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## JAPAN THRILLS

### The Deeds of Heroes Get Nations Praise.

## TOGO SOON RETURNS

### Finishing Touches Are to be Left to a Junior Admiral of the Fleet.

## EMPEROR WILL GREET HIM

### Torpedoboots Make the Most Theatrical Coup of the War Since the Engagement of the Fleets Before Port Arthur.

Tokio, Dec. 19.—Although accustomed to hearing of acts of bravery on the part of their soldiers and sailors, the Japanese thrilled today on hearing of the details of the desperate attacks of the Japanese torpedoboots against the Russian battleship Sevastopol, and the other craft on the outside of Port Arthur under the fire of the vessels and the protecting shore batteries.

Yezeo and Lieutenant Nakahara were the heroes of these attacks. Yezeo steamed valiantly to almost certain death through a blinding snowstorm alone, and succeeded in locating the Sevastopol and was able to get close enough to hear the Russian crew talking.

Yezeo fired a torpedo at this range, then went closer and fired a second by this time the Sevastopol was aroused, however, and a storm of shot was directed at the devoted vessel. One shell struck Yezeo in the abdomen, cutting his body in twain. A portion of the body was saved and was brought back to the fleet. They will probably be returned to Japan for interment.

Nakahara went to the rescue of the disabled torpedoboot, which under the command of Lieutenant Nakahori, was swept by shot that killed the lieutenant and five of his men. Nakahara's boat was repeatedly hit, but he succeeded in reaching and rescuing the major portion of the crew of Nakahori's boat.

**Togo Goes Home.**  
It is understood that Togo will return to Japan, leaving the final operations against Port Arthur in the hands of the junior admiral. He is summoned by the emperor and will be given magnificent public and private receptions after his arrival. Togo's campaign of 10 months is generally credited to be the most brilliant and successful in the history of naval warfare of any country.

Togo telegraphing December 18 says: "There is reason to believe the vessels in Port Arthur harbor are unfit for service, and Sevastopol is disabled. It is certain six torpedoboots in Port Arthur harbor are intact. A staff officer who landed at Port Arthur reports the battleship Peresviet lies 200 meters north of Tigers Tail, submerged to the stern walk.

Poltava is 200 meters north of the point of Tigers Tail, submerged to the afterdeck. Doubtless is aground.

Retvizan is 500 meters east of Poltava with after deck submerged and lists five degrees to the starboard.

Pobleda is 220 meters northeast of Tigers Tail with the starboard afterdeck submerged at high tide, and is aground.

Pallada is 100 meters north of the Pobleda, listed to port, and in the same condition as the Peresviet, aground.

Bayan is 400 meters southwest of the harbor entrance, lists 15 degrees and is aground.

All have been abandoned. No bombs were seen near them.

## TORPEDO ATTACK.

### Made Things Hum for the Sevastopol Division.

Tokio, Dec. 19, 11 a. m.—Vice Admiral Togo's report upon the torpedo operations against the Russian turret ship Sevastopol was received today. It says: "On the night of December 14 our torpedo flotilla made a gallant and brave series of attacks against the Russian turret ship Sevastopol

"The flotillas arrived outside the entrance to Port Arthur about midnight on that date. The leading flotilla, under Commander Unchida and a special torpedoboot, partly for attack and partly to reconnoiter, closely approached the Sevastopol at 1 o'clock and under the searchlights and fire of the enemy's ships and short batteries they attacked her.

"A shell struck Commander Mitamura's torpedoboot and four shots hit Commander Nakamura's boat, wounding three sailors. Subsequently our flotillas attacked, acting independently. Flotilla A, Commander Kaama, advanced first for the purpose of destroying the defenses protecting the Sevastopol and also to draw and divert the fire under the enemy's searchlights.

"Flotilla B, Commander Jinguji; flotilla C, Commander Otaki; flotilla D, Commander Seki, and Flotilla E, Commander Kawase, approached successively and bravely continued the attacks from 2 until 4 o'clock in the morning. Commander Otaki's flotilla approached the closest and delivered the most vigorous attack.

"While retreating one torpedoboot received several shots simultaneously, her commander, Lieutenant Nakahori, and five others being killed. The boat lost her freedom of movement and Lieutenant Nakahara's boat went to the rescue and despite the heavy fire, endeavored to save her. While towing the boat the enemy's shells served the hawser. Lieutenant Nakahara's boat was also hit and one man killed. Subsequently several shells hit and almost disabled Lieutenant Nakahara's boat, forcing him to abandon his comrade ship, which was sinking. Lieutenant Nakahara, however, steamed back, rescued the crew and abandoned the torpedoboot to her fate.

"Commander Kawase's boat belonging to the same flotilla was struck by a shell, killing one of the crew and wounding Lieutenant Takahashi and (Continued on Page 2.)

## PRISONER CAUGHT

### Sheriff Linville Makes a Sensational Catch.

## LOWE TO BE BROUGHT BACK

### Was Standing on Depot Platform When Sheriff Was Riding Through on a Train on His Way to Spokane—No Resistance.

A sensational capture of a criminal was made last night by Sheriff Linville when he captured Harry Lowe, one of the prisoners who broke jail here Saturday night.

The sheriff left on last evening's train for Spokane whither he went to bring back a man wanted here for embezzlement. He was looking out the car windows when the train reached the little station and saw his man standing on the platform. A word to the conductor, and the train was held until Linville could arrest his man. There was little or no scuffle, and the sheriff took his prisoner aboard and on to Portland, where he will place Lowe in the jail there. The man will be brought back down tomorrow morning.

Lowe is the man who escaped from the county jail Saturday evening during the temporary absence of Jailor Anderson, and left in company with Fred Stanch, who was incarcerated on a charge holding that he stole goods from the freight house while in the employ of the O. R. & N.

Lowe is a telegraph operator, and it was expected that he would follow the line of the railroad in attempting to make his escape, and it is considered that the other man may have been in the vicinity, though this is by no means certain.

Stanch is wanted more than the one captured, but the sheriff's friends are waiting to congratulate him on the stage capture of the one he did get.

## Schooners Missing.

St. Johns, N. F., Dec. 19.—Several schooners belonging to the island have not been reported that were driven off by the gale of December 11. It is feared the members of the crews numbering about 60 have been lost. The schooner Klondyke came ashore at Cape St. Mary's yesterday and is a total wreck. The crew was saved.

## END NOT YET

### Herman and Mitchell are Racing to Portland.

## SURPRISES TO BE MANY

### One Reason for Postponement of Second Case is Now Made Apparent.

## WHAT WILL FEDERAL JURY SAY

### Unless There Are More Developments the Jurors May Refuse to Interrogate Hermann and Mitchell When They Arrive.

Portland, Dec. 19.—The reason for the second postponement of the second conspiracy case was made apparent today when it was ascertained that the defendants in the first case held a conference on the evening of December 12, which reached far into the night. At the meeting were present S. A. D. Pater, Mrs. Watson, Horace McKinley, Mrs. Ware and, it is believed, D. W. Tarpley.

It was argued that with the exception of Miss Ware, they were at a disadvantage, since they had been convicted, and as there is much trouble ahead, all things considered, Pater, Mrs. Watson and McKinley could not see why they should suffer in silence while the instigators of the conspiracy rested in peace and security.

The conclusion reached was that the conspirators mentioned agreed to tell all that they knew, with the exception of Miss Ware, who would not concede anything except to appear before the grand jury again.

In return for this concession it is said that the defendants were promised as light a sentence as possible, and, as to the postponed cases it is unlikely that the public will ever hear of them again.

The fulfillment of the agreement was begun today when Pater and McKinley went before the grand jury and told all they knew. The disclosures are not made public, but it is intimated that they will reach persons in very high places.

## ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

### High Officials Are Quaking in Their Shoes Today.

Portland, Dec. 19.—Sworn to inquire into all crimes against the government brought to its notice, the federal grand jury for the district of Oregon reconvened today. From the capital, 3000 miles away, United States Senator John H. Mitchell and Congressman Ringer Hermann are hastening to appear in the presence of that body as fast as steam and rail can carry them. Rumors of the most sensational character are rife on every hand. Tales are told that in the event they turn out true, will veritably shake up the official and almost the social fixity of things. Reports are in circulation about peachings of notorious land-fraud conspirators and of conferences between them and government officials. Tales are running the rounds that big men are shaking in their shoes, and this is but the beginning. Truly it does seem that Federal officialdom in Oregon is on the eve of great events.

But this is not all. It is not alone in Oregon that rumors run rife. Tidings from over the wire hence from the national capital confirm every local suspicion, and more. Intimation is said to have been received here that the plan of the government officers is to indict both Senator Mitchell and Representative Hermann, and further, that it is intimated at the capital that the state of facts against them is serious—more so than either of them suspects, and that in this connection Secretary Hitchcock is on their trail.

Have Pater, Watson and McKinley peached? This has come to be a burning question. Rumors are afloat that a conference has been held between them and the government officials, at which the question of peaching was talked over. The story is that Pater and the rest asked to be let off with heavy

fines, but were told that nothing but a clean breast of all they knew about the frauds would entitle them to any consideration—that when they got in this state of mind it would be time to talk of leniency. No confirmation of this report is obtainable, nor does the story in this form have to deal with what was done by way of an agreement or whether any was reached at all.

For several days the peaching story has been current. Nothing can be learned from Special Assistant Attorney General Heney, for his relations with grand jury preclude the possibility of any statement, even were that officer disposed to talk. Pater, when asked if there was any truth in the story of his having peached, looked surprised and said it was the first he had heard of it, but seemed interested to know that such a story had gained currency.

There is much speculation and many are wondering if the fact of the land-fraud cases going over had anything to do with the attitude of the government officers in the matter. There is speculation, if there had after the first conviction, been a revulsion of front on the part of the conspirators, and a determination that it would be best to tell all and by implicating those in higher stations, purchase immunity for themselves.

Whether it is a fact or not that Pater and his associates have turned government's evidence against any others who may have been associated in any way with a conspiracy to defraud the United States, it certainly is a fact that many people are expressing an opinion that such has been the case, and that for this very reason Senator Mitchell and Ringer Hermann will find themselves in hot water on reaching Portland. At the recent land-fraud trial, there was evidence to show that Senator Mitchell introduced Pater and Mrs. Watson to Hermann, then commissioner of the general land office. (Continued on Page Three.)

## SHOVED THE QUEER

### Cleverest Counterfeiter is Caught At Last.

## POLICE ALSO GET THE OUTFIT

### Enough Paper to Have Floated Another Million Dollars Is Found—Prisoner Has a Previous Bad Record in the East.

New York, Dec. 19.—Secret service agents are reported to have succeeded in locating in this city the materials and printing presses used in counterfeiting "Indian Head" five dollar bills, which have been extensively floated all over the eastern states. A long campaign against the gang culminated last week in the arrest of Charles Adamson, who is now in jail at New Haven, Conn.

Great secrecy has been thrown about the case and Secret Service Agent Flynn, who handled the case, absolutely refuses to discuss it. Adamson was kept in the local agency of the department three days and nights before the case was completed.

He was arrested in a furnished room in Eighth avenue, where, it is alleged, he was negotiating for the sale of some notes. The supposed buyer was a detective and he arrested Adamson on the spot. No trace of the printing outfit could be found, however, and this being the most important part the search was continued over a wide section of the city.

Information finally was obtained and the materials were gathered in at different houses.

Adamson is asserted to be well connected in this city. He is highly educated and is said to be one of the cleverest men of the kind in America, but is asserted to have become a user of opium, which, of course, he was not permitted to have after his arrest. Quantities of paper and ink enough to print \$1,000,000 worth of \$5's, were found in many hiding places about the city. There was a press and a photographer's outfit together with many delicate instruments and the coloring materials of the skilled counterfeiter.

Adamson was taken to Connecticut for hearing because a case has already been worked up there in which two of his alleged pals are under indictment.

## DOZEN KILLED

### Building Collapses in Minneapolis Today.

## FIRE ADDS TO HORROR

### Victims Number at Least Eleven Maybe Others Have Perished.

## FOUR BODIES TAKEN OUT

### Responsibility for the Disaster is Supposed to rest on the Fire Chief, Who Did Not Attend to a Dangerous Wall.

Minneapolis, Dec. 20 (3. A. M.).—Eleven people, possibly more, are believed to be dead, as a result of the falling of the east wall of the O. H. Peck building, which was gutted by the great conflagration which swept the city last week.

The wall fell upon the Crocker hotel, buried it in a heap of ruins and the mass of debris caught fire.

All of the city fire department was hurried to the scene, and the aid of the police was given, but the flames made efforts to extricate the bodies perilous and slow, and the flames were so hot that the firemen were able to make but little headway.

A few of the guests managed to escape from the lower part of the house, including the proprietor, but as the latter did not have his register it was impossible for him to say how many were not accounted for. He places the number, though, at 11 or more.

Later—At 3:30 a. m. the fire is slowly being drowned out, and four bodies have been taken from the ruins. The fire is still too hot and the debris too deep to allow of quick work. Responsibility for the catastrophe is believed to lie with the chief of the fire department who did not have the wall torn down.

## NO INAUGURAL BALL.

### At Least It Won't Be Held in the Capitol.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The house today emphatically disapproved of the proposition dear to the hearts of society in Washington of giving the inaugural ball in the capitol building.

This action is expected to create considerable of a furor as it was understood that the advent of President Roosevelt to his second term would be signalized by this concession to the festivities in his honor. It is not known whether the president expressed himself in the matter, but the house was almost a unit in voting it down.

The house also voted down a resolution making a special order for January 5 of a bill to restore to the naval academy three cadets who were expelled for hazing.

## MRS CHADWICK ILL.

### May Not Appear in Proceedings Brought Against Her.

Cleveland, Dec. 19.—Four witnesses were heard today in the bankruptcy proceedings against Mrs. Chadwick after which the hearing was continued until tomorrow, when receiver Loeser hopes to have the woman present. Mrs. Chadwick's appearance will depend on the report of Referee-in-Bankruptcy Remington, as to her physical condition, her counsel stating in court she is ill and it being agreed by several physicians they should make an examination tomorrow morning.

But little information was secured today as Mrs. Chadwick's jewelry creditors think she has the missing trunk and value the receiver desires to find.

In the examination today the testimony of two witnesses Emil Hoover, Mrs. Chadwick's son, and Freda Swanson, maid, centered about three articles. From several admissions made, Receiver Loeser, however, will continue the inquiry in the hope of locating the property. At the afternoon

session of court, Benjamin G. Malzmer, manager of the Cleveland Fur Company, told of furs and rugs valued at \$2000 which were held for Mrs. Chadwick. He denied Mrs. Chadwick purchased a \$1600 full-lined coat.

New York, Dec. 19.—Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick and his daughter Mary have started for London, cables the World's Paris correspondent. It is said they probably will sail on Saturday next on the Cedric for New York. The doctor was intensely nervous and could not be persuaded to talk. Upon leaving his hotel he carried a heavily-laden case which he never once allowed out of his hand after he had come from his room.

## SMOOT CASE LAGS.

### Senate Failed to Develop Anything Sensational Yesterday.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The senate committee developed nothing sensational today in the Smoot investigation. Evidence was introduced by members of the committee in statements made by A. C. Nelson, superintendent of public instruction for Utah. This statement had to do mostly with the methods used concerning school buildings and the teaching of the Mormon religion, but was tame in character.

Apostle John Henry Smith was on the stand for two hours, but there was nothing in his testimony that has not been thrashed out before.

Among other witnesses was Isaac Birdsell, a Mormon, who said that his daughter, possibly more, was excommunicated from the Mormon church because she did not obey a decision of the bishop's church which deprived her of a piece of property to which she had a title in law. Testimony from a Boise editor was also introduced to show the political affairs as they exist in the state of many wives and more children.

## NAN MAY GO FREE

### Denies All the Allegations of the State.

## SCENE WAS VERY DRAMATIC

### Court Room Became Hushed When the Former Show Girl Related the Events Leading Up to the Fatal Cab Ride With Young.

New York, Dec. 19.—"Did you, or did you not shoot Caesar Young, Nan?" said Lawyer Levy in court today to Miss Patterson.

"I did not," said the witness in a firm voice. "I would give my own life to bring him back, if it were in my power. I never saw the revolver with which he was shot. There was a flash and then the end."

Then, in a voice quivering with emotion, but filled with dramatic intensity, Miss Patterson related to the jury her dealings with Young. Not only did she swear that she did not kill Young, but she denied every circumstance in the case which the state brought against her. She said that she was not dismayed by the fact that Young was about to leave her and go to Europe. On the other hand, she testified that as a result of her conference with Young she agreed to join him in England, where they were to go and take apartments at the Hotel Cecil, in London. She was to keep her whereabouts a secret.

An important feature brought out was that Young gave the woman a postal card which he wrote his name and address on, saying that it was something she might need.

The crowded court room became suddenly still when the former show girl took the stand. At first her testimony relating to herself was given in a low, even tone, but her voice became more tense as she reached the account of the fatal cab ride when her voice was filled with tragic expression.

## Baker City Wins.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Secretary Shaw today transmitted his statement to the house relative to public buildings under construction. He recommends appropriations to cover the cost of buildings on the sites purchased. The list of sites includes Baker City, Ore.