

JAPANESE VOLCANOS ARE STILL ACTIVE

Municipal Pier Is Enclosed to Shelter Poor

MANY MEET DEATH TRYING TO LEAVE TERRIBLE ISLAND

AMERICAN CONSUL WIRES THAT AMERICANS ARE SAFE

Japanese Officials Are Unable to Get Any Accurate Figures on the Number of Fatalities, But It Is Known That Thousands Have Perished. Nearby Districts Are Covered With Showers of Ashes and Clusters.

United Press Service

TOKIO, Jan. 14.—An attempt to estimate the loss of life from the earthquake and volcanic eruptions throughout Japan is impossible. The government officials admit that this is all guesswork.

"Thousands" is as near as the imperial government could come to getting particulars of the number killed on Sakurajima.

Assurances that no Americans perished in the volcanic eruption which destroyed the city of Kagoshima and wiped out several towns in that vicinity and turned the surrounding country into a desert, were received today from American Consul Diechman at Nagasaki. Several American traders and missionaries lived in that district.

Diechman wires that these are all accounted for, but that they lost everything.

The eruption of Sakurajima was said to have been subsiding somewhat this afternoon. The mountain is still a terrible sight, though.

Earthquake shocks continue uninterruptedly. There have been so severe that refugees have been compelled to crawl on their hands and knees to escape injury.

Further destruction is feared from other volcanoes on Kjusiu Island.

Dispatches confirm the destruction of Kagoshima. The country thereabouts is covered with from six inches

HUERTA TRYING TO TANGLE U. S. IN A BIG FIGHT

NON-RECOGNITION IS BLAMED BY THE DICTATOR

Decree Issued Yesterday Suspends the Payment of Interest on Mexico's National Debt—These Bonds Are Held by French and English Syndicates, and It Is Believed in This Way He Hopes to Involve U. S.

United Press Service

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 14.—What is believed to be a deliberate attempt on the part of President Huerta to involve the United States into difficulties with the powers is the issuance of a decree suspending payment of interest on Mexico's national debt.

The bonds for this are held by French and English financiers.

Huerta, it is said, believes that if European pocketbooks are affected in this trouble, the United States will be blamed.

It is understood that Huerta believes all of Mexico's financial difficulties can be traced directly to the withholding of recognition of his government by the United States.

Pablo Comes Home.

Pablo Doplin, the little Filipino who was so well known in Klamath Falls, and who left here about a year ago to visit his home in the islands, returned to Klamath Falls last night. Since leaving Pablo worked for three months in the Alaskan fisheries, and spent some time in other places, but Klamath Falls was too much like home for him to become contented in any other place.

to a foot of ashes.

It is said that 500 people, remaining as long as possible on the stricken island, perished by losing their way to the mainland through the dense smoke and fumes.

Five Men Saved From Open Boat Run Down by Liner After Wreck



From left to right—George Johnson, Fred Roe, Jacob Swanstrom, W. H. H. Haast and John Rosarck.

The Booth liner Gregory, which plies between New York and Brazil, Sunday afternoon saved five men who

has escaped in a small boat from the oil steamer Oklahoma, which was wrecked fifty miles off the Jersey coast in the storm that destroyed many million dollars of property there. The oil steamer broke in two and eleven men got away in an open boat while the sea raged mountain high about them and a wind almost as cold as zero swept over them. The officers of the Gregory did not see the boat until they were upon it, and then they ran it down, spilling the men into the water.

Three men of the Gregory, R. H. Buck, chief officer; Third Officer Roberts and Second Officer Williams, seeing there was no time to lose, jumped into the raging sea fully clothed.

They hauled up five men almost drowned or exhausted from exposure and the body of one who died as the boat swamped.

There were eleven men in the boat when, after several capsizings, she managed to get away from the sinking stern of the tank ship. Two were lost when she turned turtle the first time and three more when she was near the Gregory. Third Officer Roberts brought up one man in his arms after a terrific struggle with the waves. The two almost exhausted forms were hauled up even with the rail by means of a line around Roberts' shoulders. The man he held in his iron grip was unconscious and apparently lifeless, but Roberts clung to him desperately. Dr. Bassett Kirby, the Gregory's surgeon, came to the rail, and after looking at the man, said: "No use, Roberts," and the

lifeless body was allowed to slip back into the sea, only a slight ceremony attending its burial.

After the five rescued men were got aboard it was some hours before they had all been restored to consciousness.

"They lay on the deck like dead men," said Dr. Kirby, describing the scene.

"Blue as indigo, that fellow was," said Captain Aspinwall, indicating Fred Roe, the Norwegian storekeeper, who came aboard almost naked.

Strangely enough, it was Swanstrom, a sailor, and biggest physically of the five, who was hardest to revive. "We took a gallon of water out of him," said Dr. Kirby.

"That fellow jumped overboard with his boots on," said Captain Aspinwall, pointing to Roberts, his heroic third officer. "What do you think or a sailor doing that?"

DIRECTORS NAMED BY STOCKHOLDERS OF LOCAL BANKS

NEW MEN ON FIRST TRUST AND SAVINGS BOARD

Directorate of the First National Bank Remains Unchanged—E. L. Elliott and Will H. Bennett Are New Members of the Board of Directors of Other Bank—Siemens Is Again President of Institution.

The annual meetings of the stockholders in the two local banks were held Tuesday. At this time, directors for the ensuing year were elected.

The following were chosen to control the affairs of the First Trust and Savings bank:

J. W. Siemens, Will H. Bennett, E. L. Elliott, Ed Bloomingcamp and George T. Baldwin.

These directors elected the following corps of officers:

President, J. W. Siemens; vice president, Will H. Bennett; cashier, John Siemens Jr.; assistant cashier, Lawrence W. McHaffey.

The old board of directors was re-elected by the First National bank stockholders. These are:

Alex Martin, Charles S. Moore, E. P. McCormack, E. R. Reames, L. F. Willets. The directors will elect officers at a later date.

Down From Agency.

Rev and Mrs. J. W. Worrell drove down from the Agency Tuesday and registered at the Marshall house. Rev. Worrell is now in his third year of ministerial work on the reservation, and is much gratified at the splendid results.

Indians Will Wed.

A marriage license was issued today to Brick Jim and Sarah Weeks. Both of these are well known Klamath Indians, residing on the reservation.

MERCURY DROPS LOWER THAN IN FOURTEEN YEARS

NINE DEATHS REPORTED SO FAR FROM THE COLD

Thermometer at Syracuse Registers Twenty-Four Below Zero — In Other Towns Nearby It Has Dropped Twelve Degrees Further—Hundreds of Homeless Families in New York Are in Terrible Flight

United Press Service

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—Workmen are employed today in enclosing the Municipal pier, at the foot of East Twenty-Sixth street. It will be used as a shelter for hundreds of homeless people.

The intense cold has caused dire suffering among the poor of the city. The homeless are in an awful condition, and nine deaths are reported.

This morning the thermometer registered one degree below zero. The present weather is the coldest experienced in fourteen years.

United Press Service

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Jan. 14.—The mercury dropped to twenty-four degrees below zero today.

Nearby towns report the thermometers at 36 below.

Visiting Sister.

Mrs. Curtis Heidrich left this morning for a visit with her sister in Chico, Calif. She expects to be gone a couple of weeks.

Silver Tea.

The Women's Missionary Society of the First Christian church will give a silver tea tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. H. Dunbar. The program will start at 2:30 and all the ladies of the church are requested to be present.

Want Lands Opened

Chamber of Commerce Would Open Reservation

Another movement has been started to throw open to settlement the Klamath Indian reservation. This was launched at Tuesday's meeting of the Klamath Chamber of Commerce, the first gathering since the naming of the new officers.

This is to be urged by the Chamber of Commerce, and it is one of the big things the new directors, under President Walton, hope to accomplish. It is argued that there would be much homestead land thrown open to entry, and that the Klamath Indians are all anxious to have this done.

Charles Graves broached the subject at the meeting, outlining the expected benefits, and Captain O. C.

Applegate, formerly Indian agent on the reservation, also spoke in favor of this. The two were named on a committee to seek the opening of the reservation, and the other members will be chosen at a later date.

Several years ago a movement was started to open the reservation to settlement, and the matter was then taken up with the Oregon congressional delegation. At that time the matter was rejected, upon the grounds that after the Indians were given their allotments there would be very little land left that would be of any value to homesteaders. The timber, it was held, was to be sold to defray tribal expenses, and the cost of the Modoc Point irrigation project.

1913 WAS BAD FOR SHIPPING

STORMS CAUSED DAMAGES OF OVER SEVEN MILLION TO THE GREAT LAKES NAVIGATION AND COMMERCIAL INTERESTS

United Press Service

CLEVELAND, Jan. 14.—The year 1913 was the most disastrous year the Great Lakes shipping interests have suffered in the history of navigation. Two hundred and fifty-six persons perished and \$7,000,000 would not cover the property loss and damage to vessels.

The storm of November 8 and 9 was the principal cause of this disastrous season. These two days alone took a toll of 244 lives and caused a

loss of \$8,425,000 to vessel owners and underwriters.

The hurricane which sent ships either to the bottom or upon shores to pound to pieces, caused a loss in vessels of \$2,675,000, and in cargo \$3,750,000.

Up to this time the lakes had taken a toll of only twelve lives, seven of these in the blowing up of the steamer E. M. Peck at Racine, Wis., June 12th. During the season over fifty vessels were lost, among them being some of the largest and best steel steamers built for fresh water navigation, the H. A. Hanna Jr., Turret Chief, Wexford and the Regina.

The Star theater now has a department for the care of babies, allowing the mothers to see the show without worrying about the little ones. This new innovation was inaugurated last night, with Merle Houston as head baby keeper. The only drawback to this arrangement is that Merle, in the capacity of nurse, attracts nearly as much attention as do the pictures, thus causing many of the patrons to miss part of the regular program.

LOTS OF SHEEP IN LAVA BEDS

McKENDREE SAYS THERE ARE MORE THERE THAN USUAL THIS WINTER, AND ALL ARE IN FINE CONDITION

O. T. McKendree, a well known livestock man, who came in Sunday night from San Francisco, returned today from a trip to the Lava Beds. While there he purchased six carloads of sheep, which are to be shipped from Midland to the San Francisco markets.

"There are more sheep wintering in the Lava Beds this year than ever before," said McKendree today.

"There are at least seventeen bands there, each containing from 2,500 to 3,000 sheep. The pasture is exceptionally good, too, and the sheep are all in fine condition."

Seeking O.A.C. Train

Klamath Dairymen Would Have It Make Stops Here

(Herald Special Service)

PORTLAND, Jan. 14.—Under the auspices of the experiment of Oregon Agricultural College, and with the co-operation of the Southern Pacific company, a special dairy demonstration train will be run over the latter's lines through the Willamette Valley and Southern Oregon in February. The object of the special will be to increase the interest in dairying everywhere, and to revive it in those localities where it has been slack in the last year or so.

The operation of these trains is a factor of great importance to the dairyman and farmer. The object lesson, the lecturer, the personal in-

terview, the answering of questions, all of these methods are used on the train, and each has its part and place in the effort toward improving the producing capacity of Oregon farms. The agricultural college decided upon the dairy special late in December, and was assured of the railroad's support and co-operation by General Freight Agent H. A. Hinshaw and General Passenger Agent J. M. Scott. The company will furnish free the stock cars to accommodate the hogs and cows; a flat car for demonstration purposes; baggage car for exhibits and display; day coach for accommodation of the public at the lesson.

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