QUAKE VICTIMS NOW LIVE IN SNOW HUTS

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Forty Thousand Peasants Dig Themselves In For Winter, Says Report; Ingenuity 1s Notable

Forty thousand Armenian peasants made homeless by the series of earthquakes which began last October, are spending the winter like Eskimos, sheltered in snow huts and dugouts. A description of their gallant fight to "dig themselves in before the arrival of winter has just been received by Samuel M. Hastings, chairman of the Golden Rule committee of the Near East Relief, from Dr. Joseph Beach, director of the American orphanage schools in Leninakan, the cents of the earthquake district. The organization has spent nearly \$200,-000 in relief work for the earthquake victims, and is appealing for an additional \$250,000 for the same purpose The total budget of Near East Relief is \$4,000,000. Mr. Hastings is a forturers association and is helping to raise the Illinois quota for Near East Relief.

Ingenuity of Humans

"The ingenuity of the human race in the face of overwhelming disaster is well illustrated by the success of the Armenian peasantry in meeting the almost complete chaos which followed the Ararat earthquakes," says Dr. Beach. "I have just returned from a visit to thirty of the wrecked villages. Even now, four months after the disaster, the surviving villagers still suffer severely from its effects, and they will not be able to recover even their initial material losses until another summer has given them new crops and an opportunity to rebuild their homes.

"In these ruined villages, buried under four to eight feet of snow, life goes on, somehow, as everywhere. If sorrow is a part of it, so are all others human emotions. With two doctors and two nurses I travelled on sledges, often breaking trail over roads that had not been opened for many days. There was plenty for the medical staff to do in every village. We realized that all our cleaning up of earthquake injuries at the central hospital and at our emergency stations, had by no means cleaned up the cases of many hundred villagers in their shattered homes - especially the women and children.

Dug Themselves In

"Most of the homeless families have dug themselves in as best they could, excavating circular trenches on which they have mounted a few beams and branches to support a roof of sod and snow. The villages are groups of these odd-looking Eskimo houses, which one enters by a tunnel.

"We visited hundreds of these families in their one-room dug-outs. where the whole family sleeps around a pit-fire of dried turf, with the cattle occupying about half the cramped space. Most of the homes shelter a neighbor or two, fragments of broken families lost in the quake. During the day everybody is occupied with the routine drudgery of peasant village life — carrying water, seeking firewood in the wrecked buildings, and repairing plows and implements for the spring planting. Under the snow the fall sowings are doing well,

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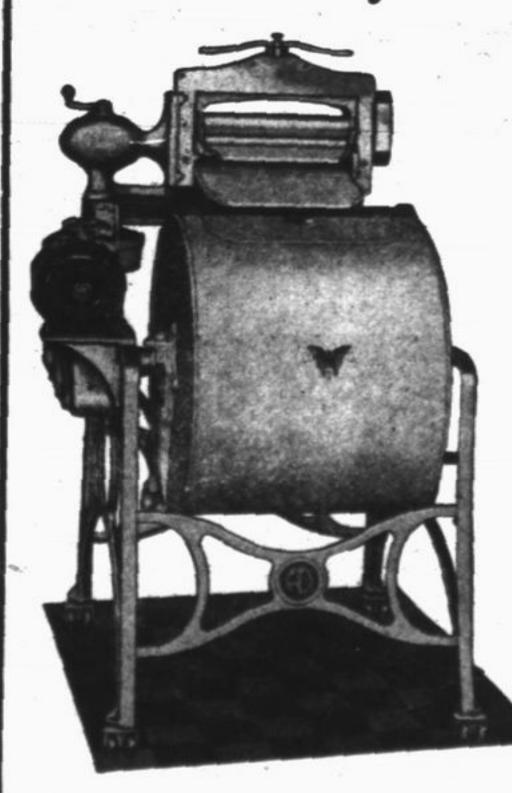
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