

# MORE BODIES ARE FOUND IN RUINS

## 25 CORPSES DISCOVERED

SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—Dr. O. S. Kucich, autopsy surgeon connected with the coroner's office, stated this morning that three hundred persons had been buried thus far by the deputies of the office. Twenty-five additional bodies were recovered from the ruins south of Market street yesterday and the search is still going on. It is estimated that when the debris is all cleared away that there will be many ghastly discoveries of bodies crushed by the collapse of buildings and burned by the fire. It is thought that Chinatown and Telegraph Hill will also furnish a full quota of dead.

### WOMEN SAY SOLDIERS THREATEN THEM

SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—Several complaints were lodged by the residents in the vicinity of Oak and Stanyan streets with the police this morning by women, who stated that they were abruptly stopped by soldiers, who threatened to shoot.

The women also complained that their husbands were intimidated. The complaints were lodged with Chief of Police Dinan, who has requested an investigation.

### IN WANT OF FOOD

SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—Although the order from military headquarters permitting householders to maintain lights until 10 o'clock p. m., went into effect Monday night, it was not generally understood by the guards, and on Monday night there was considerable confusion on this account.

Last night, however, the portion of the city that was undamaged was aglow with glimmering candles and coal oil lamps until "taps" sounded and the men on patrol duty were not required to give any warnings.

The curtain fell at 10 o'clock sharp, and the city was in darkness. Few risked street travel after that hour, but those who did were not molested. "From the reports of officers filed this morning," said Chief of Police Dinan, "there is every indication that San Francisco has settled down to almost a normal condition. Our officers are everywhere, as usual, but no crimes have been reported for the past twelve hours, and petty thievery has not even kept the upper office men of the department busy."

"The one perplexing problem that we now have to contend with is the prevention of an unequal distribution of food. Those of the worst element of the city, we find are living better than they ever did in their lives, while the unfortunates, who have never been accustomed to ask for aid, are actually suffering."

"We are doing all in our power to relieve this condition, and hope, in a few days, to get rid of those who are taking everything in sight."

### GIVE OVER \$4,000,000 TO THE NEEDY

SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—The total amount of the subscriptions heard from up to date, according to the report of Ex-Mayor James Phelan, chairman of the finance committee, now reaches a total of \$4,294,000.

"There are also subscriptions throughout the country," he said, "that have not yet been heard from and which will increase this sum materially."

### LOOTERS ARE SHOT

SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—As a result of Mayor Schmitz' sharp letter yesterday evening to General Koster, commanding the National Guard, in which the mayor called the General's attention to the fact that this city was not under martial law and that the drastic measures and arbitrary actions of some of his men who have caused so much complaint were illegal and requesting him to put a stop to it, there was but little shooting last night in the district over which the militia held sway.

A marine reported that, finding a light burning in a house on lower Fillmore street after 10 o'clock last night, the militia sentry on the post shot through the window. A looter, who, it is claimed, broke into several places on Vallejo street, was reported to have been shot by a marine sentry at Vallejo and East streets.

Several bullets fired from the water front struck a Red Cross launch, in which Dr. Diggins of the Emergency Hospital service was going from the Potrero to the Presidio.

The shooting was done while the launch was off the ferry depot. None of the occupants were hit. The bluejackets who patrol that section of the water disclaimed all knowledge of shooting.

An alleged thief, who is said to have jumped out of a window with a bundle of clothes at Pierce and O'Farrell streets early this morning, is reported to have been shot by a National Guardsman.

Two companies of the Fourteenth United States Infantry from Vancouver went to Oakland yesterday to do guard duty in that city, which indicates that the militia will be recalled.

### SECRETARY VICTOR H. METCALF HERE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—Secretary Metcalf arrived here this morning and went immediately to Fort Mason in order to consult with the authorities and take up his work.

He was astounded to see the condition of this city.

Mr. Metcalf went to work with a will and proposes to do everything in his power to relieve the distress of the unfortunate people whose homes were burned.

## PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The text of the President's proclamation is as follows:

"To the public:

"When the news of the dreadful disaster at San Francisco first came it was necessary to take immediate steps to provide in some way for the receipt and distribution of the sums of money which at once poured in for the relief of the people of San Francisco. At the moment no one could foretell how soon it would be possible for the people of San Francisco themselves to organize; and to tide over the interval the American National Red Cross Association was designated to receive and disburse the funds."

PEOPLE OF ENERGY.

"But the people of San Francisco,

with an energy and self-reliant courage, a cool resourcefulness and a capacity for organized and orderly endeavor which are beyond all praise, have already met the need through committee appointed by the Mayor of the city, ex-Mayor James D. Phelan being chairman of the finance committee."

The work of these committees has been astonishing in its range, promptness and efficiency. As I am informed by Major General Greeley, although all local transportation was destroyed, as well as practically every supply store in the city these local committees with the help of the army, have succeeded in caring for 300,000 homeless people in the last five days. Thanks to their efforts, no individual is now suffering severely for food,

water or temporary shelter. This work has been done with the minimum of waste and under conditions which would have appalled men less trained in business methods, endowed with less ability or inspired with any but the highest motives of humanity and helpfulness.

"The need of employing the Red Cross, save as an auxiliary, has passed, and I urge that hereafter all contribu-

tions from any source be sent direct to James D. Phelan, chairman of the finance committee of San Francisco. Dr. Devins, of the Red Cross, will disburse any contributions sent to him through ex-Mayor Phelan, and will work in accord with him in all ways."

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

"The White House, April 25, 1906."

GOOD WORK.

In connection with the proclamation, the President authorized the publica-

tion of a telegram which he had sent to Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco, acknowledging the receipt of a telegram signed by the Mayor, Judge Morrow, ex-Mayor Phelan and others. In the telegram the President quotes the proclamation he has issued and then adds to it as follows:

"There was of course absolutely no question that every sufferer would be helped simply as a sufferer by your committees as soon as they were organized, and action through the Red Cross was

simply to fill them up until your organization was perfected and it would of course have been a negligence on our part if we had not at once taken steps to see that the gap was filled at a time when it was impossible for us to know how soon you would be organized. I have sent a message to Congress today urging an immediate appropriation for the work at Mare Island navy yard and an appropriation for the buildings asked for by the War Department. In a few days I shall send a further communication for the rebuilding of the public buildings, but I am not yet able to get details as to the amount needed for these."

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

URGES APPROPRIATION.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—In a special message to Congress today President Roosevelt urged the immediate appropriation of \$300,000 for work at the Mare Island Navy Yard, in order that employment may be had for many in the stricken city. He also urges the necessity for the appropriation of money for the re-establish-

ment of an army supply station in San Francisco.

OAKLAND MAN

HEARD BULLETS

The young man who was with Police-

man John Albers of San Francisco when

he was shot at while riding in a buggy

in San Francisco, near the corner of

Hayes street and Van Ness avenue, Mon-

day evening, was an Oakland man, W.

P. LaPoint, stenographer in the foreign

department of W. P. Grace & Co., in the

new TRIBUNE building in Oakland, on

Elgin street.

Mr. LaPoint's father conducts the Cit-

izen, in Las Cruces, New Mexico, and

the son came here recently from the

New York office of Grace & Co.

"Though he comes from one of those

families still popularly associated in the

mind of some who have never been in

it with 'shooting irons,' Mr. LaPoint

says he is not ashamed to say that the

story that he attempted to 'fall over'

the policeman is not untrue; when the

bullets began to come he did have an

uncontrollable desire to get on the other

side of that horse.

## OAKLAND BANKS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Under direction of the Bank Commissioners, all the Oakland banks opened their doors this morning and permitted depositors to withdraw small amounts on savings account, sufficient to relieve immediate pressing needs.

In accordance with directions from the Bank Commission the local banks are also taking care of commercial business in the usual way, receiving deposits and cashing checks drawn against them.

A committee is today formulating a plan for reopening of the interior banks without unnecessary delay.

The San Francisco banks also open-

ed in the Mint Building, San Francisco, each bank being given a small space in the building where its own depositors might secure money for their needs. In San Francisco it was agreed that not more than \$500 should be given to any single depositor, this being merely to afford temporary assistance to those who required money.

In Oakland the limit for savings depositors was set at \$30, with no fixed sum named as the limit on commercial accounts, though it was understood that only small amounts should be dispensed, the arrangement being practically the same as in San Francisco, the idea being to start in

on a small scale and gradually increase operations until matters should again be running with their wonted smoothness.

Contrary to the expectations of the Oakland bankers, there was a great deal more money deposited than withdrawn. In fact a leading bank official estimated that in quantity times the amount of money that passed out was received.

"We find that the public possesses little uneasiness over the present situation, as is evidenced by the large amount of deposits we are receiving," said W. W. Gierthwaite. "The local banks have received, up to last night, probably somewhere in the neighborhood of two million dollars from the United States mint in San Francisco, and this morning we sent over a dray with a guard of eight soldiers for about two million dollars more, which will

be distributed among the various institutions for their use.

"If money keeps on coming in as it has started we shall not need any more funds from the mint, and may not even need what we are getting today."

"We have been careful to see that each bank was provided with funds before opening doors, and therefore every institution is in first class shape to carry on the business devolving upon it."

"The banks are all working in harmony, of course, and will continue to do so, holding daily meetings at 4 o'clock in order to further this plan of conjunctive action."

A member of the Bank Commission, states that the Governor has promised the bankers to take as speedy action as possible in reference to the delinquency of taxes, and that the special session of the Legislature, which he is about to call, will consider this matter as soon as it convenes.

The reason, it is stated, why the Governor has so far failed to call the Legislature together is that the matter of taxes must be considered, and the proposed action arranged for beforehand. The Governor and his assistants are now working on the proposition, and as soon as the affairs are in shape, the State lawmakers will be summoned.

"The absence of positive knowledge that taxes need not be paid at once has created any amount of uneasiness, especially among people or corporations who have large amounts of taxes to pay. The Southern Pacific Company, for instance, has over a million dollars to pay, and the necessity of securing this money would cause great embarrassment to the banks."

"Furthermore, it is unnecessary to pay taxes as long as the Governor continues to make every day a holiday, since nothing need be done till the day after a holiday. The Governor

is going to continue to proclaim holidays daily until there is no further need, therefore, consequently, there is absolutely no cause for alarm, as there will be no penalties to pay for non-payment of taxes."

### CITY TAXES CAN- NOT BE PAID

The City Tax Collector's office will remain closed until all legal holidays are over. No city taxes can be paid while the holidays continue. Governor Pardee will continue to declare legal holidays for at least two weeks. People need not fear about their city taxes. They will not be delinquent if they are not paid at present.

Information wanted of Mr. or Mrs. N. H. Beer. He was a Mason. HARRY BEAN, Oakland. Leave word at the Postal.

### CREDITORS' GROCERY AUCTION SALE

We have instructions from the creditors of T. P. Kelly to sell the stock and fixtures of the grocery store corner Tenth and Center streets, Oakland. Sale, Thursday, April 26th, at 10:30 a. m.; comprising in part fine stock of sugar, coffee, tea, spices, soap, about 400 cases of canned goods, pickles, Ghirardelli's chocolates, Schilling's, Tillman & Bendel's and Crosse & Blackwell's goods, flour, mushes, bacon, hams, lard, olive oil, vinegar, molasses, honey, rice, crackers, candy, matches, tobacco, cigars, notions, granite, wooden ware, etc., etc. The fixtures comprise counters, shelving, counter scale, platform scales, four chow cases, National Cash Register, Wiltshire safe, desk, etc. This is an extra fine stock of groceries. All must and will be sold. No limit nor reserve.

J. A. MUNROE, Auctioneer for the Creditors, 1007 Clay street, Oakland.