DYNAMITE USED TO BLOW UP BUILDINGS THAT TOOK FIRE AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE---WATER SUPPLY CUT OFF AND GREAT LOSS MUST FOLLOW

ORPHAN ASYLUM FALLS, KILLING 200 CHILDREN

Oakland Hears the News Through Service Which Brings San Francisco Again Into Communication.

OAKLAND, Cal., April 18.—2.15 P. M.—The telegraph companies have been forced to leave San Francisco and have established offices here. The Associated Press arranged a messenger service across the bay.

Reports from San Jose indicate severe shock. Buildings demolished. Much loss of life is reported.

Reports just received from Pala Alto say Stanford University is practically demolished. One student is reported killed.

It is also reported that an orpnan asylum collapsed in San Francisco, killing 200 children.

75 PERSONS KILLED AS VALENCIA HOTEL FALLS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The fires are spreading.

The Valencia Hotel, between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets, on Valencia street, a five-story frame building, toppled over into the street, burying seventy-five persons in the debris.

A house on Fourteenth street, near Valencia, was wrecked, killing two persons.

A lodging-house on Seventh street, between Howard and Mission, known as the Kingsley, entirely collapsed. It is on fire and seventy-five to eighty persons are believed to be buried in the flaming ruins.

QUAKE IS FELT ACROSS THE ENTIRE CONTINENT

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The San Francisco earthquake has reached across the entire continent. The seismograph at the Weather Bureau here showed such a violent agitation about 8.30 o'clock this morning that the pen passed off the recording sheet. The instrument at 12 o'clock was still under vibration, showing that the earthquake has not ceased.

The Weather Bureau this afternoon issued the following special report regarding the San Francisco earthquake:

"The great San Francisco earthquake of April 18, 1906, was registered upon the Boisch-Omori seismograph at the Weather Bureau office at Washington beginning at 8 hours 19 minutes 20 seconds, 75th Meridian time. The record shows a disturbance of considerable magnitude at Washington, although not severe enough to be felt by individuals.

"The stronger wave motion began at 8.25 A. M., that is, about five minutes after the first imperceptible tremors. The recording pen was carried entirely off the record sheet by the violence of the motion from 8.32 to 8.35 A. M. After the latter time the motion gradually diminished over a longer period of time, but did not entirely cease until about 12.35 P. M.

"The vibratory motion of the ground at Washington was really a comparatively slow and deliberate motion, each back and forth movement taking fifteen to twenty seconds of time. The largest movement of the ground registered before the pen went off the sheet amounted to about four-tenths of an inch, or a to-and-fro movement nearly one-half inch in the surface of the earth in this city."

BUILDINGS ROCK LIKE CRADLES.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 18.—The severest earthquake felt in this city in many years occurred at 5.13 o'clock this morning. Buildings rocked like cradles. Many clocks stopped. No serious damage was done here. A few cracks were discovered in the stone post-office building. Slight damage was done to some brick buildings.

Telegraph and telephone wires are prostrated between Sacramento and San Francisco, and no communication could be had with San Francisco this morning. Chimneys and water tanks were shaken down at Suisun, Solano County, and at Tracy, San Joaquin County.

Three miles of railroad sank out of sight as a result of the earthquake between Suisuan and Benecia, thirty miles from San Francisco, and all wires were taken with it. At Pleasanton there were several cars burned on the main line, blocking the trains.

The Southern Pacific Railway will attempt to get a train into San Francisco, starting from Sacramento and taking a roundabout route to Vallejo, which is on the bay of San Pablo. From that place the passengers will be taken by boat to San Francisco. This roundabout course was made necessary by the sinking of a three-mile section of track between Suisuan and Benecia, which are on the direct line between Sacramento and San Francisco. The road crosses some low land at the point where its tracks are sunk by the earthquake shock.

FELT ALL THROUGH NEVADA.

RENO, Nev., April 18.—The earthquake was severely felt throughout Nevada and all the wires were thrown down west of Reno. No loss of life in this State has been reported here, although general inquiries have been made through the office of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad.

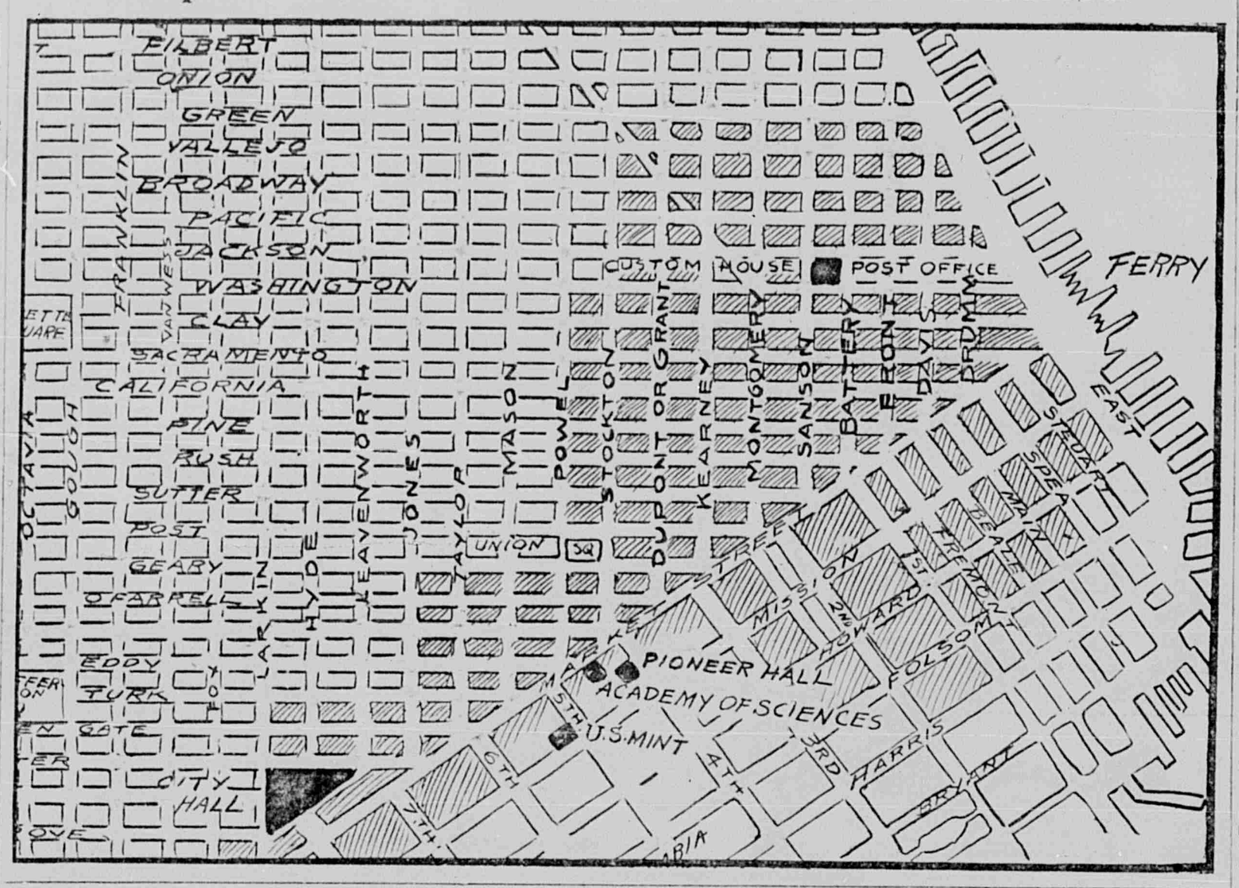
The Union Pacific wires are now working to Reno, but have been destroyed west of Winnemucka.

QUAKE OVER VAST TERRITORY.

CHICAGO, April 18.—The Union Pacific Railway Company reports that all of their wires have gone down west of Ogden. The area covered by the earthquake seems to have covered several hundred miles.

ALBANY, April 18.—The seismograph in the Geological Hall showed marked agitation at 8.26 o'clock this morning and continued the record for about an hour. The vibration was shown to come from west to east. No person has been found here who perceived the shock.

Map of San Francisco's Stricken District.



FIRE SWEEPS OVER STRICKEN CITY FROM THREE DIRECTIONS

Panic-Stricken Populace Runs Before the Flames that Follow the Terrifying Shocks—Buildings Torn and Twisted—Water Mains Destroyed, Rendering Fire Department Powerless to Fight Blazes.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—Wreckage of great brick and stone blocks fills the streets, and through the ruins refugees, crowded forward in flight from the flames, advancing from three directions toward the heart of the city.

Thousands of structures were crushed and twisted into masses of broken beams and powdered plaster. In the business centre of the city large blocks were pitched from their foundations as though overturned by some giant hand.

The earthquake came without a warning tremor. Its duration can only be guessed at, pending the official report from Lick observatory. Opinions vary all the way from three to twenty minutes, but probably the former figure is the nearer correct.

BUILDINGS TORN AND TWISTED.

The motion was one impossible of description. It seemed as though the entire peninsula was being hurled forward accompanied by a twisting side motion that scattered furniture and bric-a-brac in all directions, from some buildings chimney cornices and roofs were hurled in one direction, from others the wreckage was thrown in a course directly opposite.

Even heavy pianos were overturned in the houses, and, it is safe to say, there is scarcely a plate or piece of glassware intact in the city.

While the trembling lasted it was impossible for any person to keep his feet. As soon as the shock died away the populace poured forth into the streets. Several slight tremblings followed the heavy quake.

Within five minutes flames were bursting forth in a score of places in the city. Viewed from the Alamo Square Hill, near Golden Gate Park, which overlooks all San Francisco, the scene was awesome. It was as though San Francisco had been bombarded by 10,000 cannon. Soon a cloud of smoke ascended from the districts to the east, and through this pall the rising sun shone blood red.

THOUSANDS FLEE FROM HOMES.

In the streets could be seen thousands upon thousands of half clad men and women, while police patrols and ambulances, automobiles, truck wagons, anything that could be pressed into service, were rushing hither and thither conveying the dead and injured to improvised morgues or hospitals. The fire department, responding promptly despite the catastrophe, found itself powerless to combat the flames because of the stoppage of the water supply, and the flames spread rapidly.

One large conflagration swept the south of Market street district, from Brannin street westward along Third. Another raged in the large business blocks near the Market street ferries, advancing up the main artery of the city.

A fire that started in Hayes alley was soon spreading in all directions, the firemen being absolutely helpless. The loss of life was heaviest in the tenement buildings south of Market street.

To estimate the number of killed or injured is the veriest guesswork, because of the confusion into which the stricken city has been thrown.

SEVENTEEN DEAD IN ONE BUILDING.

Some frame buildings were crushed almost flat. One structure in the Mission, beneath which was a deep basement, was jammed down into this basement as one would hastily crush his wearing apparel into a trunk. It is estimated that seventeen persons were killed in this building alone.

The scenes of devastation throughout the city are appalling. Of the great City Hall only the central dome remains. Fortunately the emergency hospital, crowded with inmates, was in the portion of the structure that escaped with the least damage. In the streets are great cracks extending far into the earth. The thoroughfares are a tangle of fallen wires, through which relief conveyances make their way with great difficulty. An immense chimney on the power-house of the United Railways on Oak street fell crosswise of the structure, crushing it like an egg-shell.

The downtown stores are such wrecks that weeks will elapse before a semblance of business can be restored.

The temperament of the people has been admirable, though indescribable terror followed the awful shock. The crowds on the streets were orderly. Several cases of persons perishing from fright alone have been reported and doubtless many others will come to light.

FLEE FROM CITY.

Before 9 o'clock there was an attempted exodus from the city. Eastern visitors thronged the entrances to banks and safe deposit buildings, clamoring for their money, in the hope of immediately departing from the city.

Because of fires in the vicinity of the ferries the ferry service was soon suspended and San Francisco was cut off from the outside world.

Many Easterners chartered small craft on the bay and made their way across to Oakland.

No one who has not experienced an earthquake can imagine the sense of hopeless terror that seizes men, women and children when the earth begins to rock. San Franciscans are not unfamiliar with earthquakes, but familiarity does not decrease the fear of what may happen.

ROOSEVELT EXTENDS SYMPATHY, OFFERS AID

WASHINGTON, April 18.—President Roosevelt manifested profound interest throughout the day in the news of the earthquake at San Francisco. Early in the day he sent the following telegram to Gov. George C. Pardee, at Sacramento, and Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz at San Francisco:

"Hear rumors of great disaster through an earthquake at San Francisco but know nothing of real facts. Call upon me for any assistance I can render.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

Later in the day he sent the following despatch to Mayor Schmitz:

"I share with all our people the horror felt at the catastrophe that has befallen San Francisco, and the most earnest sympathy with your citizens. If there is anything the Federal Government can do to aid you it will be done.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

He also sent the following despatch to Gov. Pardee:

"It was difficult at first to credit the news of the calamity that had befallen San Francisco. I feel the greatest concern and sympathy for you and the people, not only of San Francisco, but of California in this terrible disaster. You will let me know if there is anything that the National Government can do.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

SANTA FE BRIDGE DAMAGED.

STOCKTON, Cal., April 18.—A sharp earthquake shock was felt here at 5.15 o'clock this morning. The Santa Fe bridge over the San Joaquin River settled several inches.

OCEANIC OFF COAST.

The White Star Line steamer Oceanic, for New York, was in communication by wireless telegraph with the station at Siasconset, Mass., at 3.15 A. M. today, when the vessel was 170 miles east of Nantucket Lightship. She will probably reach her pier about 8.30 A. M. tomorrow.

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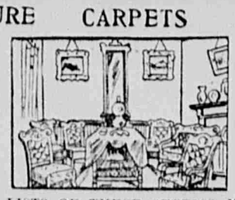
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CITY QUAKING ALL DAY; BIG DISTRICT ON FIRE

The following message from San Francisco was received by the Western Union Telegraph Company at 3.30 o'clock, New York time:

"We are having a succession of slight shocks. A heavy southwest wind has sprung up within the last half hour. A section of the city south of Market street, bounded by Market, Third, Sansome and Ninth streets, is a mass of flames.

"The Call Building, at the corner of Third and Market streets, has just burned, and the Anglo-California Bank has been destroyed. Every building in the city has been more or less damaged by the earthquake. The Southern Pacific Railway Company has brought a ton of dynamite into the vicinity of the burning section on Market street to be used, if possible, in blowing up property to prevent the spread of the fire."

NO QUAKE NEWS BY WIRELESS.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Repeated unsuccessful attempts were made to-day by the Navy Department to get news of the San Francisco disaster by wireless telegraph. The navy has a station on Goat Island, in San Francisco Bay, another station on the Farallone Islands and a third at Point Arguello, near Port Harford, on the California coast, through which it was hoped communication might be established by means of the other two stations with the transcontinental telegraph lines. The telegraph communication to the station near Port Harford has not been completed, and attempts to get wireless despatches through were unsuccessful.

It is not believed that the wireless masts on Goat Island have been affected by the earthquake, and wireless service would doubtless be postble if land communications could be established with the wireless station near Port Harford.

SAYS TIDAL WAVE MAY HIT FRISCO.

ROCHESTER, April 18.—"Another and an even graver disaster than the earthquake threatens San Francisco. A tidal wave would not be an unlooked for accompaniment to the present seismic disturbance," said Prof. H. L. Fairchild, of the University of Rochester, to-day. "Much of San Francisco is only twelve feet above tide water, and this fact renders it particularly liable to destruction in such an event. Tidal waves following earthquakes in coastal localities are far from unusual. As the city is not directly on the Pacific coast, but in a deep bay, there is a possibility that even in event of a tidal wave it might in some measure be protected."

Prof. Farchild does not believe there is any connection between the eruption of Vesuvius and the San Francisco earthquake.

ENTIRE CITY IS REPORTED AFIRE.

A despatch received at the local office of the Rock Island Railroad Company to-day from Chicago follows:

"San Francisco is being wiped out by continuous quakes and flames. Waterworks are out of commission."

The banking house of E. F. Hutton and Company, which does an extensive business on the Pacific coast and has a branch office in San Francisco, issued the following bulletin:

"The best and most accurate information that can be learned is to the effect that the whole city is being destroyed by fire. The earthquake bursted all the water-mains. The firemen are unable to cope with the fires, which are consuming the whole city. From the highest elevation in San Jose, about twenty-five miles from San Francisco, the city can be seen ablaze. The loss of life is estimated to be 1,100."

BULLETINS FROM SACRAMENTO.

The Western Union Telegraph Company is in receipt of the following message from the manager of the Sacramento office:

"We had a heavy earthquake at 5.15 A. M. All clocks stopped at that hour. There are three miles of railroad bed sunk out of sight between Suisnan and Benetia and all telegraph wires were taken with it. At Pleasanton several railroad cars were turned over on the main line, blocking the train. At Tracy all of the chimneys on factories and houses were torn down."

A despatch from Sacramento to the Western Union Telegraph Company reads: "Sacramento got Binole on the wire. He says there is a big fire at Berkely, a suberb of Oakland. He thinks that town is on fire. Railroad is going to send out the 8.20 train via Vallejo, but they do not know how far they will go. Am afraid it is serious in San Francisco."

SCALY ECZEMA ALL OVER BODY

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"I decided to give the Cuticura Remedies a trial after I had seen the results of their treatment of eczema on an infant belonging to one of our neighbors. The parent took the child to the nearest physician, but his treatment did no good. So they procured the Cuticura Remedies and cured her with them. When they began using Cuticura Remedies her face was terribly disfigured with sores, but she was entirely cured, for I saw the same child at the age of five years, and her mother told me the eczema had never broken out since. I have more faith in Cuticura Remedies for skin diseases than anything I know of. I am, respectfully yours, Emma E. Wilson, Liscomb, Iowa, Oct. 1, 1905."

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MEYERS.—On Wednesday, April 18, MARY MEYERS, nee Mockley, beloved wife of Laurence Joseph Meyers, and mother of Thomas, Joseph and William.

Funeral from late residence, 40 Hamilton st., city, on Friday, April 20, at 2 P. M. Interment Calvary.

ROE.—KATIE, beloved daughter of the late Richard and Mary Roe.

Funeral from residence, No. 359 West 224 st., Friday, April 20, at 10 A. M.

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