

RUSHING AID TO HELPLESS

War Department Starts Million Day Rations Toward Stricken City.

ANOTHER MILLION DOLLARS NEEDED

Congress Will Be Asked to Make Additional Appropriation Today—Tents and Blankets Are Enroute.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Every branch of the government service from the president down is bending every effort to bring the earthquake sufferers relief. The cabinet today considered the San Francisco situation and it was decided that Secretary McCall should proceed to that city as the representative of the national government and consult with the authorities as to what is needed to alleviate distress. Every available vessel in the vicinity of San Francisco, whether it belongs to the navy, army, revenue cutter service, fish commission or lighthouse service, has been directed to carry supplies of every description to the stricken city of San Francisco and render other assistance, while officers of the army on the Pacific coast and elsewhere have been given imperative instructions to ship tents, blankets, medical and other relief supplies and to co-operate with the local authorities of San Francisco and the state officials to the common end. Offers of assistance from abroad have been very gratifying to the president, but he feels the United States is able to care for the San Francisco sufferers and contributions from foreign countries will be declined.

Foreign Aid Is Refused.

Mr. Ballin of the Hamburg-American line offered \$50,000 for the relief of the sufferers and the following declaration forwarded to Mr. Ballin by Assistant Secretary Bacon of the state department, shows the president's appreciation of the friendship shown by Europeans:

"The president deeply appreciates your message of sympathy and desires me to thank you heartily for the kind offer of outside aid. Although I am sure that the president and his cabinet will understand how much he appreciates your cordial and generous sympathy."

The question of an additional appropriation to meet the expense of the work of the government in rushing supplies to San Francisco and alleviating distress in that quarter will be brought to the attention of congress tomorrow. It was announced tonight that the War Department has forwarded to San Francisco 1,000,000 rations (day rations), some of which have already arrived there and most of which is due there tonight; tentage for 150,000 people, 1,000 blankets, a large number of stoves and about 800 cots. There are many different trains, with an official in charge of each, on the way. The quartermaster and commissary officers of the army were busy tonight compiling statements showing what has been done by the War department to assist the San Francisco sufferers.

Another Million Needed.

These statements are to accompany the request which will be made to congress tomorrow for an additional appropriation of \$1,000,000 to continue the relief work. Estimates made at the department that \$1,500,000 already has been expended or contracted for in the relief work, so that at least half of the additional \$1,000,000 will be necessary to reimburse the department for the expenditures already authorized.

Already hundreds of thousands of army rations, tents, bedding, buckets, blankets and other necessities have been turned over to the San Francisco authorities. More are on the way and carloads of medical supplies, furnished through the army medical supply depot at St. Louis, are speeding to the coast.

The Red Cross society officials here are receiving notifications from every part of the country that money and useful supplies of all sorts are being hurried to the devastated city.

C. H. Keop of the United States Treasury department of this city, and national treasurer of the American Red Cross society, in answer to thousands of inquiries, today officially announced that contributions for San Francisco may be sent to him or to the state treasurers of the Red Cross. The names and addresses of those west of Chicago are as follows:

Illinois—Orestis Stathi, Chicago; California—Horace Davis, San Francisco; Washington—Louis W. Pratt, Tacoma; Wyoming—Dr. Amos W. Barber, Cheyenne.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 20.—The Southern Pacific mail train, carrying a special train of twenty cars, leaving here at 6:35 tonight for San Francisco, carrying ten physicians, twenty trained nurses and 800,000 pounds of provisions.

The train will be given right-of-way over everything and is expected to reach San Francisco Friday morning.

SALEM, Ore., April 20.—Governor Cham-

Spring Medicine

The best is Hood's Sarsaparilla. It is the best because it does the most good.

While it makes the blood pure, fresh and lively, it tones the stomach to better digestion, creates an appetite, stimulates the kidneys and liver, gives new brain, nerve and digestive strength.

An unlimited list of cures—40,366 testimonials in 2 years—proves its merit.

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berlain telegraphed Governor Pardee last night the following: "Twenty-six cars of supplies left Portland tonight. Also a car of nurses and doctors. Twenty-six cars more will be started tomorrow. All blankets and mattresses in Portland are being sent. A trainload of bread and provisions will follow each day. Two cars of potatoes and one car of bread will leave Salem in the morning."

NEW YORK, April 20.—A message requesting that all churches of all denominations in the United States set apart next Sunday as a day of special prayer for those suffering from the earthquake in San Francisco and other parts of the Pacific coast was sent out yesterday by the executive committee of the National Federation of Churches.

Commander Eva Booth of the Salvation Army has sent the following telegram to Colonel French, the officer in charge of their work on the Pacific coast:

"Received telegrams. Appalled at disaster. My heart is torn with sorrow. Deep sympathy and tenderest sympathy with all sufferers. Will do all possible to help. God will not fail."

SALT LAKE'S CONTRIBUTION.

SALT LAKE CITY, April 20.—Salt Lake today added about \$30,000 in money and sixty carloads of cooked provisions to the contributions for San Francisco. A benefit given here by David Proctor's "Message From Mars" company netted \$1,000 for the fund.

SIoux CITY, Ia., April 20.—(Special Telegram.)—The school children of Sioux City will unite in a grand concert at the high school, April 23, to raise money for the relief of the San Francisco sufferers.

Masonic Fraternity Active.

OAKLAND, April 20.—Mollie H. Flint, postmaster of Los Angeles and grand master of the grand lodge of California Free and Accepted Masons, arrived here today to organize relief for distressed Masons.

"Telegrams are pouring in from all parts of the country," said Mr. Flint this afternoon. Here is a sample:

"Vicksburg, Miss., April 18.—Grand Master Blum tendered sympathy and assistance to the extent of Mississippi's resources."

"I have come here tonight to get in touch with the members of the lodge. We propose through our organization to perfect quickly a system of general relief. The order that I represent is with the sufferers and ready to act nobly."

At a meeting of representative Masons large quantities of provisions were purchased and preparations were made to serve meals and supply bedding. It was also decided that branches of the Masonic Relief bureau be opened in San Francisco.

An appeal was for funds and supplies to be forwarded to the relief bureau at Masonic temple in this city.

Odd Fellows Open Headquarters.

OAKLAND, Cal., April 20.—W. W. Phelps, grand master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, has arrived in Oakland and opened temporary headquarters. He has issued an appeal for aid to every lodge in America and a special request to the lodges of California outside of the stricken area and the general relief committees of San Francisco will have charge of rendering relief to every member of the order, his wife and children.

The entire receipts for relief will be sent to Hon. F. B. Ogden, grand warden, whom the grand master has appointed as special disbursing officer. U. S. G. Clifford, assistant grand secretary for California, is present assisting the grand master. Committees have been appointed and a thorough organization has been effected whereby the relief obtained from the 1,700 members of the order will be distributed.

St. Joseph Sends Money.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., April 20.—Mayor Spratt has wired Governor Pardee of California to draw on him for \$5,000 at once and for more later on.

Elks' Relief Fund.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 20.—Robert W. Brown, grand exalted ruler of the Order of Elks, will leave tonight for San Francisco to see to the distribution of supplies and money contributed by Elks. In a



Mr. W. A. Snowden, 103 Milton St., Dedham, Mass., says: "I want every sick woman to know the curing power of Hood's Sarsaparilla. After a long illness, I had milk in my breasts and a dreadful sore which Hood's Sarsaparilla cured. I feel better and my blood is invigorated by my whole system."

signed statement Mr. Brown directs that remittances should be sent by wire to "Fred C. Robinson, Grand Secretary B. P. O. Elks, Dubuque, Ia.," and such contributions should be specified as "emergency charity fund."

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 20.—Governor Folk today issued a proclamation calling upon the people of Missouri to contribute to the relief of the sufferers of San Francisco.

Tents Enroute.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 20.—Seven thousand tents owned by the federal government will be shipped from here tonight to San Francisco.

ST. LOUIS, April 20.—With orders giving it a clear right-of-way a special train composed of ten loaded freight cars loaded with tents, mattresses, blankets and cots was dispatched for San Francisco this morning.

The relief train was made up at the old arsenal supply depot on orders received by Quartermaster Von Schrader from the secretary of war and ten miles west of St. Louis Pacific with a schedule averaging forty-five miles an hour.

Kansas City Out for Business.

KANSAS CITY, April 20.—Eastern subscribers to the San Francisco relief fund will depend upon Kansas City to start their contributions westward.

The following message was received today by the Commercial club of Kansas City from Mayor Fitzgerald of Boston:

"Boston wishes to give immediate aid to San Francisco. What can be done through your body to supply food, clothing and other necessities at once?"

E. M. Chidenden, secretary of the Commercial club, replied as follows:

"Can purchase supplies to advantage and ship, forwarding train load of twenty cars tomorrow. If I can serve you send full instructions."

RELIEF WORK IN LOS ANGELES

Twenty-Six Carloads of Food Started Northward Before Noon.

LOS ANGELES, April 20.—Twenty-six car loads of food, clothing, and other supplies have left Los Angeles for San Francisco before 12 o'clock today. At all headquarters where supplies were received, express wagons, automobiles, private carriages and even pedestrians appeared loaded down with necessities.

The sidewalks at the offices of the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific companies were piled high with offerings of various character all day long and although a stream of teams traveled from these temporary headquarters to the depots from early morning until late this afternoon, the heaps of goods did not decrease.

The Santa Fe railroad has made up a relief train which left for San Francisco this afternoon. All agents along the Santa Fe line to the north have been notified of this arrangement and instructed to issue calls for supplies from their town and it is expected that by the time all the cars along the way have been added a food and clothing train a mile long will be the result.

Late this afternoon a telegram was received at the chamber of commerce addressed to F. W. Hendrick, associate justice of the supreme court of California, from C. J. Burrage, a wealthy oil dealer of Boston, authorizing Hendrick to draw on him for \$100,000 to be devoted to the San Francisco relief fund.

"Lucky" Baldwin, celebrated racing man and horse breeder, whose wife and daughter are at San Francisco, came to Los Angeles today from his ranch, Santa Anita, eighteen miles from this city, and gave orders for the sending of a carload of provisions to the San Francisco sufferers. This will include dried fruits, flour and other foodstuffs.

He endeavored to secure a carload of bread to send, but was unable to purchase that quantity in Los Angeles because all available supplies had already been sent north.

Mr. Baldwin has received no word from his relatives in San Francisco, but says that from telegraphic reports he has no doubt that his home on California street has been destroyed.

The Chinese population of Los Angeles today subscribed \$5,000 in cash for the relief of the San Francisco earthquake victims and also forwarded a carload of rice, vegetables and meat.

G. Fred Herr, agent at Los Angeles for the Union Pacific Railroad company, left here for San Francisco this afternoon in charge of a special train of baggage cars filled with trunks of food, bottled water and clothing.

Joseph Murphy, the veteran actor, and Oliver Morosco today raised among the theatrical people of this city a fund of \$3,000 for the succor of destitute players and craftsmen in San Francisco. The money will be sent north tonight by special messenger.

NEW ENGLAND ACTS PROMPTLY

Contributions Will Aggregate Million and Half Dollars.

BOSTON, April 20.—(Special Telegram.)—This city has pledged \$500,000 towards the San Francisco relief fund, which subscriptions from New England cities will total over \$1,500,000. Arrangements are also being made for sending a trainload of provisions from some convenient western city, money being wired there for that purpose.

Hundreds of New England people are besieging newspaper and telegraph offices for news of relatives and tourist friends. Boston newspapers request that New Englanders who were in San Francisco and are safe to wire them briefly at their expense. Fears are felt for the safety of Prof. James Harvard, who was lecturing at Leland Stanford university and whose physical condition was such that excitement or troubles there may have caused his collapse.

An appropriation of \$1,000,000 by the legislature has been held up by the attorney general as unconstitutional. New England insurance companies are hard hit by the fire, over \$11,800,000 worth of risks being carried in California. Over \$8,000,000 is carried by Boston companies alone. One Hartford company carries \$2,000,000. Mass meetings and benefit subscriptions are being arranged for everywhere here.

Iowa Geologist Predicted Disaster.

DES MOINES, Ia., April 20.—Dr. Samuel Salvin, state geologist and teacher at the University of Iowa, predicted the San Francisco earthquake to his class more than a week ago. At that time he told the students that the seismic shocks such as that which destroyed the city might come at any time, giving scientific reasons for his assertions.

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CORRECT WEAR FOR SPRING

Gray predominates of course, but business men are running also to blue serges, tweeds, plaids and other mixed fabrics for business wear. Some of these are exceedingly striking and in most cases the patterns are exclusive, but gray or mixed, the prices run same

\$10 to \$35

A Lucky Purchase

Ten days ago we made a leading manufacturer an offer for the balance of his men's RAIN COATS. We secured them at our own price, and they are now here for a special offer to our trade. They're yours for less than manufacturer's cost. Come soon if you want a rain coat for less than it's worth, and the best you ever bought for the money. Rain coats made to sell for \$18.50 to \$22.50—Special Saturday for.....

\$10-15

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1.15

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NINETEEN DEAD IN SAN JOSE

Property Damage There Estimated at Five Million Dollars.

OTHER PLACES IN VICINITY SHAKEN UP

Hundred and Ten Killed and Seventy Injured in St. Agnew's Asylum—Marital Law Prevails.

SAN JOSE, Cal., April 20.—Nineteen people were killed in San Jose and the entire business section wrecked; estimated damage, \$5,000,000. Other losses in this vicinity are: One hundred and ten killed and seventy injured, mostly patients at St. Agnew's asylum; building completely ruined. Stanford university, Memorial church and other buildings down; damage, \$2,000,000; one student named Hanna and one other man killed. Damage to Pacific Milling company at Santa Clara, \$10,000; total loss there, \$500,000; no loss of life. Gilroy, about same amount of damage; no dead.

At Salinas the Spreckels sugar refinery, valued at \$1,500,000, is completely destroyed. Reports from Del Monte, Hollister, Watsonville, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Santa Cruz and other southern coast points show slight damage in comparison. At Hollister one man was killed and \$100,000 damage was done. The Narrow Gauge tunnel at Wright's, three-fourths of a mile long, caved in. In the Del Monte hotel a bridal couple from Benson, Ariz., and Mr. and Mrs. Rouer were killed in their beds by chimney falling.

Soldiers Take Charge.

Hundreds of people are streaming into Santa Clara county from San Francisco. Company B, Fifth National Guard, is in charge of the city. Mayor Yorwick has asked Governor Pardee for more soldiers to maintain order. A vigilance committee has been organized and placards have been posted throughout the city warning that any person found stealing, pilfering or committing any act of lawless violence will be summarily hanged.

The Moreland academy, a Catholic institution at Watsonville, was badly damaged, but no lives lost. Special trains have passed through here from Los Angeles with physicians and necessities for sufferers in San Francisco. Four companies of regulars from Santa Clara and Fresno are on their way to San Francisco. No person is allowed on the streets here after 7:30 p. m.

Santa Clara college and Notre Dame convents here are practically undamaged. Bridges between Palmdale and Santa Cruz are badly out. Among those who were killed in San Jose are: Mr. and Mrs. Bert Haley of Oak; Mr. and Mrs. Kerrigan, Oakland; Thomas O'Toole, Gilroy; Mrs. Charles Costa; Mrs. Claude Everett; Mrs. Warden and Fireman Parrar.

Provisions Running Short.

The city's provisions are running short and the people are greatly excited over stories that thousands of half-starved and homeless from San Francisco are on their way here. So far the greatest order has been maintained. Among the buildings wrecked in San Jose are the St. Patrick's church, the Franciscan church, the Central Methodist Episcopal church, the Central Christian and South Methodist churches badly damaged.

Every building on the west side of First street from St. James park to San Fernando street are either down, tottering or badly cracked, and every one of them will have to be rebuilt. The Auerbach building, Elks club, United theater and many other buildings on Santa Clara street are down on the ground.

On Second street the six-story Dougherty building and several adjoining blocks were destroyed by fire. The new high school in Norman park is a complete wreck.

The Nevada and Porter buildings on Sec-

ond street, the Rucker building on Third and Santa Clara streets are also ruined.

The annex to the Vendome hotel was completely wrecked. Thomas M. O'Toole being the only one killed.

Story of an Eye-Witness.

LOS ANGELES, April 20.—"San Jose, which was the prettiest little city in California," said William White, a sheriff of this county, this morning, as he stepped off the train at River station, "is the worst looking wreck I ever saw. When I left there at 10 o'clock nineteen bodies had been recovered and there was a possibility that others would be found. I reached Agnew hospital a few hours later in an automobile and was one of the first on the spot. There I helped to carry out sixty corpses. At noon, when I arrived at San Jose, it was believed that fully 100 bodies were still in the ruins."

"The shock came to San Jose at 5:12:45, according to the clock in the St. James hotel, which was stopped. Supreme Court clerk Jordan, my young nephew, Walter Jordan, and myself occupied apartments on the fourth floor of the St. James hotel. The shock woke all three of us, but only seemed to disturb my nephew, who commenced calling out. Then the plastering peeled off in great chunks, the chimney fell and knocked a great hole in the roof. We immediately made our way down stairs and into the street. It was full of people, dressed and undressed, who were running about distractedly, not knowing what to do. The east wing of the Vendome hotel, a three-story frame house, had fallen in and some of the guests had to be dug out of the ruins. While I was there the body of Deputy Sheriff O'Toole of Gilroy, with whom I had conversed the previous night, was carried into the street."

"There is not a brick or stone building of two stories or over in San Jose today that has not been leveled to the ground or the wall will not have to be torn down. Some fires started after the quake, but the fire department soon had them under control."

"I secured an automobile at 7 o'clock and left for Agnew with two or three of the visiting sheriffs. The sight there was awful. The walls were standing, but the floor had fallen in."

"Scores of insane persons were running about in the grounds, unwatched and uncared for. I helped to take out the body of Dr. Kelly, the assistant superintendent of the asylum, who had been instantly killed. A nurse, who was also taken out of the ruins by me, died a little later. When I left there at noon for San Jose it was with the intention of securing a company of national guards to go out to the asylum, but the sheriff of Santa Clara county had sworn in several hundred deputies and some of them went out at once to take charge. San Jose is under martial law and the city is thoroughly patrolled by the militia. Those that died were all residents of the town. Of the many visitors of the Royal Arch, sheriffs and supervisors, a few only received slight injuries."

"After getting away from San Jose I saw evidences of the earthquake at Niles and even as far away as Livermore, in the shape of fallen chimneys and broken glass."

ARMY SUPPLIES ARE SENT OUT

War Department Orders Omaha to Hasten Shipments.

Telegraphic instructions were received from the War Department by Major M. G. Zalinski, chief quartermaster, Department of the Missouri, to ship at once from the quartermaster's depot here all available mattresses and mattress covers to San Francisco, also all available tent pins. The car was loaded and shipped out on the regular passenger train Friday evening.

The commanding officer at Fort Riley telegraphed Major Zalinski Friday morning to have the regular passenger train over to the Kansas Pacific, passing Fort Riley Friday morning, detained at Fort Riley for fifteen minutes in order that a carload of tents and other supplies might be attached

WORLD'S GREATEST EARTHQUAKES.

Earthquakes are among the most common phenomena in the world, scientists estimating that from twenty to fifty occur on the earth's surface every day. Fortunately, however, the vast majority of them are very slight. Some of the most destructive recorded in history are noted below:

- 63 A. D.—Herculaneum and Pompeii partially destroyed by violent shock.
- 105.—Four Gallic, two Grecian and two Galatian cities overturned.
- 258.—Nicomedes destroyed, with all its inhabitants.
- 557.—Thousands perished in Constantinople.
- 742.—Over 500 towns destroyed in Syria, Palestine and Asia; awful loss of life.
- 1137.—At Catania, Sicily, 15,000 buried in the ruins.
- 1158.—In Syria, 20,000 perished.
- 1186.—A Calabrian city and all its inhabitants overwhelmed in the Adriatic.
- 1268.—In Cilicia, 60,000 perished.
- 1456.—Naples, 40,000 killed.
- 1521.—Lisbon, 30,000 buried in city's ruins.
- 1596.—Thousands perished in Japan.
- 1626.—Thirty towns near Naples destroyed; 70,000 killed.
- 1667.—At Schmalz, 30,000 perished in shocks within three months.
- 1682.—Port Royal, Jamaica, destroyed; 3,000 lost.
- 1693.—Fifty-four cities and towns and 300 villages destroyed in Sicily; 100,000 lives lost.
- 1703.—Jeddo, Japan, ruined; 200,000 dead.
- 1716.—At Algiers, 30,000 dead.
- 1721.—At Peking, 100,000 swallowed up.
- 1746.—Lima and Callao demolished; 18,000 buried in the ruins.
- 1754.—At Grand Cairo, 40,000 perished.
- 1755.—Knachan, North Persia, destroyed; 40,000 killed.
- 1755.—Lisbon, practically wiped out within eight minutes. Upward of 50,000 perished in the ruins and by being engulfed by a tremendous seismic wave. The city was felt as far as Scotland, and many cities suffered severely. In Morocco more than 12,000 persons lost their lives.
- 1759.—Baalbek, in Syria, destroyed; 20,000 dead.
- 1797.—All the country from Santa Fe to Panama shaken; 40,000 dead.
- 1812.—At Caracas, 12,000 lives lost.
- 1822.—Aleppo destroyed with 20,000 of its inhabitants.
- 1842.—At Cape Haytien, Santo Domingo, two-thirds of the town destroyed; 5,000 dead.
- 1857.—Over 10,000 killed in Calabria.
- 1868.—Many towns in Peru and Ecuador wiped out; 25,000 persons perished.
- 1896.—Northwest of Japan, 1,000 perished by earthquake and over 20,000 by attendant seismic wave.
- 1905.—Northern India, 400 perished.
- 1905.—Several towns in Calabria District, 500 killed, thousands rendered homeless.
- 1906.—Formosa, 2,000 killed, \$45,000,000 damages.

GREAT FIRES IN UNITED STATES.

- Richmond, Va.—Theater, governor and many leading citizens perish; December 26, 1811.
- New York City—600 warehouses destroyed, loss \$20,000,000; December 16, 1835.
- Washington, D. C.—General postoffice and patent office burned; December 15, 1836.
- Charleston, S. C.—1,158 buildings consumed; April 27, 1838.
- New York City—46 buildings burned, loss \$10,000,000; September 6, 1839.
- Pittsburg, Pa.—1,000 buildings, loss \$6,000,000; April 10, 1846.
- New York City—302 stores, four lives, loss \$6,000,000; July 19, 1845.
- Albany, N. Y.—600 buildings, steamboats, piers, etc., loss \$3,000,000; September 9, 1848.
- St. Louis, Mo.—15 blocks of houses, 23 steamboats, loss \$3,000,000; May 17, 1849.
- San Francisco, Cal.—2,500 buildings destroyed, many lives lost, loss \$3,500,000; May 2-5, 1851.
- San Francisco, Cal.—500 buildings, loss \$3,000,000; May 22, 1851.
- Washington, D. C.—35,000 volumes Congressional Library burned; December 24, 1851.
- Syracuse, N. Y.—100 buildings, loss \$1,000,000; November 8, 1856.
- New York City—Crystal Palace and exhibits destroyed; October 5, 1858.
- Portland, Me.—Almost destroyed, 10,000 people made homeless, loss \$16,000,000; July 4, 1866.
- Chicago, Ill.—Great fire, 17,450 buildings and 200 lives lost, 98,750 people made homeless, loss over \$200,000,000; October 8-9, 1871.
- Michigan—Forest fires, 18,000 persons made homeless, villages destroyed, 4,000,000,000 feet timber destroyed; October, 1871.
- Boston, Mass.—800 buildings destroyed, loss \$80,000,000; November 9, 1872.
- Brooklyn, N. Y.—Theater Brooklyn, 295 lives lost; December