

10,000 DEAD IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REPORT

Long Distance Telephone to Portland Carries Rumor of Tidal Wave in San Francisco - Latest News of Destruction.

PACIFIC SQUADRON REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN SUNK IN BAY

Heavy Loss of Life at Many Towns Outside San Francisco - Four Hundred Lunatics Reported Killed Near San Jose.

(Journal Special Service.) Chicago, April 18.—It is reported through Santa Fe headquarters this afternoon that the estimated dead and injured in southern California are placed at 10,000. A committee headed by Mayor Duane, which has raised \$50,000 for victims sufferers, have decided to divide it with San Francisco, raising more.

Washington, April 18.—(Bulletin.)—The navy department is informed that Berkeley, California, has been demolished. A recurrence of the shocks occurred at 1:30 o'clock. The buildings left standing after the first shock fell before this one. Federal troops are hurrying to the devastated district. The National Red Cross is telegraphing immediate calls to all branches for assistance to the sufferers.

To add to the horrors of earthquake and conflagration, a tidal wave is reported to have struck San Francisco, sweeping over a portion of the doomed city. The rumor reached Portland by long distance telephone from Sacramento shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon, and has not yet been confirmed.

If the movement of the earthquake was from the west to the east a tidal wave in that part of the bay, so that it would be quickly submerged by a tidal wave. The report received from Sacramento said that the water was sweeping into the bay and was being reported as a tidal wave in that part of the bay, so that it would be quickly submerged by a tidal wave.

Oakland has suffered heavy loss, the destruction of property amounting to \$1,000,000. The famous Cliff House at the mouth of the bay has been destroyed.

The new St. Francis hotel on Union square is reported to have been destroyed and the same fate has overtaken the Grand, the Palace and the California. The Emporium and the old Flood buildings were destroyed for lack of water.

FEARFUL LOSS OF LIFE OUTSIDE SAN FRANCISCO REPORTED

San Francisco, April 18.—It is reported that 85 per cent of the buildings in San Jose have been destroyed.

Santa Rosa is said to be in flames following the earthquake. St. Agnes's insane asylum near San Jose is reported destroyed and nearly 400 inmates killed.

The Palace hotel is burning and seems doomed. The St. Francis is reported dynamited, as is the California. The Emporium department store has been destroyed by flames as has the old Club building.

Martial law has been established and it seems almost certain that practically the entire town will be destroyed.

San Francisco, April 18.—The seismograph at the weather bureau here recorded the San Francisco earthquake, and was violently agitated all morning.

Two hundred thousand for club home fund. The subscription to bonds for the Portland Commercial club's new building today exceed in total amount \$200,000.

Passenger agents discuss rate bill. Los Angeles, April 18.—A convention of the Transcontinental Passenger association opened at the Alexandria hotel this morning for a four days session.

VALLEY ELECTRIC LINES. COUNCILMEN MEET IN CAUCUS TO LAY PLANS

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At a special meeting of the city executive board yesterday afternoon the report of the special committee appointed to fix a valuation on the franchises of the United Railways company was read.

The city council tonight will wholly ignore the valuation fixed by the executive board and fix a price to be paid by the railway companies as it sees fit.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK FELT AT VANCOUVER

The earthquake shock was plainly felt at Vancouver this morning, and was noticeable at least one person there reported news of an earthquake long before word of the disaster reached Portland or Vancouver.

PORTLAND PEOPLE WHO ARE ANXIOUS TODAY

Attorney Robert Galloway, librarian of the Multnomah law library, has three cousins in San Francisco who are conducting a large printing office there.

PRIZES FOR ESSAYS ON "MADE IN OREGON"

Fifty dollars for those who write Best Arguments for Local Products. The standing committee of the Episcopal diocese in special session adopted the following resolutions with reference to the death of Bishop Morris.

RESOLUTIONS PRAISE LATE BISHOP MORRIS

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CITY HAS SEVERAL JOBS—GOOD PAY

Men are in demand in the city's civil service. There are many lucrative positions open for competent applicants, at salaries ranging from \$2.25 a day for laborers to \$150 a month for building inspector.

SIX ENGINES BURNED IN UMATILLA ROUND HOUSE

Portland, Or., April 18.—The O. R. & N. roundhouse at Umatilla Junction and six locomotives were destroyed by an oil-burning engine at 10 o'clock last night.

FARMER KILLED BY EXPLOSION OF GUN

Dallas, Or., April 18.—Plato McFee, a farmer living four miles from Dallas, was found dead under a tree at 10 o'clock last evening.

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The evangelistic conference at the White Temple is growing in attendance. There are now about 125 from coast points, and more are expected, this afternoon and evening.

The morning session was given over to Dr. Cornelius Weidlich, who had as his theme "Points of Emphasis in the Minister's Life."

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His Mongrel Crew of Political Freebooters, and Their Attempt to Use Statement No. 1 to Boost Themselves and Their Notorious Leader Into Power.

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