He was found at noon, eight miles east of here, wandering aimlessly about in a demented condition. He will be examined and probably sent to the asylum. It is said he is quite wealthy.

Whose Business Is It?

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Stories which have gained circulation regarding the differences in the daily life of Mrs. Frank Leslie and her husband, Willie Wilde, having brought out stories from San Francisco to the effect that she considered herself his mental and financial superior, Mrs. Leslie was seen this evening to get her version. "As for my claiming any mental superiority to Mr. Wilde, that is absurd," she said. "He is my equal; nay, my superior. He easily made \$5000 a year in London, and could make more than that sum here, if he wanted to. Why he doesn't, I really can't say. Before I married, no unkind word was ever said of me. I suppose the charge is due to the fact that I married a foreigner. People seem to object to his club life. For myself, I really can't see why he refuses to take advantage of his opportunities and does not go to work. I make every effort to do what is right. I hurry through my work, drive, go to receptions, and am really pushed to such an extent, that I have not even time to dress like other women." Mr. Wilde entered the room leisurely at this point. He appeared deeply grieved to hear that additional stories of his marital infidelity had reached the public ears. "Say for me," he said with a languid air, "that nothing but happiness reigns to our little home."

Flour Trade With Cuba.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Feb. 25.—A party of millers of the northwest, leave this city tonight for Cuba, for the purpose of making arrangements to begin a trade in flour with the Spanish island. At Chicago and other cities, the party will be joined by a number of persons interested in the Cuban flour trade. Before the reciprocity treaty went into effect Cuba had a tariff of \$5.65 for 200 pounds of flour from the United States. Now this great market is open to the American trade under the reciprocity arrangements.

Claims the Election Null.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Consideration of the Idaho election case was resumed, and Vance, of the minority committee, continued his argument, begun yesterday, in support of the claim of Claggett. Much of his argument was devoted to the reputation of Turpie's claim that the organization of the Idaho legislature was complete when its members met, and holding that, as Dubois' election took place the day before the formal organization, the election was null.

Will Force Free Coinage.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The free silver men are feeling very good today and seem to think they will force free coinage in the house at all hazards, the anti's are feeling considerably troubled and their only hope now is that they may prevent the iron clad rule, and thus allow an opportunity to filibuster on the bill until it is defeated.

Andrew Stewart Seated.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The democrats increased their majority in the house of representatives by one today. Andrew Stewart of the twenty-fourth Pennsylvania district, was unseated and Alexander Craig, his democratic contestant, declared regularly elected.

Sherman's Chinese Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Senator Dolph, from his committee on foreign affairs, today reported to the senate adversely the bill introduced by Sherman to prohibit the coming of Chinese to the United States.

People's Party Convention.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 25.—The executive committee of the people's party will meet in Omaha, May 11, for the purpose of perfecting arrangements for holding the national convention there July 14.