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#### SEE NEED OF CITY PLANNING

Japanese Municipal Authorities Awake to Dangers Connected With Congested Centers of Population.

The remarkable expansion of Japmese cities during the last few years has accentuated the urgent necessity of city planning. With this end in view a conference of the mayors of the leading Japanese cities has occurred at Tokyo. Among those present were the mayors of Osaka, Yokohama, Nagoya, Kyoto and Kobe, while Tokyo municipality was represented by Messrs. Kabashima and Ogino.

"In Tokyo, city planning was set on foot twenty years ago, about the same time the question of city planning was receiving attention in Europe and America," said Doctor Seki, mayor of Osaka, in an interview with a Tokyo Comiuri representative, "In Osaka, however, it is only a few years since the problem began to claim serious attention, although the necessity of city planning in Osaka is perhaps more urgent than in other cities. The density of population in Osaka is certainly greater than in other places and improvement in sanitary and other matters is urgently needed. It is estimated that the population of Osaka twenty years hence will be 2,650,000 and that of the two neighboring distriets 2,360,000, making a total of 5,-000,000. This estimate is based on the present rate of increase, but it is possible the rate of increase may be larger. Herein lies the urgent nature of city planning for Osaka."

#### FISH AFFECTED BY WARFARE

Explosion of Mines Off British Coast Has Resulted in Great Diminution of Catches, Is Report.

Wilfred Buzley, who is on the way to his tea plantation in Assam, India, said on his arrival in this city that the frequent explosions of mines off the British coast had caused a great scarcity of fish, according to New York Times. This was especially the case along the east coast of England and Scotland, and had also affected the coast of Holland. Herring, which formerly were plentiful at this season of the year off the coast of Scotland, selling at a cent apiece repil, now bring 16 cents, he said, and were scarce. Flounders and cod, formerly eight to ten cents a pound, are now worth 50 cents at retail. It was only at rare intervals, Mr. Buzley said, that the poor were able to purchase fish.

"The only fish in British waters that appeared to defy the mines and torpedoes," Mr. Buzley continued, "Is the hardy halibut. Just before I salled from England one of the steam trawlers off the coast was about to haul in the lines when the captain noticed a giant hallbut following close behind a cod that was impaled on one of the hooks. The halibut made several attempts to swallow the cod and was eventually hauled up onto the deck of the trawler. The skipper told me that the big fish weighed 168 pounds, and was sold in the market for \$60."

Franglais a New Tongue.

"Franglais" is a new language that you hear in France today. The word is made out of Francaise and Anglais, the French words for French and English-and the language Itself is made out of a fearful jumble of words that were perfectly good when they played by themselves, but don't always

Franglais is what you hear where Americans and English men and womwithout a very good knowledge of their hosts' own speech find themselves at work alongside of French men and French women-soldlers, nurses, relief workers, shopkeepers and all sorts of folk.

American Red Cross workers say that when you gather up several hundred little French bables who have hardly begun to speak any language at all and several hundred little ones who are speaking the universal and universally incomprehensible language of babyhood, the results are one degree harder to understand than grownup Franglais.

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Famine in Cherry Stones.

Scarcity of fruit in Great Britain has interfered with the movement for collecting cherry stones and hard nutshells, in which the boy scouts are taking part. Hundreds of tons are needed every year to make charcoal for gas masks, charcoal from these substances having many times more absorptivity than charcoal made from wood,-Springfield Republican.

Eagle Is Pershing's Mascot.

General Pershing's personal mascoi is a large golden eagle which the people of his native state sent him and which is now in the Pronx Zoo logical park, New York. There is \$ rule against soldiers or regiments taking their living mascots "over there" with them.

Christmas Box

The Christmas box was at one time greatly in evidence—so much in evidence that it finally became an intolerable nuisance, and the people rose up in rebellion against it. At Christmas time hordes of boys and journeymen and apprentices crowded the shops and ran about the streets in certain parts of England begging coins for the small boxes they carried. One can readily imagine how much of a nuisance the boy might make himself under such circumstances.

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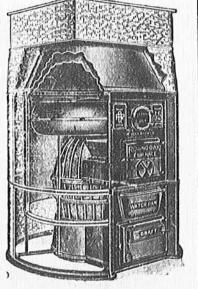
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