

CHINESE HOBO'S TRIP IN REFRIGERATOR CAR

Hop Sing Arrives in Spokane and Immediately Begins to Celebrate a Belated New Year.

Hop Sing, the eccentric Chinese hobo, struck town this morning on board the Great Northern flyer. Hop is perhaps the only Chinese hobo now in these parts.

Although plentiful in California, this species of tramp is a novelty here, especially in the winter.

Hop landed from the flyer all asprawl and chilled to the marrow, having boarded the train at Hillary, to which point he had ridden from Kalspell in a refrigerator car.

Immediately he espied his old chum, Jim of the Great Northern lunch counter, and a general jollification resulted, during which the two played handball with a jumble of choice Chinese calculated to warm the heart of the forlorn and frozen Hop, who expressed his gratification in an admixture of language and gestures beside which the bows and

scrapes of "Wang" pale into insignificance.

Jim escorted his "fren" to the heat of a depot radiator, where the latter steamed the ice from his teeth and then the pair did a "turkey trot" into the cookhouse.

Hop's familiar phis, all asmitle, was seen later in "Mayor" Frank's store, where, under the influence of Bacchus, he was piping the story of his travels to Chinatown's mayor, who anon handed him a bottle from which he gulped Chinese disturbance, which no doubt rewarded him for all he had suffered during his trip.

Hop talked so rapidly his breath fairly smoked, and his eyes bulged and threatened to leave their sockets. The fact is Hop is celebrating a belated New Year with a feast of wine and noodles. He was last seen in Spokane a little over a year ago, since which time he has traveled over much of the west.

Telegraphic Briefs.

St. Paul.—Immigration for the year 1903 has opened and a body of 300 immigrants are already on their way to seek new homes. The states of Washington and North Dakota seem to be the sections most favored.

Olympia, Wash.—Another effort will be made to force the Tolman-Dix railroad commission bill out of the committee of the whole in the house. It is rumored that the railroad supporters will allow the bill to come out and permit a vote upon it.

Boise, Idaho.—A bill was introduced in the house yesterday by Price of Latah desiring to repeal the present law against gambling and restore the license system. Consternation immediately reigned and when it was voted upon it was postponed indefinitely by a vote of 22 to 14.

New York.—Accounts published in Scandinavian newspapers just received here declare that ex-President Paul Kruger encountered M. Giron and Louise, the sloping crown princess of Saxony, in Mentone the latter part of January. The two were standing in front of a cafe when Kruger walked up and struck Giron in the face. He then fiercely denounced the couple.

Butte, Mont.—John W. Gates and John A. Drake are expected here soon to consummate one of the largest mining deals in the history of Montana. It is an established fact that their object is to complete the deal for the rich Kendall mines, including the Kendall and the Barnes-King group. The purchase price, while not stated authoritatively, is said to be close to \$10,000,000.

HAS BEEN COMING TO HIM 28 YEARS.

Wilbur Actually Expects the Government to Pay a \$45,000 Debt.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—James M. Wilbur, 70 years old, rheumatic, part blind and in straitened circumstances, is patiently waiting for the government to pay him \$45,000 for extra work done on the postoffice building in 1875.

Wilbur was a prominent contractor then; now he makes a bare living by manufacturing rubber stamps. He has been engaged in a struggle to cut official red tape by legislative action ever since 1877, when his claim was first introduced in congress.

Since then it has been favorably reported on in the house eight times. Three times the senate has passed it as a just claim. Once it even got to the white house, but President Cleveland vetoed it. Such men as Ulysses S. Grant, John Sherman and Thomas C. Platt have interested themselves in the claim, but without being able to get it paid.

Experts have assessed the value of the material alone, put into the building by Wilbur at \$47,159.02. Wilbur says he will be satisfied with the \$45,000, as he needs the money badly. He really hopes to collect it before he dies.

KISSED BY STRANGER.

Bessie Evans, a waitress, tells a tale today which looks as though a "Jack the Kisser" is in the city. Miss Evans is a good looking young woman of 18 years, and states that while returning home from the Cineograph theater last night she was accosted by a man at the corner of Riverside and Browne.

She was alone and the man threw his arms about her and kissed her once, twice, three times. She struggled and the man without a word, fled towards the darkness of Main avenue.

Bessie also fled and today is hysterical on account of her strange adventure with the man of Hobson-like proclivities.

A description of her assailant tallies with that of a crazy man who since Saturday has been reported as bothering people in different parts of the city.

"THE RESURRECTION."

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—The dramatic event of the week in the metropolis is the initial presentation to night at the Victoria theater of Tolstoy's play, "The Resurrection."

Preparations for the production have been making since last summer and it is heralded as one of the most superb productions the American stage has seen in a long time. The large cast is headed by Blanche Walsh, who has the part of "Maslova."

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BROWN ASKS DIVORCE

SALT LAKE, Feb. 17.—Another chapter in the domestic troubles of former Senator Arthur Brown, who was recently arrested on a charge of infidelity preferred by his wife, was acted today by the filing of a divorce suit by Brown against his wife.

Sensational allegations are made among them, he claims his wife tried to poison him.

HAD A STOLEN WHEEL.

W. F. York of 1704 Spofford avenue reported to the police today that some one had stolen a ladies' bicycle from his place. Detective McDermott was detailed on the case and arrested Albert Rosenberg and Ed Stone as they were trying to dispose of the wheel to a second hand dealer.

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HARD LABOR AT NOTHING.

TERRIBLE "CRANK" ONLY ONE OF BRITISH PRISON MONSTERS IN STORE FOR COLONEL LYNCH.



THE CRANK, THE "CAT" AND THE QUARRY.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—The commutation of sentence which will keep Colonel Arthur Lynch, Irish member of parliament and Boer sympathizer, in British prisons all his life, because he fought with the burghers, has led to new exposures of British penal methods. All agree that the new sentence is less merciful than the death penalty.

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ELECTRICITY CURES CONSUMPTION.

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TOMATOES, can, 10c
PEAS, per can, . 10c
BEANS, per can, 10c
OYSTERS, per can, 10c
Chicken Tomales, 15c, 2 for 25c
Rex Beans in Tomato Sauce, 15c, 2 for 25c

EXTRAS Eastern Packed.

Corn, . . 20c, 3 for 50
Tomatoes 20c, 3 for 50
Beans, . . 20c, 3 for 50
Peas, . . 20c, 3 for 50

\$3,000

Two good six-room houses, near courthouse, with city water, cellar and foundation; rented at \$17 each; good investment.

\$1,250

Four-room house, 10 blocks from corner Howard and Riverside, city water, cellar and foundation; \$200 cash, balance monthly payments.

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\$225—4-room house, city water, shade and fruit trees, street grade and sidewalk paid; part cash.

\$2300—New 5-room modern cottage, full basement, in easy walking distance; \$1500 cash.

\$975—Lot, 50x175 feet, fronting on two streets, on water main and close to car line; terms, \$25 cash and \$10 per month, 8 per cent.

Why not get one of those large lots at northeast corner of Corbin Park addition while they are to be had on such easy terms.

450 acres, three miles from city, must be sold, \$5 per acre. New electric road goes through this place; all level soil and on river.

80 acres, good soil, near market, to exchange for small house and lot.

120 acres in southern Oregon to sell or exchange, \$5 per acre.

Lot, 70x140, on Spofford, corner, near Monroe, \$500.

REBERBATH & SMILLIE,

318 Riverside. Phone Brown 246.

Well built eight-room house, full basement, three lots, on corner, close to car line, fruit trees and shrubbery, three greenhouses; this property will net owner \$35 per month; price, \$2200.

Four-room house on Gardner ave., exceptionally nice lot with lawn and trees, also good barn; price, \$1000; terms.

Four blocks in Minnehaha Park addition. This lies high and dry with splendid view of city and river; car line runs through property and somebody is going to get this snap.

PHIL T. BECHER & CO.

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Palouse Land Co.

We have the best bargains and surest returns in Palouse lands that have been offered. Two miles north of Diamond, 160 to 640 acres, heavy black loam, well watered, easy terms, \$25 per acre.

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Investigate This.

\$1350—39 1/2 acres, 25 acres of fine lake bottom land partly cleared, 5 acres garden spot, balance timbered, two miles from railroad, church and school, good six-room house, barn, chicken house, over 800 cords of wood. Terms.

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\$1000 cash, buys 40 acres of land, joining Garden Springs, 15 acres in cultivation, elegant garden soil, small house, barn, chicken house and small fruit. This is a snap.

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Brief Bits of News.

All the shingle mills of the city have consolidated and are now known as the Inland Shingle agency. Seven mills are in the combine. The purpose is to facilitate the handling of the product and also act as a means of protection to the manufacturers.

Spokane camp, No. 39, Woodmen of the World, held a banquet at the Spokane hotel last night. Shortly after 9 o'clock 200 members of the order gathered and partook of the 19 courses, while the orchestra furnished music that frequently demanded encores.

The O. R. & N. is contemplating extensive improvements during the coming year, a round million of dollars being appropriated for that purpose. Contracts for 10 new steel bridges have been let, aggregating \$100,000, and work will begin upon these at once. The most important of these is the Spokane river bridge. It will be over 520 feet in length.

A representative of the Telephone Company of America, which has a capital of a quarter of a billion dollars, is in the city and will shortly apply for a franchise from the city council of Spokane for permission to lay its wires for a new telephone and telegraph company through the streets of this city. The application will be for a 25-year franchise.

A committee of the clerks' union waited upon the Retail Grocers' association last night and agreed to unite in enforcing the 6 o'clock closing hour. It was agreed to close at 6 during November, December, January and February except on Saturday, when the stores will be open until 8 o'clock. During the remaining months of the closing hour on Saturday will be 9 o'clock.

Dixie, Wash.—Miss Winnie Chapman, who is suffering from a violent form of major hysteria, gave a demonstration of clairvoyance at midnight last Sunday that has caused much comment. She stated that at that hour there would be a violent change in her condition either for the better or worse. When the hour arrived relatives gathered about the bedside. She was taken with convulsions and choking spells throughout the night. Restoratives were immediately resorted to and she is now much improved.

PLAN TO ORGANIZE A TEACHERS' UNION

Spokane Educators May Ask for a Charter from the American Federation of Labor.

The possibility of organizing a school teachers' union was discussed last night at Central Labor hall.

This class of wage earners have banded together in many eastern cities and have taken out a charter from the American Federation of Labor. In every place where it has been launched, the movement has met with unprecedented success.

West Virginia and Chicago are cited by Spokane labor leaders as instances of the success which has attended the effort to organize teachers. The movement throughout the state of Washington to accomplish the same purpose is said to be making great progress, and it is expected that the first union will be organized in Spokane.

According to the statements of those who have interested themselves in the matter, there is no class in a position to assist themselves so much as school teachers. Yet they are by far the most overworked and underpaid class of wage earners for the mental capacity required.

The chief difficulty which besets efforts to organize along these lines is that educators do not look at unionism in the same light as others do. However, this difficulty is gradually disappearing, and the benefits which have accrued to members of teachers' unions in other parts of the country are beginning to appeal to the minds of educators in Washington, particularly in Spokane and Seattle.

A charter will be asked from the American Federation of Labor in the event of an organization being formed.

Local Labor Notes.

The trades council, expressmen and horsehoers will meet tonight at Central Labor hall.

The Spokane street car employes have withdrawn from the American Labor union. Hereafter the union will be under the jurisdiction of the American Federation of Labor.

E. E. Quinn of the tailors' union reports that the union is in a healthier condition than it has ever been. A well attended meeting was held last evening at Central Labor hall, and two new members were initiated. It is stated that there are now very few tailors in the city who are not members of the union.

Bradley Bros. store on Springfield avenue was broken into last evening and 40 pounds of plug tobacco stolen.

FIGHT USUAL HARMLESS DUELS

PARIS, Feb. 17.—Max Regis, the duelling ex-mayor of Algiers, broke all records this morning by fighting three duels. As usual, no one was hurt. In the first combat each man drew blood. They then challenged each other to the death.

When it became apparent they might possibly hurt each other the seconds interfered.

In the second duel Regis nearly lost his voice, as he occupied the entire time in shouting curses while the battle was raging.

CLOTHING IS MISSING.

Mrs. Blanchard, who recently arrived from Seattle, reported to the police today that almost all of her clothing was stolen from a room in the Curtis block last night.

THE NEW CIVILIZING INFLUENCE.



ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 17.—The Ontario Farmers' Grange adopted this resolution: "Members of this grange owe it to their families, themselves and their class to present the most civilized appearance possible. To that end they will hereafter eschew the wearing of whiskers and beards."

Eastern Markets.

As reported by the Coo Commission company:

CHICAGO.		
Wheat—	Opening.	Closing.
May	\$9.77 1/2	\$9.77 1/2
July	74 1/2	74 1/2
Corn—		
May	45 1/2	45 1/2
July	43 1/2	43 1/2
Oats—		
May	36 1/2	36 1/2
Pork—		
May	17.40	17.40
MINNEAPOLIS.		
Wheat—		
May	76 1/2	76 1/2
July	76 1/2	77

Local Markets.

Prices Paid to Producers.

Wheat, per bushel, club and red, 60c; bluestem, 60c; barley, per ton,

\$21; oats, per ton, \$24; timothy hay, per ton, \$12; potatoes, per cwt., 30c; onions, per cwt., 50c; ranch butter, per pound, 18c; eggs, fresh, per case, \$8.50; dry picked turkeys, per lb., 18c; alive, per lb., 14c; scalded geese, per lb., 14c; alive, per lb., 11c; scalded hens and large yellow chickens, per lb., 14c; alive, per lb., 12c.

Livestock—Cows, on foot, \$3 1/2 to \$4; dressed, 7 1/2; steers, on foot, 4 1/2 to 4 3/4; dressed, 7c; sheep, on foot, 4 1/2 to 4; dressed, 9c; hogs, on foot, 6 1/2 to 6 3/4; dressed, 8 1/2 to 9c; calves, 10c

LOSES HIS WARDROBE.

While J. H. Freeman, a performer, was lying ill in Sacred Heart hospital, his trunk, which was kept in his room on the third floor of the Stockholm building, was broken into and a stack wire outfit, green stage coat, silk hat, suit of clothes and some music were stolen.