

MANCHURIA A LAND OF PROMISE

Consul-General Miller Prophesies a Great Development—United States Must Take Strong Stand to Safeguard Its Interests.

Henry B. Miller, Consul-General of the United States at Niuchwang, is in the city for a short time, stopping at the Imperial Hotel. Mr. Miller returned to his home at Eugene recently, having secured an indefinite leave from his post on account of ill health. The cold weather at Niuchwang has been so severe that the Consul became ill and returned to breathe a little of the mild atmosphere of his native state. He has been intending to visit Washington, D. C., but has delayed his trip there, owing to the cold weather in the East. He will return to Eugene on Saturday and will leave for Washington in a short time. His stay in America depends in part upon his health and part on the climate and weather conditions at his post in Manchuria.



H. B. MILLER, UNITED STATES CONSUL-GENERAL AT NIUCHWANG.

Mr. Miller visited the front lines in 1900 during the time of the Boxer rebellion, and since that time has seen many interesting and exciting things in the discharge of his duties for the Government. While at Niuchwang, he has seen the natives live and many things, both commercial and otherwise, which are of interest to those who have seen the Chinese Empire in its far-off dream.

"I am home on sick leave," commented Mr. Miller, "for I could not stand the cold of Niuchwang. It was from 25 to 30 degrees below zero before I left, and the houses are not at all comfortable. To give you an idea," continued the Consul, "the natives live in mud huts or houses. They will not burn coal, which is their great abundance, but make use of the tall mill, which grows there to a great height. This resembles in appearance the broom-corn in some parts of the West, but is used for food while the stalks are used for fuel." "In one end of each hut is placed the kang, or bed, which is built on a low platform, with a hole in the middle, through which the smoke can pass, and the fire is built under one end of this bed, while the smoke goes into a passage underneath, warms the bricks and mud and makes a comfortable place for the dweller to sleep upon."

Mr. Miller thought of the abundance of coal, and related an incident to show the conservatism of the Chinese as a people. Several years ago, so the story runs, a fuel company of Manchuria decided to introduce the Chinese to coal among the natives. Accordingly more than a thousand coal stoves were given away, it being the idea of the schemers that the Chinese would use the coal in order to have an opportunity to put their new stoves to work. Instead of that, however, they broke the stoves up and sold them for iron and coal, and continued to use their millet stalks for fuel.

This characteristic is common, says Mr. Miller, throughout the Empire. In the establishment of the Chinese, the introduction of brands of goods it prevails. Once a thing is adopted in use it is established for good, but it is a hard task to convince the natives of its worth in their own minds. Wiped Coming and Going. In further illustration of this tendency, Mr. Miller, in the construction of the Chinese Railroad, "Superintendent Kinder," said the speaker, "found that the tools used by the Chinese workmen were very crude. He thought of the use of pneumatic drills in the rock work of the road, but the workmen would have nothing to do with the new device. It is a custom, and what is required to whip him until he gives in, so Mr. Kinder had all of his men brought up and whipped until they promised to use the pneumatic drill. A short time later," continued Mr. Miller, "the gang was sent back into the country where they could not take the new drills, and when sent started, refused to work without them."

TRAINING FOR MOTHERS.

They Need it as Much as a Professional Man, Says Mrs. Tate. In spite of the snowy afternoon the Home Training Association had a very well-attended meeting yesterday afternoon, and the programme, which had been so carefully prepared, was so interesting as to well repay all present for coming. Miss Katherine Lineham, contralto, sang "Just a 'weary' Now You're Here" and "Three Green Bonnets." Mrs. Samuel Connell, vice-president, presided and gave a talk outlining the work of the association; and Mrs. W. J. Tate, who had many interesting and instructive ideas to present. Mrs. Tate's subject was "Professional Motherhood." "If one is willing to grant it," said Mrs. Tate, "mothers, both as laboring and professional women. You all know the old saying: 'A woman's work is never done,' and it needs quite as much careful forethought and execution to make a thoroughly good mother as it takes to make a school teacher, a lawyer or to fit one for any profession. In America trades and professions are alike, and we are all on the same uniform basis. In marriage, illiteracy, deformity, even disease, are no drawbacks to entering the sacred relation. Motherhood, the best, highest and holiest center of woman, in all ages, is the one thing generally regarded as not needing any special preparation or cultivation. "A mother seldom regards her life work as either a profession or a calling, and barely elevates it above a mere necessity. Only as she wins standing in society is she recognized, and this is often accomplished at the expense of her children. "In our Home Training Association, we hope to elevate the mother to a recognition of her true duties and awaken in many an unconscious mind the necessity for action in some definite direction for bettering the condition of the child right in the family nest. If there is one idea above another upon which to unite it is that of child study.

SUFFRAGIST TO SPREAD FOLD

Eastern Worker Will Canvass Oregon in Interest of Equal Rights. Miss Mary N. Chase, of Andover, N. H., and state president of the Women's Equal Suffrage Association of that state, arrived in Portland yesterday, accompanied as a representative of the National association, to further suffrage work in this state and go into the field as an organizer. She will spend the next few days in a series of remarkable good address as well as a deep thinker. She feels much encouraged by the outlook here and anticipates bringing forth many districts into the fold before next June. Miss Chase is a firm believer in field work and cites the case of New Hampshire to prove its efficacy. Three years ago she was a working woman, and today there are 602 active workers in the association. A campaign was carried on two years ago when it was found that for every three men against equal rights there were two for it. The leading politicians there are friends of the movement, including Senator Galloway, Senator Blair and ex-Congressman Baker.

CAPTAIN COLSON DEAD.

He Fails to Rally From a Stroke of Paralysis. Captain Samuel Colson, a veteran river pilot of the O. R. & N. Co., died at his home at 528 East Second street at 2:15 o'clock yesterday morning. A short time ago Captain Colson suffered a stroke of paralysis while aboard the steamer Oklahoma, which was towing a ship to Astoria. He was brought to his home in this city, and finally succumbed to the attack. Captain Colson came to Portland in 1872, from Wisconsin, after several years' service in the Wisconsin Navy. This city he secured employment with the old O. R. & N. Co. as a deckhand, later became mate and in 1884 was made captain of the R. R. Thompson. He continued on that steamer on the Astoria run until 1902, when he was transferred to the Oklahoma, of which he was master until stricken down. He was born in Bohemia, Sweden, in 1828. He leaves a wife, to whom he was married in 1860, but no children. The funeral will be held at Finley's Undertaking Chapel Sunday at 2:30 P. M., and the services will be conducted by Elmer Interment will be in Lone Fir Cemetery.

A Friend in Need.

Low Chun, a laundryman at Sunnyside, is the latest tally on the Immigration Inspector's list of illegal residents. Low Chun was arrested yesterday, but found a friend, Dr. C. L. Gee Woo, who deposited \$50 with Commissioner J. A. Sladen as a guarantee that Chun would appear in court on January 17 for trial.

ALL BIDS ARE REJECTED.

Repair Work on Government Tug Postponed Until Spring. After considering the bids submitted for the repairs to the Government tug Mendell, it has been decided by Major W. G. Langfit, of the Engineer Corps, to reject all and postpone the work until Spring at least. The repairs at this time would cost too much, and owing to the present state of the department's funds, and the possibility of no further appropriation, it was deemed advisable to withhold the work.

The funeral will be held at Finley's Undertaking Chapel Sunday at 2:30 P. M., and the services will be conducted by Elmer Interment will be in Lone Fir Cemetery.

Style and Usefulness Are Perfectly united in the beautiful line of carpet-size rugs now on special sale. Out of many grades we mention four: Royal Wilton Rugs, 9x12, exclusive patterns, copied from famous Oriental Rugs, now at the low price of \$37.80. Body Brussels Rugs, 9x12, made for hard service in any room, reduced to \$27.00. Axminster Rugs, 9x12, French floor patterns, suitable for parlor or bedroom; Turkish designs for dining-room or library, now \$28.35. Roxbury Rugs, standard for a generation, during sale \$22.50.

J. G. MACK & CO. 86-88 THIRD STREET. EXCLUSIVE CARPET HOUSE.

Imperial Hotel Co. 400th and Washington streets, Portland, Oregon. European Plan \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 per Day. THE PORTLAND PORTLAND, OR. American Plan also European Plan. Modern Restaurant. \$3 PER DAY and upward. COST ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

DR. B. E. WRIGHT THE SCIENTIFIC DENTIST Who relieves pain in all dental operations. The most modern and best equipped dental parlors in the Northwest. 342 1/2 Washington Street, Corner Seventh.

AMUSEMENTS. Columbia Theater A. H. Ballard. ONLY THREE MORE PERFORMANCES of the greater production of the year. THE HOLY CITY. The biggest popular-price attraction ever offered in the city. Order your seats NOW. Empire Theater George L. Baker, Manager. Seats can be ordered by phone, Main 117. "The Wife" NEXT WEEK, Starting Sunday matinee.

MEETING NOTICES. MULTNOMAH CAMP, W. O. W. All members take notice. Installation of officers will take place tonight, 7:30 P. M. at the Grand Lodge, 412 N. W. 3rd. Members of the W. O. W. and W. G. W. only admitted. MYRTLE CHAPTER NO. 15, O. E. S. Regular communication this (Friday) evening in Masonic Temple at 7 o'clock. Installation of officers, following members cordially invited. By order W. M. JENNIS H. GALLAGHER, Secretary.

MEETING NOTICES. HARSALO LODGE NO. 15, I. O. O. F. Regular meeting this (Friday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. First degree. Visitors welcome. HENRY BROWN, Secretary.

DIED. COLSON-In this city, Jan. 12, 1903, at his residence, 528 E. 2d st., Samuel Colson, aged 75 years, 7 months, 6 days. Funeral notice hereafter. L. Ross, Announcement of funeral later. BOKSELL-In this city, Jan. 12, 1903, Angelo Boksell, aged 53 years. Funeral notice hereafter.

FUNERAL NOTICES. WELCH-In this city, on Jan. 12, 1903, Ellen Welch, aged 33 years, 2 months, 1 day, beloved wife of J. J. Welch, and mother of Julia, Helen, and Chester, died at her home, 125 E. 1st st., at 10:30 P. M. on the 12th inst. Burial at Mt. Zion cemetery, 10:30 A. M. on the 14th inst. Friends and neighbors respectfully invited to attend. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery, Montreal, Canada, papers please copy.

THE GRAND THEATER. 10-MATCHLESS ACTS-10. Concor's god show; Hugh McCormick, ventriloquist; St. Claire and Carole, comedy wire act; Holmes and Dean, musical team; Cook and Oakes, singing and dancing acrobats; Morgan and Chester, funny, little playlets; Johnny Riggs, aerialist supreme; Mr. Alf Bonner, "Why Don't They Play With Me?" GILANDROFF, Latest Edison Films. Admission to any seat 1c. Box seats, 25c.

BAKER THEATER. L-LATING & FLOOD, Managers. LARGEST CONTINUOUS VAUDEVILLE HOUSE IN THE WORLD. EVERY SEAT 1c. One performance afternoon, two every evening.

LYRIC THEATER. (Corner Alder and Seventh.) HIGH-CLASS REFINED VAUDEVILLE. \$20 to \$40; 2:30 to 10:30; Sunday, 2 to 10 P. M. This ad. and 10c will admit two people any matinee, except Sunday and Holiday.

OREGONIAN COUPON No. 30--Coupon--No. 30 STAR THEATER Friday Matinee, Jan. 13, 1903. This coupon and 1c entitles holder to one admission where presented at box office.

Mortgage Loans 5% and Upwards Real Estate--City and Farm Insurance in All Lines A. H. BIRRELL, 502 1/2 McKay Building, Third and Stark.

CLASSIFIED AD. RATES. "Home," "Rooms and Board," "House-keeping Rooms," "Situations Wanted," 15 words or less, 15 cents; 16 to 25 words, 20 cents; 21 to 25 words, 25 cents, etc. No discount for additional insertions. UNDER ALL OTHER HEADS, except "New Today," 20 cents for 15 words or less; 16 to 20 words, 25 cents; 21 to 25 words, 30 cents, etc. Additional insertion, one-half; no further discount under one month. IMPORTANT--The low second-time rate on advertising that runs either in the classified columns, or under head "New Today," will be given only when advertising is inserted on consecutive days, Daily and Sunday issues. Advertising that is scheduled to appear at intervals of one or more days apart will be charged for at full one-time rate each insertion. "NEW TODAY" (range measure space), 15 cents per line. First insertion; 10 cents per line for each additional insertion. ANSWERS TO ADVERTISEMENTS, addressed care The Oregonian, and left at this office, should always be inclosed in sealed envelopes. No stamp is required on such letters. The Oregonian will not be responsible for errors in advertisements taken through the telephone. NEW TODAY. Furnishes the opportunity. Perhaps you had better ask us about it or apply for our book of "ILLUSTRATIONS." Which we shall be glad to send you. PORTLAND TRUST COMPANY OF OREGON, 100 Third Street.

MORTGAGE LOANS. On Portland real estate at lowest rates. Title insured. Abstracts furnished. Title Guarantee & Trust Co., 1 Chamber of Commerce.

FOR SALE--REAL ESTATE. FREE LAND! FREE LAND! A chance to secure a home and make money, only cost 15c for water right, which averages \$10 per acre; under state control. For particulars write or call at office of Columbia Southern Irrigation Co., 509 West Center blk.

FOR SALE--A SIX-ROOM HOUSE. LOT 50X 110; electric light, bath, toilet and all modern improvements, small payment down. Phone Union 5348, or call 905 E. 10th st. North. Price \$1700.

FOR SALE--A SIX-ROOM MODERN COTTAGE. In upper Albion district, close to Park and 4th; every room different color; 15 minutes' walk to town; sell cheap, \$395. See East 675.

FOR SALE--A COZY LIT. HOME. \$2000; small payment down; balance monthly. Call 905 E. 7th North. Phone East 675.

FOR SALE--FARM. 4200 ACRES AND UPWARDS FOR SALE. 40 acres of fruiting orchards and 1000 acres of timber in the Willamette Valley. The balance is in the Willamette Valley and Eastern R. R. Will be sold in large small tracts. Terms on application. J. D. WILCOX, 2025 Stark st.

FOR SALE--FARM. 160 ACRES VIRGIN LAND. 19 miles from Astoria. See D. E. Budd about bargains. \$10 1/2.

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