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DESERET EVENING NEWS.

TRUTH AND LIBERTY.

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 1906. SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

FIFTY-SIXTH YEAR.

Fire Now Under Control—Three Fourths of City Gone

Ferry Building, San Francisco, April 20.—The fire is under control. It has been checked at Van Ness avenue and in the Mission. The fire is still raging north of Russian Hill toward the bay but will not spread west. Probably a fourth of the city is safe. Measures are being taken for the relief of the destitute. Last night was a horrible one for the refugees. Most of them were without food or water and their sufferings were terrible. Bakeries are starting today and bread is being sent over from Oakland. Supplies of bread and milk are needed immediately. Swift & Company have 500,000 pounds of canned beef at South San Francisco and this will be of material assistance.

SAN FRANCISCOANS ARE NOT CRUSHED

Homeless, Starving, Facing Awful Calamity Show Spirit of Resigned Fortitude.

LITTLE LEFT OF THEIR CITY.

Three Hundred Thousand Refugees Gathered in the Public Squares and Parks.

Bread a Dollar a Loaf—Men Pressed Into Service—Work of Clearing Up Wrecked City Already Begun.

San Francisco, April 20.—The people of San Francisco, homeless and starving are facing the awful calamity which has overtaken them and literally swept the great city of which all were so proud practically out of existence with a spirit of resigned fortitude which must command the admiration of the world at large. There are no evidences of weakness to be seen among the crowds of stricken people moving back reluctantly upon each advance of the destroying flames which continue to sweep westward toward the ocean with the grim dogged manner of those who go down in defeat before an irresistible force with which it is hopeless to contend. Conquered for the moment but undaunted the bravery exhibited by men, women and children in face of overwhelming disaster is that of a race destined to arise stronger than ever out of the ruins which now surround them of shattered hopes and depleted fortunes.

LITTLE OF METROPOLIS LEFT.

There is little left today of the great American metropolis by the Golden Gate, a city of magnificent splendor, wealthier and more prosperous than Tyre and Sidon of the olden time, enriched by the mines of Ophir. Shorn of its many glories, its palaces and vast commercial emporiums leveled to the earth; its wide area of homes where dwelt a happy and prosperous people, prostrate in thin ashes, it will arise again in still greater magnificence. A monument to the courage and indomitable spirit shown by its inhabitants during the present awful emergency.



FIRST SAN FRANCISCO EARTHQUAKE AND FIRE PICTURES TO BE PRINTED IN SALT LAKE.

Street View Showing Debris on Ground Taken by Fleeing Tourist on Way to Ferry and Fire and Water Views From Ferry Boat Pulling Out Towards the Oakland Pier.

THE NEWS WILL RECEIVE DONATIONS.

To the many generous people throughout the city and state who will desire to subscribe to the San Francisco relief fund, the Deseret News announces that it will receive all subscriptions, publish the names of donors and turn the money over as rapidly as received to those authorized to act for the stricken community.

The noble example set by the Church authorities, the City of Salt Lake, the fraternal orders and leading citizens should be immediately followed by the whole people. Don't wait for canvassers or soliciting committees. Send in your offerings NOW and no matter how small, they will be thankfully received by the "News" and sent where they are urgently needed. Address: DESERET NEWS RELIEF FUND.

accommodation, a privilege of which many of the homeless, and worn out people gladly took advantage.

CLEARING UP CITY BEGINS. The work of clearing up the wrecked city has already been begun at the water front in the business section of the town. A force of 100 men were employed this morning under the direction of the street department clearing up the debris and putting the streets in proper condition.

A PATHETIC INCIDENT.

Homeless Mother and Children Await Ship Bringing Father.

Oakland, April 20.—Among the many pathetic incidents of the fire in San Francisco was that of a woman who sat at the foot of Van Ness avenue on the hot sands upon the hillside overlooking the bay early of Port Mason with four little children, the youngest a girl of three, the oldest a boy of 10. They were destitute of water, food and money. The woman had fled with her children from a home in flames in the Mission district and tramped to the bay in the hope of sighting the ship, which she said was about due, of which her husband was the captain. "He would know me anywhere," she said. And she would not move, though a young fellow gallantly offered his tent back on a vacant lot, in which to shelter her children.

FROM EVA BOOTH.

New York, April 20.—Commander Eva Booth of the Salvation Army has sent the following telegram to Col. French, the officer in charge of their work on the Pacific coast:

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

UNITED MINE WORKERS.

Reject Proposition of Operators of West Pennsylvania, Illinois, Indiana.

Indianapolis, April 20.—The international executive board of the United Mine Workers of America today rejected the propositions of the operators of the West Pennsylvania, Illinois and Indiana, who are opposing the payment of the 100 wage scale to miners and who, through J. M. Winder, their chairman, offered to submit the differences to arbitration.

DISASTER VIEWS IN DESERET NEWS.

Snapshots Taken by a Fleeing Tourist Who Was in the Dread Catastrophe.

THE FIRST PRINTED IN UTAH.

Taken by W. C. Cleveland of Greenville, South Carolina, and Brought to Salt Lake.

Received at Twelve O'Clock Today and A Record Made in Getting Them On to the Street.

From the pages of the Deseret News the people of Utah will see the first earthquake, fire and disaster pictures to be published in this state. While they are not up to the usual standard of excellence in the way of half-tone work by this paper, readers will understand the reason and know that in a time like this the best cannot be always obtained. However, they are fair kodak views and give an accurate idea of what occurred in San Francisco on the morning of Tuesday last. They were taken by W. C. Cleveland of Greenville, S. C., a southern gentleman who arrived in Salt Lake today, and who is stopping at the Kenyon hotel. From him they were obtained by the Deseret News for publication in today's paper. Two of them were snapped in the street, as he was making his way to the wharf, and two of them as he was leaving it on the boat.

MR. CLEVELAND'S EXPERIENCE. Mr. Cleveland says he was in bed at the Nethersham hotel on Turk street when the first shock came. He says it seemed as though some unseen power had caught the bed at the head and at the foot, and started to rock it first one way and then the other. In the process Mr. Cleveland was thrown out on to the floor, and the experience was made more interesting by the plaster falling from the ceiling. He then thought it was time to be up and doing, and on looking at his watch saw it was 5:15 a. m. and the daylight strong enough for him to distinguish everything.

STARTED FOR STREET. The plaster was falling all over the hotel, and the gentleman from South Carolina picked up his grip and put for the street. He said people were sticking their heads out of buildings all along the street, and when he got out, there was a great hurrying and skurrying in all directions. There had been two shocks, and the public anticipation was that several more were coming. Consequently everybody wanted to be out of harm's way. Parts of brick buildings were toppling over, and there was crashing in all directions. But the wooden frame and the structural steel buildings seemed to stand the strain, while the brick and stone buildings were giving way everywhere.

PEOPLE NOT CRUSHED.

While badly smitten, the people of San Francisco are not crushed. There seems little hope now of saving the choicest residence section of the city lying west and north of Van Ness avenue. The men of the fire department who have throughout the terrific conflagration done splendid work, true to the world wide reputation of this splendid corps are still making strenuous efforts to check the all devouring flames, but without avail. Water is in better supply but of little use apparently against the headway now gained by the fire. Owing to the tremendous heat the edifices for some distance from the fire are as dry as tinder and they seem to disappear like a flash the minute the flames reach them.

300,000 REFUGEES.

The care of the 300,000 homeless starving refugees now gathered in the city's public squares and parks is now the main problem the local authorities have to solve. They must be fed, and bread, meat and drink are lacking. All the leading cities and towns throughout the country are now exerting themselves to alleviate the sufferings of the unfortunate victims of the fire, and provisions are now headed for them from many points.

BREAD A DOLLAR A LOAF.

Bread has already sold as high as \$1 a loaf in the stricken city, and two loaves and a can of sardines brought in one instance \$1.50. But this condition of affairs will not be permitted to last long. In towns across the bay the master bakers have met and fixed the price of bread at about a loaf with the understanding that they will refuse to sell to retailers who attempt to charge famine prices. The committee of citizens now in charge of the situation in the stricken city will also use every effort to keep the price of food down to the ordinary price.

THE BANKS.

The state and national banks of the United States in general have telegraphically guaranteed support to the local financial institutions in this trying hour and arrangements have already been made whereby it can be definitely stated every depositor will be paid in full. The guarantee that has been given the banks of San Francisco assures it is said, that there will be no loss to the depositor.

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

The insurance companies have already taken up the serious question of the adjustment of losses. It was stated officially yesterday that the companies have decided to pay dollar for dollar on losses made whereby it can be definitely stated every depositor will be paid in full. The guarantee that has been given the banks of San Francisco assures it is said, that there will be no loss to the depositor.

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SEWER GAS EXPLOSION.

To add to the horrors of the general situation and the general question of the subterranean trouble to another convulsion of nature, explosions of sewer gas here lately ripped and ripped many streets. Yesterday afternoon a Vesuvius in miniature was created by such an upheaval at Bryant and Eighth streets. Cobblestones were hurled 20 feet upward, and dirt vomited out of the ground.

WATER SUPPLY.

There is an immediate prospect for a large supply of water. Officers of the Spring Valley Water company stated last night that they expect to be able to furnish the city with 10,000,000 gallons of water today or tomorrow. There is water now west of Van Ness avenue and the engines there are fighting the fire with fresh water. In the Mission district there is water, but there are no engines, and the fire is burning as it will.

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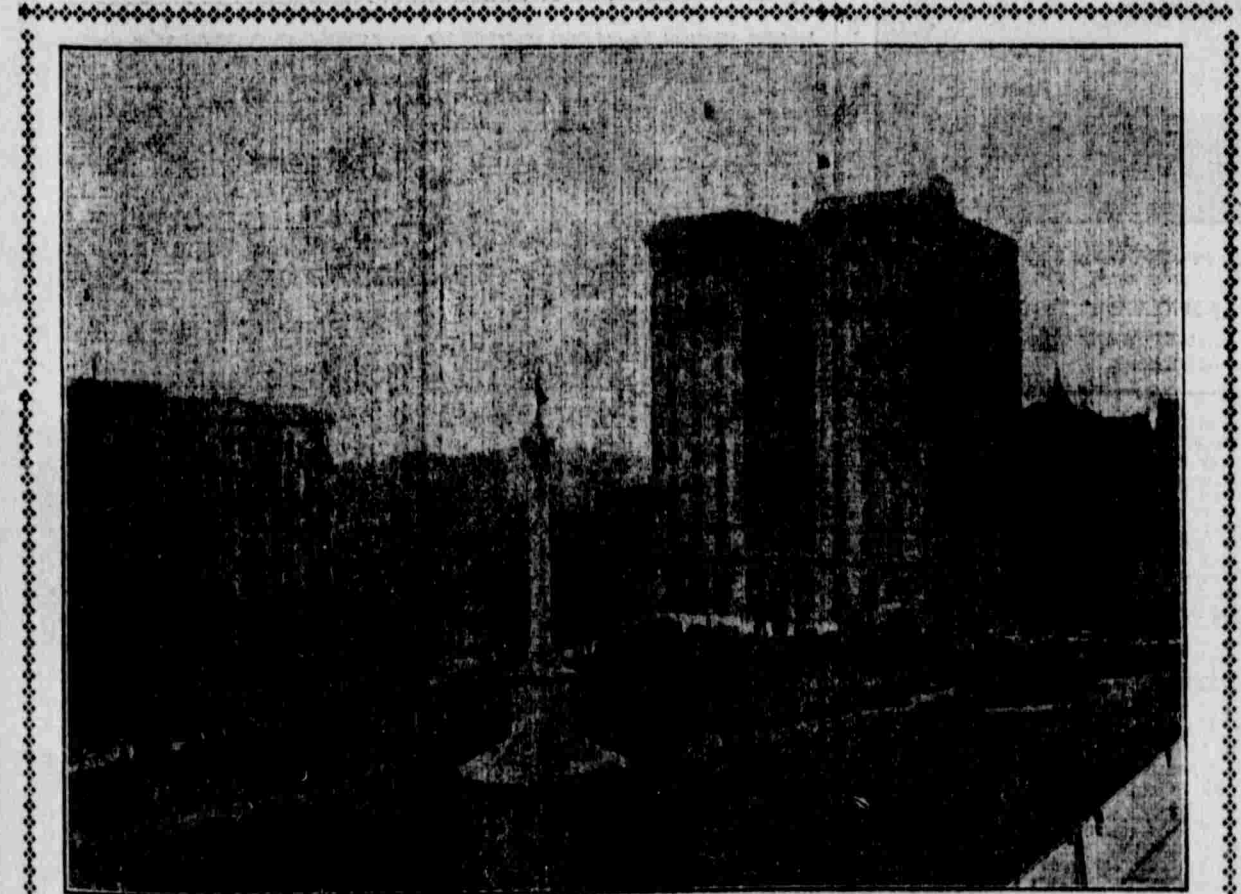
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UNITED STATES MINT STILL STANDS.

The Earlier Reports to the Effect That It Had Been Destroyed Were Happily Not Correct.

Among the first dispatches telling of the havoc and ruin wrought by the earthquake and subsequently by fire, it was stated that the United States mint, one of the handsomest buildings of the kind in the country, located on Fifth and Mission streets, had been demolished. But later advices appear to indicate that it, with its contents of millions of treasure, had been saved. It is the largest mint in the world, and has a capacity of coining one million ounces of silver a month, and employs one hundred and seventy-five experts in the work. It possesses the finest collection of coins ever gathered into one place. Many Utah people have visited it and witnessed the turning out of both gold and silver in money.



PICTURESQUE UNION SQUARE.

With Dewey Monument in Center and the Ill-Fated St. Francis Hotel on the Right.

This picture shows Union Square, a beautiful breathing spot in the very heart of San Francisco's pulsating, restless and busy center. There are numerous spots of this kind, or rather, there were, in this, but a few days ago, giant commonwealth of the Pacific coast. The splendid monument in the center of the square was erected shortly after the Spanish-American war, in honor of Admiral Dewey, whose glorious victory at Manila bay endeared him to San Franciscoans, in common with all other Americans. Dimly in the distance to the left is the wrecked city hall, and upon the right the noble St. Francis hotel, completed and opened just two years ago this spring. It is claimed that combined under this roof were more of the luxuries and conveniences of life than were ever placed in any hostelry erected in America. But neither its colossal size, beautiful outlines nor modern appointments were proof against the destroyer, for it, too, is amid the ruins of the once proud metropolis of the Golden West.