

### JAPAN BROUGHT CLOSER TO U. S.

Earthquake Did Not What Diplomats Could Not Do, Says Japanese Envoy

Washington, Sept. 24.—America's open-handed sympathy in Japan's worst need will forever drive from the Japanese mind all thoughts of "American aggressiveness in the Far East," Ambassador Hantani said here tonight in an address before the opening session of the American Red Cross annual convention.

"It will henceforth be difficult, indeed," said the Japanese ambassador, "for professional flingers to terrorize an ignorant public opinion to the point where it will countenance policies of military aggrandizement on the ground of preparedness against fancied American threats. The natural reaction of a Japanese to mention of America will be a thrill of gratitude and warm friendliness."

"I find," he said, "that I cannot enter this great room without profound emotion stirred by memory. For, as you all know, it was here that the Washington conference had its dramatic beginning nearly two years ago, and right here, a few months later, that conference bore its precious fruit in the signing of the Washington treaties by the representatives of the great nations which marked, in my opinion, the greatest practical advance toward world peace that had ever been made."

"And now I find myself here again in different circumstances. It is absolutely impossible for me to express to you, so that you will fully understand the depth of my feeling in facing you, the active representatives of the Red Cross. For events have transpired that may well prove to be more far-reaching in their importance than been the Washington treaties."

"The metropolitan area of Japan was torn to shreds by the forces of nature. The first flash of that dreadful news aroused in your country a universal manifestation of genuine human sympathy. In the very moment of our sorest need you did not fail us."

"Of course, Japan will be grateful. Never—for we have long memories in my country—never shall we forget your sympathy in this hour of our national distress. What seemed at first to be an unmitigated and horrible catastrophe will leave, in spite of the awful toll of death and bereavement, for Japan at least one bright spot. The earthquake is in a sense a supplement to the Washington conference. The conference and its consequences showed Japan's sincerity to America; the earthquake revealed to Japan the unstained quality of the mercy in America's heart."

### Funeral Miss Morgan Held Wednesday P. M.

(By Wade H. Lucas.)

Duke, Sept. 28.—Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon over the remains of Miss Margaret Morgan, who died Monday night from the effects of being horribly burned by an oil stove Sunday afternoon. Miss Morgan lived until Monday night, suffering intensely, in spite of all medical aid and the ministrations of loving friends. The burns penetrated the lining of her abdomen, and had it not been for this, she might have recovered.

Rev. C. M. Gibbs, pastor of the Presbyterian church here, conducted the funeral services at the home of the deceased in the presence of a large number of sorrowing relatives and friends. The minister told of the Christian life the deceased had lived, she having joined the Presbyterian church three years ago, and of the great interest she took in Sunday school. Every Sunday found Margaret at Sunday school unless she was kept away. Miss Morgan also was one of the leading factors in the success of the Christian Endeavor society of the church; being one who always could be depended upon to carry out her part of the program. The Sunday school suffers the loss of one of its best workers in her demise.

Interment was made in the family plot, near Hope Mills, late Wednesday. The floral offerings were many and beautiful, and covered the grave completely. The active pall-bearers were: Gilbert Woodworth, Jr., Arthur F. Fowler, Jr., Henry C. Bost, Neill McKay, Ralston McDonald and Wade H. Lucas.

### Bitter Political Enemy Of Governor Walton Is Placed Under Arrest

Oklahoma City, Okla., Sept. 26.—Campbell Russell, former chairman of the State Corporation Commission and a bitter political enemy of Governor Walton, was arrested this afternoon by the Executive's civilian operatives.

### BENSON REPORTS BRIGHT OUTLOOK

Johnston County Farmers Not Hard Hit By Boll Weevil This Year

Benson, Sept. 24.—An average of nearly one thousand bales of cotton per week being sold on this market at a price around 30 cents is making business extremely good. Farmers are paying off bills and claims hitherto carried by merchants since the big slump in 1921 and all 1923 mortgages are about paid, the meaning of which is that farmers will be in better condition this fall than they have been since the war.

The boll weevil has not done a great deal of damage probably averaging about ten per cent destruction of the crop. Farmers planted their crop of cotton earlier this year and cultivated it more thoroughly and rapidly than formerly, consequently getting a much heavier July crop than before. The seasons favored the crop and with the use of a much smaller amount of fertilizer the farmer is enjoying the fruits of his labor to a greater degree of satisfaction than in years.

It is agreed by those in the community who have made the boll weevil a study that next year the crop will be practically destroyed by this pest but this section of the cotton belt will not go bankrupt, for nearly every cotton farmer knows how to grow tobacco and all of them grow enough corn and meat to supply the home and farm and have a great amount to sell each year.

Some farmers last fall killed six and eight thousand pounds of meat and none of them buy and from the local stores. There has not been a bushel of corn shipped into Benson for use by farmers or local people in nearly fifteen years, while on the other hand several car loads are shipped from this place every year. With such conditions there is not the alarm about the destruction of the boll weevil as exists in some localities.

Gradually farmers in this section are turning towards trucking. Alonso Parrish is contemplating putting in fifty acres of dewberries this fall, while L. E. Barbour has already several thousand dewberry plants which will begin to bear next year. W. V. Blackman in Bentonville township is working hard to get his community turned towards other things than cotton and proposes to put out several acres of dewberries this fall in an attempt at showing the farmers that the soil in his neighborhood is adapted to the growing of such crops.

The ahead forward-looking farmers are looking ahead to the time when cotton will not pay so well and are pioneering to the extent of getting the wheels of diversified farming in an even greater motion.

### Weekly Cotton Letter

By Savannah Cotton Factorage Co. The cotton market has been seeing this week, awaiting publication of the Government's condition report, estimate of yield and number of bales ginned, all of which will come out Tuesday, October 2nd.

October futures from Monday morning to Saturday afternoon this week declined only 26 points, and December declined only 18 points. Several private condition and crop estimates were given out during the week, most of them ranging from 47.5 to 52.0, and indicating yields of from 9,750,000 bales to 11,467,000 bales.

Bearish news was offset by liberal exports, a better demand in Liverpool and Manchester, and a tropical storm off the Florida coast which finally passed out to sea, doing no damage to the cotton crop. Picking in the southern half of the belt is reported to be 75 per cent completed; about 50 per cent in the central sections, and 25 per cent in the north.

If good weather prevails during the next two weeks and the Government's condition report is above 50.0, lower prices may follow temporarily. Should the official condition be below 50.0, and the estimated yield below 11,000,000 bales, we expect to see higher prices. Sept. 29, 1923.

### Sues Ku Klux For \$150,000 Damages For Being Tarr'd

Muskogee, Okla., Sept. 25.—(By The Associated Press.)—S. K. Lesky, of Ellsworth, Kansas, filed suit in U. S. District court here today against the Ku Klux Klan, asking \$150,000 in damages for injuries he said he received when he was tarr'd and feathered in Tulsa county in July, 1922.

Prominent individuals, including Richard Lloyd Jones, widely known newspaper publisher, and Charles R. Peters, Tulsa oil operator, were made joint defendants in the action.

Russell was taken to military headquarters and later to jail. A crowd of several hundred persons followed the officers and Russell. He was charged with "disorderly conduct and attempting to incite riot." He had been distributing pamphlets attacking the Governor when arrested.

### Turn On Electric Lights In Your Home

"Ready to turn on the lights!" That, it is declared, is the thought back of the new, Installed Price Plan of selling Delco-Light, the well known farm electric plant, which the company has just announced.

The announcement of this plan is especially directed to those who live in farm homes, it is stated. "We want to make it easy for the farmer to have electricity in his home, and to know beforehand, just what the whole thing will cost him," declared officials of the Delco-Light company, in response to questioning about this remarkable plan.

Briefly stated, the plan is to furnish a standard model Delco-Light plant and storage battery, to install it complete, wire the house for ten nights, put in ten drop lights, complete even to the electric lights in the sockets, put in a general power outlet anywhere in the house the owner may choose, in short to furnish a complete Delco-Light installation, "Ready to turn on the lights," as stated above.

Low prices are assured, on all models and, in addition, financing of the purchase is taken care of, where necessary, by an easy payment plan which calls for only a small cash payment. The Delco-Light Company is well known for its efforts at spreading the benefits of electricity in the country, and many thousands of farm homes today know what these benefits are, thanks to the kindly influence of these widely known Delco-Light plants. It is safe to predict, with the aid of a plan like this and with so many thousands able to enjoy the advantages of electricity, accordingly, that great numbers will take advantage of the opportunity which the Delco-Light Company offers, to buy their own Delco-Light plants this fall and join the other thousands who are already enjoying this modern convenience.

### Prosperous And Happy

"Money is plentiful and everybody is happy," was the report that Representative Nat A. Townsend brought up from the state of Harriet this week.

Cotton is being marketed ten days ahead of the regular season this year, and farmers are well satisfied with the current price of between 28 and 29 cents a pound, according to Mr. Townsend. The legislator says that between 300 and 500 bales a day are being sold on the open market at Dunn. He estimates that the open market is getting about 60 per cent of the crop, the remaining 40 per cent going to the co-ops.—From Views and Observations in yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer.

### Alleged Klucker To Be Tried For Perjury

Rockingham, Sept. 29.—Superior court for trial of criminal cases will convene here next Monday with Judge Stack presiding. Perhaps the case of most general interest will be that against J. L. Hawley, who is charged with perjury in connection with an affidavit he made last fall in court that he was not a Knight of the Ku Klux Klan. This case promises sensational developments. Mr. Hawley is superintendent of the Rockingham railroad, and is commonly reported to have been elevated at the convention of the K. K. K. in Raleigh some weeks ago to Grand Titan for this district, composed from Greensboro-Charlotte-Wilmington.

### Columbus County Has Only One Cotton Gin

Evergreen, Sept. 29.—Only one cotton gin will be operated in Columbus county this season, and it is being run by McDaniel and Byrd, in this city. This year's cotton crop is the shortest in Columbus county ever known, and the boll weevil has demonstrated his powers in destroying the staple, and in some sections the army worms have completely devoured the weed.

### ANOTHER MARK OF PROSPERITY WAVE

Local Freight Receipts Are The Largest In History Of The Town

Another evidence of the prosperity which Dunn and the Dunn district is now enjoying is the fact that shipping in and out of Dunn during past two weeks has been the heaviest in the history of the town. "We have never experienced anything like it," said J. W. Whitehead, local Atlantic Coast Line agent, while the Durham & Southern has found it necessary to run double-header freight trains in and out of Dunn on several occasions of late.

Much of the increased freight is due to the large amount of cotton being marketed here. Approximately 7,000 bales of the 1923 crop have been sold on the local open market, while several thousand bales have been pooled by members of the Co-operative Marketing Association. The cotton pooled is being stored in the large warehouse operated by the General Utilities Company.

A part of the increase, however, comes from the fact that local merchants are stocking their stores with merchandise to take care of the big fall trade which has already begun on a large scale.

H. R. Currin of Oxford spent the week-end here visiting friends.

### Youth, 22, Is His Own Grandfather! Gee Wiz!

Fertile, Iowa.—A genealogical contortionist is Peter E. Linsky.

At the tender age of 22, he is his own grandfather by all the laws of man. It was the recent birth of a son that made a fourth generation necessary to determine Peter's exact position in his family tree. Eighteen months ago, Linsky married a widow with a growing step-daughter. Linsky's father, a widower, married that step-daughter.



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ter. So the younger Mrs. Linsky became the mother-in-law of her father-in-law, and the younger Linsky himself found that his step-daughter was his step-mother, while his own father was his stepson.

grandson of the younger Mrs. Linsky. Now enters Peter's son to scramble the family tree still more. The wife of the senior Linsky is thus the grandmother of Peter's boy, as well as his step-sister. The senior Linsky is some sort of a brother-in-law to his own grandson. It half brother; but he was also the

step-grandmother. Peter logically becomes the brother-in-law of his stepmother, while Peter's wife discovers herself as her own child's aunt. The elder Linsky develops into the uncle of his son's child, and the child becomes his grand-father's nephew, ending up with Peter Linsky playing grandfather to himself.

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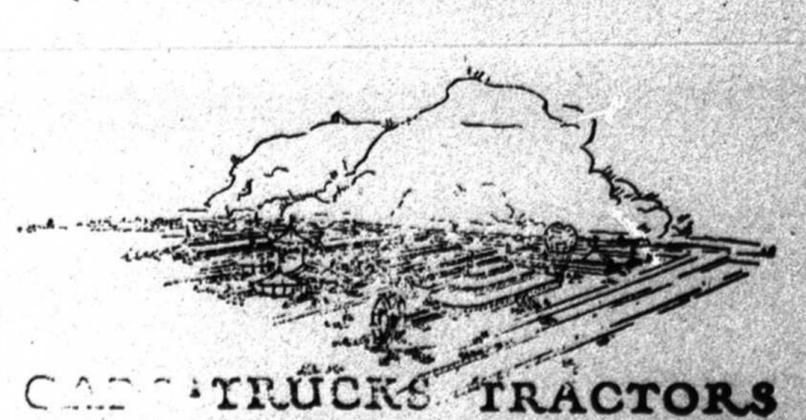
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