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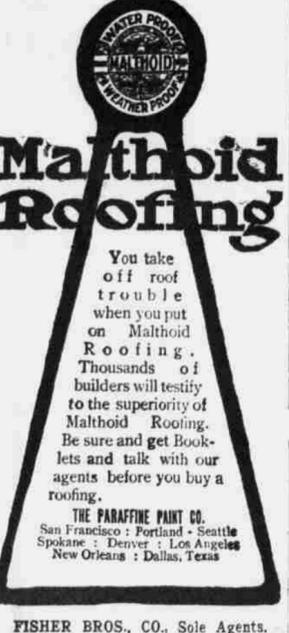
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### SETTLE IN OWN WAY

**Insurance Companies Adjust Losses to Suit Themselves.**

**NO UNIFORMITY OF ACTION**

**Fire Underwriters Adjusting Bureau Will Make no Attempt to Dictate General Policy for the Settlement of Claims.**

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.—The insurance companies will settle their losses in their own way, each company acting for itself, according to the contracts embodied in its policies and the fire underwriters adjusting bureau will make no attempt to dictate a general policy or lay down uniform rules for the companies to observe in the settlement of claims, according to a statement made yesterday by Attorney T. C. Coogan, who is legal adviser to the adjustment bureau. The adjustment bureau is merely to act as a board of appraisers in dealing with claims and only report on losses sustained, leaving the settlement entirely to the respective companies. Mr. Coogan said:

"The settlement of claims will not be upon any uniform basis. Each company will settle its own losses in its own fashion. It has its own contracts embodied in its own policies, and its own attorneys to advise it. The adjusting bureau has no power to lay down any uniform course or policy for observation by the companies, no power to compel them to waive conditions and legal rights.

"No proposition looking toward uniformity of action has been suggested; nor is there any truth in the report that it is contemplated to cut losses all down the line and settle upon a percentage basis.

"The companies will pay what they legally owe. Moreover, they will be perfectly fair, but they will obey no rules laid down for them by any bureau."

Attorney Coogan's statement was corroborated by H. F. Atwood, chairman of the committee of fifteen which transacts all the executive business of the general adjusting bureau.

On and after Monday next the underwriters' bureau, which at present meets in Oakland, proposes to hold meetings in San Francisco.

The special committee of the Merchants' Association of San Francisco on insurance, composed of Andrew M. Dais, Byron Mauzy and Allen G. Wright, sent a letter to Insurance Commissioner on May 10 asking him to compel the insurance companies to furnish needed information in cases where policies were destroyed by fire.

#### RELEASED ON BONDS.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.—Jacob Steinman of the National Guard, accused of the murder of Joseph Myers, superintendent of the children's playground, was yesterday held to answer by Judge Grarab. He was admitted to bail in the sum of \$15,000 and was released when his father, Herman Steinman, and his uncle, E. U. Steinman, former mayor of Sacramento, were accepted as sureties on his bond.

#### Fortunate Missourians.

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## FORM LOAN COMPANY

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### PACIFIC COAST TO INVEST

**Opportunity Will be Given for Investors Both in East and West to Invest in a Large Scheme.**

NEW YORK, May 16.—The Herald today says:

It was determined yesterday that \$100,000,000 shall be the capitalization of the new mortgage loan corporation which is to be organized here to advance money for the rebuilding of San Francisco. The promoters of the enterprise at first argued that \$10,000,000 capitalization would provide an ample vehicle for handling hundreds of millions of investments, but it was found that San Francisco favors a much larger capitalization, giving opportunity for investment by the Pacific Coast. Hence it is now considered best to capitalize for \$100,000,000, with paid in subscriptions reaching \$10,000,000 cash.

E. H. Harriman, president of the Southern Pacific; Frank A. Vanderlip, vice-president of the National City Bank; Senator Newlands of Nevada, and H. S. Black, president of the United States Realty & Improvement Company will today confer with Franklin K. Lane and Thomas Magee, both of San Francisco, and members of the relief committee, upon means to be employed to remove from the minds of investors in the East the fear that the complicated mortgage laws of California will inflict double taxation upon owners of mortgages in San Francisco.

Plans for the perfecting of the huge mortgage loan corporation will also be adopted, and it is now expected that all of the preliminaries will be completed this week and the work of advancing \$100,000,000 and more for the reconstruction of the destroyed city will begin without thirty days.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT LOSS.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.—The losses sustained by the police department and the probable cost of replacing the police offices and stations destroyed in the fire is estimated at \$232,195, according to a report submitted yesterday by Superior Judge Graham and Attorney John P. Coghlan, acting as a sub-committee of the committee on municipal departments.

Two police stations were destroyed besides the headquarters at the hall of justice and the city hall station. In this estimate no account is taken of destroyed records which in most cases cannot be replaced. Chief of Police Dinan asserted that these records were worth to the department at least \$200,000. The heaviest loss was sustained by the bureau of identification. Thirty-six thousand photographic negatives of criminals which were 45 years in the collecting were destroyed. About 200 police officers lost their homes in the fire.

#### NO CIRCUS ALLOWED.

CHICAGO, May 16.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Topeka, Kas., says: The city council of Topeka has decided that a circus performance in the city or Decoration Day would be nothing short of a sacrilege and by a unanimous vote has ordered the city clerk to refuse a license for a show that has been advertised to take place here on that day. P. H. Conrad, department commander of the G. A. R., appeared before the council to protest against the issuance of the license.

#### A Mountain of Gold.

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#### RAISE INSURANCE ON HOTEL BUILDINGS

Chicago Hotels of Period Just After Fire Will Be Added to Hazardous Risks

CHICAGO, May 16.—Hotel buildings of the period immediately following the Chicago fire are to be added to the list of hazardous risks by Chicago insurance men. The advance in their rate will be from 25 to 40 per cent. The

theatres also are to be "penalized" as undesirable risks.

This was decided, among other things, at a meeting of the western managers of the fire insurance companies, following a dinner last night at the Union League Club.

Although the meeting was under the auspices of the western union, non-union companies were also represented among the thirty managers present.

There was a practically unanimous sentiment among those who attended the meeting that the commission of insurance brokers should be cut at least ten per cent. Their average commission now is 27 per cent of the premiums. This is considered too high especially for what is known as preferred business which includes flats and detached dwellings.

## A SPLIT IN RANKS

**Bituminous Miners Are Not All Agreed.**

**SOME DESIRE ARBITRATION**

**The Operators and Strikers Will Meet in Springfield Today and Will Endeavor to Settle Their Differences.**

CHICAGO, May 16.—Coal men are looking for a split to develop in the miners' union tomorrow, when operators and strikers meet at Springfield in the first conference held since the strike was called six weeks ago.

The division is expected to arise over differences regarding the wisdom of President Mitchell's move in settling the anthracite strike while the bituminous miners are left to fight the battle alone.

The operators do not expect the anti-strike sentiment will prove strong enough to bring about a speedy settlement. They believe however, that a faction of the strikers will manifest a desire to submit the whole controversy to arbitration which the mine owners have been urging for a long time.

Whatever comes out of the meeting, the mine owners have decided not to delay longer, the reopening of their mines. The stocks of coal in Chicago are reported to be nearly exhausted. The operators assert that they will be compelled to begin operations by June 1 or lose many of their chief markets.

#### DIED IN BED.

DENVER, May 16.—R. J. McKinney of Marlen, Tex., 45 years old, was found in a room in the Albany hotel last night, dead in bed. McKinney came to Denver on Monday from Marlen, Tex., and from an unused ticket in his pocket he is believed to have been en route to California. In a memorandum book is the address of Mrs. R. J. McKinney, Marlen, Tex., and it is thought the deceased was married. No baggage was found in his room. Coroner Rollins is investigating. It is believed death was due to natural causes.

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