

SPEAKS OF WAR

Consul Miller Lectures at White Temple.

AUDIENCE IS LARGE ONE

Speaker Tells of Struggles Between Opposing Armies.

WAR WAS PREMEDITATED

Since Conflict With China, Japan Has Been Preparing to Drive the Russians From Manchuria and Gain the Territory.

One of Oregon's first citizens Henry B. Miller, Consul-General to Japan, delivered a very interesting and instructive lecture on the Russo-Japanese war last night at the White Temple.

An audience which comfortably filled the church auditorium was present and gave the speaker an attentive hearing.

General Miller is not an orator, but he has an agreeable manner in conversational discourse which renders his delivery most effective.

He prefaced his remarks by expressing his pleasure at appearing before the people of his own state and announced that he would only undertake to tell a portion of the story of what he has seen of the Oriental situation, reserving many of the details for the second lecture, which occurs tonight at the same place.

A number of views of Manchuria before and during the present war were then shown by a stereopticon and General Miller explained them briefly. A large map of the scene of war was also exhibited, to which the speaker devoted much of his attention.

He declared that the present war really dates back to the Sino-Japanese conflict of 1895, at the conclusion of which Japan was cheated out of her just rights at the dictation of Russia, Germany and France when she was forced to abandon Port Arthur and all of Southern Manchuria. From that time on, he said, the Japanese nation commenced planning the present war and the Japanese children were taught that the greatest duty of Japanese citizenship was to drive Russia from Manchuria and reclaim that which rightfully belonged to the land of the Mikado.

The speaker dealt at some length with the natural features of Manchuria. He stated that contrary to general belief Manchuria is a rich agricultural region

and has tremendous possibilities as a wheat-producing section. Its mineral resources also are very great and its forests of inestimable value.

General Miller said that had Russia been allowed to occupy Manchuria she would have developed the resources of that country to support an army of 1,000,000 men, and having occupied the territory with such an army Japan or any other power would have been powerless to displace her.

He declared that in his opinion the final terms of peace which will terminate the present war should not deprive Russia of every foothold on the Pacific, but insisted that Russia should be allowed one or more ports in order that she may develop Siberia. He devoted much of his address to the Russian development of Manchuria, particularly at Port Arthur and the Yellow Sea.

In conclusion he dwelt upon the interest which the United States has in the outcome of the present struggle, and declared that whether we desired it or not, we had become a world power and must take part in the ultimate settlement of affairs in the Far East.

CALIFORNIA BANKERS ARE HERE Ignatz Steinhart Admires Portland and Praises the Exposition.

Ignatz Steinhart, a prominent banker of San Francisco, was a guest at the Portland yesterday, leaving in the evening for Seattle for a short visit before returning to his home in California. Before returning, however, he will stop for a day or so here to attend to some business transactions in which he is interested.

Mr. Steinhart is a director of the German Savings Bank of San Francisco, which institution has large holdings in Portland, and is also closely connected with the Anglo-Californian Bank of San Francisco. He was here a year ago and on his return visit finds much to interest and please him in Portland.

Of business the visitor would say nothing. He is a man of affairs, however, he had many things to say, all of them optimistic and kindly.

"We of California," he said, "feel that we are tied to Oregon on the south and so we like to come up here once in a while and see how you folks are getting along, and to become the better acquainted with the growth of the city, however, he had many things to say, all of them optimistic and kindly."

Three Indian boys escape Are Recaptured and Will Be Returned to Chemawa School.

Three little Indian boys slept in the City Jail last night, and this morning they were escorted to the school at Chemawa by Deputy Sheriff H. W. Fowler, of Columbia County. They were endeavoring to get away from the drudges of life at the institution, and succeeded in reaching Goble. There they were captured.

Incendiary Fire Burns \$500,000. KHARKOFF, Russia, March 14.—A fire last night, supposed to be of incendiary origin, destroyed shops to the value of \$500,000. Nine persons were severely injured.

Royal Baking Powder Saves Health and Saves Money

OFF FOR TONOPAH

Grant and Dale to Open Gambling House There.

WILL INVADE GOLD FIELDS

Gambler Who Were Forced Out of Business in Portland Will Attempt to Find Better Location in Booming Mining Camp.

Pete Grant and Harvey Dale, two of the original "Big Four" who controlled the gambling situation in Portland before Tom Word arrived, left last night for Tonopah, Nev. The Big Four who held supreme high hand in the gambling of the city were Pete Grant, Nate Solomon, Harvey Dale and Larry Sullivan. Of the four there are but two left, Larry Sullivan and Nate Solomon. Sullivan is said to have sold out his interest in the famous Portland Club that was some time ago. This leaves Nate Solomon clinging to the shipwrecked gambling craft and to look after the other business interests in which Grant, Dale and Solomon are interested.

Since the masters of the Portland Club were made to realize that Sheriff Word was a tiger tamer had no equal, that he had bearded the tiger in his lair and made him eat out of his hand, they have been casting about for a town in which to conduct a gambling establishment. The recent strikes at Tonopah and the rush of people to that Nevada town determined the ex-bosses of the Portland gamblers to go there. Last week an express wagon was backed up to the Portland Club. Roulette wheels, crap tables, Faro layouts and the dozen or more other appliances for separating people from their coin were crated away. It was whispered among the gamblers who remained behind that the paraphernalia had been sold as so much old junk, but this, in the past that was given out when it was stated that the former club-rooms were to be turned into a lodging-house.

The passing of Pete Grant as the gambling dictator of Portland will always be a part of Portland's unique history. For years the Grant boys, Pete and Jack, Larry Sullivan, Nate Solomon and Harvey Dale were factors in North End politics. They used their political powers to a good purpose and soon they had one of the largest gambling houses on the Coast and actually dictated who should open up in the city and who should not. They wanted it all and for a time they got it. But they got a little more than they bargained for.

He refused to be bluffed. Pete Grant conducted the warfare against Colonel Applegate in person. The Southerner tried to meet with Pete Grant, but Peter refused to shake hands with him. From that day to this things broke badly for the Portland Club. Colonel Applegate was trying to establish a poolroom here. The Portland Club had one and they did not want any more, so Applegate was told he could not open. Applegate went on. He leased a saloon and spent about \$25,000 in repairs and in getting his poolroom ready. Just about the time he was ready to open, the Portland Club had named a saloon and spent about \$25,000 in repairs and in getting his poolroom ready. Just about the time he was ready to open, the Portland Club had named a saloon and spent about \$25,000 in repairs and in getting his poolroom ready.

What Sheriff Word did to the Portland Club and the business of gambling who insisted upon keeping open is well known. The Portland Club proprietors are not the vanguard of the gamblers and the rush of people to that Nevada town determined the ex-bosses of the Portland gamblers to go there. Last week an express wagon was backed up to the Portland Club. Roulette wheels, crap tables, Faro layouts and the dozen or more other appliances for separating people from their coin were crated away.

DETECTIVES CAPTURE BURGLAR

Louis Brown is Charged With Robbing the Labbe Residence.

Louis Brown was arrested by Detectives Kerrigan and Snow late yesterday afternoon, booked at Police Headquarters on a charge of larceny in a dwelling and locked in a cell. The charge against him is the robbery of the residence of B. Labbe, 415 Nineteenth street, but he is believed to be the man responsible for many burglaries reported in the past few weeks.

If the suspicions of the detectives are correct, Brown is at least a unique criminal, if not clever to a remarkable degree. He has been engaged in cleaning yards, and it is the belief of the officers that he uses his work as a blind, while his actual business is that of a burglar. Owing to the inability of the officers to ascertain much about the prisoner, it is not known whether he was employed by many of the various portions of the city. It is known that he worked at the Labbe residence, however.

From the Labbe residence, Monday afternoon, a silver knife, fork and spoon and an elk-horn carving set were stolen. What led to Brown's arrest yesterday was when he appeared at a front-street establishment and sold a portion of the plunder.

Brown was under the influence of liquor last night, and was unable to talk intelligently. He repeatedly stated that he was innocent of any crime. He is aged 35 years.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, March 14.—Maximum temperature, 66 deg.; minimum, 45. River reading at 11 A. M., 2.9 feet; change in past 24 hours, rise 0.4 foot. Total precipitation, 6.7 P. M., 0.1 inch; total since September 1, 1904, 22.85 inches; normal, 35.58; deficiency, 12.73. Total sunshine March 13, 1905, 4 hours and 24 minutes; possible, 10 hours and 45 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea level), at 5 P. M., 30.77.

PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

Table with columns for Station, Maximum, Minimum, Wind, and State of sky. Includes entries for Baker City, Blount, Hales, Kampong, North Had., Peacocks, Portland, Red Bluff, Roseburg, Seaside, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Spokane, Seattle, and Walls Walla.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

Unsettled, cloudy weather continues in the North Pacific States this evening. A second disturbance has formed off the coast of Oregon, and the pressure is falling this evening throughout Western Oregon and Northern California. On the contrary, Japan can keep sending men into Manchuria all the time, and it has been demonstrated that man for man, the Japanese are better soldiers than the Russians.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast made at Portland at 8 P. M. for 24 hours ending at midnight, March 15: Portland and vicinity—Cloudy to partly cloudy, with probably showers; variable winds, mostly easterly. Western Oregon and Western Washington—Cloudy and unsettled, with probably showers; winds mostly north to east. Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Idaho—Cloudy to partly cloudy, with probably showers. A. P. WOODRASS.

Squadron Will Face High Sea.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 14.—The Pacific squadron is leaving the harbor this afternoon for Makahala Bay. An exceedingly high sea is running. The ships will pass out at high tide as a matter of precaution.

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CLOSES THE DEAL

Henry P. Scott Purchases Columbia and Northern.

PAYS ALMOST A MILLION

Will Not State for Whom the Purchase is Made Nor Tell Future of the Road—Many Rumors Concerning Purchase Afloat.

Henry P. Scott, party, from Wilmington, Del., are stopping at the Portland for a short visit in the city. Mr. Scott is the man who has negotiated the purchase of the Columbia River & Northern Railway, from Goldendale to Lyle, on the north bank of the Columbia, and has stopped in Portland to close the deal made some time ago.

During the day Mr. Scott visited A. L. Mills, and made the final arrangements for the purchase of the property. The price paid is supposed to be a little less than \$1,000,000. During the time that the purchaser was in Southern California, his attorneys, Teal & Minor, have been investigating the title to the various properties of the road, and having found them to be in good shape, Mr. Scott closed the sale on his return to Portland.

The Delaware man has been in California, presumably for his health; in fact, the present trip is one of rest, and the sale and purchase of the Columbia Northern is a matter of side interest to him. But he will say nothing as to whom he is representing by the purchase, even now that it is made.

"I know that I have bought the road," he stated yesterday, when asked concerning the deal, but otherwise had nothing to say. He would not state what his future intentions were as to the operation or disposition of the property, other than to intimate that some improvements might be made in a short time.

"It has been rumored that the Northern Pacific, and again that the Great Northern is behind the purchase," he was told. "Can you tell which of the guesses is right?"

"I would not like to answer that question, or any other just at this time," he was answered. "I don't want to announce what will be done with the road, or who it is that has bought it at this time."

That was all the information that could be gleaned from the man who has handed

over the money to pay for the Washington railway. The story to the effect that the Northern Pacific has been behind the matter still has a great many adherents in the railroad row here. Those who watch railroad movements and know the history of railroading in the Northwest, as well as in the other portions of the country, still think that it is very probable that the Northern Pacific wants the track from Lyle to Goldendale to form part of the chain down the north bank of the Columbia River. It is called to mind that the company has for a long time been steadily acquiring rights of way along the north bank until a large part of the line is now in the hands of Northern Pacific representatives. The Vancouver & Kalama branch line, the old story of the Columbia River bridge, the fact that Northern Pacific engineers have been sounding the Willamette River near St. Johns, presumably for bridge foundation work, all these rumors and facts are taken to mean that the Northern Pacific has designs on Portland, and wants to cut out the long and mountainous route it now has to cover with its line to the East. The balance of argument seems to lean, therefore, to the assumption that it is the Northern Pacific that has bought the Columbia Northern, and that Mr. Scott is back of the purchase as a representative of that company.

Will Increase German Cavalry. BERLIN, March 14.—The appropriations committee of the Reichstag today finally agreed to the government's plan to increase the cavalry, but only in 1910, the houses virtually postponing the introduction of any further army increase measures until 1910.

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AMUSEMENTS. Marquam Grand Theater. Last two performances today. Special price matinee at 2:15 o'clock. Last time tonight, 8:15 o'clock. LAWRANCE D'ORSAY. 'THE EARL OF PAWTECKET.' Special matinee prices—Parquet, \$1; parquette circle, 75c; balcony, 75c and 50c; gallery, 25c, 50c. Evening prices—Lower floor, \$1.50; \$1; balcony, \$1.75c, 50c; gallery, 25c, 50c; boxes and logs, \$10.

COLUMBIA THEATER. Fourteenth and Washington Sts. A. H. Ballard, Lessee and Manager. TONIGHT AND ALL WEEK. One of the greatest religious dramas of the age. 'JOAN OF ARC' splendidly presented by the superb Columbia Stock Company.

EMPIRE THEATER. GEO. L. BAKER, Resident Manager. TONIGHT AND ALL THIS WEEK. MATINEE SATURDAY. The Swedish character comedies, BEN HENDRICKS.

'OLE OLSON' Prices, 15c, 25c, 50c. Matinee, 10c, 15c, 25c. Next week, 'The Moonshiner's Daughter.'

THE SLIDE FOR LIFE! GRAND TETSUWARI TROUPE. Royal Japanese Acrobats. FRANCIS WEDDING CO., Station. THE GREAT CALLESH, Impresario.

VAUDEVILLE FAVORITES. STAR THEATER. WEEK BEGINNING TODAY. TWO BROTHERS BUNTS. MR. AND MRS. HUGH EMMETT. MUSTARD AND COOK. SALES RETINOLIN. LLOYD SPENCER. INEZ SCOTT.

EDISON PROJECTORSCOPE. Prices on and after today, March 18.—Evening, 10c, 25c and 50c. Matinee, except Sundays and holidays, 10c. Week-day shows, 5 P. M., 7:30 P. M. and 9 P. M.

Consul-General Miller Scoffs at Yellow Peril

The nations of the world, barring those at present engaged in the Eastern war, are seeing things at night and the bugaboo which haunts their slumbers is a vague thing of fear and trepidation called 'the yellow peril.'

If Henry B. Miller, of Eugene, be right, the nations of the world had best turn over on the other side and go to sleep, or at least pull the covers over their heads, for there is no 'yellow peril' and the powers are all 'traid cats' without cause.

Out at the home where he was a guest yesterday we found Consul-General Miller, who has earned his post at Yokohama.

When the Boxers undertook to set the calendar back a few hundred years and raise trouble generally in 1900, Henry Miller was right on the spot to see that none of our kind of people suffered. He stood at the shoulder of brave old Conger when Peking was beleaguered, and as Consul at Nuchwang made himself generally useful.

Since the present unpleasantness has been in progress, he has been the shadow of a rock in the weary land for all Americans, and having done and been these things, the Roosevelt Government has even fit to honor him still further by making him Consul-General to Japan, which makes him master over many.

He is a plain, little gray man, who still has his clothes made by the Eugene tailor and assumes no airs. I suspect that he was once a member of the Oregon Leg-



HENRY B. MILLER SAYS THE WORLD NEED NOT FEAR A YELLOW PERIL.

islature, for he looks the part. He knows a whole lot about the East and talks about it with a good grasp.

"Japan is an industrial rather than a warlike nation," said he. "Other nations need have no nervous fears about what Japan is going to do after she whips Russia, providing she succeeds in doing that. She will develop along industrial lines and will not attempt to overrun and conquer Asia or the rest of the world. Her policy is to open the door of the Orient to all the world and she will invite the world to come on and do business."

"Japan has an industrial population and tremendous water power. These are the two great elements required to make a manufacturing nation and in a few years she will surpass the world in an industrial way as greatly as she is now doing in war. No, you and your friends are wrong. The 'yellow peril' is a phantom. If she wins against Russia she will dominate China and the two of them will get about something vastly better than the conquest of the Christian world. They will proceed to develop their resources. To raise wheat and manufacture the seeds of peace. Japan has a better no-

tion than going up and down the world with a club, seeking heads to crack. She wants to make money and become a great industrial power.

When the present war ends, should Japan win, she will make no settlement that will eliminate the other powers. She will give us all treaty ports and we will all have treaty rights and trade privileges.

One thing there seems to be settled. The integrity of China must be preserved, and although I believe the Chinese government to be friendly to Japan and think the latter will have much influence in China when the war ends, she will not attempt to extirpate themselves from Russian domination and look to Japan, their old enemy, to do the trick for them. But rest assured China will not become Japanese territory, and the powers will still have a chance to figure on the final disposition of China.

grams is completed. There are several more things up her sleeve, which have not yet been seen. The war may end in the Fall, but I don't anticipate that hostilities will cease before that time. Russia seems to be about all in, but she can probably keep up the fight a while longer. On the contrary, Japan can keep sending men into Manchuria all the time, and it has been demonstrated that man for man, the Japanese are better soldiers than the Russians."

General Miller witnessed some of the fighting about Nuchwang last Summer, and enjoys a personal acquaintance with some of the prominent Japanese Generals. His official position prevents him from declaring himself positively pro-Japanese, but it is easy to see how he stands in the contention.

Consul Miller has spent several crowded years in the Orient, and knows the game from beginning to end. He has proved his worth to this Government, and is going back to do more valuable things. He sails from San Francisco on April 2, and if the shooting of guns and slinking of sabers continues over toward the sunset, we may expect to hear much more of Henry B. Miller, of Oregon. A. & G.