

JAPANESE CAPTURE LIAO YANG AND PURSUE KUROPATKIN'S ARMY; THOUSANDS LOST ON BOTH SIDES

RUSSIAN FORCES WITHDRAW TO NORTH BANK OF THE TAITSE RIVER AFTER BATTLE.

STILL FIGHTING TODAY

The Fate of the Czar's Army Hangs in the Balance—Bloodiest Battle Since the Franco-Prussian War—Russians Move "Main Position" to North Side of the Taitse.

Tokio, Sept. 2.—The fighting at Liao Yang continued until a late hour last night and was resumed at dawn today. The fate of the great bulk of the retreating Russian army hinges upon the bravery and fortitude of its left flank.

Tokio, Sept. 2.—Admiral Hosoya, commanding the third Japanese squadron, reports that last Wednesday morning a number of vessels weighed from Port Arthur and engaged in clearing away the mines.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 2.—At 4:30 o'clock this afternoon the war office is entirely without news of today's fighting, but it is said that the railroad between Liao Yang and Mukden is open.

Tokio, Sept. 2.—(3 p. m.)—It is reported here that a conflagration is raging at Liao Yang.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 2.—General Kuropatkin has withdrawn his whole army to the right bank of the Taitse river to meet General Kuroki's flanking movement.

Kuropatkin Ordered Retreat. St. Petersburg, Sept. 2.—(1:05 p. m.)—No absolute information has reached the war office here confirming the reports that Liao Yang has been occupied by the Japanese but it is positively known that General Kuropatkin decided to withdraw from his positions south of Liao Yang to the north bank of the Taitse river Tuesday night and the orders were actually given.

Today's Advances Incomplete. Whether the whole of General Kuropatkin's army got across yesterday is not definitely established, the war office not having yet received complete advices.

In view of the Tokio dispatch this morning it is possible the troops are forming a Japanese screen and a portion of the Japanese right flank did not succeed in crossing the river.

Fighting is on Today. The Tokio dispatch that General Kuroki's forces were in action at Heyatal, north of the Taitse river, indicates that General Kuropatkin has really engaged him with a portion of his army.

Is Telegraph Line Cut? The report that telegraph communication between Liao Yang and Mukden has been severed is not admitted at the war office, although no telegrams had been received up to noon.

Russian Public Deeply Interested. The public here is still in complete ignorance of the new phase which the battle entered upon yesterday, but interest is at white heat.

Retreat in Confusion. Tokio, Sept. 2.—The Russians began to retreat on the right center from Liao Yang early Thursday. They were thrown into great confusion while attempting to cross to the right bank of the Taitse river.

Japs Capture Guns. The Japanese, pursuing them vigorously, seized a number of Russian cannon, which they used to shell the Liao Yang railway station.

COAL MINERS OUT AT COLFAX; OTHER DIFFICULTIES SETTLED

Colfax, Sept. 2.—For several days people here have looked forward to September 1 with anticipations of a strike and yesterday realized their expectancy to the extent that miners numbering about 400 have temporarily quit work claiming that the Colfax Consolidated Coal Co., is not complying with the terms of its two year contract with the miners regarding the matter of transportation to and from the mines at Andersonville and Seewers, a distance of three and five miles respectively from town.

The miners also object to the cars provided for them and ask that they may be furnished with coaches or good cabooses in which to ride.

They are expecting State President White here to confer with them regarding the matter and it is generally believed that a satisfactory settlement will soon be made.

Settle Two Disputes. Des Moines, Sept. 2.—At a protracted meeting of the joint grievance board of the Iowa Operators' association and the United Mine Workers last night a settlement of the Mendota and Numa mine troubles was effected.

force of Russians in the vicinity of Helyingtal, twelve miles northeast of Liao Yang, at 11 o'clock Thursday. His left began at dawn today pressing the Russians toward Taiseho. It is thought he will severely punish the Russians.

General Oku gained a foothold near Hsinlinton Wednesday afternoon and occupied Hsinlinton and the eminences to the west of Shoushanpao at 3 o'clock Thursday morning, after having delivered a successful night attack which surprised the Russians.

Tokio, Sept. 2.—The chief staff of the central Japanese army, (General Nodzu) telegraphing early this morning, reported that the Japanese center was continuing to advance today, with the object of taking the line from Shin Chi Yen to Liao Yang, and effecting a re-union with the Japanese left, commanded by General Oku.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 2.—At 4 o'clock this afternoon the war office received a dispatch from Peteroff, sent to the emperor last night by General Kuropatkin and dated 5 p. m. As transmitted to the war office for publication the dispatch states that the artillery battle proceeded till the hour of sending it, that the Russians were retiring up on their "main positions," that General Kuroki was attacking the Russian left, north of the Taitse river, and that the railroad station, situated a mile northeast of Liao Yang, had been set on fire by Japanese shells.

"Main Position" Moved. The dispatch adds that the "main position" had been transferred across the river to a point on the north bank and that Kuropatkin has passed in review the Third Siberian corps under General Ivanoff, which suffered greatly in the earlier stages of the battle, and that the Russian losses for two days were 5,000 killed or wounded.

The dispatch as given out, therefore, does not admit that Kuropatkin is withdrawing across the Taitse river entirely. It is possible owing to the pressure of the Japanese that the Russian army, as stated in the Tokio dispatches, was thrown into confusion and greatly hampered.

Capture Supplies for Port Arthur. Tokio, Sept. 2.—Admiral Hosoya reports that Japanese guardships near Tallen bay on Sunday and Monday, captured twenty-six Chinese junks which were attempting to carry provisions into Port Arthur. They were taken to Tallen, tried, and cargoes were confiscated. The crews were released.

Wait for Harvest. Gensan, Sept. 2.—A Corean from the Russian headquarters at Hambeung, forty miles north, states that the Russians have abandoned further military movements until the crops are harvested.

United States Protests. St. Petersburg, Sept. 2.—The United States has protested to Russia against the seizure of the cargo of the British steamer Calchas, which was captured while bound from Puget Sound to Japan by the Vladivostok squadron.

FAIRBANKS AT KANSAS CITY. Holds Public Reception at Midland Hotel Today.

Kansas City, Sept. 2.—Senator Fairbanks arrived here today from Marion, Kansas, and after holding a public reception at the Midland hotel he went to Kansas City, Kansas, and made a brief speech.

CONDITION IS UNCHANGED. Senator Hear Has Remained Much the Same All Week.

Worcester, Mass., Sept. 2.—The condition of Senator George F. Hear today is much the same as it has been all the week.

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WILL ATTEND FAIR. Judge Parker Will Come to St. Louis and See the Sights.

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The Accident. The accident which proved fatal to little Miss Frazier occurred Wednesday evening. Her mother had gone across the street and the little girl came in contact with a lighted gasoline stove. The flames enveloped her body, burning her badly about the breast and stomach. Her right side and both arms were also burned.

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CENTRAL PART OF THE STATE SUSTAINS HEAVY DAMAGE DURING NIGHT.

CIRCUS LOSES HEAVILY

Barnum & Bailey's Tents at Iowa City Blown Down and Considerable Damage Done—One Man Killed at Coon Rapids.

The report which was circulated in Ottumwa yesterday and this morning regarding a storm in Omaha, resulting in many deaths, was investigated by the Courier and found to be utterly unfounded.

Iowa City, Sept. 2.—A dozen showmen were hurt, the animal tent struck by lightning and burned to the ground and much other damage done to the Barnum & Bailey circus here last night by a fierce storm shortly after 7 o'clock and just before the evening performance.

The destruction of the huge show is heavy, but it proceeded to Muscatine and exhibited there today according to plans previously announced.

Tents Burn; Men Injured. Shortly before 7 p. m., ominous looking clouds came from the west and a small tornado was on the city in an instant. The big shows were in the path of the storm and the first tent leading into the main canvas was seized and torn to fragments.

Rescue Men and Animals. The whole mass immediately caught fire, but the injured men and heavy cages were gotten out of harm's way. Considerable other damage was done to other tents. The wrecked show was loaded on cars and departed for West Liberty.

Second Storm Hits City. A second storm struck the city shortly after 11 o'clock. A deafening flash of lightning struck near the telephone exchange, knocking out a number of wires and slightly wrecking the central office. Details are meager.

Death at Coon Rapids. Coon Rapids, Sept. 2.—F. G. Minnich, a well known farmer and stock raiser living two miles southwest of this place, was struck and killed by lightning last night. Mr. Minnich has been a resident of Carroll county for forty years.

Cattle Killed by Lightning. Waterloo, Sept. 2.—(Special.)—A disastrous wind and electrical storm visited here last night. Eight head of cattle belonging to E. L. Benedict, were killed by a single stroke of lightning. Several buildings were wrecked and trees were uprooted.

Damage at Marshalltown. Marshalltown, Sept. 2.—Late yesterday afternoon a wind and rain storm struck the city. The wind blew a gale and rain fell in torrents. No serious loss has been reported as yet, with the exception of fallen wires, both telephone and electric lighting, and the fire alarm. Several large trees were blown down, one on the court house lawn being torn up at the roots. The storm lasted twenty minutes.

Farm House Destroyed. Mason City, Sept. 2.—A storm late yesterday afternoon destroyed the farm house of Lou Huffman, five miles southwest of here. Crops and outbuildings were blown down and trees stripped and corn prostrated. No one was at home.

Damage at Sigourney. Sigourney, Sept. 2.—A small sized cyclone struck Sigourney at 6:30 last night and demolished several barns, uprooted trees, tore down windmills and did much other damage. There was no loss of life.

Coal Mine Damaged. Des Moines, Sept. 2.—The smokestack of the Center Coal Co., near Twentieth and St. Joseph streets, was blown down yesterday afternoon. The roof of the engine room was caved in and the hoisting machinery damaged. Some water got in the mine, but it is not thought this will cause serious difficulty.

Damage at Valley Junction. Ten sections of the glass skylights over the Valley Junction shops were caved in by the wind and rainstorm of yesterday afternoon. The damage has not been estimated, but will not be inconsiderable.

Eight Hurt in Wisconsin. Lacrosse, Wis., Sept. 2.—Eight persons were injured last night by a tornado and lightning in the southern part of the city. All will recover. Several residences were badly damaged by wind and the heavy rain caused many washouts on the railroads so that all the trains are late today.

DONNELLY DECLARES A BOYCOTT ON ALL MEAT

Flames, Ashes, Stones and Lava Thrown From Crater.

A TOWN BURNS

GEM, IDAHO, SWEEP BY FLAMES—EXPLOSION KILLS FOUR PEOPLE.

Wallace, Idaho, Sept. 2.—Fire has swept the entire business portion of Gem and a large part of the residence district, entailing a loss of \$150,000, destroying nearly 100 houses and rendering scores of people homeless.

Explosion Kills Four. Yellow Creek, Ohio, Sept. 2.—Six persons were burned to death and four others were terribly injured by a fire and oil explosion here early today.

MRS. HENRY FLING and two children. The house of the Fling family caught fire from a street lamp and the intense heat set fire to an oil well near the house. Before the occupants of the house realized their danger the terrific explosion occurred.

Lumber Yard in Flames. Toledo, Ohio, Sept. 2.—The Michael & Powland Lumber company's yards, fifty acres in extent, are a mass of flames this afternoon and will be a total loss. The estimated loss is \$100,000.

ANOTHER BOLTER. J. C. Fox, of Seymour, Follows A. W. Maxwell's Example.

Seymour, Sept. 2.—That former Chairman Maxwell's desertion of the democracy is bearing fruit is apparent from the number of democrats who are following his example in supporting the republican ticket this year. J. C. Fox, of Seymour, is one of the latest and strongest converts from democracy to republicanism in this campaign.

WOULD HASTEN UNION. Prince George of Greece Wants Federation With Crete Formed.

Rome, Sept. 2.—Prince George of Greece, commissioner general of the powers in Crete, visited the foreign office here today and lengthily discussed the situation in Crete, expressing the opinion that it is impossible to further delay the union of Crete to Greece for racial, religious, economical and political reasons.

KEB WILL CELEBRATE. Sunday School Will Give Program Labor Day in Jones Park.

From Friday's Daily. The members of the Keb Sunday school will celebrate Labor Day Monday, September 5, with a picnic in Jones Park east of that splendid little mining town. James Shevlin will be the chairman of the day and Thomas Carey and Thomas D. Williams will be the principal speakers of the day.

TAKE BAD MAN. Ottumwa Officers Make Arrests At the Milwaukee Junction.

From Friday's Daily. W. F. DeVinne, wanted in Ft. Madison for an assault with intent to commit murder, was arrested last night on the Southwest Limited about midnight at the Milwaukee Junction by Officer Snooks accompanied by Night Captain Gallagher and a Pinkerton detective, who had spotted the man. DeVinne was taken to Ft. Madison on Burlington No. 12 by the Pinkerton man. The circumstances of the crime for which DeVinne is wanted were not made known by the detective.

J. W. POSTON ACCUSED. Ottumwa Attorney Accused of Selling Mortgaged Property.

Information against J. W. Poston was filed in Justice Ballard's court today charging him with selling mortgaged property. M. H. Williams filed the information. Poston is alleged to have disposed of a set of books, valued at \$30, which were mortgaged.

BUTCHERS' PRESIDENT SAYS HE WILL THUS FORCE A FAMINE.

PACKERS STILL FIGHT

Independent Firms Inside Stock Yards Join With "Trust" Packers and Those Outside Try to Go Alone Despite Strike Order—Court After St. Louis Strikers.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 1.—"The meat famine will be forced at all costs. It is the best weapon with which to fight the trust of the packers, although it may not be welcomed by the independents."

In these words President Donnelly, of the butchers' organization, today declared a boycott against all meat and announced that the union men will quit in all packing establishments this afternoon, regardless of where the live stock is secured.

Police Record of Strike. The police record of the strike at the stock yards station to date reads: Assaults, 46. Murders, 4. Accidents, 97. Removed to hospitals, 43.

Strikers Held for Contempt. Belleville, Ill., Sept. 2.—As a result of the strike troubles at the East St. Louis packing houses during the past few days the issuance of citations against strikers began on a wholesale plan here today in the circuit court and show cause why they should not be punished for contempt of court in violating the injunction issued some time ago restraining the strikers from interfering in any way with the men employed to take their places.

INJURED IN RUNAWAY

ANDY RUNDALL AND HIS AGED MOTHER, VICTIMS OF AN ACCIDENT

From Friday's Daily. A team of horses resulted in serious injury this afternoon to Andy Rundall and his aged mother, Mrs. Rundall, who live near Kirkville station. Mr. Rundall and his mother were driving to this city and at the west end terminus of the street car lines, Mr. Rundall stopped his team with the intention of placing his mother on the car. When he was assisting her out of the wagon the horses became frightened and ran away. The vehicle passed over Mr. Rundall's left leg and fractured it. Mrs. Rundall's dress became entangled in the brake of the wagon and was dragged for two blocks. When in front of G. W. Richard's grocery the team was stopped and Mrs. Rundall was picked up and taken to the home of Evan Lewis on West Second street. In the mean time, the injured man was conveyed to the home of Oliver Graves on West Second street. Dr. C. E. Hubbard and D. C. Brockman were summoned immediately and administered the proper medical attention. In addition to a broken leg, Mr. Rundall sustained several other minor bruises. Mrs. Rundall's right arm was broken at the wrist and elbow and her body was bruised severely. Mrs. Rundall is fifty-nine years of age and although the best medical assistance is being given her, the injuries are very painful. The damage to the wagon and horses was very slight.

NO LONGER REFEREE

Attorney A. W. Enoch Will Not Transact Bankruptcy Business.

A. W. Enoch who for the past three years has been referee in bankruptcy yesterday returned his books to Des Moines, and henceforth all bankruptcy business in Wapello county will be transacted through the office of Attorney Irving Johnson of Oskaloosa. The change in the manner of handling the bankruptcy business was made according to an order issued several months ago by Judge Smith McPherson, very greatly reducing the number of referees. The object in making the change is to combine the business and make it of sufficient importance to warrant the referee in giving it his time and attention and also to reduce the expense of transacting the business.