20 Die, 600 Lost in Chile Quake

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP)—A violent earthguake rocked central Chile Sunday, killing at least 20 persons and injuring 155. The 600 inhabitants of a single town were missing.

by the full force of the quake.

According to the latest information received by the Interior Ministry, the earthquake caused great destruction and a number of deaths in at least 10 cities of Aconcagua, Valparaiso, Coquimbo and Santiago provinces, where more than 2.5 million Chileans live. The quake struck at 12:35 p.m. (1:35 a.m. JST), and was one of the most violent and prolonged recorded in Chile.

Authorities feared that the number of victims may soar as a result of the destruction of the 310-foot-high El Cobre dam, which sent a cascade of water and debris onto the valley below and swept away a town where 600 persons lived.

The national police said after an air inspection that no signs of life were seen in the 16-squaremile sector flooded when the dam broke.

The Interior Ministry said the quake was felt in an area 1,250 miles long and that its epicenter was in the area of Llay-Llay, Quillota and San Felipe, about 75 miles north of Santiago.

The earthquake had an intensity of 10 degrees on a 12-degree scale in the Llay-Llay sector, said the Seismological Institute of the University of Chile. In Illapel, La Serena and Santiago it had, respectively, intensities of 9, 8 and 7 degrees.

(The Interior Ministry said 100 (Continued on Page 2, Col. 1)





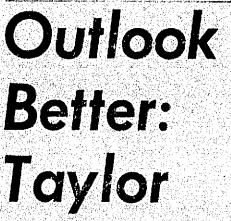
TOKYO (AP)—Communist China declared Sunday it "will exert every effort" to send arms and other war material to the Republic of Vietnam and is ready to send Chinese forces "to fight shoulder to shoulder" with the Viet Cong.

The pledge was made by Foreign Minister Chen Yi in a letter sent to north Vietnam's For-

eign Minister Xuan Thuy. The text of Chen Yi's note was broadcast by the official New China News Agency heard here.

In his letter, Chen Yi Better: on north Vietnam since Feb. 7 as "a serious threat to peace in Indochina and Southeast Asia"

Chen Yi's stand indorsed a similar China threat made by the WASHINGTON (AP) - Ambasofficial party organ, People's sador Maxwell D. Taylor re-Daily, last Thursday, "Disregarding the repeated warnings by the government of the Democratic Republic of (north) Vietnam and the strong opposition of many peace-loving countries and people, U.S. imperialism is expanding its war of the progress of the war. He is aggression in South Vietnam step by step." "The entire Chinese people are extremely indignant at the way" the United States is committing "aggression a g a i n s t Vietnam," Chen Yi said. The U.S., however, has repeatedly stated that communist aggression in South Vietnam is coming from the north. Chen Yi said China and Vietnam are closely related like "the lips are closely related like "the lips war in the Southeast Asia couns" and the teeth and share each try, Taylor replied: "I would say



For Talks

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — Klan leaders from Georgia and Alabama telegraphed President Johnson Sunday requesting a conference to discuss the President's attacks on the Ku Klux Klan.

Calvin F. Craig, Georgia grand dragon of United Klans, said the telegram asking the conference was dispatched shortly after noon. It was signed by Craig and Robert M. Shelton Jr. of Tuscaloosa, imperial wizard of the United Klans.

The request followed angry denunciations by the President of the Klan leaders after Johnson nounced the arrest of four Alabama Klansmen in the night-rider slaying of a white civil Former rights worker.

of millions of Americans, we desire personally to confer with you concerning your statement (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)



Tokyo Area Forecast Tuesday: Partly cloudy: Min. Mid. 90. Max. Mid 50 Wednesday: Fair; Min. Near 40. Max. Near 60 Sanday's Temperatures: Min. 29. Max.



Marine SSgt. Steve Stibbens' photo of a Special Forces adviser in the Republic of Vietnam has been selected as The President's Choice for March. The photo of MSgt. Evans II, Johnson was taken by Slibbons while in South Vietnam for Pacific Stars & Stripes.

turned from the Republic of Vietnam Sunday, reporting that "things are turning for the better" in the long campaign against communist guerrillas.

Taylor arrived for what he termed a periodic consultation on to confer with President Johnson and other officials for about week.

ln a news conference at Andrews AFB, the former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff gave a generally optimistic picture, although he declined to go into details on what further actions he might recommend in Vietnam.

Asked whether there was more optimism now about winning the (Continued on Page 2, Col. 1) (Continued on Page 2, Col. 5)

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member's photograph of a grizzled American infantryman in Victnam as The President's

the Kian Teaders after Johnson declared war on the order Fri-day. The president served warn-ing to Klansmon when he and LBJ Honor's Lightning Touches Off Mines, Kills 14 at S. Vietnam Camp

Complied From AP and UPI man reported.

Choice for March. Johnson, seeking pictures that illustrate "the history of our times and the efforts of this Administra-more mines were ranged around "The American enlisted man

SAS Washington Bureau WASHINGTON — President Johnson has picked a former Pacific Stars and Stripes staff member's photograph of a grizday, resulting in 14 persons killed of the camp, the spokesman said. Vietnamese Army hospital at and 74 wounded, a U.S. spokes. One Vietnamese Special Forces Pleiku. Many of the wounded soldier was killed and two wound-

the most seriously wounded to a were women and children.

In other action Sunday, an American Marine helicopter pilor and a Vietnamese Air Force pilot (USAF Weather Central, Fuchu AS) (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2) Plei Do Lim Camp's inner de- was reported in serious condi- (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

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