

U-TAH PROMPT TO SEND AID TO EARTHQUAKE SUFFERERS

ELKS COLLECT RELIEF FUND

Raise Nearly \$2,000 in a Few Hours and More Is Pledged.

WILL FORWARD SUPPLIES

MAMMOTH COMMITTEE OF CITIZENS IS ORGANIZED.

San Francisco will receive substantial aid from Salt Lake at once, and either a large sum of money will be forwarded or a special train carrying provisions will be sent, or possibly both.

The initiative was taken yesterday afternoon by the local lodge of Elks, and at a mass meeting in the Elks' hall a citizens' committee was named to take charge of the relief fund. A large sum of money was raised by the Elks inside of half an hour at the meeting, and before night much more had been pledged. A meeting of the citizens' committee will be held at the Elks' club at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

The consensus of opinion was that food supplies and blankets to cover the people that are exposed to the elements, are the main essentials at this time, but that a large sum of money should also be collected should be disposed of the general relief committee at San Francisco.

Members of the Committee.

- The general committee appointed will be known as the California relief committee of Salt Lake. Mayor Ezra Thompson is chairman, and W. S. McCormick treasurer. All subscriptions handed into the committee should be sent to Treasurer McCormick. The members of this committee follows:
- Ezra Thompson, Willard Snyder, M. H. Walker, J. C. Leary, G. W. Moore, J. A. Benton, H. G. Whitney, Frank Knox, J. L. Moore, L. S. Hills, Mrs. Tom D. Pitt, Ben Taylor, G. W. Moore, Mrs. C. J. Crabtree, Mrs. Thomas Kearns, Mrs. Mary Judge, William Nelson, C. A. Walker, Mrs. J. M. Bart, Walter Scott, D. R. Gray, James Murdoch, Mrs. O. W. Powers, Mrs. J. R. Walker, James Ivers, Mrs. C. M. Fred, Mrs. Kimball, Mrs. Simon Bamberger, Mrs. W. S. Ferris, Colonel T. G. Webber, J. C. Lynch, G. S. Taylor, J. G. Gardner, Mrs. E. J. Reed, John Henry Smith, Mrs. C. S. Pulver, W. V. Rice, Sol Sigel, Mrs. C. H. Reed, J. A. Pollock, J. G. Gardner, Mrs. D. N. Straup, Mrs. G. B. Cleaveland, Mrs. W. Lawrence, George T. Odell, Mrs. M. H. Wells, P. C. Schramm, Mrs. H. R. Morrison, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Mrs. M. H. Taylor, Mrs. E. J. Roberts, Mrs. Ichehart, Mrs. Thomas Weir, D. Elliott, Kelly, Mrs. John E. Hansen, J. G. Donald, Mrs. J. M. Bart, Mrs. O. L. Cox, J. M. Marriott, Mrs. E. A. Eddy, Mrs. Mattie H. Cannon, D. H. Porter, J. W. Houston, Mrs. J. M. Bart, Mrs. W. E. Halloran, Mrs. W. W. Riter, Benner C. Smith, Mrs. J. T. Clasy, Mrs. C. M. Strevell, Mrs. W. D. Kieckie, Mrs. G. D. Smith, F. E. McGurran, Mrs. Oscar Groshell, Colonel Nicholas Treweek, Mrs. A. T. Moon, J. C. Cutler, Samuel Newhouse, Charles A. Quilley, Colonel E. A. Wall, Mrs. E. B. Wells, Mrs. J. H. Nichol, David Keith, Bishop Preston, J. E. Doody, Heber M. Wells, P. C. Schramm, Mrs. F. Reiman, Robert S. Campbell, Mrs. R. H. Hutchison, Mrs. Frank Hines, Mrs. A. V. Taylor, G. W. Moore, Mrs. C. H. Cohn, H. P. Clark, Joseph Nelson, D. H. Perry, W. M. Bradley, J. S. Bradford, H. J. Wallace, George D. Pyper, P. H. Lannan, Rev. W. M. Paden, Elmer B. Jones, George Y. Wallace, Rev. E. L. Goshen, W. H. Bancroft, J. J. Judson, Judge C. C. Goodwin, P. W. Madsen, Dr. E. D. Woodruff, D. C. Jackling, Charles W. Whitley, G. E. Allen, F. E. Roberts, Colonel N. F. Clayton, Frank I. Seifrit, A. E. Blunck, Leon Sweet, J. W. Jenkins, Mrs. M. E. Mulvey, William Wood, J. W. H. Dickson, Mrs. M. B. Whitney, Jay T. Harris, Mrs. W. H. Jones, Mrs. V. M. Fosse, Mrs. J. M. Bart, W. E. Cooper, Mrs. P. T. Farnsworth, Mrs. W. S. Henderson, Joseph E. Gallinger, Mrs. W. G. Filer, G. E. Gardner, Bishop I. Scanlan, Mrs. M. V. Rice, J. B. Cosgriff, Mrs. Solon Spiro.

No Words Are Wasted.

Exalted Ruler Thomas Homer called the Elks' meeting together, and after he had stated the object of the gathering, J. C. Leary was made chairman, and G. R. Cleaveland secretary. Mr. Leary did not waste any words in getting down to business. The discussion was short, and then the work of raising money was taken up. Exalted Ruler Homer started the work to going by announcing that the Elks' lodge of Salt Lake would contribute \$500 to the relief fund. Some \$100 were quickly pledged, and then right down the line sums of \$50, \$25, \$10 and \$5 were pledged, and before the meeting adjourned almost the entire amount was paid over to Secretary Cleaveland. The amount raised at this meeting follows:

Local lodge of Elks	\$ 500
Gibson Grain & Stock company	150
J. P. Gordon	150

COUNCIL GIVES \$10,000 FOR AID

City Fathers Appropriate Large Sum to Aid San Francisco Sufferers.

ACTION IS UNANIMOUS

ZION'S RULERS JOIN IN SWELLING RELIEF FUND.

Ten thousand dollars was appropriated by the Salt Lake city council at a special meeting held last night, for the benefit of the victims of earthquake and fire in San Francisco. The money was voted with unanimity by the members of the council and the \$10,000 was appropriated to the mayor's contingent fund to meet the appropriation.

President A. J. Davis called the special meeting of the council. When it met Councilman C. J. Crabtree moved that \$5,000 be appropriated for the San Francisco sufferers, and Councilman Thomas Hobbay seconded the motion. Councilman W. J. Tuddenham was promptly on his feet with a motion that the sum be increased to \$10,000, and Councilman W. Mont Perry seconded that motion. Mr. Crabtree cheerfully accepted the amendment.

Councilman M. E. Mulvey suggested that and that a recess should be taken until they could arrive. The suggestion was concurred in, and the council took a recess subject to the call of the chair.

Resolution Is Adopted.

When President Davis again called the council to order the following resolution was offered by Messrs. Perry and Crabtree:

"Whereas, Our sister city of San Francisco has suffered a tremendous calamity; and

"Whereas, thousands of citizens of said city are homeless and destitute; now, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the city council of Salt Lake City hereby extends to the citizens of San Francisco and to the other sufferers of California the heartfelt sympathy of the people of Salt Lake City; further, be it

"Resolved, That an appropriation of \$10,000 be made from the mayor's contingent fund to relieve the distress of San Francisco's suffering citizens."

The resolution was adopted on roll call by a unanimous vote as follows:

Yeas—Barnes, Carter, Crabtree, Ferry, Hobbay, Holley, Mulvey, O'Donnell, Tuddenham, President Davis—10.

Nays—None.

Absent—Black, Fernstrom, Martin, Prece, Wells—5.

For Further Aid.

Councilman Mulvey moved that a committee of three councilmen, with the mayor associated, be appointed to render any additional aid that might be necessary. The motion carried unanimously, and President Davis appointed Messrs. Mulvey, Crabtree and Tuddenham. This committee will act upon the call of the mayor if further aid is required.

Z. C. M. L.	100
C. M. Freed	100
Jacob Moritz	100
G. W. Taylor	50
Theron Geddes	50
Thomas Homer	50
Thomas Pitt	50
C. S. Woods	50
First Methodist church	50
Gordon Pitt	50
A. J. Davis	50
Salt Lake fire department	50
G. Lavagnino	50
J. C. Leary	50
B. F. Redman	50
E. B. Hayden	50
Rev. Elmer I. Goshen	50
M. H. Desky	50
C. J. Crabtree	50
George W. Silks	50
J. W. Smith	50
Burton Col. Lumber company	50
George D. Pyper	50
W. H. Bantz	50
Fisher Harris	50
C. S. Pulver	50
A. J. Davis	50
Homer Kendall	50
C. P. Crawford	50
John Shea	50
J. P. Young	50
Adolph Jacobs	50
Edwin Piolin	50
J. C. Barthell	50
L. W. Blankman	50

Total \$1,955

Rev. Benjamin Young pledged the money for the First Methodist church, and G. R. Cleaveland secretary. Mr. Leary did not waste any words in getting down to business. The discussion was short, and then the work of raising money was taken up. Exalted Ruler Homer started the work to going by announcing that the Elks' lodge of Salt Lake would contribute \$500 to the relief fund. Some \$100 were quickly pledged, and then right down the line sums of \$50, \$25, \$10 and \$5 were pledged, and before the meeting adjourned almost the entire amount was paid over to Secretary Cleaveland. The amount raised at this meeting follows:

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City Council Appropriates \$10,000—Governor Plans to Call Legislature to Secure \$25,000

More---Mass Meeting Successful-Relief Train Will Leave for the Scene Today.

Citizens of Utah are making a determined effort to raise a large sum of money for the relief of the suffering people in the stricken city of San Francisco and for the succor of the sufferers in other cities in California that have been victims of the earthquake. The amount that this state will raise for this purpose will probably reach \$100,000.

Governor John C. Cutler has under consideration calling a special session of the legislature for the purpose of appropriating \$25,000 to the cause. But before doing so he is conferring with the leading taxpayers and bank officials to ascertain if that amount will be loaned to the state, leaving the appropriation to the next regular session of the legislature. The city council last night appropriated \$10,000.

United States Senator Reed Smoot is said to have contributed \$5,000, but this could not be confirmed in Washington last night.

The local Elks' body raised nearly \$2,000 in a few hours and has pledged for much more. Through the instrumentality of this organization a citizens' committee was appointed that will raise a substantial sum of money and will send a relief train to San Francisco.

A baggage car containing \$3,000 worth of provisions leaves for the coast today sent by the Commercial club.

The Manufacturers' and Merchants' association will cooperate with other commercial organizations.

Every fraternal order in Salt Lake has either contributed money or is planning to do so today.

Jewish societies and congregations are raising funds.

Colonel B. C. Lockwood, commandant at Fort Douglas, is having tents packed preparatory to forwarding them to San Francisco in the event orders to this effect are received from the war department.

A mass meeting has been called at the Commercial club tonight.

The Citizens' committee will meet at the Elks' club at 11:30 o'clock this morning.

The Red Cross society meets at the Commercial club at 11 o'clock this morning.

Salt Lake is keenly alive to the emergency and will do more than her part to succor the helpless citizens of her sister city on the Pacific coast.

The Salt Lake Produce exchange voted yesterday to send a carload of flour on the first relief train.

The entire receipts of "A Message From Mars," to be given at the matinee tomorrow afternoon, will be donated to the fund.

The Herald has sent Joel L. Priest, one of the members of its staff, to San Francisco to ascertain the fate of Salt Lake people who were in the city when it was overtaken by its great calamity.

The first presidency of the Mormon church yesterday (Thursday) subscribed \$10,000 to the relief fund.

GREAT FIRES OF THE WORLD

Records Show That Greatest Destruction of Property Has Been in America.

MANY CITIES DESTROYED

CONSTANTINOPLE HOLDS RECORD FOR CONFLAGRATIONS.

While the great disaster in San Francisco was due primarily to the earthquake, the greater part of the destruction is due to the fire which followed in its wake. The fire as well as the earthquake will take its place in history as one of the greatest catastrophes of modern times.

Great fires have ever been the bane and dread of all countries. From the earliest times there are records of fair cities laid waste and of destruction and suffering consequent thereon.

American Fires.

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Worse Than Chicago Fire.

The great Chicago fire in 1871 was one of the greatest in history, but the property loss was not nearly as large as the present San Francisco disaster will prove. The property loss in Chicago was \$106,000,000, and the present loss is already figured far beyond that sum. Many lives were lost in the Chicago fire, and 17,430 buildings were destroyed, covering an area of 2,124 acres. Boston, Mass., had a great fire in 1780, when 1729 a great fire destroyed 12,000 buildings and 6,000 people lost their lives. In 1745 another great fire lasted five days, and again in January, 1750, over 10,000 buildings were burned, followed by another fire in April of the same year which destroyed \$15,000,000 of property. Again, later in the same year, 10,000 houses were burned, in 1756 some 15,000 houses were destroyed and over 100 lives lost. In 1782 10,000 houses burned, in 1791 between March and July fire swept 32,000 houses, and nearly the same number were burned in 1788. In 1816 12,000

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THEY LOSE THE STATE DOWN

Quibbles Raised by Secretary of State Delay Special Session of Legislature.

CALL MAY BE ISSUED TODAY

GOV. CUTLER DEBATING WISEST COURSE TO PURSUE.

Governor John C. Cutler may call a special session of the Utah legislature today to appropriate money for the relief of the San Francisco sufferers. He was strongly advised to do so by a meeting of elective state officers held in his office yesterday afternoon. The only opposition to such a course was voiced by Secretary of State C. S. Tingey after talking with him the governor decided to defer action until today.

The governor himself called the meeting and presided over it. Present Chief Justice G. W. Barch, Justices D. N. Straup and W. W. McCarty, State Treasurer James Christiansen, State Auditor J. A. Edwards, State Superintendent A. C. Nelson and Attorney General M. A. Breeden.

Early in the meeting it was agreed that the state board of examiners had no authority to create a deficit for the purpose of a relief fund. Justices McCarty and Straup Auditor Edwards, Treasurer Christiansen and Superintendent Nelson then urged that a special session of the legislature be called. All expressed the belief that no member of the legislature would change either the constitution or per diem for the day session necessary to appropriate the money. All offered to pay the expenses of their respective counties in the event they insisted in making the charges to which they are entitled under the law.

It was evident that Secretary Tingey was opposed to the special session idea, although his remarks were confined to raising legal quibbles rather than objections. Justice Straup told the governor flatly that he had a right to call a session, even though a few members could not get their notices in time to arrive in Salt Lake for the convening of the legislature.

Consults With Tingey.

Governor Cutler called Secretary Tingey out of the room to consult him, and when the consultation was over it was stated that the governor would not announce his decision until he had conferred with the members of the legislature, and the governor again took the matter under consideration. Later in the evening N. P. Nelson, private secretary to the governor, declared that before calling a special session of the legislature the governor would consult with heavy taxpayers all over the state, regardless of their party affiliation.

Governor Cutler confirmed the statement of his secretary over the telephone. "It has been suggested that it would be better for individuals to co-operate in raising a large fund by private subscription rather than for the state to act. They seem to think that more good can be done by all working under the direction of a centralized committee than by the state acting. I shall consult in the morning with a number of taxpayers and will then determine whether or not I shall call the legislature."

SALT LAKE JAPS TO RESCUE.

United by a common sympathy with the white men, the Japanese of Salt Lake City are preparing to contribute their share to the relief of the sufferers in San Francisco. All the sons of Nippon, not only here, but in Bingham, Oshkawa and on every section along the railroads, have been notified to lay aside all they can spare and contribute to the relief of the Japanese who are suffering. A mass meeting was called today or tomorrow in order to get an estimate of the sum that will be forthcoming. Every one who has been notified yesterday in the absence of E. D. Hashimoto, the labor agent and Poobahn, the Japanese consul, will take part. Hashimoto, he always has money," said I. Obara, of 33 Richards street. "We will all contribute to the relief of the sufferers tomorrow from Los Angeles. Hashimoto he send the money for us and we pay him."

Osakawa, of the Japanese Art store on South Main street, said:

"The Japanese in Salt Lake have not much money but to Japan not long ago that very little is left to spare. But we feel sorry for the Japanese in San Francisco whose homes are burned that we will send all we can."

Osakawa, of Commercial street, said he expected that at least \$3,000 would be subscribed here for the homeless Japs of the stricken city.

Benefit to Be Given.

A benefit performance will be given at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at the Orpheum theatre, all the proceeds will be devoted to the relief of the sufferers at San Francisco. Performers from four theatres, the Grand, the Orpheum, the Lyric and Bon Ton, will take part, and an extensive programme has been arranged.

ANOTHER NEAT SUM.

Scottish Rite Masons Contribute \$500.

Utah Consistory No. 1, Scottish Rite Masons, has appropriated \$500 to the relief of California sufferers. The action was taken last night at the regular monthly meeting of the consistory.

WILL PRESENT "NIOBE."

University Dramatic Club Is Interested in Cause.

The University of Utah Dramatic club has offered to present "Niobe" again for the benefit of the sufferers in San Francisco. The management will call on the relief committee today and if arrangements can be made to secure a theatre it probably will be played the first part of the week.

NELSON GIVES \$1,000.

Among the large list of contributors of the relief fund for San Francisco is Battling Nelson. The 175-pound champion announced in Los Angeles yesterday that he would give \$1,000. While this amount may not be as large as some other gifts, it shows the Dane's heart.

LOADS FIRST CAR

Commercial Club Gathers Provisions That Will Leave on Flyer This Morning.

MORE TO FOLLOW SHORTLY

MASS MEETING OF CITIZENS CALLED FOR TONIGHT.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Salt Lake has been called by the board of governors of the Commercial club for 8 o'clock tonight in the club rooms. Every person in this city who is interested in the relief of the people of San Francisco is urged to be present at this meeting. A subscription list has been started by the club and all wishing to contribute money for the cause that is now general throughout the nation, can send their subscriptions to the Commercial club. Leon Sweet has been appointed special treasurer for the club to receive these subscriptions.

The mass meeting will be addressed by Rev. Elmer I. Goshen, O. W. Powers, C. C. Goodwin, John Henry Smith and others.

Provisions Already Loaded.

A baggage car loaded with \$3,000 worth of provisions will leave Salt Lake for San Francisco this morning on the Overland limited train on the Southern Pacific railway. These supplies are sent by the Commercial club, and the railway company is carrying them free of charge. The car was loaded at 10 o'clock last night.

The board of governors of the Commercial club was quick to act after it met at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. One thousand dollars in cash was raised in a few minutes, and then the board began figuring on the purchase of supplies, as the conclusion was reached that the suffering people in San Francisco need most at this time is something to eat. The supplies sent are prepared for immediate consumption and will no doubt be gratefully received by the hungry people who are in Golden Gate park and in other open places in the stricken city. No uncooked foods were sent for the reason that there are now no facilities for cooking in San Francisco, and the gas supply is cut off, and before the catastrophe the citizens in that city were large consumers of cooking gas, and there were comparatively few coal ranges in the city.

List of Supplies.

The supplies sent consist of fifty-one boxes of boiled ham, fifteen 25-pound cases of dried beef, another lot of 155 cases of the same kind of beef, thirty one-quarter barrels of bologna sausage, six cases of one-quarter pound cans of New England cooked ham, cases of roast and corned beef, 165 cases of pork and beans.

A telegram was sent to Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco, informing him officially of the shipment, and stating that other cars would be loaded and forwarded as soon as possible. A. J. Davis was named to superintend the shipments.

While the board was in session W. H. Bancroft, general manager of the Oregon Short Line, and S. V. Derrah, assistant general freight agent for the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, called and stated that their respective roads would do all within their power to transport the supplies toward the coast free of charge.

Mrs. W. W. Riter, president of the Red Cross society of Utah, appeared at the meeting and announced that her organization is ready to co-operate with the Commercial club, meeting of the Red Cross club will be held at the Commercial club at 11 o'clock this morning.

MEETING OF RED CROSS

Called for This Morning at Commercial Club.

A meeting of the Red Cross society will be held at the Commercial club at 10 o'clock this morning to take action for the relief of California sufferers. The society has expressed its willingness to co-operate with the other organizations in Salt Lake that are actively engaged in raising money for the needy in San Francisco.

TWO MORE MEETINGS.

Jewish Society and Congregation Will Act.

The Jewish Relief society has called a meeting of the Commercial club at 10 o'clock in the rooms of the B'nai B'rith for the purpose of devising means to extend succor to the sufferers. The meeting will be held at the Commercial club, meeting of the B'nai B'rith will take up the matter of relief at the services in the synagogue tonight. Rabbi C. J. Freund will speak on "True Humanitarianism."

POLICE SELL TICKETS.

Boost Salt Lake Theatre Matinee and Collect \$700.

The afternoon police relief under Sergeant J. J. Roberts, sold 700 worth of tickets for the benefit performance of "A Message From Mars" which will be given at 3 o'clock this afternoon in the Salt Lake theatre. The money obtained from the sale of the tickets will be turned over to the Salt Lake committee appointed to gather subscriptions for the relief of the sufferers in San Francisco.

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Francis G. Luke, Gen'l Mgr.

Red Streaks of Honesty

Planted years ago bear fruit today. Every day was Arbor day years ago. Many people are now paying their old debts cheerfully. It's not proper any more to complain at being made to be honest. The red streaks are working. We are scientific collectors of bad debts.

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