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WEATHER FORECAST. Unsettled weather with probably showers tonight and Wednesday.

TROOPS NEEDED FOR SOME TIME

Regulars to Supplant State Troops During Martial Law at San Francisco.

DIFFICULTIES ARISING AND EXPECTED TO GROW.

Charred Remains of Seventeen Victims of Earthquake and Fire Found in One Building—Volunteer Physician Accidentally Killed by His Own Gun—Order Being Brought Out of the Chaos of Ruins and Tents—The Water Famine Is an End—Two Hundred Bodies Cremated in One District.

Washington, April 24.—General Greely reports this morning: "Consultation took place between Mayor Schmitz and General Funston regarding the necessities of the near future. The mayor urged that the army take charge of the large districts now guarded by state militia. Apart from other conditions, it is evident the state troops cannot be expected to serve there any considerable time, while it is certain that within 10 days such a situation will develop that an increased force of regulars will be necessary to guard property and conserve public interests.

"They recommended that at least 2500 men, mostly cavalry, be sent from outside divisions, and that the transports Warren and Crook be immediately put into commission. "Already difficulties exist regarding supplies, forage and lumber, and the difficulties are certain to increase in the near future."

Seventeen Die in One Frame House.

San Francisco, April 24.—It is believed the charred bones of 17 persons repose in the ashes of a frame building at 119 Fifth street. Fragments of one body have been recovered. The building collapsed like an egg shell, and the wreck instantly took fire. All attempts at rescue were futile. Occupants who escaped saw a woman and man plumed on a bed and also heard a baby crying. Mrs. Murray, the proprietor, is missing.

Volunteer Physician Killed. Dr. C. P. Tarkenton, one of the most prominent physicians of Los Angeles, who volunteered his services to the Hearst relief bureau, was shot and killed yesterday by the accidental discharge of his own pistol while running up the steps of Crocker school building. He was a graduate of Morris Medical college.

The refugee camp at Fort Mason and the Presidio, begun work today on a systematic plan of organizing 200,000 homeless people. Tents which had been placed here and there have been arranged into streets, and all will soon assume the regularity of an army camp.

Four men caught attempting to loot a safe at Fifth and Brannan, are now in a guard house and will be given a trial by court martial.

From theatrical headquarters at the Novelty theater, 150 thespians were given transportation east.

Abundant Water Soon. The task of restoring the water supply is well under way. Large squads of men are repairing the water mains in the burned district and the city will be well equipped for water by noon.

President Roosevelt, of the board of education, has issued general orders closing the schools for one year. All school houses standing are thrown open to the public as lodging places.

Cremated 200 Bodies. Two hundred bodies, found in the Potrero district, south of Channel street, were cremated by order of Commissioner Walsh. Some were killed by falling buildings, and some by fire. In the majority of cases identification is impossible.

Military control of the city is divided into districts and assigned to regulars, police, militia and university cadets. The regulars are taking the districts where the greatest liability of trouble exists.

Five Hundred Bodies Disposed of.

San Francisco, April 24.—It is estimated that 500 bodies of victims so far have been recovered and disposed of.

Family Attempts Suicide. Philadelphia, April 24.—Kasper Fahns and his entire family were overcome by gas this morning. The mother and two daughters are dead, while the father and two sons may recover. It appears to be a wholesale attempt at suicide. There has been much sickness in the family for a year past.

of by burial or cremation. Many were hastily buried, not being identified. The first systematic search for bodies has begun, the ruins in some places having cooled enough to permit digging in the debris. The city is divided into districts with temporary morgues for receiving dead.

TROOPS TO SAN FRANCISCO.

Walla Walla Sends 55 Cavalrymen to Help Keep Order.

Walla Walla, April 24.—An officer and 55 enlisted men of the Fourteenth cavalry, stationed at Fort Walla Walla, have been ordered to proceed at once to San Francisco to assist the other troops there in preserving order and doing general police duty.

The order was received at Fort Walla Walla this morning from General Funston who is in command of the forces at San Francisco.

The G. R. & N. company has provided a tourist sleeper for the use of the soldiers and an extra baggage car to carry their equipment. These two cars will be attached to the regular train bound for Portland tonight.

MONTANA'S NEW RESERVE.

Nearly 1,000,000 Acres of Forest Are to Be Set Aside.

Helena, April 24.—The president has issued a proclamation creating a new forest reserve in southwestern Montana, which will conserve the timber and water supply of the country in the vicinity of Helena, Boulder and Butte. It embraces 780,000 acres of land, extending from Helena southwesterly about 75 miles, and northwesterly about 25 miles.

The Boulder, Little Blackfoot and Deer Lodge rivers all head in this reserve, and conservation of water in these streams will add irrigation lower down their sources.

The water supply of Helena, which comes from Ten Mile creek, and of Butte, which is drawn from Basin creek, will also be protected by this reserve.

OVER \$5,200 SUBSCRIBED

PENDELTON'S SHARE IN THE RELIEF OF 'FRISCO.

Seventy-Eight Dollars Contributed Yesterday—The Money is Being Expended for Necessaries Under the Direction of Purchasing Committee—Supplies Will Be Shipped Free of Charge, So Purchases May as Well Be Made Here as Elsewhere.

Over \$5200 has now been subscribed in Pendleton for the relief of the San Francisco sufferers, and the work is well along on. The following subscriptions have been made since yesterday:

- James A. Snyder, \$5.00; James Kilkenny, \$4.00; Andy Neill, \$5.00; J. S. McLeod, \$5.00; E. C. Skies, \$5.00; Kenneth Warner, \$5.00; O. R. & N. employees, \$23.00.

No reply has yet been received from General Funston, who was wired yesterday and asked concerning what should be sent from here. However, the money is gradually being expended under the direction of the purchasing committee, consisting of F. L. Judd and L. Hanziker. Dry goods, clothing and groceries are being bought and will be shipped to San Francisco over the Harriman lines. As no freight will be charged on relief supplies the same can be sent from here as well as from any other place.

NORTHWEST DOING WELL.

Relief Supplies Are Being Received in San Francisco Where They Are Distributed by Army.

Agent E. C. Smith, of the O. R. & N. company, has received the following message from General Manager O'Brien, of the O. R. & N., in addition to those published in the East Oregonian last evening:

Portland, April 24. E. C. Smith, Agent Pendleton:

I have just received the following message from E. E. Calvey, general manager of the Southern Pacific company: "Please notify all your people who are furnishing relief supplies, that they are being received in good shape and are being distributed by the quartermaster department of the United States army. The Northwest is doing remarkably well in this emergency." Please give this message the widest possible publicity.

Moved from Athens Here.

Station Agent Smith, of the O. R. & N. at Athens, has resigned his position as agent at that place and has moved to Pendleton, having accepted a position with the Bankers' Reserve Life Insurance company, with headquarters at this place.

Toppenish, which is located on the Yakima reservation, has 288 residents and 50 voters, and wants to incorporate, although the law requires 300 residents.

TWENTY-FIVE MEN ARE DIGGING GAS PIPE TRENCHES.

This morning actual work on the gas plant was commenced by the Northwestern Gas & Electric company, when a crew of 25 men was placed at work on Main street. Work was started at the junction of Main and Railroad streets, and a trench was dug down the center of the street. At first the crew was distributed along the street, covering a block and a half. With the force at work rapid work is being done, and it will not take long to lay the main on that street. Pipe will be distributed as the trench is dug, and placed in the same immediately.

After laying the line on Main street the main will be extended up Court, and later other streets will be piped. Several carloads of pipe are now on hand.

22 MINERS DIE WHILE AT WORK

Disaster Caused by a Windy Dead at San Francisco, While Many Were Cremated and Never Recovered.

ON THE PROPERTY OF THE COLORADO FUEL COMPANY.

Dead Men Were in Rooms Near the Main Entrance—Others Working in Distant Parts of the Mine Were Caught and Made Their Exit—Majority of the Dead Are Italians and Japanese—One Man Missing, Believed to Be Dead—One Hundred and Eighty Men Employed in the Entire Property—The Property Loss by Explosion Was Slight.

Trinidad, Col., April 24.—As the result of a dust explosion in a mine of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company, 40 miles west of Trinidad, shortly before noon today, 22 miners are known to be dead and one other is missing, with little hope of being found alive.

There were 40 men in the mine at the time of the explosion. Seventeen miners, who were working 3700 feet from the entrance, escaped unhurt through another opening.

The explosion occurred in rooms 3 and 4 near the main entrance, and was the result of a windy shot, which ignited the dust and caused asphyxiating gases.

An order for 22 coffins has been received by a local undertaker here, that many bodies having been taken out today. The mine was not badly damaged and work can be resumed in a couple of days. The mine employed 350 men.

Miners from adjacent camps are assisting in the rescue. Superintendent Robert O'Neill left here on a special train at noon, and is personally directing the rescue work.

Among the dead is James Reed, fire boss. Most of the others are Italians and Japanese.

QUAKE FELT AT SEA.

Steamer Alliance Was Shaken Off Eureka Bar.

When two miles off the Eureka bar, the steamer Alliance, Captain Kelly, was badly shaken by the earthquake, says the Oregon Daily Journal. Four distinct shocks were felt and the skipper thought that he had run into the rocks. The engines were reversed and the steamer backed off for some distance. Soundings were taken and 16 fathoms of water was found. It was then known that an earthquake had occurred.

The passengers rushed out on the deck believing that the boat had suffered an accident. They remained until the steamer crossed the bar and reached Eureka. The first sight to greet them was the dilapidated bronze statue on top of the court house. The figure was bent and twisted and hanging over the edge of the building at right angles. Hardly a building in the town escaped damage.

COLUMBIA RAISED AND FELL.

A Few Moments After the San Francisco Earthquake.

The Dulles Chronicle of Thursday contained the following incident, evidently credited by it at its face value, which doubtless it should be:

"A big whale must have come up on the Columbia this morning," said Indian Jake Andrews to F. A. Seufert yesterday morning about 9 o'clock before the news of the terrible quake in San Francisco was heard.

And then Jake went on to tell that he rowed across the river from Seufert's cannery to the scow, three miles up the river, on the opposite side about 5:30 o'clock, and as he neared the scow the river suddenly came up fully four feet on the bank. He was shocked to see it. It fell immediately and Jake stood in amazement wondering what was happening.

Others say there were marks of an unusual rise on the Oregon bank, and it is firmly believed that the disturbance affected the Columbia at this point. The more so since news comes of its effects being felt at Vancouver, 26.

NEIGHBORHOOD OF A THOUSAND

Dead at San Francisco, While Many Were Cremated and Never Recovered.

THERE WILL BE NO SERIOUS DEPRECIATION OF STOCKS.

The San Francisco Stock Exchange Has Reopened—Disposition Shown to Hold to Stocks—Light Stroke of Earthquake Last Night Creates Great Alarm—Work of Reconstruction Is Already Begun—Trolley Wires Being Strung and Street Cars Will Run Soon—Structural Material Duty Free.

San Francisco, April 24.—Coroner Walsh states his deputies have taken charge of 350 bodies taken from the ruins, not including those buried by the police and militia in the Potrero. Over 100 were buried in this section alone.

It is believed now that the death list will be in the neighborhood of 1000. Many were cremated and never recovered, and of those recovered, many have not been identified.

Bodies buried in Portsmouth and Washington squares will be exhumed and an attempt made at identification.

Stock Exchange Reopens.

San Francisco Stock Exchange has opened in temporary quarters at 1407 Gough street. President Bugles says he sees no reason for serious depreciation of stocks. Everybody is inclined to hold their stocks and later realize on them.

Slight Quake Last Night.

Another short, sharp earthquake shortly before midnight gave the people of San Francisco and surrounding towns an attack of heart failure. In spite of the continuance of these shocks, Forecaster McDie and other scientific men declare there is little danger of serious disturbances. These earthquakes, of which there have been several since the great shake, are declared to be due to "readjustment" of the earth's crust following the heavy shock.

Reconstruction Begun.

San Francisco has begun the work of reconstruction, and in a short time temporary structures will begin to rise among the ashes of the burned city.

Settlers have made good progress demolishing with dynamite the threatening walls along Market street near the ferry.

A big force of men is engaged in stringing wires for a trolley line on Market street, and in a few days cars will be running throughout the city.

Structural Material Duty Free.

Following precedents from the Boston and Chicago fires, congress will pass a bill authorizing the free import of structural steel and other building material for use at 'Frisco.

Nearly \$16,000,000.

New York, April 24.—The national relief fund for San Francisco has reached \$15,800,000. It appears the fund will reach \$20,000,000. This city alone has passed the \$2,000,000 and is expected to reach \$3,000,000. Exclusive of supplies, free transportation and other necessities, the contributions are increasing instead of decreasing.

\$1,000,000 From Chicago.

Chicago, April 24.—Chicago is contributing at the rate of \$100,000 per day. It has passed the \$700,000 mark and is expected to pass the million dollar mark by Saturday.

New York State Appropriates.

Albany, N. Y., April 24.—The governor has signed the relief bill appropriating \$250,000 from the state treasury for San Francisco. Fourteen hours elapsed from its introduction to the time the governor's signature was affixed.

Lecturer Coming Thursday.

Thomas Handsaker, a lecturer and entertainer, will appear in a delightful program at the First Christian church next Thursday evening, April 26.

CARRY UNSTAMPED LETTERS.

United States Relaxes Red Tape for California Sufferers.

The United States postoffice department is coming to the aid of the homeless and penniless of San Francisco. Numbers of letters are being forwarded from that city and Oakland without postage, says the Oregon Daily Journal.

Several arrived in Portland yesterday and today, and at this end of the line Postmaster Minto has continued the good work and ordered the letters delivered at once, without the red tape process which usually accompanies such cases.

"I do not believe the government can censure this branch of the postal regulations," said Mr. Minto today. "I would rather put stamps on the letters myself than cause the people of Portland to whom they are addressed the greater anxiety and sorrow more delay would cause. I look upon it that these letters contain important news of safety of loved ones, and whereas if the usual method was followed the letters would not be delivered for 24 hours at least, I have ordered that the routine be dispensed with and the letters delivered immediately."

Postmaster Minto added that from the advice he had received he thought the San Francisco postal authorities would soon have arrangements completed whereby business at that city could be carried on without interruption and in the regular manner.

CHURCH FACTIONS FIGHT.

Orthodox Catholics Repulsed by Mari-anette Sectarians.

Vienna, April 24.—It is reported today that at Lesmo, near Warsaw, 2000 orthodox Catholics led by priests attempted to retake a church seized by Marianette sectarians. The defenders defeated the Catholics, killing 12 and wounding 50.

STOCKMEN WILL MEET ON MAY 5

CALLED BY SUPT. SHELLER OF THE FOREST RESERVE.

Will Discuss Reserve Problems, Allotment of Range and Receive Applications for Range Allotment—Other Meetings of Similar Import Will Be Held at La Grande, Baker City and Austin—Apply to Supt. Sheller for Necessary Blanks.

A meeting of stockmen has been called by D. B. Sheller, superintendent of the eastern division of the Blue mountain forest reserve to be held in this city on May 5, for the purpose of discussing the reserve, for partitioning the range to stockmen interested and to receive applications for range allotments.

A series of meetings has been arranged for the month of May, the schedule being as follows: Pendleton, May 5; La Grande, May 8; Baker City, May 11, and Austin, in Grant county, May 13. Stockmen are invited to attend these meetings and discuss the features of the reserve with the superintendent.

At each meeting the purpose of the government in creating the reserve and the regulations under which it will be run will be fully explained and all questions which may be asked by the stockmen will be willingly answered by the forest superintendent, who has charge of the eastern division of the reserve. The date for receiving applications for grazing closes May 19.

Upon May 14 in La Grande, Prineville, Portland and Roseburg civil service examinations will be given applicants for the position of forest ranger and upon the same day in all the large cities of the west examination for the position of supervisor will be held. Those wishing to take the examination for forest ranger must forward application to the civil service commission at Washington, D. C., and receive permission to take the examination. Application blanks can be secured from Superintendent D. B. Sheller at Baker City.

STRIKE SITUATION IS WORSE.

French Government Is Alarmed at Menacing Conditions.

Paris, April 24.—The strike situation is growing steadily worse throughout the country. Small tradesmen are joining the strikers' ranks, and the government is greatly alarmed.

NARROW ESCAPE FOR LOUBET.

Sizzling Bomb Found in the Window of His Study.

Paris, April 4.—Former President Loubet mysteriously escaped death. A bomb with fuse burning was found in the window of his study and extinguished. It was found to be extremely deadly.

Duma Is Opened.

St. Petersburg, April 24.—The czar today personally opened the duma.

BITULITHIC ON COURT AND MAIN

Mayor and Council Were a Unit in That Decision at Last Night's Session.

WILL ADVERTISE FOR BIDS IMMEDIATELY.

Resolution Giving Validity and Force Was Adopted to Back the Judgment of City Officials, and Only a Two-thirds Remonstrance by Abutting Property Owners Can Prevent the Improvement—Mayor and Three Councilmen Investigated Bitulithic Paving as It is Applied and Used at Walla Walla.

At last, after months of doubt, Pendleton is now in line for street paving, and the long fight for the improvement of Main and Court streets is all but over.

At the adjourned session of the council held last evening the council decided unanimously to pave with bitulithic, and the city attorney was directed to advertise for bids on Warren's bitulithic waterproof paving. Also, a resolution was passed calling for the improvement and the two notices will be published simultaneously for 10 days.

Council Acts as Unit.

All was harmonious last evening, the mayor and the entire council acting as one in the decision reached. On Sunday Mayor Fee and Councilmen Murphy, Hinkle and Mumm visited Walla Walla. There, accompanied by the street committee of Walla Walla, the Pendleton people thoroughly investigated the merits of asphalt and bitulithic. That they were thoroughly convinced in favor of bitulithic was shown by the unanimous action taken last evening.

The decision to advertise for bids upon bitulithic rather than to accept the present offer of the Warren company, was taken upon the advice of City Attorney Carter and the Warren people themselves. By this action every possibility of an injunction is averted, as competitive bids will have been received twice.

The advertisement for bids will be published for 10 days, commencing tomorrow. At the end of that time the bids will be opened, and provided no remonstrance is presented, the contract will be let to the successful company. As the Warren company alone has the pavement, they will be awarded the contract.

Remonstrance Not Feared.

The only way by which paving may now be blocked is by a remonstrance from two-thirds of the property owners of the district to be improved. That this cannot be secured is confidently believed by the street committee. The remonstrance made but poor headway several weeks ago, when the council was divided and the mayor was disposed to stand out against the improvement. Now that the mayor and all the councilmen are unanimous for bitulithic, there can be no excuse for a remonstrance.

Today the three members of the street committee, Renn, McCormack and Ell, have been warmly congratulated for the work they have done in behalf of street improvement. These three men and several others in the council have stood firmly and consistently for paving through many weeks. It is largely to their efforts that the present favorable condition is due, and they are entitled to credit for the same.

LETTERS DAILY FROM 'FRISCO.

No Bad News Yet Received by Pendleton People.

Letters are now being received daily by Pendleton people from friends and relatives in San Francisco. So far no bad news has been received by anyone. This morning Mrs. Les Drake received a letter from her sister, Miss Myrtle Hager, saying that she was safe. The letter was written on a paper carrier's report slip and was mailed from San Francisco.

This morning Frank Macey of the Boston store, received word that Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Townsend, who moved there from Portland a week before the earthquake, were both safe. Mr. Townsend was cashier for the Wells-Fargo company, whose building was completely destroyed in the fire and quake. He was formerly a resident of Salem.

Operators Are Signing Up.

Indianapolis, April 24.—The miners are confident the firms in the bituminous fields will be favorable to the miners and the public. The number of operators who signed exceeds the number who refuse, and others are expected to follow. In Illinois it is expected all will be signed in 60 days.