

SEEKING WAY OUT

San Francisco Puzzled Over Fund for Rebuilding.

CLEARING AWAY THE RUINS

Every Idle Man Put to Work by Force—Plan for Widening Streets Causes Mayor to Warn Against Extravagance.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3.—No plan has yet been decided upon for securing funds for the restoration of this city. Although various schemes, some of them apparently feasible, have been submitted to the general committee, none of them have been given even the semblance of official endorsement, and the local financiers continue to worry over the problem, hopeful that the early future will produce a solution that will relieve San Francisco from the great burden of municipal and individual distress.

Putting Loafers to Work.

Other than an early morning fire that threatened the safety of the several hundred patients in the Presidio Hospital, today passed without special incident. The gigantic task of cleaning up the great ruined district was commenced today on a broader line. The curtailment of the relief list, together with the decision of the police to arrest as vagrants all able-bodied men without visible means of support and without work, has had the effect of removing many idlers from the streets and added materially to the strength of the army engaged in municipal housecleaning.

Resumption of Business.

All of the banks resumed business today in their temporary quarters and reported that at each place the deposits exceeded withdrawals, which they accepted as an indication of the confidence of the merchants in the future prosperity of the city.

Plan for Rebuilding.

City Engineer Woodward today submitted a comprehensive plan for the rebuilding of the city. It included the broadening and extension of many streets, the placing of new buildings, the widening of the streets, and the beautification of the city.

More Food Soon Needed.

General Greely gave warning to the finance committee of the citizens' relief committee this afternoon that he had only 11 days' rations on hand, that the army could not furnish an ounce of food beyond that which has already been purchased or is in sight, and that the feeding of the people is a problem which demands immediate attention.

MAKES SPRINGS HOTTER.

Earthquake's Effect at Paraiso—New Springs Gush Forth.

OAKLAND, May 3.—A strange phenomenon of the earthquake has been reported from Paraiso Hot Springs in Monterey County. Since the shock the temperature of the water in the hot soda spring, which for many years has been growing steadily colder, has increased from 100 to 122 degrees, making it impossible for any one to bathe in the springs. Several new springs have been opened, ranging in temperature from 100 degrees to 160.

NEW APPEAL FOR HELP

LAWYER'S CHARGES AGAINST MRS. ABNER MCKINLEY.

Accused of Stripping House of Dead President's Brother of Furniture at Night.

Will Capture Bandit Stronghold.

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Harriman Tells the Committee How to Rebuild.

WORK MUST BE OUTLINED

Definite Plan Needed Before Money Can Be Raised—Schmitz Fears Burnham Plan Will Be Too Expensive.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3.—The committee appointed by Mayor Schmitz to discuss plans for the reconstruction of San Francisco met today. E. H. Harriman was chosen vice-chairman, P. H. McCarthy second vice-chairman and Rufus P. Jennings secretary. The Mayor called upon Mr. Harriman for an expression of his views. Mr. Harriman said: "I am less qualified to advance ideas than any member of the committee. While I represent large property interests, there are perhaps others better acquainted with the conditions and better able to throw valuable light upon the problems which confront us. I believe, however, that we ought to set to work. We should talk less and do more. Don't care if mistakes are made. It is better to be doing something than remain idle. If you want me to work I will pay a man to do it if I can get him, but if I cannot I will go into the streets and pitch bricks myself."

Committee to Draft Plan.

Abraham Ruef suggested that a committee of five, to be known as the committee on organization, should be appointed by the Mayor to study the general outline of the work proposed to be accomplished. The Mayor appointed for this purpose A. J. Williams, H. Mehon, Colonel J. R. Howell, W. H. Leahy and Downey Harvey.

Must Have Definite Plan.

Mr. Harriman said that it would be futile to attempt to raise money until it was definitely known to what use the money would be put. He declared it would be impossible to go to the money market with a hazy idea of what the money was to be used for.

RECEIVE AND PAY MONEY PENDING OPENING OF VAULTS.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3.—The commercial banks belonging to the Clearing House Association have arranged to open for "new" or "special" business.

USE LESSONS OF SPANISH WAR

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3.—The medical department of the regular Army has been putting into practice the experiences gained in the camps established on the Atlantic Coast during the Spanish-American War of 1898.

HEAVY LOSS IN SAN MATEO COUNTY.

SAN MATEO, Cal., May 3.—The losses in San Mateo County resulting from the recent earthquake, can never be even approximately estimated.

BLAZING LAUNDRY CAUSES PATIENTS TO FLEE HALF-CLAD.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3.—The 700 patients in the general hospital at the Presidio were thrown into a panic at 1:15 o'clock this morning by the cry of "fire."

MOLTEN GOLD AND SILVER FOUND.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3.—A mass of gold and silver valued at \$350,000, melted by the fire in the store of Tai Sing, a Chinese merchant at Washington and Dupont streets, and which had disappeared from the ruins, has been recovered by the police at Broadway and Stockton streets.

EMPEROR'S HONOR TO VON BUELOW.

BERLIN, May 3.—The Emperor today sent Chancellor von Buelow a porcelain vase as a birthday present and called personally today afternoon to congratulate the Chancellor on attaining his 57th year.

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WOMEN FED OUT INTO THE AIR WITH NOTHING ON BUT THEIR NIGHT CLOTHES.

Scores of patients who had the physical strength stopped sufficiently long to assist more work and unstrung men and women from the hospital.

LIMIT OF INSURANCE PAID

Companies Will Be Generous, but Not Exceed Legal Liability.

NEW YORK, May 3.—The Tribune today says that representatives of both foreign and American fire insurance companies, who were in the city yesterday, discussed action to effect a compromise in the adjustment of losses by the San Francisco fire.

HARTFORD, Conn., May 3.—The estimated net losses of the Hartford insurance companies in the recent San Francisco fire is given out by the officials of the company as follows: Aetna, \$2,700,000; Hartford Fire, \$1,750,000; National Fire, \$1,500,000; Orient, \$700,000; Phoenix, \$1,850,000; Scottish Union & National, \$1,000,000; total, \$11,150,000.

CHICAGO, May 3.—(Special.)—Influenced by the San Francisco disaster, the Traders' Insurance Company has decided to curtail by three-fourths its insurance in Chicago. It carries about \$7,000,000 worth of business in Chicago, and will cut them to about \$2,000,000.

CITY ENGINEER WOODWARD CAME PREPARED WITH AN ELABORATE SCHEME FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE BURNED DISTRICT.

RECONSTRUCT WORK ON AN EXTRAVAGANT SCALE.

THE SAN FRANCISCO DISASTER, WHICH WAS ADOPTED IN OAKLAND AND OTHER PARTS OF ALAMEDA COUNTY, AND THE BANKS HAVE NOW RESUMED REGULAR BUSINESS AND ARE RECEIVING MORE MONEY THAN THEY ARE PAYING OUT.

THE SAVINGS BANKS ARE AFRAID TO OPEN THEIR VAULTS A MOMENT BEFORE IT IS QUITE SAFE TO DO SO.

WITHIN THE PAST 72 HOURS THERE HAVE BEEN 57 SAFES AND VAULTS OPENED, AND IN NOT MORE THAN 50 PER CENT OF THESE INSTANCES WERE THE CONTENTS FOUND INTACT.

CLOSE ESTIMATES SHOW THE ACTUAL PROPERTY LOSS TO BE CLOSE TO \$50,000,000.

THE WATER COMPANY HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO DELIVER WATER TO EVERY LAUNDRY IN THE CITY, PROVIDED THE CHIMNEYS HAVE BEEN INSPECTED.

THE EXHAUSTIVE PRACTICE BY RENTERS AND OWNERS OF LAND IN THE UNBURNED DISTRICT ADJACENT TO THE TEMPORARY CIVIC CENTER, AS WELL AS THE PRACTICE OF SOME RETAILERS IN RAISING THE PRICE OF THEIR COMMODITIES BEYOND ALL REASON, WAS AGAIN THE SUBJECT OF CONSIDERATION.

AS TO THOSE OWNERS OF BUILDINGS AND LANDS WHO ARE ASKING IMPOSSIBLE RENTALS, HE SAID HE PROPOSED TO REQUEST THE ASSESSOR, IN MAKING UP HIS ASSESSMENT ROLL, TO ASSESS THESE PEOPLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF TAXATION ON THE VALUATION THEY NOW PLACE UPON THEIR PROPERTIES, AND NOT ON THE NORMAL VALUATION.

MR. RUEF, CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT LOCATION OF THE CHINESE, REPORTED THAT HE HAD HAD A CONFERENCE WITH THE FIRST SECRETARY OF THE CHINESE LEGATION AT WASHINGTON AND THE CHINESE CONSUL-GENERAL AND VICE-CONSUL AT THIS PORT.

ON MOTION OF J. B. REINSTEIN, GOVERNOR PARTEE, LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR ALDERSON, ATTORNEY-GENERAL WEBB AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE SAN FRANCISCO HARBOUR COMMITTEE, CHARLES S. SPER, WERE ADDED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RECONSTRUCTION OF SAN FRANCISCO.

CHAIRMAN PHELAN, OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, REPORTED THAT THE OUTSIDE CONTRIBUTIONS ON WEDNESDAY AMOUNTED TO \$77,000 AND THE LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO \$25,000, MAKING A TOTAL FOR THE DAY OF \$102,000, OR A GRAND TOTAL SINCE APRIL 13 OF \$1,780,000.

THE READING OF THE FINANCE REPORT BROUGHT ON A GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE MEANS WHEREBY SAN FRANCISCO IS TO RAISE THE MONEY WHICH SHE IS TO BE REBUILT.

MR. PHELAN POINTED OUT THE REASONS WHY THIS MONEY MUST BE SOUGHT ELSEWHERE AND CALLED UPON E. H. HARRIMAN, WHO HAD ENTERED THE ROOM DURING THE DEBATE, TO GIVE HIS VIEWS. THE DISCUSSION RESULTED IN NOTHING DEFINITE.

TAX RATE WILL BE 2 1-2 PER CENT.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3.—Auditor Horton has filed his estimate of the receipts and expenditures of the city for the coming fiscal year. He figures the



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water will amount to \$3,648,000. The estimate is made on an assessed valuation of \$600,000,000. The receipts are figured at a rate of \$1 on \$600,000,000 or \$600,000, and \$225,000 from other sources, making a tax rate, with 7 cents for the parks, of \$1.07. The fire, however, has reduced the value of assessable property and the expenses will be greater than the Auditors estimate. It is stated that the tax will be nearly \$2.50 on each \$100 of valuation.

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