

# JAPANESE CITIES BURIED BY VOLCANIC OUTBURST

## Tidal Wave and Earthquakes Lend Additional Horror to General Destruction.

### Communication Cut Off—Fleeing Hundreds Caught by Lava Streams—Many Driven Into Sea.

Tokio, Japan—A tidal wave added its terror to the earthquakes and volcanic eruptions which struck Kagoshima, in Southern Japan, Sunday evening, according to official advices received here. Thousands of lives have been lost.

It is believed here that the disaster will prove to be one of the most serious in the history of Japan. The extent of loss of life and property increase with each new report.

The full extent of the disaster can not be learned as all communication is cut off from the stricken district south of Kumamoto, 80 or 90 miles north of Kagoshima. The navy department was unable to obtain a wireless report from the warships sent to the scene, although many messages were dispatched to them.

Ashes to the depth of six inches have fallen in the seaport of Miyazaki, on the east coast of Kyushu.

A postal employe who fled from Kagoshima states that the big postoffice building there collapsed during the earthquakes and tidal wave and that a great number of residences were ruined, while many people and animals were killed or injured.

The navy and army departments are giving succor and supplies to Kagoshima.

The population of the city of Kagoshima, which is buried almost completely in volcanic ashes and stones, was 60,000 at the last census. The population of the adjoining island of Sakura, the center of the disturbance, is given as 15,000. On this island hundreds are reported to have perished beneath the streams of lava from the volcano of Sakura Jima. Many more undoubtedly were drowned while attempting to escape.

Doctors and hospital attendants have been sent to the scene, but it is difficult to reach the spot, as railroad

communication is impeded by the heaps of ashes and the tracks have been torn up by the earthquakes.

The violence of the eruption of Sakura Jima is so great that showers of dust are falling here, although the distance between Nagasaki and the island of Sakura is about 90 miles.

A refugee who arrived here from Kagoshima gave the following account of the disaster:

"The eruption started Sunday night with columns of thick black smoke and flames from the crater of Sakura Jima. Hundreds of the inhabitants of the small island in the Gulf of Kagoshima, where Sakura Jima is situated, rushed to the beach and leaped on board junks and steamers, which carried them across three miles of water to Kagoshima, ashes, stones and particles of white lava all the while falling on the decks.

"At Kagoshima the heat was intense. The constantly increasing hail of glowing cinders made it impossible for the citizens to remain.

"The horror was increased by the shaking caused by incessant earthquakes, which rocked the houses all day. More than 350 shocks were recorded before midnight.

"The people fled in disordered droves along the highways, leading west and north of the city. They had abandoned everything in their flight, and soon they were suffering also from lack of food and drink.

"When I left Kagoshima the volcano resembled an enormous set piece of fireworks, glowing from the foot to the summit. During the night the glowing lava illuminated the entire district. The volcano constantly emitted thunderous explosions. The burning rock and ashes set fire to several villages. At Moji, on the Kyushu railway, 100 persons were killed. Several villages along the foot of the volcano were buried in streams of lava.

### ORE AND TIMOTHY SEED TO GO BY PARCEL POST

Spokane, Wash.—Postoffice inspectors received telephone calls from worried rural delivery carriers, asking aid. The carriers who ride horseback from Paradise, Or., to Anadone, Wash., 18 miles, notified the inspectors that a man at Paradise is ready to ship 3600 pounds of timothy seed by parcel post. The carrier at Elk City, Idaho, telephoned that mine-owners had three carloads of concentrated ore ready for shipment by parcel post to the smelter, a distance of 60 miles over mountain roads.

The inspectors have put in a requisition for teams to help out the Idaho carriers.

### Garrisons Planned for Philippines and Panama

Washington, D. C.—The army general staff has completed plans for the maximum garrisons proposed for the Hawaiian Islands and the Panama canal zone.

It is planned to maintain in the Hawaiian Islands six infantry, one cavalry and one field artillery regiments, 13 companies of coast artillery, one battalion of engineers, two signal and two medical corps companies and one aeronautical platoon.

In the canal zone the garrison is to consist of three infantry regiments, one squadron of cavalry, one battalion of mountain artillery, 12 companies coast artillery, one company engineers, two signal and one hospital corps companies.

### \$396,350 Indemnity Paid.

Madison, Wis.—In the two years since the workmen's compensation law went into effect, employers of the state have paid \$396,354.53 as indemnity to injured workmen and their dependents. This announcement was made by the State Industrial commission. The amount does not include the sum paid under the medical relief provision of the law, which it is estimated would equal 50 per cent of the amount paid as indemnity. There have been settled up to January 1, 1914, a total of 6899 claims.

### Regina Fears Outbreak.

Regina, Sask.—One hundred and fifty mounted police are patrolling this city in anticipation of a possible outbreak of unemployed men who threaten to burn the city if work is not provided for them. Women and children were ordered to remain off the streets. The authorities assert they have the situation in hand.

### Astor Gives Views On Socialistic Doctrines

New York—Vincent Astor has no present intention of becoming a Socialist. Astor, in a long letter in reply to Upton Sinclair's letter urging him to join the Socialists, not only expresses his determination not to be a Socialist, but goes into some of his reasons for believing that the Socialist solution of present-day evils is fallacious and impracticable.

Sinclair's argument was that there were 10,000,000 destitute people in the country today, and that Astor's best chance to relieve the suffering of humanity was by becoming a Socialist. Astor's reply, in part, follows:

"Replying, I write to say that I am, fortunately, associated with various organizations which are interested in a study of sociological questions. In one of these are many of the leading officers of the American Federation of Labor, and chiefs of railway brotherhoods, whose lives and energies are devoted to the study and solution of social and industrial problems to which your letter refers.

"As a result of my association with the representative labor men referred to, I am fully convinced that these serious evils which have attended our industrial development can be and will be in time eradicated without overturning the fundamental basis upon which our government and our social fabric is founded."

### Gold Watch Fatal to Hog.

Rickreall, Or.—That a gold watch makes poor food for hogs was demonstrated a few days ago, when Frank Kerslake, a well known Polk county stock breeder, found one of his valuable registered hogs dead in a pen after having eaten its owner's fine gold watch. Mr. Kerslake had dropped his watch the evening before while feeding the hogs, but did not discover his loss until he made an autopsy on the hog. It was then that he found the watch in the hog's stomach.

### Storm Sweeps Russia.

St. Petersburg—A terrible snow storm has swept over Northwestern Russia, blocking the roads and railways and interfering with telegraphic communication. In the suburbs of St. Petersburg the snow is nine feet deep, and 40,000 soldiers and laborers are engaged in cleaning away the drifts. Train service has been reduced to a minimum. No farm produce is reaching the city. It is impossible to make interments in the cemeteries.

# Now Sell Apples Direct; No More Consignments

Hood River—Through the efforts of their president, H. F. Davidson, who has been passing the winter at New York, where he has charge of all of the eastern shipments of apples and the export trade, the North Pacific Fruit Distributors are bringing about a new order of things in the exports of Northwestern box apples.

Up to this year all Northwestern box apples have been consigned. Consignments have been taboo this year, and the merchants of the Continent and England have been making direct purchases of the fruit.

"The buyers find the new order of things to their advantage," says Wilmer Sieg, sales manager of the distributors. "I get daily wire communications and letters from Mr. Davidson, and the new method is bringing about a wider distribution of the fruit. We are receiving calls from points in Italy and Scandinavian cities.

"It is a possible thing," said Mr. Sieg, "that by the end of January few apples will be left in Hood River for sale. It is our policy to sell the fruit on a basis that will give the buyers the advantage of some speculation. When this system becomes thoroughly understood by European buyers it will be of inestimable benefit to the marketers in handling future crops."

Mr. Sieg says that growers have to learn lessons as to the handling of fruit. "Too much of the crop of the year is still in the hands of the growers. Many loads of apples are coming into the storage houses this week. This is too late to pack fruit," says Mr. Sieg. "Much of this tardiness is due to the carelessness of growers, but a system of co-operative packing-houses, where the smaller orchardists can haul their product and clean it up earlier in the season, will do much to eliminate the bad effects of having overripe apples go on the market."

# Grain Sacks Attacked; Bulk Shipping Favored

Pendleton—That the farmers of the Pacific Coast are annually spending \$5,000,000 unnecessarily for grain bags, and that the farmers of no other part of the United States are so foolish, was the statement made to the graingrowers of Umatilla county in the convention which closed Saturday, by Louis Delivuk, of Quincy, Wash. The speaker said there are only two classes of citizens who favor the handling of grain in sacks. These are the buyers, who charge the farmers 15 cents per pound for the sacks, yet, when they buy the wheat, deduct

three-fourths of a pound per bushel, on the ground that the sack is not wheat, and then have the sacks to use in the handling of millstuffs; and the dishonest farmer who hopes by means of the sack to palm off chaff, dirt and rocks as first-class wheat. He declared grain can be handled in bulk at one-third the cost of the sack system, at a great saving in labor; that there is less danger of loss by elements, and that better prices can be obtained through the avoidance of a congested market and the possibility of making a farmer's entire crop average No. 1.

### Co-operative Cannery Started at Newberg

Newberg—With 350 members at the start, the Newberg Cannery association was organized with the election of nine trustees and settling the par value of shares of stock at \$20.

Several members present at the preliminary meeting subscribed to five shares each.

The annual meeting of the organization was set for the second Tuesday in February, at which time the election of officers will be held.

Arrangements have been made for the purchase of a \$25,000 building here for \$6500, an option having been held some time from Webber & Bussel, of Seattle, owners, who made a special price on the structure for the association.

The trustees named are: O. B. Rittey, H. E. Crowell, L. E. Arney, J. W. Chambers, L. S. Otis, W. S. Wharton, F. L. Parrott, Gottlieb Sthaad, and N. T. Nelson.

### Councilmen Are Recalled; Women Rally to Reforms

Madford—The recent city election resulted in a victory for the Citizens' ticket. Councilman Miller in the Third ward was recalled, Dr. Hargrave winning by a vote of 283 to 244, and Councilman Stewart, in the Second ward, was recalled, V. J. Emmerick winning 368 to 300. In a large field Elmer Foss, city recorder, was re-elected by a large majority, and G. Samuels was re-elected city treasurer. The other members of the Citizens' ticket elected were T. W. Miles, F. V. Medynski and Col. H. H. Sargent, councilmen. The women lined up throughout the city for the reform ticket. The administration forces threaten to contest the result.

A strong effort will be made, however, to forestall this action.

### Maniac Killed in Fight With Asylum Attendant

Salem—Frank E. Wallace, an inmate of the insane asylum, committed from Portland, who gave his occupation as sailor, soldier, salesman and editor, engaged in a battle to death with Oliver Whitney, an attendant. Wallace, it is said, frequently attacked attendants.

While he was polishing the floor in the day ward Whitney approached and asked him a question. Wallace jumped upon the attendant and a rough-and-tumble fight of several minutes resulted. Finally Wallace was thrown to the floor, his abdomen striking the polishing block which he had been using. Other attendants went to the assistance of Whitney, but their help was not required.

Wallace's groans indicated that he had been severely injured and a physician found that several of his ribs had been fractured and that he was injured internally. He lived about two hours.

### New Courses Planned.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—Professor Peavy, dean of forestry at the Oregon Agricultural college and head of the student affairs committee, returned to Corvallis last week after an extended trip through the East. During his journey Mr. Peavy visited the forestry departments of several of the larger colleges and universities and gained much information, which will result in the establishment of new courses in the forestry and logging engineering department here. Particular attention was paid to the industry connected with the preservation and utilization of by-products of the lumber business.

### Smallpox Cases Found.

Portland—Two cases of smallpox of the malignant type have been discovered in St. Johns, a suburb of this city. Considerable complaint has been made about the other alleged case, which is in the family of a Mr. Baker on Willamette boulevard. The son is reported to have smallpox, and the father is going to and from the house. For some time there have been several cases of mild varioloids in St. Johns, but so far they have escaped detection. It is said there are at least four or five cases of this form.

### Independent Company Complains.

Salem—The Home Independent Telephone company has complained to the State railroad commission that the Co-operative Telephone association had declined to interchange service with it over long distance lines. The Home company asks that the association be compelled to interchange calls and that it establish trunk lines leading to Summerville, Elgin and Cove.

### WILL RUN DAIRY TRAIN OVER SOUTHERN PACIFIC

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—A dairy and hog demonstration train composed of seven cars and carrying a large staff of college lecturers, several practical farmers and railway officials, will start a tour of Western and Southern Oregon February 2. The train will be out for approximately two weeks.

This announcement is made by Director R. D. Hetzel, who has just returned from a conference with Southern Pacific officials.

"The train will be one of the best equipped demonstration trains that has ever been run in this section of the country," said Mr. Hetzel. "The Southern Pacific officials have agreed to furnish the necessary cars and the college will equip them with model dairy machinery, specimen dairy cows and about 20 hogs."

### State Engineer Makes Report.

Salem—State Engineer Lewis gave 466 permits to appropriate water in 1913, according to his annual report just completed. The permits provide for the irrigation of 442,181 acres, 41 reservoirs are planned and 39,225 horsepower will be developed. The average area to be supplied with water is 105 acres, as compared with 422 acres for the previous biennial period. Mr. Lewis says the figures for the past year indicate that there were fewer large projects of a speculative nature than during the previous year.

### Diseased Apples Under Ban.

Portland—Armed with cans of coal oil and condemnation tags, the city health officer and market inspectors of the city health department have commenced a crusade against inferior and diseased storage apples which, it is said, have appeared on the market, as is customary at this season of the year. Nearly all day Monday the inspectors searched the wholesale districts in quest of a car of fruit reported to have been prepared for shipment out of the city.

### Corn Raisers Make Trip.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—Seven boys, champion corn raisers of St. Paul, Or., visited the college recently as a reward for the excellence of their work in the corn raising contest which has been carried on in that district during the past year. They were under the escort of Mr. Coleman of St. Paul, and Professor Luther J. Chapin, agricultural expert of Marion county.

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