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JAPAN'S DISASTER BEHELD IN HORROR ITALY MAY DESEVE LEAGUE NOTHING LEFT OF TOKIO; CASUALTIES ARE LIKELY TO GO BEYOND 500,000

Mussolini Takes Firm Position

Declares Pact Makes No Provision for Intervention Except When War Danger Threatens.

Says Greece Must Obey

By BENITO MUSSOLINI, Premier of Italy.

Rome, Sept. 4.—If the league of nations persists in its intention to interfere in Italy's personal affairs of honor with Greece, Italy may be forced to leave the league.

I respect the aims of the league but deny that there is anything in the pact providing for its intervention in such cases as the present, which touches the honor of Italy.

The pact only speaks of danger of war. There is no danger of war now. It is a question merely of the simple execution of justice.

Will Hold Corfu. If an Englishman had been in my place he would have done the same thing. When French sailors were slain in Athens in 1916, France imposed similar severe conditions on Greece such as Italy imposes now.

I shall hold Corfu until Greece obeys without qualification all of our demands.

If Greece commits further outrages in Italian subjects I shall commence repressive military measures immediately.

By Universal Service. London, Sept. 4.—"The league of nations is incompetent to be the judge in the dispute of Italy with Greece," Premier Mussolini told the Italian cabinet today.

"Should the league declare itself competent it would raise the issue whether Italy would remain or leave the league. I have already decided to adopt the second point, and I beg the cabinet whether they approve my instructions to our delegation at Geneva."

Following this statement the cabinet immediately voted endorsement of the premier's course.

Warns British Press. The London Evening News and the Daily Mail tonight print an interview with the Italian premier in which he declared:

"If the Greeks fulfill the conditions of my ultimatum and pay up, I will withdraw from Corfu, but they had better pay soon, for next week the price will be higher."

"I have no intention of occupying more Greek territory or employing other sanctions unless the Greeks are foolish enough to attack Italian subjects or property."

Mussolini warns the British press that "the Italian public is deeply grieved by the attack of a large section of English newspapers and I hope this burning lesson will definitely cure Italy of believing conventional pledges of friendship."

England Insists on Claims Settlement

Montreal, Sept. 4.—Great Britain will not abandon its right to reparations on its claim to the debt which nations owe it, the earl of Birkenhead, lord high chancellor in the Lloyd George cabinet, declared in an address here today.

"The position would be a monstrous one that we, a victorious nation, should be the only country in the world paying indemnity," he said.

Auburn Man Crushed by Heavy Telephone Pole

Auburn, Neb., Sept. 4.—Charles Walbridge of this city was seriously injured Monday afternoon while assisting in unloading a carload of telephone poles. Other workmen lost control of a 65-foot pole and Walbridge was pinned down and crushed in the abdomen. No bones were reported broken but he was rendered unconscious. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Walbridge of Falls City. His father is Burlington roadmaster.

3 Earth Shocks Felt on Coast

Berkeley, Cal., Sept. 4.—Three distinct earthquake shocks have been recorded since Saturday noon on the seismograph at this city. According to Prof. J. M. MacEwan, a violent shock, 5,500 miles from Berkeley, was noticed from 6:59 to 9:32 o'clock Saturday evening. Unabated. While the definite direction of the shock could not be determined, MacEwan expressed the belief that it was one of the Japanese quakes.

The second shock was recorded at 10:19 Saturday night and lasted more than a minute. The seismograph showed the quake to have taken place about 3,300 miles from Berkeley, Sunday afternoon, from 2:58 to 2:13 o'clock, a slight shock was recorded. No record of the distance could be obtained.

Earthquake shocks reported in St. Louis had not been recorded by the seismograph at the university, MacEwan said.

Kiss Valued at \$5,000 by Sioux City Woman

Sioux City, Ia., Sept. 4.—"Mrs. G. Hoefler. "To Joe Rosenthal. "Tune—'One Kiss \$5,000.' That's the kind of a bill Mrs. G. Hoefler has presented in district court here. Mrs. Hoefler has filed suit for \$5,000 damages alleging that Rosenthal wrongfully and against her wishes forcibly kissed her.

She also declares Rosenthal went to her home uninvited and forced himself in the house, making improper and indecent advances to her.

Omaha Will Aid Japanese People

Chamber of Commerce Discusses Means of Relief for Earthquake Sufferers.

Omaha is taking immediate action to do its share in the relief of suffering among the hundreds of thousands of homeless, hungry refugees in the wake of the earthquake and flames which reduced to total ruin one of the most densely populated areas in the world, in the vicinity of Tokio and Yokohama.

The Omaha Chamber of Commerce met Tuesday noon at the call of President A. C. Scott and J. L. Kennedy, chairman of the executive committee, with representatives of the American Red Cross probably in attendance.

The chamber named the following sub-committee to take charge of Japanese relief and co-operate with the Red Cross: A. C. Scott, Randall K. Brown, J. David Larson and John L. Kennedy.

C. C. George was appointed to get in touch with the National Chamber of Commerce in connection with the work of that body for relief of the earthquake victims.

According to Mr. Kennedy, the most important question is getting relief to the stricken area at once.

"Omaha will do its share," he said. "It probably will be necessary to rush food supplies from the nearest source, either Siberia or Australia, but United States must help furnish the money."

Bryan Raps Coolidge Over Coal Strike

Lincoln, Sept. 4.—Governor Bryan today declared that President Coolidge's recent statement urging foreign states in the bituminous fields to appoint district representatives to enlarge distribution of coal, was "unfortunate."

He said that President Coolidge should, instead of this recommendation, make one threatening to take over the mines of the country in order that coal prices might be lowered.

"The president's statement was very unfortunate," he said. "In that it tended to identify to the coal dealer that the government was going to help him sell coal, and he immediately raised the prices. If carried out, I think the president's ideas would cost the working people of the nation millions of dollars."

Jail Condition Are Rapped by Henry Beal

County Attorney Beal yesterday morning complained over the "injustice" to some 25 prisoners given penitentiary sentences and who are still being held in the county jail here.

"Men are being kept there in the jail for many months, unable to see the ground or sky, and when they come out they won't have any respect for either society or themselves," said the county attorney. "They were sentenced to the penitentiary and should be sent there."

At the sheriff's office it was explained that crowded conditions in the penitentiary made it impossible to send the men there, and that the same crowded conditions prevail in most county jails of the state.

Jap Bonds Fall

New York, Sept. 4.—A sharp drop in Japanese bonds and moderately lower stock prices was the financial market's first reaction to the disaster that has befallen Japan.

City of Tokio, 5 per cent bonds, quoted on the New York Stock Exchange, dropped 19 points to 65 and losses of 1 to 2 1/2 points took place in Japanese first and second 4 1/2 and Japanese 4s.

New low records for the year were established by British exchange and German marks, demand sterling being quoted at \$4.53 3/4 and German marks selling for 7 cents a million. The Japanese rate was unchanged at 49 cents. Japanese bonds later made partial recovery.

Farmer Ships Potatoes.

Guide Rock, Neb., Sept. 4.—J. W. Ayr, potato farmer near here has shipped 22 carloads of potatoes this season, the cars going to Burlington, Ia., Chicago, and St. Louis. He will have several more carloads to ship later, and two other growers here will sell the total shipment to nearly 80 carloads for the season. Five years ago the potato industry here was practically unknown but is growing rapidly.

Over 10,000 Farmers at State Fair

Fifty Chicago Dancing Girls Stage Big Show—Cattle and Fish Exhibits Attract Attention.

Horseshoe Tournament

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 4.—There's no ice water flowing in the veins of the Nebraska farmers attending the 55th annual Nebraska state fair.

This was proved by the reception the men and boys from the farm, numbering 10,000 gave the 50 dancing, twirling, barelimbed chorus girls of Chicago under the direction of Ernie Young, who is putting on his show west of Chicago for the second time.

Giving fair visitors a specimen of the "Great White Way" life was an innovation on the part of the fair management. It will be done again because it certainly has proved a success.

Then, there is a midway. It is occupied by the Con T. Kennedy shows. This carnival company appeared in Council Bluffs last week.

Nor should it be forgotten that politics intermingles with a state fair. Candidates galore are present at the fair grounds, mixing with the visitors. For example, among those present are A. N. Mathers of Gering, A. J. Weaver of Falls City, Perry Reed of Henderson, all prospective candidates for republican nomination for governor. Senator W. B. Banning, whose friends are nursing a boom for him for the gubernatorial nomination the democratic ticket, is another handshaker at the fair grounds.

Governor Bryan dispelled all fear that criticism would be aimed at the established habit of the fair board to give members of the legislature free passes to the grounds. The governor asserted that, to his mind, there was a vast difference in giving state passes to legislatures and feeding them free fish from the Gretna hatchery.

The fish exhibit from the Gretna, Benkleman and Valentine hatcheries continues to attract probably more people than any other single exhibit. All specimens of fish, including a 60-pound catfish caught at the mouth of the Platte, are on exhibit.

In addition, George G. Koster, state game warden, has added a display of live native and near-native birds in a wooded, watered space in the rear of the fish exhibit. This includes wild ducks, geese, pheasants, grouse, prairie chickens and numerous other birds. The pheasant and other native to Nebraska, are being turned loose over the state in an effort to provide new game birds in the years to come. A cross between a guinea and pheasant, raised by John Gilham, a Niborana hotel man, is the freak of the exhibit.

Large Showing of Cattle.

The cattle exhibit, including more than 1,200 head, 600 of them of the beef classes, is the largest in history, according to Con McCarty of York. This exhibit attracted the eye of former Governor S. R. McKelvie all afternoon.

"The most remarkable feature of the entire cattle show, to my mind, is the success of the boys' and girls' calf clubs," Mr. McCarthy said.

"These kids have 25 baby heaves on display and winners of the first and second prizes were girls, the winner of the second prize being an orphan girl."

Among the Nebraska exhibitors this year are Congressman Ashton C. Shallenberger, Alma; F. A. Sloan, Birchard; George Bueser and son, Orbrook; Paul Larson and son, Wolbach; A. J. Niles and son, Pawnee City; Graff Bros, Bancroft; F. A. Mitchell, Hooper; F. C. Buschew, Blue Hill; S. W. Stewart and son, Kennard; H. S. Stark, Tekamah; Jay White, York; H. J. Wessel, Blue Hill; George W. Ritzdorf, Walton; Thomas Andrews, Cambridge; Haskins and Ogden, Republican City; F. W. Ritzdorf and son, Walton.

Horseshoe Tournament.

The horseshoe tournament, something new at the fair, is proving a big success. Eighty have entered the tournament. Winners of the first day's tossing are Fritz Kummerfeld, Tilden; J. C. Thompson, Mead; L. C. Wise, Weeping Water; A. M. Jensen, Danmore; Howard Robinson, Ord; Fred H. Aurora; A. A. Smith, Lincoln; A. V. Lund, Mead; William Hays, Tilden; Harry Smith, Ashland; H. Randall, University Place; M. J. Ribble, Chapman; Albert Grace, Roca; A. D. Nelson, Minden; C. A. Hill, North Loup; H. L. Dornhoff, Hartwell; Swartz, Berquist, Shickley; Alfred Heising, Washou; L. A. Bucklin, Blair; A. W. Ewing, Roca; Louis Kuehn, Firth.

The state association of horseshoe pitchers met Monday and voted to make Lincoln its permanent headquarters. H. G. Hoel of Omaha was elected president. Other officers are: F. A. Good, Lincoln, secretary; J. A. Noff, Wahoo, treasurer; A. W. Ewing, Roca, vice president.

If Lynch Law Is Right, Then Italy Is Justified



Judge Aldrich to Quit Bench

Illness Will Force Resignation of State Supreme Court Jurist, Announced.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Lincoln, Sept. 4.—Chester H. Aldrich, judge of the supreme court and former governor, will be forced to resign because of ill health not later than October 1, according to confirmed reports here.

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It is reported that Governor Bryan will appoint District Judge J. H. Broady of Lincoln to succeed Judge Aldrich. Judge Broady was private secretary to the governor during the legislative session and was appointed to the Lancaster county bench following death of one of the Lancaster county judges. The home of Judge Aldrich is in the first congressional district.

Following the consultation it was announced that Victor Seymour of Norfolk had been appointed deputy clerk of the court to succeed Phil Greene, resigned. Seymour held this position until John L. Kennedy of Omaha ran for United States senator when he resigned to manage Mr. Kennedy's campaign.

Four Persons Injured in Car Spill Near Beatrice

Wymore, Neb., Sept. 4.—In an auto accident on the Cornhusker highway, about four miles north of Beatrice, four persons were injured, one seriously, and the auto badly damaged. The car, owned by Ross Highland, prominent farmer of Ellis vicinity, and driven by his son, Harry, was skidded at a turn in the road and went off the end of a culvert, turning on its side. In the car, besides Highland, were Mel Nelson, and Miss Elizabeth Davis and Miss A. Emrick. Miss Davis sustained a broken collarbone, a sprained wrist and body lacerations and was taken to the home of Mrs. C. E. Caldwell at Beatrice. The other three parties were severely cut and scratched, but were able to go to their homes.

Gas Cut to 14 Cents by Texas Independents

Fort Worth, Tex., Sept. 4.—Gasoline prices at a number of local independent filling stations have dropped from 16c to 14c a gallon. Larger companies have not dropped their gasoline prices. Magnolia and Gulf stations sold gasoline at 16c.

Wymore Woman Dies

Beatrice, Neb., Sept. 4.—Funeral services for Mrs. Mary E. Brown, Wymore resident, who died here, were held from the Scott-Harman chapel, conducted by Rev. J. M. Dorby. The body was taken to Fremont for burial.

Trial Flight of ZR-1 Is Successful

Huge Naval Dirigible Sails for Hour and Lands Without Mishap.

By Associated Press. Lakehurst, N. J., Sept. 4.—The rigid airship ZR-1 of the United States navy made its first trial flight over the Atlantic ocean. As it rose, two airplanes, one representing the army and the other the navy, left the ground to accompany the balloon on its maiden voyage.

The big ship sailed smoothly for nearly an hour, then began circling the field at a speed of about 30 miles an hour, preparatory to landing.

After being in the air 55 minutes the dirigible was brought to the landing field without a mishap. Great satisfaction was expressed with the flight.

Nearly 400 men were required to hold the giant ship as she was slowly dragged from the hangar. About 25 hung on the ropes, while the rest hung to the fore and aft.

Roundhouse Workman at Oxford Killed by Engine

Guida Rock, Neb., Sept. 4.—Alva Amack, 24, foreman of the Burlington roundhouse at Oxford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Amack, prominent farmer near Guide Rock, was killed at the roundhouse while on duty. He had been employed at Oxford about eight months. It is not known how the accident occurred, but word reached his parents that an engine had run over him, severing the body about the waist line. The body will be brought here for burial.

\$500,000 Paving Bond Sale Is Authorized by Council

The city council yesterday authorized the sale of \$500,000 worth of public improvement bonds.

The proceeds of these bonds are used to pay paving contractors immediately on completion of the work and the money is returned to a revolving fund as the property owners assessed for the improvements pay their special taxes.

This revolving fund is not replenished 100 per cent because the cost of intersection paving is not assessed against the property owners.

Rail Head Held Up.

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 4.—Charles M. Levey, president of the Western Pacific Railroad Company; E. W. Mason, vice president, and G. L. Phillips, assistant engineer, were held up by two youthful bandits who entered Mr. Levey's private car at Thornton, San Joaquin county, at 3:15 a. m., today and robbed them of approximately \$150. Mr. Mason's watch also was taken.

Coolidge Thrift Includes Politics

President No Spender of Party Money, G. O. P. Committee Treasurer Says.

New York, Sept. 3.—To the man who holds the strings of the G. O. P. money bags, President Coolidge would be an ideal candidate for the party to run in 1924, "because he is light on his expense account."

Frederick W. Upham of Chicago, treasurer of the national republican committee, today cited this as one of the qualifications which made Mr. Coolidge popular with him in the days when Calvin Coolidge was only an industrious servant of the party.

"I never knew a man who would go out and make a couple of campaign speeches and send in as small an expense account as Cal," said Mr. Upham. "He didn't know what it was to pad an account."

"Even as vice president he refused to travel in a Pullman drawing room. A berth, upper or lower, is good enough for me," he would say. "The funds of the party are scarce. He was a rare politician in that respect."

He said the republican party gradually was liquidating the deficit of two or three million dollars it accumulated during the Harding campaign, "and the joke of it is, Harding would have been elected if we hadn't spent \$98."

Omaha Lions Prepare for 1924 Meeting

The Omaha Lions club met to make plans for the 1924 international convention to be held here next June, at the Fontenelle at 12:15 yesterday.

Frank Meyers of the Farmers' union heads the committee that has charge of the general arrangements of the convention.

In addition to a report of the convention committee, delegates to the 1923 convention held in Atlantic City, which includes Vincent Hascall, J. D. Drescher, Merle Taylor, Will Hayes and Dr. C. E. Waters, will relate details of the convention.

J. Dean Ringer assumes the presidency of the club for the coming year. Will Haynes is secretary.

3 Die in Furnace Explosion.

Roanoke, Va., Sept. 4.—Three persons were killed in a furnace explosion at Pulaski yesterday, according to unconfirmed reports received here early tonight.

Later advices said the plant was wrecked and that rescue workers were experiencing great difficulty in searching the ruins. The message added that not more than five men were missing.

The bodies of William Bird of Pulaski, and two unidentified negroes have been recovered.

Nothing Left of Tokio; Casualties Are Likely to Go Beyond 500,000

Fire Continues to Rage in Yokohama With Only Two Buildings Remaining Recognizable—Property Loss Exceeds \$5,000,000,000—Pestilence Lurks in Water Polluted by Bodies.

American Consul-General and Family Are Killed

Shanghai, Sept. 4.—Fujiyama, sacred mountain of Japan, today loomed down upon a scene of horror, death and desolation such as has never before been witnessed.

Destruction and desolation, the aftermaths of the titanic earthquake, fire, tidal wave and typhoon disaster which struck the island empire last Saturday with deadly violence, had unchallenged sway over hundreds upon hundreds of communities scattered for miles and miles around Fujiyama and up and down the adjacent seacoast, with the center of the fatal disturbance located along the shores of the bay of Tokio.

No single unharmed structure is left in Tokio, the deadly blaze having consumed most of the principal buildings and houses spared by the preceding earthquake and storm.

San Francisco, Sept. 4.—Slight tide changes that might have been caused by a distant subterranean disturbance were recorded on the tide gauge in San Francisco harbor for several hours Saturday. It was reported today by Fremont Morse, head of the United States coast and geodetic survey here. The manifestations were so insignificant as to be hardly noticeable, Morse said.

Ship Delayed for Food.

Seattle, Wash., departure of the steamer Yokohama Maru with first relief supplies from the United States for the devastated area of Japan, has been delayed until tomorrow to allow the gathering of an increased shipment, officials of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, operators of the vessel announced today.

The Yokohama Maru was to have sailed today with 600 sacks of rice. Delay in sailing will result in a larger supply of rice being sent with other much-needed stores.

The steamer Kaga Maru sailed this morning for Kobe, with surplus ship stores that may be used for the relief of refugees. A few passengers, all that could be crowded in her limited accommodations were on board.

Y Secretaries Missing. Chicago—Seven Y. M. C. A. secretaries in the earthquake zone in Japan have not been heard from, it was stated today at the Chicago office of the international committee.

They are Franklin H. Brown, Arthur Jorgensen, George S. Patterson, W. S. Ryan and R. S. Spier, all stationed at Tokio; H. S. Sneyd, Yokohama and D. E. Yarnell, merchant marine, Yokohama.

Salvation Army Aids. Chicago—Commissioner William Peart of the Salvation army headquarters here announced his organization would raise \$50,000 in the Chicago territory for Japanese relief.

Seeks Envoy-Husband. Berlin—Mme. Solf, wife of Dr. W. H. Solf, the German ambassador to Japan, has appealed to the American embassy here to aid her in getting some word about her family in the Japanese capital. She thought it probable her husband and children were at some seaside resort near Tokio.

Detroit Gives \$25,000. Detroit, Mich.—The city council today voted an appropriation of \$25,000 to the American Red Cross for relief work in Japan.

Mourning Period Ends at U. S. Capital. Washington, Sept. 4.—The great flag that flies atop the White House, went up to full staff this morning, marking the end of the period of mourning for the late President Harding.

The flag at full staff means that the president of the United States is in the United States mansion and that all is well with the republic.

Simultaneously with the ending of the period of mourning, the transition of administrations was completed today.

C. Bascom Slemp of Virginia, veteran congressman from a southern state, reported to President Coolidge and took up his duties as presidential secretary. George B. Christian, Jr., of Ohio, and a friend to the late president, made Mr. Coolidge's body last night and departed for Maine on an extended vacation.

Lou Denies Engagement. New York, Sept. 4.—Lou Telegen, actor, from whom Geraldine Farrar obtained a divorce on June 27, today denied he was engaged to marry Lorna Ambler, the Australian actress, whom it has been reported, intimated she was engaged to wed Telegen.

The Weather. For 24 hours ending 7 p. m., Sept. 4. Highest, 82; Lowest, 61; Mean, 70; Highest, 82; Lowest, 61; Mean, 70; Nor. 70.

Total excess since January 1, 2.23. Relative Humidity, Percentage. Total Excess since January 1, 2.23.

Hourly Temperatures. 8 a. m. 65 9 a. m. 68 10 a. m. 72 11 a. m. 75 12 noon 78 1 p. m. 80 2 p. m. 82 3 p. m. 84 4 p. m. 86 5 p. m. 88 6 p. m. 89 7 p. m. 90 8 p. m. 91 9 p. m. 92 10 p. m. 93 11 p. m. 94 12 noon 95

Pawnee County Rural Opened September 4

Pawnee City, Neb., Sept. 4.—Pawnee county rural schools opened today, following a three days' teachers' institute here the latter part of last week.