

U.N. believes Rwandans 'to get better'

GOMA, Zaire (AP) — French engineers bulldozed the dead into mass graves Monday as U.S. Air Force planes dropped more aid and equipment to Rwandan refugees.

Yet the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, on her first visit to two camps crowded with more than a million people, predicted "things are bad but they're going to get better."

Sadako Ogata she saw Red Cross and Doctors With Borders volunteers saving the lives of cholera sufferers with quick infusions of water and minerals. She saw U.S. Army bulldozers shoving aside volcanic rock to create roads for water tankers and French army engineers bulldozing the dead into mass graves.

Ogata said the monumental efforts impressed her but "will have to continue. This is just the

first round." She said doctors warned her that "cholera, which we were most worried about, is going to go down. But dysentery is going up. And for everything you need water."

The U.N. Children's Fund on Monday estimated 50,000 people have died in the camps in the last two weeks, twice as many as the UNHCR figure of 20,000.

Elizabeth Dole, president of the American Red Cross, visited refugee camps and an orphanage caring for about 4,000 children. The U.S. branch has donated \$18 million toward an International Red Cross appeal for \$100 million of Rwandan aid.

Clearly upset by what she had seen at Kibumba camp about 20 miles north of Goma, Mrs. Dole said: "When you see more than 300,000 people with not enough water or any quick

way to get it in ... you don't know what to say."

U.S. Army and Air Force efforts to increase the flow of cholera-free water to Kibumba gained momentum Monday. One transport brought in the first of three U.S. water tankers able to carry 3,000 gallons each, while nine tankers donated from Finland were expected on a U.S. flight Tuesday.

Army engineers bulldozed two paths through Kibumba, where traffic has slowed to a crawl by so many people. They hope the paths will make it easier for U.N. trucks carrying water from an American water-purification site in Goma to get to the camp, dump their loads and return for more.

Cholera, the intestinal parasite that causes fatal dehydration through vomiting and diarrhea if untreated, has killed many thou-

sands in the camps, which swelled in mid-July with refugees fleeing the climax of the civil war in neighboring Rwanda.

U.N. officials say dysentery more deadly and difficult to treat than cholera, is overtaking cholera as a killer in the camps and could last up to four months.

Ogata, speaking to reporters after her two-day tour of Rwanda and eastern Zaire, said the government in Kigali appears sincere in wanting a new peace deal where Hutus and Tutsis would share power.

Up to 500,000 were slain that three-month conflict, most of them members of Rwanda's minority targeted for extermination by extremist Hutu militia men. When Tutsi-led rebels defeated the Hutu government forces, panicked refugees fled into Goma.

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► Dysentery is spread by flies and fecal contamination of food and water.

► Much like cholera, dysentery causes diarrhea, vomiting, muscle cramps and dehydration. If untreated, death may result in two to three days.

► The treatment consists mainly of rehydrating the patient either orally with clean water or through an intravenous solution. Antibiotics are effective only after the dehydration from diarrhea and vomiting has been controlled.

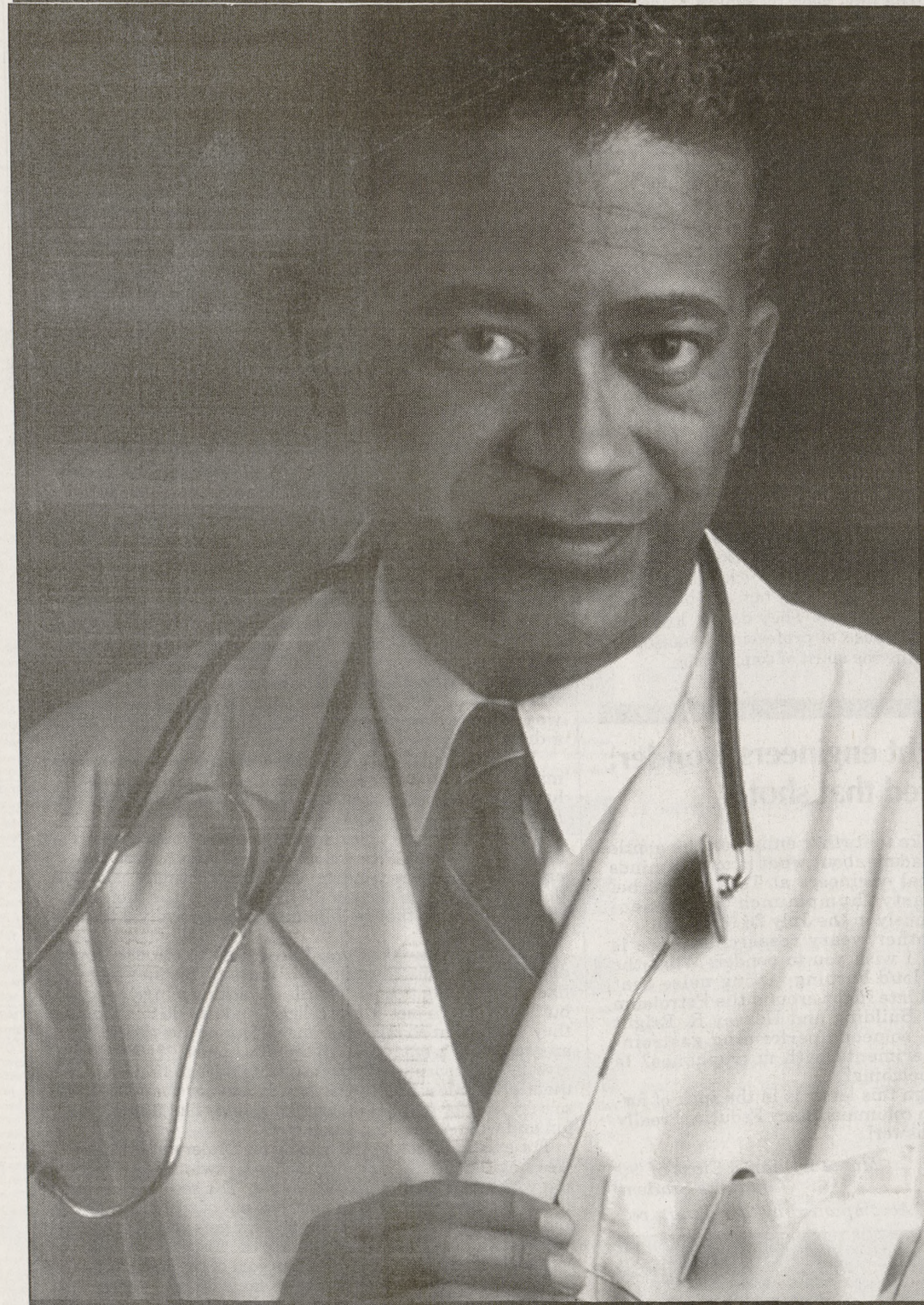
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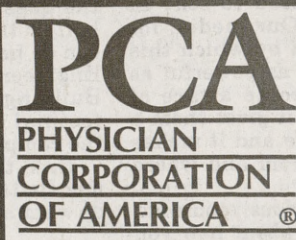


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Baseball

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concerned with the escalation of salaries and how they'll survive," he said, "especially the ones in the smaller markets who don't get the big revenue from ticket sales and television contracts."

"The salary cap will allow them to put the brakes on and make them viable in business."

Reynolds said both sides want to increase salaries, but the owners want to keep certain limits on its expansion.

"They're really not that far apart," he said.

Blake said salaries are rising too fast because of free agency, which the players want to expand even more.

"Part of their (owners) problem is liberal free agency," he said. "The players want arbitration expanded to two-year players."

Reynolds said he and the co-author of the study found that the lack of arbitration rights for younger players hurts them.

"We think major players (with three or more years' experience) are paid according to their market value," he said. "But rookies are often underpaid and have little rights to arbitrate."

Johnson said he has talked to several players who agree.

The current troubles are indicative of players and owners not being willing to work together, he said.

"The owners and Players As-

sociation don't seem to respect each other until somebody has money," he said. "They're on T.V. and making public statements, which hurts the process. Eventually, everybody's going to have to give some."

Reynolds said both sides are heading for a showdown because they are so set in their positions.

"The owner's argument don't make sense," he said. "On the other hand, there's plenty of money around for everybody."

Blake said positive steps are being made in the effort to solve the situation.

"Now that there's a tentative date, both sides can get together and avoid a strike," he said. "It's been a good season for Rangers. We're in first place. I'd hate to see the season end to an end."

"It hurts everybody," Blake said. "It hurts players, owners — it hurts fans."

Johnson said a strike will be disappointing to the players.

"There are people with the potential to reach records because of the offense this year," he said. "It's really been a banner year."

Johnson said everyone will be hurt financially by a strike. The game itself will suffer from a break in the season.

"It's like the college basketball games — you take four to five weeks off, and you've got a different team," he said. "There are who were hot are starting again. Also, the fewer games you play, the better the chances the second or third best team will win the championship."

WHAT'S UP

Tuesday

Study Abroad Programs: Informational meeting for Fulbright research grants for graduating seniors and graduate students in Bizzell Hall West at 1:30 p.m.

Student Counseling Service: African American Support Group from 3-4:30 p.m. in Henderson Hall. Call Dr. Brian K. Williams for more information at 845-4427.

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