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USED FOR MOVIE, CHURCH CLOSED.

The famous coronation church at Budapest was closed by order of the pope until reconsecrated after being desecrated by the filming of a play. A coronation scene was pictured, during which a bishop wore the coronation robes of the archbishop. These had, sewed in the hem, a wafer blessed by the pope and could not be worn by a regular actor. An enraged and pious populace stormed the building, and after investigation by the papal nuncio the church was closed.—*The Pathfinder*, Aug. 11th.

BABY BONUS BIG SUCCESS.

In Papua, the British section of the island of New Guinea, the mother of many children has come to be an honored person in her community. The government brought this about by giving the mother of four a bonus of five shillings and an extra allowance on additional ones. Also her husband is exempted from tax. This was done to change the old tradition under which a woman with a big family was despised. The men of Papua have been gradually changed from head-hunters and loafers to workers and respectable citizens.—*Ibid.*

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Aix-La-Chapelle, Aug. 13th.—Eight Communists were killed and fifty wounded in an encounter with the police yesterday at Altdorf, seven miles north of this city. The disorders here continue

and 200 civilians have been sworn in by the authorities to reinforce the security police. German civilians wounded in Monday's disorders, have since died, bringing the total number of fatalities to 25.

Madrid, Aug. 19th.—Spain has lost 140 men in one of the most sanguinary battles of the Moroccan war at Tifarutin, according to private messages received here from Morocco. The fighting is continuing along the entire battlefield.

Forest Hills, N. Y., Aug. 19th.—Miss Helen Wills, 17 year old tennis star of Berkeley, Calif., on Saturday won the National Singles Tennis Championship, defeating Mrs. Mallory, seven times holder of the title, in crushing fashion 6-2, 6-1 in the final match at the Westside Tennis Club.

New York, Aug. 17th.—Southern cotton planters have suffered this season a loss of approximately, at present cotton prices, \$50,000,000 through the ravages of the boll weevil and drought, President Barlett Jr., of the New York Cotton Exchange, declared today, in a statement urging the use of more funds to fight the weevil.

Toronto, Aug. 19th.—Canadian National officials here state their information is that eight lives were lost when the Wawa Hotel, on lake of Bays Muskoka Ontario, was burned at one o'clock this morning.

Madrid, Aug. 19th.—An official communication on the fighting in Morocco, reports sanguinary encounters between the Spanish forces and Moorish tribesmen. "Extraordinary activity is being shown by the enemy on the eastern front", says the statement. "The main body of the Moors is concentrated at Tecatza, which was bombed by our airplanes. A Spanish column which left Darquebdani for Tifarutin was ambushed midway, but the troops entrenched and held their ground after a fierce fight. Nine men were killed and 53 wounded during the engagement".

Manchester, Eng., Aug. 19th.—Addressing the members of the West Birmingham Unionist Association last night, Mr. Austin Chamberlain declared, "The Entente is hanging by a thread and any clumsy handling of the reparations question at this moment may snap that thread and undo the work of the last twelve or fifteen years". He characterized the Government's latest note to France as inconsistent, illogical and futile, and pleaded for caution in a situation which,

was fraught with peril for Great Britain, the Allies, Europe and the World. Germany is almost at the brink of disaster and threatened with revolution", Mr. Chamberlain added, "she is in peril of starvation, because of the reckless finance in which she indulges. The Entente is in jeopardy and I plead for caution and foresight in saving it".

Hong Kong, Aug. 19th.—More than 100 persons were drowned and about one hundred persons killed and injured ashore and about fifty junks and sampans capsized, during the typhoon at Macao on Saturday. Many persons were entombed when houses collapsed.

Dublin, Aug. 20th.—The offices of the anti treaty party in Suffolk Street, were raided on Saturday night and thoroughly searched, and Mr. Donnelly, director of elections was arrested. Donnelly was only recently released from an internment camp under habeas corpus proceedings.

Manilla, Aug. 20th.—The British steamer Mingsang, which was reported sunk in the Hong Kong harbour during the typhoon on Saturday arrived here safely this morning. Her officers reported that the vessel seen to sink was probably the British steamship Loongsang.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MAIL FOR THE WEEK ENDED AUGUST 18, 1923.

Miss Axelina Benjamin,
Mrs. Charlotte Benjamin,
Miss Helen Clarke,
Mr. Alphonso Contton,
Mr. Christian Elliott,
Mrs. Alice Ferdinand,
Monsieur Louissia Frederick,
" Pierre Frederic Creaux, (2)
Mrs. Gertrude Harrigan,
Mrs. Luise Jacob; Orange Grove,
Mrs. Adelaide James; Contentment
Road,
Miss Sarah James; Water Gut,
Mr. Harold Lewis, (2)
Mr. William Lewis,
Mr. Samuel Martin; c.o. Mary Martin,
Charlotte Petersen; 11 Hill St.,
Mr. Percival Petersen; Gallows Bay,
Hendrata Rogers,
Mrs. James Smith,
Mrs. Patrick Stevens; 48 Hospital St.,
Mrs. Loweasa Waner; Strand Street.

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