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TO DRIVE OUT DEVILS

BY SUN WORSHIPERS' TREATMENT WHO TORTURES HIS PATIENTS.

Needles Sunk into Flesh—Mysterious Oil Is Rubbed into the Wounds Which Causes Great Pain—Other News.

Chicago, May 17.—When "Doctor" Hannish, leader of the sun worshippers' cult, is placed on trial on May 26, charged with "practicing medicine without a license," he will have to face serious charges of torturing his patients by using a machine carrying 20 needles attached to a spring. These are sunk deep into the flesh, and mysterious oil is rubbed into the wound. This is said to cause great pain and result in horrible blisters and running sores.

George Gilbert said his wife was thus treated by two of Hannish's women helpers, and that she was subjected to the ordeal even after she was on the verge of death from starvation and pain; that even the day upon which his wife died these two women came to the house and would have "treated" her but he drove them away.

Dr. Mary McKibbin-Harper says she was called to attend Miss Reusse when she was taken to the hospital just prior to being adjudged insane and taken to Elgin, where she is now confined. Dr. McKibbin-Harper says she found Miss Reusse's back in a frightful condition, caused evidently by the needle treatment. Her back was literally covered with sores, and she groaned and wept continually from the pain.

From members of the cult it was learned that followers afflicted with any ailment were tortured.

"Yes, we plunge needles into the flesh and then rub oil in the wounds," admitted Dr. J. H. Lowe, a dentist. "The needles go far into the flesh, and then the oil causes blisters and sores to form. This draws poison out of the system and cures the patient."

Mrs. Isaac Henry Strong, a high priestess of the sun worshippers, not only admitted, but boasted that the sick and afflicted were punished with needles and burning oil. "It is one way to subjugate the flesh and to drive out the devil," she said. "There are not enough pores in the skin to let in all the sunshine that the system needs, and so the needles are used for this reason."

While Hannish denies that he tortures his followers in order to teach them what he terms "flesh subjugation," he alludes throughout all his literature to the ordeal, and those who stand it without crying out in pain are lauded for their "master over the body."

Washington, May 17.—Various temperance organizations have begun a campaign to make the Panama canal zone prohibition territory. President Roosevelt is daily receiving letters to this end, and is referring them to the canal commission.

Admiral Walker chairman of the commission, when asked the feasibility of prohibiting the sale of liquor by a congressional committee, said such a course would be absurd for the reason that it would be impossible to enforce the regulation. The drinking on the strip was not considerable. While the people use light wines and beer almost universally, there is comparatively little drunkenness.

Quincy, Mass., May 17.—The battleship Rhode Island was launched today at the yards of the Fore River Ship & Engine Company. After the vessel had left the ways, the launching crew experienced an unexpected disaster. The great craft had attained such headway that she could not be stopped in deep water, and her anchor failing to hold, her stern was forced into a mud bank. Three tugs made fast to her as soon as possible, but the tide fell rapidly, and they were unable to move her. The company sent to Boston for additional tugs, and it is expected the battle ship would be released before the next floodtide. A naval inspector who was on the scene expressed the opinion that the bottom was soft, the ship would not be damaged in the least.

Denver, May 17.—At least one-

third of the ticket in the election today were scratched. A count of nearly all the straight tickets shows Speer, democrat, is elected mayor by fully 8,000 plurality.

The democrats are claiming 9 of the 16 aldermen, and all the supervisors. If the face of the returns shows Speer's election, as it is believed they will, the republicans declare they will contest the election. The republicans allege 70 per cent. of the scratched tickets are for Springer, and that he is elected by 2,000 plurality.

St. Louis, Mo., May 17.—General Nelson A. Miles, who is here attending Good Roads convention, expresses the belief that the Russo-Japanese war will eventually involve other nations.

"I believe that the war will be a long and desperate one," said General Miles.

"In the next great war," said General Miles, "I believe the automobile will, to a large extent supplement the horse. There are now 100,000 automobiles in the United States, and the number is increasing rapidly. Their speed is becoming phenomenal. Automobiles can be used on bad roads as well as horses."

London, May 17.—Reuter's Niu-chwang correspondent wires under Monday's date that the Russian evacuation of Niu-chwang has been completed.

The evacuation was made in perfect order, General Kondratzvitsh leaving with the last regiment. The Japanese advance will be resisted at Haicheng and Liaoyang, where 70,000 men are now encamped.

Thioling, 200 miles north of Niu-chwang, will be the next point of retirement if the Russians are defeated at Liaoyang, while the Cosacks will harass the Japanese communications.

The Japanese are now within 15 miles of Haicheng.

Niu-chwang is now guarded by 300 Chinese police. Everything is quiet and orderly.

The Japanese force at Kaichau is reported to be at 20,000. This army is thoroughly equipped and has not been forced forward enough to render it unfit for its best fighting. The advices state that remarkable system now prevails with the Japanese, who conduct themselves as would campaigners of years experience.

Japanese warships appeared off Kaichau, 20 miles southwest of here today and shelled the place while troops were landed. Their strength is not known. The Japanese are expected to arrive here tomorrow and take possession of the town, having gained, as far as this city is concerned, a bloodless victory.

Chicago, May 17.—Prince Pu Lun, of China, made an address in Chinese to an audience of 700 students at the University of Chicago yesterday. His remarks were interpreted by General Wong, a Yale graduate. The prince said:

"From the time I landed at San Francisco during my entire visit to your country I have been most surprised to find that every man and woman in America is educated. This I believe is the basis of the success of the American people."

General Wong also spoke, making a plea for the easy admission to the United States of Chinese students. He said:

"One fourth of the Chinese students who were in this country when I was in college at Yale have since fallen in battle, shot in front. To get shot in front is something they learned in America."

London, May 19.—The Daily Telegraph's Niu Schwang correspondent under date of May 18 says: "After driving out 1500 Russians and destroying the railway, the Japanese re-embarked from Kaichau, the combined fleet heading southward."

"The Russians re-entered Niu Schwang with 1000 infantry, but all preparations are made for another hasty evacuation."

Mukden, May 17.—Couriers bring word here that the Russian fighting line is steadily nearing Mukden, where Viceroy Alexieff still maintains his headquarters. The commanding officers will not comment on the reports.

The Japanese are known to be in almost striking distance and are advancing in three columns 30 miles to the northeast. Numerous small engagements are being fought without decisive results.

FIGHT WITH SPURS

DRUNKEN INDIANS FIGHT TO DEATH IN GRANT COUNTY.

Child Killed in the Row—Indian Ponies Spreading Mange and Trouble Is Feared When Orders to Kill Animals Is Carried Out—Other News.

John Day, Or., May 18.—Indians from the Upper Columbia river are roving in large bands over the hills and along the streams of Grant county, terrorizing the settlers and scattering the minge with their herds of worse than useless ponies. Great uneasiness exists here and fears are expressed that the depredations of the savages may result in serious hostilities.

Already much damage to the stock interests has been done, and if something is not done to check the incursion of the Indians, the losses to ranchmen will mount into the thousands by reason of the spreading of disease among the vast herds of cattle and horses which are on the Grant county range.

Inspector George Irvin, of Monument, inspected a number of Indian ponies when they first reached the county and found ten of them badly diseased. He wired the state veterinarian for instructions. That officer being sick, Secretary of state Dunbar wired Irvin to kill the diseased animals, providing it could be done at county expense.

There are about 500 Cayuses on the lower John Day river, and although the Indians are expected to resist, Inspector Irvin says he will carry out his instructions. It is believed by ranchmen here that a serious clash will occur immediately following any attempt to kill the diseased ponies.

A large number of braves got drunk at Dayville, 50 miles west of this place, last night, and a hot fight ensued, in which guns, bottles, clubs and knives were freely used and a number of the participants badly wounded. Later two of the bucks engaged in a duel near the South Fork bridge, using their spurs as weapons. One of the Indians was so badly lacerated that death ensued shortly afterward.

This seemed to sober the Indians, and, binding the body of the dead warrior on the back of a packhorse, his head on one side and feet on the other, they struck out over the mountains toward the Columbia in the direction of Arlington. It is said that a second body, believed to be that of a child, was carried away by the retreating Indians. Investigation shows that the liquor

was not secured at Dayville, and an arrest has yet been made on the charge of selling liquor to the Indians, although certain persons are under suspicion.

Excitement in this vicinity is running high, and much indignation is felt against the government agents who permit these predatory bands to rove from the reservation. Their failure to exercise more careful supervision over their charges is likely to result in a pitched battle should the Indians return. The ranchmen are well armed, and will protect their homes and their herds at all hazard.

Walla Walla, Wash., May 18.—Mrs. William Nave, wife of Deputy Sheriff Nave, of Wallula, Wash., lies in horrible agony at St. Mary's hospital, while her physician is appealing to Walla Walla residents for 100 volunteers to give contributions of skin to graft on her body, one-fourth of which has been burned off. The last two days a dozen people, to whom the case had become known privately, have given up from six to 17 pieces of skin.

Unless volunteers come forward for this wholesale grafting, Mrs. Nave must die.

Two months ago she fell down stairs with a lamp, frightfully burning herself. A generous response is expected from people here. Mrs. Nave's own daughter has given 14 pieces. The operation is the first of the kind attempted here, and is probably the most extensive tried on the Pacific Coast.

Chicago, May 17.—Three highwaymen attempted to rob a United States registered mail wagon early today near the Chicago and Northwestern railroad station. The accidental discharge of a revolver frustrated their plans, and they escaped after a duel with the police.

When the driver of the wagon, E. J. Graff, was driving past an alley three men ran into the street in front of the team. Two of the men tried to stop the horses by grabbing the bridles, and the third undertook to climb on the seat. The one who was making an effort to get on the seat fired a shot which was apparently accidental, and the horses jumped. Graff plied the whip at the same time and the team lunged ahead. Shots were fired after the wagon but the driver would not stop.

Two policemen saw one of the men and fired at him. The highwaymen returned the shot and ran, making his escape. The other men slipped away during the revolver fight.

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