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MILLIONS WANT BREAD

Advices From China Indicate Great Need.

American Red Cross Anxious to Aid in Halting Grim Destroyer.

Recent advices from China indicate that conditions in the famine district are as bad as have been rumored and are growing worse as days go by. Two and a half million Chinese will die for the want of bread if assistance is not rendered immediately. This number comprises nearly the entire population of the northern part of the provinces of Kiang-Su and Anhui.

The famine in China is the direct result of the great floods which inundated the provinces mentioned last summer, ruining the crops. Consequently there was no harvest and the supply of food on hand was not sufficient to sustain the people of these sections until the next harvest. In fact, unless prompt aid is rendered there will not be a next harvest, as the Chinese will eat the seed instead of planting it. During the first day of the famine mothers endeavored to sell their babies to provide food for themselves and save the children from starvation. Now they are trying to give the children away in the hope that those to whom the babies are given will be able to feed them. Along the banks of the Grand Canal the victims of this terrible calamity are living in mud and water, with only shacks of matting over their heads, hoping against hope that they may exist until boats bearing the staff of life comes up the canal to relieve them.

Writing from Hwai Yuan, via Nanking, E. C. Lobenstine, of the American Presbyterian Mission, describing the conditions which exist in the country immediately about Hwai Yuan, says:

"The majesty of Hwai Yuan has an estimated population of 300,000 persons. The number of famine sufferers—those who must be relieved or die—in this majesty alone, amounts to, approximately, 200,000—70 per cent of the entire population. Last year the flood was the worst here in many years, and the crops were poor. The wheat suffered from drought, and only one third was saved. This year about half of the wheat was harvested, but in the region north of Hwai two tornadoes and then the flood carried away practically everything.

"The need here is great, and the condition of the poor is as serious as that in other parts. Reports come in daily of people dying of starvation. The poor who have children are trying to sell them, but even they will not sell for pittance. Help is needed at once. As soon as the real cold and wet weather sets in the death rate will increase greatly.

"One million people are dependent on outside relief, and these will die of starvation if re-

lief is not given and they are kept in this region. Five months must be counted on, and a family cannot exist on less than one cent per head per day, if for that.

"We are eagerly hoping for help from the Red Cross Society."

This statement only gives an idea of the conditions in one portion of the great famine district.

This morning, to a correspondent, Miss Boardman, of the American Red Cross, stated:

"The plague is creeping southward towards this famine district. It has ravaged Manchuria, and thousands of refugees who have fled to Chefoo, in Chantung Province, have carried it there. Hundreds of deaths occur daily. The frozen ground prevents the burial of the dead and long rows of coffins lie on the roadside. American Consul-General Wilder, at Shanghai, cabled to the Red Cross that people stricken with this plague die within a few hours, and that it is of so fatal a nature no one ever recovers. The people have at last consented to cremation and several thousand of these bodies have been burned.

"The Red Cross has sent from Manila Dr. Richard Strong and Dr. Oscar Teague, plague experts, to aid the Chinese Government to fight the spread of this fatal pestilence. It is now only about 150 miles from the provinces in which the famine exists, and if it ever reaches there the result will be appalling."

President Taft, as President of the American Red Cross, has sent out an urgent appeal to our people to aid China, which is suffering from these dual calamities. Contributions of money can be sent to Mr. John B. Atkinson, Earlinton, Ky., member of the Kentucky Red Cross Board.

If the people of America desire to help these sufferers in China they must act immediately. The Red Cross makes all remittances to China by cable, through the State Department, thus insuring safe passage of funds from the giver to the beneficiary and the speedy application of such funds where they will do the most good.

Looses Diamond Ring and Watch.

Polk Blair, who is employed as machinist at the Round house had the misfortune to lose a valuable diamond ring, his watch and a months salary Monday night. He was working on the night shift and sometime during the night left his valuables in the shack a few moments, when he returned they were gone and no trace of the thief has yet been discovered.

Renew Your Subscription.

Don't forget to renew your subscription before the 1. day of March and ask for a number on the (\$30.) Range and (\$20.) Bed. Some one will get these valuable articles on this date and it may be you.

HELD DISTRICT MEETING HERE

Earlington Royal Arch Masons Have Lodge of Instruction and Inspection.

BEAUTIFUL BANQUET SERVED BY WIVES OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.

Earlington Royal Arch Chapter held a meeting Wednesday afternoon and evening of unusual interest to members of the order, at which all the degrees were conferred. The principal feature of the occasion was the visit of Grand High Priest Harry Bailey, of Cynthiana, who came upon invitation, to hold a lodge of instruction and to confer the royal arch degree, for purpose of demonstration, which he did with assistance of the local team and R. W. Overall, of Madisonville, who had a leading part. Annual inspection was made, too, by Frank H. Johnson, inspecting officer, of Louisville. A beautiful banquet was spread by Mesdames A. O. Sisk, Frank D. Rash and H. L. Browning, in which the Washington birthday idea was well carried out, and all were fed to a queen's (or three queens') taste.

Among the visiting Masons present were R. W. Overalls, N. L. Toombs and E. L. Hendricks, Madisonville; Hiram Brown, Crofton; O. B. Collett, D. W. Wayland, J. A. Kirkman and Walter Wendelkin, Henderson.

Dr. A. O. Sisk is high priest of the local chapter. Earlinton was the one place selected by the grand officer in the bounds of this judicial district, at which to demonstrate this work.

BARNES, COWARD & COMPANY.

Gave Their Clerks a Supper at the Victory Hotel Monday Night.

Mr. H. D. Coward manager of the Barnes, Coward & Co. Earlinton store gave the clerks employed in this establishment a delightful supper at the Victory Hotel Monday night. Those present were:

Misses Dodge O'Brien, Margaret Mitchell, Mary Blair, Messrs Lawrence Turner, Roy Peyton, Elgie Sisk and H. D. Coward.

The affair was greatly enjoyed by all present and vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Coward for the delightful entertainment.

Prominent People Marry.

Mrs. Florence Curtwright, of the Nebo country and Mr. H. D. Almon, of Mortons Gap, were married in Evansville Tuesday and left immediately for a trip to Chicago, where they will remain several days. Mrs. Curtwright is well and favorably known in this county and Mr. Almon is a substantial farmer. The Bee wishes them success and happiness.

Misses Edna Jackson and Achsa Bennett, of this city, visited friends in Mortons Gap Wednesday.

Bourland & Mothershead Making Improvement

The well known dry goods firm of Bourland & Mothershead are making improvements in their store, that will add greatly to its appearance and also make it easier to wait on customers. Four rolling ladders have been installed, two on each side of the store.

The False Front.

The woman who bought a book to keep the book agent from knowing she wasn't literary is the wife of the man who ordered in auto to keep people from knowing he couldn't afford to purchase one.—(Pack.)

The Amateur Poulterer

"Did you ever get mixed up with any get-rich-quick literature?"

"Only once when I got a book on how to raise chickens"—(Washington Star.)

THE BEE for the latest news.

Society Happenings

Mrs. Jno. Long Entertains.

Mrs. Jno. Long entertained a number of her friends at a six course dinner Wednesday. The table was artistically decorated with red carnations and red candles. The place cards white hatchets and all was in keeping with Washingtons Birthday. The Menu consisted of all the delicacies of the season. The conversation was replete with the sparkled with spontaneous humor. Following were the guests: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Trebern, Mr. and W. S. McGary, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Withers, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Browning, Mrs. Thayer and Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Long.

Sunday School Class Entertains.

Miss Annie Ashby's Sunday School class entertained very successful with a birthday sup-

per Tuesday night at the M. E. Church. The church was decorated in honor of Washington's birthday and the souvineers consisted of small, red, white and blue hatchets.

A very entertaining programe consisting of music, readings, etc were rendered and several interesting contests were introduced. The prize of the evening, a likeness of Washington, was one by Miss Sarah Crutchfield. Delightful refreshments of punch and Cake were served.

Strange to say there were only four families represented, Smith Pumpkin-seed, Snodgrass and Beaupole, but as each family consisted of quite a number of members, the class realized quite a sum of money to be used for the erection of the New church.

South End Bridge Club.

Mrs. Geo. Newbolt charmingly entertained the South End Bridge Club Thursday afternoon at her home in this city.

Many very exciting games (Continued on Page 8.)

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