

ITALIAN CITIES ARE DESTROYED BY A TREMBLOR SHOCK

Owing to Destruction of Communication, Extent of Damage Is Unknown. Rome Feels It

United Press Service
ROME, Jan. 13.—According to reports received from outlying districts, the earthquake shock, which shook Rome early this morning, caused a large loss of life further away.

Considerable loss of life is reported along the Tiber. Enormous damage was suffered in the province of Abruzzi. The whole province suffered, and many of the small towns were wiped out by the fires following the quake.

A number of buildings were destroyed in Rome's out states. It is reported that eighteen were killed at Pereto.

While some damage was done to this province, the shock was most severe outside. Owing to communication being stopped, the full extent of damage is not known.

Several small towns in Rome province were badly damaged.

Meagre advices received by the government indicate great damage was done in the towns of Cappelle, Magliano, Prosnone, Monte Robonzo, Veroli, Vannontone, and Albano.

Many people are reported crushed to death by the falling ruins in the towns. Relief trains are already being sent out by the government.

VERDICT IS FOR THE DEFENDANT COMMISSION RULE IN SANTA MONICA

BEN SOUTHWELL, SUED FOR ATTORNEY FEES ALLEGED DUE, IS VICTORIOUS OVER KLAMATH FALLS LAWYER

After a very short deliberation, the jury hearing the evidence in the Brower-Southwell suit late yesterday brought in a verdict awarding the case to the defendant.

Ben Southwell was sued for \$150 by C. C. Brower. Brower alleged that this money was due him for attorney fees in assisting in getting a homestead relinquishment. Southwell held that he had paid what the trouble was worth, and that Brower made no demand on him at the time for \$150.

Fred H. Mills was attorney for Southwell.

Directors Chosen by Three Klamath Banks

Klamath Falls Financial Institutions Have the Same Officers. New Men at Merrill

Stockholders meetings were held yesterday by the First State and Savings bank, the First National bank, and the First National of Merrill. The first two chose officers for the ensuing year, the old corps being re-elected.

Directors of the First National are Alex Martin, Charles S. Moore, E. P. McCornack, L. F. Willits and E. B. Reams. The officers reelected are Alex Martin, president; Charles S. Moore, vice-president; Leslie Rogers, cashier; A. R. Campbell, assistant cashier.

The officers elected again by the First State and Savings bank last night are J. W. Siemens, president; Will H. Bennett, vice-president; John Siemens, Jr., cashier. The directors are Ed Bloomingcamp, E. L. Elliott, George T. Baldwin, Will H. Bennett and J. W. Siemens.

Two new men, Andrew M. Collier and John M. Moore, were added to the directors of the Merrill bank, the other members of the board being E. R. Reames, Charles S. Moore, Alex Martin and Ernest M. Bubb. The Merrill directors have not chosen officers yet.

L. Rogers, Lawyer in Strange Tragedy



Lorlys Elton Rogers, a lawyer of New York city, who went there from the south many years ago, is the central figure in one of the strangest tragedies criminal annals have ever known. A woman who called herself Mrs. Ida Rogers, mother of two of his children, gave them bichloride of mercury tablets, and after lingering for some days, they died. She also took a tablet and hope for her was given up by the doctors.

At the same time it was learned Rogers was married to a sister of Prof. Giddings, of Columbia University, perhaps the best known professor in that institution. They lived in an expensive apartment house in New York. Later it was learned that Rogers was divorced some years ago, and that his first wife lives in New York. He has visited her regularly. Statements have been made that the three were known to each other and knew all about Roger's relations with them, although this has been denied on the part of the present wife.

FORT CASE IS BEFORE JURORS

COUNTY GRAND JURY CONVENES THIS AFTERNOON TO LOOK INTO CRIMINAL MATTERS IN THE COUNTY

A number of witnesses from Fort Klamath are here to appear before the grand jury, which convened this morning, after an adjournment of several weeks. The Wood River people are said to be here in connection with the investigation into the liquor traffic there.

Some charge that extensive bootlegging has been carried on there. Others say that liquor has been sold to minors.

CHAMBERLAIN IS INTERRED TODAY

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT HIS FUNERAL, HELD AT HOME OF SON — REV. STUBBLEFIELD CONDUCTED SERVICES

The funeral services over the remains of the late Samuel Chamberlain, who passed away Tuesday, were held at the home of his son, George B. Chamberlain, on Ninth street, at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The services were conducted by Rev. Stubblefield. A large number of friends of the deceased attended the service, and followed the remains to the city cemetery for interment.

SENATE MEMORIAL ASKS GOVERNMENT FOR BOUNTY FUND

FIGHT STARTS ALREADY IN THE HOUSE

Multnomah Representative's Bill for Contracting for Stenographic Work of Legislature Calls Forth a Bitter Debate—Fight for Ways and Means Chairmanship Between W. O. Smith, Vawter and Cobb.

(Herald Special Service)

SALEM, Jan. 13.—The senate today passed a memorial to Congress, asking for an appropriation of \$300,000, to be used in the extermination of predatory animals infesting the national forests.

Senator Burgess, author of the memorial, says the annual loss from these animals to the stockmen and poultry raisers in the western states is \$13,000,000 a year.

In the House the entire morning session was devoted to the consideration of rules. The proposal of Schuebel, of Clackamas, was that the ways and means committee prepare a budget of the appropriation bills before the House, so the members would know how much was being spent. This was defeated.

The biggest fight was made when Huston, of Multnomah introduced an amendment providing that the stenographic work of the legislature be contracted for. This engendered a bitter debate in the forenoon. It was late this afternoon before the House voted to permit each member to select his own secretary.

The announcement of committee appointments will be made soon. The most important chairmanship, that of the ways and means committee, is between Cobb, of Multnomah, Smith, of Klamath-Lake, and Vawter of Jackson.

The chairmanship of the judiciary committee, another of great importance, is between Vernon Forbes, of Klamath-Cook, and Olson and Huston, of Multnomah.

The first appropriation measure to come up at this session was sprung in the senate by Senator Hawley. This is to provide \$50,000 for the construction and equipment of a new training school at the state normal at Monmouth.

REEL LOSS IS FELT BY JAVEE

FOUR REELS OF FILM LEFT HERE YESTERDAY FOR MERRILL, BUT FAILED TO REACH THE ALFALFA CITY

Has anybody stumbled onto four reels of film? If so, he is the person John Houston wishes to see. He has a season ticket to any show the finder wants to attend. Besides this Stage Driver Will Hill has a reward he wishes to slip the finder. All they ask is the return of the film.

Per schedule, Houston shipped out movies for the regular show at Merrill yesterday morning. And per schedule, the Merrill manager swept out of the theater, and went to get the film—but contrary to schedule, they did not arrive.

"Motion film couldn't benefit anybody but a moving picture man, and their loss will set me back a few hundred," said John V. today. "I've got a season ticket for any information that will lead to finding the film."

United States has more than \$6,000,000 factory employees and 1,400,000 railroad employees.

Two Young Men Quit Leadership of Bull Moose



Theodore Douglas Robinson, a nephew of Col. Roosevelt, has resigned his place as chairman of the Progressive State Committee, of New York, and Francis W. Bird, son of Charles Sumner Bird, of Massachusetts, the millionaire who ran as candidate for governor of his state, has stepped out from the position of chairman of the New York County Committee.

Mr. Robinson had held his place for two years. Mr. Bird has gone to Boston to be publisher of the "Advertiser" and the "Record", two newspapers owned by his father.

NECK AND NECK FIGHTING TODAY

GERMANS HEAVILY REINFORCED, MAKE SAVAGE OFFENSIVE AT SOISSONS—FRENCH LOSE SOME GROUND

PARIS, Jan. 13.—Despite the bad weather, severe fighting continues to the east and west of Soissons.

The official war statement today admits that the French forces have been compelled to yield some ground to the Germans, but denies the relinquishment of any important positions.

The Germans, heavily reinforced, are maintaining a savage offensive. Between Ypres and the sea, artillery alone is active.

Little is heard from Alsace, except that the French hold their positions at Steinbach, Germany.

Will Elected Officers

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society will elect officers tomorrow afternoon, at the meeting at the home of Mrs. Charles E. Worden on Canby street. The meeting will start at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. F. E. Lowery has sailed for Liberia, where she will take a trip into the wilds of Darkest Africa, taking moving pictures as she goes.

In the fiscal year ended June 30, this country paid in pensions \$173,417,646.

TURKS, AUSTRIANS RALLY AND FORCE CZAR TO DEFENSE

Attempts of Russians to Cross Drina Are Repulsed by Austrians. Turks Reassembling in Hills

VIENNA, Jan. 13.—Announcement of the resumption of fighting in the Caucasus by the Turkish troops, and the occupation of Tabriz and Perria by the Moslems, is contained in today's official statement.

In the mountains, the Turkish troops, who were driven back, routed and disorganized a few days ago, have rallied. Reorganization is now effected, and the troops are making an offensive movement.

GERMAN LOSSES REACH 840,343

HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIRST CASUALTY LIST PUBLISHED BY GERMAN GOVERNMENT, GIVES THESE FIGURES

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 13.—The 121st German casualty list, just issued by the German war office, has brought the list of killed, wounded and missing for the Prussian army up to 840,343, according to Berlin advices.

This list does not include the casualties to the Bavarian, Saxon and other German armies.

In Stockholm the street car conductors sell hat pin protectors for a halfpenny.

WOULD TEACH THE YOUTHS TO SHOOT

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION WILL TAKE UP HIGH SCHOOL INSTRUCTION AT SESSION TONIGHT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—Promotion of rifle practice among high school students and other American youths, and also their elders will be discussed tonight at the annual meeting of the board of directors of the National Rifle Association. The association offers prizes annually for various rifle competition.

Miss Margaret Foley is again back in Boston to pursue her work of gaining better legislation for woman and children in Massachusetts.

Bowling Tournery to Be a Lively Battle

Four Teams Are Selected, and Schedule Is Being Drawn Up for Alley Contest

Bowling devotees are looking forward to some great tenpin sport this winter, following the organization of a bowling league. The schedule for this has not been figured out as yet, but play will begin next week.

There are four teams entered. They are about evenly matched to make things interesting. The teams are as follows:

Linkville—Art Leavitt, Percival

Sholl, Fred B. Bremer, R. J. Sheets, Louis Bice and Virgil DeLap. Regal Shoe Store—L. G. VanBelten, capt.; Leo Houston, Austin Hayden, Earl Elliott, Joe P. Brett, and A. H. Loewe. Maximums—Claude Maxwell, capt.; Will Hurn, Kieth Ambrose, Curtis E. Widdoes, William P. Johnson; Bob Johnson, and E. M. Chicote. Palm Alleys—Ralph Dale, Don Dale, Hank Keteaveer, Hank Free, J. S. Kent, F. M. Upp and "Red" Dreher.