Omahan Tells of Thrilling Personal Experiences With Brutal Cossack Command During Siberian Occupation

Entire Austrian Band Compelled to Walk Plank---Innocents Line Up Against Wall and Shot by Dozens

Dr. Frank C. Secor of Omaha an Eye-Witness to Atrocities of Major Kalimkoff at Khaborovsk, 700 Miles From Vladivostok-Amusing Side to Siberian Life Is Hard Work of Russian Aristocrat-He Rises at Noon, Opens Store From 1 to 4, Goes to Dinner and Eats From 5 to 10, Dresses Lavishly and Attends Cabaret at 2 A. M., Then Back Home to Sleep Until Noon-Everybody Lazy, and Nobody Works When There Is Anything to Eat, or On a Holiday, With 150 Holidays Every Year, or Three Per Week.

forces and to back up the Czecho-Slovak army.

A recent dispatch from Tokio benefit of Bee readers, read: "The council is reported to have inforsed the cabinet decision of Major Kalimkoff, not to interfere further in the internal affairs of Siberia and to adhere strictly to the government's into its agreement with America in

Had Three Governments.

The situation in Siberia during 1918 was confused, there being three anti-bolshevik governments, all protessing friendship with the allies and co-operating with the Czecho-Slovak army, at that time estimated to be 100,000 strong. One of these so-called government headquarters

The withdrawal of American and | Dr. Frank C. Secor, 1908 Sahler atrocious. He was in command of Japanese troops from Siberia re-cently has been a subject of con-interest, for he recently returned when their pay had lapsed for three siderable comment in the press dis- from that country, where he served patches. It will be recalled that the with the American forces as a lieu-American troops were sent to this tenant. Aside from his military ex- The mutineers went to the Amerifar-away land during 1918 to aid the Russians in the organization of their defenses against the bolshevik forces and to back up the Czecho-

A picture is reproduced herewith mountains. of Major Kalimkoff, who commanded a battalion of Cossacks at Khabarovsk, which is about 700 miles from Vladivostok, on the Sideclaration made when it entered berian railroad. Kalimkoff was under General Semenoff and was of the old Cossack guards. He prac-ticed such cruelties at Khabarovsk and vicinity that even his own men mutinied and he was forced to leave "between two days" with a personal guard of about 50 of his men.

Killed Entire Orchestra.

remember that an Austrian orchestra frequently came into the town

or four months and their rations consisted of soup three times a day.

many photographs while in Siberia approximately 25,000 Japanese. The and has loaned a few for the bolshevists had a stronghold 50 miles from Khabarovsk, in the

Omahan Tells Story. Dr. Secor told the following little

story in connection with his experiences and observations while in

ditionary forces as well as for the lies. Food is limited, but can be allied armies in the far east. The obtained, providing the people are city is cosmopolitan, with a population of about 90,000 representing willing to pay exorbitant prices. nearly every nation in the world. It is situated on the best natural pork chops, \$2; two eggs, 15 cents. prison camp at Khabarovsk and I able to dock within 30 feet from the their hunger with bread and tea, harbor of its kind, transports being shore at any point of the harbor. It is well fortified and considered prices. A large loaf of bread costs



Chinese pheasants, \$2 to \$3 each; The lower class of people satisfy

Cossack irregulars will be left to face the steady eastward advance of the bolshevik forces."

The more peaceful element with live in caves. Work is considered and he consumes three to four a station without any known reason. The more peaceful element went acts became intolerable. He was ravages of the bolshevik. Law only to subsist. Many pretend to the face they were under the protection of the Americans and Japanese. Russians, who finally turned the hours while eating and drinking. The more peaceful element went acts became intolerable. He was ravages of the bolsheviki. Law only to subsist. Many pretend to the bolsheviki. Law only to subsist. Many pretend to the bolshevik industriously, of miles of fertile valley lands that about their daily work industriously.

it, but may have many spiritual mothers-mothers who think.

Cites Churches and Schools.

"ELIZABETH SANFORD."

"For the really good girl of today,

have the utmost respect, but I am

sure that the per cent of good ones

churches and the school rooms.

country schools who make weekly

trips to the nearby towns to spend the week-end with 'gentlemen'

ions spent night with 'gentlemen'

pleyes, and if the police and the

parents watch the rest, I don't be-

lieve many girls will slip, unless it

Attacks Dance Halls.

"The prevailing immodest cos-

tumes adopted by the women of to-

day are certainly lowering their standards of morality, Christian in-

fluence, and I may not be far wrong

"Our divorce records are a dis-grace to our country. What is the cause of the increasing number of

and young mothers of the present

"One reason is because the wives

in saying, purity of character.

unhappy marriages?

"H. G. SOMMERS.

"Grand Island, Neb."

are increasing.

is their own will.

which are frequent, sometimes three a week. A Russian year has more than 150 holidays. should produce vast quantities of wheat. The land is tilled mostly by the Manchurians.

Beggars - Khabaroosk - Siberia

"Public places and certain localities are very unsanitary. Sewerage unknown on people, where I was stationed, is and water cannot be used for drinking without being sterilized and it is unobtainable in public places. Wearing apparel of the betplaces. Wearing apparel of the betplaces. ter materials is worn exclusively by treating bolsheviki and was captured the favored few. The peasants wear castoff clothing, patched with dif-ferent-colored materials, their limbs frequently wrapped in gunny-sack fabric as substituttes for shoes and

ited. When I was in Vladivostok lights gave poor service, and some-times none at all. The czar's and also among the Japanese army. "I spent three months with the in Siberia was located in Vladivostok, another at Omsk and the third
at Harbin.

Just what the situation will be
when the American and Japanese
troops shall have been withdrawn
seems to be a matter of conjecture.
A recent news report from Washington stated:

"General Semenoff with 14,000
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The design of the people of this vicinity conington stated:

"It is well iortified and considered
to play for the people. They were
to play for the people of his affilm daring to for the administration of the Russian will dress lavishly,
attend the sclusive entertainment
the Russian will dress lavishly,
attend the sclusive entertainment
the cabaret—which opens at 2 a.
They raided his ammunition stores.
They raided his ammunition stores.
They reide daries of the poor are be beggars. Ine so-talka aristo-cratic Russian will dress lavishly, farther west the bolshevik currency

Slaughter of Innocents.

by the Japanese, Cossack and Amerers without a trial. He would line his victims to meet their fate at the hands of a firing squad. His actions there were about 10 automobiles and were brought to a stop by our com-10 street cars, and the city electric mander, which caused comments

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although the misery and suffering to which they had been subjected was

Lower Standard of Morality Noticed Among Modern Women by Many Eager to Defend Feminine Failings

More Self-Discipline and Originality Needed-Should Be Good Mixers Without is getting smaller and the bad ones Being Mixed-Elizabeth Sanford Pays High Tribute to A. K.'s "Heart Beats" -Dance Halls Are Seriously Attacked-Charge Mothers More Interested in and mothers who allow their daught during the present century, in 1920, Affairs of Nation Than of Home—Denounce Desire to Be on Equal Footing ters to dress in a manner to coax the 'masher,' and in not knowing of 40 years from 1880 to 1920 is due

Out jump defenders of the gentler while the nurse stays at home with and show the women of their world sex! And yet careful perusal of the the children. The washboard and a little more courtesy, reverence convention, into a broader and freer happens life, where she declares herself on

an equal footing with man. Women have invaded public life. They have left the home for all lines an office or factory to earn the of business and professions, and in money that will buy her the unnecmaking this step, they cannot help essary luxuries that she looks for-but "slip" ever so little, from the ward to. Here at work she becomes old worn paths of nicety, known to acquainted with men, just 'friends.'

Times Have Changed. "I think that the 'standard of conduct' of the majority of our women is being greatly lowered. In fact to These are the only proper shoes for my estimation it has been lowered more in the past 20 years than it has

been in the last two centuries. "In the olden days the majority of women were contented to be a gestive dancing is allowed. I hardly good mother and housewife. Their husbands woord and won them with a bunch of lilies and an occasional box of candy. A wedding in those

days was a great event. 'Today the 'bird' with cash brings home the game. The women demand deaf ear? Beauty of face and form jewelry, frills and foppery. This is seems to prevail over beauty of soul, more than a man of ordinary means "L. E. GEVENS." more than a man of ordinary means can meet. Particularly since the war the conduct of the majority has been lowered.

Demand Equal Footing.

do a man's work, they want to vote, they want to smoke, they are willing they want to smoke, they are willing they want to smoke, they are willing tonished at some of the conversations are smoked and asthey want to smoke, they are willing tions I have overheard between to take the responsibility of men. No young girls and boys and among wonder they are slipping. Becoming 'pals' with their brothers in stores, factories, mills, steel plants, and other manual labor, where they are not supposed to be found. They should be at home where they bewonder they are slipping. Becoming should be at home where they belong and not upon the streets the greater part of the hours of the

"I do not blame women entirely, but the friction caused by women pals to their brothers, they learn whenever they pass the occasional becoming 'pals' with their brothers not to become silly, empty headed pedestal upon which she is perched. becoming 'pals' with their brothers not to become silly, empty headed sees plainly dressed without the frills, paint and powder. The school girls of today are likewise tempted by the powder and paint. A pretty, innocent looking girl is a thing of the past.

"Today worres

women attend parties and clubs, "Let the men mend their ways perhaps thinking of his own mother."

expressions of these defenders, will ironing board is a thing of the past. and devotion. A girl admires a fine, reveal an insinuation that they too, Now the family washing is sent to manly man as much as ever. realize the tendency of modern woman to "slip" away from her oldtime,
secluded life, where she was protected by modesty and high walls of
the laundry and the "old man" with
his "\$25 per week" is the tamily
bank. The husband cannot afford
the frills that his wife craves. What

Beauty of Face and Form.

"The wife goes out and works in Is she slipping?

At least, such proves to be the general "between-the-line" opinion changing with every season. Men's "Women's styles are continually "Are Our Women Slipping" forum. same for centuries. What is the cause of this? In the recent past woman's low-heeled and round toe shoes and slippers were in style. But why did they go out of style? women to wear.

"After church they go to a show, with men and stay up until all hours. They give church parties where sugthink our forefathers were misguided, if they were, the cases are few. Women are both angels and 'fourflushers.' The new freedom bestowed upon women is harming them, but are they aware or do they turn a

Shocked and Astonished.

"Being one of "our women of today" and having thought a great deal about the question I take up "Women want to be on an equal the cudgels in defense of my sex.

Bécoming "Pals" Helps. "Becoming pals with their brothers does not undermine their morals. It is good for them for in becoming an they worshiped 20 years ago

"Our woman of today is growing from breaking.

their clothes have never been so becoming as they are today.

is it no women founded sects of Christendom? Because in olden days she was looked down upon as an inferior and did not have chance to develop her mentality. We must admit there are some inferiors in our sex as there are in every plane of life, but to the average girl, her ideals and achievements we should take off our hats.'

"She has never been so independent, sensible, healthy and happy. She is wonderful for she is becoming a thinker."

A. READER."

A Tribute to "A. K."

"Women do not belong to the veaker sex. In just so far as moral courage is greater than physical courage and spiritual strength greater than physical strength,

voman is greater than man. "What father could bear the physcal strain of motherhood and at the generation fail to preserve as a sasame time bear the agony of fear for a darling son exposed to all the evils of "No Man's Land," as so many of our mothers have done through some of the darkest hours

"Because woman feels her physical weakness, she is driven to God for strength of all kinds and He never fails any individual who throws the burden upon Him.
"But the individual who trusts in

"Not the kind of women that they are associating with most today. Their mothers would have locked them in the attic and given them bread and milk until they grew strong enough to prefer decent com-

young men used to worship women?

panionship. "Our young men are just as ready to worship the same kind of a wom-Not so 'occasional' either. "There are thousands of 'true blue'

women, universal mothers, who grieve so greatly over the tendency of the times that they must sing hymns and pray to keep their hearts "'A. K.' God bless him, whoever

"Today women are more interest-ed if the affairs of the nation than broader horizon than the woman of clate the spirit of motherhood and

By WILLIAM F. RIGGE.

Mayor of Khabaroosk

privilege, which is rare for Febru- time. ary, of having five Sundays. This happens once every 28 years when Jupiter on the 3d, with Saturn on the first day falls on a Sunday, and the 5th, with Mars on the 9th, the year is a leap year. This oc-"I would say the large fault is last century, in 1824, 1852 and 1880, with the individual, and the fathers and will happen only three times RI'e No'n Set JANUARY Rise So'th Set

where she goes.

"Conditions have been getting worse fast in the last 10 years. You will find these conditions in the last 20 years. You have been getting year, so that the ordinary solarcycle of 28 years had to be readjusted.

A second distinction is that, unless our summer time is again re-"I know of girls who are teaching sisciated, the sun is slower this month than at any other time during the year, being 38 minutes slow our clocks from the first to the friends. I have known of cases where 22d, as is shown in the moon coldelegates to Sunday school conven- umn. We may be able at times to turn this fact to good advantage by calling it midnight when our time-"My cure for this is to restrict pieces show 12 or 12:38 just as we the public dance hall. I consider like. On the 19th the sun enters pieces show 12 or 12:38 just as we

it the most demoralizing influence Pisces, the Fish, the last sign of today. Also get to the hotel em- the Zodiac. The planets, Jupiter, Saturn and Mars, are coming into better posi-tions every night. On the 15th, Jupiter rises at 4:35 p. m., Saturn at 6:56 and Mars at 11:37 p. m. Venus is the morning star, and rises on the 15th at 5:33 a. m. It is pretty far south of east. Technically, Jupiter becomes an evening star on the second, and Saturn on the 27th, because on those days, respectively, they rise when the sun sets, and

> cred institution, the sanctity of the home and fireside. "The lodge, club, and above all, the indecent dance hall, are unhap pily, but too truly, taking the place SARAH R. MILLIGASS,

are above the horizon more and The present month enjoys the more every night after that at that

The moon is in conjunction with

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Vanilla Extract Not an Intoxicating Beverage Larned, Kan., Jan. 31 .- Accord-

ing to a ruling here vanilla extract is not intoxicating, and its sale as a beverage is within the law.

sider that no man can have more than one 'real' mother, as we phrase it, but may have many spiritual The Heavens In February Americanism Depends Upon Liberal Child Education

Communities Must Be Faithful to Demands of Child Welfare, Declares Primary Supervisor of Council Bluffs Schools—Burden Must Not Be Unloaded Upon a Selected Group.

Problems confronting boards of is teeming with activities of which education and school teachers, and he comprehends little of their intent the future outlook of education, are or volition. The whole world has discussed by Edith Whitcomb, pri- become one individual unit. mary supervisor of the Council Bluffs schools, because of her belief that the average citizen has but a very superficial knowledge of the conditions in the schools

of his community.

"One hears continually today of the crying need for education," says Miss Whitcomb. "More schools, better equipment, special instructors, are being demanded everytors, a of his community.

tion so extensive and complete. "In the days of our grandmothers, the home was the center of all forms of industrial occupation. Clothing was not only made in the home but often the raw material was produced on the farm. Lumber, furniture, lights, foods, etc., were products of the home or vicinity and the entire industrial process of production stood revealed to the

Each Home a Unit.

"Population was largely scattered and there was comparatively little intercourse with the outside world. Adequate methods of transportation and communication were very limited, books and newspapers were scarce, and each home was primarily an independent unit wherein experience and observation were exin the three R's, reading, writing American. and arithmetic, a responsibility easily assumed by any person sufficiently versatile in those three subjects, be he minister, lawyer or the subjects, be he minister, lawyer or unloaded. It means that we must farmer. The school years was short have intelligent, clean, noble parand the school period covered only enthood; it means that we must a few years.

daily life of the children of 1920— it means that we must have the the citizens of tomorrow. A large craeam of today's intellect to nurture per cent of them live in our cities, our tomorrow's cities in that greatelbow to elbow with hundreds of est of all our institutions-the meltother "future citizens" of all colors, creeds, nationalities and ideals. (Who knows that the playmate next door is not secretly taught to revere the red flag of anarchy instead of work has only begun. We are just the Stars and Stripes?) Home ac- learning the true meaning of edutivities have been reduced to the cation, and the true mission of the minimum by inventions and manu-facturing enterprises until the mod-ern child knows almost nothing of his daily dependence on the world

"His clothes come from the store, tion. It remains with each individual drinking water from the faucet, community to say how well her lights from the turning of a button youth of today shall be prepared for in the wall. His whole environment tomorrow's citizens."

Mint of Reading. "Superficial and unwholesome at-

better equipment, special instruc-tors, are being demanded every-where until the casual onlooker wonders what has caused all this agitation and why the school of the new that are best for his development. What must be done if we are to his day does not suffice for the new generation. The answer to these questions lies in a survey of the men and women who will carry on nomic and religious life during the last two decades. Most of these sweeping changes fell within the span of those now living, and history does not record a revolution so ever not record a r

"The recent war has urged upon us the vital need of more and better education. But what is education? Certainly not just the 'three Rs. Wherein can they develop stability, sagacity, keen judgment, broad vision? They are but the crude tools. Education is life—life as full and rich every day for the 3-year-old as the youth 16 years old.

Work Has Only Begun.

"Just as the gardener daily ex-ercises all his wisdom in the nurture of the tiniest seedling if he would produce the choicest bloom at maturify so must we bend all our efforts now toward the right nurture of tomorrow's citizens. We must develop strong, sane leaders; we must give every inhabitant of our country a broad education, train him in sound independent thinking, supply a clean, wholesome moral cellent teachers. There remained for atmosphere in which he can live and the public schools only instruction make our country 100 per cent

have communities 100 per cent faith-"What a contrast to the complex ful to the demands of child welfare; ing-pot of our country, the public school.

Wonderful progress has been made in the past decade, but the work has only begun. We are just the great reconstruction of civiliza-

The Alley Garage

