

GOOD EVENING

THE WEATHER

Fair tonight; Wednesday fair and probably cooler; north to east winds.

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## REPORTS REVEAL SPLENDID RELIEF WORK BY OREGON

### Teal and Mackenzie Tell of Timely Assistance Given to Suffering San Francisco Thousands Through the Generosity of People of This State.

Results attained by the Oregon relief corps working in San Francisco during the period of privation and suffering following the earthquake and fire, as shown in reports submitted to the finance committee of the Oregon relief committee this morning by Joseph N. Teal and Dr. K. A. J. Mackenzie, are very pleasing and satisfactory to those who devoted their time, attention and money to the work.

An exhaustive account of the labors of the Oregon relief bureau was submitted by Mr. Teal and an equally thorough report of the work done by the volunteer corps of physicians and nurses that went from Portland was read by Dr. Mackenzie, who had charge of this branch of the service. The members of the finance committee listened to the reading of the reports with much interest, as they showed that the Oregon committees took the lead in the work of relief, feeding the hungry, clothing the scantily attired, distributing funds to the penniless, nursing and doctoring the sick and injured, providing shelter for the homeless, constructing hospital camps and putting into operation the necessary precautionary measures to prevent the development and spread of disease.

**All Praise Work.**

The finance committee has not as yet been able to complete its report so that no complete figures as to the amounts of money spent and food and supplies of all sorts distributed can be given at present. The reports, the essential parts of which are given here, show that many thousands of sufferers were fed, clothed, housed and given medical attention. Governor Harbo of the state of California, Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco and the civil and military authorities have been profuse in their praise of the excellent work of the Oregon relief workers. Mr. Teal's report shows that 250,000 persons were supplied with rations and more than 300,000 were handled by the railroads between San Francisco and points of relief. At present no estimate can be made of the number cared for in the hospital camps.

The reports were heartily approved by the finance committee and will be made matters of record.

From the report filed by Mr. Teal with the finance committee of the San Francisco relief committee, the following resume is taken:

On arriving at Oak-

## CREFFIELD'S SLAYER TO ESCAPE; DISCIPLES DISBAND



George Mitchell, Slayer of "Joshua" Creffield.

Seattle, Wash., May 8.—If the expression of public opinion is any guide, George Mitchell, the young man who shot and killed "Joshua" Creffield, leader of the notorious Holy Roller fanatics, will escape scot free. Whoever is familiar with the creed and practices of the dead man expresses approbation for the deed and regret that the end was postponed so long.

The Holy Rollers as a religious body are doomed to early extinction. Already disintegration among the ranks has set in and the victims are coming to their senses.

Creffield's mode of procedure was to select weak-minded women over whom he obtained fanatical control, tell them that they were destined to be goddesses of love or duty, according to the disposition of the victim. But for them to reach the desired state of perfection, it was necessary for him, as the supreme one, to lay his hands upon them and purify them. Once in his power the most horrible orgies were carried on under the guise of religion.

### Medal to Be Given Mitchell in Recognition of His Killing Fanatical Leader— Money for Defense

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.)

Seattle, Wash., May 8.—That a medal will be presented to George Mitchell by the citizens of Corvallis, Oregon, in recognition of his killing Franz Edmund Creffield, leader of the Holy Rollers, on the streets of Seattle yesterday morning, the statement made this morning by O. V. Hurt of Corvallis, the father of Creffield's widow, Hurt reached Seattle last night to aid the man who had murdered his son-in-law. Hurt declared this morning that he immediately on hearing of the murder a committee of Corvallis citizens was appointed to solicit funds for the defense of Mitchell and money also to purchase a medal for him.

**To Care for Widow.**

Hurt expressed no grief at the slaying of his daughter's husband. He says that he believes Creffield only obtained his just deserts. Hurt says he will take care of Creffield's wife. Hurt said: "I never saw more excitement in Corvallis than when the news was received of the killing of Creffield. Everyone went crazy with joy. I received the first word of it in a telegram from Mitchell and I showed it to a few friends.

Some one suggested starting a fund to buy Mitchell a medal. This was taken up at once and a committee appointed to get the money. A committee was also appointed to raise money to defend Mitchell.

**A Just Reward.**

I have no sorrow for Creffield. He simply received the reward of his actions. I knew he would be killed. He could not hope to go on ruining women as he and his followers did without some one taking revenge on him. My daughter was completely in his power. I shall take care of her. Creffield drove her insane once, and she had to be put into the insane asylum.

"He had my daughter hypnotized. His control over her was wonderful. I am glad he is dead. Glad for my daughter's sake. He also had my son under his influence. My son was a good boy until he came under that man's influence.

"Yes, you can say for me I am glad Creffield is dead. I am glad that he was murdered like a dog. I will do every thing in my power to aid Mitchell. He only did what any man would have done. I do not want to see him suffer. The citizens of Corvallis will see that he has plenty of money to make a fight for his liberty. I shall tell the jury what I know of Creffield. I am sure they will see Mitchell did right in shooting him."

Hurt also asked Sheriff Smith to furnish Mitchell with as good quarters as possible. He told this official that he bore Mitchell no malice, but considered his act worthy of the greatest praise.

**Mayor Johnson Talks.**

A. J. Johnson, mayor of Corvallis, who is also a national bank inspector, was in Seattle yesterday and made the following statement:

"Creffield never dared to come back to Corvallis after his release from the state prison. He had a coat of tar and feathers while in the city and warned that if he ever showed his face there he would be shot down like a dog.

"Mitchell was not the only man looking for him on account of his conduct. Only a few weeks ago, when he tried to start his new colony at Ocean View, he took the wife and daughter of a man named Hartley away from their husband and father.

"Hartley went after his wife and child and I understand that he tried four times to shoot Creffield, but that his revolver snapped each time.

"The outrages that were committed by the Holy Rollers in Corvallis and in the vicinity of Oregon City have been too numerous to mention. They have broken up dozens of families with their vicious doctrines. In the case of the Hurt family there was only one member of the entire family that was not under the influence of Creffield at the time of his death, that being the father, O. V. Hurt, who is a respected citizen of Corvallis, and even he was once, under the hypnotic spell of the infamous creed for some time."



Mrs. Maude Hurt Creffield, Widow of Murdered Holy Roller Leader.

## BAY CITY RESEMBLES AN IMMENSE MINING CAMP

Hundreds of Temporary Buildings Springing Up In All Directions Like Magic—Army of Men at Work on Buildings.

(Journal Special Service.)

San Francisco, May 8.—The new San Francisco begins to look like a mining camp. Hundreds of temporary buildings and shacks are springing up in every direction like magic. The air is filled with flying dust and plaster, stirred up by the men demolishing the walls and preparing for new foundations. The army of workers and teams were greatly augmented this morning. Workmen this morning began shoveling the debris from the top stories of the St. Francis hotel, which will be ready for occupancy in a short time.

One firm has closed contracts for a hundred first class buildings and contracts to clear the debris from a hundred lots in the business section.

The reports from New York that a big syndicate is to rebuild the city has greatly encouraged citizens who are going forward on their own hook to reorganize their business. Those with small credit will be obliged to await the insurance settlement.

## MILLIONAIRE SHIP BUILDER WEDS YOUNG MEXICAN GIRL

(Journal Special Service.)

Philadelphia, May 8.—Shipbuilder William McPherson Roach of Chester bought his young Mexican bride and her splendidly dressed Indian handmaidens back to his home today. Mrs. Roach was Senorita Julia Hidalgo and their courtship was rapid. Three months ago Roach arrived in the Mexican capital on a business mission. Remembering a young Mexican of his acquaintance, he renewed his friendship with Lieutenant Luis C. Labastida Jr., formerly one of the secretaries at the Mexican embassy at Washington. By him Roach was introduced into society and at a ball was presented to Senorita Hidalgo.

It was not long before the two were engaged and soon married. The president and Mrs. Corral attended the ceremony, which is necessary under the Mexican law, and the vice-president acted as one of the witnesses.

## AMERICAN DEMANDS HAND OF POPE'S SIXTY-YEAR-OLD SISTER



Pope Pius X.

### Archbishop Farley Is Authorized to Formally Decline Proposal—Maria Sarto Is Greatly Surprised.

wealthy gentleman of this city named Webber, and present him the pontiff's compliments and inform him that it is impossible for his proposal for the hand of the Pope's sister to be entertained.

Webber, describing himself as a wealthy bachelor, had written a formal demand to the Pope for the hand of the latter's 60-year-old sister, Maria Sarto, who is a woman of the peasant class.

The Pope, while displeased that the suitor did not appear at the Vatican in person with his proposal, has decided to deal gently with him. Accordingly an official letter has been sent by the Pope to Archbishop Farley directing him to present the pontiff's refusal to the suitor. The woman's age and the lack of acquaintance of the couple appears to be the main objections.

Maria Sarto was greatly surprised when told that she had an American suitor, and she told the Pope that she should never marry.

## CZAR'S SOLDIERS CHARGE COUNCIL OF EMPIRE

Meeting of Newly-Elected Officials Broken Up by Troops at Emperor's Command.

(Journal Special Service.)

St. Petersburg, May 8.—The meeting of the members of the new council of the empire was broken up by soldiers today at the instigation of the czar. The building was surrounded by cavalry and the police chief ordered the members to disperse.

Twenty-eight members of the parliament signed a protest against the action. The Democrats are aroused and demand the dismissal of the chief of police.

Many workmen leaders have been ordered to leave the city and were not given time to remove their families.

## FIFTY-SEVEN SMALLPOX CASES IN SAN FRANCISCO

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, D. C., May 8.—Lieutenant-Colonel Turney, chief surgeon of the department of California, reports to the war department that there are 57 smallpox cases among the San Francisco earthquake and fire victims and seven typhoid cases. The department expects there will be no epidemic.

## ALFONSO ESCAPES STONE WHICH STRIKES SISTER

(Journal Special Service.)

Madrid, May 8.—A stone thrown at the royal automobile missed King Alfonso but struck his sister, who was sitting beside him. The injury was not serious.

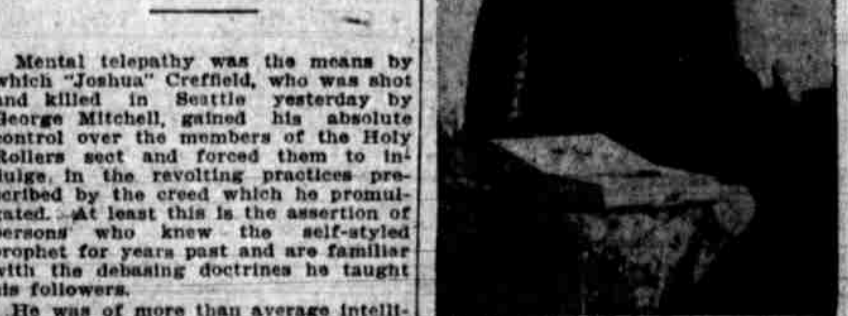
**Maritime in Cleveland.**

(Journal Special Service.)

Cleveland, O., May 8.—E. H. Harriman, president of the Southern Pacific, arrived here at 7:30 this morning en route to New York from San Francisco.

## CREFFIELD WON VICTIMS BY MEANS OF TELEPATHY

Weakened Their Minds and Forced Them to Obey His Obnoxious Orders.



The Late Franz Edward Creffield, While a Lieutenant in the Salvation Army at Corvallis.

Mental telepathy was the means by which "Joshua" Creffield, who was shot and killed in Seattle yesterday by George Mitchell, gained his absolute control over the members of the Holy Rollers sect and forced them to indulge in the revolting practices prescribed by the creed which he promulgated. At least this is the assertion of persons who knew the self-styled prophet for years past and are familiar with the debasing doctrines he taught his followers.

He was of more than average intelligence, well educated, an orator of ability and possessed a sort of magnetic influence. It is claimed, that appealed to men and women, especially the latter. Those most intimately acquainted with him deny that he was mentally unbalanced. They say he simply descended into complete moral degeneracy, became a pervert and was ruled by bestial passions. He made his followers believe implicitly in his alleged divine powers and that the debasing doctrines of "incarnation" which he taught, were given to him by God himself by means of personal communication between the Almighty and himself.

**Educated for Priesthood.**

From a man who has known Creffield's history from the date he first came into this section of the country some five or six years ago it is learned that he was originally educated for the priesthood. During his schooling he made a particular study of mental telepathy and, it is claimed, became something of an expert in the science of thought transference.

For some reason he never entered the priesthood for which he was trained.

## BUILDINGS IN CHILE DEMOLISHED BY QUAKE

(Journal Special Service.)

Valparaiso, Chile, May 8.—Another violent earthquake took place at Arica yesterday and many buildings were rendered uninhabitable. The shock was felt in the neighboring town of Tacna and lasted two minutes, terrorizing the people. The British steamship Guatemala, anchored at Arica, was violently shaken by the seismic phenomenon.

## EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS AT SCOTTISH RESORT

(Journal Special Service.)

Edinburgh, Scotland, May 8.—A slight earthquake shock was felt last night at Duns, a tourist resort. No damage is reported. The people in the vicinity are greatly shocked.

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