

# VLADIVOSTOK AT MERCY OF FLAMES

## THE CZAR OFFERS PEASANTS ONE-THIRD OF ALL THE RUSSIAS

### SCANDAL IN THE SEATTLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

#### Half of Fortress Is In Ashes Face Serious Charges Czar's Most Remarkable Offer

GREATER PART OF VLADIVOSTOK CONSUMED BY CONFLAGRATION — REFUGEES CROWD SHIPS — SITUATION ALMOST HOPELESS

(By Scripps News Ass'n.)  
ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 15.—A telegram just received from Vladivostok says that the whole town and port is burning, and the greater part of the place is already consumed.

VLADIVOSTOK, Nov. 15.—The situation is desperate. Mobs practically control the city. Looting is unabated and the flames are spreading. Famine is threatened. The vessels in the harbor are crowded with refugees afraid to stay ashore. During the first day's rioting 300 rioters, mostly sailors and artillerymen, were killed or wounded. The riot was started by discontent re-

servants.  
JEWISH RABBIS BURNED. BUCHAREST, Nov. 15.—Advises received late last night from Bessarabia tell of terrible massacres of the Jews throughout all of that section, the number of killed and wounded numbering thousands. Not in many years have such tales of terrible outrages reached here, and the feeling is general that every Jew in the district will be killed before the month is out unless they are furnished with funds to flee the country at once.  
At Danutzeri all of the houses in the Jewish quarter were demolished.  
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her names and abused her.  
Mrs. Foss is suing for a divorce, and this unhappy state of affairs is the outcome of a little romance that started at Green Lake last spring.

STARTED WITH ROMANCE.  
"It is not good for the son of man to be alone," sighed the hominy merchant as he observed the young green onions tenderly putting forth shoots in his display window, and the spring breezes blowing through his little shop and fluttering the loose cabbage leaves.  
So he began to look about him for a wife. A prosperous hominy and piccalilly merchant, even though he be 43 and his head innocent of hair save for a fringe of gray, is not to be despised in the matrimonial market, so it did not take Foss long to locate a helpmeet.  
HE ADVERTISED.  
He answered an advertisement in a local paper. A blue-eyed, middle-aged woman of sweet disposition, living at Green Lake, desired a home and a protector, and when Foss presented himself in answer to her appeal, it took the pair only two days to complete their courtship and swear to cleave unto each other until death did them part.  
But the bride, it seems, soon tired of her portly husband, and the hominy and piccalilly business fell off, so instead of waiting until death should part them, she decided to take a short cut via the divorce court. She brought suit, alleging that her spouse had called her vile names and abused her.  
These allegations her unhappy husband denied emphatically in court Wednesday morning, saying that he loved her only too well, and that he would do anything in the world if she would only come back to him. His abuse of her, he said, consisted solely in his having once tried to kiss her against her will.  
Adamant, the bride listened to the old man's broken story of how he had won her and lost her. In her complaint she asked \$25 per week alimony. The old man stated in court that before he married her he had a bank account, but that a short time afterward he had none, and that now since the hominy business had fallen off, he had no money at all, and only a poor business.  
"But if she will come back to me, I will share her," he said, "and I will try hard to make my business pick up and make a good living for her."  
The case will be concluded Wednesday afternoon.  
The suit of Martha Westby for 17 years' alleged rear wages as a domestic, against Mrs. Frances Day, will be concluded before Judge Morris Wednesday afternoon.

CAPTAIN CARR AND FIREMAN CUNNINGHAM FOUND DRUNK IN A SALOON BY CHIEF COOK IN THE EARLY MORNING WHILE THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO BE ON DUTY — CHIEF DRAGGED THEM OUT OF GROC-SHOP—DISCHARGED CHICAGO FIREMAN INVOLVED IN SCRAPE

The Seattle fire department is face to face with one of the most serious scandals since its organization.  
As a result, a captain and one of the firemen must face charges to be placed before the civil service commission after a thorough investigation by Fire Chief Cook.  
In his report to the commission Chief Cook will accuse Captain W. J. Carr, of Engine Company No. 1, and Fireman George E. Cunningham of the same company, with intoxication while on duty, neglect of their duties as public servants and conduct unbecoming a fireman.  
The accused will have nothing to say in defense of the charges placed against them as they were caught in the act by Chief Cook himself, who was summoned by telephone at 3:20 o'clock Saturday morning to witness the conduct of the city's paid servants under his charge.  
"I did all that I could under the circumstances," stated Chief Cook, Wednesday morning. "I discharged them on the spot and they are suspended from duty pending the findings of the civil service commission, to which body I will report in full. I wish to say that as chief of this department I will not countenance for an instant such acts of insubordination and have on previous occasions removed three men from the service. My men know that drinking and leaving the posts of duty throughout the city is not only hazardous to life and property, but in violation of rules which they are sworn to obey. Much as I regret the late affair, I cannot but see that these rules are rigidly enforced. Hereafter I intend to double my vigilance and intoxication will be dealt with severely."  
Carr and his friends, who insist that there is a "snake-in-the-grass" and that he is not a drinking man. They admit that he is guilty as charged by his chief, but that this is his first offense, although Chief Cook states that he warned the popular captain once before in regard to drinking.  
Within one block of the Main street station where the night captain and Fireman Cunningham were supposed to be on duty last Saturday morning is a saloon known as the Monarch bar, South Second and Main. This saloon is an open-all-night concern. There is music and closed boxes, so it is said, in spite of the efforts of Mayor Ballinger to suppress the evil.

The bartenders are always willing to serve their customers in uniform. They are willing to pass over the bar the intoxicants that steal away the manhood of the men hired to protect human lives and property. The conduct of this dive is condemned by Chief Cook and the police department, and already measures have been taken preparatory to having its license revoked. Other saloons in that vicinity say that they have forbidden their employees to serve drinks to patrolmen or firemen.  
About a week ago a discharged Chicago fireman called at the Main street station. He was hungry, tired and broke. Chief Cook took pity on him and allowed him the privilege of sleeping in the station. With him he brought his uniform, but the buttons were cut off. It is said that this man helped to get the discharged men in trouble. Two fallen women figure in the sensational affair. Fireman Cunningham and the discharged fireman from Chicago were caught in the Monarch bar by Chief Cook, who arrived in time to witness the reeling figure of Captain Carr as he stumbled towards his post of duty. The bartender or someone on guard put out the lights in the saloons, and Chief Cook had to use a lantern to find the prostrate form of Fireman Cunningham, who was too drunk to realize the seriousness of the situation. The Monarch bar has been in trouble on several occasions, and the police once arrested Frank Purcell, manager of the dive, for threatening the life of Patrolman Guy Carlston.  
Chief Cook says that he knows his informant, but requested that his name be kept out of print.  
"I was awakened by the telephone bell ringing at my home, and was horrified to learn what had taken place," he said. "I lost no time in getting to the Main street station, discharging the men and placing others in their places. I am told that their absence from duty extended over a period of several hours."  
A Star man learned that the captain, the "snake-in-the-grass" and the fireman had entered the bar early Friday evening, and that they sang, danced and drank for hours while the city slumbered. That no fire broke out in that vicinity is regarded as fortunate. If one had started there might have been a large loss of life and thousands of dollars worth of property might have gone up in smoke.

(By Scripps News Ass'n.)  
LONDON, Nov. 15.—A St. Petersburg dispatch states that it is the intention of the czar to soon issue a ukase granting to the peasants a large portion of the imperial domain, which covers almost a third of Russia, being the present property of the grand dukes and the emperor.

JEWIS ISSUE CALL.  
NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—National calls were issued yesterday by the Jewish Defense association of this city to the Jews of the United States to help those of the race in Russia, who are now being massacred and tortured. Arms and ammunition will be bought and forwarded to Russia.  
WARSAW, Nov. 15.—At Pultusk,

REPORT SENT OUT THAT RULER OF STRICKEN COUNTRY PROMISES PEASANTS ONE-THIRD OF HIS DOMAIN—NICHOLAS IS BADLY SCARED

In this government, the peasants organized for the purpose of driving out or lynching the thieves who took advantage of the present disturbances to loot and plunder. The lynchings killed 11 and fearfully mutilated 20 of the thieves.  
ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 15.—Rostjensky has offered to command the Russian navy, but has not been answered.  
MAY DECLARE MARTIAL LAW. ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 15.—

The situation in St. Petersburg has grown distinctly worse this afternoon. The strike is spreading and the electric lights have been cut off again. Unless this is remedied, a great portion of the city will be in darkness tonight. Conditions are growing so bad that Count Witte, late this afternoon, conferred with department officials as to the desirability of declaring martial law. Great crowds assembled outside the railway stations, clamoring for trains in which to leave the city, fearing greater disorders than ever before.

### FITZ SAYS HE WANTS TO PROVE HE'S THE CHAMPION

"NOT MONEY, BUT SENTIMENT," HE SAYS WHICH HAS CAUSED HIM TO FIGHT O'BRIEN

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 15.—Sentiment, and not money, Robert Fitzsimmons says, was the motive which induced him to sign the articles for the fight with "Philadelphia" Jack O'Brien in this city next month for the heavyweight championship of the world.  
"I want the press and the public to recognize me as the heavyweight champion of the world. That's what I will be when I get through with Mr. O'Brien."  
Fitz said that this would be his last fight.  
The articles call for a fight be-

tween the 20th and the 31st of next month, the fighters to receive 60 per cent of the gross receipts on a basis of 75 and 25 per cent. Fitz says he is willing to make it so that the winner will take all, and in addition will post a side bet of \$5,000.  
Fitz will have a conference with O'Brien and Eddie Graney, who is looking after the match, some time this afternoon. The conditions are that the principals are to each post \$2,500 forfeit money, and the club to deposit an amount double that sum. Fitz will probably train at San Jose.

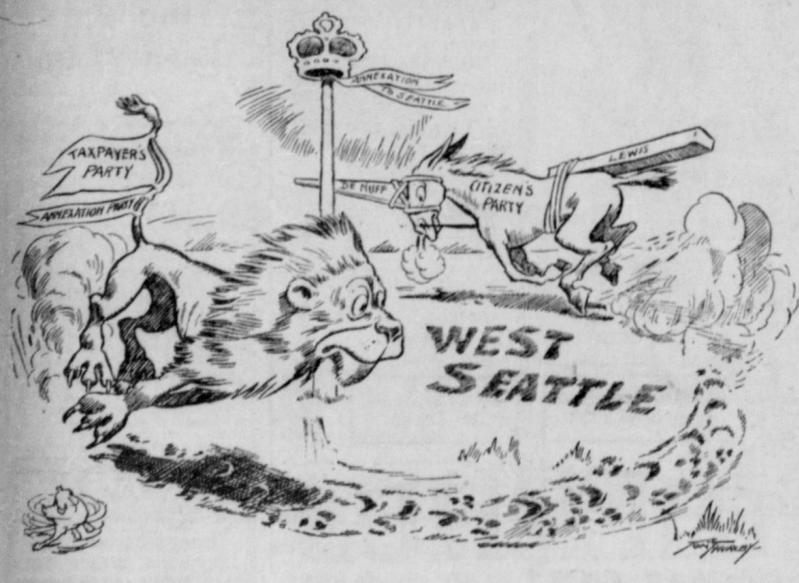
### "I ADORE HER," SAYS HOMINY MAN WITH SHINING DOME, TO COURT

THOUGH WIFE WANTS DIVORCE, YESLER WAY MERCHANT SAYS HIS ONLY ABUSE WAS IN BEING TOO AFFECTIONATE

"Your honor, I never abused her. I did once try to kiss her, because I loved her and wanted her to make up with me. Yes, I tried to kiss her. If that is abusing her, then I am guilty."

Such was the statement of L. E. Foss, the portly, shiny-domed, Yesler Way piccalilly and hominy merchant, in Judge Yakey's court. Thursday morning, in reply to his wife's charges that he had called

### POLITICS IN WEST SEATTLE

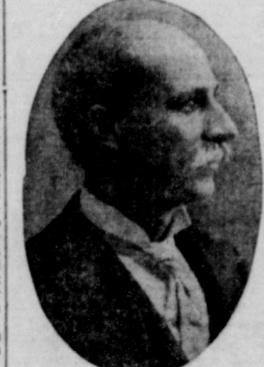


### Convention Opens With Hot Fight

A stormy scene marked the opening of the convention of Alaskan delegates, held in the banquet room of the Hotel Butler, Wednesday morning. Nearly 200 delegates, representing those elected to attend the convention from Alaska and others appointed by proxy were present.  
Shortly after 10 o'clock the delegates were called to order by Preliminary Chairman A. J. Ross of Council City, after which the question of appointing a temporary secretary and chairman was placed before the house.  
Eager to settle the expected controversy of the eligibility of proxy delegates the matter of appointing a temporary chairman was thrown aside by certain members present.  
A clash followed. Contentions were made by delegates representing each district to the effect that proxies ought to be allowed to have a voice in the convention. Contradictory assertions were also set forth by other delegates that only those armed with proxies who are residents of Alaska should be recognized.  
Ex-Governor Swineford, delegates

from the First district, in addressing the convention stated that in his opinion no one who was not a resident of Alaska should have a voice in matters affecting the welfare of that country. He stated he had no objections to proxies so long as those entrusted with them were residents of Alaska.  
After several moments of lively verbal fighting Chairman Ross stated the question before the house was that of appointing a temporary chairman. Motions for the appointment of Samuel Archer, of Nome, and R. V. Mye, of Fairbanks, were made. The matter was then placed to a standing vote with the result that Archer defeated his opponent by four votes.  
The election of Archer was brought about by the refusal to accept the temporary chairmanship by ex-Governor Swineford, who refused to consider the position until the question of proxy representatives was settled. This threw the entire majority of the First district's votes to Archer.  
Albert Fritz was appointed temporary secretary. On accepting the

### WEST SEATTLE TAXPAYERS-ANNEXATIONIST CANDIDATES



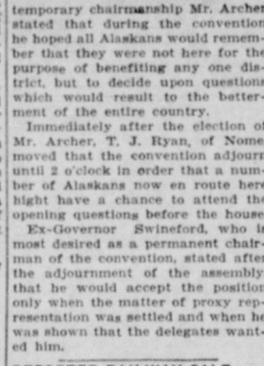
DR. H. VAN WINTERS, For Mayor.



H. E. LONGFELLOW, For City Treasurer.



OSBORNE V. WILLSON, For City Attorney.



SAMUEL COLES, For Councilman-at-Large.



ARTHUR W. LIPSKY, For Councilman.

### COMMON PEOPLE ARE THE FALL GUYS

C. W. POST DECLARES THEY ARE GROUND BETWEEN TRUSTS AND LABOR UNIONS  
ST. LOUIS, Nov. 15.—Industrial combinations in labor unions were put on trial today by C. W. Post, of Washington, D. C., president of the Citizens' Industrial association, in an address before the third annual convention. He declared that the Americans are awakening to a realization of the fact that industrial combinations have become the upper mill stone and the labor unions the nether mill stone, between which two the common people are ground to pay the bill.  
Post said the Citizens' Industrial association was formed to stand between capital and labor, and that unions that can give evidence of a lawful purpose, not opposed to the community interest, would be welcome.  
About 200 delegates from all parts of the country were present this morning. Judge Holden, of Chicago, spoke this afternoon.  
An information charging William Raynor with larceny from the person, in having robbed W. F. Bartly of \$40 on Nov. 12, was filed in the superior court Wednesday morning.

Dr. Antoine Varicle, the Arctic explorer who intends heading an expedition in search of the north pole next year, and who has been for the past 10 days in San Francisco, returned to Seattle Wednesday.  
Dr. Varicle announces he will be forced to modify his original plans, as it will be impossible to complete preparations for the expedition until spring. Dr. Varicle, accompanied by Charles MacDonald, will return to Dawson, leaving Seattle on the steamer Dolphin, which sails within the next few days.  
Dr. Varicle will visit Seattle again during the spring, probably in March, coming out over the ice.

Intrepid Explorer Must Wait