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A telephone message from the police department of San Pedro that Marvin Jones, seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones, who only last week had arrived here from Utah, had been found at Compton, Thursday night at 9:00 o'clock, relieved not only the parents, but the entire community of Lomita, Torrance and Harbor City of a great strain. The lad had failed to return home from school Wednesday and searching parties were sent out in all directions, the aid of the police departments of all surrounding cities and the Sheriff's Office being notified and asked to help find the boy. Marvin does not know exactly what he did after leaving school, except that he just kept on walking. He started out to find his home, and went up the boulevard toward Torrance, turned off in the direction of the Lincoln school and headed towards Compton. He slept out in the open that night and late Thursday afternoon was given something to eat by Japanese farmers. He continued his journey on to Compton and stopped in front of a residence to rest. Mrs. Loraine, who was in her home there noticed the boy and talked with him, took him in, when he collapsed. Mrs. Loraine lovingly cared for him, gave him his dinner and then notified the police department that an unknown boy had wandered to her home. The police immediately notified Mrs. Autry, who raced at breakneck speed with the happy parents to Compton. The mental and physical strain of the boy was intense and for several days afterward the little fellow showed his past sufferings.

WE CANNOT LET THEM DIE

"America has enough for all," was the declaration of a speaker at a relief meeting. It is well for the world that America has enough. And Americans must prepare to share their plenty, for reports come from many lands which indicate that a great part of the world outside of America is starving to death. To America they look for life.

President Harding has issued an appeal to the American people to "do everything in their power" for the amelioration of the famine-stricken people in the interior of China. He calls to our mind the fact that this country has never failed to demonstrate its friendliness to China when that nation has been in trouble or its people in distress, and never has China failed to show its gratitude in reciprocity.

China not only looks upon the United States as her friend, but almost as her ONLY friend among the nations. There are other nations nearer geographically and closer ethnologically, which are ever seeking to enrich themselves, at China's expense or to use the Chinese as instruments to forward their ambitions.

When other nations exacted indemnities from China after the indignities and assaults which were offered the foreign legations at Peking during the Boxer rebellion, the United States alone waived its claims and forgave the offense.

Our disposition is to be friendly to the Chinese, and there never has been a time when the Chinese so much needed aid as now. Though there be many calls upon our philanthropy it is well to heed this one. It will not solace those in want at home to refuse to give to those facing famine abroad. Unless you have given to the limit for home charities, you cannot plead their cause as an excuse for refusing aid to the starving children of China.

IN THE SHADOW

Robert E. Vaughn, brother of J. C. Vaughn of the Torrance Warehouse Company, Torrance, passed away recently at the Anaheim Hospital. His death occurred March 4, and was exceedingly regretted by his many friends, and was especially a shock to his brother, because his passing away ended a close association rarely experienced by two brothers as they were practically inseparable, not only in a business way, but an intimacy existed that is cherished by the surviving one. Deceased was born in Missouri, November 12, 1865. He came to California in 1913 and here his wife died two years later. For several years Mr. Vaughn owned and operated the Anaheim Milling Company, and previous to this was engaged in a similar business in Kansas and Oklahoma. He was a member of the B. P. O. Elks and also of the Free and Accepted Masonic Lodge of Coffeyville, Kansas, his former home. Mr. Vaughn was interested in different enterprises in Orange and San Luis Obispo counties, and after the death of his wife had made his home with his brother, J. C. Vaughn of Torrance. He is survived by the above brother and two sisters, one living near Ft. Worth, Tex., and the other in Orange county. Interment was made in the Anaheim Cemetery, the remains being placed in a Mausoleum, beside his wife.

ABOUT WHISKY

The collector of customs at San Francisco is selling contraband whisky to druggists as low as \$3 a gallon, under the guarantee that it shall be used under prescription for medical purposes only and that there shall be no profiteering. This seems more sensible than pouring the stuff in the gutter. The authorities have been destroying thousands of bottles and barrels of old and high-priced liquors, while at the same time many druggists have been getting a fancy figure for a poor grade sold under physician's prescriptions. If a poor patient must really have whisky he must first pay a doctor for a prescription and then pay the druggist a fancy price. It doesn't seem like good business for the government to be dumping twenty-year-old liquor into the sewer in one section of the country and then authorizing the use of a lot of poor stuff for medicinal purposes in another.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT

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