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## ARISING FROM ITS ASHES

**San Francisco to be Greater, Grander and Larger Than Before—Rebuild in Six Months the General Cry**

Oakland, Calif.—San Francisco is being rehabilitated. Already thousands of laborers are employed clearing away the ruins. Aided by soldiers, they are dynamiting the swaying walls left after the earthquake and fire.

All the wagons that can be spared from the work of distributing supplies are being used to cart away the debris. Steel buildings which suffered only superficial harm are being inspected, and orders are being sent out for woodwork to replace that which went up in smoke.

San Francisco does not intend to sit supinely in the midst of its ruins. It intends to be larger and grander than before the disaster, and to this end all classes are co-operating.

### Rebuilding to Be Rushed

"Rebuild the city in six months," is the general cry. While such a task is impossible, it is certain that long before that time has expired the homeless will be housed, the artisan will find work and the new commercial city will be rising on solid foundations.

E. H. Harriman is here directing all the energies of the Southern Pacific railroad toward a quick recuperation. He spent the morning in San Francisco with General Superintendent E. E. Calvin, and announced after the conference that the work of restoring the property of the road already had begun. It will be rushed to the utmost.

New government buildings, better than those destroyed, are to rise upon the old site, and the \$7,000,000 city hall will be replaced.

Financial San Francisco, stunned for a time by the catastrophe, is on its feet again. The clearing house committee met today and made plans for the reopening of the banks at the earliest possible date. The bankers received word from Washington that they would be aided with government funds.

### BLOOD SHED FEARED

**The Roads Prepared for Bitter Struggle. Collieries are Fortified Citadels**

Wilkesbarre, Pa.—John Mitchell, president of the Miners' Union, will arrive this afternoon to confer with the district presidents on the strike situation. The general scale committee will meet tomorrow to consider the refusal of the operators to their last proposal of arbitration.

Three roads, the Delaware, the Hudson and the Erie, will attempt to resume operation of their collieries in forty-eight hours after the strike is called. The roads are prepared for a bitter struggle and they have made the collieries veritable fortified citadels. One stockade is five miles in circumference. The region is swarming with detectives who are watching

the miners. If a strike comes all agree it will be attended with unusual bloodshed and violence.

## DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION

**State Convention Will Be Held in Lincoln, August 15.**

The democratic state convention will be held in the auditorium at Lincoln on August 15, the hour not yet being fixed.

The date and place was decided upon by Chairman Allen and Secretary Maguire this afternoon; the state committee having given these two authority to issue the call.

This is the first time for years the democrats have decided to hold their convention prior to the republican state convention.

The republican convention meets on the 22nd.

## AMERICAN GIRL WEDS A COUNT

**Miss Georgine Wilde of New York Becomes Bride of Italian.**

London—Count Carlo Dentice de Frasso of Rome and Georgine R. Wilde, daughter of Mrs. Henry Siegel of New York, were married at the Oratory, Brompton, today. The church, which was prettily decorated with flowers, was crowded with guests, including many members of the diplomatic corps and prominent Italians and American residents in London. Among them were Ambassador Reid and Mrs. Reid and Signor Tittoni, the Italian ambassador. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Siegel gave a wedding breakfast to 100 guests.

## NEW PLANT FOR EXAMINER

**Hearst Ships New Outfit from Chicago for San Francisco.**

Several cars containing material for a modern newspaper plant have been sent from Chicago by W. R. Hearst to San Francisco for the Examiner plant, which is in ruins. The train left Chicago last night and is running on express time.

There are ten experts with the machinery for the new newspaper plant. A corps of electricians, machinists and general newspaper men passed through Omaha this morning en route to San Francisco. They were headed by W. P. Leach, one of the business managers of the Chicago American.

## Demented Man Missing

Omaha, Neb.—James Timmons, the demented man who escaped from his guardians in Omaha a week ago last Saturday, is still on the missing list, although it was thought he had been located at Springfield. John Timmons, a brother, is in the city and is anxiously awaiting news of the lost man.

James Timmons is described as being forty years of age, six feet in height, 160 pounds, medium complexion, sandy mustache, dark hair, slightly mixed with gray; thin face; third right finger has large joint; wore striped gray suit, black soft hat and heavy wollen socks. The last report of Timmons' whereabouts came from Gibson the day he escaped in

Omaha. As Timmons has spell when he imagines he is to be hanged, it is feared he may have been drowned in the river near Gibson or taken his life in some other out-of-the-way place. He was being taken home to Jackson, Mich., from Salem, Ore., when he made his escape.

## Frame Primary Bill

Springfield, Ill.—A primary bill was reported to the senate committee today. It provides for a popular vote for United States senator, a direct vote for congressmen, state board of equalization, county judge, county clerk, probate judge and clerk, recorder, treasurer, superintendent of schools, surveyor, sheriff, county and states attorney. Governor Dineen's efforts to secure a direct vote on governor was ignored.

## Balk Plot to Escape

Fort Worth, Tex.—An attempt of prisoners confined in the state prison at Rusk to escape from a work train yesterday near the prison was frustrated by guards, who killed the leader, Oliver Woodward, a murderer and cattle thief, and fatally wounded George Smalley, a burglar. Joe Wilkerson, a guard, was killed. Will Boyd, another guard, was wounded. None of the convicts escaped.

## Miners Confident of Victory

The miners are not worried about the outcome in the bituminous fields. The number of operators who have signed the 1903 scale exceed the number that have not signed. National Secretary-Treasurer Wilson has gone to district No. 2 in the bituminous field in central Pennsylvania to complete negotiations with operators there, as he has assurance that they will sign the scale.

## Church War

Vienna—Reports today state that at Lesmo, near Warsaw, 3,000 orthodox Catholics, led by three priests and a Capuchian monk, attempted to take a church which had been seized by the Marienae sectarians. The latter, numbering 4,000, defended the church and defeated the Catholics, killing twelve and wounding fifty.

## Opening of Douma

St. Petersburg—The czar is to open the new national douma and council of the empire in person on May 20. The ceremony will probably be held at Fanrido palace. This is the first public appearance of the czar in St. Petersburg since "bloody Sunday," January 22, 1905.

## Loubet Barely Escapes

Paris—Former President Loubet had an almost miraculous escape today from death at the hands of a man with a bomb. Loubet was working in his study, when an officer discovered a bomb smoking near the window. By quick action he extinguished the fuse. An analysis of the contents proved that it was a bomb of fearful explosive force.

## OLD LEADERS DISMAYED

**Roosevelt's Latest Utterances and La Follette's Speech Alarm the Conservative Republicans**

Washington, D. C., April 25.—(Special.)—The rate bill was temporarily obscured during the past week on account of the San Francisco horror, and a number of other minor occurrences that served to occupy the attention of the people. But, nevertheless the generals on both sides were busy working with might and main to line up their forces for the final encounter, which can not now be long delayed. The president's inheritance tax views expressed at the laying of the corner stone at the Capital Annex some time ago is the source of a great deal of worry to his political friends, as well as others that fear that he is ready to go to a length in antagonizing the rich and powerful, that they can not follow, and many of them fear that before his term expires the republican party will be badly damaged if not utterly wrecked. While suffering from doubts and fears lest the president might spring some other new fangled notion, the friends of the president were again surprised at the vigorous manner in which he brought his big stick down on the head of Judge Humphrey in his message to congress, asking that the law be amended so that the government would have a right of appeal in criminal cases, the same as the accused.

But the most important occurrences of the week, and the one that brought consternation to the hearts of Vice President Fairbanks, Speaker Cannon, Secretaries Taft, Shaw, Root, and other republican aspirants for the presidency was the remarkable speech of Senator La Follette who stated the railroad question from the people's standpoint with boldness, clearness and in detail such as shows the Badger senator to be a master of the subject. They realize that the people of the country feel that the railroads are in a large measure responsible for the existence of trusts and monopolies in all of the different branches of industry, and that they have perfected a combination among themselves and practically eliminated competition in the transportation business, and that their power must be curbed and their monopoly broken up, and that the time to do this has arrived. The senators and congressmen generally regard Senator La Follette as a menace to the success of either of the old time republican leaders, because of their corporation affiliation in the first place, and in the second place because it would take either of them a long time to acquire the ability to present the people's side of the question with that force and positiveness which Senator La Follette displays when treating his favorite theme. Again it was quite noticeable the lively interests that such democratic leaders as Tillman, Bailey and others have taken in Senator La Fol-