

RAIN OR 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, disagreeable rain which fell all this afternoon created much misery among the refugees 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 sky during the three days of the conflagration are believed to have concentrated sufficient moisture to cause heavy drizzles for some time to come. It is most unfortunate in this particular time, when a third of San Francisco's population is camping. Many of the tents in Golden Gate park, the Presidio and Fort Mason are without plank flooring 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 unanimously decided that the present 50-year lease law should be amended so that 99-year leases will hereafter be permitted in the city. 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 of \$300,000 to be a tax on the owners 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 agreed upon 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 into the directorate. He is following the line of action which has been most strongly urged during his absence by Mrs. Hubbard Carpenter, one of the heirs of the Strayer 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 and financial and general business 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.

"All the directors are now agreed that the San Francisco loss and all liabilities of the Traders' Insurance 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 say: 'Final 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.'"

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 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 corporations from \$10 to \$20, and the delinquency tax from \$10 to \$25.

Joseph H. Howell, for the subcommittee on 99-year leases, read a report that the call for the extra session of the Legislature should contain a draft of a bill permitting such leases in this state, without 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 rebuilding of the city. It 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 inferior 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. Fringe, representative of the real estate dealers, the necessary legislation to be incorporated in the call.

Gov. McNab offered a resolution to be inserted in the call, authorizing the issuance of bonds in the sum of \$300,000, 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 Sutor Library Escaped the Flames.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.—(Special.)—Much of the famed Sutor 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. Among the rare volumes saved are a number of early quarto editions of Shakespeare, a collection of misprints

ITS MONEY WASTED

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.—Suit has been started by the Mutual Life Insurance Company against Robert Oliphant, Charles E. Miller and James C. Holden, trustees and members of the Mutual's committee on expenditures, and against the estate of the late J. Hobart Herrick, an ex-member of the committee, to recover the sum of money which has 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 as yet.

BERNHARDT WEEPS AT SIGHT

Actress Makes Tour of City She Saw in Its Prime.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.—Madame Sarah Bernhardt, the actress, today visited 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 result 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 his former place of business, E. T. Johnson found the charred remains of his business partner and lifelong friend, Theodore 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 exchange are: J. C. Galt, J. H. Galt, 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 telegraphic error in the dispatch from Albany sent out in the Associated Press service last night, giving the losses of the fire and marine insurance companies by the recent California conflagration, the loss of the Concordia Fire & Marine company was placed at \$700,000, instead of \$200,000, the correct amount.

Total Relief Fund to Date.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.—The daily report of subscriptions issued by the finance committee shows the final total up to the close of business at noon, May 12, 1906: Total actually promised, \$6,984,686.70; verbal promises unfulfilled, \$309,750; grand total, \$7,294,436.70.

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 \$7,460,250.

London & Lancashire Loss.

LONDON, May 14.—Shareholders of the London & Lancashire Insurance Company today ratified the increase of capitalization to \$5,000,000. 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.

RICHEY, O., May 14.—Judge Tobias today charged the grand jury to investigate 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 Hooking Valley and Ohio Central Railways to oust them from the state as a trust. The case was finally settled, the court authorizing a payment of \$5000 by the railway companies.

Four Months for Collins.

Four months in the Multnomah County Jail is the penalty which John J. Collins must pay for disregarding the mandate of Judge Wolverton of the Federal Court. Collins was held to be contumacious in contempt of court, and received his sentence yesterday morning.

Austen Chamberlain Will Wed.

LONDON, May 14.—The engagement is announced of Austen Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer in the late Balfour cabinet, and Miss Ivy Muriel, daughter of H. I. Dundas, of Datchell, Birminghamshire, now chief staff officer at Gibraltar.

Railway Mail Clerks Convene.

HOUSTON, Tex., May 14.—The National convention of Railway Mail Clerks of America assembled in Houston today.

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 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 Carnegie Hall at a time to be hereafter determined.

Edward Pretorius, of St. Louis, an intimate business associate of Mr. Schurz, said tonight that similar arrangements are already 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 Detroit.

TRIBUTE FROM CLEVELAND

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 the length of years and his activity had waned, he was still a power and strong influence in the life and sentiment of his country. To those who proceed through high disinterested patriotism he continued to be an inspiring leader; to those who loved unselfish duty he was a constant example; to those who aspired to the highest ideals in civic life he was an unflinching guide. His example and lofty career are left to us to stimulate the young to virtuous emulation and to encourage all in right living. Such an life is spared, and what they leave to us should be carefully kept as a precious legacy.

ROOSEVELT'S TRIBUTE TO SCHURZ.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—President Roosevelt today sent the following acceptance to Carl L. Schurz, at New York: I pray the expression of my profound sympathy in the death of your father. This country has lost a statesman of Lincoln's generation, whose noble courage he put to the test 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 correspondent at Constantinople 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 Sultan have been spared by Great Britain in the acceptance of the proposition that the delimitation of the Sinaite frontier be determined by a Turko-Egyptian commission. The Sultan, as the correspondent says, freely agrees the action of sovereignty of Egypt.

Show Their Strength to Moslems.

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, May 14.—The British garrison at Alexandria, consisting 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 partitioning of the Turkish action on the Sinai Peninsula.

BAMBAATA ENTERS NATAL

Heavy Firing Heard on Frontier of Disturbed Colony.

ESHOE, Natal, May 14.—It is reported that Bambata, the insurgent Zulu chief, has crossed into Natal. Heavy fighting was heard on May 13 from Khandlan, which recommenced this afternoon.

Fighting Near Krantztop.

GREYTOWN, Natal, May 14.—Serious fighting is progressing in Zululand. Heavy gun firing was heard today at Krantztop.

Rising Spreads Into Natal.

DURBAN, Natal, May 14.—Several native tribes on the Natal side of the Tugela River are reported to be ready to rise.

One Man, One Vote in Future.

LONDON, May 14.—The House of Commons today passed the second reading of the plural voters' bill by a vote of 95 to 94.

Divided into Rival Camps

Many British Policy-Holders Follow Lead of Haldeman.

LONDON, May 14.—The British policy-holders of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York are being organized into rival camps. Those following the plan outlined by the "protection committee," headed by D. C. Haldeman, the 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 the whole, and expects the smaller ones to follow their lead.

H. E. Duncan, superintendent of the foreign department of the Mutual, who succeeded Mr. Haldeman in the office of the company, did not hear of the plans until this morning, when he immediately cabled to New York and 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.—Commissioner Neil, who was appointed by the anthracite strike commission to compute the rate of wages for the miners, has notified the coal operators that the miners will be paid 8 per cent on the \$4.50 basis for the month of May, the average price of coal at idewater last month being \$4.30

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 Fleischer, seconded by Director Beach, the City Board of Education last night decided to close the local public schools Tuesday, June 26, instead of July 3, as heretofore arranged. Director Williams opposed the idea, but was voted down. Considerable 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 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 A. Jones had rejected North Cander cement, the only kind at present obtainable in the markets. The building committee was empowered to act upon his request.

Thursday, June 7, 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, 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 building.

Following the yearly custom, the G. A. R. will be permitted to visit the city schools Thursday afternoon, May 25, to gather the flowers brought there by the pupils for use on Decoration day.

The resignation of Miss Mary E. Beatty, a first-grade teacher in the Woodlawn 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 next 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 athletic contests on their own grounds and select representatives from these clubs 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 Captain H. S. Allen, and it was ordered that the office of City Superintendent of Schools shall be closed tomorrow afternoon, 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 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 indictment charging the unlawful introduction of liquor into the Winnebago Indian reservation. He was sentenced to imprisonment for 90 days and to pay a fine of \$100. His 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:

While this court has authority to issue writs of habeas corpus for the discharge of any person imprisoned within the limits of the United 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 special reasons justifying a departure from the ordinary and orderly mode of procedure.

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

Surgeon Miller's Lonely Fate.

HONOLULU, May 14.—James Miller, a 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 Miller.

Sir Robert Bromley, St. Kitts.

LONDON, May 14.—The Colonial Office has been advised that Sir Robert Bromley, administrator of the island of St. Kitts, British West Indies, died there yesterday.

Lower Dividend on Parrott Mine.

NEW YORK, May 14.—A quarterly dividend of 25 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 dividend in the previous quarter.

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