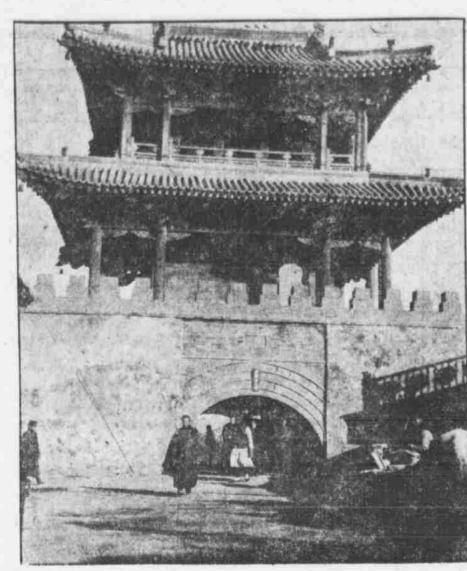
Features of Social and Business Life in the Capital of Manchuria



MUKDEN'S GREAT DRUM TOWER.

painted upon one of its sides. It is now the

hotel bus, and it makes daily trips to the

Among the Tartars.

Fine Looking Manchu Maidens.

railroad station four miles away.

(Copyright, 1999, by Frank G. Carpenter.) and mules, single or double or three or four Manchuria, 1908. - tandem, there are many pleasure vehicles, (Special Correspondent of The great two-wheeled cabs without springs, Bec.)-I am in Mukden, the covered with blue cotton, drawn by superb

and is one of the most important of the by sweating Chinese, and last but not whole Chinese empire. It is the home of least, I must mention the long three the Manchus, and the birthplace of the seated buckboard of the Astor hotel. This dynasty which now rules the 400,000,000 was brought to Mukden by an American Chinese. It has scores of noble Manchu patent medicine man, and for a long time families, and it furnishes a large proport it had the name of President Rooseveli tion of the Chinese officials.

Mukden a Tartar City. Mukden is emphatically a Manchu town.

makes one think of the Tartar section of Peking, except that it is better laid out. The crowd on the streets is far different and its streets are smoother and cleaner, from that of the cities of China. These The city has two great walls about it. Manchus are not like the small-boned. The outer one is of mud and is thirteen sawed-off Celestials we have in America. miles long. The inner is about four miles with yellow complexions, snub noses and in length, and it incloses a circle of eyes which look out of button-hole slits looked as if it would go hard with aim. houses a mile or so wide, comprising the in their faces. They all have more or less He had had a bad record in Hong Kong most beautiful specimen, according to those old Tartar camp of the past,

forty feet high and so wide that two two- can Indians. They are glants in com- to have an unfriendly Sikh informed that horse wagons could be driven abreast parison with the people of Canton. I see for a crime in Hong Kong he had been Fairview, and, starting down the track. It has the beak and through them. They run in an almost perfect. circle around the inner city, being entered frames, heavy bones and farge heads, Sikh lost no time in passing the informaby eight gates, each of which has walled fastened to broad full shoulders. Their tion to the prosecutor inclosures about it, so that you wind in complexions are more like copper than. The lawyer held the information until he and out going through. The Manchus do cream; their eyes seem wider apart and wanted to make a telling point at the not believe in straight roads, for they their noses are often quite prominent, trial. Then he pointed an accusing finger think that evil spirits may be lost or They are not unfriendly looking; and as a at the Sikh and called out sternly: turned back by the windings.

The most important part of Mukden is cameras their way. the inner city. This contains the palaces of the emperor of China, in which are stored fortune in jewels and precious. The Mukden women are especially fine, blemish. The unfriendly Sikh and the lawstones, wonderful carvings in silver and They are big-framed and broad-hipped, and yer did not know that branding criminals porcelain, worth their weight in gold, they stand straight as they walk along the is not in fashion in Hong Kong. The point The palaces rise high above the rest of streets with a swing. Their feet are not was so telling that the accused Sikh got the city. They are great temple-like build-bound like those of the Chinese women, off. ings, with curved roofs of the imperial nor do they fear to look a man in the face. yellow. Their woodwork is painted in Indeed they seem to dress for the streets. bright red and green, and is wonderfully And such dressing. They wear pantaloons, Juno, the diving and fishing cat belongcarved. The roofs are of porcelain, and but over them long coats coming down to ing to Charles La Croix, who lives in the yellow tiles shine like gold under the the ankles. The coats are often of silk Seaside Place, Conn., came home with a For months last year the palaces lined with fur. Every girl paints her fish hook fastened in her throat and a were filled with wailing officials, who went cheeks and eyelids with rogue, and her string of fish trailing behind her. There there day after day to weep for the em- head is more gorgeously dressed than those were weakfish, dogfish, eels, skate and

New Government Buildings.

Silver framework, which rises over her count broke all records for a catch broke all records for a catch broke all records for a catch but Juno did not seem to me especially proud of it. The big hook was stick-larger than those of the emperor. They cover, I should say, a half dozen acros Mukden. day. The viceroy's palaces are of modern like great wings on each side. They go out prise, she feit a sharp pain in her throat force of cooks numbers sixteen, includconstruction. They are immense one and upon the streets without hats and seem and discovered she was being held by ing the three which tend the camp fire, two-story buildings, surrounded by walls proud of their clothes. two-story buildings, surrounded by walls These women have shoes of various kinds, lently. Finally something gave way. She The ranges fold up, and are carried in house, Tommy."

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Some wear footgear of silk and satin with headed for shore and made it. Behind wagons, and the tents are lighted with "Yep; aunt from the country." and are among the finest buildings north of the Himalaya mountains.

Look Over Mukden.

I should like to give you a view of Mukden from the great Drum tower which cuts the two main streets at one corner. This tower is about 100 feet high. It rises from a pedestal fifty feet wide, through which two tunnel-like roadways cross at right angles. In passing it this morning I noticed the wicket gate open and without asking permission I slipped in. I found two flights of stairs with high, narrow steps, up which I climbed slowly to a great drum which is hung among the pigeon roosts under the roof.

Suppose you stand there beside me and took over the city. Below us, extending out to the wall on all sides, is a gray muss of low one-story brick buildings, which cover at least 1,000 aures. Through it run wide streets, cutting each other at right angles, and over the whole rise the red walls and yellow roofs of the imperial

palaces. The common buildings are of the same architecture. They are of gray brick, with ridge roofs of black tiles, the round comb of each roof stoping up into little horns at the ends. The wider streets are lined with stores, and these have double roofs. so regularly fitted from house to house that they form a sharp valley, banked with itles, running through the air along the roadway from one end of the city to the

Flowing up and down the street is a wide stream of white, blue and black, made by the clothes of the people as they go back and forth. There are carts and horses by scores, and the scenes are as husy as in the busiest cities in China. Muiden is one of the richest places of the whole empire. It has a vast trade, and its people are on the go from daylight to dark

Street Traffic.

But let us crawl down the steps and take a walk through the streets. The Manchus are quiet, and we can go where we please. We shall have to pick our way, however, and must now and then jump into the stores to keep from being crushed by the growd. In addition to the freight carts carrying bean cakes, coal, grain and all surts of merchandise, hauled by donkeys



ENTRANCE TO THE VICEROY'S PALACE.

to keep it from breaking.

Stores of Mukden.

No one can go through the streets of Mukden and not be impressed by its busicapital of Manchuria. It is a mules, which go on the trot. Some of the ness. There are miles of one-story booths, city of 250,000, lying twelve cabs have outriders wearing white hats back of which are warehouses filled with hours by express train almost and red plumes; and now and then there fine goods. There are streets of full pose. due north of Dalny, and twenty hours or is a foreign carriage with coachman and stores and streets devoted to the making

Sikh Outwits Lawyer.

the law and as he was something of a

black sheep even among the Sikhs it

Manchu blood and many look like pure and this was known to other Sikhs and who saw him, took fright at the approach-

let the court see the brand placed there

The Sikh obeyed. His arm was without

Cat Gets String of Fish.

by Hong Kong justice."

rule they do not run when we point our "Pull up the sieeve on your left arm and

of any other women of Asia. She has a flatfish. Her catch broke all records for a

of a serious predicament by a

clever ruse. He was up against

Francisco, who got himself out lieved of her finny burden.

the train

something. She began to struggle vio- at which nothing but soup is prepared.

Others have beautiful shoes built upon which fishermen had baited with mum- serve as many as 5,000 pancakes for break- "Not by a jugful. Everybody in this

thick, flat soles, like those of the men, her trailed twenty-five feet of a set line electricity at night. It is not unusual to "Aunt, eh? On your father's side?"

heels used by our ladies, and such shoes larger fish. Juno had swallowed part of each day, in addition to crackers and bis- be trouble."

are even more convenient for walking. Some of the latter are odd, as, for in- tions of all sorts in silk, satin and fine The soles themselves are quite thin, but stance, the peddlers selling false pigtails. leather for women. The felt shoes have attached to them are wooden supports, Each of these has a white cotton sheet soles an inch or more thick, with uppers which extend down from the center of the stretched taut over a framework of bam- whose thickness will average a quarter of shoe, much like a French heel. Such a boo. This is leaned against the wall of an inch. They look clumsy and heavy, shoe is the badge of a lady, for no work- a house where the crowd is the thickest, but are wonderfully light and remarkably ing woman could wear them. Another Upon it are pinned many long black cheap. The coolies wear shoes of leather badge of high blood is the long finger nail, switches of human hair of the length of much like moccasins and the officials protected by a sheath of silver or gold one's arm. Each switch is divided into have boots of black silk and velvet. three strands, so that they can easily be The shoe merchants display their wares braided together, forming a beautiful on the sidewalks, and there the cobbler into their few remaining locks, thus out as a sign. It is painted white, green making a false pigtall of luxuriant growth, and red and is quite as big as the shoe

Caps and Shoes.

Quaint Features of Everyday Life

Horse Reats a Train.

horse about sixteen hands high, and a

In that seven miles, the horse jumped

He was only scared off the track when

the call of the whistle of the locomotive.

the station agent there and employes of

Most remarkable of the whole thing was

the speed which the horse kept up in the

distance. The only time that the train

be caught. He skipped across the ties like

Dining Room of a Circus.

The discipline of an army reigns supreme

in circus life, says Popular Mechanics.

the most experienced tie walker.

the horse might slip through the ties and a bird.

a near by livery stable, cornered and

caught him with a lariat.

from Portland, a few days ago, a bay and beast,

down the center of the track in front of the other half that of a goldfish.

queue. Many Chinese men are inclined to sits and mends your boots while you wait, ears. There are also hat and cap stores, or another. The coolies have suits of baldness, and they buy this hair to braid Near my hotel a wooden boot is hung and places where fur ear-tabs are sold. sheepskins and goatskins, while the na-Sometimes black silk is used for this pur- in which the old woman lived with all of

And the caps of Mukden! They are of all kinds and can be seen by the hunmore south of the Russian frontier. By footman in livery. The town has some and selling of sliver, copper and brass. Mukden has a large trade in hats, caps dreds on any main street. They are stacked the Imperial Chinese railway it is twenty- droschkies left by the Russians, the horses There are innumerable peddiers, who go and shoes. There are winter shoes and up outside upon shelves, which are laid six hours from Peking and just twelve of which have great hoops over their along crying the wares, and places summer shoes shoes for workingmen and up along the walls of the buildings. They hours from Shanhaikwan, at the eastern shoulders. There are numerous Jin- where the goods are put out in the open shoes for officials. There are men's boots are made of fur, silk and felt, with rolls

Fish Has Benk Like Bird.

Everybody on Mother's Side.

and goldfish body.

outside of Troutdale, where it was feared of this fish, if it is a fish, or bird, if it is

hotel. The grass serves as a carpet, and passing sentence, Judge Maxwell said:



WOODEN BOOT USED FOR SIGN.

Hot Water Peddled. One of the queerest of the Mukden street fur-lined clothes are worn indoors and out. sounds is a shrill whistle which may be As a rule the best furs are exported. I had heard in almost every block. It is long thought to have bought an overcoat here, and loud and continuous. Still is took me but am told that I can purchase one at a some time to learn whence it came. At much lower price in Peking.
first I thought it might be the whistles As to the extent of the fur trade, it is these people tie to the tails of their pig-enormour. In addition to the vast quan-eons to scare off the hawks, but I after-tity used by the natives several hundred hours from Shanhalkwan, at the eastern shoulders. There are humerous jan where the good at the great Chinese wall. It is the rikishas brought in by the Japanese, during the day and taken in at night, of leather, men's boots of felt, and crea- which can be turned down to cover the of the hot water peddler. Think of selling the product goes to America, ward learned it was the advertising cry thousand skins are annually exported. A hot water on the streets as a business! large part of the product goes to America, and among the things sent there are thousands of dogskin mats and dogskin rugs, as well as bales of squirrel talls and fox made like gigantic tea kettles. These kettles have a stove pipe in the middle, connecting with another pipe which runs in from the side near the bottom. In the the bait. She headed for home, dragging cuit. The meat consumed each day is some- latter pipe some charcoal is lighted. As it and leopard skins at from \$20 to \$60 apiece. HERE is a Sikh out in Victoria, the line and fish. It was not until Dr. F. where near 1,000 pounds. Such provisions burns the pipe warms the water and the Something like 5,000 sables are annually B. C., where Sikhs are about as L. Olmstead had performed an operation as celery, young onions, strawberries, rad- steam is forced out, not through the spout, exported, the best of them yielding \$5 a popular as Japanese in San and removed the hook that tabby was re- ishes, melons etc., are bought in each but through an opening on top in which skin. Last year about 2,000 silver foxes town, often cleaning out the entire mar- is a whistle, of the same shape as the tin were sold, some of which netted \$50 a skin. ket. An advance agent of the commissary two-penny affair used by our school boys. Over 20,000 red fox furs brought from \$10

department keeps well in advance of the The steam blows the whistle and the boil- to \$30 each, and as to the skins of wolves, As the Spokane express was outbound show, contracting for its supplies, for man ing water thus advertises itself. The peo- badgers, goats and lambs, they were sold ple come to such men with their tea kettles by the tens of thousands, and gruel. They pay a fraction of a cent for enough to make tea for a family and E. B. Rice, keeper of Eastlake park, Los thus save the expense of keeping a fire. The limer walls are of brick. They are Tartars. They remind one of our America is the dogskins. The country is utensils are made of brass or copper. Not so cold that this animal grows a long, thick It has the beak and throat of a bird all far from the Drum Tower is a long street coat, worth so much that dogs are raised upon them. They run in an almost perfect many men who are six feet tall, with big branded on the left arm. The unfriendly the inner city hairs entered for their skins. The best skins bring \$4. blocks of brass stores, in each of which a apiece, and they make beautiful rugs. I Mr. Rice was gathering a lot of fish from half dozen men in blue jackets and trou- am told there are many dog farms be-

the lake in a bucket as breakfast for fishsers sit before low anvils and pound out tween here and Siberia, where the animals In that seven miles, the horse jumped cating animals in the zoo. As he dipped sixteen cattle guards, and ran at a good sixteen cattle guards, and ran at a good cating animals in the zoo. As he dipped brass pots, wash basins and dishes. They are bred for this purpose. They are killed sixteen cattle guards, and ran at a good up a mess of the fish, one struck a beak rate across a common railroad bridge up a mess of the fish, one struck a beak rate across a common railroad bridge up through the water and twittled a proabout sixty feet in length, without a slip.

The interested Mr. Rice and he took them for charcoal incense burners, candlestill long and warm. The killing is done test. This interested Mr. Rice and he took sticks and the great brass gongs which by strangulation, for the reason that a He was only scared off the track when the beakfish out and placed it in an impro-tre used by the mandarins to warn the knife might injure the fur. The dogs of common people to get out of their way the cities are treated in the same way. Either the fish is too young for feathers when they ride through the town. Beyond I see many in Mukden today which I doubt or is moiting, for no plumage has ap-this is a street of silversmiths' shops, not will be turned into American rugs peared. But the beak and birdlike head where one can find most gorgeous hair-in the next year or so. pins and bracelets of silver decorated with in the next year or so. parentage shown by the combined carp enamel. Such wares are sold by weight, The extra charge over the actual weight of Dr. David Starr Jordan probably is the slowed down perceptibly was at the bridge only man who can pedigree the ancestry the silver being for the workmanship.

Mukden's Big Fur Trade.

This place is one of the chief fur mar-Mr. Rice is still undecided as to whether kets of Asia. The country above Mukden he should provide a cage of a jar for its swarms with wild animals and their raw skins and furs are brought here for sale. There are more than forty tanneries in Judge Raymond Maxwell of the criminal and about the city, and one sees leather originated by a party of Japanese traders, and it is always interesting to watch how court of Clarksburg, W. Va., sentenced and fur stores everywhere. The fur shops who are charged with bribing certain of the thousand or more people of such as the thousand or more people of such an Fred B. Wood, former cashier of the West are all open. The skins are displayed just organization are fed three meals a day Virginia bank, to serve six years in the as they come from the tannery and also der that all the dogs of the city should without a bitch, and as silently as a big state penitentiary at Moundsville. In sewed together in the shape of the mandarin coat. Such a coat is large and full, bia. This order enabled their own killers The cat left home in the morning to go the forty or more waiters move quickly "I do not know of a more painful duty the fur being afterward cut and fitted to to accompany them and thus they got posand contain hundreds of officials in addl- Some of the women have plates of silver, to the water front to dive for fish. When in and out. The kitchen tent is completely a judge could be called upon to discharge the shape of the wearer. Many such furs session of the skins, which numbered some tion to the viceroy himself. Tartar soldiers gold or other metal, ten inches long and she got there she saw a nice fat mummy equipped with pastry ovens, warming than to pronounce the judgment of the are used for linings, the outsides being of 20,000 or so. Among these were many pet with guns in their hands stand at the two or three inches wide, which they a few inches beneath the surface of the tables, steam vats for stewing, steam vats for stewing, steam vats for stewing, steam vats for stewing against brocaded satin or slik, and some are worn dogs. The people would not stand such gates and richly dressed Manchus may be fasten on the back of the head. They wrap water and dived, seized and swallowed it. for coffee and tea, boiling ovens and a friend, his neighbor, his one-time school by the Chinese with the hair outward, the an outrage today, seen going in and out at any hour of the their hair round it so that it stands out Then she started for shore. To her sur-numberless other cooking utensils. The companion, roommate, and bedfellow." There are also rugs of various sizes and

furs for sale to foreign dealers, such as come here from all parts of Asia, and after the manner of sheep farming in Austo Shanghai, Tientain and Peking. During the coldest weather the Tartars soles three times as high as the speci- mies and placed in the water to catch fast, and 600 loaves of bread are used house has to be on mother's side or there'd in the northern part of the empire wear

hobs wear foxskins, mink and sable. The Manchu houses are poorly heated, and

talls for muffs and hat decoration.

Some of the furs are fine. There are tiger skins, which bring as high as \$400,

Manchuria's Dog Farms.

The biggest part of the fur trade with

Japanese Speculation in Dogs. The people here look upon dogs as so much live stock, and bitterly resent their being killed on the ground of hydrophobia or for sanitary reasons. At the close of the Russian war when the Japanese took possession of Mukden they cornered the dog market, and made something like \$50,-900 in selling the skins. The scheme was be destroyed on the grounds of hydropho-

Dogs for Dowries.

In the northern parts of Manchuria it is "I see that you have company at your sable and fox. There are buyers who said that dog farming is carried on much large shipments are made every winter trails. In some places the dogs are reared in connection with goats, and a single farm may have a hundred or so. In such regions dogs are often given as wedding almost nothing else but furs of one kind presents, and a girl may receive a haif dozen as her dowry. Inasmuch as a dog is ready to breed in eight months it will be seen that a fortune could easily arise from such a beginning. Such dogs are fed upon millet, and they have also what they can get by foraging outside. The flesh of the enimal is used for food, dog meat being largely caten in both Manchuria and Korea. in Seoul there are certain seasons when the flesh of these animals is considered the sweetest. I have tasted dog roast in Seoul and in Canton I once visited a restaurant where a dog stew was cooking.

Some Queer Medicines. Connected with the fur business are certain drugs, which come in as a by-product,

Among these are tigers' bones and claws. Several thousand pounds of tigers' bones are annually exported from Manchurla to China, and the deer horns used for the same purpose numbered 1,600 pairs in one year. A good pair of such horns is worth \$25, and one with many antiers will bring as much as \$200. The Manchus use dog meat as medicine, and as a rule the flesh of a black dog is

considered the best. Not long ago a German consul came here bringing two pet dachshunds along. One was prown and the other black. At about the same time a Chinese doctor had a Manchu mandaria as one of his patients and was trying to cure him. The Mandarin had the drossy, against which the doctor's tiger bunes and cats' claws did not avail. One day the foctor saw the German consul going along with his pupples, and he strafghtway told his patient that the only medicines that would really cure his dropsical legs were two long-barreled short-legged dogs with drooping ears.

leg, and a brown dog of the same breed for your left leg. Cook their meat into stews and the rich broth will flow down your less and drive out the dropsy," The Mandarin thereupon sent out his servants and the dachshunds were soon in the soup. When the consul came to look them up he was told that he would find

them in the right and left legs of the of-

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"What you need," said he, "Is to get a

black dog of that species for your right

Omaha Yougsters Out for a Summer Frolic



GROUP OF GUESTS OF MRS. GEORGE A. HOAGLAND ON A RECENT SULTRY AFTERNOON