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Herald's Work Highly Praised

Grateful People of Jacksonville Say That It is a Public Benefactor

Jacksonville, Fla., May 10. –The Herald relief train is due to arrive here at 8 A. M. Saturday. Commissary Superintendent W. N. Stockton has arranged to take immediate charge of it, and as fast as possible the food and clothing it bears will be forwarded to the nine distributing depots and issued to the hungry and homeless. Clothing is needed even more than food. Many of the people are yet wearing the garments in which they fled from the flames a week ago.

The 20 tons of supplies on the Herald train will provide meals for three days for the 3000 men, women and children dependent upon charity. The standard ration consists of about four pounds of flour, bacon, lard, potatoes, coffee, sugar and milk. The Baltimore canned goods, bread, fruit, tea, cakes and spices will be welcome extras.

"When the Herald car is emptied," said Superintendent Stockton tonight, "most of the recipients of rations will imagine that they are dining at the best hotel in the land. For a week they have been given such food as we could get for them. But at best it has not been very tempting. Clothing and beds are also badly needed."

"Jacksonville will never forget Baltimore's generous help," said Capt. C. E. Garner, chairman of the citizens' committee. "Neither will she forget the Herald's promptness in sending food and clothing. A newspaper that thus leads in benevolence is a public benefactor.

"Tell the Herald and the people of Baltimore that I wish to thank them in the name of the people of Jacksonville. Our city is in ruins and we are helpless, but our sense of loss is overshadowed by our gratitude to those who have extended us a helping hand."