

CHARGE HORRIBLE CRIMES AGAINST JAPAN IN KOREA

Canadian Missionaries of the Presbyterian Church Allege Troops Burned Down Villages, Destroyed Crops, and Killed Men, Women and Children Indiscriminately, Burning Some Alive—Charges Are Denied

TOKIO, Dec. 22.—(Correspondence of Associated Press).—Details of alleged massacres of Koreans by Japanese troops, the burning of Korean villages and the destruction of native crops are given in statements received from Canadian missionaries in the Chientao district of China, supplementing previous reports on this subject heretofore received.

One of the missionaries, Dr. S. H. Martin, of Newfoundland, a physician attached to the Canadian Presbyterian mission at Yongjung, who visited the village of Norabawie, on October 31, two days after the Japanese went through that district, states:

"The facts recorded below apply to the whole district of Kando or Chientao, in the southern part of the province of Kiang, China.

"Japan, under the strongest protest from China has sent over 15,000 men into this part of China with the avowed intention of wiping out of existence, if possible, the whole Christian community, especially all young men.

"Villages after village is being methodically burned and the young men shot, so that at present we have a ring of villages surrounding this city that have suffered from fire or wholesale murder or both. The facts below are absolutely accurate.

Some Burned Alive

"At daybreak a complete cordon of Japanese infantry surrounded the main Christian village of Norabawie and, starting from the top of the valley, set fire to the immense stacks of unthreshed millet, barley and straw and then ordered the occupants of the houses outside. In each case as the father or son stepped forth, he was shot on sight, and as he fell on his face, perhaps only half dead, great piles of burning straw were thrown on top of him.

"It was shown the blood marks on the ground caused by the bayonet thrusts inflicted on the men as they strove to get from the flames, in spite of the fact that they had been shot three times at close range. The bodies were soon charred beyond recognition. The mothers, wives and even the children were forced spectators of this treatment of all the grown males of the village. Houses were fired and soon the whole country was full of smoke which was plainly visible from this town. The Japanese soldiers spread out and burned the houses of Christian believers in other villages all the way down the valley to the main road. Then they returned home to celebrate the emperor's birthday.

"As we approached the nearby vil-

DELIGHTFUL EVENTS IN WARSAW DURING WEEK

Several Receptions Given and U. C. D. Is Entertained By Miss Sallie Hill

(Special to The Star)

WARSAW, Jan. 22.—Mrs. James Hicks Peirce entertained a number of friends at dinner Friday evening in celebration of her birthday. A basket of lovely pink carnations formed the centerpiece of the dining table, on which were pink-shaded candles and miniature pink baskets, filled with bonbons, were used as favors. Covers were laid for 15, and an attractive menu of four courses was served, while appropriate toasts were given to the hostess, Mrs. Faison Peirce giving the first, and the others following. The guests included Mesdames T. B. Peirce, D. E. Best, W. O. Singletary, L. P. Best, J. C. Robinson, Herbert Best, Leonidas Faison, W. L. Hill, H. F. Peirce, John Carter and Annie Ross Williams. Mrs. Peirce was the recipient of some pretty and useful gifts.

According to her annual custom, Miss Sallie Hill was hostess to the James Kenan chapter, U. C. D., in celebration of Lee and Jackson day, Wednesday afternoon. An appropriate program was rendered. This began with "Old Folks at Home," as a chorus. Mrs. Faison read memorials to Lee and Jackson, and Mrs. Carroll gave a character sketch and tribute to Lee. Miss Sue House sang two solos, "I Hear You Calling," and "Sing Me To Sleep."

Mrs. W. L. Hill, president, read a letter from Mrs. Thomas Wilson, state president, asking for resolutions looking to legislation for increased appropriations by the state for institutions in which the Daughters of the Confederacy are interested. Under the direction of Mrs. C. A. Womack a contest with the letters of Lee and Jackson's names was engaged in. Assisted by Mesdames A. B. Baines and John Hill, the hostess served enjoyable refreshments of syllabub with fruit cake and gold cake, followed by cheese and coffee. Miss Hill had besides the club members, Mesdames Lee Moore, A. M. Lansford, A. B. Baines, John Hill and Miss Sue House as guests.

Miss Beesie Quinn gave a miscellaneous shower Wednesday afternoon from 4 till 6, complimentary to Mrs. James Chestnut, nee Miss Nannie Lee Adkins, a recent bride. The home was attractively decorated in a color scheme of yellow and green, pine, emerald, potted plants and yellow roses being employed. After the arrival of the guests, the honoree was given a telegram, containing the news that she was to receive a package by express, and immediately little Miss Lydia Herring appeared, drawing an express

GREAT EXHIBIT OF WORLD WAR MATERIAL ON FEB. 22

Most Remarkable Showing of Kind Ever Made Will Be Opened Washington's Birthday in New York, and Later Will Be Sold At Auction for the Benefit of the Fatherless Children of French Republic

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—A great collection of material relating to the World war, said to be the most remarkable ever brought together, will be exhibited in the American art galleries beginning on Washington's birthday and afterward will be sold at auction, the entire proceeds to be given to the fatherless children of France, an organization of which Marshal Joffre is president.

The value of the collection is placed at many thousands of dollars. Statesmen of world-wide fame, whose names are familiar to almost every person in the United States, have contributed to this assembly their autographs or signed photographs, as have also practically all the political, military and naval executives of the allied nations in the war.

The most noted of living authors are represented in this collection by original autographed poems, sentiments or manuscripts and there are autographs of many notable figures and heroes of the war. In addition there are about 100 original drawings, paintings and etchings by the most famous of living artists.

Among the political leaders who have contributed their autographs or signed photographs, or both, for the cause of the fatherless children of France are President Wilson and the members of his cabinet; former Presidents Roosevelt and Taft; President Poincare of France; Albert, king of the Belgians; the presidents of the Chinese, Czechoslovak, Cuban, Haitian and other young republics; the queen of Rumania; Prime Ministers David Lloyd George and Herbert H. Asquith of England, Venizelos of Greece, and statesmen like Bonar Law, Balfour, Bryce, Curzon or Kiedston, and other political leaders in England, with such names as Hoover, Whitlock, Gerard, Herriek and many others of America; Millerand, DeCartier, Jusserand and others of France; and diplomatic representatives of other nations which joined the cause of the allies.

OVER EIGHT MILLIONS KILLED IN WORLD WAR

French Statistician Figures Losses of Belligerents

PARIS, Jan. 22.—According to M. Louis Marin, a famous French statistician who has just furnished the French parliament with figures as to the losses incurred by all belligerents in the war, 8,501,437 men lost their lives in the period extending from August 2, 1914, to November 11, 1918.

These figures include those reported missing and now presumed killed. Many deaths from war wounds have taken place since November 11, M. Marin points out. The figures he gives for Russia are considered inaccurate and include but men killed up to and including October 31, 1917. The figures for various countries are as follows:

France, 1,233,000; Russia, 1,290,000; Great Britain and colonies, 869,000; Italy, 404,000; Serbia, 297,000; Rumania, 200,000; United States, 114,800; Belgium, 44,000; Greece, 12,000; Germany, 2,049,395; Austria-Hungary, 1,542,817; Turkey, 325,000; Bulgaria, 101,224.

Commenting on these figures M. Marin points out that they show that Germany with two fronts lost less men than the whole coalition fighting it, and he concludes that France's war methods at the beginning of the campaign—defensive tactics—were the least costly in lives.

ARRAN SOCIETY POETRY PRIZES

First Prize, \$10, for the best poem written by a member in 1921. Preference will be given to poems of less than 50 lines, though longer poems may be sub- mitted. There is no restriction as to theme or form.

Second prize, \$5, for the best lyric written by a member without regard to date of writing. The lyric should not be less than twelve or more than 32 lines, capable of being set to music for use as a hymn or song.

Poems and lyrics in this competition must be received not later than September 1, 1921. They should be mailed, with the name and address of the contestant, to Mrs. Norman J. Herring, chairman poetry committee, Tomahawk, N. C.

ZEALAND FORCES, PAYS WRITTEN TRIBUTE TO THE AMERICAN PRIVATE SOLDIER: FIELD MARSHAL HAIG OF THE BRITISH ARMY, GENERAL DIAZ OF THE ITALIAN ARMY, GENERAL HALLER OF THE POLISH ARMY, ALL COM- MANDERS-IN-CHIEF WITH GENERAL PER- SHING OF THE AMERICAN FORCES, WRITE MES- SAGES OF IMPORTANCE, AND A HOST OF OTHER MILITARY LEADERS JOIN WITH THEM.

Vice Admiral Sims Pays Tribute to the American Navy; Admiral Sir John Jellicoe writes of the coming of the American troops into British waters and Vice Admiral Roger Keyes writes the signal that was made from his flagship before the Zebrugge raid while others have written messages that are of historic interest.

The "knights of the air" are represented by some remarkable photographs, among which are those of Guy-nemer and Raoul Lufbery, signed by the famous aviators, the latter being the only known signed photograph of Lufbery in existence. Notable figures of the World war include a signed photograph and three autograph messages from Cardinal Mercier; a long autograph message of Burgomaster Max; Colonel Whittlesby's impressions of the "lost battalion" a year after Argonne wood, Canon Cabanel and Bishop Brent write of the experiences of the army chaplains. Cardinals and college presidents, Red Cross leaders, heroes of individual actions and men and women in the forefront of war activities have written their messages or dealt at greater length with matters pertaining to the great struggle.

The literary contributions constitute a comprehensive collection of autographs of living writers who had anything to do with directing thought during the war. There is hardly a famous name in the realm of literature of today that is not to be found here. Many of the contributions were written especially for this cause and there are unpublished poems, sketches and autograph messages by many of the most famous of the present-day writers. Some have contributed original manuscripts.

There are treasures like the original draft of the "Eton Ode," an unpublished sonnet and sapphics by the poet-laureate of Great Britain, Robert Bridges; the original manuscript of Joyce Kilmer's famous poem, "The Poetmaker"; the last page of John Massfield's "Tragedy or Nan" in his handwriting; copies or some of the most famous war poems by the authors themselves and unique items like a (Continued on Page Fifteen)

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