

# MILLIONS NEAR STARVING POINT

Grass Being Eaten Along the Banks of the Volga by Hordes of Destitute People.

SAMARA, Nov. 14. (By a Staff Correspondent of The Associated Press). The whole truth about the famine becomes readily apparent after observation here. Reports of millions of people eating grass or lying in a dying condition on the banks of the Volga river or migrating en masse are rather far-fetched. Entering the famine area the correspondent had provided himself with canned meats and hard bread but was not compelled to use any of it in the first two weeks of travel as food was always available at reasonable prices.

People do not die of hunger in one week. It takes months of underfeeding. Then they reach the point where they are unable to eat at all. Their hands, feet and stomachs begin to swell or they succumb to an epidemic of malaria or else the new disease described as aneuria, no cure for which is known here. Or they may be killed by cold winds, snows, and rains which have been setting in for the past two weeks, with each hour taking toll of hundreds.

The people of the provinces of Samara, Kazan and Simbirsk are in a starving condition. In these three provinces, there are probably 500,000 children and 1,000,000 adults who must die before Christmas.

The American Relief Administration is feeding barely 200,000 children but is giving no food to the adults. One of the best effects of its food distribution will be to cheapen prices and check the hoarding of foodstuffs.

The Moscow governments appear to be unable to send food into this district owing to lack of money and poor organization. Also the typical Russian indifference to misery is evident.

The correspondent while sitting on the platform of a railway station waiting for a train, saw a barefooted little insane girl tripping along until she drifted past the Red sentry into a waiting room already filled to overflowing with several thousand of persons lying asleep on the floor.

A member of the local Soviet who lived in the United States for seven years showed no pity but said: "You foreigners do not realize how much

our peasants can stand. They are used to starvation."

The famine area does not present a forbidding aspect except in the fields from which no harvests were obtained. The meadows and grazing lands showed many herds of horses and cattle. The villages seemed abnormally quiet, yet their workers were abroad putting in winter rye and wheat. To the visitor they made the customary charge that if it had not been for the Soviet requisition their crops would have been sufficient.

"Now our only hope for bread is America," they say; yet many know they must die by winter and accept their fate with stoicism.

"Why leave our homes and go die in the railway station?" many of them retort when asked why they do not desert their land.

Medical conditions are distressing. The country doctors are unable to practice as they are without medicines and the situation is almost the same in the 15 hospitals of Samara. Dr. Chasson, the surgeon in one of these hospitals, having 180 patients said: "We have no quinine, no bandages, no aspirin, no chloroform, nothing."

The same condition exists in the children's hospitals and also in the dozens of homes open for the care of refugees, for there are no sanitary arrangements. In one such home 300 children are crowded in two rooms, without blankets, fires or mattresses and without little or no clothing. Their only advantage is that they have a roof over their heads and receive hot soup daily.

## PAINFULLY HURT IN ACCIDENT

ELGIN, Nov. 14 (Special) — Rev. W. A. Winters was the victim of a very painful accident while in Caldwell, Idaho, the first of the week. He was thrown from a truck to the pavement and his fall resulted in a number of fractures. He suffers from a broken rib, broken knee cap, and a broken nose. Three fingers on his right were dislocated. At present he is resting easy and expects to be about in a few days.

George Bade of Milton with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Squires of Imbler, visited at the W. F. Hug home Monday.

A number of the high school students attended a weiner roast which was given on Willow creek, near Rinehart station. Miss Valjean Tuttle was hostess and her guests reported a splendid time.

The Women's Club of Elgin met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. Donham. A goodly number were present and new members were voted in. Necessary business was attended to and Mrs. Guy Paton read the second of a series of articles on "Persia, and its Capitol." A piano solo by Miss Louise Denham brought to a close a very pleasant afternoon. The next meeting will be under the supervision of the social committee and will be held with Mrs. Fred Terpany on the 22nd of this month.

Leonard Adams left this week for Salt Lake on business connected with the box factory here.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrus Golding are moving from Elgin to a farm near Alice this week.

Dr. Butler took a party of local members to Imber Wednesday night to attend Knights of Pythias lodge there.

Mrs. E. D. Jasper of Alice, and her mother Mrs. McDonald are spending a few days this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bean. Mrs. McDonald is Mrs. Bean's mother.

H. H. Weatherston kept open house at his apple warehouse Wednesday evening for the townspeople.

To one not familiar with new devices for handling apples, the process as shown there was extremely interesting. The sorting and grading machine has been developed to a high degree of efficiency. Although there are a number of expert packers, Glenn Barnes easily holds the title of champion. His record is one box of packed apples in two minutes. Before leaving the guests were served with splendid Delicious apples from Mr. Weatherston's Dale Fruit farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Overton Scott of the Flat drove to Enterprise Thursday afternoon for a visit with Mrs.

Scott's sister. They were accompanied by their nephew, Ernest Welas of Elgin, who will attend the Elgin-Enterprise football game on Friday.

Frank Keller and Frank Hazlewood returned Wednesday from an unsuccessful deer hunt in the mountains north of town. They say a bear but were unable to bring him in.

Lee Tuttle and Pat Ballard returned Thursday with two bears they had killed on their hunting trip.

### MAYOR STAND RESENTED

BALTIMORE, Md. (A.P.) — Publicly resenting what they considered an insult to them on the part of Mayor William F. Broening, members of Baltimore post, of the 29th (Blue and Gray) division association, dropped out of the Armistice day procession as it neared the reviewing stand Friday, turned their backs

on the mayor as he began his address, and marched away.

The issue between the mayor and a group of veterans was chiefly over the propriety of permitting a meet-

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