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Population of Los Angeles 228,298
Good morning! Have you "chipped in"?
Keep your nerve, but give your money freely.
Now, once more and all together: "Give us our cars!"
The open pocketbook is the fashion in Los Angeles just now.
Right now a level head is its own best evidence of its necessity.
For once, the rich senators were touched to the heart, and the land was glad that there are such things.
Don't worry about congress. It has resumed the status quo and is again discussing the freight rate regulation bill.
This afternoon affords the last chance to see the horse show. Remember, its proceeds go to the San Francisco relief fund.
All panicky feeling was lost yesterday in the grand task of rescue. Nothing calms excitement so well as good hard work.
The thing wanted now is not hysterical extras but money, food, clothing and aid. Forget the catastrophe; help the suffering.
Just as San Francisco's city hall was a monstrosity, so was its postoffice a dream of beauty. Yet the good went with the bad.
With the checking of the flames, stricken San Francisco once more draws a free breath, pulls itself together and prepares to rebuild.
Why not devote the money expended for grand opera tickets in Los Angeles to the relief fund? There'll be no grand opera, and it would do a lot of good.
Real estate operators in Los Angeles yesterday predicted a larger business at once in that line of activity in this city than has ever been known. There are many reasons why this should be true.
This is the land of hospitality and from long practice it is used to entertaining great throngs. There is room and hearty welcome here for all the San Francisco refugees who care to come.
Everybody in Los Angeles has quieted down and gone to work except Hearst's Examiner. It continues to belch forth hot lava and yellow smoke, to the great disgust of all honest citizens and the detriment of Los Angeles.
Nothing has proved viler, more contemptible and more disgusting than the Examiner's self-laudation and lying boasts of its own alleged but unaccomplished acts during this crisis. It has established itself as never before as a standing menace to the city's good, as well as a sensation monger of colossal nerve and nastiness.
The suggestion that the meeting of the National Educational convention, arranged to be held in San Francisco in July, be now changed to Los Angeles, is a timely one and should have the attention of Mr. Moore, city superintendent of schools. Los Angeles would be delighted to entertain the vast army of educators that usually gather at these conventions and can at once prepare itself to meet them with that hospitality for which Southern California is famous. This matter should be taken in hand earnestly at the earliest practicable moment.
How foolish it would be for a person to run away from St. Louis if an earthquake should shake up Denver, or vice versa. How much greater foolishness it would be for any tourist to think of leaving Los Angeles because of a disaster in San Francisco, 500 miles away. Not the slightest danger need be apprehended by anybody in this city. Severe earthquakes have never visited Los Angeles, and never will, because of scientific reasons. Remember that in 1812 the eastern half of Missouri and western half of Illinois were destroyed by earthquakes and even yet tremors occasionally visit those sections, yet nobody would think of leaving St. Louis or Chicago on that account. There is much less danger in Los Angeles.

RELATIVELY SMALL LIFE LOSS

Following the shock of horror from the catastrophe at San Francisco comes a feeling of thankfulness that the loss of life is far less than was apprehended. Early reports led to the belief that some thousands of persons had perished. That was a natural expectation from the havoc of the earthquake in the most thickly peopled portion of the city. The wide area of such destruction and the subsequent sweeping of the city by fire fully justified the early estimates of loss of life.
But the most reliable estimates now obtainable make the fatalities astonishingly light. The chief of police, who probably is best qualified to hazard an opinion, says he "thinks the loss of life will not exceed 250." He admits, however, that "an accurate estimate is not obtainable." Other conservative judges mark somewhat higher figures, reaching up to double the estimate of the chief. All present figures of the kind are liable to wide variation from the correct ones, when finally obtained, but with due allowance for errors the disaster loses much of its horror in the prospect of far fewer fatalities than were expected.
With this sense of relief the great weight of the calamity seems somewhat lightened. It is appalling in all its aspects, of course, but it is not the greatest of American catastrophes, as was feared at first.
It is the loss of life, not of property, that stirs mankind to the depths. Measured by that standard the San Francisco calamity falls far below the level of other calamitous visitations that have occurred in our country within quite recent years. It does not nearly approach the loss of life caused by the breaking of a dam at Johnstown, Pa., some years ago, nor that of the more recent great tidal wave at Galveston. Nor does it equal—assuming that the low estimates are approximately correct—the fatalities caused by either the destruction of the Iroquois theater in Chicago or the burning of the steamer Slocum at New York.
Property losses may be regained, but a life lost is gone forever. The two are not comparable. San Francisco will rise from its ashes, stronger and more prosperous than before its awful chastening, but the marks of its human sacrifices never can be effaced from the memory of the community.
Even in the depth of its woe, therefore, San Francisco has cause to be grateful that Arael was comparatively merciful.

A HINT TO HUNTINGTON

To get back to our own knitting again: Why not owl cars?
Could any argument for all night car service have been stronger than their need in this present crisis? When everyone sought the latest news; when the city thrilled with sympathy for her afflicted neighbor to the north; when thousands of eagerly willing hands were raised to aid her—what happened?
At 12 o'clock it was "hand hanks knock off—last car!"
And the labor of charity, the labor of love, had to cease in the middle, and while every hour was precious, the thousands had to leave their tasks and go home, or stay down all night and be unfit for service next day. Think of that, while San Francisco's beggared throngs cried for bread and water and clothes! And all because this city, so metropolitan otherwise, has to go to bed at midnight.
H. E. Huntington was quick to respond to the call for help, and his princely gift of \$10,000 cash heads all Los Angeles lists. But H. E. Huntington, head of all but one of the Los Angeles car systems, could, by the stroke of a pen, do San Francisco more good tenfold. He could give eager Angelinos, working like mad to feed and cloth the destitute thousands, a car service that would enable them to work far into the night, in relays, and yet keep up their own strength. That would be true charity to an afflicted city, and would vastly increase the efficiency of the labor now hindered by the 12 o'clock car limit.
Will H. E. Huntington rise to the occasion? The Los Angeles-Pacific, the only line he doesn't control, did so. Will he?

AN INSURANCE TANGLE

In the financial aspects of San Francisco's situation the most important matter is the question of fire insurance. If the face value of all policies were recoverable from the insurance companies there would be compensation for a large part of the destruction to property. But a fire insurance policy does not cover, of course, loss caused solely by earthquake havoc. It does cover, however, any loss from fire that may have originated from an earthquake. Experts in New York are reported as stating the situation thus:
"Whether the fire insurance companies are to be heavy losers depends upon how the fires in San Francisco following the earthquakes prove to have originated. If any building fell before it took fire, the companies carrying risks are not responsible for the loss. If any building took fire from an adjoining building, the companies are responsible for losses on the latter structure, if insured."
An interminable tangle of interests can be foreseen in this situation unless some comprehensive system of adjustment is practicable. In the many thousands of buildings destroyed, how will it be possible to reach such conclusions as are called for in the foregoing opinion? Where can the line of responsibility between earthquake and fire be drawn, at least in a large majority of cases?
It is to be hoped, however, that an equitable adjustment may be effected between the companies and the policyholders, and that the infusion of insurance money may soon be perceptible in the restoration of San Francisco.

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ALONE

We stood together at the door;
I pleaded soft for "just one more."
She paused, and asked with most a moan:
"George, do you love me—me alone?"
I almost laughed, but quick replied,
As close she nestled to my side:
"Say, when I kiss, d'ye think that I
Would like a regiment standing by?"
—W. H. C.

HORSE RUNS INTO CYCLIST

Lad's Wrist and His Wheel Are Broken in a Street Collision
Abe Berkwitz, fourteen years old, sustained a fracture of his left wrist and his wheel was broken in a collision about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon with a horse and buggy driven by J. Purcuple of 223 South Los Angeles street.
Patrolman Hosick assisted the lad to the police station and gave him over to the care of the police surgeons. Later in the evening the boy was sent home.

A CHARACTERISTIC RESPONSE

It is a characteristic response that Los Angeles makes to San Francisco's pitiful wail of distress. When the first note of the awful tidings reached this city the whole community seemed to be momentarily dazed. Then came quick reaction, with the thought that heroic efforts were demanded to mitigate, so far as possible, the suffering that could be imagined but not described.
While money was being offered lavishly to custodians of relief funds, merchants and shopkeepers were ready to contribute from their stocks such supplies as appeared to be most urgently needed. Food, clothing, sheltering tents and specialties for the wounded were assembled without the loss of a moment by the train load. Physicians, nurses and other helpers offered their services by scores, ready to leave on the instant and lend a helping hand to the sufferers of the sister city.
But there is nothing surprising in this spontaneous response of Los Angeles to the wail from the north. The heartfelt sympathy of this community has gone out overflowing, not only to San Francisco, but to all the minor cities and towns that were stricken by the appalling calamity.

RESUME BUSINESS

Mr. Story, chairman of the citizens' relief committee, requests the county board of supervisors to keep the court house open and business going forward as usual, despite the "legal holiday" proclamations issued by the governor. This is good business sense. Governor Fardee did not direct that court houses be closed and all county officials go fishing. It is important that public business be at once resumed, and this cannot be done if a too strict interpretation be given the governor's orders. Keep the public offices open so that emergencies may be met and the course of our usual avocations resumed.
"I congratulate the citizens of San Francisco," says the mayor of that city, "upon the fortitude they have displayed." That's the best thing Mayor Schmitz has said since he occupied the executive chair. Citizens of San Francisco have displayed and are displaying rare fortitude. It's a California trait.
Strangers and tourists in Los Angeles should be reminded that we are 500 miles from San Francisco, and that a severe earthquake shock has never been known in Southern California. There is no more danger from earthquakes in Los Angeles than there is in New York or Chicago.

PI-LINES AND PICK-UPS

The Big Stick
No use talking,
Kicking up a row;
The baseball bat is
The big stick now!
Out on the diamond,
Line-up is hot;
Man at the home plate, with
The big stick—swat!
Home run for Haggerty,
Wins game for we!
Never mind the pennant;
Work the big stick—see?
A Chicago professor has discovered that hymn books are often filled with microbes. Another good excuse for not going to church.
"Ye who dies worth millions dies in want." True enough. The more one has the more he wants.
If the czarvitch is really deaf and dumb he will make an ideal czar.

THE EDITOR APOLOGIZES

In last week's Bee, in the "Fairview" items, there appeared a notice which inferred that Lewis Clark and family had been taking a bath in the ditch along the road, and we hasten to say that it was a huge mistake on the part of our printer, as the item should have read: "Carl, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Clark, took a cold bath in the road ditch last week." "Errors will happen," and we are not above the average.—Antwerp (Ohio) Bee.
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STROKE AN AGENT

"Ah, sir, I have no home!"
"Here, take my card.—Everybody owns his own home. Steamhurst-in-the-Mud! Easy Payments. We can fix you up!"
Mr. Grouch.—But I gave you a dime a few hours ago.
"Sure, yes. Look at de number of times we've been give thirty days!"
"Where yer goin'?"
"To Jaytown."
"Well, you'd better hurry if you wantter sleep indoors tonight. De jail in dat burg closes at 9 o'clock."

CHURCHES WILL HOLD MEMORIALS

CLERGYMEN TAKE DISASTER AS THEIR THEME
Sunday Services in Los Angeles Will Partake of the Nature of Requiems for the Dead—Collections for Sufferers
Church services tomorrow throughout Los Angeles will partake of memorials for the northern victims, and the day will generally be given up to raising funds for the sufferers. Many of the clergymen will preach on the great disaster.
Owing to the great calamity, Bishop Conaty will make a personal appeal at the 10:30 o'clock mass at St. Vibiana's cathedral for funds. The bishop was to have administered confirmation at the Sacred Heart church at that hour, but this service has been postponed to a later date.
First communion will be celebrated at St. Mary's church at the 7 o'clock mass tomorrow morning. This will be followed by a breakfast to be served in the arbor adjoining the church, served by the Sunday school teachers and Young Ladies' sodality. Bishop Conaty will administer the sacrament of confirmation at 3:30 o'clock at the church to sixty children. The service will be followed by the papal benediction to be imparted by the bishop. The children have been in retreat since last Thursday.

DECISION DAY

"Decision day," the fourth of a series of rallies in Christian Sunday schools, will be observed tomorrow. At the First Christian church, J. Walter Wilson will speak tomorrow evening on "In His Steps."
Services will be held at the Immanuel Rescue mission, 845 East First street, at 2 and 8 p. m. tomorrow. O. D. Conroy, superintendent of the Los Angeles Coffee club, will speak at the evening service. Miss Ruth Royer, Mrs. H. E. Green and Master George Harrogate will take part in the musical program. H. E. Green is superintendent of the mission, which is a branch of the Union Rescue mission, 145 North Main street. Will Trotter, the superintendent, has returned to active service at the mother mission.
The entertainment given last week by the women of St. Mary's church prove a social and financial success. The proceeds are for the benefit of the church.
Mrs. R. B. Polley of Chicago will be the honored guest of the Foreign Missionary society of the Boyle Heights Methodist church at a reception to be given next Wednesday afternoon at the parsonage.
At the meeting of the woman's auxiliary of Epiphany church at the noon hour last Wednesday afternoon Miss Anna Desmond and Mrs. Finch made addresses on Alaska.

REV. DR. COTTER HERE

Rev. Dr. R. J. Cotter of New York is visiting his brother, Dr. E. G. Cotter, at his residence on Burlington avenue. Rev. Dr. Cotter is a well known eastern divine.
A requiem mass for the San Francisco victims will be celebrated Monday morning at St. Vincent's church at 9 o'clock. Very Rev. J. S. Glass, C. M., president of the college, will be celebrant.
The evangelistic services conducted at the Newman Methodist church by Evangelist Marsh will close tomorrow with special services. A. A. Berge will formally dedicate his life as a missionary to India and will leave Monday morning for Chicago, where he will enter the Moody institute.
First communion will be celebrated at the Church of the Sacred Heart tomorrow at the 8 o'clock mass.
Rev. William Horace Day, Misses Theresa Wilbur and Mary Cunningham will speak at the Y. W. C. A. vesper service tomorrow afternoon on "Capitola Conference Echoes."
"The Theater" will be the topic of Rev. W. H. Rider, pastor of the Westlake Methodist church, at the evening service tomorrow.
"Thy Value as a Man" will be the topic of Rev. A. B. Pritchard at the Y. M. C. A. service for men tomorrow afternoon.
Forty children will receive first communion at the 5 o'clock mass tomorrow at St. Patrick's church.
The new Salem Congregational church, corner Paloma and Twenty-

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CASA BIANCA

(Up-to-Date.)
When all but him had fled,
His face was of a tombstone hue,
His hand was on his head,
And though he wore a sailor garb,
No cabin boy was he,
Athwart the rail he limply hung
And—grazed into the sea.
The captain spoke unto the lad,
"What ails you, man, or doth he?
I never saw you sail before.
With landsman's malady."
"Great Hornspoon! Did you Chadwick me!
You vowed that you could sail
This barque over the sea
And—died her every gale."
"I did, I did," the pale youth gasped;
"By yea, and by the saints perform!
If you had learned your seamanship
By correspondence course!" —Puck.

CONCERT FOR SUFFERERS

Signor Dominic Russo has donated the services of his Operatic Concert company for a benefit, the entire proceeds to go to the San Francisco fund. The date of this concert will be Monday night, April 2, at Simpson auditorium, and will consist of an excellent program, including some of the best known local singers. Admission tickets may be secured at the ticket office at Birkel Music store or at the door at Simpson auditorium and will consist of an excellent program, introducing some of the best known singers.
HOME PHONE 3544
444 BROADWAY
DENTISTS

GAS LEAK ENDANGERS LIVES

Prisoners at City Jail Have Narrow Escape From Asphyxiation—Trusty Saves 150 by Quick Work
One hundred and fifty prisoners' lives were endangered in the city jail last evening by a leaking gas main gone into the carpenter shop undoubtedly the effect would have been serious on the sleeping men and women imprisoned within the walls of the jail.
The prisoner rushed to the jailer, who notified the gas company. Before the leak was found and the pipe repaired, the building was filled with fumes of gas. Many of the prisoners were thrown into a panic. They were calmed by the jailer who explained that the gas company employees were working to stop the broken pipe.

ASKS METHODISTS TO BE GENEROUS IN SUBSCRIBING

An appeal for generous support to the subscription being raised by the Church federation for relief of the San Francisco sufferers has been made to the pastors and members of the Methodist churches of Los Angeles by Rev. A. W. Adkinson, presiding elder of the Los Angeles district. The appeal is as follows:
"To the pastors and members of the Methodist Episcopal congregations of the Los Angeles district—Dear co-workers:
"I desire to call your special attention to the call being issued by the Church federation because I am so sure it will meet your hearty approval.
"The extending of a Christian hospitality to the stricken ones of our sister city is a work so manifestly appropriate for the Christian churches that it cannot fail to commend itself to everybody. Let our churches, our homes and our hearts be open to all who may come; and let our contributions on Sunday be so generous that the committee of the federation may be able to carry out large plans.
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His hand was on his head,
And though he wore a sailor garb,
No cabin boy was he,
Athwart the rail he limply hung
And—grazed into the sea.
The captain spoke unto the lad,
"What ails you, man, or doth he?
I never saw you sail before.
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This barque over the sea
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"By yea, and by the saints perform!
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CONCERT FOR SUFFERERS

Signor Dominic Russo has donated the services of his Operatic Concert company for a benefit, the entire proceeds to go to the San Francisco fund. The date of this concert will be Monday night, April 2, at Simpson auditorium, and will consist of an excellent program, including some of the best known local singers. Admission tickets may be secured at the ticket office at Birkel Music store or at the door at Simpson auditorium and will consist of an excellent program, introducing some of the best known singers.
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DENTISTS

PENITENT WITH FRENZIED HORSES

RANCHER HAS A THRILLING EXPERIENCE
Animals Perished Through Fright in the Big Fire at San Francisco.
Dynamite Drives the Owner Away
To be penined in a livery stable with dozens of maddened horses, while trying to separate his own from the number, was the exciting experience of Attorney L. Morse, a wealthy horseman now making his home at 442 Griffin avenue.
Mr. Morse owns a large stock ranch in Alturas, and leaving his family in this city he went north after some blooded horses which he expected to sell in San Francisco.
Mr. Morse stopped at the Golden West hotel and kept his animals in the nearest livery stable, while others were in a corral at Oakland. The latter were saved, but those in the stable perished through fright that impels animals to rush into danger although a way of safety is offered them.
The Morses are descended from early pioneers and the names of the daughters were the heroines in an exciting runaway in Watsonville, where they lived for a time prior to coming to this city. Miss Georgia Morse said yesterday afternoon:
"I have just received a letter from papa, dated Wednesday, and mailed at Oakland. He went up to Alturas to get a lot of horses to sell in San Francisco. Most of them were left in Oakland but some of the thoroughbreds were sent to a livery stable in San Francisco to be shown to purchasers. I will read the letter to you and you can take as much as you please."
The first part was devoted to personal affairs and expressions of thankfulness at being saved, although in the thick of the disaster.
"Here I am writing to you girls as the fire rages across the bay. I had an exciting time and nearly got penined in at the livery stable where some of the horses were burned up in spite of all I could do.
People Nearly Crazy
"His has been terrible and people are nearly crazy. I will tell you all about it when I come down to Los Angeles, but will say just a few words about this (Wednesday) morning.
"The shock came as I was dressing (you know your dad is an early riser), and it threw me on the floor. I knew what it was all right and got up and looked out. I could see clouds of dust—a kind of smoke that covered everything. I finished dressing and went down stairs and went to the livery stable to see that the horses were safe. The building was in pretty bad shape, but the corral was of course all right.
"I guess this is a bad one," I said to the buggy washer, who was swearing and working on his wagons. They had been slammed around pretty much heiter-skelter.
"I went back to the hotel. It had been roughly used and toppled to one side.
"A number of big buildings had tumbled down they told me, and ruin was everywhere.
Fire Breaks Out
"The Golden West stood the shock pretty well. It is a long, rather low building and while looking dilapidated, was fit to live in. Later I was told that a fire had broken out near the livery stable and I went out to take our horses to some other place.
"I found the whole street afire and when we tried to get the animals out they became panic stricken, and we had to give them up. I was in the stable until the flames ordered me out. They had no water and were blowing up buildings, as we say up country to back-fire.
"This afternoon I got over to Oakland where I am writing this at the Westmoreland hotel.
Jam at the Ferry
"Ther was an awful jam on the ferry and I made a long trip around Market to get to the ferry at all.
"Is the most terrible thing that ever happened and so much has been doing that I don't know how to write about it.
"The horses here in the railroad corrals are all right.
"Thy say here 'Frisco is liable to be swept clean by fire and this afternoon it is a mass of black smoke. Thousands are watching the fires from the water front.
"I have wired to you that I am safe and this letter ought to reach you Friday. I won't come home until I sell the stock and look after my business here. Will have to see some 'Frisco people who ought to come over here, if they can get across the bay."
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WANT EXTRA SESSION CALLED AT ONCE

LOCAL ASSEMBLYMEN REQUEST EXECUTIVE ACTION
Pass Resolutions of Sympathy for People of Stricken City—Advocate Special Trip of Investigation by Legislative Members
Members of the state legislature from Southern California met at the office of Senator Pendleton yesterday and passed the following resolutions:
Whereas, a great calamity has befallen not only our sister city San Francisco, but the whole state of California, by the visitation of a terrible earthquake and subsequent destruction of life and property by fire, and
Whereas, the people of Southern California deeply sympathize with their neighbors of the north in this, their great sorrow and distress, and are unanimous in the sentiment that every aid and assistance should be immediately extended to them by the proper state authorities;
Now, therefore, be it resolved, that we, the members of the legislature of the state of California, recommend that the governor of this state call an extraordinary session of the legislature for the purpose of relieving the suffering and destitute and also to provide ways and means for protecting the state's property and rendering such aid as may be in their power for the rebuilding of our great metropolis and sister cities.
Assemblymen to Investigate
It was also resolved that in the event that a special session is called by the governor, the delegation from Southern California should go to San Francisco in advance of the assembling of the legislature and should make a report on the conditions there obtaining to the body assembled. Another resolution was passed to the effect that if the session is called no more attaches should be appointed than are actually necessary to the economical transaction of the business to be considered.
At the meeting of the Southern California legislative delegation there were present Senators Hahn, Savage and Pendleton, Representatives Transus, Goodrich, Johnstone, Wickersham, Houser and Thompson of Los Angeles county, Representative Amerige from Orange county and Representative Espy of Alameda county.

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