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Report of the Chinese Red Cross Society (Continued).

The appointment of H. E. Owang Dah Sih
(Late Minister of Foreign Affairs).

Information has just been received from China that H. E. Owang Dah Sih, formerly Minister of the Foreign Affairs, Peking, is appointed as the President of the Chinese Red Cross Society. His Excellency Owang is one of the choicest officials that The Republic of China has in possession and his activity for the philanthropical undertaking is well known through out the whole Chinese Republic. His appointment means another stepping-stone for the Chinese Red Cross to accomplish favourable results of humanitarian services to which the Society is solemnly dedicated.

Activity of the Chinese Red Cross among the refugees and war-prisoners in Miaochoa (vicinity of Siberia).

The telegraphic appeal from our Consul-general in Pahllichuen (also Siberian Territory) was transmitted to our Headquarters in Peking, by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs last July to the fact that there were thousands of refugees and war-prisoners awaiting immediate assistance in Mahka (40 Russian kil. from Miaochoa, Siberia). Our President and Vice-president obtained special facilities granted by the Chinese State Department, the Ministry of Finance, and the Ministry of Communications when the said telegram was received. The Relief Party with 8000 bags of flour, 2000 bags of millet, and a good supply of drugs, which party was organised and dispatched from our Branch Society in Kirin, left the Kirin, left the port of Shantung near Dalny. Steamer "Yeshing" was chartered from the "Shantung Steamer Co". On the 8th of August last the party sailed for its destination and reached Pahllichuen on the 20th of the same month.

On the 20th, the corp arrived at Mahka. Over 2000 refugees were brought to "Ping Chang" District (Manchuria) where the magistrate and the Police commissioner supplied ample accommodations for these "Red" stricken people. The total expenditure for this expedition was over 56000 dollars (Chinese currency).