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EARLY DISPATCHES BEING CONFIRMED

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10,000 REFUGEES IN TOKIO DIE FLEEING

Two Hundred and Sixteen Distinct Earth Shocks Felt in Tokio Saturday and 57 More Last Sunday.

As the story of the Japanese quake is unfolded in fragmentary messages from press association correspondents, Japanese newspapers and individuals, it is apparent that the magnitude of the catastrophe has not been overdrawn.

In only one dispatch has there been a suggestion that the death list will not reach the proportions already indicated. This was a message from the Radio Corporation in Japan, which said the Japanese home office estimated the dead in Tokio at 10,000; in Yokohama at 100,000.

On the other hand, Admiral Edwin A. Anderson, commanding the U. S. Asiatic fleet, says the last official report gives the casualties in the capital and Yokohama as 240,000 dead and 450,000 injured. A wireless message from Admiral Anderson to Admiral Edward Eberle, chief of naval operations at Washington, conveying this information was picked up in San Francisco. Naval officers in San Francisco believe that Admiral Anderson, who is speeding to Japanese waters obtained advices of conditions in Japan by radio before communicating with Admiral Eberle.

Another estimate, this coming from the Eastern News Agency, says that 320,000 persons had been killed in the entire stricken district.

Fresh calamity has overtaken smitten Tokio and the terror-stricken remnants of its population. Nearly 10,000 people seeking refuge in the yard of a military clothing factory in a suburb were trapped by flames and burned to death.

Food and water are scarce in the capital. Two hundred sixteen earth shocks were felt in Tokio last Saturday, followed by 57 on Sunday. The most severe tremor was of six minutes' duration.

The flames that swept the capital burned for 50 hours, leaving Tokio and its environs in ruins and desolation. Fire and earth convulsions together have devastated an area of 51 square miles in and around Tokio, demolishing 350,000 houses. The suffering of Yokohama also appears not to have been exaggerated. An official statement received by U. Oyama, the Japanese consul general in San Francisco, says that the great port itself and the Yokohama naval station have been wiped out. This message, sent by a former Japanese consul general who is now at Shanghai, added that more than half of Tokio had been destroyed.

Report 10,000 Refugees Killed. Osaka, Sept. 5. (By the Associated Press).—Approximately 10,000 refugees fleeing from the ruins of Tokio were hurried to death in the yard of a military clothing factory in the industrial section of Junjo. Water and provisions are reported to be still scarce in Tokio.

Congressman Ackerman Safe. New York, Sept. 5.—Congressman Ernest R. Ackerman, of Plainfield, N. J., whose whereabouts in Japan were reported yesterday from Shanghai to be unknown, is safe in Nikko, according to a cablegram received from him today.

Liner Taiyo Maru Safe Now. San Francisco, Sept. 5.—The liner Taiyo Maru, reported in distress yesterday somewhere off the coast of Japan is safe, according to a message received here this morning by the Radio Corporation of America.

The vessel is en route from San Francisco to Yokohama with 500 passengers, most of them Americans.

Dead in Tokio Estimated at 160,000. New York, Sept. 5.—New official messages received today at the offices of the Japanese consul general estimated the casualties in Tokio and vicinity at 160,000, with 1,000,000 persons homeless.

Wireless Stations Reopen. San Francisco, Sept. 5. (By the Associated Press).—The Radio Corporation office here was advised this morning that

"FLESH AND BLOOD"

The Big Screen Star Production STARRING Lon Chaney Edith Roberts Noah Beery Jack Mulhall Kate Price

PIEDMONT TODAY AND TOMORROW

RAISING FUNDS TO HELP JAPANESE

Appeal of Red Cross is Being Answered by Checks From All Parts of the United States.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 6.—Even before appeal for funds had time to gain general circulation the American people today began pouring offerings into the fund for the relief of Japanese earthquake sufferers.

The first mail to reach Red Cross headquarters this morning brought a batch of checks in response to the appeal for \$5,000,000 for aid of the stricken people.

Scores of contributions were from \$500 each and others from \$5 to \$5,000. The purchasing and relief department of the American Relief administration were taken over today by the American Red Cross to insure expeditious handling.

Salvation Army to Help. New York, Sept. 5. (By the Associated Press).—Gen. Bramwell Booth, of the Salvation Army, today issued a world call for 2,000,000 pounds for Japanese relief. American headquarters received a cablegram inquiring how much the United States could contribute. New York relayed the message to the army stations throughout the country.

General Booth sent his call to 76 countries.

SETS DATE FOR HEARING Case Against N. C. Farms Company, Inc., of Ohio, Will Be Heard on September 11th.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, Sept. 5.—Judge Henry G. Connor, who is conducting the civil session of Federal court here, announced today that hearing in the case of involuntary bankruptcy proceedings instituted against the North Carolina Farms Company, Inc., of Ohio, by creditors within this state will be held in the United States Court here September 11th.

The company recently was placed in the hands of a receiver in Ohio and creditors in North Carolina, where, it is said, are the principal holdings of the concern are pressing involuntary proceedings.

The North Carolina Farms Company in recent years developed extensive tract of land in Hyde county where it also built a short line railway.

PHARMACISTS CONVENTION MEETS IN ASHEVILLE Proposed Changes to Constitution of Association are Satisfactory to Members.

(By the Associated Press.) Asheville, N. C., Sept. 5.—Members of the American Pharmaceutical Association in their sectional meetings today expressed satisfaction at the proposed constitutional changes read last night at the first general session of the seventy-first annual convention of the pharmacists, and which will result in the readjustment to a reorganization of the entire association.

The changes represent the general reorganization plan presented to the convention at Cleveland, O., last year, adopted at that meeting and sent to the various state organizations for ratification before being put into effect.

To Seize Fight Films. Chicago, Sept. 5.—Armed with a subpoena from the grand jury the United States deputy marshal today prepared to seize films of the Dempsey-Gibbons championship boxing match held on July 4th at Shelby, Mont. The motion pictures of the fight had been advertised to be shown today at a downtown theatre.

The municipal council of Canton, one of the chief cities of China, has admitted the Funabashi wireless station, ten miles east of Tokio, reopened today and was transmitting and receiving Japanese and American government messages.

Italian Ambassador Reported Killed. Rome, Sept. 5. (By the Associated Press).—The Italian ambassador to Japan, G. de Martino, is reported to have perished in the earthquake.

Members of Imperial Family Reported Killed. London, Sept. 5. (By the Associated Press).—The Japanese embassy here received a telephone message today from Princess Kitashirakawa in Paris, saying she had received information that the dowager Princess Yamashina, Princess Hiroko Kanin, and Prince Moromasa, members of the imperial family, are dead in Tokio as a result of the earthquake.

Conditions Improve. San Francisco, Sept. 4.—Improvement in conditions in Tokio is reported in wireless advices received tonight from Waki radio station, 155 miles north of Tokio by the Radio Corporation. The water system has been repaired and is furnishing water in all sections of the capital; street lighting has been restored in four wards and food supplies have begun to arrive at nearby points.

New Volcano Opens 50 Miles of Tokio. Pekin, Sept. 4.—A new volcano has broken out in the Chichibu range, about 50 miles northwest of Tokio, according to advices from Osaka, Kikko, country seat of the imperial family, is reported not to be seriously damaged. Many foreigners were reported earlier to have been staying at Nikko when last Saturday's quake occurred.

BELIEVE AMERICANS IN TOKIO ARE SAFE

But in Yokohama Number of Americans Were Killed, Including Consulate General and Members of His Family

AMERICANS WERE VERY FORTUNATE

Only Few Killed and in the Stricken Area There Were Many Thousand.—Most of Missionaries Are Safe.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 5.—All Americans in Tokio are believed to be safe. Ambassador Woods reported today to the State Department. Estimates of the dead in Tokio were placed by the ambassador at 10,000. He stated that some American in Yokohama had been killed. Communication with Yokohama, he said, had been opened.

A dispatch from the American consul at Kobe under date of September 4th, forwarded to the department by Edward Bell, charge d'affaires in Peking, said refugees from Yokohama confirmed the reports that the consulate general there was completely destroyed and that Kirjassoff (the consul) and his wife were killed.

Vice Consul Samuel J. Wardell, according to the dispatch is safe, but other members of the staff had not been accounted for.

The dispatch added that the naval hospital at Yokohama collapsed and Commander Webb was injured, while some of the staff were killed.

Vice Consul Paul E. Penks was reported to have been killed, the message said, but the two children of Consul Kirjassoff, who was killed, with his wife, are safe and well in Kobe.

A report from Consul Eric R. Dickover from Kobe says that the following members of the consul general at Yokohama are safe and well.

Miss Martin, Mason, and vice Consuls Sturgeon and Wardell.

American Commercial Attache Killed. Nagasaki, Sept. 5. (By the Associated Press).—The family of the American commercial attache at Yokohama, E. G. Babbitt, are all dead.

T. de Jordin, the French consul at Yokohama, also was killed in the earthquake.

Reformed Missionaries Safe. New York, Sept. 5.—All of the missionaries in Tokio and Yokohama of the Reformed Church in America are safe, according to a cablegram from Kobe received today by the board of foreign missions of the church.

VETERANS HEAR TWO ADDRESSES DURING TODAY Gen. William Haldeman and Major Giles P. Cook Speak at Winston-Salem Reunion.

(By the Associated Press.) Winston-Salem, Sept. 5.—Features of the morning session of the second and concluding day of the sixteenth annual reunion of the North Carolina Confederate Veterans included two addresses by Gen. Wm. A. Haldeman, of Louisville, Ky., commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans and by Maj. Giles P. Cook, of Matthews Courthouse, Va., the only surviving member of the staff of Gen. Robert E. Lee; report of the committee on resolutions; songs of the Confederacy by Mrs. Eugene Legrand, of Winston-Salem; a get together luncheon as guests of the citizens of Winston-Salem.

At the closing business session this afternoon the 1924 convention city will be chosen and the officers elected. This will be followed by an automobile parade for the veterans under the direction of the Claude B. Bolling Post of the American Legion, and an automobile tour of the city for the visitors under the auspices of the Winston-Salem Elks' Lodge.

Miniature Southern Train Shows Electric Signals. Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 5.—Visitors to the Cincinnati Fall Festival and Industrial Exposition have been greatly interested by the exhibit of the Southern Railway System, consisting of a miniature passenger train, which shows how Southern trains are protected by electrically operated automatic block signals.

The exhibit shows the train in operation on an oval track, equipped with electrical signals working just as in actual practice on the road. The train consists of three coaches and is driven by electricity, taken from a third rail, though the locomotive is a model of the regular steam type.

Every day during the exposition, the Southern's booth has been surrounded by a crowd of interested spectators who were getting from it their first demonstration of how electricity is employed for the operation of signals and of the great degree of safety for brains which is afforded by this system.

The first British society for lowering the cost of living through co-operative buying and selling of staple commodities was formed seventy-five years ago by a few workers employed in a cotton mill near Leeds.

Will Discuss Building Creamery at Meeting Saturday Afternoon

A number of citizens of Concord and other sections of Cabarrus county have called a meeting for Saturday at which time plans for the establishment of a creamery in Cabarrus county will be discussed. This announcement was made today by one of the Concord citizens who is especially interested in the creamery. The meeting will be held at the court house at 2 o'clock.

Many of the business men of the county feel that the establishment of a creamery in Cabarrus county would be a forward step in the development of the county's agricultural interests, one of the promoters of the project stated. A creamery would be very profitable to the farmers, he also contended, and would add to the wealth of the entire community.

"Creameries located in other communities of the State are paying thousands of dollars annually to the farmers," this Concord citizen stated, "and we feel that a creamery in Cabarrus would add much to the wealth of our farmers. There is no reason why the proposition cannot be put over, and if the farm people show any interest in the project when the meeting is held Saturday, the proposition is almost certain to be put over."

SOAP WILL EXTERMINATE LEPROSY, SAYS SCIENTIST

If All People Would Keep Clean the Disease Would Be Extinct. (By the Associated Press.) Chicago, Sept. 5.—Soap is the greatest enemy of leprosy and if economic conditions could be changed so that every one could afford to be clean, and education create in them a desire and knowledge of hygiene, leprosy would soon cease to be a great scourge and become one of the rarest diseases, Dr. Arthur W. Stillians, professor of dermatology at Northwestern University, announced in an article published here.

The author arrives at the conclusion that to eradicate leprosy in this country the first object of the attack must be on the popular fear of the disease. "It seems the greatest difficulty in the isolation of lepers in the United States is finding them, their fear of being branded as lepers being so great that those who suspect the nature of their ailment will hide, at any sacrifice, rather than come into the open," says Dr. Stillians.

"As for the victims of the malady, occupational therapy is of benefit, it has been found. Kindness and encouragement put hope into their hearts and their condition improves as a consequence. Because leprosy in its early stages is not recognizable in port of entry examinations of immigrants, the problem of its control is a problem for the whole world."

He concludes by saying: "Could the nations cease wasting wealth and energy in wars against one another and present a united front against the common enemies of the human race, leprosy would certainly be conquered."

MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Sept. 5.—There were 22,191 marriages performed and 1,237 divorces granted in North Carolina during the calendar year 1922, according to returns received by the Bureau of the Census, there were 21,337 marriages and 668 divorces in North Carolina.

No divorces were granted in 1922 in nine counties of North Carolina, according to the report of the Bureau of the Census, which is subject to correction, the report being only preliminary. These counties are Clay, Dare, Davis, Hyde, Hoke, Onslow, Pender, Polk, and Tyrrell. Numbering 93, Buncombe county had the largest number of divorces, according to the report, which places Forsyth county second in this list with 80 divorces and Mecklenburg county third with 88 divorces.

The statistics for the report on marriages and divorces in 1922 were furnished the Bureau of the Census by the clerk of the superior court of each county. (This report shows that in Cabarrus county there were 281 marriages in 1922, and 17 divorces.—Editor.)

Women and Children Raise Missionary Funds. Winston-Salem, Sept. 5.—Women and children of the Pilot Mountain Baptist Association have raised approximately \$20,000 for missionary work and about \$5,000 more for other religious work, according to a report made here at a meeting of the association's Women's Missionary Union.

With Our Advertisers. Milk-Maid bread—a fresh loaf every day. See ad. of Concord Bakery. W. A. Overcash has a splendid display of new Fall clothes for men. You always get courteous treatment at the Citizens Bank and Trust Co. "Flesh and Blood," the big screen star production, at the Piedmont today and tomorrow.

Born a son, John Maxie Springs; September 5th, at Mrs. W. J. C. Springs, of Charlotte. Mrs. Springs before marriage was Miss Margaret Hendrix, of Concord.

Receipts at Charlotte Postoffice. Charlotte, Sept. 5.—Receipts of the Charlotte post office for August totaled \$45,287.70, representing an increase of more than \$5,000 over the receipts for the same month of 1922, according to an announcement by J. D. Albright, postmaster.

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Italy Declares Position As to Helium League

GERMANY NOT ABLE TO RESIST LONGER

Has Reached Point Where She is Too Poor to Continue Resistance Against Occupational Forces.

Berlin, Sept. 5. (By the Associated Press).—Germany has arrived at the end of her tether so far as her further ability to finance passive resistance is concerned. This is the current impression in banking circles which expected that Germany in the course of the next few days will take the initiative in the direction of proposing that official discussions be begun with the French and Belgian governments.

FARMER NETS 1.6 CENTS FROM EACH LOAF OF BREAD

Chicago, Sept. 5.—Wheat used in making a 10-cent loaf of bread nets the farmer 1.6 cents, according to figures of the American Farm Bureau Federation made public today.

"The price of grain to the farmer must be raised 100 per cent., or the price of bread must be lowered," Samuel Guard, official of the Federation, said in making the announcement. "The farmer is entitled to 28 per cent. of the price of bread, according to statistics of the Agricultural Inquiry Commission. If the farmer is getting his just proportion now the consumer should pay just a fraction more than cents."

It is explained that a barrel of flour, weighing 195 pounds, is obtained from four and one-half bushels of wheat, and will make 280 loaves of bread. The farmer only gets \$4.50 for the wheat it takes to make 280 loaves of bread.

Says Wheat in 10-Cent Loaf Nets Farmers Only 1.6 Cents. Chicago, Sept. 5.—Grain used in making a 10-cent loaf of bread only brings the farmer 1.6 cents, Samuel Guard of the American Farm Bureau Federation told an audience of bread eaters who attended the Labor Day celebration at Huntington, Ind., today.

"Ten-cent bread is too high or dollar wheat is too low," he said. "The price of grain to the farmer must be raised 100 per cent., or the price of bread must be lowered to the consumer. A dime for more than \$2 a bushel for wheat, dollar wheat is on an economic par with 6-cent bread."

ATLANTIC CITY BEAUTY SHOW America's Most Beautiful Girls Are in the Resort City to Take Part. Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 5.—Beauty will reign supreme over this famous resort during the remainder of the week, America's most beautiful girls, selected by popular competition in all the principal cities from the Atlantic to the Gulf, have come to Atlantic City to take part in the National Beauty Tournament, the stellar feature of the great Fall pageant and carnival to be held here during the next three days.

Regal entertainment has been provided for the Beauties during their stay here. The arrangements provide that they shall be feted and entertained as befits the Queens of Beauty that they are. There will be about seventy-five of these beautiful young women enrolled in the final contest for the title of "Miss America," by which the most beautiful girl in the nation is designated. East and West, North and South will contest for the supreme prize.

The three score and more beauties are to enter upon their program this evening, when the American Beauties' Ball is held at the Hotel Ambassador. This ball will not be open to the general public, but will be for the purpose of making the fair contestants acquainted with the directors of the pageant, the newspaper representatives and all others with whom they will be associated during the carnival.

Tomorrow morning the contestants will be free to amuse themselves as they please, but in the afternoon the first of the big events will take place, the arrival of King Neptune and the Inlet where he will come ashore for the ensuing festivities, there will be a special grandstand for the beauties. In the evening the beauties will be formally presented to His Majesty.

The colorful roller chair parade will be held Thursday afternoon. There will be miles of these conveyances, each carrying a beautiful girl and each decorated in an effort to outshine all others. The girls will be judged for their own beauty as they pass the reviewing stand and the chairs will be judged for their decorations.

Friday morning will be left open for whatever amusements the beauties desire, but in the afternoon they will gather for the Bathers' Review. It is this competition that will embody the contest for the honor of being proclaimed as America's most beautiful bathing girl and the possession of the \$5,000 Goldwyn Mermaid. The winner will be crowned "Miss America." Although the decision will be reached on Friday, it will not be publicly declared until Saturday. But even then, the sojourn of the beauties will not terminate. They are to remain in Atlantic City for a full week, and during the time of their entertainment of the young women will be provided without expense to themselves.

Outward and visible signs of public interest in the pageant and beauty contest are already abundant. Every hotel in the city is crowded, or has its rooms engaged in advance, every arriving train is filled to capacity, and the promenade for the largest crowd of visitors since resort at the famous New Jersey coast resort. Streets, hotels and places of business are gayly decorated with bunting and the entire city has taken on a carnival aspect. At night the entire waterfront is to be brilliantly ablaze with thousands of multi-colored electric lights.

Valuation of Railroads in the State Decreased. Raleigh, Sept. 4.—Valuation of railroads operating in the state were as follows: Atlantic Coast Line, \$20,191,619; Seaboard Air Line, \$31,641,192; Southern Railway, \$94,375,874; Norfolk & Western, \$4,613,604; Atlantic & Yadkin, \$2,013,500; Carolina & Northwestern, \$1,200,000; Winston-Salem Southbound, \$4,792,120.

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Delegate to League Assembly Says Italy Will Consider Intervention by League As Unjustified in Case.

GREEK DELEGATES ANSWER CHARGES

Declare Greece Not Anxious to Escape Responsibility, as She Has Shown Willingness to Discuss Issues.

Geneva, Sept. 5. (By the Associated Press).—Italy's representative, M. Salandre, told the council of the league of nations today that Italy would regard intervention of the league in the Graeco-Italian crisis as unjustified. The league, he asserted, had no competency in the affair, which belonged properly to the inter-allied council of ambassadors.

The Italian government expressed its irrevocable opinion through him that the council should not accept the Greek request that the league take up the matter. By her appeal, said Signor Salandre, Greece sought to escape her responsibilities. He emphasized that the present Greek government has not yet been recognized by a great number of countries, hence the necessity of Italy to seize Corfu to obtain satisfaction for the murder of the Italian commissioner.

The ambassador's council, he said, was the logical body to handle the incident, because the question of living up to the terms of the peace treaty was concerned. If the league closed its eyes to this fact, it would be acting in excess of its powers, he said.

M. Polis, former Greek foreign minister, in reply, said Greece had no desire to escape her responsibility and showed her good faith by requesting the appointment of neutral commissions to investigate.

Signor Salandre's statement created a sensation in the council chamber which had many Americans among the spectators.

Lord Robert Cecil, of England, added a sensation by insisting that Articles X, XII and XV of the covenant of the league of nations should be read immediately both in French and English by declaring that if these articles were to be disregarded, the whole settlement of Europe would be shaken.

Further discussion of the Graeco-Italian crisis was adjourned to unfixed date, but perhaps tomorrow, in order to give members of the council opportunity to examine the Italian declaration and decide upon their future attitude in the crisis, which is generally regarded as having been aggravated by Signor Salandre's pronouncement.

Belgium to Support League. Geneva, Sept. 5. (By the Associated Press).—It is reported that Pavy Hymans, the Belgian delegate, has received orders from Brussels to stand solidly with England in assuring respect for the league's pact, even at the cost of Italy's withdrawal from the league.

PRESIDENT SPEAKS TO POSTOFFICE CLERKS Was First Public Address Mr. Coolidge Has Made As Chief Executive.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 5.—Making his first public address since he became Chief Executive, President Coolidge advised 500 members of the United National Association of Post Office Clerks who he greeted at the White House to "render to their country everything an American citizen should desire—building up the resources of our nation, strengthening its character for yourselves and those who co-operate with you."

TWO OLD BATTLESHIPS DESTROYED AS TARGETS Ships Virginia and New Jersey Objects of Fire From Airplanes.

(By the Associated Press.) Newport News, Sept. 5.—Army aviators today attacked with bombs the old battleships Virginia and New Jersey off Cape Hatteras, according to an indefinite message received at Langley field. The message stated the scout squadron from Langley field had located the ships and the aviators anticipated no trouble in hitting them, despite unfavorable weather conditions.

"We think maneuvers are already underway," said one of the ranking officers at the field, "but we have no details as yet."

Gasoline Can in Stone. Washington, D. C., Sept. 5.—There is only one statue in the world in which a can of gasoline figures. This is in Madrid, and commemorates an incident in the Spanish war in Cuba. A certain house was known to shelter a number of Cuban insurgents, and a Spanish soldier conceived the idea of creeping up to it at night armed with a can of gasoline and a box of matches. He was to set fire to the gasoline and throw the can into the house.

The chances that he himself would not be burned to death were small, but to take advantage of every loophole for escape it was arranged that he should make his attempt with a long rope tied round him, the other end being held by his comrades, so that, if the rope was not burned through, he might, dead or alive, be dragged back.

The attempt was successful, and in due course a statue was erected in Madrid, showing, in addition to the man, his rope and can of gasoline.

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