

CHINA STARVES WHILE WAR GOES ON

EXCITING NEWS FROM OTHER SIDE OF WORLD LEAVES OUT DESTITUTION.

FAMINE AREAS DEFINED

Special Train Waits to Take Yuan Shi Kai to Tien Tain and His Position is Unenviable—Manchu Princes Are for Fighting to the Last Ditch, but Soldiers Are Indifferent.

Shanghai, Jan. 21.—The exciting news of war and diplomacy has caused the world to forget the terrible destitution that now prevails in China. It is a side issue, but one which may have a vital effect on the settlement of the revolution. The flood of the Yangtze last July and August has resulted in famine areas which now are defined accurately. First there is the great Hwai valley region, measuring about 100 by 300 miles, where the farmers have had only one good crop since 1906. Not only is there no reserve to meet present conditions, but the people have lost heart and will not try to help themselves. The second area is about Wu Hu, where the overflow formed for a time an inland sea from 80 to 100 miles long and varying in width from 35 to 40 miles. The last district is Hu Nan, where the floods were local. One section 20 miles square and containing at least 10,000 people was submerged completely. An estimate of 100,000 Hu Nan is considered conservative, while in the three areas, the lowest estimate of the destitute is 3,750,000.

Destitution such as is experienced in China is undreamed of in more progressive countries. There are few charitable institutions and many families are left shelterless and nearly unclad to endure the rains. Pillage and destruction have commenced in the country where the revolutionists are unable to keep order. In the towns which they have taken, the rebels keep fair order. The central China relief committee, with headquarters in Shanghai, is making an appeal in all countries for funds. The committee is thoroughly representative of the best foreign and Chinese communities here and is working in a businesslike manner. In return for relief the committee is exacting work from the recipients, who are required to deepen the water courses and strengthen the dykes, to guard against recurrence of the floods. Every effort is being made to avoid pauperizing the people and much of the work is planned to tide over the farmers until they can get in a crop.

Special Train. Peking, Jan. 21.—A special train has been held in readiness since Friday to take Yuan Shi Kai to Tien Tain. It was evidently the premier's plan to transfer the provisional capital to that city, where the danger from Manchus was slight. Apparently he intended to escape from Peking as soon as the edict of abdication was signed, but the reactionary princes gained the upper hand temporarily and prevented the issuance of the edict. Meantime the republican ultimatum arrived and resulted in a considerable

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GOTHAM GETS ROYAL VISIT TODAY

DUKE AND DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT ARE EXPECTED BY NEW YORK.

FIRST IN FIFTY YEARS

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In addition to the duke, who is governor general of Canada and uncle of King George V, and the duchess, the party will include their 25-year-old daughter, Princess Patricia; Miss Pelley, one of the ladies in waiting at the government house at Ottawa; Lieutenant Colonel Lowther, military secretary to the duke, and Captain Rivers-Bulkeley, controller of the vice regal household. The party will be driven by Ambassador Reid's home and remain there until Thursday afternoon. The program is altogether social, as the royal visitors desire to avoid the round of public functions which an official visit would make necessary.

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CARNEGIE AND THE TRUSTS



CHAIRMAN STANLEY ANDREW CARNEGIE

Washington, D. C., Jan. 21.—The solution of all trusts, but rather in favor of stringent government control, was the testimony of Andrew Carnegie before the Stanley investigating committee which will allow a fair margin of profit to the corporation and still protect the rights of the people at large. The above picture shows Andrew Carnegie arm in arm with Chairman Stanley during the noon recess. Mr. Carnegie's counsel, J. A. Reed, will testify before the Stanley committee during the coming week.

EXPLOSION'S CAUSE NOT DETERMINED UP TO DATE

Kemmerer, Wyo., Jan. 21.—The cause of the dust explosion in mine No. 4 of the Kemmerer Coal company, which brought about the death of five men and injured 18 others yesterday, has not yet been determined. The dead, James Smith, James Hansen, James Ward, Peter Landon and Thomas Dixon, all were Americans. They will be buried here. Nine of the more seriously injured were removed today to a hospital at Rock Springs, Wyo.

The explosion occurred in what is known as the "second north" entry, 100 feet from the main slope and 1,000 feet from the surface. The force of the explosion was closely confined and only those working in the immediate vicinity of the explosion were injured. Miners in other portions of the mine made their way to the surface uninjured. The fans remained in operation and the after-dump soon was cleared from the entries. The explosion itself was responsible for the deaths and injuries, none being overcome by gas. As soon as the alarm was given, rescue crews were summoned from the other mines of the Kemmerer Coal company and the United States mine car stationed at Diamondville, several miles away, was pushed to the scene. Led by helmet men from the rescue car, volunteers made their way with comparatively little difficulty to the second north entry and began the immediate removal of the injured. A thorough search of all the workings of the mine was made early today and all of the 112 men in the mine when the explosion took place are accounted for.

State Mine Inspector George Blacker in charge of district No. 1 reached Kemmerer today and immediately began an examination of the mine to determine the cause of the explosion. He was aided by officials of the United States rescue car. The mine workings were but little damaged.

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WEATHER BULLETIN IS CHEERFUL

Washington, Jan. 21.—There is nothing at present to indicate that a general cold wave will cross the country this week. The bulletin issued by the weather bureau tonight says temperatures will average near or above the normal throughout the country. "Generally far weather," the bulletin continues, "will prevail east of the Rockies except that a short period of rains and snows will attend a disturbance that will appear in the far west Tuesday or Wednesday, cross the middle west about Thursday and the Atlantic states Friday or Saturday. There are indications that general rains will set in over the Pacific states by the middle of the week and continue several days."

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BABIES ARE MIXED IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Jan. 21.—All babies born in Chicago hospitals are stamped, it was announced tonight, after attention has been called to the problem now vexing two Paris mothers. As soon as a baby arrives, an antiseptic label bearing the name of the mother, the date and hour of birth and the name of the attending physician is attached to the child. Attendants at the Chicago lying-in hospital discussed the enigma with which two Paris mothers have to deal. The stork visited a mother and her daughter at the same hospital and at the same hour in Paris. An attendant then mixed the infants. Each mother now wonders whether it is a son or a brother, or a son or a grandson. "If we did not have the stamping system," said a Chicago nurse, "we would be in trouble all the time. Identification is absolutely necessary where we have babies arriving at the rate of a dozen or two an hour."

RAILROAD PRESIDENT KILLED IN WRECK

Decatur, Ill., Jan. 21.—Four persons were killed in the private car of E. O. Melcher, second vice president of the Rock Island railroad, at Kinmundy, Ill., at 1 o'clock this morning. Among the dead is J. T. Harahan, Sr., former president of the Illinois Central. The private car was attached to the Somersville train, No. 25, which was standing, taking water, when No. 3 struck it, the engine of No. 3 plowing through the private car.

FIGHT AGAINST HARMON IS STARTED IN OHIO

Columbus, O., Jan. 21.—The Progressive Democratic league of Ohio, organized January 12, with the avowed purpose of hindering Governor Harmon's presidential chances, but which refrained from mentioning his name in the initial meeting, began its first direct attack on the governor today. The first copies of a pamphlet, of which it is said 100,000 are to be distributed, were sent out by former Congressman John J. Lentz, president of the organization. The pamphlet attacked Governor Harmon as being the choice of Wall street; it professed that the time is ripe for a democratic victory and warned democrats not to lose the chance of victory by the nomination of any but a progressive.

OVER-SEA RAILROAD TO BE OPENED TODAY

Key West, Fla., Jan. 21.—When the cross-over span at Knight's Key was closed this afternoon and a great concrete trestle into Key West finally was tested, everything was in readiness for the celebration of the over-sea extension of the Florida East Coast railway here tomorrow. Assistant Secretary of War Oliver will represent President Taft and accompany him will be a congressional delegation of 68. The over-sea road is one of the costliest railroads ever constructed. It steps from key to key, far out in the gulf, at some points being out of sight of land. Between the keys are long stretches of concrete viaducts and steel drawbridges. Work on the extension was begun from Homestead in 1904.

BUTTE WINS

Butte, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—The Butte hockey team defeated the Anaconda team today in a close and well-fought game, 1 to 0.

HONEY-CREEK GIRL OF HEROIC GRIT PASSES AWAY

KATE SHELLEY, WHO SAVED PASSENGER TRAIN THIRTY YEARS AGO, IS DEAD.

Boone, Iowa, Jan. 21.—Kate Shelly, heroine of the Honey Creek flood disaster in 1881, died today at her home, a quarter of a mile from the Moingona bridge, across the Des Moines river, at Boone, Iowa, at the age of 86. Six months ago she was operated on for appendicitis, and before she recovered, Bright's disease set in. In a violent storm 30 years ago Miss Shelly, who was station agent at Moingona, crossed the bridge over the Des Moines river on her hands and knees at midnight in order to flag a passenger train on the Chicago & Northwestern railroad to save it from plunging into Honey Creek, over which the bridge had been washed away. A yard engine with an engineer and two firemen went through the Honey Creek bridge, which is only a short distance from the Moingona bridge and Miss Shelly realized that she must act quickly in order to save the passenger train from disaster. With her lantern she succeeded in stopping the train only a few feet from the broken bridge.

PLUNGER ARRESTED.

London, Jan. 21.—The London police have in their custody a man and woman who were arrested Saturday aboard a steam yacht lying at Falmouth on the charge of fraud connected with the purchase of a house in France amounting to £1,000,000 (Fr. \$200,000). It is reported that the man, who goes by the name of Deville, is identical with Charles Welles, who years ago thrice in succession broke the bank at Monte Carlo.

STEPHENSON NOT CLEAR.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Certain members of the senate committee on privileges and elections are not yet satisfied with the findings of the subcommittee, which investigated and exonerated Senator Stephenson of Wisconsin on the charges growing out of his election, and it is intimated that a minority report may be presented to the senate.

CHILD IS DROWNED.

Arvada, Colo., Jan. 21.—The 15-month-old child of George Hollis was drowned in a small reservoir near here today when it fell into a hole cut in the ice so that water might be drawn from it.

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NIPPED IN BUD ARE CROOKED SCHEMES

POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT PUTS OUT OF BUSINESS MAIL-ORDER FRAUDS.

INSPECTOR GIVES FACTS

Robert Sharp, Chief of Postal Detectives, Tells of Quietus Put on Fakes of All Sorts, the Kind That Bilked the Public to the Tune of Seventy-Seven Million Dollars.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Promoters of fraudulent schemes who had obtained \$77,000,000 from the public were put out of business in the fiscal year ending June 30 last, according to the annual report of Robert Sharp, chief inspector of the postoffice department. In the fiscal year 529 individuals were indicted on the charge of using the mails in furtherance of schemes to defraud. Of this number, 194 persons were tried and 181 convicted. The schemes, investigated were of endless variety, carrying as the report indicates, "from the simplest business transactions to a gigantic project involving the sale of worthless stock in fake mining companies and imaginary and fictitious institutions existing only on paper."

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SCHEDULE ON TUESDAY

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Class Ad History CCXXXVII.—A GOOD SAMARITAN. This Missoulian class ad tells its own story. Starving horses saved and restored to their owner—this was the work of one good man through the medium of the class ad. This was the way of it: STRAYED. TAKEN UP BY ME, IN A STARVING condition, the following described stock: One bay pony, branded 8 on right hip, white face, two glass eyes, left front foot white, quite old; one gray mare with sucking colt, the mare is about 16 hands high, wire cut on left front leg and also on right hind leg near hock, if branded, it is on left shoulder; the colt is about five months old, brown with white spot on face. There are no charges against the above stock other than the hay they consume and charges for this publication. J. Wm. Davis, Twin Creeks, Montana. Two days the little ad was published. Then came word that the owner had seen the ad and had found his stock. All of which was quick work and easier than chasing over the country after the strays. The class ad costs but one cent a word. If you are out of work and want a job, The Missoulian will print your ad free.