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ANOTHER BATTLE IS ON AT PORT ARTHUR TODAY

HEAVY FIRING IS HEARD FROM THE DIRECTION OF THE BESIEGED CITY.

FIGHTING ON LIAO TUNG

Important Peninsula Is the Scene of a Severe Battle—Japanese Defeat a Body of Russians Supposed to Be Enroute to Port Arthur.

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Che Foo, June 3. — Steamers which have arrived here from New Chwang report that firing in the vicinity of Port Arthur was heard last night. They saw only two Japanese cruisers.

Liao Yang, June 3. — There are persistent rumors that another great battle is in progress near Port Arthur. Continuous cannonading has been heard from the south. An additional force of 15,000 Japanese is reported to have landed at Taku Shan.

Tokio, June 3.—The total Japanese casualties at the battle of Nan Shan hill May 26 were 4,304, divided as follows: Thirty-one officers and 713 non-commissioned officers and men killed, 100 officers and 3,450 non-commissioned officers and men wounded.

Paris, June 3. — A Temps St. Petersburg dispatch today says: "It appears that the Russian rifle column of 30,000 men, mobilized for the succor of Port Arthur, has abandoned its project owing to the fall of Kin Chou and the landing of the Japanese reinforcements."

St. Petersburg, June 3. — The Russian losses at Kin Chou are officially given in General Stoessel's report which has just reached the war office, to be thirty officers and 760 men killed or wounded.

Mukden, June 3.—For two days past rumors have been current of severe fighting on Liao Tung peninsula. Details are lacking but the fact that fighting has been general throughout the peninsula is officially admitted. The Russians have pushed their outposts south to Wan Fang Tien, on the railroad, while the Japanese occupy the country from the shores of Corea bay inland to the vicinity of Su Yen. The fact that a Japanese army is estimated to the number of 50,000 men is concentrated south of Kin Chou is regarded here as indicating that that is the region where the decisive battle will be fought.

A Japanese Victory.

Tokio, June 3.—A body of Japanese encountered and defeated a mixed force of Russian cavalry, infantry and artillery near Lichaton, nine miles north of Polanian, on Monday last. The engagement lasted two hours. The Russian troops were finally driven northward.

The Losses.

The Japanese had twenty-six men killed, including one officer, and thirty-seven wounded, including four officers.

May Be Relief Party.

The movement of the Russian forces to the southward indicates a possible effort to relieve Port Arthur. The Russian loss is unknown.

Is General Kurapatkin Planning Coup?

London, June 3.—Telegrams from different points seem to confirm rumors that General Kurapatkin is attempting diversion in the direction of Port Arthur. Russian reinforcements, according to a dispatch from Tien Tsin are moving southward from Kaiping towards Wafangtien under General Stalkenberg. They comprise a battery of artillery, four Siberian regiments and a company of Cossacks aggregating 12,000 men. Another brigade is following, the intention being to engage the Japanese now attacking Port Arthur in their rear.

The Standard's correspondent at Tien Tsin, sending the same news says:

The Tien Tsin Version.

"The Russian force in the engagement at Wafangtien on May 30 is supposed to have been formed of four Siberian regiments, which were reported to have left Tachlachao on May 28, being the first portion of a relieving column for Port Arthur. The railway is fairly intact from the north of Wafangtien, but is destroyed from there to Puliantien. The Japanese are unconcerned over this demonstration, being convinced that it will be impracticable for the Russians to move a sufficient force to prove effective.

Skepticism in London.

These reports are received with a certain measure of skepticism in London. The belief is that if General Kurapatkin is undertaking such a desperate move, he can only be doing so in deference to the strongest political pressure and against his own better judgment.

No further news has been received about the movements of the Japanese

TRAVIS WINS CHAMPIONSHIP.

American Golfer Defeats Blackwell, the English Player, Today.

London, June 3.—Walter J. Travis, the American, today won the amateur golf championship of the world at Sandwich by defeating the English player, Blackwell, by four up and three to play.

EXTRA!

HONORS REQUISITION.

Governor Mickey of Nebraska Orders Dennison Sent to Iowa.

Lincoln, Neb., June 3. — Governor Mickey has honored the requisition issued by Governor Cummins of Iowa for the arrest of "Tom" Dennison, of Omaha, accused of complicity in the Pollock diamond robbery in Iowa.

Christian to Make Arrest.

Des Moines, June 3. — United States Marshal Christian was summoned to Lincoln, Neb., last evening and left at 2:55 o'clock this morning. He was to arrive there at 9 o'clock this morning. It is thought here that he received a warrant for Dennison from Governor Mickey on arrival at Lincoln and will proceed at once to Omaha to place the noted Omahan under arrest.

BUILDINGS DEDICATED.

Missouri and Indiana Edifices Are Opened at St. Louis.

St. Louis, June 3.—The Missouri and Indiana buildings at the World's Fair were dedicated today with fitting ceremonies.

TRADE TREATY

FIRMS IN UNITED STATES MAY SUE IN RUSSIA ACCORDING TO NEW AGREEMENT.

St. Petersburg, June 3. — Negotiations for a treaty to allow the firms in the United States and Russia to sue in the courts of Russia and the United States respectively have been completed. The treaty will probably be signed in a few days.

Under the existing Russian law, the United States corporations can be sued but cannot sue in the courts of the empire.

30,000 Defend Port Arthur.

The Daily Telegraph's well informed Tokio correspondent estimates the total defending force in Port Arthur at 30,000.

Russian Spies Captured.

Che Foo, June 3.—Chinese junk which have reached this port from the Cha river, west of Taku Shan, report that the Japanese have captured two Russian officers and forty soldiers disguised as Japanese.

A Hard Task for Japs.

"This is a most formidable army," he says, "and while it will be a marvelous achievement to carry by assault such a place, with more than a score of great landward forts, disposed at a distance of fifteen miles from the harbor, the destruction of the place can undoubtedly be accomplished."

According to the Chronicle's Tokio correspondent, the Russians have completed eleven fortresses at a distance of 5,000 feet around them.

Will Cut Railroad.

London, June 3.—The Daily Mail's New Chwang correspondent, cabling under date of June 2, says: "General Stalkenberg with 14,000 Russians made up of artillery, cavalry and infantry, has marched south of Liao Yang in the direction of Wafangtien.

"Large forces of Chinese bandits are collecting in the hills northeast of the Liao river, and are preparing to cut the railway north of Mukden."

SIGOURNEY HAS SCHEME FOR INTER-URBAN ROAD

Sigourney, June 3. — (Special) — Twenty-five hundred dollars has been raised and a board of directors selected for a company which proposes to construct an electric inter-urban line from Sigourney to Newton running by way of Delta and New Sharon. The proposed line will cut through a rich and valuable territory and connect several important points that are now reached only with difficulty.

The scheme was first proposed about three weeks ago and since that time \$1,900 in \$50 shares has been subscribed in this place and \$600 in Delta. It is understood that one-half the money subscribed is to be paid back to the subscribers when twenty miles of the line have been built and the second half when forty miles have been completed. In case the line is never built the money put into the

KAW RIVER IS RISING

ALL OF ITS TRIBUTARIES ARE THREATENINGLY HIGH AND DAMAGE IS FEARED.

KANSAS CITY PREPARES

Mouth of the Kaw is at Kansas City, Where Great Damage Was Done by Water Last Year — Rain Still Falling Today—Four Rivers Affected.

Kansas City, June 3. — All the tributaries of the Kaw river in Kansas are rising rapidly today and a serious flood is threatened. Heavy rains during the past thirty days have caused most of the streams to twice overflow their banks destroying much property and rendering several hundred people temporarily homeless.

Rain Falling Today.

Today the rain continues to fall throughout Kansas and the ultimate result must be that the Kaw will be overflowing its banks.

Kansas City Prepares.

Its mouth is in Kansas City. Although no great amount of damage is expected in this city, preparations are being made to meet the situation as it may develop. Railroad traffic is demoralized and already many through trains both east and west bound are stalled.

The principal streams affected are the Kaw, Smoky Hill, Republican and Marais Descynges. So far no casualties have been reported.

Six Hundred Are Homeless.

Newton, Kas., June 3.—Six hundred persons have been driven from home by a sudden rise in Sand creek, which flows through the north and west parts of Newton. The overflow was caused by heavy rains, approaching in extent a cloudburst. The flooded area embraces about a fourth of Newton and the water stands as high as the second story windows in many places. The flood victims are supplied with clothing and given temporary lodging in the homes of neighbors. The water rose so rapidly that hundreds of persons were caught in houses. Rescuing parties were immediately formed and with boats and rafts nearly all have been taken from the flooded area. The work was continued all night.

Lives in Danger.

One boat capsized and men, women and children were thrown into deep water, but were rescued.

The property loss will be large, as many houses are seriously damaged and much furniture is ruined. Washouts have delayed all trains on the Santa Fe. The Ash and Tenth street bridges across Main street were swept away and other small bridges may go soon.

Loss of Life is Expected.

Wellington, Kan., June 3. — The hardest rain for years has filled the streams bank full and the waters are still rising. Wheat and corn are seriously damaged and the bottom lands are flooded. Loss of life is expected.

1,000 Feet of Track Covered.

Sterling, Colo., June 3. — One thousand feet of Union Pacific railroad track over Pawnee creek in this county is entirely covered with water as a result of a water spout. Platte bottoms is a vast sea of water. No lives have been reported lost so far, nor have any ranchmen reported loss of stock, but many valuable fields of hay are completely ruined. The track damage is in the vicinity of Atwood, six miles west of Sterling.

MORE LAND FOR HOMESTEADERS

Devil's Lake Indian Reservation in North Dakota To Open.

Washington, D. C., June 3.—The Devil's Lake Indian reservation in North Dakota, 88,000 acres, will be open for homestead entry on September 6. The registration will begin at Devil's Lake on August 20, and continue for sixty days. There will be 500 homesteads.

Up to Date Equipment.

The line will be equipped with the latest and most up to date appliances and an hourly service is promised. A committee is soon to go to Chicago to investigate the reliability of certain parties connected with the deal for the purpose of studying the actual operation of some of the nearby Indiana Inter-urban lines. As soon as this committee returns if its report is favorable active operations will be begun.

Directors.

The board of directors for the company as chosen at the last meeting of those who have subscribed the stock is as follows: C. B. Holmes, Chicago; president of the company; H. G. Brown, Thomas Kelly, J. W. Lesan and Martin Reinert of Sigourney, J. R. Dunn and George McCarty of Delta.

AN IDEAL PLAN

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CONFERENCE PLEADS AGAINST CLASS PREJUDICE.

Mohank Lake, N. Y., June 3.—Today's session of the conference on international arbitration adopted a platform which appeals to all the people to co-operate in diffusing such righteously settled and feeling towards all classes, conditions and races of men that international arbitration will be resorted to as the best means of securing international justice whenever diplomacy fails.

Prominent Men Talk.

The leading speakers this morning were Justice Brewer of the United States supreme court, Congressman Bartholdy of Missouri, and Dr. Edward Everett Hale of Boston.

SIX INJURED IN EXPLOSION.

Floor of Building Falls, Carrying Down Number of Employees.

Akron, Ohio, June 3.—In an explosion at the plant of the B. F. Goodrich company yesterday half a dozen people were injured, some seriously.

The door of a steam chest weighing about a ton was blown off and it struck a pillar supporting the floor above. A portion of the upper floor fell with a number of employees.

JOIN SYMPATHETIC STRIKE.

Electricians and Engineers Go Out With Dominion Laborers.

Sydney, C. B., June 3.—The electricians and locomotive engineers at the Dominion Iron and Steel company's works have struck in sympathy with the laborers, who struck yesterday.

Business men are much depressed over the outlook, as a report from Montreal indicates that the directors have decided to shut down the plant until the strike is ended.

REMOVED FROM OFFICE.

Minnesota County Attorney Ordered to Quit by Gov. Van Sant.

St. Paul, Minn., June 3.—Governor Van Sant has ordered the removal of county attorney of Marshall county for malfeasance in office.

Carr was charged with being a party to a combine which secured from the commissioners of Marshall county a drainage contract through fraudulent manipulation.

JUDGMENT AGAINST SHERIFF.

Father of Man Whom Deputy Shoots Wins Suit for Damages.

Marshall, Mich., June 3.—Because Deputy Sheriff Annis shot his son, who was trying to evade arrest, William A. Mosher has been awarded \$200 damages against the sheriff, his deputy and their bondsmen.

The victim died of the wound after an operation had been performed. The coroner's jury exonerated the officer at the time.

1,200 SEARCH FOR LOST CHILD.

Miners Lay Down Picks to Hunt for Missing Boy.

Terre Haute, Ind., June 3.—Twelve hundred miners have suspended work to assist in the search for the 4-year-old son of Dr. Byers, who has been missing from home since Sunday.

Ponds and abandoned mines are being searched and gypsy camps examined.

ANGRY MOB WRECKS CHURCH.

French Priest's Refusal to Give Communion to Children Starts Riot.

Toulon, France, June 3.—As a result of the refusal of the priest to admit to their first communion children who had sung anti-clerical songs, a mob of 1,500 persons wrecked the pulpit and overturned the statues in St. Jean's church yesterday.

Police dispersed the rioters.

POLICEMEN FIGHT PISTOL DUEL.

Guardians of the Peace at Carthage, Mo., Break It.

Carthage, Mo., June 3.—Ed. Gaffney and A. Hurst, policemen, fought a duel with pistols on the street here yesterday. Gaffney was shot in the stomach, and will die. Hurst was shot in the head, but may recover.

NEW SOLDIERS

TWO IOWA BOYS AMONG THOSE TO ENTER WEST POINT THIS MONTH.

Washington, June 3.—Among the cadets designated to enter the West Point military academy this month, as announced by the war department today, are:

Illinois—Gordon M. Arnold, Leonard H. Drennan, Harry G. Weaver, Harry C. Eastman Jr., Frederick A. Prince, Harry B. Crea, Elbert L. Grisell, Geo. D. Haworth.

Iowa—Henry Weeks, Harvey D. Higley.

Wisconsin—T. George Gottschalk, Clarence L. Sturdevant.

THE WEATHER

Iowa — Rain tonight and Saturday; thunderstorms east; cooler Saturday and northwest tonight.

Illinois — Showers and thunderstorms Saturday.

Local Weather.

Nine o'clock last night 70
Seven o'clock this morning 68
Two o'clock this afternoon 80

DALLAS HIT BY TORNADO

TEXAS CITY SCENE OF A DAMAGING STORM—OTHER PLACES SUFFER.

FATALITIES REPORTED

One Man Killed at Paden, O. T., Buildings Are Blown Down and Fields of Growing Grain Are Damaged—Rains Accompany Winds in Many Cases.

Dallas, Texas, June 3. — A cloudburst accompanied by a tornado caused more or less damage here early today. Water coming through the roof of the Western Union Telegraph office flooded the dynamos and shut off the communication for several hours. Many wires throughout the city are prostrated and several small houses were wrecked. There were no casualties. It is believed considerable damage has been done in the country.

One Killed by Storm.

Muskogee, O. T., June 3.—A severe wind storm accompanied by hail struck at Paden last evening. Barney Fixico was killed and another man was injured. Great damage was done to crops and live stock, and nearly every window in Paden was broken.

Indian Territory Visited.

Ardmore, T. T., June 3.—A heavy wind storm last night at Whitehead, Paoli and Roff caused much damage, especially at Whitehead, where a number of buildings were blown down and crops almost ruined. No casualties are reported.

Storm in Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma City, O. T., June 3.—A terrific wind storm struck Oklahoma City last night from the southwest, doing great damage to trees and outbuildings. The walls of several partly finished structures were blown down and the plate glass front of the Threadgill hotel was blown in. A drenching rain followed.

Crops Badly Injured.

Sioux City, June 3. — The crop prospects of northwestern Iowa and especially the Missouri valley were injured by the rain of nearly two inches in two days. Thousands of acres in the Missouri river bottoms are submerged and probably cannot be utilized for the third consecutive year. Early corn looks yellow and sickly owing to rains and cold weather.

Tornado in Kansas.

Princeton, Kan., June 3.—A tornado at Cold Water, a small town near here, last evening wrecked many barns and destroyed much farm property. Mrs. H. Pritchard was struck on the head by a flying timber and injured. A tornado also struck ten miles southeast of Dodge City, doing heavy damage to farm property and crops. So far no casualties are reported.

Lightning at Cape Girardeau.

Cape Girardeau, Mo., June 3.—Last evening the lightning struck the barn at Hely's stone crusher near this city setting the barn on fire and completely destroying it.

Southern Indiana Storm Swept.

Evansville, Ind., June 3. — Southern Indiana was storm swept yesterday and rain continued most of the day. The wind had a velocity of fifty miles an hour. The streets and cellars are flooded and street car traffic was interrupted.

Lightning Kills Two in Indiana.

Evansville, Ind., June 3. — Last evening in Warrick county lightning struck the home of John Gentry near Tennyson and killed John Gentry, Jr., aged 14 and Oaul Gentry, aged 10. John Gentry, Sr., Maul Gentry, aged 7; Otie Gentry, aged 6 and the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gentry were injured.

WYOMING IN HEARTS COLUMN.

Delegates Opposing Him Won Over by the Publisher's Friends.

Cheyenne, Wyo., June 2.—Hearst captured the Wyoming delegation in the state convention here today with little trouble. A number of the delegations favored either Parker, Cleveland or McClellan, but when the convention was called to order a large majority had been won over to Hearst.

Quest for Lost Mayor Widens.

Marquette, Mich., June 3.—Many additional searches have joined in the quest for Dr. J. H. Judson, mayor of Neagauque, who disappeared from his fishing camp more than a week ago, but thus far no clew has been found.

CHARLES S. DENEEN IS NOMINATED FOR ILLINOIS' GOVERNOR

PROMINENT LODGE MAN DIES.

William H. Miller, Supreme Master Workman A. O. U. W., is Dead.

Battle Creek, Mich., June 3.—Supreme Master Workman William H. Miller, of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, is dead at a sanitarium here from kidney trouble after an illness of several weeks. He was a St. Louis man.

EXTRA!

MURDERER IS LYNCHED.

T. M. Myers Taken From Idaho Officers and Executed.

Grangeville, Idaho, June 3. — T. M. Myers, who killed George Brownlee and wounded Wallace Bennet near Crook's corral three weeks ago, was taken from the party of officers on the way to the jail when near White Bird and lynched.

WANT TO VOTE

SUSAN B. ANTHONY HEADS BIG WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE LEAGUE.

Berlin, June 3.—An international woman's suffrage conference met here today for the purpose of organizing the International League for the Promotion of Women's Suffrage. Delegates are present from Great Britain, France, Germany, Holland, Sweden, Austria-Hungary, Switzerland, Denmark, New Zealand and America. Miss Susan B. Anthony was elected president.

COLORED FOLK WILL MEET.

Endeavor to Organize Iowa Branch of Afro-American Council.

Des Moines, June 3.—Announcement has been issued of the meeting of the Afro-American council of the state of Iowa, to be held in Burns A. M. E. church of this city on July 4. All councils, churches and clubs interested in the advancement of the race are entitled to representation. It is intended to affect a permanent organization for the promotion of common interests and the leaders of the colored people of Iowa are expected to take part in the proceedings.

GETS LONG SENTENCE.

Frank Miller, Convicted of Fliendish Act, to Serve Fifteen Years.

Waterloo, June 3.—(Special).—Frank Miller, a prominent young farmer living near here, was today sentenced to fifteen years' imprisonment in the penitentiary for criminal assault upon his 13-year-old adopted daughter who was a New York waif before being given a home in the Miller household.

FISHERMAN IS DROWNED.

Louis V. Probst Falls into Iowa River Near Marshalltown.

Marshalltown, June 3.—(Special).—Louis V. Probst, a cigar maker aged 40 years, fell into the Iowa river at Marietta today and was drowned. Probst was fishing from the bank of the stream when it caved in, precipitating him into the water. The body has not yet been recovered.

BUSSE UNDER DOCTOR'S CARE.

State Treasurer is Afflicted With Sore Throat and Bad Cold.

Springfield, Ill., June 3. — State Treasurer Fred Busse was taken ill while in the convention hall yesterday afternoon and was compelled to retire to his room at the Leland. He is suffering with a sore throat complicated with a bad cold.

ENGINEERS ARE IN DEADLOCK.

Brotherhood Office is Between Illinois and Iowa.

Los Angeles, Cal., June 3. — The fight in the convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers for the office of third assistant grand chief, now is in a deadlock between Peter Klidoff of Blue Island, Ill., and Herman E. Willis of Clayton, Iowa.

PLAN A BIG STRIKE

Five Thousand Pennsylvania Union Miners Have a Grievance.

TAMAQUA, PA., JUNE 3.—A MEETING OF THE THREE ANTHRACITE DISTRICT BOARDS HAS BEEN CALLED FOR MONDAY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INAUGURATING A GENERAL STRIKE OF 5,000 MEN EMPLOYED BY THE LEHIGH COAL & NAVIGATION CO. THE MINERS CLAIM THE COMPANY HAS BEEN DISCRIMINATING AGAINST SOME OF ITS UNION MEN.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION AT SPRINGFIELD FINALLY AGREES THIS AFTERNOON.

ANTI-LOWDEN MERGER

Yates, Hamlin and Sherman Effect a Combination With Deneen and Nominate Deneen on Today's First Ballot, the Seventy-Ninth.

THIS ENDED THE FIGHT.

Seventy-ninth ballot—
Deneen 957
Lowden 522
Warner 21
Yates 1
Necessary to choice, 752.

LOWDEN'S BEST SHOWING.

Seventy-third ballot—
Yates 362
Lowden 631
Deneen 345
Hamlin 70
Warner 29
Sherman 40
Pierce 24

YESTERDAY'S LAST BALLOT.

Seventy-eighth ballot—
Yates 405
Lowden 532
Deneen 365
Hamlin 102
Warner 28
Sherman 45
Pierce 24

Springfield, Ill., June 3.—On the seventy-ninth ballot the Illinois state convention finally nominated Charles S. Deneen of Chicago for governor, this afternoon. The show of strength made by Lowden yesterday made it necessary to take strong measures to secure the nomination, threw his strength to Deneen. He was joined by Hamlin and Sherman.

Springfield, June 3.—The republican state convention was called to order at 10:15 o'clock and by common consent took a recess until 2 this afternoon.

Deneen's Chances Good.

After the recess of the convention it was openly acknowledged that Deneen, Yates, Hamlin and Sherman had entered into a combination to nominate Deneen on the first ballot this afternoon. Warner and Pierce are expected to join the combination.

Long Conference Is Held.

1:45 p. m.—Yates, Deneen, Hamlin and Sherman have been in conference at the executive mansion since 11:30 o'clock, arranging to release the anti-Deneen delegates. Adams county will lead off the roll call this afternoon with twenty votes for Deneen, Lowden will try to get enough votes in the break-up to defeat the combination.

Yates Announces Withdrawal.

At the conclusion of the conference of the Yates delegates just before the reassembling of the convention, Yates made an address withdrawing from the race in favor of Deneen.

The convention reconvened at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon and Governor Yates asked permission to make a statement. No objection was heard and the governor took the platform. He suggested as the next governor of Illinois Charles S. Deneen and withdrew his own name.

Hamlin Also Withdraws.

At the close of Yates' address Attorney General Hamlin spoke for four minutes and withdrew his name in favor of Deneen.

Sherman Withdraws.

Sherman also withdrew in favor of Deneen.

The seventy-ninth ballot began at 2:41 o'clock.

The Deciding Ballot.

The seventy-ninth ballot (official) resulted as follows:
Deneen 957, Lowden 522, Warner 21, Yates 1.

Nomination Made Unanimous.

Lowden moved to make Deneen's nomination unanimous and the motion was unanimously adopted. Deneen then addressed the convention.

MANIAC COMMITS SUICIDE.

Noted Iowa Falls Politician Cuts Throat With Shears.

Des Moines, June 3.—Emery F. Morris, formerly of Iowa Falls, at one time prominent in the business and political life of Hardin county, committed suicide yesterday in the insane asylum at Independence, Iowa, of which he was an inmate, cutting his throat with a pair of scissors. When the attendants endeavored to stop the flow of blood he tore open the wounds again with his fingers.

Muchakinook Off the Map.

Oskaloosa, June 3.—Old Muchakinook is off the map. No trains are run into the place and the rails from South Iowa Junction are being torn up. The depot that used to stand in "Mucky" is now located at Stark.