

# INSURANCE LOSSES

### Companies Will Not Pay Earthquake Damages.

## FIRE LOSSES TO BE SETTLED

### Insurance Companies Will Pay California Sufferers For Losses From Fre and Dynamite—Will Use Broad Policy.

NEW YORK, April 20.—Officers of the large fire insurance companies having their headquarters in this city announce that losses by earthquake were not included in the fire insurance policies written for California and that such losses could not be allowed even if the companies were so inclined, because the laws of New York State prohibited. The rulings on the losses by fire, however, will, it is said, be broad, the insurance companies, apparently agreeing that to draw the lines with any severity whatsoever, would be extremely unwise in the face of such an appalling disaster, where the suffering will no doubt be widespread.

Willis C. Robb, secretary of the New York board of underwriters, said that at the buildings which have been dynamited will have to be settled for by the insurance companies since the statutes of the State of California, regardless of whether the statement is included in the policy or not, provide that the insurance companies are liable for the damage done by dynamite.

### KANSAS CITY SENDS AID.

KANSAS CITY, April 20.—The manufacturers and merchants association of this city last night telegraphed the mayor of San Francisco that it was arranging to send two carloads of provisions to the homeless of the stricken city and the provisions will be sent as soon as Mayor Schmitz is heard from. A movement is on foot among the local shriners to abandon the convave of the order to be held at Los Angeles May

5th and the money which would be spent by the delegates to that meeting estimated at \$150,000 be given to San Francisco. The business men of Kansas City last night subscribed \$10,000 for the San Francisco sufferers and an effort will be made to increase the amount to \$40,000 by Saturday.

## FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The many friends of Pilot Kane Olney, of the steamer Lurline, are glad to know of his advancement to the captaincy of the steamer Undine of the Kamm line. The death of Captain Rurgy, of the latter steamer left a vacancy, and the Kamm officers could not have chosen a better man for the post, both as to professional qualification and general popularity. Mr. McNeil, first officer of the Lurline has gone to the pilot house, and Harry Robinson, a well known river man of Portland, has been sent to the Lurline as first officer.

Passengers to the metropolis via the Lurline last night, from this city were: W. D. Devarney, F. H. Irvine, Mrs. J. M. Arthur, Charles Arthur, Miss Jeanette Thomas, J. Grable, Mason Erhame, P. W. Huntington, and G. Dippel.

The life-saving boat from Point Adams was a marine visitor in this port yesterday morning, on a shopping errand, after supplies, etc., with six men aboard. She came up under tow of the launch Chinook, and went back on the evening ebb.

The French ship Francois D'Amboise, grain laden for Europe, is the only square-rigger now in port awaiting sea despatch. She will get out today or tomorrow.

Joseph E. Fox, who has served as chief engineer on the Callender tug Melville for the past ten months, has resigned to accept a government position as chief on a big federal dredger up in the Snake river country, and will leave out for his new post on Monday next, leaving his family here until he shall have settled down to his new work. Chief Fox is a good engineer and a good citizen, and has made many friends here, among the best of whom is the Callender Navigation Company which is thus deprived of his service

and which has given him the kindest endorsement as a man and officer.

There is no little interest in the still unsolved question as to whether the steamship Barracouta, which is supposed to be running in the place of the Columbia between San Francisco, Astoria and Portland, left the Bay City on the morning of the dreadful earthquake, or not. No one has any information to offer, not even the O. R. & N. people here; but she will be very welcome if she did leave, and does arrive this morning, for there is a chance for some fine stories from eye-witnesses of the tragic hours following the shock. She is a slow boat, by all reports, and it is barely possible she will be in this morning.

The North Star completed her complement of men and officers yesterday when her new second engineer arrived from Portland, and will leave out for Alaska today, to do her usual duty as tender to the canneries of the Alaska Fishermen's Packing Company.

The O. R. & N. steamer Hassalo did not arrive down from Portland yesterday, until 1:30 o'clock p. m., and returned up river about 4 o'clock.

The steamer Cascades arrived down from Portland yesterday afternoon and left out immediately for the Golden Gate.

## RICH ARE RUINED

### Many California Millionaires Reduced to Poverty.

### ARE UNABLE TO CONTRIBUTE

### Mrs. Oelrichs, Owner of Rialto and Crosby Buildings, States She is Completely Ruined by the Terrible Earthquake.

CHICAGO, April 20.—A special to the Record-Herald from New York says:

"My property is in ruins. I cannot give aid because I am now as poor as any one else," thus spoke Mrs. Herman Oelrichs, who was former Miss Fair, of California, daughter of Senator James G. Fair and sister of Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt Jr., and who was prostrated at her Fifth-avenue home over the anxiety for her relatives and friends and the loss of a great part of her fortune in the San Francisco disaster. It was only recently that Mrs. Oelrichs traded her Fairmont Hotel for the Rialto and Crosby buildings. Both these buildings are near the corner of Mission and Montgomery streets and both are reported to have been demolished.

Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt Jr., who owned 400 houses in Mission street is now at her country home at Great Neck, L. I. She has tried to communicate by telegraph with her relatives and friends but to no avail. It is said that all the houses she owned have been destroyed. None of them was insured.

### LEAVES FOR FRISCO.

CHICAGO, April 20.—Among those who eagerly watched the bulletins from the stricken city was P. H. McCarthy known as the labor boss of San Francisco. Mr. McCarthy tried to get a message through to learn the fate of his wife and baby but did not succeed. He left last night on the verge of collapse, for the Pacific Coast. Mr. McCarthy has been married but eighteen months and left his wife and four months old baby behind him.

### NOT SERIOUSLY INJURED.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The war department has learned that the Southern Pacific freight sheds at San Francisco were not seriously injured. The superintendent of the railway mail service at San Francisco has telegraphed that every train to and from Oakland is proceeding with reasonable regularity on slow schedule. He has been authorized by wire to call in subordinate officials at various points and all clerks of the railway mail service not on regular duty and command the use of postal cars available to handle San Francisco incoming and outgoing mail to the best possible advantage, pending resumption of regular service.

### Devil's Island Torture

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## PARTIAL RETURNS

### Totals From Nine Precincts Including Astoria.

### VOTE IS FAR BELOW NORMAL

### Ballots Counted Indicate Almost Universal Lack of Interest in Election—Twenty Precincts Yet to be Heard From.

The returns from the direct primary election in Clatsop county, yesterday, from nine of the twenty-nine precincts, including the seven within this city, indicate a vote far below normal and averaging not more than one-half the registration recorded. This may be accounted for, as far as the city precincts are concerned, from the lack of interest in the election overshadowed as it was by the baleful news from San Francisco that has poured in upon the electors here during the past three days, and the same is true of Seaside, where scarcely half of the registration was represented at the polls; and this, together with the fact that the election occurred during busy hours of the day and the no-wisdom of the electoral purpose, must stand sponsor for the radical falling off in the representative vote of these important bailiwicks. There is likelihood of the remaining twenty showing results more closely approximating the sum of registration in the country, where there was less to distract the interest of the voter and where a fuller ballot was cast, and which may, in some instances, affect the totals presented in this partial report.

As soon as the full returns are at hand the Astorian will offer its readers a carefully prepared table of the exact status of the vote of the county in every particular, and for the time being, and upon the meagre showing at hand, submits the following figures.

For State Senator—W. T. Schofield, 427; J. W. Welch, 277.

For Representative in Legislature—Asmus Brix, 364; C. J. Curtis, 292; W. J. Ingalls, 193; John C. McCre, 389; P. L. Stangland, 122.

For County Judge—C. W. Carnahan, 309; J. A. Eakin, 332; T. S. Jewett, 45.

For County Commissioner—C. C. Masten, 456.

For Sheriff—John Frye, 251; E. M. Houghton, 199; M. T. Pomeroy, 321.

For County Clerk—J. C. Clinton, 480.

For County Treasurer—Charles A. Heilborn, 287; Wm. A. Sherman, 389.

For County Surveyor—R. C. F. Astbury, 453.

For Coroner—Charles E. Linton, 381.

The county central committee, as indicated from the count of last night, shows that the following gentlemen are chosen as Republican committeemen within the City of Astoria:

Astoria No. 1—John Niemi.

Astoria No. 2—F. J. Carney.

Astoria No. 3—W. J. Barry.

Astoria No. 4—C. G. Palmberg.

Astoria No. 5—Harrison Allen.

Astoria No. 6—A. Y. Anderson.

Astoria No. 7—W. F. McGregor.

The outside precincts reported last night were John Day No. 1 and Seaside.

The State ticket gives the following totals upon the face of the return at hand:

For United States Senator (short term)—Fred W. Mulkey, 416.

For United States Senator (full term)—Jonathan Bourne Jr., 270; H. M. Calk, 230; Stephen A. Lowell, 70; E. L. Smith, 51; E. B. Watson, 45.

For Representative in Congress—W. H. Ellis, 196; W. J. Lachner, 212; John L. Rand, 126; George S. Shepherd, 118.

For Governor—Harvey K. Brown, 89; T. T. Geer, 246; Charles A. Johns, 53; C. A. Schlbrede, 32; James Withycomb, 242.

For Secretary of State—Frank W. Benson, 197; Claud Gatch, 238; Lot L. Pierce, 52; Frank T. Wrightman, 155.

For State Treasurer—John H. Aitkin, 98; E. V. Carter, 176; Ralph W. Hoyt, 140; A. C. Jennings, 44; Thomas F. Ryan, 86; George A. Steel, 104.

For Supreme Judge—Robert Eakin, 544.

For Attorney-General—A. M. Crawford, 404; George H. Dunham, 186.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction—J. H. Ackerman, 467.

For State Printer—W. J. Clarke, 113; W. S. Dunningway, 315; J. R. Whitney, 200.

For Commissioner of Labor—O. P. Hoff, 468.

In Olney precinct the vote for sheriff was as follows: Frye, 17; Pomeroy, 4; Houghton, 1.

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**First M. E. Church.**  
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**Presbyterian Church.**  
Morning worship, 11 o'clock; sermon theme, "Disaster in God's World"; Sunday school, 12:15; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30; evening worship, 7:30; sermon, Rev. Elffson, chaplain to Seamen, will preach. An offering will be gathered at the morning service for the Relief Fund.

**First Lutheran Church.**  
Morning service in Swedish at 10:45; evening service in English at 8 o'clock. Theme for the morning service, "Christ Appears to His Disciples." "General Proofs of the Resurrection of Christ." To these services the public is cordially invited.

**RED CROSS AT WORK.**

NEW YORK, April 20.—Dr. Edward T. Devine, secretary of the New York city charity organization society and professor of sociology at Columbia, left this city yesterday to take control of the Red Cross work in California. He was nominated for this office by New York State executive committee of the society and was appointed immediately by Secretary Taft. At a meeting of the state executive committee yesterday it was decided that all money received by the Red Cross for San Francisco be sent directly to Dr. Devine, at San Francisco. The committee decided to send to the aid of Dr. Devine a prominent head worker at the San Francisco settlement house which was in the center of the afflicted district. This woman is now in this city but every effort will be made to obtain her as aid to the Red Cross field executive. The matter of sending food as well as money was discussed.

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### ROOSEVELT SENDS SYMPATHY.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—President Roosevelt learned with deep regret of the wrecking of the buildings of the University of California and of the Leland Stanford of California has not shared as much as is reported. I suffer the horror and grief of the country at the disaster that has befallen California.

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

President David Star Jordan, Stanford University, Cal.: "An inexpressible shock by the dreadful calamity which has befallen California and have deep personal concern and sympathy over the destruction of the buildings of the Leland Stanford University. I most earnestly hope that things are not as bad as they are reported.

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