

FRANCISCO FIRE IS NOW SUBSIDING; RELIEF FUND AGGREGATES EIGHT MILLIONS.

SECTION OF CITY WILL PROBABLY BE SAVED; FIRE IS STILL BURNING BUT IS UNDER FAIRLY GOOD CONTROL; FIREMEN AND SOLDIERS ARE DOING SPLENDID WORK IN THE CITY.

Problem Is Serious One--Prospects Are That It Will Be Solved Effectively. Although Some Suffering Is Inevitable--One-Half of Population of Ill-Fated City Slept in Parks Last Night--General Conduct of the People Has Been Admirable and Situation Today Seems to Be Materially Improved.

San Francisco... materially improved to... under fairly... and a large section of the... probably be saved... now confined largely to... work has been rendered... Thousands of people... and heroic... being made to supply their... good success. Half of the... of the city slept in the... night... of fund now aggregates... dollars... of the people generally... mirable... men and troops are doing... indicate that consid... of life and property was... some of the interior towns...

Wind of considerable force is blowing. Indications are that part of city south of Van Ness and north of the bay will be destroyed. It will be impossible to establish proper sanitary conditions. Much sickness must necessarily be expected. If city to west now standing remains intact there are many good buildings that can be used as hospitals. The water supply is encouraging. Supplies arriving are being distributed to people in the parks. The police, troops and firemen are almost exhausted. The conduct of the people in general has been admirable. Most of the casualties were in the poorer sections south of Market street. Not many were killed in the other portion.

Many Pitiful Sightings. NEW YORK, April 21.—11 a. m.—A Western Union bulletin says: "I have never witnessed a worse condition of affairs. During the night when the cold wind sprang up the plight of the campers, men, women and children, must have been pitiful in the extreme. The opinion is that after the people have all informed their friends of their condition there will be little business until rebuilding starts, and many express doubt as to when that will be."

150 Killed at San Jose. OAKLAND, April 21.—News from points outside of San Francisco is still meagre. It appears that disaster at San Jose has been underestimated and at Santa Rosa overestimated. A brief dispatch direct from San Jose says 150 were killed and 200 injured. In Agnew's Asylum the loss of life was 129.

Western Union Ready to Move. NEW YORK, April 21.—11:15 a. m.—The Western Union office received following bulletin from Frisco office at 11:15 this morning: "Fire that started along water front last night, which was feared would

Company Ferry House where the Western Union established headquarters, is still burning but unless a high wind comes we feel safe for the present. But as a precautionary measure to prevent the world from being shut out from San Francisco we are arranging to carry cables working to Oakland to a point on the bay where we will be able to continue communications in case the ferry building is destroyed.

Russian and Telegraph Hills Destroyed. OAKLAND, April 21.—11:20 a. m.—Early this morning fire of the flames abated somewhat. The fire completed the destruction on Russian and Telegraph Hills. The approach of fire to the ferry building caused the report that ferry was on fire. Relief was given all who needed it and it is reported that there was not a hungry person in Frisco last night.

No Further Information. WASHINGTON, April 21.—11:30 a. m.—Up to 11 this morning the marine hospital service received no advices regarding the reported outbreak of smallpox and typhoid in Frisco.

Half Population Slept in Parks. OAKLAND, Cal., April 21.—12:30.—To save the water from the large machine works were dynamited. It looks now as if fire on water front will be checked at Lombard street wharf. It is estimated that one-half of the population of Frisco slept in parks last night.

Relief Fund Eight Millions. NEW YORK, April 21.—1:15 p. m.—From reports at hand today it is seen that the relief fund for San Francisco sufferers aggregates eight millions.

New York alone this morning raised nearly \$1,500,000. At the time of the Chicago conflagration this city raised \$1,100,000.

NEWS ITEMS REPORTED FROM STATE CAPITAL

Special to The Sentinel. RALEIGH, April 21.—The Dresden Mills (Incorporated) was granted a charter this afternoon in the office of the secretary of state, the capital stock being \$200,000 and subscribed by Caldwell & Carlyle, H. B. Jennings, A. W. McLean, Stephen McIntyre, A. E. White and others. The company is empowered to operate cotton mills and also furniture factory.

It is officially announced that the control of the Raleigh street railway has passed into the hands of Northern capitalists represented by Mr. Marsden J. Perry of New Jersey, and that extensive improvements are soon to be made. There are to be no changes in the management or officers for the present. Mr. William J. Andrew continuing as president and general manager of the system. The change really means the introduction of new and additional capital for the extension of the lines and general improvement of the system.

News was received here this afternoon of the death of Mrs. C. M. Bernard in a hospital at Richmond where she underwent an operation some weeks ago. She had been recovering, but organic heart trouble developed, death occurring very suddenly. She was the wife of former United States District Attorney Bernard and was a most estimable woman. She leaves three children. No announcement has been made but it is expected that the remains will be brought here for interment.

GREAT ENGLISH WOMAN PHILANTHROPIST IS 92

By Wire to The Sentinel. LONDON, April 21.—Baroness Burdett-Coutts, probably the world's greatest woman philanthropist, is celebrating her ninety-second birthday today. During her life she has given away more than \$25,000,000 for charitable purposes and many of the most important charitable institutions in the United Kingdom owe their existence and prosperous condition to her munificence. She is the only woman who was ever raised to the peerage in recognition of her many acts of charity and her public spirit. She is the daughter of Sir Francis Burdett, M. P. and the grand-daughter of Thomas Coutts, the great banker. Her vast fortune is derived from the Coutts bank in which she is still a partner. She declined the offer of marriage until she was sixty-eight years old, when she married Sir William Ashmead, who was then only thirty years old. The marriage when was strongly disapproved of by Queen Victoria, proved a very happy one, contrary to general expectations. The Baroness was raised to the peerage through the efforts of Gladstone.

LARGE FRENCH LINER MAKES MAIDEN TRIP.

By Wire to The Sentinel. HAVRE, April 21.—La Provence, of the French line, the biggest and fastest vessel ever built in France, sailed this morning from here on her maiden trip to New York. The construction of the steamer was begun in December, 1903, at Penhoët, near St. Nazaire, and on March 13, last, she ran her trial trip off Belle Isle. She displaces about 19,100 tons on a comparatively light draught of 26.73 feet. The dimensions in regard to length, beam and depth have been adapted to the harbor of Havre, which, on account of its insufficient depth could not accommodate the English and the German leviathans.

La Provence has a length over all of 626 feet, a beam of 65 feet, and is capable of carrying 2,000 persons, including a crew of 435 and about 400 first class passengers. A system of electric ventilation allows the occupant of each cabin to regulate it himself. The steamer has six decks, and is divided into twenty water-tight compartments, such doors as there are in the bulkheads, being controlled from the bridge, where an electric indicator shows whether all the water tight doors are working.

The engines consist of two sets of triple expansion type, each with four cylinders, driving twin screws, with a horse power of 30,000 and an expected speed of 23 knots. There are twenty-one cylindrical boilers, working at a pressure of fourteen atmospheres and fitted with Howden's forced draught. The commander of the vessel is Captain Alix, formerly of the La Lorraine.

Yellow Jacket Man Here. Editor R. Don Laws, of the Yellow Jacket, published at Moravian Falls, was here this afternoon, returning from Charlotte. The Yellow Jacket is conducting a linotype machine school and the owner accompanied a young man to Charlotte who has learned to operate this complicated machine. He secured a position with the Charlotte News.

For Retailing. Henry Leonard was arrested today by Deputy Marshal Carroll on the charge of retailing "spirits" without license. He gave bail for his appearance at trial before United States Commissioner Beckerdite next Saturday. Mrs. P. H. Pettier, of New York, is the guest of Mrs. J. K. Norfleet. She arrived this afternoon.

PERSONNEL OF THE CHORUSES IN CREATION

In connection with the coming production of Haydn's master composition, "The Creation," a few timely remarks may be useful to many of our people, who, perhaps, may not be familiar with this class of musical composition, having obtained their name of "Oratorio" from being first produced at the Oratorios of the musical centers of Europe.

The Oratorio is a whole work, giving expression to a series of incidents in some prominent theme or event in the history of mankind and its form is peculiar to itself—the "Requiem" being simply an intoned recitation, with accompaniment followed by vocal solos, duets, trios and grand choruses all accompanied by organ, piano and full orchestral effects.

Of the many famous compositions of this class, two have gained a world wide reputation as master-pieces—"The Messiah," by Handel and "The Creation," by Josef Haydn, and these two will hold place so long as mankind loves good music and delights in its intelligent expression.

"The Creation" has for its theme, the record of the creation of the world, as given in the book of Genesis and the Recitatives are taken verbatim from the Scripture while the versification of the solos and other parts are drawn from Milton's "Paradise Lost" and the whole work is woven into a diadem of harmony that has crowned its composer with fame.

The production of such stupendous works is very rare as they require such mastery ability in the director and so much trained ability in the performers in addition to long rehearsal and expensive preparation and such a production is a notable event which none can afford to miss or overlook as it may not present itself again for years.

Wherever such performances are given prices of admission have to be placed high, sometimes five dollars a ticket, but in this case an effort has been made to keep the price as low as one dollar and it is expected the response will be so large that two nights have been set for the production, April 25 and 26, and the proceeds are to be placed to aid the fund for founding a scholarship in Salem Academy endowed in honor of widow of the famous soldier, "Stonewall" Jackson.

The following will take part in "The Creation," as members of the chorus: Sopranos—Mesdames E. A. Ebert, H. E. Fries, Jas. Green, H. Holland, J. K. Pfohl, S. A. Pfohl, F. W. Stockton, Bettie H. Vogler; Misses Mary Adams, Alice Aycock, Louise Bahson, Menefee Blease, Ruth Brinkley, Lucy Brown, Opal Brown, Helen Buck, Bessie Crist, Ruth Crist, Myrtle Drane, Rosa Deane, LeMay Dewey, Dorothy Day, Eleanor Fries, Mamie Fulp, Louise Grunert, Emma Gudger, Eva Haswell, Mary Hassell, Helen Haynes, Mary Holtman, Celeste Henkel, Sallie Jones, Nell Jurney, Mamie Kapp, Joy King, Hazel Laughaour, Bertha Lineback, Cornelia Leinback, Mary McMurray, Allie McLain, Mary Madearis, Ellen Norfleet, Anna Ormsby, Elizabeth Ormsby, Rasha Sherrod, Cal Shore, Grace Stewers, Ruth Stewers, Kathleen Smith, Ethel Parker, Alice Rose, Daisy Spangh, Mabel Spangh, Bessie Spangh, Marguerite Tay, Elizabeth Teah, Gertrude Teah, Alta Trassou, Blossom Traxler, Nellie Ware, Elizabeth Watkins, Julia Wilson. Altos—Mesdames George Bazaar, Harvey Crist, W. J. Peterson, Mary Prather, Mary Price, R. A. Spangh, Blanche Sumner; Misses Florence Barnard, Pattie Baughman, Mary Crowell, Dora Haury, Lillian Miller, Saldee Robbins, Lucile Robinson, Bertie Tise.

Tenors—W. A. Bruce, C. E. Crist, Jasper Dean, Jas. Green, Amos Huls, A. Lichtenhaefer, R. Lichtenhaefer, F. W. Stockton.

Basses—Messrs. L. B. Brickenstein, Harvey Crist, E. A. Ebert, J. A. Hopkins, C. Thaefer. The following will take part as members of the orchestra—Miss Helen Brown, Messrs. C. J. Brockmann, George Woodroffe, first violins; Jas. Kapp, W. P. Ormsby, second violin; B. W. Wurschke, viola; E. Brockmann, cello; B. J. Pfohl, double bass; F. F. Bahson, Walter Hege, flutes; W. J. Peterson, S. W. Tise, clarinets; Reginald Clewell, William Miller, French horns; J. E. Peterson, Clyde Rights, cornets; Chas. Vance, Herbert Vogler, H. T. Mickey, trombones; Miss Lillian Johnson, tympani; Miss Ivy Niewonger, organ; Miss Amy Van Vleck, piano.

BLACKBURN GETS MANY TELEGRAMS

Special to The Sentinel. GREENSBORO, April 21.—Since his vindication Congressman E. Spencer Blackburn has received, from all parts of the State, over five hundred telegrams congratulating him on the outcome of the trial. As Mr. Blackburn returned from the court room yesterday he was given an informal reception in the Benbow Lobby by his many friends in Greensboro. All political feelings were forgotten as they grasped the congressman's hand. Democrats and Republicans alike eager to show their gratification at Mr. Blackburn's victory. Mr. Blackburn and family will leave for Washington, D. C., in a few days. Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Click, of Elkin, arrived in the city this afternoon from Stateville, where they have been visiting relatives. Mr. Click went home, while Mrs. Click remained here to be the guest of Mrs. J. W. Shepherd for a few days.

Y. M. C. A. ACTIVITY

Local Association Continues To Do Effective Work Along Various Lines.

Schedule of Gymnasium Classes.—Business and Professional Men's Classes Recently Organized.—Mr. Fred Metts in Charge of Physical Work of Local Association.—Song Service Tonight—Boys Go on Tramp Today.—Well Known Religious Worker Here This Afternoon.

A full schedule of gymnasium classes will be conducted in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, beginning next Monday, under the personal supervision of Mr. Metts, the physical director. The following is the schedule: Boys, Mondays and Wednesdays 4 p. m. and Saturdays 9 a. m. Professional men, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 5:15 p. m. Business men, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 6:15 p. m. Young men, Tuesdays and Thursdays 8 p. m. Older boys, Tuesdays and Thursdays 4 p. m. and Saturday 10 a. m. Individual instruction Mondays 8 p. m. Basketball, Fridays 8 p. m. Athletics, Saturdays 8:20 p. m. A number of men are joining the association especially for the use of the gymnasium, and the Young Men's Christian Association, in providing a well equipped gymnasium under competent supervision has met one of the growing needs of our community life.

Boys on a Tramp. Mr. Fred Metts took a number of the boys of Y. M. C. A. Boys' Department for an outing in the woods this morning. They were an enthusiastic crowd and will no doubt thoroughly enjoy the trip. They will return later in the day.

Mr. Vogt Here. Mr. Von Ogden Vogt, of Boston, general secretary of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, was in the city this evening for a few hours and met the ministers of the city in a parlor conference at the Y. M. C. A. at 3 p. m.

Saturday Night Song Service. The Saturday night song service in the Y. M. C. A. parlor at 8 o'clock tonight will be led by Mr. John A. Taylor.

NEW YORK CENTRAL IS GETTING READY.

By Wire to The Sentinel. NEW YORK, April 21.—The New York Central has been buying up all the land on both sides of the city of Peekskill on the Hudson, so that today that city can't build a dock for public use. The Railroad Company has an army of men leveling, filling up, and putting the property in good shape. This is done by the railroad company in order to control all the landing places on the Hudson river front. This action is taken in view of the great exposition that is announced for the year 1909. Very little, if anything, has been said in the New York papers about this huge enterprise, but the river counties are full of it, papers and people talking about it constantly. A large number of steam shovels are working on the big peninsula extending into the Hudson river, and called Verplanck's Point. The ground is being leveled, swung, filled up, and the whole surface made ready for building, a great army of laborers is at work, and they are fairly transforming the place for the millions who are expected to visit the festivities that will mark the great event. One of the principal features will be a commodious Academy of Music, which will be a permanent institution, and will be used for the social encouragement of American music and American music producers. It shows what a peculiar set of newspapers the Metropolitan has, that the subject has scarcely been mentioned here, and it is doubtful whether one New Yorker out of a hundred has ever heard of it, while the whole upper part of the state is aflame over it. One thing is certain—that millions of money are to be made on that dreary looking Verplanck's Point in 1909, and before that time. It has lain practically unused ever since Henry (Hendrick) Hudson sailed past it in the Half Moon and has been such a useless appendage of the great river which washes its shore that people have wondered why it hasn't been carted away to fill up some noxious territory.

MASS MEETING OF CITIZENS OF RALEIGH.

Special to The Sentinel. RALEIGH, April 21.—There was a mass meeting of citizens of Raleigh at the call of Mayor Johnson last evening at six o'clock when resolutions expressive of sympathy for the sufferers in the great San Francisco disaster were adopted and a public subscription started for substantial relief. Subscriptions are to be left at any of the banks today and appeals are to be made from all the city pulpits Sunday. A committee will be sent out Monday by the mayor to solicit subscriptions and then the aldermen are to meet and supplement the fund if need be to bring it up to an amount commensurate with what Raleigh should contribute.

ING WITH W. C. BRYANT

Evening program to be... evening in the chapel... Boys' school, under the... of the Senior class, the... "An Evening With Poet... Bryant".

FEW CHANGES IN U. S. ARMY UNIFORM.

By Wire to The Sentinel. WASHINGTON, April 21.—It is a source of considerable gratification to army officers that the war department has refused to consider any material changes in their uniform. It is realized in the department that, no matter what the uniform may be, there are those who will find an opportunity to suggest changes, all more or less expensive to the officers, who must furnish their own apparel. General Chaffee, while chief of staff, held that the uniform was on a practical basis, and his successor, General Bates, agreed with him. There is every reason to expect that the new chief of staff, General Bell, will adhere to this view. If anything is done with the uniform, it will be to eliminate some of the styles of dress which are considered useless but which are used for show purposes only. The only reason that the full dress has been retained is that in public gatherings, where army officers come in contact with representatives of other services, it is desirable to maintain a proper proportion of display. It is considered that the uniform worn for the field by the American army is the most comfortable and best suited which could be devised, and surpasses in those qualities the military apparel of all other countries. Suggestions of changes in the uniform continue to be received, but although they are examined and carefully filed, no further attention is paid to them. The only change of any importance, which has been decided on during the last few days, is the adoption of a new kind of leggings recommended for use in the army by the quartermaster general. These new leggings are a few inches shorter than those in use at the present time and are laced in front, instead of the side. It is not expected that any more material change in the uniforms or equipment of the soldiers will be made this year, neither for home use nor for use in the tropics.

SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. B. W. Spillman, Sunday school secretary of the Southern Baptist convention and Rev. Hight C. Moore, Sunday school secretary of the Baptist State Convention, are conducting Sunday school institutes throughout the State. They passed through the city this morning enroute to Wilkes, Ashe and Alleghany counties. They will return here Thursday afternoon and will hold an institute at the First Baptist church at 7:30 o'clock that evening. Mr. Moore, after having served churches at Morehead City, Winston-Salem, Monroe, New Bern and Chapel Hill is now in his third year as Sunday school secretary of the Baptist State convention of North Carolina. He is the author of a manual entitled "The Books of the Bible" and of "The Country Sunday School," and of "The Story of the Son of Man," a series of articles on the Life of Christ now appearing in the Biblical Recorder. Mr. Spillman, formerly pastor at Kinston, has for nine years devoted himself exclusively to Sunday school work; has studied it in every phase practically as well as theoretically; is the author of an excellent booklet on "The Sunday School;" has traveled from the Atlantic to the Pacific and won a national reputation as a Sunday school expert. As field secretary of the Baptist Sunday school board, of Nashville, he is in special demand among Southern Baptists.

APPALACHIAN FOREST RESERVE BILL HEARING.

The House committee on agriculture will take up for consideration the Appalachian Forest Reserve bill next Wednesday. Governor Glenn will attend the hearing as will Governor Heyward, of South Carolina. Among others who will attend may be mentioned Mr. Henry E. Fries, of this city; Mr. D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte; Mr. F. E. Hewitt, of Asheville, and other prominent men. The bill to be considered Wednesday appropriates \$1,000,000 for proposed Appalachian Forest Reserve. It is a measure, the passage of which will mean much for this section, and it is encouraging to note that so much interest is being taken in it by North Carolinians. It is a bill that should be passed, by all means.

GLENN TO END THE HEARING

Special to The Sentinel. April 21.—Gov. Glenn left for Monroe, where he will address before the... church. From... to Raleigh Monday... Forest Reserve... committee on... of Cleveland, been visiting Mrs. Wm... home this after...