

GERMAN EMPRESS SUSTAINS INJURY

AUGUSTA VICTORIA FALLS DOWN STAIRS

STRIKES ON HER FOREHEAD

While Wound Is Not Considered Serious It Has Caused Postponement of Journey to Berlin

By Associated Press. WIESBADEN, May 21.—Empress Augusta Victoria fell down stairs today and was slightly injured on the forehead. Though the hurt is not serious the incident has caused the postponement of the departure of the emperor and the empress for Berlin.

EMPRESS OF GERMANY VICTIM OF ACCIDENT



KAISERIN AUGUSTA VICTORIA

CHILDREN SLAIN FOR LIFE ELIXIR

TERRIBLE CRIMES COMMITTED IN RUSSIAN VILLAGE

ACT OF MYSTERIOUS WOMEN

Perpetrators Sentenced to Be Lynched Kill Two Powerful Jailers and Make Their Escape

Special Cable to The Herald. MOSCOW, May 21.—A dreadful story of crime that eclipses the iniquities of the notorious Mrs. Dyer—horrors the imagination of an Allan Poe or De Sade never surpassed—comes from the village of Dubovo, on the Don.

Six months ago two women of gigantic stature took a furnished house on the main street, and ever since their movements have been exceedingly mysterious. They were seldom seen in the daytime, but occasionally a belated wayfarer met them striding along the country roads at night.

On Christmas day the little 4-year-old daughter of the village blacksmith, a man named Petrokoff, disappeared while carrying her father's midday meal to the forge. The child was a general favorite, and the whole village turned out and scoured the country, but in vain.

Five days later the baby daughter of the starosta, or innkeeper, vanished from her home during the momentary absence of her mother. Nothing more was heard of the infant, and again there was no clew to the mystery.

"Dubovo Damned" During the month of March five more children vanished unaccountably. The terrifying news spread, and the village was shunned by the peasants of the surrounding country, and called "Dubovo the Damned."

Recently the horrible mystery was explained. Screams were heard to issue from the home of the two women. Suddenly the door flew open and the villagers, locked in each other's arms, bleeding and disheveled, struggled out into the road. They fought desperately, and both appeared to be the worse for vodka. Eight strong laborers carried them, clawing and screaming like furie, to the village police station.

A caretaker was thereupon sent to their house in the main street. A few minutes later she was seen running down the road, gibbering in a paroxysm of fear. A crowd of villagers thronged into the mysterious house. In the cellar they discovered a long table, furnished with clamps and straps. Surgical knives protruded from a cabinet on the wall, and rows of bottles filled the shelves, which entirely covered one end of the room. Further search revealed the body of a baby girl who had disappeared eight days before.

Child Life Cheap in Comparison The two fiends in female form admitted at the police station that they had come to the village purposely to prosecute scientific research. They belonged to a secret society which had for its main object the discovery of the elixir of life. According to their theory, child life was cheap in comparison with the importance of their investigations. A village council was called, and it was decided to lynch the disciples of human vivisection at noon today. The women were stripped and fastened by strong chains to an iron bar in the wall of their cell. At daybreak this morning it was found that they escaped in the clothes of their jailers, both of whom, though powerful peasants, had had their heads battered in and their throats cut and were dead. The police are searching Russia for these revolting criminals.

WOULD BECOME FAVORED NATION

RUSSIA SEEKS TO AVOID ANY REPRISALS

WILL RESTORE OLD TARIFF

United States Ambassador Meyer Hopes to Prevent Retaliation Against Countervailing Duties

By Associated Press. ST. PETERSBURG, May 21, 11:30 p. m.—The desirability of securing the revocation of the imposition by Russia of the maximum duty on American imports levied in retaliation for the imposition of a countervailing duty by the United States upon Russian sugars, which Ambassador Meyer is trying to adjust, is assuming additional importance owing to the fact that the new Russo-German tariff, which goes into effect at the end of the year, will form the basis for a most favored nation clause.

That treaty raises the duties on machinery and other articles in which American exports to Russia are especially interested and the new general or maximum tariff with corresponding increases goes into effect simultaneously. Consequently, unless the Russo-American tariff dispute is adjusted, American imports are destined to bear still further burdens.

The Russian government seems to be sincerely anxious to again place the United States on the most favored nation basis, but naturally would like to see the old status quo restored. However, Russia realizes the difficulty in the matter of the countervailing duty on sugar, which without further legislation was rendered res adjudicata by the decision of the supreme court of the United States and therefore is willing to waive the question of sugar, but insists upon the removal of maximum duties upon by-products of petroleum imposed by the secretary of the treasury, which affects English vaseline and other products manufactured from Russian naphtha.

The Russian government also demands a guarantee similar to the one in the new Russo-German treaty against any possible abuse of the favored nation clause by specifically binding each country in the future under no circumstances or pretext to levy duties on the products of the other in excess to those levied on similar products of a third power. Ambassador Meyer has laid the matter before the state department and is awaiting instructions.

TRYING TO PREVENT RUSSIAN RETALIATION



AMBASSADOR GEORGE VON L. MEYER

JAPANESE DEFY HAWAIIAN POLICE

TWO THOUSAND LABORERS ON STRIKE

WHITE POPULATION IN DANGER

One Workman Killed, Two Injured. Desperate Fight on Island of Maui—Militia Is Called Out

By Associated Press. HONOLULU, May 21.—Most of the white population at Lahaina, on the island of Maui, including the militia, are prisoners in the court house, surrounded by striking Japanese laborers. One Japanese was killed and two were wounded by the plantation police during an attack on a plantation mill. The entire 2300 Japanese laborers on the island are now on strike and are showing a violent mood. The steamer Kinau left Honolulu this afternoon, taking National Guard company F, consisting of thirty men, commanded by Capt. Johnson, and forty armed Honolulu police under High Sheriff Henry to the scene of the trouble. Capt. Parker of the Kinu expects to arrive at Lahaina between 10 and 11 o'clock tonight.

The strike started a week ago on the Wailuku plantation on the other side of Maui from Lahaina. The Japanese made a long list of demands, among them being the discharge of the head overseer. All the demands were rejected. On Friday the strike spread to the Pioneer plantation.

The plantation immediately began paying off the striking Japanese, who then commenced to stone the mill and resisted all efforts of the mounted police to drive them away. The Maui militia, which was called out, restored order temporarily.

Clash With Police Everything was peaceful late Saturday when the island steamer Claudine left, but soon after the steamer's departure a clash between the Japanese and the plantation police occurred, in which shooting took place and which resulted in a general outbreak and the imprisonment of the whites and the militia in the court house by the Japanese.

Wireless messages were sent to Honolulu asking for aid. A tug was also sent through fear that the wireless telegraph was not working.

The secretary of the Japanese consul accompanied the force on the steamer Kinan. He will try to pacify the striking laborers.

The entire remaining police force of Honolulu is on duty at the police station tonight under Deputy Sheriff Rawlings, although there are no signs of trouble on this island.

A message to the Japanese consul states that the strikers were visiting the home of the Japanese contractor when the police interfered and shot three of them.

Hackfeld & Co., the local agents of the plantation, sent a message to the plantation asking who shot the Japanese, and received the reply that the men who did the shooting were in charge of Sheriff Baldwin. It was further stated that the Japanese were attacking the contractor at his home.

PROPOSE TO EXTINGUISH INFECTED CARRYING INSECTS

By Associated Press. HAVANA, May 21.—The medical congress today discussed favorably a resolution suggesting the creation of a branch of the health department devoted wholly to the extinction of infection carrying insects.

OPPOSE MIRRORS IN ELEVATORS

OFFICIALS DECLARE WOMEN INSIST ON PRIMING

THUS COMMERCE IS DELAYED

Building Inspector at Cleveland Forbids the Use of Looking Glasses in Lift Cages

Special to The Herald. CLEVELAND, O., May 21.—The building inspector's office has its eye on the mirror-lined elevators of this city. The new code forbids the use of looking glasses in elevator cage construction.

Deputy Building Inspector Fongee looks with disfavor on the practice of having them line the walls of cages for ornamental purposes. To mirrored cars and the attraction which reflectors cause to people of primping tendencies the deputy building inspector believes many elevator accidents are attributable.

"They are usually placed at such an angle that women in stepping up to them block the passageway," said he, in speaking on this subject. "Often in stepping toward the mirror a woman will forget that a portion of her skirt protrudes beyond the grating, and accidents occur in this way as well."

BLOODY BATTLE FOUGHT ON COAST OF SAMAR

Col. Wallace Taylor Wounded in Fight With Pulajanes—Private Killed, Ten Wounded

By Associated Press. MANILA, May 21.—Colonel Wallace Taylor of the constabulary was severely wounded in an engagement with the Pulajanes May 17 at Magtaon, on the east coast of Samar. One private was killed and ten wounded in the engagement. Many Pulajanes were killed. Aid has been requested. Two companies of the Twenty-first infantry will leave Catbalogan to reinforce the constabulary.

Desultory fighting continues in the islands south of Jolo. Major General Leonard Wood, who recently conducted a campaign against Moro outlaws, has arrived in Manila.

AEROPLANE MAKES DIVE TO MOTHER EARTH

By Associated Press. SAN JOSE, May 21.—Prof. Montgomery gave two exhibitions with his aeroplane here this afternoon. In the first start the rope holding the aeroplane to the balloon parted when 150 feet up and the aeroplane flew to the ground. A second trial followed, but this time the aeroplane became entangled with the balloon ropes and Aeronaut Malony could not cut it loose. He was carried about two miles from the city and alighted safely in a grain field.

HERALD'S BEACH EDITION

The beach edition of The Herald, published yesterday, was voted a splendid success by all the beach cities, in excess of the regular edition of The Herald, 10,000 extra copies were distributed free and half as many more were sold. In consequence The Herald is having an immediate and conspicuously large addition to its subscription list. "Watch us grow."

WAS IT A TRAGEDY?

Mysterious Shot in Dr. Davis' House

Neighbors Say Body Was Carried Away

Occupant Claims Accident, Nobody Hurt

Police Puzzled Over Occurrence at 1213 Westlake Avenue.

G. L. Butterfield Is Arrested—Has Pistol

A shooting affair, the details of which suggest a mystery that has yet to be solved, occurred at the residence of Dr. M. J. Davis, 1213 Westlake avenue, shortly after 10 o'clock last night, and resulted in the arrest of G. L. Butterfield, who is suspected by the police of having attempted murder.

The first intimation of the affair given the police was by neighbors of Dr. Davis, who testified that they had heard a shot fired, seen a wagon drawn up before the house, a body dragged out, placed in the wagon and the house left in total darkness.

Dr. Davis, however, was found in his house within an hour after the shooting occurred, but refused to give any details of the affair. He claimed that the shooting was purely accidental and that no one had been hurt. He further stated that there was nothing in the way of a crime committed and refused to give any further particulars.

Bullet Hole in Door An investigation of the Davis home disclosed the fact that a bullet had been fired through a screen door at the rear of the house, but no traces of bloodshed could be found.

At half past 1 o'clock this morning Policeman O'Brien found a man walking on Ninth street near Union. The queer actions of the man aroused the suspicions of the officer and he arrested him. At the station, where he was searched, he was found to have a Colt's revolver containing five unused cartridges and one already fired. He gave his name as P. C. Kellerson, but papers and other articles found on his person identified him as G. L. Butterfield, a foreman in the employ of G. U. Whitney, a trunk manufacturer at 223 South Main street. He also carried Whitney's bank book, besides several cards belonging to detectives that he visited the Davis home after the shooting.

Theory of Detectives The theory later supported by the detectives is that Butterfield has a sister who is supposed to be a patient of Dr. Davis. Butterfield, it seems, went to Davis' house and demanded that his sister be returned to him. He was told by Davis, that he (Davis) had not seen the girl and knew nothing of her whereabouts.

Upon receiving this information, the (Continued on Page Four)

THE DAY'S NEWS

FORECAST

Southern California: Fair Monday, light west wind. Maximum temperature in Los Angeles yesterday, 67 degrees; minimum, 57 degrees.

LOCAL

- 1—German empress sustains injury. 2—Strike results in race riot. 3—Czar forms new council of war. 4—Cleveland shy of school ma'ams. 5—Southern California news. 6—Editorial. 7—City news. 8—Sports. 9—Mining. 10-11—Classified advertisements. 12—At the churches.

EASTERN

Thirteen-year-old girl kills infant at Toronto. Toronto wrecks passenger station at Port Worth, Tex. Chicago strike spreading and troops are likely to be called out.

FOREIGN

Czar forms new council of war to control strategy in far east. American ambassador to Russia trying to prevent tariff retaliation. Los Angeles to be gay. Parade of New World in question of lighted thoroughfares. Visitors streaming into Los Angeles from all points along Salt Lake route. Pocket pickers at work again. Man held up by two negroes, who beat and rob him. Plan to keep women from alighting westward from street cars.

COAST

Santa Rosa hotel destroyed by fire. Ventura boy seriously injured by exploding torpedo. Fifteen-year-old girl commits suicide after family quarrel at Walnut Creek, Cal.

GIRL COMMITS ATROCIOUS CRIME

MURDERS NINE MONTHS' OLD INFANT

CHILD CONFESSES TO POLICE

Toronto Has Rival to Jesse Pomeroy. After Killing Baby Josephine Carr Tells of Awful Deed

By Associated Press. TORONTO, Ont., May 21.—Josephine Carr, a 13-year-old girl, has confessed to the murder of William Murray, a 9-months old infant.

It is alleged that the girl has been in the habit of stealing baby carriages from the front of a department store while the parents were inside shopping. The police have recovered several of these carriages, which had been sold.

Last Friday the girl went to a department store and found a baby in each carriage in front of the store. She picked out the best looking baby carriage, which contained the Murray child, and made off with it. She took the child to the woods near the city and stripped it of its clothing and threw it over an embankment, causing its death. Later she placed the body in a culvert and burned its clothing.

On Saturday she made the announcement that she had discovered the child's body in the culvert. When accused of the crime she made a confession. The girl says the plan of killing the child was suggested to her by a play she had seen at a theater.

NORTH YAKIMA HAS

A \$25,000 BLAZE NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., May 21.—Fire of unknown origin which started in a clothing store in the Wilson block did damage to the amount of nearly \$25,000 late Saturday night. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

FIND PIRATES' CAVE BENEATH BOARD WALK

Special to The Herald. ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 21.—The discovery of a room, beneath the board walk, furnished with costly ware, looted from Hotel Raleigh, and the suspension of four policemen, pending investigation, has caused a furor here. On the floor of the room were two rugs worth \$1000 each. A stock of wines, liquors and cigars were also found. This was estimated to be worth many hundreds of dollars. It is estimated that the loss to the hotel in liquid refreshments during the year in which robberies have been going on has amounted to \$2000.

Not only was the room furnished with all the comforts of a club, but it had running water and electric light. Someone had tapped a water main and the electric light wires.

MAN AND WIFE NEAR TO DEATH

HAVE NARROW ESCAPE FROM FIRE IN HOME

HUSBAND SEVERELY BURNED

Woman Gropes Her Way to Safety Through Smoke and Flames, to Faint as She Realizes Loss

George S. Keim, a carpenter, living at 1375 East Forty-sixth street, was painfully burned about the face and hands, and his wife had a narrow escape from death in the flames, during a fire which destroyed the four-room cottage occupied by them at the above address shortly before 10 o'clock last night.

The fire started from an explosion of a coal oil lamp in the room in which Keim and his wife were asleep, they having retired about an hour previously. They were awakened by the noise of the explosion and found their room enveloped in flames and stifling smoke. They jumped out of bed and Keim ran out upon the street, supposing his wife was following him, but she was so excited and confused by the smoke and the roaring flames that she could not find the door for some time, finally groping her way through the house to the rear door, through which she escaped to the open air.

Keim, upon failing to find his wife when he reached the street, dashed back into the burning house to search for her. Running from room to room, shouting to her and receiving no answer, he searched amid the flames until satisfied she had escaped, when he staggered through the door almost suffocated and suffering intense pain from numerous burns about his face and hands.

Mrs. Keim was found and taken to her husband. After the cottage was destroyed and the flames were dying out, Mrs. Keim suddenly remembered that the savings of herself and husband for years, amounting to \$450, had been left secreted between the mattress and springs of their bed, and she attempted to dash into the flames to search for it, but was restrained with difficulty. After a few minutes, when the flames had died out, she persuaded the firemen to go into the ruins and search for the money, hoping that it might be found intact, although the greatest portion of it was in bills.

Failing to find the money at once, Mrs. Keim ran into the smoking debris and began to search through the ruins for the money, digging into the hot embers with her bare hands regardless of the pain experienced, but she could not find it.

As she came to a realization that they had lost their all, even the furniture, which was uninsured, she swooned and fell backwards into the charred ruins, striking her head against a fence which ran very close to the side of the cottage. She was picked up and carried into the home of a neighbor and a physician was called to attend her.

CLINE HEIRS TO RECEIVE FORTUNE



JOHN C. CLINE

Collector of Customs at Los Angeles

Will Receive Large Slice of Wealth Left by Chicagoan

Special to The Herald.

CHICAGO, May 21.—The San Francisco and Los Angeles heirs of Col. George T. Cline, the eccentric millionaire who died several months ago, will receive the bulk of his estate, valued at \$2,000,000, in consequence of a decision rendered in the probate court yesterday. Without hearing arguments Judge Cutting denied the petition of Miss Charlotte Bender to have the will of Cline set aside and Miss Bender awarded the widow's statutory share.

Miss Bender, through the conservator, filed a petition in 1904, claiming to be Col. Cline's widow. She was not mentioned in the colonel's will. Miss Bender was adjudged insane a year ago.

In a clear-cut decision Judge Cutting said there was not the remotest ground for the contention of the woman that she is the widow of Col. Cline. His heirs are the children of his two sisters and two brothers. Some of the heirs live at Frederick, Md., and others in California. John C. Cline, collector of United States customs at Los Angeles, is one of the beneficiaries.