

Epidemic Among Refugees May Put End to Armenia

One Hundred and Forty Towns in Occupied Territory Razed and Homeless Are Camping in Fields.

Tiflis, Armenia, Sept. 12.—(By The Associated Press.)—Armenian government officials state that they fear an epidemic among hundreds of thousands of refugees may complete the devastation of the country, due to Turkish occupation.

One hundred and forty towns in the occupied territory have been razed, and the homeless inhabitants are camping in the fields.

Cholera is spreading. Children are dying in the streets of Alexandropol both from cholera and hunger. Bodies are continually being loaded on wagons. Burials are made in trenches. Moscow is furnishing aid to fight the epidemic in the shape of trains of box cars and volunteer Russian nurses.

Workers Tell Stories.

New York, Sept. 12.—Observations of the ravages of disease and hunger among inhabitants of Trans-Caucasia, chiefly Armenia, were related today by five near east relief field workers who returned from a tour of the area. The party included J. J. Handsaker, Portland, Ore., and E. D. Owen, publicity director.

The relief workers penetrated beyond Erivan, capital of Armenia, where they reported they found abject misery prevailing. In Batum and Tiflis, Owen said, the suffering was not so apparent as in the interior.

Twenty Die Daily.

"At Erivan," he said, "they were picking bodies of men, women and children who died of cholera or starvation at the rate of 20 per day. The dead-wagon makes the rounds each morning. Hundreds of starving people crawl around the parks, market places and railroad stations."

The territory visited, he said, showed nothing but black despair. There was neither business, industry or agriculture.

Most of the victims are women and children, it was stated.

Minden Newspaper Plant Sold After Court Row

Minden, Neb., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—The News Publishing company plant was sold at public auction in this city Wednesday by J. J. Thomson, master in chancery, who was appointed by the district court to effect the sale. The plant, which is the publication head of the Minden News, was sold to C. P. Anderbery, a local attorney, who bid \$3,000, making the high offer for the plant. The News has enjoyed a flourishing business and is the only republican newspaper in Kearney county. It is the official paper of the county and the city of Minden.

Miss Florence E. Reynolds, one of the owners of the News, and the editor for the past 13 years, was one of the bidders, but refused to raise Mr. Anderbery's bid of \$3,000. The sale of the News plant was made necessary by a court action started in the summer of 1919, when the partners in the concern, D. S. Efner of Long Beach, Cal., and Miss Reynolds became involved in litigation over the amount of salary to which Miss Reynolds was entitled in her capacity as editor and manager of the News, covering a term of several years.

South Dakota Corn Crop To Be 109,685,000 Bushels

Sioux Falls, S. D., Sept. 12.—That South Dakota will this season produce a corn crop amounting to 109,685,000 bushels is the estimate of H. O. Herbrandson, field agent in South Dakota of the bureau of crop estimates, United States Department of Agriculture. His estimate is that corn will yield an average of 30.14 bushels per acre. If his estimate of the total yield is reached this will be the greatest corn crop ever raised in South Dakota, and will be due to the increased acreage and favorable weather.

Funeral of First Gage County War Hero to Give Life Held

Beatrice, Neb., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Funeral services for the late La Grange Hamey, the first Gage county man to lose his life in the world's war in France, were held from Scott's chapel, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Fancher of University Place. The American Legion was in charge in Evergreen home cemetery, where a military service was held. Hamey has a wife and two children in this city.

Vivacious Beauties Disport in 'Smiles of '21'



This flock of beauties comprises the vivacious chorus of the musical extravaganza, "Smiles of 1921," which Emile De Reat is bringing to Omaha for the evening performances at Ak-Sar-Ben field during the fall festival.

Man Asks Custody of His Child as Divorced Wife Wed Ex-Convict

Louis Baker asked the district court yesterday to give him custody of his 5-year-old child because his divorced wife, Grace Baker, has married William McKenna, an ex-convict. Baker alleges his former wife was married to McKenna 10 days after the latter was released from the penitentiary. Shortly thereafter, the wife got the little girl from Baker's mother and has refused to allow him to see the child. McKenna was in prison for automobile stealing. He was an important witness in the trial of Maurice Kaufman on an automobile stealing charge.

Boosters for Omaha-Tulsa Highway Visit Tecumseh

Tecumseh, Neb., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—A party of boosters for a proposed highway from Omaha to Tulsa, Okl., spent two days in Tecumseh endeavoring to arouse enthusiasm. A special meeting of the Community club was called and \$500 was asked from Tecumseh for the purpose of marking the route of the proposed highway. They state there are two proposed routes for this road up through eastern Nebraska. One is to include the principal towns along the river, including Nebraska City, and the other is to come via Falls City, Tecumseh and Lincoln. The Community club took no action in the matter.

Man Loses Fingers of Right Hand in Threshing Machine

Sidney, Neb., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—E. H. Sanders, farmer living northwest of Sidney, lost all the fingers on his right hand by getting them caught in a combine threshing machine. He is under treatment in Sidney and doctors say he will save the thumb only.

Big Corn Show Anticipated at Pawnee County Fair

Table Rock, Neb., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Pawnee county people are anticipating the greatest corn show ever held at a county fair this fall. This is due not only to the fact that the county has one of the largest corn crops in its history, but

China Refuses to Negotiate Over Shantung Return

Country Will Base Action on Ground That Versailles Action Was Illegal and Japan Without Rights.

Peking, Sept. 12.—(By The Associated Press.)—China will refuse to entertain Japan's proposals relative to settlement of the Shantung controversy, it is declared by a person in the confidence of the administration. It will base its action on the ground that the award of Shantung to Japan by the treaty of Versailles was illegal and that Japan has no right to the privileges in Shantung which were conferred by concession upon Germany, which were turned over to Japan at the peace conference.

It is pointed out that the Japanese proposals make no mention of the rights reserved to China under the German agreement relative to the redemption of the railways in Shantung.

The Chino-German agreement provided Germany could not transfer rights ceded to it to any other nation and also there was a reservation to the effect that China might redeem control of the railways constructed under the agreement. The Japanese note proposed joint operation of the railways already constructed as a result of the new consortium and the restitution to China of the port of Tsing-Tao and leased territory.

Boy Escapes From Iowa Reformatories 3 Times

Atlantic, Ia., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Ray Brandon, 14-year-old boy of Massena, has made his third escape from state institutions to which he was committed after a hearing on his delinquency.

Several weeks ago young Brandon was brought before Judge Rockefeller in district court on a charge of having broken into several business houses at Massena. The offense had been repeated by him several times, it was said. Judge Rockefeller ordered the lad committed to the juvenile home at Toledo.

York County Court Rules In Nicholson Murder Case

Aurora, Neb., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—The judgment of the county court of York county holding that Nancy Plank Nicholson did not survive her husband, Carl E. Nicholson, in the tragedy at Bradshaw last winter when Nicholson took the lives of his wife, his three children and himself, has just been received here. M. E. Plank of Bradshaw, father of Mrs. Nicholson and her administrator, filed an application in the county court for one-half of the Nicholson estate on the ground that his daughter survived her husband.

Lowa Honey Yield This Year To Fall Below '20 Production

Massena, Ia., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Though they will gather about seven tons of honey this year from their apiary, Thompson Brothers of Mount Etna say the yield will fall short of last year's output. The Thompsons are among the most extensive bee keepers in western Iowa.

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 - Kleiner's pure rubber sanitary aprons, 49c.
 - All rubber sanitary belts, each, 19c.
 - Wood button molds, doz., 2c.
 - Embroidery needles, all sizes, choice, per pkg., 4c.
 - Dr. Parker skeleton waists, all ages, each, 25c.
 - Sanitary napkins, extra soft, per dozen, 39c.
 - Barbour's linen thread, per spool, 19c.
 - Best rick-rack braid, white and colors, bolt, 9c.
 - Kleiner's rubber jiffy pants, pair, 39c.
 - J. & P. Coats' best machine thread, 6 spools, 28c.
 - Carmen face veils, good values, each, 10c.
 - Plain and fancy colored bias tape, Wright's, bolt, 5c.
 - O. N. T. crocheted cotton in white and colors, 3 balls, 25c.
 - Boys' and girls' hose supporters, reduced to 19c pair.
 - Kid curlers, extra good, several sizes, dozen, 7c.
 - Lingerie tape for underwear, per bolt, 4c.
 - Buttons used for trousers, black only, per dozen, 2c.
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