

RED CROSS' JOB IS BIGGEST YET

Mississippi Flood Disaster Dwarfs Other Tragedies of the Past

WASHINGTON, May 20 (AP)—In the Mississippi flood, the American Red Cross has confronted its greatest task since the World war.

It is the worst disaster of the kind in the history of Red Cross relief work, covering more territory and involving more individuals than the San Francisco fire in 1905, the Ohio River flood in 1917, or the Florida hurricane last fall.

With approximately 250,000 homeless and nearly 200,000 living in concentration camps, more persons are in the society's care than at any previous period in peacetime.

In addition to the flood, it is also securing the victims of three tornadoes and one mine explosion, making this period dwarf that of September-October, 1925, which Red Cross officials then described as the worst in their knowledge, including, as it did, the Florida hurricane, floods in Illinois, Kansas, Alaska, which destroyed whole villages, a tornado in Ohio, the Cuban hurricane in the West Indies. Despite the number of disasters there, only 120,000 persons were under the society's care.

The Ohio River flood more nearly paralleled the Mississippi disaster than any other which has engaged the efforts of the Red Cross, which then was just beginning the

THE RIP AND TEAR OF A MIGHTY FLOOD



Tearing through this 100-foot crevasse, the Yazoo river is shown here as it washed away part of the levee near Yazoo City, Miss., and inundated the finest residential section of the delta town of 6000. The water to the right is 15 feet deep. In this section the flood covers an area 100 miles long and 30 miles wide. The water that rushed through this break crushed the brick walls of a cotton compress at Yazoo City and 10,000 bales of cotton valued at \$1,000,000 went floating through the streets of the town.

organization of its disaster relief machinery and was unable to cope with such a situation as it can at present. About 220,000 were made homeless in Dayton and the 142 other cities and towns inundated in 1913, and \$2,472,287 was expended in feeding and clothing refugees and helping them to reconstruct their homes, as compared with the minimum of \$10,000,000 sought in the current emergency.

FRENCH DISTRUST BANKS
PARIS—Robbery is severely punished in France because the French, distrusting banks, carry large sums or secrets to their homes.

A man sent President Coolidge two lion cubs. However, we haven't seen any pictures of Mr. Coolidge in a cage with them. Mussolini's example notwithstanding.

Rose Festival Now Is Staged By All Oregon

PORTLAND, May 20—Portland's annual Rose Festival and pageant "Rosaria" will be presented on the most elaborate and colorful scale yet attempted for the entire week of June 13 to 15, will be replete with events of an educational, thrilling and spectacular nature.

Some idea of the magnitude of the 1927 festa and its many attractions is gained from the official program which has been conceived and arranged by Hal M. White, general manager of the festival and mammoth pageant.

While the Rose Festival is staged in Portland each year, the event is now one that includes not only all Oregon but many cities and communities in Washington for the floral and merry-making parades are attracting more entries of floats, bands and marching organizations this year than since the festa was first presented in 1906.

Parades, rom shows, floral and electrical decorations of the street and park blocks, military, police and fire department reviews, sham battles, and air shows, a children's pageant, featuring 2000 "Gymnastic Rosobuds", the first Chinatown Oriental carnival and five evening presentations of the great pageant Rosaria with its cast of 2000 ac-

LONGHORN DOGIE IS DISAPPEARING

Almost as Scarce in the Southwest as the Famous Dodo

CACHE, Okla., May 20 (AP)—The dogie, immortalized by the wailing songs of the cowboy, has nearly joined the dodo in extinction.

Officials of Wichita national park who are seeking to purchase a nucleus herd of the longhorn cattle so that the species may be perpetuated are having a difficult time finding the animals.

Concerned over the dwindling of the herds of half-wild cattle that once roamed the plains of the Southwest in countless thousands, the United States Department of Agriculture has set aside \$2,000 for the purchase of animals to stock a herd in the Wichita mountain game preserve.

H. H. French, park supervisor, who has been commissioned to purchase the longhorns, believes it will be necessary to go below the Rio Grande into Mexico to find them. The purchase fund will not become available until July 1, but French has been attempting to locate specimens that may be obtained after that date. He has been unable to arrange for the purchase of any in Texas, where they once were found in countless numbers.

Beef Moves In
Longhorns have been supplanted as beef cattle by herds with thoroughbred strains that attain greater size and are more easily handled.

The name, dogie, originated in the vocabulary of the range and although the cow-boys were wont to put it into their songs, the references are mostly uncomplimentary. This species of cattle is believed to have been of Spanish origin. They multiplied rapidly on the Texas plains during the Civil War when there was no outlet, and their movement to northern markets, after the war, over long and difficult trails, has become an outstanding part of the Southwest's history.

The longhorns, when purchased, will be placed in the best pasture the Wichita preserve affords, sharing it with a herd of elk.

CHOOSE YOUR WEAPONS
Believers in a New York hotel are trained by an ex-marine. What are the boys going in for now—bayonets? ... Maybe they're just taking a little grenade drill prior to a convention of Scottish clans.

Or, again the idea may be trench warfare from the bathtub when the sailors are in town.

Actors, dancers and singers, one hundred musicians from Portland's noted symphony orchestra and 200 animals.

Rosaria an allegorical pageant depicting the influence of the rose upon the progress of civilization was written by Boris Smith, dramatic director of the spectacle. The music is by Charles Wakefield Cadman and Harkeo Perkins and John Britz, nationally known as a director of large musical organizations, has arranged the overture from the Cadman music and will be director of the pageant.

While the parades and other events take place in the business section and public parks, Rosaria with its mammoth cast will be presented at the new civic stadium upon the largest and most unique stage ever built for pageantry in the West. The pageant is in five scenes and eight episodes and scenery changes are to be made in the twinkling of an eye.



—Vera Parks Brown CARRYING THE TITLE ROLES in all the recent plays written by her husband, Lily Brown, wife of the Hungarian playwright, Franz Molnar, has been as charming one of the most beautiful and talented actresses of the European continent.

LOSES 15 POUNDS ON 90-MILE JAUNT

MINNEAPOLIS—A 26-mile run is just an ordinary workout to Harry Duell, truck driver, who lately ran 90 miles in 12 hours and 15 minutes to claim a better mark than that of Hopi Indian runners.

Duell says he runs as far as 40 miles once or twice a week. He

lost 15 pounds on his 90-mile jaunt, weighing but 140 pounds when he finished. He had planned to run 100 miles, but a cramp in his leg stopped him. Duell has made a hobby of distance running since he was a boy.

Scented Cigarettes Resented

LONDON—Scented cigarettes are under fire among London th-

aters goers.

Many theaters in London, and practically all the movie houses, permit smoking. Many women smokers use perfumed cigarettes.

Even confirmed cigarette smokers, who have no objection to unadulterated tobacco, are objecting to scented tobacco.

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1 Pound

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1 Large pkg.

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5 Pounds

FRESH VEGETABLES

Cauliflower Per Lb. 22c
New Peas 2 Lbs. 29c
Head Lettuce 2 for 21c
Asparagus 2 Lbs. 15c
New Potatoes 2 Lbs. 22c
Cucumbers 2 for 29c

FRESH FRUITS

Lemons 1/2 doz. 14c
Bananas Per Lb. 8 1/2c
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