

# PEARL SUPPLIES CUT

## Industry Official Cites Tidal Waves in Japan

One effect of the tidal waves that struck Japan early this year will be to cut pearl supplies 20 to 25 per cent, according to Sid Weiss, president of the Imperial Pearl Syndicate. Mr. Weiss, who recently returned from a business trip to Japan, said that the spring harvest had been completed before the wave struck but that shortages would be felt when reorders were placed for fall and Christmas supplies.

Speaking yesterday at the company's showing of its fall lines, Mr. Weiss said that prices probably would rise about 25 per cent this fall.

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