

DETAILS OF THE STAR'S PORTLAND FAIR CONTEST WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN A FEW DAYS---WATCH FOR IT

KUROPATKIN IN HARNESS AGAIN

THE RECENTLY DEPOSED COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE RUSSIAN FORCES IN THE FAR EAST IS GIVEN COMMAND OF THE FIRST ARMY AND IS GREETED WITH GREAT OVA-TION UPON HIS RETURN TO THE FRONT

LONDON, MARCH 22.—A DISPATCH TO REUTERS NEWS AGENCY STATES THAT THE MAIN BODY OF THE RUSSIAN ARMY HAS REACHED A PLACE OF SAFETY, BUT THAT IRREGULARS AND STRAGGLERS HAVE BEEN CUT OFF BY THE JAPANESE.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 22.—It is reported that the czar intends to issue an order making education compulsory throughout Russia and that the zemstvos will be sent to discuss the matter with the minister of public instruction.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 22.—A dispatch from Gushau, 108 miles south of the Pass, states that Kuropatkin arrived there yesterday to assume command of the first army. He was received with a great ovation from the troops.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 22.—A dispatch from Gushau pass, dated March 20, states: "Our rear guard has now occupied Alpingha, 70 miles north of Lin Ling. The enemy continues to blow, but the pursuit is slow. The main Japanese army is apparently remaining in the Ling. Our four day's rest at Lin Ling gave us a chance to reform the army and recover from the recent hardships. Since then the march has been continued in an orderly fashion, but so

rapidly that many horses and cattle have died of exhaustion. The columns moved along a half dozen roads parallel with the railway. It is reported that a force of irregulars which have been operating to the eastward was cut off before the news from Mukden reached them, and they were compelled to retire to the northwest. They are probably making for Kirin."

ST. PETERSBURG, March 22.—General Kuropatkin has been appointed commander of the First Manchurian army. The appointment is gazetted in the Official Messenger today.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 22.—France's refusal to lend Russia more money without the endorsement of a national assembly has induced the bureaucracy to prefer peace to resigning its prerogatives. The spreading of agrarian troubles has converted both land owners and nobility into active anti-war partisans. The czar presided over a meeting held Tuesday to discuss peace terms. The mobilizing of further troops, the equipment and dispatch of the navy to the Far East and the improvement of the trans-Siberian railway before making an attempt to negotiate peace terms indicate that there will be a limit to the concessions that will be made, and that, beyond that limit, the war must go on.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 22.—Linevitch reports today that on Monday the Russian advance posts observed Japanese cavalry in large numbers behind them, and also there appeared large bodies of infantry near the village of Manchany. This is taken to mean that Kawamura's army is about to attempt an enveloping movement from the Russian rear, and fear is expressed as to the probable outcome.

CLEANED OUT THE SAFE

DARING ROBBERS ENTER WESTERN AVENUE OFFICE AT NOON AND BROKE OPEN THE BIG STEEL BOX

The safe in the office of Duncan & Sons, harnessmakers, at 902 Western avenue, was broken into some time between 12:30 and 1 Wednesday afternoon and \$150 taken. The job was done while the members of the firm were at lunch. The outer door of the safe was left open when the manager left the office. The robbers knocked the lock off the cash draw and succeeded in getting it out of the safe. They took all the money in the drawer and left a small check that was not endorsed.

When Mr. Duncan returned to the office after lunch he found the cash drawer behind the safe and a big hammer under it. It is thought that it was the hammer used in doing the job. Chief of Police Delaney investigated the case personally.

TWO NEW LINERS

The two new passenger steamers, which the Canadian Pacific Railway company will add to its Atlantic fleet in the early spring of 1906, will be the finest vessels of the kind ever built. Some idea of the size of the vessels may be gained from the fact that they will be 550 feet between perpendiculars, with a 65-foot beam. They will be 14,500 tons, which forms a much greater tonnage than either the Tunisian or the Bavarian. Not only will the vessels, then, be much finer than any vessels on the route, but they will be the largest that have ever visited the St. Lawrence waters.

The conditions that the government exacted in this respect when calling for tenders in the past. The vessels will consequently be able to carry mails between Queenstown and Rimouski in five and one-half days, while the distance between Liverpool and Quebec will be readily covered in six and one-half days. While ample accommodation is being provided for cargo, the vessels will be admirably adapted for the purpose for which they were primarily intended, viz., to carry passengers. With this object in view, accommodation will be provided for 300 first class passengers, 350 second class passengers and between 750 and 1,000 steerage passengers, according to the claims that are made at various seasons upon the quarters usually reserved for the immigrants.

BELLINGHAM, March 22.—This city now has a complete fire alarm system. The finishing touches were put on the system today and it is already for the test. The work on the Whatcom waterway will begin April 1. The government has appropriated \$35,000 for the improvement, and the Seattle Bridge & Dredge company will do the work.

How a Little Girl-Mother Fought To Get Back Her Farmed-Out Babe

---BY NAN BYXBEE

Last Sunday morning a little German girl, scarcely five feet in stature and still weak from illness, alighted at Ellensburg from an overland train in the day coach of which she had traveled all night, and walked five miles over rough country roads, to the home of A. L. McCumber.

It was a long way and the ground was covered with puddles and mud, but Anna Elizabeth Krin took little heed of these things. Her firm little chin was set hard, and she trudged ahead without thought of rest, for she was impelled by the instincts of motherhood, which have kept the old world from going to the demitison bow-wows ever since pin-a-fores were made of fig leaves.

She was armed with a big legal paper in which she had confidence; it was the "Findings of Facts" made by Judge Gilliam of the superior court, and she had been told by her attorney that it had the magic power of giving her once again her four-weeks-old baby.

That baby, within a few hours after its birth, had been taken from her by the Washington Children's Home, by the facial authority of a printed agreement which purported to legally convey flesh and blood, and had by that institution been let out on probation for adoption. Only one condition under this agreement stood in the way, according to the argument of Attorney Faben, of the child's securing a LUXURIOUS HOME and an artificial mother; that condition was that the child "did not equal too much of night, or come down with too frequent colic."

Anna Krin, at the hearing on habeas corpus, admitted that she had signed some paper, but that she "did not understand what it meant" because it had in it "a too great many hard words;" she had understood, she said, only that her baby was to be taken away temporarily, until she was strong enough to take care of it herself, and she had rested contentedly, thinking it well cared for and dreaming fondly of its future, until she had learned, quite accidentally, that she had signed it away forever.

Shocked into her full strength for the time being and in wild fear, the sick girl immediately

ROSE FROM HER BED and set out to find her child. She was cruelly misled as to the location of the home, but not her imperfect English, nor her lack of carriage prevented her from finding it; and when she did find it, excuse nor foible availed to prevent her seeing the infant, when told that she must await the return of the matron, she sat down and remained for hours until the matron returned; then, when the privilege could no longer be denied her, they let her see the baby. She wanted to take it away with her, but was curiously refused and was coldly advised to remain away from it in future, lest she became attached to it.

"Just t'ink uv it!" said Anna Krin afterwards in the court room, wiping away the angry tears. "Just t'ink uv it! Mr. Brown vas afraid I would become attached to mine own baby!"

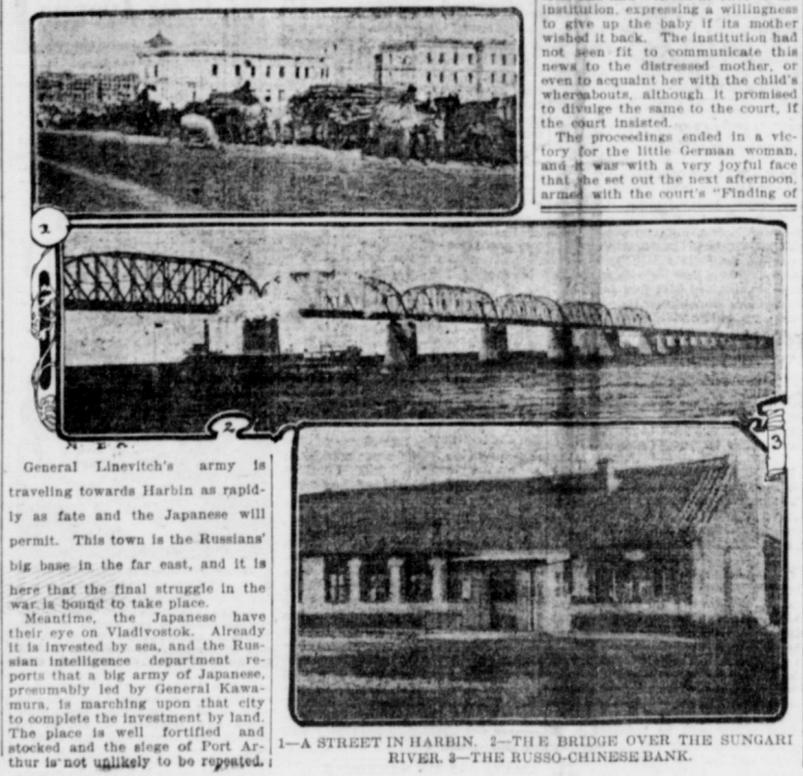
THE INSTINCTS OF MOTHERHOOD WERE SO STRONG IN THE HEART OF ANNA KRIN THAT SHE OVERCAME EVERY OBSTACLE THE LAW AND A CONSCIENCELESS CHILDREN'S HOME COULD INTERPOSE IN ORDER TO RECOVER THE CHILD OF HER OWN FLESH AND BLOOD

"Your honor, I submit that there is no law under the sun that can rightly deprive this little mother of her baby. Nature has clearly settled the contentions in this case, and no matter what papers may have been signed in the hour of this little woman's distress, she still retains her right to her own child, and that right must supersede any right of any artificial mother, no matter how well meaning that artificial mother may be—nor could all the luxury of a wealthy bringing up compensate this baby for the loss it would suffer in case it were taken from its own natural mother against her protestations."—Attorney Vince Faben in his plea for a writ of habeas corpus on behalf of Anna Krin.



ANNA KRIN AND HER BABE. (Photo by James & Bushnell, Arcade Building.)

and when she again returned she found that the child had been let out, on the home's probation system, to the family across the mountains. It was then that she went to an attorney and instituted habeas corpus proceedings, because she "could not sleep in the night or in the day for thinking of her baby."



1—A STREET IN HARBIN. 2—THE BRIDGE OVER THE SUNGARI RIVER. 3—THE RUSSO-CHINESE BANK.

BURNING

BIG OFFICE BUILDING ON BROADWAY, NEW YORK, IN FLAMES—LIVES OF MANY GIRLS IN DANGER

(By Scripps News Ass'n.) NEW YORK, March 22.—The Empire State building, nine stories high, on Broadway and Bleeker streets, is burning. The three upper floors are in flames and a large number of girls are employed in the building. It is feared loss of life will result.

MEMBERS OF BEEF TRUST IN UNCLE SAM'S NET



MICHAEL CUDAHY Michael Cudahy is president of the Cudahy Packing Co., and one of the famous "Big Six," which the government is investigating. He was born in Ireland, 54 years ago, and began life as a laborer in a Milwaukee packing house. He was promoted gradually until finally he became a partner in Armour & Co. in 1873. For 17 years he remained in that firm, but founded his own industry in 1890.



CALVIN M. FAVORITE Favorite has retired from active work, but he continues as a director of Armour & Co., and is considered one of the right-hand men of the corporation's president J. Ogden Armour.



LOUIS PFAELZER Pfaezler is manager at Chicago, of the Schwartzchild & Sulzberger Co., one of the big packing firms said to be in the trust.



IRA NELSON MORRIS One of the sons of Nelson Morris and an officer in the big packing company.

IT IS A FIZZLE

(By Scripps News Ass'n.) ST. PETERSBURG, March 22.—A telegram from Libau states that the authorities are not yet able to organize the proposed fourth squadron, on account of the inability to secure seamen. Many of the officers are mere boys without sea training, and the crews are composed largely of peasants never before aboard a ship.

AGAINST HILLMAN

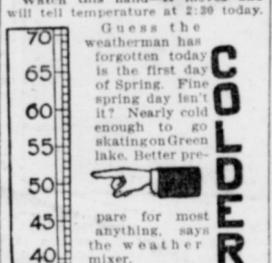
Prosecuting Attorney Mackintosh Wednesday afternoon filed an information direct against C. D. Hillman, the real estate man, charging him with conspiracy to defraud.

WILL DIVIDE NINTH

The division of the Ninth ward into three wards was decided upon at a meeting of councilmen last night. The vote was close, Mullen strenuously opposing the project. A committee consisting of Zbinden, Murphy and Crichton was appointed to fix the limits of the three subdivisions.

The Weather Spotter

Tonight and Thursday: Partly Cloudy and Probably Light Showers. Light Frost Tonight. Fresh South to West Winds.



CHARGED WITH ASSAULT BELLINGHAM, March 22.—Elmer Moshier was arrested at Lake Whatcom yesterday on a charge of criminal assault upon Amanda Amundson, of York addition. Moshier is well known and works in a local sawmill. The girl's parents do not want to prosecute him because of the notoriety. Bonds have been furnished Moshier in the sum of \$500 by his friends. The preliminary hearing will take place tomorrow.

MEDFORD, Mass., March 22.—Dr. Elmer Hewitt Capen, president of Tufts college, died this morning of pneumonia. The board of works yesterday afternoon awarded the contract for grading and constructing concrete sidewalks in the Hill tract to J. P. McHugh. The latter's bid was \$2,828, which was the lowest by \$6,000.

POLITICAL PLAY

JAMES M'ELROY REMOVED AS COUNSEL FOR THE N. P. IN ORDER TO PUT A MAN IN HIS PLACE WHO COULD "GO AFTER AND GET THINGS"

The "bouncing" of James F. McElroy as local counsel for the Northern Pacific, and the installation of Carroll Graves in his place is dubbed a "smooth piece of work" by the political sages.

he wanted from the governor. Simple, isn't it? But that's the "dope" that the wisecracks are passing out.

BODY LIES IN STATE

(By Scripps News Ass'n.) PALO ALTO, March 22.—Behind drawn curtains, with the door open only to those who have business there, the remains of Mrs. Stanford rest today in the parlor of the Stanford mansion on the university campus.

All morning a long and almost unbroken line of men were carrying floral tributes sent from all parts of the state up the road to the residence. Among the early callers was Professor Jordan, who came to see that there was no hitch in the funeral arrangements.

Miss Berner also called, remaining a few minutes. Her grief shows plainly and only her indomitable will prevents her physical collapse. The student body met today and adopted resolutions of respect. Judge Morris Wednesday morning overruled the objections of attorneys representing the property owners of Second avenue, to the legality of the ordinance under which the Second avenue regrade was ordered. Wednesday afternoon Judge Morris heard argument from a number of attorneys who are making individual protests against the assessment roll for different property owners along the regraded section.

For some time the political dickering went on, until finally Senator Palmer, who is Mead's confidential dictator, solved the difficulty. The solution came after Attorney Milo Root, Palmer's partner, was named as one of the two additional supreme court judges. Carroll Graves succeeded him in the law firm. The hint was passed down the line that Carroll was the man the N. P. needed, and that, as Palmer's law partner, he could get anything