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ONE YEAR AFTER THE DISASTER

LETTER FROM A. C. SHUTE.

He Describes San Francisco as She Looks One Year after the Great Earthquake and Fire.

San Francisco, Calif., April 18. Friend Bath: As you asked me when leaving Hillsboro, to write something of interest as it appeals to one traveling, I think San Francisco is a good subject to start with. One year ago today San Francisco was destroyed, and I can tell you it looks pretty much that way now, all through the business district, but they are certainly accomplishing wonders here in rebuilding, and a great many firms are back in their old quarters. However, there are blocks after blocks of once fine buildings standing today as the fire left them, with signs, "This property for sale," "For lease," with the debris in the streets as the quake and fire left them.

The main business streets now are Van Ness avenue and Fillmore street which before the fire were fashionable residence district ranging from \$30,000 up to the Claus Spreckel's, costing \$750,000, and those that escaped the fire were rented by the merchants at high prices, and residences that stood close to the street are the main entrance, while those that occupied the center of the block, they built around them, and in going through them, you find yourself in some very fine stores with very rich decorations. I wish I could describe them more fully to you but the people here are on the go, so you have to move with the crowd. As to the commercial situation, will give it as told to me by a friend.

One year ago today a quarter of a million people were rendered homeless and \$500,000,000 worth of property was destroyed. The ruins smoked, everything seemed paralyzed; rehabilitation seemed a matter of years. Today the volume of business surpasses that of a year ago. Fully \$75,000,000 has been expended already in rebuilding the town.

One third of that sum came from the banks which stood the strain without an effort. More than \$30,000,000 has been paid into the hands of the working men who to the number of 50,000 (30,000 more than before the fire) are busy with building operations. Just how great these building operations are may be surmised from the fact that permits for first-class structures to cost more than \$50,000,000 have already been granted.

They point with pride to their bank clearings which in March exceeded by two and one half millions for the same month of last year. I asked if a great deal of this was not due to that fact that the insurance companies paid in something like \$250,000,000, but they will not admit that, although it helped some. Tonight San Francisco is going to celebrate and the lights will be turned on the city hall dome for the first time since the quake. Stores are gaily decorated and band concerts will express faith in the city's future. On Fillmore streets one sees signs which read as follows: "Forget it," "San Francisco didn't kick the bucket; she only turned a little pale," "Ashes make good fertilizer," "Doing better now, thank you," and others too numerous to mention.

Hoping this letter may be of interest to you, I am,

Yours truly,

A. C. SHUTE.

Give all the boys my best regards.

A. C. S.

Michigan has passed the bill fixing the railroad passenger fare at 2 cents a mile on all roads earning more than \$1200 per mile a year.

Two men laid 8000 shingles in one-half day on the John Dibblee building at Raleigh last week. A record hard to break.

Oregon is protesting through The Oregonian against the sort of advertisement proposed for the Jamestown Exposition. A lot of young women are industriously drilling to represent "Indian maidens." (The Oregonian announces sardonically that it will forbear to call these young women "squaws," and they expect to impress the "average Easterner" with a picturesque idea of the kind of civilization that prevails in the Northwest. The Oregonian suggests that this method of informing the outlander regarding social and ethnological peculiarities of Oregon is as misleading as it would be if the climate of the state were allegorized in a "group" consisting of a frog sitting in a pool of water under an umbrella. It might be added that if the young women who are going to the Jamestown potlatch in the guise of Clackamas squaws and Minnehahas would artificially web their little feet the ancient label would be revived and confirmed.

The protest is valid and timely. Fortunately, California will be only partially represented at an exposition that will do nobody except the buyers and sellers any good. Otherwise, it is probable that some of our local idiots would organize a red shirt brigade with "pants" in its boots and pistols in its belt to corroborate the rural idea that the Californian is still a character in one of Bret Harte's stories.

The most interesting and certainly the most popular section of the fair will be the Midway Plaisance, or whatever answers to that designation; and it is probable that these Oregon maidens will do their squaw dances in one of the sideshows of that section. Oregon as a state need not suffer from the foolery.—Oakland, Calif., Herald.

What has proven to be a unique bit of romance was unearthed in this city a few days ago and all pertains to the estate of Fred L. Brown, a prosperous farmer of Gales Creek.

Mr. Brown, whose home was at Amherst Junction, Wis., came here some twelve years ago and amassed an estate which is worth about \$2,000. For a long time, it is said, his former home was unknown, but by his strict and honorable methods of doing business no one questioned him concerning that. At the time of his death last January word drifted back to his former home in Wis., but still no one came to claim his holdings until one day his mother, whose name is Adler, discovered a note of her son's which she had paid and noticed that it was signed by Fred L. Adler and also Fred L. Brown, and upon investigation it was found to be the same person. Wm. Adler a brother of the deceased came on, and with the proper credentials proved that Fred L. Brown was no other than Fred L. Adler, and that his mother was the rightful heir. From what could be learned from Mr. Adler, it seems that Brown was a black sheep of the family and it is supposed that he took exceptions to the division of some property, and came west assuming the name of Brown. He worked hard while in Oregon and earned a nice farm of 160 acres in Gales Creek, which was his home for many years. Mr. Brown was highly esteemed by his neighbors and was a well known citizen. The Adlers of Wisconsin are highly respected citizens of that state and are highly pleased over finding track of their lost son and brother.—Forest Grove News.

The long-mooted question as to the ownership of the Isle of Pines has at last been settled by a decision of the supreme court of the United States in the case of Edward J. Peary vs. Nevada N. Stranahan, collector of the good of New York. The opinion, which was announced by Chief Justice Fuller, holds that up to the time of the Paris treaty this island had been considered as an integral part of Cuba, and that it could not be held to be governed by article 2 of that treaty, which included only lands in the vicinity of Porto Rico. It is said that there are about 2000 inhabitants on the island, of which 700 are Americans.

HALF RATE FOR ROUND TRIP

SALE BEGINS JUNE 1ST.

Many Coming on Account of the Reduced Rates to All Parts of Oregon.

(Special Correspondence.)

Portland, Ore., April 22, 1907.—Every active commercial organization should get full details relative to the summer tourist round-trip rates which will be on sale from June 1st to Sept. 1st with final return limit of October 31st. These tickets are on sale at all Missouri river points, St. Paul and Minneapolis, for \$60; from St. Louis, \$69; and from Chicago \$75, and should add enormously to the transient travel to every town in Oregon, but it is just exactly like the colonist rates, if we don't push them and keep them constantly before the people the travel will go down to some other section and certainly we have the most advantageous summer climate in the United States.

Tickets will be on sale June 20th to July 12th, good to return until September 15th at one fare for the round-trip from all points in the United States. These are made on account of the big conventions held in the different cities on the coast, and Oregon should get busy and work for this great summer travel. These rates are open to everybody and are not by any means confined to the delegates.

Gatherings of business men held in the different communities of Oregon can be greatly benefited by listening to practical addresses. The Portland Commercial Club heard Professor J. C. Donaghy, of Washington City, on the development of the Pacific Northwest, last week.

Cold weather in the entire Missouri Valley, which has cut short the fruit crop, serves to impress Oregonians with the special attractiveness of their own climate, where fruit is uninjured and promises an abundant yield.

The entertainment of the Portland Business Men's Excursion party at the 38 cities and towns visited will be handled chiefly through commercial organizations.

The Astoria Chamber of Commerce has scored a big victory in securing Vice President Fairbanks as a guest of honor at a midsummer banquet.

Irrigon received 758 replies to 5000 circulars addressed to Oregon Development League inquirers; the Tillamook Development League has just issued a most attractive booklet and is distributing many thousands of them through all parts of the United States.

Bellevue hospital, New York city, has a most interesting patient in the person of Timothy Kane, whose trouble began three years ago, when a blow on the head produced a lesion of the brain. Since that time he has suffered intensely from epilepsy, paralysis, motor aphasia and loss of speech, with progressive impairment of the intellectual perceptions. Several delicate and unusual operations were performed, consisting of a removal of sections of the skull and portions of the brain. He is now on the road to recovery, but while retaining some knowledge of things has absolutely lost the power to transmute his power into words, and the educative process has commenced precisely the same as with a child, the training being similar to that employed in a kindergarten, with alphabetical blocks.

The Independent opposed the candidacy of Senator Jonathan Bourne, Jr., but if he "makes good" at Washington we will cheerfully join those wishing to renominate and reelect the Senator. He has six years in which to make a showing, and it certainly looks as if he is not waiting to make it at the last moment.—Woodburn Independent.

It is notorious that the female human animal is tougher than the male. Consider the way women dress. If you put a man into an openwork blouse on a cold day he would catch a chill and be dead in three days. If you sent a man out to a dance on a winter evening with nothing on his neck and shoulders and no sleeves to his arms, he would probably die on the spot—of shock.—Weekly Dispatch.

One of the best of the propositions for the suppression of dust and the one which is recommended by the United States department of agriculture, is a tar preparation of the right grade and character. This is sold by the leading manufacturers of coal-tar products under the name of tarvia. In France this material has been used since 1900, when the league for the suppression of dust first reported successful experiments with it. In this country successful experiments have been made by the department of agriculture at Jackson, Tenn., and by several of the state engineers. Almost a million yards of park roads and automobile thoroughfares of America were treated with tarvia during 1906, and the authorities of several cities have announced a decision to make use of tarvia on every macadam road under their supervision. Tarvia is applied hot to the macadam during a spell of warm, dry weather. It filters into the top surface of the macadam and strengthens the natural bond of the stone, giving it an appearance resembling asphalt and capable of receiving equally heavy traction without sustaining damage.

A farmer residing not many miles from this city recently purchased a farming implement at Milwaukee. Imagine the surprise of the farmer when the local representative of the Milwaukee firm showed him a check of three dollars, the amount of commission paid the local firm on the transaction. Now draw your own conclusion.—Ex.

The Coos Bay Harbor, published at North Bend, Ore., was issued last week as a boom edition and is a credit to the publishers of that enterprising sheet. It is full of illustrations and gives much valuable information of the Coos Bay country. The Harbor is a good paper and is receiving the support of the North Bend people.

A report from London states that scientists have succeeded, by the combined use of the X rays and cinematograph, in taking photographs of the actual movements of the internal organs, like the heart and lungs, and these movements can be reproduced on a screen after the manner of moving pictures. Medical men believe that this will prove of great value in diagnosing doubtful cases of lung and heart disease.

MANY ITEMS OF INTEREST

CULLED FROM EVERYWHERE.

News Up-to-Date and Happenings of Note From all Sections of the Country.

When a man in Wisconsin is convicted of selling oleomargarine for butter, the court simply says: "Fifty dollars and costs."

After setting aside money for payment of interest on bonds for the period, and after paying running expenses, the city-owned mountain water system of Corvallis has a surplus on hand of \$1,353.74.

Benedict Gimbel, the wealthy Philadelphia merchant, who cut his throat and wrists with broken glass in a hotel in Holboken, soon after he had been arrested on serious charges in that city, died in St. Mary's hospital at Hoboken, last Monday morning.

The great lockout and labor struggle of the past seven weeks in the Goldfield mining district has been settled by the miners deciding to return to work. Both the mine owners and miners have signed an agreement which is a distinct victory for the mineowners.

The oil trust has been found guilty of accepting illegal rates. If the penalty for violation, which is \$29,240,000, is collected by the government, look out for gasoline to go up in price. It is high enough now, but the trust must make even

somehow and the dear people are always called upon to do the paying act.

The new regulations for the government of interstate shipments of cattle issued from Washington, went into effect last Monday. Shippers will have to exercise great care and watchfulness in regard to contagious diseases among the cattle they ship and observe sanitary measures in the cars they use.

The new Texas law which provides that a railway telegraph operator shall not be employed more than eight hours out of 24 may, according to the statement of an official of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers at El Paso, cause a strike which will involve every road in the state. It is said that the railroads intend to reduce the pay of operators to meet the expense caused by the enforced employment of more men.

Robert E. Peary, the Arctic explorer, has applied to the navy department for a leave of absence of two years to enable him to make another dash for the north pole. He is said to have raised the \$200,000 needed to equip the expedition, and intends to start in the summer of 1908, using the same steamer as on his former trip. During his twenty-six years connection with the navy, Mr. Peary has been absent on leave fifteen years.

H. Gessner, "The Painter," now located in the last store building on Main street east, does painting, papering, tinting and all kinds of interior decorating. Refinishing of House, Store and Office Furniture. Headquarters for New Era Paints, Varnishes and Brushes.

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