

None of 'em are in it at fun-making with the Katzenjammers. Happy Hooligan and little Snookums.

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FAMINE KILLS THOUSANDS IN MEXICO DAILY

Red Cross Representative Says at Least Two Thousand People Perish Every Day from Hunger.

PICTURES TERRIBLE SCENES

Tells of Gaunt Women Clawing Scraps to Eat Out of Garbage Heaps.

MEETING HELD IN CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Two thousand people are dying every day throughout Mexico from starvation. This statement was made by J. O'Connor, special representative of the Red Cross in Mexico, at the annual meeting of the organization.

Mr. O'Connor replied to those who have charged Red Cross workers with giving untrue reports of conditions in Mexico, by saying that he had data showing that in the federal district about Mexico City, in October, the daily number of death due to starvation was about 220. He added that he considered it a conservative estimate to say that at least 2,000 were dying every day in the whole of Mexico, from lack of food or on account of disease attendant upon famine conditions.

Claw in Garbage Heaps.

"In the streets," he declared, "I often saw gaunt women and children clawing in barren garbage heaps for scraps. I saw groups of pathetic wretches waiting hours before doors of private houses for a cupful of soup. I saw acres of paupers' graves where the dead were buried so fast that the tin name plates required by law were not set above the graves."

President Wilson and former President Taft sat on the platform together. They greeted each other warmly. In a brief address President Wilson praised the humanitarian work being done by the American Red Cross in the European war, saying it was the greatest agency the United States had for good.

The office of national director was abolished, and in its place two offices were created—director general of military relief and director general of civilian relief. Ernest P. Bicknell, formerly national director, was placed at the head of the civilian branch, and Major General Arthur N. Murray, retired, elected vice chairman of central committee, was named director general pro tem of military relief.

Other Officers Re-Elected.

All other officers of the society were re-elected. A resolution was adopted thanking the Rockefeller Foundation for its co-operation with the Red Cross in relief in Serbia. President Wilson occupied the chair, while Dr. Strong told of the American Red Cross sanitary work in stamping out typhus in Serbia. Dr. Strong in concluding his address turned toward the president as he said:

Protest in Hooking Case Bears Fruit

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Requitting by the British government of the American Trans-Atlantic steamer Hooking has been postponed after three weeks. Secretary Lansing was advised today. The steamer is at Halifax, where it was taken by a British warship.

Ambassador Page's presentation at London of the American protest is believed to be one cause of the postponement.

The American consul general at Halifax has informed the State department that the prize court there allowed last week the requisition moved by the attorneys for the crown. Postponement was obtained by the British attorney general at the request of colonial authorities.

The Weather

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.	
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11 a. m.	40
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Comparative Local Record.	
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Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.	
Station and State.	Temp. High—Rain.
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