## RAIN ON HOMELESS

Dwellers in Tents and Shacks Suffer Misery.

#### ASHES CAUSING DOWNPOUR

Leaky Roofs, Damp Floors and No Fires Make San Franciscans Wretched-Preparing for Special Session.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14-The cold, disagrecable rain which fell all this afton created much misery among the refugee camps and even caused considerable annoyance to householders who were cooking in the street. Though it is the middle of May and rain is unusual at this period, the ashes which drifted into the aky during the three days of the conflagration are believed to have concentrated sufficient moisture to cause shary driggles for some time to come. It is most unfortunate at this particu-

lar time, when a third of San Francisco's population is campins. Many of the tents in Golden Gate Park, the Presidio and Port Mason are without plank floorand Fore Mason are without plank floor-ing and became damp at once. The shacks throughout the vacant lots, in which many of the refugees are living, are poorly constructed and leaky, it is difficult to build outside fires in the rain and the homeless are without proper means of drying or warming themselves. Happily the rain was of short duration and the afternoon was ushered in by

bright sunshine.

At a meeting of the committee on special session of the Legislature today it was manimously decided that the present floyear lease law should be amended so that 39-year leases will hereafter be permitted in the state. This is looked upon by the real estate men as a most important step, as they maintain that under the new conditions building will progress rapidly. The committee also decided to recommend an increase of the inheritance taxes and corporation licenses. The state will be asked to authorize the issuance of bonds in the sum thorize the issuance of bonds in the sum of \$500,000 to be a tax on the tonnage of San Francisco for a reconstruction of those portions of the wharves and the seawall destroyed in the recent calamity

SAVE TRADERS' GOOD NAME

#### Directors Agree to Assessment to Pay San Francisco Losses.

CHICAGO, May 14 — (Special.)—The Traders' Insurance Company's receiver is to be discharged and the company's San Francisco losses are to be paid dollar for dollar. This has been informally decided on by the directors for the purpose of maintaining the honor of Chicago as a financial center. As soon as the directors show the court that the losses are to be paid, Receiver Smith will be dismissed, and then, it is predicted, the company will be revived.

John J. Mitchell, president of the Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, and vice-president of the Traders' is given credit for putting new backbone laid the directorate, He is following the line of action which has been most atrongly urged during his absence by Mrs. Hubbard Carpenter, one of the heirs of the Sturges estate.

On his return to the city last Friday Mr. Mitchell found the Traders' directors the subject of severe condemnation on the part of insurance, financial and general husiness men in Chicago. Mr. Mitchell, who announced on Friday morning that the receivership had been an unfortunate mistake, got the directors together for a preliminary meeting.

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"All the directors are now agreed that the San Francisco loss and all liabilities of the Traders' Iosurance Company shall be paid in full," said Mr. Mitchell. "That will mean an assessment, and for those stockholders who may refuse to meet it the directors will pay. Formal action on the matter will probably not be taken for a week, but I can say that the sentiment of the directors is unanimously in favor of paying the losses in full." Mr. Mitchell added that steps to dissolve the receiver-ship would follow the payments.

ship would follow the payments.

This move on the part of the Traders' comes in the face of the table of losses at San Francisco from the New York State Insurance Department, published today, showing that the Traders' was the second heaviest loser of the American companies and that the losses of only two foreign companies were larger. The samount given in that report for the Tradeds' is \$3.750,000. There are other liabilities, The assets consist of \$500,000 capital, \$1.500,000 surplus and \$1.314,005 reinsurance. \$1,500,000 surplus and \$1,314,065 reinsurano

### PROPOSE RELIEF LEGISLATION

#### Increased Corporation Tax and License and Long-Term Leases.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14 -- At the meeting of the committee in special session of the Legislature today, R. H. Countryman presented drafts of two bills drawn by the Attorney-General, dealing with the inheritance tax law and the taxation of corporations. The effect of the first of these would be to remove many of the present exemptions and practically double the receipts from the tax. The other increases the license tax on all cor-porations from \$10 to \$50, and the delin-

quency tax from \$5 to \$5.

Josiah R. Howell, for the subcommittee on 39-year leases, read a report that call for the extra session of the Legislature should contain a draft of a hill permitting such leases in this state, with-out limitation of any kind as to the terms. The report stated that it was the unanimous opinion of real estate dealers that such an extension of the term for which leases could be made would tend, more than any other single circumstance, toward the rapid upbuilding of the city. I pointed out that, under the present 50-year law, lessees will not erect buildings designed to outlast the life of the lease, resulting in the construction of an infe-rior class of buildings.

The report was adopted, and Judge John F. Davis and R. H. Countryman were appointed a special committee to draft, in conjunction with W. P. Pringle, representative of the real estate dealers, the necessary legislation to be incorporated in

Gavin McNab offered a resolution to be neerted in the call, authorizing the issuof bonds in the sum of \$800,000, to be a tax on the tonnage of the port of San Francisco, for the reconstruction of those portions of the wharves and seawall destroyed in the recent calamity. It was adopted without discussion.

### PRICELESS VOLUMES SAVED

#### Large Proportion of Sutro Library Escaped the Flames.

SAN FRANCISCO: May 14.—(Special.)
—Much of the famed Sutro library has been found to have escaped the flames. About half of this priceless collection was stored in the old Montgomery block, which miraculously escaped the fire. which miraculously escaped the fire.

Among the rare volumes saved are a number of early quarto editions of Shakespeare, a collection of misprint america assembled in Houston today.

Bibles, the first folio edition of Ben Jonson's works, and an invaluable col-lection of pamphlets on the Revolution-ary and Civil Wars. Four thousand "black letter" parch-

ment volumes, written by the monks and dating from the second and third cen-turies up to the time of the invention of printing, were burned in a warehouse on Battery street. This collection was one of the most complete of its kind in

THREE GIRLS BURNED TO ASHES

Horrible Death of Three More Victims of Disaster.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14-The fac that three girls perished in the ruins of Prost's Bakery, on Sixth street, as a result of the earthquake and fire, was established today. Some time ago the charred remains of a girl named Bock were taken from the ashes of the place by her father. by her father.

by her father.

Today William Burmeister searched among the ruins for traces of the remains of his sister, who had been missing since April 18. The girl wore a peculiar ring upon which was engraved the letter "A". The brother today found this ring, some human teeth and bones.

A third girl named Allen, who was employed in the bakery, has not been seen since April 17. The three young women siept in this rear of the store.

BERNHARDT WEEPS AT SIGHT

Actress Makes Tour of City She Saw in Its Prime.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.-Madame Sarah Bernhardt, the actress today vis-ted the devastated sections of this city, making the trip in an automobile. The city, in its former aspect, had been well known to her, and when she saw the resuit of the conflagration, she wept.

PARTNER'S CHARRED REMAINS

#### E. T. Johnson Finds Them After Twenty-Seven Days.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14. — After a search of 27 days in the ruins of their former place of business, E. T. Johnson found the charred remains of his business partner and lifelong friend, Theo dore Hansen, this morning.

Stock Exchange at Oakland, OAKLAND, May 14.—The Oakland Stock and Bond Exchange was organized here tonight with 100 charter members. Forty San Francisco business men joined the organization. The brokers composing the new exchange are principally of the San Francisco and the Tonopah and Goldfields exchanges. The exchange will deal in local stocks and mining stocks.

Concordia's Loss Was \$200,000. NEW YORK, May 14.—Through a tele-graphic error in the dispatch from Al-bany sent out in the Associated Press service last night, giving the losses of the fire and marine insurance companies by the recent California confiagration, the loss of the Concordia Fire, Wisconsin, was placed at \$700,000, \$200,000, the correct amount.

#### Total Relief Fund to Date.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.-The daily report of subscriptions issued by the fluance committee shows the final total up to the close of business at noon, May 12, 1965. Total actually promised, \$5,984,656.70; verbal prom-ises unconfirmed, \$309,750; grand to-tal \$6,294.416.70 tal, \$6,294,436.70.

Losses in Pennsylvania.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 14.—The Pennsylvania Insurance companies, nine in all have submitted statements of their condition, showing an aggregate loss in San Francisco of \$7,-

London & Lancashire Loss. LONDON, May 14. Shareholders of the London & Lancashire Insurance Com-pany today ratified the increase of capi-talization to \$25,000,000. Their losses in California are estimated at \$5,000,000.

Total of Red Cross Fund. WASHINGTON, May 14 .- Red Cross receipts for San Francisco to date aggregate \$2,125,000, of which \$1,700,000 has not been expended.

# MONNETT IS SUSPECTED

GRAND JURY TO INVESTIGATE STANDARD'S ENEMY.

Rumor That \$5000 Was Paid in Settlement of Suit Against the Ohio Railroad Trust.

BUCYRUS, O., May 14.-Judge Tobias today charged the grand jury to investi-gate the records of Frank S. Monnett and Charles Gallinger, ex-Prosecutor of this county, in the suit brought by them several years ago against the Hocking Vailey and Ohio Central Ballways to oust them from the state as a trust. The case was finally settled, the court au-

thorizing a payment of \$3000 by the rail-way companies. Investigation by the grand jury is sought of the rumor that Gallinger and Monnett received \$5000 more than was authorized by the court, which it is al-leged never has been accounted for. Monnett was formerly Attorney-Gen-eral of Ohio, and is now special counsel for the Interstate Commerce Commission in the investigation of the Standard Of

### Four Months for Collins.

Four months in the Multnomah County Jail is the pensity which John J. Collins must pay for disregarding the mandate of Jidge Wolverton of the Federal Court. Collins was held to be continuing in con-tempt of court, and received his sentence

yesterday morning.
Collins was subpensed to appear in the Collins was subpensed to appear in the District Court with the books of E. Dorgan & Co., of Albany, in connection with the land-fraud charges on which the firm was subsequently indicted. He refused to produce the books, and was ordered imprisoned for contempt of court until he should comply with the order.

When the grand jury adjourned, Collins, through his attorneys, filed a petition to have the contempt proceedings years to have the contempt proceedings years to

have the contempt proceedings vacated. District Attorney Bristol argued that he was continuing in contempt, as he was able at any time to bring the books into the District Court. Judge Wolverton con-curred in this view, and accordingly pro-

Austen Chamberlain Will Wed. LONDON. May 14-The engagement is

innounced of J. Austen Chamberlain, hancellor of the Exchequer in the late Balfour cabinet, and Miss Ivy Murial, daughter of H. I. Dundas, of Datchel, Buckinghamehirs, now chief staff officer at Gibraltar Railway Mail Clerks Convene.

Mutual Life Sues Committee on Expenditure.

RESULT OF FIELDS' WORK

Oliphant, Miller and Holden and Heirs of Herrick Called On to Make Good Sums Squandered on Politics.

NEW YORK, May 14.-Sult has been started by the Mutual Life Insurance against Robert Oliphant, Charles E. Miller and James C. Holden, trustees and members of the Mutual's mittee on expenditures, and against the estate of the late J. Hobart Her-rick, an ex-member of the committee, to recover such sums of money as may have been wasted through the alleged negligence of the defendants. The suits were begun by the service of summons on May 8. No complaints have been drawn

May 8. No complaints have been drawn as yet.

These actions are the result of revelations of mismanagement in the Mutual supply department, the vouchers from which had to be passed by the expenditures committee of the board. They will include also the quarterly payments of \$25,000 each for the purposes of a "confidential political fund," which Mr. Olinhant sanctioned according to youchphant sanctioned, according to vouch-ers introduced in evidence before the Armstrong committee. They constitute the first movement by the company to trace the responsibility of any misman-agement of the McCurdy administration back to the committee which had the matter in charge. How much will be involved in the new suits cannot be told yet, as the Truesdale investigating committee has not yet ap-praised the amount which it believes is

est to the company through Andrew C. NEW OFFICERS ARE APPOINTED

#### Hughes' Assistant Will Serve Mutual Life as Solicitor.

NEW YORK, May 14 .- (Special.)-At a special meeting of the trustees of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, Henry Phipps of Pittsburg and William I. Mc-Millan, of Detroit, were elected trustees. New subordinate officers were also appointed by the president and the by-laws were revised. Julian T. Davis, who for a long time was general solicitor, was succeeded by James McKeen, who was

succeeded by James McKeen, who was associated with Charles E. Hughes as counsel in the Armstrong investigation. New officers were as follows:

Vice-presidents, Granville M. White, George E. Dexter, James Timpson; treasurer, Charles H. Warren; actuary, Emory McClintock; secretary, William J. Easton and William F. Dix; general solicitor, James McKeen; manager of real estate, department, William W. Richards; assistant treasurer, Stephen Smith; associate actuary, William A. Hutcheson; superintendent domestic agencies, George E. Dexter; superintendent foreign agencies, Henry E. Duncan; medical drector, Brandreth Simonds; purchasing agent, Walter S. Sullivan; register, Gulon Trowbridge; superintendent policy loans, Frederick E. Mercer.

No action was taken regarding the threatened secretary of Political Description.

No action was taken regarding the threatened secession of British policy-holders, but this will be considered at the next meeting to be held on May 23.

GREAT SHOCK TO MUTUAL LIFE

Cannot Believe British Policy-Holders Will Desert It.

NEW YORK, May 14.-The Tribune today says:
Emory McClintock, vice-president of
the Mutual Life Insurance Company, the Mutual Life Insurance Company, who is in charge of the company's agents in all parts of the world, was astonished last night when shown the cable message from London, saying that the North British & Mercantile Company might take over policies of the Mutual Life amounting to \$45,000,000. He said he was not prepared to believe that the British company had agreed to do everything represented. Mr. McClintock said:

"I feel confident that the policy-holders

"I feel confident that the policy-holders will not enter into any such arrangement in any great number. They would get no more safety and worse results. Any policy-holder who has been in the Mutual Life for any length of time would lose the benefit of all he has paid into the company. In the first place, although that cable message makes announcement to the contrary, the North British & Mercantile will not accept such policy-holders without medical even policy-holders without medical exam-

ination. That D. C. Haldeman, former manager in London for the Mutual, and who it is announced will join the North British & Mercantile Company, could take over much of the business of the Mutual to another company, Mr. McClintock said, was preposterous. He added that he did not see houses. added that he did not see how any spectable company would engage in such an enterprise.

When this news was communicated

to Samuel Untermyer, he is reported to have hurried dispatches to London advising the various interests he represents to try to persuade the policyholders not to surrender their policies. Mr. Untermyer acted in behalf of the International Policy-Holders' Associa-

DIVIDED INTO RIVAL CAMPS

#### Many British Policy-Holders Follow Lead of Haldeman.

LONDON, May 14.—The British policy-olders of the Mutual Life Insurance holders of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York are being organized into rival camps. Those following the plan outlined by the "protection "mittee." headed by D. C. Haldeman. De former London manager of the Mutual, today flocked to the offices of the North British & Mercantile Insurance Company, where they filled out papers transferring their policies to the British concern. Mr. Haldeman claims to have a majority of the large holders on his side, and expects the smaller ones to follow their lead.

H. B. Duncan, superintendent of the

H. E. Duncan, superintendent of the foreign department of the Mutual, who succeeded Mr. Haldeman in the London office of the company, did not hear of the plans until this morning, when he immediately cabled to New York and is awaiting a reply before opening a campaign to hold the business. He promises that the campaign will be an active one. Mr. Duncan announced that many holders will continue as policy-holders of the Mutual.

Anthracite Miners Get Advance. TAMAQUA, Pa., May 14.-Commis Neil, who was appointed by the anthra-cite strike commission to compute the rate of wages for anthracite miners, has notified the coal operators that the miners will be paid 8 per cent on the \$4.50 banks for the month of May, the average prices of coal at tidewater last month being \$4.50

ton. This is the highest rate at which ers have been paid since the com made its reward.

## FUNERAL WILL BE PRIVATE

But Memorial Exercises in Schurz' Honor Are Proposed.

NEW YORK, May 14.—Partial arrangements for the funeral of Carl Schurz were decided upon tonight. The services will be held at the family residence Thursday afternoon and will be attended only by the members of the family and a few close personal friends, it is understood that this plan is in accordance with a wish often expressed by Mr. Schurz.

Immediately following the service

by Mr. Schurz.

Immediately following the service at the home, the body will be conveyed to Tarrytown, where interment will take place in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery.

While the funeral will be private, arrangements are being made for a great memorial service to be held in Carnegle Hall at a time to be hereafter determined.

determined.

Edward Pretorius, of St. Louis, an intimate business associate of Mr. Schurz, said tonight that similar arrangements are aiready in progress in a number of Western cities which have a large German population. A telegram received tonight from St. Louis said that a monster mass meeting would be held in that city within the next two weeks, and it is understood that similar meetings will be held in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Milwaukee, Chicago and De-

TRIBUTE FROM Cheveland

Carl Schurz Was Power and Influence for Good.

PRINCETON, N. J., May 14.—Ex-President Grover Cleveland tonight paid the following tribute to the late Carl Schurz:

I look upon the death of Mr. Schurz as a National affliction. Though he had reached length of years and though his activity had waned, he was still a power and strong in fluence in the life and sentiment of his

countrymen.

To those who proceed through high disinterested patriotism he continued to be an inspiring leader; to those who loved unflinching moral courage he was a constant teacher, and to those who aspired to the highest ideals in civic life he was an unfalling guids. His example and lofty career are left to us to stimulate the young to virtuous emulation and to encourage all in right living. Such can lil be spared, and what they leave to us should be carefully kept as a precious legacy. cept as a precious legacs

Roosevelt's Tribute to Schurz.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—President consevelt today sent the following Roosevelt today sent the following telegram to Carl L. Schurz, at New York: "Pray accept the expression of my profound sympathy in the death of your father. This country has lost a statesman of Lincoln's generation, whose services both in peace and in war at the great crisis of the Republic's history will not be forgotten while that history lasts."

SAVES SULTAN'S DIGNITY Britain Agrees to Turko-Egyptian Frontier Commission.

LONDON, May 15 .- The corresponden at Constantinopie of the Daily Telegraph in a dispatch dated May 14, relative to the settlement of the Tabah controversy between Great Britain and Turkey, says the susceptibilities of the Sulian have been spared by Great Britain in the acbeen spared by Great Britain in the acceptance of the proposition that the delimitation of the Sinaitic frontier be determined by a Turko-Egyptian commission. The Suitan, as the correspondent says, thus still proves the fiction of sovereignty of Egypt.

The Tribune's and Standard's dispatches from Constantinople confirm the Daily Telegraph's statement regarding the constitution of the delimitation commission.

Show Their Strength to Moslems.

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, May 14.-The British garrison at Alexandria, consist-ing of infantry and artillery, with bands playing and colors flying, marched through the main streets of the town today and paraded on the big square. The object of this military demonstration was to reassure and impress the natives, who had been disturbed by the recent pan-Islamic campaign launched by the supporters of the Turkish action on the supporters of the Turkish action on the Sinai Peninsula.

#### BAMBAATA ENTERS NATAL Heavy Firing Heard on Frontier of Disturbed Colony.

ESHOTE, Natal, May 14.—It is re-ported that Bambaata, the insurgent Zulu chief, has crossed into Natal. Heavy gun firing was heard May 13 from Nkandhlan, which recommenced this aft-

Fighting Near Krantzkop, GREYTOWN, Natal, May 14.-Serious fighting is progressing in Zululand. Heavy gun firing was heard today at Krantzhop.

Rising Spreads Into Natal. DURBAN, Natal, May 14.-Several na

e tribes on the Natal side of the Tuge-River are reported to be ready to rise. One Man, One Vote in Future,

LONDON, May 14-The House of Com mons today passed the second reading of the plural voters bill by a vote of

## SCHOOLS CLOSE JUNE 26

BOARD VOTES FOR TIME OF VACATION.

Question of Fraternities in High School Referred to a Committee to Report Later.

Upon motion of Director Fleischner, seconded by Director Beach, the City Board of Education last night decided board of Roucation last night decided to close the local public sonools Tues-day, June 28, instead of July 3, as heretofore arranged Director Williams opposed the idea, but was voted down Considerable discussion ensued relaconsiderable discussion ensued relative to the question of permitting the existence of fraternities in the High School, with the result that the entire matter was referred to Superintendent Rigler and the principals of the High School, with instructions to report their conclusions at the next full meeting of

conclusions at the next full meeting of the board.

Contractor Bennett, who has the contract for doing the cement work on the East Side High School, appeared before the board and asked for an extension of time, alleging that Architect Thomas J. Jones had rejected North Candor cement, the only kind at present obtainable in the markets. The building committee was empowered to set upon his request.

Thursday, June 7, was set as toe date for receiving reapplications of teach-

rangeday, June 1, was set as the date for receiving reapplications of teachers for positions in the department.

The salary of Principal C. M. Higgins, of the Atkinson school, was increased \$15 a month for April, May and June, on account of increased duties occasioned by the use of three rooms for high school purposes in the rooms for high school purposes in the

building.

Following the yearly custom, the G. A. R. will be permitted to visit the city schools Thursday afternoon, May 23, to gather the flowers brought there by the pupils for use on Decoration day.

The resignation of Miss Mary E. Beatty, a first-grade tencher in the Woodlawn school, was announced, to take effect immediately. Superintendent Rigler was authorized to nave become

Woodiawn School, was announced, to take effect immediately. Superintendent Rigler was authorized to name her successor, and he will appoint one of the pupil teachers to fill her place the remainder of the term.

George W. Hoyt, representing the civic committee of 100, asked the Board to grant the school children a half holiday hext Friday afternoon to enable them to assist in the general cleaning up that will begin then. Superintendent Rigler will decide the question of advisability today.

The board approved the proposition from the Multnomah Club to allow the pupils of the different schools to engage in sthletic contests on their own grounds and select representatives from these trials as participants in the contests that are to take place on Multnomah field, which is to be held under the auspices of the Athletic League.

The school board adjourned out of respect to the memory of Mrs. Augusta J. Allen, wife of Center H. S. respect to the memory of Mrs. Augusta J. Allen, wife of Captain H. S. Allen, and it was ordered that the office of City Superintendent of Schools shall be closed tomorrow aftern upon the occasion of her funeral.

## CANNOT HEAR PETTY CASES

Supreme Court Refers Habeas Corpus Suit Back to Lower Court.

WASHINGTON, May 14.-In an opinion by Justice Brewer, the Supreme Court of the United States today denied the petithe United States today denied the petition for a writ of habeas corpus in the case of James Lincoln, who was convicted in the United States District Court of Nebraska on an indistment charging the unlawful introduction of liquor into the Winnebago Indian reservation. He was sentenced to imprisonment for 60 days and to pay a fine of \$100. Hts discharge was asked for on the alleged ground that the United States Court had no jurisdiction of the offense charged. In dismissing the case, the court said: ing the case, the court said:

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While this court has authority to issue writs of habeas corpus for the discharge of any person imprisoned within the limits of the Unised States in violation of the Constitution or laws of the United States, yet, unless there is some special reason calling for the exercise of such authority a party convicted in a trial court of the United States should pursue his remedy by writ of error, and this court cannot be expected in every case, especially every petty case of alleged wrongful conviction, to inquire by habeas corpus into the legality of the detention. In this case it is held that there are no epecial reasons justifying a departure from the ordinary and orderly mode of procedure.

### THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

Surgeon Miller's Lonely Fate. HONOLULU, May 10.-James Miller, e naval surgeon stationed on Midway Island, died Sunday from appendicitis. He was the only surgeon on the island and was a son of Brigadier-General

Sir Robert Bromley, St. Kitts. LONDON, May 14.—The Colonial Of-fice has been advised that Sir Robert Bromley, administrator of the Island of St. Kitte, British West Indies, died there

Lower Dividend on Parrott Mine. NEW YORK, May 14 .- A quarterly dividend of 35 cents a share was declared by the directors of the Parrott Silver & Copper Company at a meeting held in Jersey City today. This is a reduction of 25 cents a share as compared with the



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