

IMPRISON BOY WITH CORPSES

Students of Southern California College of Dentistry Are Accused of Playing Inhumane Prank

NEWSBOY IS PLACED IN DARK DISSECTING ROOM

Surrounded by Five Dead Bodies, Claude Hurt Becomes Frightened and Finally Falls Unconscious

A John Doe warrant was issued this morning for the arrest of a student of the Southern California College of Dentistry, Fifth and Wall streets, charging him with imprisoning Claude Hurt, 12 years old, in a dissecting room and leaving him there in the dark with five corpses until he fell unconscious on the floor from fright.

FACULTY OF COLLEGE IS INVESTIGATING

Dr. William Bebb, secretary of the Dental college, said today: "We do not deny that the boy was put in the dissecting room with the dead bodies and frightened. However, I might add, in defense of the faculty, that the building was supposed to be closed at that time of night."

"THEY'VE MADE A COWARD OF MY BOY," SAYS HURT

L. E. Hurt, father of the boy, who is chief confectioner of the Angelus hotel, said today: "They've made a coward of my boy, and I'll have them punished for it, no matter what it costs me. The boy was not afraid of anything in the world. I had never let him know anything about death, except just such things as everybody hears; but when a baby, a relative, died in our house I did not let Claude see the body, nor know what had happened till some time afterward. Death was only a name to him. He was hysterical all Friday night, and he's afraid to go out of the house alone. 'Mamma, he cries, 'everywhere I look I see those black things.'"

TIME EXTENDED FOR PREMIUMS

Big Insurance Companies in New York Will Simplify Proofs of Death as Much as Possible

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS LEASED WIRE.) NEW YORK, April 24.—All the records of the San Francisco offices having been destroyed in the earthquake, the Equitable, the New York and the Mutual Life insurance companies have a large force of men at work at the home offices copying the duplicate records.

HEROIC WORK OF SQUAD OF DYNAMITERS

Three Men of the Navy Handed Gun Cotton Along Van Ness Avenue and Checked Progress of the Flames

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS LEASED WIRE.) SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—Three heroes saved San Francisco—what is left of it. They were the dynamite squad that threw back the fire demon at Van Ness avenue.

The whole east side of Van Ness avenue from Golden Gate to Greenwich was dynamited a block deep, though most of the structures stood untouched by spark or cinder. Not one charge failed. Not one building stood upon its foundation. Not one unit torch was left pointing skyward to carry the flames up through gigantic chimneys into the unburned district.

ATTEMPT MADE TO KILL LOUBET

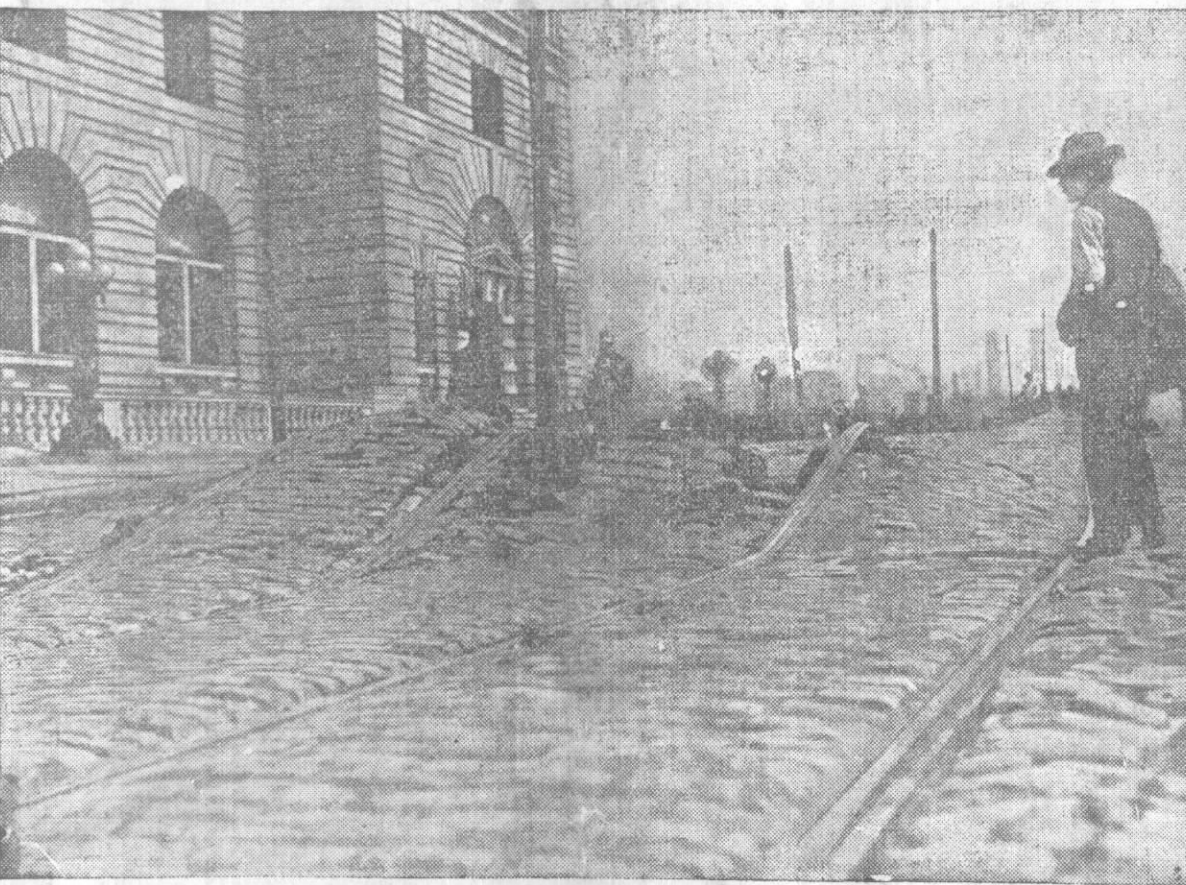
Bomb With Burning Fuse Is Found on the Windowsill of Home of the Former President of France

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS LEASED WIRE.) PARIS, April 24.—A dispatch to the Journal from Montellmar, department of the Drome, today says the authorities found a bomb to which a burning fuse was attached on the window sill of the library of former President Loubet's villa, where he and his family are passing their vacation.

EVERY GRAND LODGE IS ASKED TO AID

BALTIMORE, April 24.—From the offices of the sovereign grand lodge of the I. O. O. F. in this city has gone out an appeal to every grand lodge and grand encampment of the order in North America for aid for those who suffered from the California disaster. A fund of at least \$300,000 is expected.

EFFECTS OF THE GREAT SHOCK



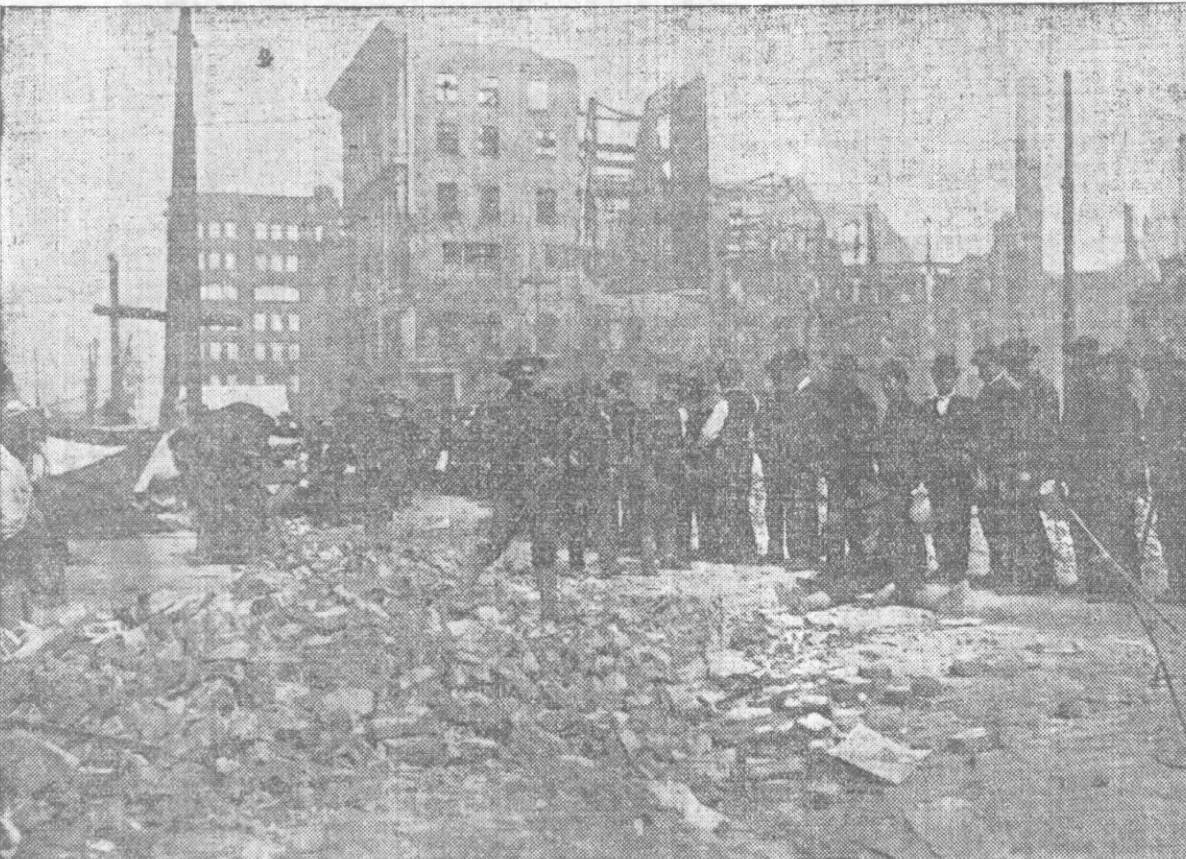
CORNER OF MISSION AND SEVENTH STREETS, SHOWING CORNER OF NEW FEDERAL BUILDING, WHERE EARTHQUAKE PLAYED HAVOC WITH STREET AND CAR TRACKS

SUMMARY OF DAY'S EVENTS IN THE DEVASTATED CITY

Army officers in San Francisco report 277 known dead as result of earthquake and fire. San Francisco coroner estimates number of dead at 1,000. General conditions and relief work are improving rapidly. Yesterday's rainstorm followed by a warm and balmy night at San Francisco.

Citizens Oppose Calling Extra Session of the Legislature

There has been much senseless talk of a special session of the legislature. Last week a report was sent out from the governor has not determined call a special session at once. This was promptly denied. It is now said the Governor has not determined whether such step will be necessary.



BREAD LINE, MARKET STREET NEAR TENTH. ONE OF MANY ESTABLISHED THROUGHOUT THE CITY

LIST OF THE DEAD REPORTED BY ARMY

Officers in San Francisco Find Two Hundred and Seventy-Seven Victims

CORONOR ESTIMATES 1000 LIVES LOST

Misery of the Homeless Rapidly Diminishing With Better Weather and Improved Relief Work—Slight Earthquake Shock Felt Last Night

WASHINGTON, April 24.—The official report from General Greeley as to the extent of the loss of life in San Francisco is as follows: "Fort Mason, San Francisco, April 23.—The military secretary, Washington: Very careful investigation made by Captain Winn limit, so far as the information is obtainable, the entire San Francisco death list from the late disaster to 277 victims. Of these about fifty unknown were gathered from various parts of the city, having been temporarily buried in Lombard and Bay streets, Washington square and Portsmouth square. In the Valencia hotel fourteen bodies were recovered and fifty-six others are believed to have perished in the ruins. The remaining 150 casualties are as follows: CHARLES ANDERSON. — ALLEMAN. FANNIE W. BARRETT. WILLIAM BOCK. F. O. BURGE. ANNA BUTLER. F. DUCALACKI. PAT BRODENT. FRANK BODEMELL. GEORGE A. BOWEN. FRANK BORDWELL. HENRY GRANNAN. GEORGE BROWN. ROBERT L. BRODERICK. — LION. MRS. M'CURREN. WILLIAM CARRICK. J. K. COOPER. LEMA CROWDER. JOHN CONWAY. EMILY CURREN (child). MATTI DELUCCHI. DOMINICO DILUCCHI. MRS. MARIE DEBRUNNEN. H. L. DE LARAENRELLI. MARY DOLLIVAN. — ENGER, or ENGEN. MARTHA FAY. MAX FENNIER. JOSEPH GALLAGHER. GETI or GETZ (male). GEORGE GREEN. MRS. GROSS. G. GUY. MRS. IDA O. HEASLEZ. — HUSTLE (male). N. F. SIESTLEZ. HENRY A. R. HANSEN. — HIGGINS. A. HOUSTON (body supposed to be). ISSISHA (Japanese). MR. JOHN. MRS. KOHNIEFF. JOHNSON (child). WALTER NICHOLAS KEMPSON. — CORNFIELD. RUDOLPH J. KROUSER. KROUSE (male). — LANDER. H. LUND. ALFRED LONSDALE. L. LOUIS. — EUGENE. — MARONEY. — MARONEY. MRS. M'CAN. CORNELIUS M'CARATHY. ROBERT M'CARATHY. — M'KENZIE. JOSEPH MEYERS. MYRTLE M. MUGE. JOHN MURTHA. MYAKE (Japanese). E. C. NAUMAN. J. TROPPE NYE. GEORGE NICHOLAS. RICHARD NASSE (child). FRANK NUNAN. PAOLA O'NEILL. — O'NEILL. THOMAS O'BRIEN. — PAOLONELLE. — NENAN. — REILLY. — RING. MRS. ELIZABETH REECE. JOANNA REICHE. ROSENBERG (woman). FRANK RIORIAN. SAKAM DAH (Japanese). A. SHIONI AND WIFE. L. SENETTI. HENRY SCHUMUCHERT. CAROLINE SIMPSON. TEMPERANCE SHERRY. WILLIAM P. STANELSE (Baby). GEORGE STOLL.

LILLIAN J. SHERMAN. D. T. SULLIVAN. FIRE CHIEF SULLIVAN (Died from injuries). DR. CHARLES F. TAGGART, Los Angeles. J. C. TILDEN (Shot by guard April 23). MARY S. VAN SLICK. F. VAN SEICHT. JULIA WARD. ANNIE WHALEN. ANNIE WEBSTER. JOHN WEIR. PAUL ZINKE. SIXTEEN MEN, UNKNOWN. TEN UNKNOWN WOMEN. SIX UNKNOWN CHILDREN. SIX UNKNOWN CHINESE. TWENTY-ONE UNKNOWN (Sex not known). "Although this report very materially reduces the death list of San Francisco, it is not believed it will be further increased save by isolated victims among the ruins. (Signed) "GREELEY, Major-General."

CORONER ESTIMATES THE DEAD AT 1,000

SAN FRANCISCO, April 24, noon.—Coroner William Walsh estimates that the total number of dead will not be less than 1,000. His reports are complete and his estimate is made up from all the data he has been able to collect. Coroner Walsh said: "Bodies that the deputy coroners have found and buried number 300, as follows: At Polk and Bay streets, thirty-two; at Portsmouth square, twenty-three; at Washington square, twelve; at the Six Mile house, 200; at Laurel Hill, twenty-three; scattered in different parts of the city, ten. "No thorough search has been made of the district south of Market or the Chinese quarter. Many lives must have been lost in these sections. South of Market street are the cheap lodging houses and many of these collapsed from the earthquake. There is little chance that half of the inmates of the collapsed buildings had opportunity to escape. This also is true of Chinatown. "Soon after the earthquake soldiers and police, so I have been told, buried bodies found along the water front. I have received no official report of these. The total number of dead will undoubtedly reach, if it does not exceed, 1,000."

DR. GARCELON RETURNS FROM DISTRESSED CITY

Dr. Harris Garcelon, assistant city health officer, with his father, Dr. Frank Garcelon of Pomona, arrived in Los Angeles this morning from San Francisco, where he was at the time of the first earthquake shock. "I believe there is little to be feared from an epidemic there now," said Dr. Garcelon. "The military is in control of the city, which has been divided into districts, each with its corps of physicians. An isolation camp has been established at Fort Mason and all cases of contagion are hurried there as soon as they are discovered. "The death rate, however, will be large for some time. This will be among bottle-fed infants, invalids and old people. It was raining in the north when I left and the people without shelter will suffer."

FORMER LOS ANGELES RETURN FROM BAY CITY

Mrs. Blanche E. Clinton and Mrs. Edwin M. Clinton, her daughter-in-law, whose home at 1995 Post street was destroyed by the earthquake, returned to Los Angeles last night. They are at their former residence, 208 East Thirty-second street. Miss Blanche Clinton and Mrs. Emma Moerenhout Philip, who got separated from them, after all had managed to crawl out of the wrecked house through a window, have not yet been located. The two Mrs. Clintons were forced to sleep two nights in Hamilton square before they were able to make their escape to Oakland. In the meantime their home had burned to the ground.

PRESIDENT EULOGIZES PAUL JONES

Takes Part in Ceremonies Incident to Re-Entombment of "First Admiral" of American Navy at Annapolis

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS LEASED WIRE.) ANNAPOLIS, Md., April 24.—President Roosevelt, French Ambassador Jusserand and other dignitaries present, the ceremonies incident to the re-entombment of Paul Jones were held here today.

"On behalf of the American people I wish to thank our ancient ally, the French nation, that proud and gallant nation, to whose help we once owed it that John Paul Jones was able to win for the Stars and Stripes the victory that has given him deathless fame, and to whose courtesy we now owe it that the body of the long dead hero has been sent hither, and that to commemorate the reception of the illustrious dead a squadron of French warships has come to our shores.

"The annals of the French navy are filled with the names of brave and able seamen, each of whom counted death as a mistress when the honor of his flag was at stake and among the figures of these brave men there loom the larger shapes of those who, like Tourville, Duquesne and the Bailliade Suffren, won renown as admirals superior to none of any navy of their day in martial prowess.

Praise for General Porter

"In addition to welcoming the diplomatic and official representatives of France here present, let me also express my heartfelt acknowledgments to our former ambassador to Paris, General Horace Porter, to whose zealous devotion we particularly owe it that the body of John Paul Jones has been brought to our shores.

"When the body was thus brought over the representatives of many different cities were present, each asking that it should find its last resting place in his city. But I feel that the place of all others in which the memory of the dead hero will most surely be a living force is here in Annapolis, where year by year we gather to bid adieu to the man whose life we this day celebrate, not merely a subject for admiration and respect, but an object lesson to be taken into their innermost hearts. Every officer in our navy should feel in each fiber of his being the eager desire to emulate the energy, the professional capacity, the indomitable determination, and the less scorn of death which marked John Paul Jones above all his fellows.

"The history of our navy, like the history of our nation, only extends over a period of a few years, but the memories to thrill us as we read and hear of what has been done by our fighting men, of the deeds of Perry and Macdonough to Farragut and Dewey. These memories include brilliant victories and also, now and then, defeats which are honorable than the victories themselves, but the only defeats to which this praise can be given are those where, against heavy odds, men have stood to the death in hopeless battle.

"It is well for every American officer to remember that while a surrender may or may not be defensible, the man who refuses to surrender need never make a defense. The one fact must always be explained, and there is no explanation. Moreover, he who would win glory and honor for the nation and for himself, must not too closely count the odds; if he does, he will never see such a day as that when Cushing sank the Albatross.

"In his fight with the Seraphis Jones' ship was so badly mauled that his opponent halted him, saying, 'Has your ship struck?' When Jones' dead answered, 'I have not yet begun to fight.' The spirit which inspired that answer above the man who gave it and the crew who served him through the fury of the battle, which finally ended in their triumph.

Declined to Surrender "It was the same spirit which marked the commanders of the Cumberland and the Congress, when they met an equally glorious though less fortunate fate. The Cumberland sank, her flag flying, and her guns firing with the deck astir, when she was ordered to surrender. Morris replied, 'Never! I'll sink alongside!' and made his words good.

"Immediately after the Cumberland was sunk the Congress was at anchor and her commander, Lieut. Joe Smith, was killed. After fighting until she was helpless, and being unable to bring her guns to bear, the ship was surrendered; but Jones' words were repeated by Commodore Joe Smith, who was on duty at Washington, saw by the dispatches from Port Monroe that the Congress had hoisted the white flag, he said quietly, 'Then Joe's dead! Surely no father could wish to feel a prouder certainty of his boy's behavior than the old commodore showed he possessed when he thus spoke; and no naval officer could hope to win a finer epitaph.

"We have met today to do honor to the mighty dead. Remember that our words of admiration are but as sounding brass and tinkling cymbals if we do not stand by steady preparation and by the cultivation of soul and mind and body fit ourselves so that in time of need we shall be prepared to emulate their deeds. Let every midshipman who passes through this institution remember, as he looks upon the tomb of Paul Jones, that while no courage can atone for the lack of that efficiency which comes only through careful preparation in advance, through careful training of the men, and careful fitting out of the engines of war, yet that none of these things can avail unless in the moment of crisis the heart rises level with the crisis.

"The navy whose captains will not surrender are sure in the long run to win the navy whose captains will surrender unless the inequality of skill or force is prodigious. The courage which never yields cannot take the place of the possession of good ships and good weapons and the ability skillfully to use these ships and these weapons; but its presence will often atone for many other shortcomings, and if with it are combined the other military qualities, the fortunate owner becomes literally invincible."

UPHEAVAL OF THE GROUND



SCENE NEAR SALINAS, SHOWING BREAKS AND FISSURES IN ROADWAY. ONE BREAK IS HIGHER THAN A MAN'S HEAD.

FOUND BANK VAULTS IN GOOD CONDITION

Engineer Storrow, Who Examined the San Francisco Strong Boxes, Says They Are Sound and Only Need to Be Cooled Off

"Every bank vault in San Francisco unquestionably is in as good condition as on the night before the earthquake and there will not be a dollar's worth of loss to the contents of institutions doing a business of \$10,000 or over," said Samuel Storrow, a civil and mining engineer of San Francisco and Los Angeles, who came in this morning after making a thorough examination of every bank vault in the business section of the city under special orders.

"I have advised that none of the vaults be opened for a week or ten days, not because there is any fear of injury to their contents, but because if they were opened in a heated condition the inflammable material inside immediately would burst into flame the moment the air struck it. I believe it will take at least a week for the large vaults to cool, and I think every other expert who made examinations is of the same opinion. Governor Pardee assured the bankers' committee that he would declare a legal holiday each day until it is safe to open the vaults, and the best of the attorneys say that the vaults the banks are standing on their feet. They will be able to get plenty of money, but at present there is little circulating in San Francisco."

"The fire rushed through the buildings quickly, and as a consequence there is little damage in the vaults. I examined all of them and I only found two which had the brass knobs melted off. I tested the combinations and found that all of them are in working condition and readily can be opened when the time comes. Certain tests which I have advised probably will be used to determine whether the vaults are cooled.

"There were only five modern buildings in San Francisco, such as the Braly and Hellman buildings in Los Angeles. The fire had much better play, therefore, than it would have had, had the buildings all been of more modern construction. The fire went through these old buildings like a shot, the flames entering the windows from side buildings and licking up the inflammable furnishings of the offices. I should say they were damaged about one-fourth of their cost. In some of the buildings I found the furniture and carpets unburned in a few of the rooms, showing with what speed the fire passed through and how little there was to ignite.

"It took San Francisco fifty years to build up to what was destroyed in a few hours. Many of the people know that they have lost everything and show a sort of 'don't care' recklessness. With the bankers it is different. They are cheerful and optimistic. Most of their securities were on property outside of town which is untouched. San Francisco was a clearing house for these great properties and as long as the securities and books are safe in the vaults the banks are standing on their feet. They will be able to get plenty of money, but at present there is little circulating in San Francisco."

NEW HOME OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Quarters in Laughlin Annex Building Visited by Scores Today—Floor Space Larger, Rooms More Airy

In its new quarters in the Laughlin Annex building, on South Hill street, the library was open to the public officially for the first time this morning.

While carpenter work is still going on, the fitting out of the building as a library is practically completed. Only the finishing touches on the roof garden remain to be done. The increased floor space, the lighting and the cleanliness and airiness of the new quarters, it is expected by Librarian Lummis, will result in an increased demand for the library's services.

The second floor of the building is given over to the general reference department, in size 80 by 45 feet; the directors' room, the offices of Librarian Lummis and Dr. C. J. K. Jones, director of research, mailing department, lunch room, a large work room and a vault for the rare volumes which the library possesses.

The third floor houses the general library, in addition to the fiction and juvenile departments. The roof garden, one of the main features of the new quarters and an innovation, is uncompleted. It occupies the full length of the building and the work has advanced far enough to make it certain that this part of the library will be the most popular of all the new quarters. The fountain in its center is already completed, as are the arbors, the vegetation with which Librarian Lummis expects to make the place a miniature paradise yet remaining to be installed. This will include Cherokee and Bankasia roses, with Moonflowers to cover the arbors and lemon and orange trees, palms and other characteristic vegetation of California to be grouped about the fountain and in the odd corners.

Mr. Lummis was confined to his home with a cold today, which last night gave symptoms of developing into pneumonia. Duncans Going to Europe Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Duncan, of 762 Garland avenue, will leave Thursday for the east and Europe, to be absent until fall.

MANY CHURCHES ARE DESTROYED

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS LEASED WIRE.) SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—The houses of worship of San Francisco were especially hard hit by the earthquake and conflagration. Among those destroyed were some of the most notable in San Francisco, and their number will in a measure indicate how severe the residence districts were visited.

Baptist: Chinese Baptist church and mission, First Baptist, First Free Baptist, First Swedish Baptist, Third Baptist. Christian: First Christian church. Congregational: California Chinese mission of the American society, First Congregational, Fourth Congregational, Swedish mission, Third Congregational, Episcopal: Cathedral Mission of the Good Samaritan, Church of St. John, St. Francis, Church of the Advent, St. Luke's, St. Peter's. Evangelical: Church of the Evangelical association. Hebrew: Congregation Anshe Starn, Congregation Chabra Thillim, Congregation Emmanuel, Congregation Keneseth Israel, Congregation Neve Shalom. Lutheran: First Lutheran, Scandinavian Lutheran, St. John's Evangelical. Methodist: Bethel Second Methodist Episcopal, First Methodist Episcopal, First African Methodist Episcopal Zion church, First Methodist Episcopal church, First Swedish Methodist Episcopal, Folsom Street Methodist Episcopal, Howard Street Methodist Episcopal, Norwegian-Danish Methodist Episcopal, Pacific Japanese mission, St. Paul's German Methodist Episcopal. Presbyterian: First Presbyterian, First United Presbyterian, Mission Presbyterian, Presbyterian Chinese church and mission, Welsh Presbyterian. Roman Catholic: Notre Dame de Victoires, St. Boniface, St. Brendan's, St. Francis, St. Ignatius, St. Joseph's, St. Mary's Paulist, St. Patrick's, St. Rose's, St. Peter and Paolo, Our Lady Guardian, Holy Name's convent, Notre Dame convent, Presentation convent, Sacred Heart college, Sacred Heart Presentation convent, St. Mary's hospital, St. Vincent's convent, Youths' directory. Miscellaneous churches: Believers Gathered to the Name of the Lord Jesus, called commonly Brethren, California mission of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormon), First Church of Christ Scientists, Friends Meeting, God's Christian church, the Mariner church, People's Place church, Georgianized Church of Jesus Christ, Church of Latter Day Saints, Salvation Army headquarters, Workingmen's Metropole, the New Metropole, Salvation Army industrial department, Silent Workers, Volunteers of America, headquarters and one post.

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WOMEN IN CHARGE OF BOWLING ALLEY FUND

All receipts for the day from James F. Morley's billiard halls and bowling alley at 220 1/2 South Spring and 262 South Main street will go to help the fund.

Women are in charge of the bowling alley and billiard hall at 220 1/2 South Spring street, where there are twenty-five billiard tables and five alleys, and open can pass a hot time in amusement and a great benefit for the sufferers. The women, about twelve in all, will have full swing until 12 o'clock tonight. Any others who will offer their assistance will be cordially received. There are no women at the Main street hall, but the receipts will go to the fund.

ARREST A PROWLER IN RESIDENCE DISTRICT

Special Policeman Foster, who patrols the Bonnie Brue district, handed over to the police this morning a big black dog prowling around the Currier residence. The man, who is held for investigation, gave the name of Moulton and stated that he had been employed as a janitor in a lodging house. He said he was studying the mysteries of Masonry, and that he expected to be taken through several degrees tonight.

TRAVEL STILL BY WAY OF SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Travel to and from San Francisco continues only by way of the San Joaquin valley. The Southern Pacific is utilizing the coast line for freight purposes, hauling supplies to and from the north. Three trains arrived from the north this morning, and four more were due by tonight. The trains this afternoon are scheduled to reach here at 4:30, 5:30 and 8 p. m. Read The Express every evening and you will get all the news. By carrier 10 cents a week.

VICTIM OF EARTHQUAKE ENDS LIFE

Having Lost Wife and Son in San Francisco Disaster, Albert G. Smith Turns on Gas in Room in Lodging House

Albert G. Smith committed suicide by turning on the gas in his room at the Bronx lodging house, 386 Winston street, last night. He became despondent over the death of his wife and son in the San Francisco earthquake and told his landlady before he retired that he did not care to live another day. He came to Los Angeles two weeks ago to look for work. He learned of the death of his wife and son yesterday.

Smith was found unconscious in his room at 11 o'clock. The police ambulance was called and he was removed to the receiving hospital, where he died five minutes later. His body now is at Breese Bros' morgue, where an inquest will be held.

LESSON IN OPTIMISM FROM SAN FRANCISCO

Former Mayor of Seattle Praises Spirit of Stricken Citizens

OAKLAND, Cal., April 24.—Judge W. Wood, former Mayor of Seattle, who came to San Francisco immediately after the receipt of the reports of the earthquake in search of relatives who had been visiting in that city, and who since has been actively engaged in relief work in the interest of the central relief committee, after a thorough review of the situation today expressed his impressions to the Associated Press.

"San Francisco is a world lesson in optimism," he said. "Her triumph is proportionate to her misfortune. The spirit of her 40ers and her Native Sons falter at nothing. Already she is rising from her ashes. The man who burned his hands yesterday because he could not wait for the bricks to cool truly represents the San Francisco spirit. "The new will be better than the old, as was the case in Boston, Chicago, Seattle, Galveston and Baltimore, but on a much larger scale. Thirty days will see 50,000 men at work on the burned district. "San Francisco's great commerce will go on. This, with the expenditure of her reserve wealth, of her insurance moneys and of the many millions of outside money that will seek investment in her new improvements, will make San Francisco the busiest city on the globe. This activity will continue for years until a modern and greater San Francisco shall reward the faith and restore the losses of her people."

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EIGHT SEEKING GREAT OFFICE Exciting Contest for Republican Presidential Nomination Is Expected Before Next National Convention (SPECIAL TO THE EXPRESS.) WASHINGTON, April 24.—When the republican party shall be convened in national convention in 1908 it will have been twenty years since there was an exciting contest for the nomination of that party for president of the United States. The last one was in 1858, when the convention assembled in Chicago and was on its head to nominate James G. Blaine; it sat two full days longer than it otherwise would, awaiting his decision, and when he declined, Ben Harrison was nominated, and four years later the opposition to McKinley collapsed before the convention was organized. But there promises to be a fight, a beautiful fight, in 1908. There are more acceptable candidates than ever before—more than in 1860, or in 1876, or in 1880. Root, Taft, Shaw, Cortelyou—these from the official family, when he was favored on the "half," then there are Fairbanks, Foraker, Knox and LaFollette. Some of these are busy; all of them are wide awake. Mr. Fairbanks is the only man to accept the vice-presidency since John C. Breckinridge, Hendricks and Roosevelt had to be drafted, and Arthur did not dream of the presidency when he was favored on the "half," when he was favored on the "half," Mr. Fairbanks' chances will be excellent if the people shall be hunting for the anti-trust of the present man in the White House in 1908. Otherwise, his name will be vain. The republican presidential campaign is about the most uncertain thing of recent years in American politics, and it promises to continue to be so for a long time to come. It offers a field for speculation that ought to satisfy the demands of the most exacting newspaper writer, or the man who has money that he wants to wager on the outcome. It is possible that the congressional elections this fall will clear the situation a bit. With that campaign, and the republicans retaining control of the house by a comfortable margin, Secretary Shaw would feel that his stock had gone appreciably high. He is the stand for some distinct issue. That issue in his case is "stand-patism." The tariff must not be touched. His nomination for the presidency would mean that the republican party had thrown down the gauntlet to its opponents on the tariff issue and prepared to go to battle in the interest of letting well enough alone. On the other hand, should the elections indicate that the people do not like the stand-patist's boomerang, and his name will hardly be mentioned in the nominating convention, except for a possible complimentary vote. In the latter contingency some of the other men "mentioned" and who at present do not stand for anything in particular, but content themselves with saying they are good republicans would feel that they had forged to the front. The contest for the nomination at this distance is a very pretty one and interest in it is likely to increase rapidly as the months of the present year go by.

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Watches Clocks and Jewelry—Fine Diamonds, Setting a Specialty S. Conradi 205 South Spring St. MONEY RAISED BY CHINAMEN Orientals in New York Praise the President's Policy of "Share Alike" in the Relief Funds (BY ASSOCIATED PRESS LEASED WIRE.) NEW YORK, April 24.—The Chinese Merchants' association met last night and discussed the best means of affording relief to the San Francisco sufferers. Shah Kaiff, the Chinese consul, was present and read this telegram, received Sunday night from Consul Chang Pao Hsi at San Francisco: "Chinatown is entirely destroyed and our people are in great distress. Send whatever money you can collect for them to Chin Foo & Co., 372 Ninth street, Oakland. "CHANG PAO HSI." In addition to \$2,500 handed over to the mayor's relief fund committee yesterday the Chinese expect to raise at least \$2,000. "It was grand of President Roosevelt to take upon himself to see that everyone shared alike in the relief," said Consul Shah. "It is only another proof that he is the friend of all mankind. We cannot be less generous with our contributions than he with his wise counsel. I believe that whatever aid the Chinese can give should be divided between all the sufferers." The question of the disposition of future funds was not reached, but it is likely that the committee will follow the advice of the president. The Chinese have made it plain that their money is not to be confined to members of their own race.

CONDEMNED TOWER IS TO BE REMOVED SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—The condemned tower of the San Francisco Ferry building will be removed and rebuilt immediately. The tower is principally damaged by the earthquake in the three lower stories and it will have to be strengthened by rods and timbers before the actual work of removal can be safely done. The new tower will be of reinforced concrete. Santa Cruz Normal Southern Pacific officials here have received news from Santa Cruz to the effect that the earthquake did not damage that city. The dispatch states that everything is in normal condition and that no person was injured by the quakes.

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