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BLACKPOOL PIER FIRE.

Blackpool --- the famous North Pier Pavilion went up in flames at the height of the holiday season. This is ~~the~~ on the longest of Blackpool's three piers. Among the property that was burnt were a music library and scenery and costumes for a revue. In less than two hours the structure was a ruin but fortunately no one was hurt.
STEEPLECHASE.

Auteuil --- one of the most important of the French steeplechases this year provided a terrific thrill in its last moments. Takvor Pasha ~~was~~ ~~it~~ swerved at the fence and ditch and caused a wreck.
CHINA ORPHANS AND YELLOW RIVER.

Hankow --- figures of tragedy in China are so huge that they almost cease to have real meaning. But our cameraman ^{shows} ~~shows~~ us this week some of the half-million children ~~who~~ who have been orphaned by the war --- at present they are under the personal supervision of Mme. Kai Shek, wife of China's leader. Latest news is from the mighty Yellow River. In the flood of a century it seems likely to stop the war --- but at the cost of millions more lives ~~through drowning and starvation.~~

KING GUSTAV.

Sweden --- Stockholm celebrates the 80th birthday of King Gustav --- oldest in years yet one of the youngest in heart of all the world's kings. His procession was cheered through the streets; then followed a grand review and display in the stadium. ~~Accompanied by the Kings of Denmark and Norway, King Gustav acknowledged his people's greeting.~~ Most wonderful of all --- to see this veteran among rulers ride a spirited horse like a young cavalryman.