

Death List in Chile Quake May Exceed 5000

Estimates Run High As 15,000; Chillan Reported in Flames

Destruction Extends From Santiago to Valdivia, 450 Miles South; Dead Buried in Trenches
Unconfirmed Reports List 2000 Dead in Concepcion, With Damage in Dozen Other Communities

(By The Associated Press.)
The magnitude of the terrific earthquake that wrecked populous cities along more than 450 miles of the western South American coast increased hourly last night as airplane surveys indicated mounting thousands of dead and injured. The stricken area stretched through Chile from north of Santiago, the capital, to Valdivia, far to the south. With communications disrupted, the latest reports came from pilots who scanned the ruined cities from the air. A Pan-American-Grace Airlines pilot advised his Lima, Peru, headquarters 4000 persons were dead at Chillan, 220 miles south of Santiago, and that the city was in flames. He said the dead were being buried in trenches in the streets.

Relief Committee Caught in Pinch

Diminishing Funds, Rising Needs for Aid Being Felt in County
The pinch between scant relief funds and sharply increasing needs for aid in Marion county brought the county relief committee into special session Tuesday, it was disclosed today. Lack of WPA jobs or other sources of income has left a large number of families unable to supply themselves with the bare necessities of food, fuel and living quarters and the carefully budgeted direct relief funds available are scarcely adequate to assist them. The committee was advised by M. E. Holcomb, county relief administrator, in report on a special survey of the situation. The survey disclosed that the county has 258 families who are suffering from "real dietary deficiencies" such as are endangering their health. Holcomb told the committee the relief budget for the county for the year ended last night by Rev. George H. Swift, chairman. Eighty-seven of these families moved here from other states and have since lost their right to relief in their home communities; the remainder are regular county residents.

Italy Calls Army And Warns France

ROME, Jan. 25—(AP)—Italy started calling up army reservists today for training in modern warfare and voiced a new warning to France against sending troops into Spanish territory. A "first quota" of 60,000 men of the class of 1901, now 38 years old, was ordered to report for duty February 1. This first contingent represented slightly less than one percent of the estimated 6,700,000 reservists available. How many additional men would be called up was not disclosed.

Fire Thought Set In Lumber Yards

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 25—(AP)—Vancouver firemen expressed belief that a fire that destroyed the Copeland lumber yard here tonight with a loss of \$35,000, was of incendiary origin. They said the flames spread over piles of green lumber before they could connect the house. They said they believed gasoline had been scattered over the premises.

Silverton Mayor has Caller Setting Law After Gamblers

SILVERTON, Jan. 25—There are a lot of surprises in store for a mayor, says Mayor Edith Schlador of Silverton, admitting at the same time that having her house mistaken for a gambling house was the biggest surprise she had as yet. "A glass too much or something was probably responsible for the man's error, but I am glad he made it for it tipped me off," Mrs. Schlador continued. The tip-off resulted in official investigation which brought Lyle J. Page, district attorney, and Sheriff A. C. Burk to Silverton Wednesday. While investigations have been carried on, no arrests have as yet been made. "But we have only started," Mrs. Schlador added. The affair began late Saturday night when Mayor Schlador answered a call at her front door. "Does the mayor of Silverton live here," was the question. She explained that she was the mayor. "Where's the poker game?" was the next question. "Poker game?" Mrs. Schlador questioned, bewildered. "Yeah, I was told that there'd be cards in the mayor's house and anyone could sit in. There was to be plenty of money," the man answered. "There's certainly no poker game going on here," said Mrs. Schlador as she closed the door. But she and Mr. Schlador own other houses in town, so the matter bothered Mayor Schlador. She called a conference of her two police officers, Chief Omar Halverson, and second officer, Harry Wheeler. Ensnaring investigation revealed that "gangs" had been going to private homes for poker games. Both local and county officers stated Wednesday at Silverton. (Turn to page 2, column 8)

Closed Shop Bill Is Argued

Issue Certain To Be Pressed Says Chapman
Initiative to Be Sought if Present Bill Isn't Adopted, Asserts
National Labor Boycott Would Result, Warns Union Spokesman

That an initiative measure to make the closed shop illegal in Oregon will be pushed by C. C. Chapman, should the present legislature reject his closed shop bill, was promised by the Multnomah county representative Wednesday night in a public hearing at the capitol before the house labor and industries committee. Declaring that the closed shop was antagonistic to American principles of freedom and retreating time and again that a worker had a right to employment without being required to belong to a union, Chapman himself took most of the hour's time allotted to the bill's proponents to outline his position. "It will be a sad day for America when we have only one large labor organization in the United States," he declared. "If peace comes it will be the peace of death."

Cities Unopposed To Diversion Ban

Statement Asserts Group Favors Amendment on Highway Revenues
Officials of the cities of Oregon are not opposed to House Joint Resolution 4, which proposes a constitutional amendment to prevent the diversion of any highway revenues to other uses than the construction or maintenance of public highways in Oregon, Mayor H. W. Hand of Corvallis and Charles Huggins, former mayor of Marshfield declared in a public statement released Wednesday in Salem. "Statements that city officials are fighting this enactment are erroneous," the two leaders in Oregon municipal affairs stated. "We have always been opposed to any diversion of highway funds and all this resolution does is to propose that the state vote a constitutional amendment in 1940 making such diversion impossible."

Prison Convicts' Freedom Is Brief

2 1/2-Hour Search Captures Pair Escaping Guard in Turner Area
Two young inmates who fled from a state penitentiary after a gun gang around 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon were captured and returned to the prison at 6:30. Found on the Tom Webb ranch three miles east of Turner, they surrendered without resistance to prison guards. The pair, Forest Schnacker, 23, serving a two-year term from Sherman county for larceny, and Howard Davison, 19, doing a 10-year stretch from Multnomah county for robbery, disappeared from a guarded crew of prison workers engaged in a slash and burn thick underbrush on a hillside near the pen annex. Schnacker's term would have expired June 30. Penitentiary officials said the convicts were not missed until several minutes after they escaped. Other prisoners in the crew were returned to the penitentiary.

Fate of WPA Sum With 5-6 Votes

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25—(AP)—In the opinion of senate leaders the question whether the senate would sustain President Roosevelt in his request for a work relief appropriation of \$375,000,000 rested tonight upon the votes of some five or six members. So close was the expected vote, that both sides, claiming victory by a narrow margin, nevertheless redoubled their efforts to swing hesitant senators to their way of thinking. Less than two hours were devoted to debating the subject, the brief discussion producing reiterated charges of mistakes in the estimate of relief needs submitted by President Roosevelt and Col. F. C. Harrington, head of WPA. Senator Barkley (D-Ky), the majority leader, replied that he had received letters from Harrington and the budget bureau "confirming" the figures presented.

Late Sports

SPOKANE, Jan. 25—(AP)—Bill Ulrich, owner of the Spokane Hawks, Western International league, said tonight he had signed George Windsor, who pitched last year for the Silverton, Ore. team that went to the national semi-pro tournament at Wichita. Ulrich refused to divulge the amount involved in the deal. Windsor's record shows that he was chosen all-star Northwest college pitcher while at Willamette university, all-state pitcher in the Oregon state tournament and all-American semi-pro at Wichita. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 25—(AP)—Frankie Catalina, 132, San Francisco, and Eddie Stanley, 133, San Francisco, and Eddie Stanley, 133, San Francisco, slugged and wrestled to a six round draw in the main event on the National hall boxing program here tonight. OAKLAND, Calif., Jan. 25—(AP)—Mike Belotte, 130, New York, former featherweight champion, and Al Citrino, 131 1/2, San Francisco, fought to a ten-round draw here tonight before 2,000 fans.

Capital Waits Final Assault By Insurgents

Barcelona Radio Station Sends out Defiance to Besiegers
Franco Force Fights Way Into City, Waits for Reinforcements
(By The Associated Press.)
An insurgent force fought its way into the southern section of Barcelona yesterday and halted there to await reinforcements from the west and northwest before attempting a "knock out blow" to the Spanish government capital. The bomb-and-shell-torn city was virtually surrounded, with its 2,000,000 inhabitants trapped, but despite this a defiant declaration was broadcast from the Barcelona radio that the capital "will be defended inch by inch, street by street and house by house."

Curtis Cross Dies; Head of Pioneer Firm

Business Begun in 1852 Carried on by Three in Same Family
Native of Salem Active in Civic Affairs for Many Years Here
Curtis B. Cross, 51, native of Salem and third member of a pioneer family to carry on a business started in this city in 1852, died Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in a Portland hospital where he had been a patient since early in November. President of the Valley Packing company since 1927 and until a year and a half ago proprietor of a retail meat market in downtown Salem, Mr. Cross also was identified with numerous civic activities. He was at one time a member of the school board; was a director for 15 years of the YMCA and was later made a director emeritus; was a charter member both of the Cherrians and of the Kiwanis club, and active for many years in the chamber of commerce. He was affiliated with the Masonic and Elks lodges. Business Started by Grandfather, 1851. The story of the meat packing and retail business which Mr. Cross headed goes back to the arrival of his grandfather, Thomas Cross, in Salem in 1852 after crossing the plains by ox team. A native of England who had come to America as a boy, Thomas Cross had been engaged in the meat business in Chicago, and upon arrival here became Salem's pioneer meat dealer and soon established the first packing plant here. During the Civil war he had large contracts to supply meats to the Union army, and he later became the owner of extensive acreage in and near Salem. He relinquished control of the business in 1884 to his son, Edwin C. Cross, father of Curtis who was born here April 19, 1887. Curtis B. Cross became a half-owner of the business in 1907 and it continued under the name of E. C. Cross & Son until 1912 when, his father's health becoming poor, Curtis acquired full control. His father died in 1921. The original Cross market was in the block now occupied by the Valley Motor company but was moved later to Commercial street and in 1934 to State street. It was located on Liberty street tonight.

Hitler Aide on Pacific Coast

Liberal groups on the Pacific coast are asking the government not to accept the appointment of Captain Fritz Wiedemann, above, as Germany's consul general at San Francisco. He is regarded as one of Adolf Hitler's closest political advisors.—IIN photo.

Damage Reported To Elkhorn Road

Hasty Repairs by Hauling Interests Insufficient, Road Stays Closed
Hurry-up repairs made to Elkhorn road by log and piling truck operators have not been sufficient to protect it against further damage, County Commissioner Jim Smith reported last night after inspecting the road in company with County Engineer N. C. Hubbs. "Unless they repair the road and keep hauling gravel, it will have to remain closed to heavy hauling," Smith declared. "The road is in bad shape still." Commissioner Smith, who with Hubbs will report their findings to the county court this morning, predicted it would be "a good while yet before the road can be opened."

Chamber Musicale Charms Audience

Kneisel - Alden - Turner's Group Plays Before big Group Here
By MAXINE BUREN
Something quite different in musical fare was offered to a large Salem audience last night when the Kneisel-Alden-Turner group presented a program of chamber music at Leslie auditorium. The program was one of the four under the sponsorship of the Salem community concert series. Chamber music is one of the highest forms of musical presentation, and at last night's concert three distinctly good musicians appeared. All showed excellence as soloists. For their opening group, the three played three movements from the trio in G major No. 1 by Haydn, beginning with "Andante," then playing "Poco Adagio Cantabile" with its solemn melody, and "Ronda All' Ongarese," lively carefree music of the 17th century. The last group on the program, also for the string trio, was made up of four selections of typically beautiful chamber music. Beethoven's "Andante," stately and harmonious, was followed by Mendelssohn's "Scherzo," "Poeme Romantique" by Froudin and the gay "Sailor's Dance" from the Russian ballet, "The Red Poppy." "Londonderry Air" was the encore. The sonorous tones of the (Turn to page 2, column 7)

Rumania Terrorist Plot Is Uncovered

BUCHAREST, Jan. 25—(AP)—Rumanian police tonight uncovered a plot of terrorists to destroy many public buildings by a simultaneous attack with flame throwers and iron guards were back of it. Announcing the arrest of an officer of the chemical section of the Rumanian army who later was reported to have committed suicide and the roundup of 25 other persons, police said they had in their possession 21 of the unique flame throwing devices which had been collected for the attack.

PURSUIT PLANE DIVES AT 575 MILES PER HOUR

A Curtiss Hawk 75, a pursuit plane, one of 100 being constructed for the French government, "substantially exceeded all known speed records" with a free dive of more than 575 miles per hour while undergoing tests at the Buffalo, N. Y., Curtiss plant. The plane is shown in flight.—AP Telegram.

Legislative Sidelights:

Here and there behind and in front of the scenes at the 40th legislative assembly. Approximately 160 additional lobbyists are likely to descend on the capitol soon if a bill now being considered by the joint judiciary committee is introduced. The bill would create district courts, similar to those now in existence in Portland, throughout the state. The 160 lobbyists—well, they are the justices of the peace, whose jobs virtually, if not actually, would be abolished. According to tentative plans the district judges would be elected for six year terms and receive compensation ranging from \$2000 to \$3500 a year. They would have exclusive jurisdiction in civil cases involving not more than \$250 and concurrent jurisdiction with circuit courts in cases up to \$1000; and in criminal cases where the penalties prescribed do not exceed one year in jail or a fine of \$1000. Presumably the bill would provide that these judges would have to know something about the law. A number of notables were among those who were recorded by the house yesterday. Rex Putnam, superintendent of public instruction, was given the honors by Rep. E. W. Kimberling, who was also visited by Herman Oliver of Prairie City, soon to become a member of the state highway commission. Seymour Jones and John Coator, both former speakers of the house, were on the floor during yesterday's session. Nan Wood Honeyman, congresswoman from the third district until the first of this year, was introduced by Rep. Vernon Bull. Monroe Sweetland, secretary of the Oregon Commonwealth Federation and a former Willamette university student, is seen frequently conferring with legislators. (Turn to page 2, column 3)