

THE CALL

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THE WEATHER.
Forecast made at San Francisco for thirty hours ending at midnight, June 2, 1904:
San Francisco and vicinity—Cloudy, unsettled weather Thursday; possibly light showers; fresh southerly winds.
A. G. McADIE,
District Forecaster.

THE THEATERS.
Alcazar—"Toll Gate Inn." Matinee To-Day.
California—"Janice Meredith." Matinee To-Day.
Central—"A Celebrated Case." Matinee To-Day.
Chutes—"Vandeville."
Columbia—"The Little Minister."
Fischer—"U. S."
Grand—"Gismonda." Matinee To-Day.
Orpheum—"Vandeville." Matinee To-Day.
Tivoli—"The Toy Maker."



SKIRMISHING BEGINS AT GATES OF PORT ARTHUR AND JAPANESE PREPARE FOR THE FINAL ASSAULT

CHEFU, June 2.—Fighting has commenced almost within rifleshoot of Port Arthur. Thus far it has been confined to continued skirmishing, the Japanese awaiting reinforcements for the final assault. Six lines of intrenchments must be carried successively by the besiegers. The Russians have mounted on shore the heavy guns from their warships.

CITY STREET IS THE PRIZE IN LAWSUIT

Five Hundred Chicagoans Are the Plaintiffs.

Object to Council's Action in Surrendering Avenue to a Railroad.

President Roosevelt's Family Represented Among Those Who Lay Claim to the Thoroughfare.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Five hundred heirs of the original owners of land now occupied by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company's right of way in Stewart avenue brought suit to-day in the United States Circuit Court, claiming ownership of the land. The suit is one of the largest ever begun in Cook County. It involves \$3,500,000. An injunction is asked for to prevent the Pennsylvania Company from operating trains in Stewart avenue and to restrain it from elevating its tracks. The "heirs" include, representing the State of Illinois, are the largest claimants. They want about \$1,000,000 for their interest in Stewart avenue.

The family of President Roosevelt is represented among the plaintiffs, and so are the heirs of the late Mrs. Sanger, mother of Mrs. George M. Pullman. The descendants of many prominent pioneers of Chicago also are parties to the suit.

The claim on which the case is brought is that the owners of the land in the various subdivisions concerned platted Stewart avenue and deeded it to the city of Chicago for use as a highway. It is contended that the city had no right to permit the Pennsylvania Railroad to use the street, and that when Stewart avenue was vacated by a city ordinance it reverted to the heirs of the original owners.

APACHES RETURN TO TRIBE RESERVATION

Starving Redmen are Taken Away From Chihuahua, Mexico, and Given New Homes.

GALVESTON, Tex., June 1.—A party of 1000 Apaches, former members of Geronimo's band, arrived over the Mexican Central to-day en route to the reservation of their tribe in New Mexico, where they will become the wards of the United States Government.

The Indians belonged to a band of raiders who escaped to Mexico in 1886, when their chief was captured, and have since resided near Chihuahua. Recently their land was confiscated and through the instrumentality of Father Migon, who labored among them, the United States Government decided to rescue them. They were in a starving condition, the skin being shrunken over their bones in numerous instances, and many of the squaws were too weak to even carry their papooses.

MANY BECOME CONVERTS TO THE ROMAN CHURCH

Nearly Half of Female Population in Texas Town Change Faith at Campmeeting.

GALVESTON, Tex., June 1.—As the result of an extraordinarily successful and enthusiastic campmeeting held at San Angelo nearly half the female adult population of that town has been converted to the Roman Catholic religion, and the converts were to-day, confirmed by Bishop J. A. Forrest of San Antonio.

SAYS SULTAN IS PLANNING A WHOLESOME MASSACRE

BERLIN, June 1.—All Nouri Pasha, the Turkish reformer, contributes an article to the "Volks Zeitung," in which he states that the Sultan of Turkey is planning a great and final massacre of Armenians, the result of which will be the total annihilation of the Armenians in the Ottoman empire. This, says All Nouri, has been the Sultan's lifelong ambition, and he believes a suitable time for the performance of the deed has arrived.

FROM THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS



RUSSIAN PIETY UPON THE BATTLEFIELD: THE PRAYER FOR SUCCESS BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF THE COMBAT.

REPORTS COSSACK VICTORY

Sakharoff Tells of Vagenfuchu Combat.

One Squadron of the Foe's Cavalry Annihilated.

Another Force Sent to Its Assistance Suffers Heavy Losses.

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ST. PETERSBURG, June 1.—The first official report of the engagement at Vagenfuchu, between Cossacks and a column of cavalry and infantry from General Kuroki's army, was received to-night. It indicates that the Japanese rout was complete.

General Sakharoff telegraphed as follows, under to-day's date, to the general staff:

"According to reports the Japanese commander in the action of May 30 near Vagenfuchu had three battalions of infantry in reserve. Our losses were seventeen men killed and twenty-three men wounded, and Lieutenant Meyer and another officer, whose name has not been ascertained, wounded.

"The Japanese losses were very considerable. One squadron of the Thirtieth Japanese Cavalry was annihilated in a hand-to-hand encounter, and another squadron, which came to its assistance, suffered great loss of life from the fire of our frontier guards and riflemen. We captured nineteen horses."

News of the Vagenfuchu victory was received here with rejoicing. It has been the contention of military experts that Japanese cavalry could not withstand a charge by Cossack riders, and the press accounts of the combat are regarded as bearing out this theory.

For the first time since the war began, Japanese soldiers have turned in flight. An Associated Press correspondent says that the infantrymen threw away their shoes to facilitate their escape.

RETREATS AND ADVANCES

Japanese Movements Only Feints to Screen Port Arthur Operations.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 1.—The War Office has received reports showing that the Japanese are falling back from Siuyen; southeast of Fengwangcheng, and in the meanwhile advancing on Saimatza, almost due north of Fengwangcheng. Both movements are taken to indicate the continued desire of the Japanese to screen the operations before Port Arthur.

As regards the operations north of Fengwangcheng the Cossacks have retired from Saimatza with the additional loss of two officers and seven men wounded. Saimatza is now being held by a strong Japanese garrison.

GLOOM IN NEWCHANG.

Russians Discouraged by the News of Kinchow Defeat.

TIENSIN, June 1.—A courier who has arrived here from Newchwang says:

"While it is known that the Russians received reports from Mukden last night giving the losses sustained by them during the fighting at Kinchow and Nanshan Hill and the conditions prevailing, they will not talk on the subject. The officers are desperately gloomy. Six hundred junk loads of supplies, mostly beans and grain, purchased at Newchwang, were shipped to Liaoyang yesterday."

Rumors of Chinese Outbreak.

HARBIN, Manchuria, June 1.—There are persistent rumors of a rising in Mongolia. Japanese spies and emissaries are busy in the Russian rear.

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STUDENT'S MANIA IS TO STEAL

San Diego Youth Expelled From a University.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Herbert A. Rosencranz, a sophomore, has been adjudged a kleptomaniac by the officials of the University of Chicago and has been quietly "let out" of college. The university authorities believe Rosencranz is the person who has for the last two years worried residents of Hitchcock Hall with all kinds of thievery.

Ever since fashionable Hitchcock Hall was opened students who live there have been pestered by thievery, and although detectives were employed to catch the thief he had never been apprehended.

Rosencranz had lived in the hall for two years and it is now believed that many of the robberies might be traced to him. He was caught stealing books by a fellow member of the hall. He entered the room of this member, taking \$14 worth of books. When accused of the theft Rosencranz at first denied it, but later he broke down and confessed his guilt.

An examination into Rosencranz's possessions was made by the university authorities and revealed that he has stolen constantly just for the love of stealing. He never attempted to sell anything that he stole so far as is known. Rosencranz received plenty of money from his family in San Diego, Cal., and had no necessity for stealing for gain. He is the only son of a widowed mother, who is in very poor health, and these reasons are assigned for the lenient action taken by university authorities.

MARRIAGE POSTPONED BY A "JAG"

Bride-to-Be Spurns Her Intoxicated Fiance.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

OTTUMWA, Iowa, June 1.—Stricken by remorse and threatening to end his life, Albert Greenwood of Palestine, Texas, Assistant Attorney General of that State, is being guarded in a hotel in this city by a brother and friends of the girl who yesterday afternoon refused to marry him.

Last evening at 8 o'clock Greenwood was to have married Miss Maude Utecht, a most estimable and popular young woman of this city. He imbibed too freely, however, and fell down two flights of stairs at the Wapello County Courthouse, where he went to get the marriage license.

When Miss Utecht heard of the escapade she flatly refused to marry him.

BELIEVES EUROPEAN NATIONS WILL COMBINE

French Writer Says Means Must Be Found to Resist American Aggression and "Yellow Peril."

CHICAGO, June 1.—A union of the majority of the nations of Europe into a great federation has been predicted by Matole Leroy-Beaulieu, the French economist and sociologist, in a lecture on "The United States of Europe," given under the auspices of the Alliance Francaise.

In this union, which Professor Beaulieu thought was sure to come about, though possibly not in the twentieth century, three nations, he said, would not be included: England, because it would combine instead with the United States; Russia, because it would form a great independent nation by itself, and Turkey, because it would be absorbed by the coalition and lose its identity. The union would be a necessity, the speaker said, to resist American aggression and the "Yellow Peril."

ADVERTISES FOR BABY, NOW SORRY

Wealthy Hawaiian Besieged With Offers.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

NEW YORK, June 1.—Unhappy is Daniel Bidwell of Hilo, Hawaii, a man of education and refinement. He inserted an advertisement in a local paper as follows:

"One hundred dollars will be paid to any man who will tell me where there is a healthy and attractive girl two or three years old that I can adopt. This child must have refined features, with no indication of foreign parentage. Address Mr. Bidwell, room 58, Cosmopolitan Hotel, or call any morning between 7 and 9 o'clock."

Bidwell said to-night that he regretted the adventure. He admitted he wanted a girl baby; so did his wife. Since the publication of the advertisement there has been an extra clerk at the hotel to assort the mail. Men with furtive eyes have wandered about the corridor before approaching the clerks with a whisper. Bidwell has taken his mail quietly to his room. Still he cannot escape the persons who call with a view to telling him where he can get an infant such as he desires.

"I did see a baby girl this afternoon that I liked very much, and I am going to see her again to-morrow. She meets the requirements as far as I can tell," said Bidwell.

Bidwell fears the newspaper reports of his advertisement will reach his friends in Hawaii.

Reinforcements for Kuroki.

CHEFU, June 2.—Chinese arriving from Takushan say that a Japanese force estimated at from 6000 to 10,000, which landed at Takushan last month, has proceeded to Fengwangcheng. Reinforcements, it is reported, have been sent from other points.

WILL SEEK STEAMSHIP CONEMAUGH

War Vessel to Aid in a Search at Sea.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

NEW YORK, June 1.—To help clear the mystery of a long-missing ship, the aid of the Navy Department has been invoked by the New York Maritime Exchange, which has sent an appeal to the Secretary of the Navy asking that some vessel from the South Atlantic fleet be detailed to search for the Conemaugh. The latter vessel sailed from Coronel, Chile, for this port on February 23 and has not been heard from since. It is probable that a warship will be detailed.

The Conemaugh is a vessel belonging to the International Mercantile Marine. With a crew of forty all told, mostly Americans, she started on her long journey from Honolulu for Philadelphia on January 26. She stopped at Coronel, Chile, for coal, leaving that port on February 28. Her master was directed to round Cape Horn rather than proceed through the straits of Magellan, and to call at St. Lucia, West Indies, for coal if necessary. Nothing has been heard of the Conemaugh since she sailed from Coronel.

WANTS MONEY TO SOOTHE HER BROKEN HEART

Pennsylvania Girl Sues San Diegoan for \$10,000 for Breach of Promise.

LEBANON, Pa., June 1.—Ten thousand dollars damages are asked by Miss Mary J. Seltzer of this city in a suit for breach of promise of marriage against Charles S. Mark of San Diego, California. Miss Seltzer alleges that although engaged to marry her, Mark wedded another. She to-day secured an attachment against a \$4000 legacy coming to him from the estate of his mother, who died here recently.

KINGSLEY MAY BE IN SALT LAKE

Stranger Believed to Be Missing New Yorker.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SALT LAKE, June 1.—A man believed to be Henry Baxter Kingsley, the wealthy New Yorker, who is missing and for whom a reward of \$10,000 has been offered by relatives, appeared this evening in Salt Lake. He called at the home of Charles A. Walker, general agent of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad. He informed Mrs. Walker that his name was W. G. Wallace, that he came from New York and was well acquainted with the New York officials of the Northwestern, of whom he spoke familiarly. He further said that he was a holder of the road's bonds, but declared he was accidentally out of funds and asked for the loan of a dollar.

Mrs. Walker gave him the money. Her husband, who came home just as the man was leaving the house, thought she had been bilked and forced the return of the money. The man made no objection, assenting politely. After he had gone Walker thought the stranger might be the demented Kingsley, who is supposed to be wandering somewhere in Colorado or Utah. The police were notified.

The man is described as small, with a gray mustache, an elderly appearance and polished manners. He wore a good suit of gray clothing, a soft hat, yellow gloves and tan shoes.

SWIFT PENALTY GIVEN TO A MURDEROUS NEGRO

ARLINGTON, Ga., June 1.—Arthur Thompson, a negro, shot and killed M. L. Dudley, a young white man, last night. A crowd of men captured the negro, lynched him and riddled the body with bullets before midnight. Dudley was manager of the city electric lighting plant and Thompson was a fireman at the same plant.