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The Consequences of the 1939 Erzincan Earthquake, Turkey

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On December 27th 1939, an earthquake hit the eastern part of the Republic of Turkey and killed 33 thousand people. Erzincan, the nearest city to the epicenter, was destroyed completely and reconstructed newly on the south side of the old town.

In this presentation I will examine the social, political, and scientific consequences of this Erzincan Earthquake, depending on the literature of social history of disaster.