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BATTLE AT LIAO YANG

JAPANESE OFFICIALS AT TOKIO BELIEVES CAPTURE OF CITY IS ONLY A MATTER OF HOURS.

DEATH TRAPS CLAIM JAPANESE SOLDIERS

Kuropatkin's Army Retreats at Dusk Drawing the Enemy Over a Series of Pits Filled With Sharp Stakes—After Desperate Fighting Japanese Cease Bombardment at Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.—The emperor has received a dispatch from General Stossel, commanding the troops at Port Arthur, dated August 26, saying: "From August 23 to today inclusive all daily assaults have been repulsed with the help of God."

Mukden, Sept. 1. — A Japanese force of 10,000 men is reported to be advancing from northeast of Mukden.

[As Mukden is almost as far north as Vladivostok, the northernmost point of the Russian lines, it would seem that this Japanese army, if the above dispatch is correct, has been landed from Japanese transports north of Vladivostok and started out overland for Mukden with a view to aiding Kuroki's forces in that vicinity. This is the first, however, that has been heard of any such a force and the report may be unfounded.]

Tokio, Sept. 1. — (5 p. m.) — There is a report current here that the Japanese captured Liao Yang today, but it is quite without confirmation.

Battle Begins at Dawn. At daybreak today the Japanese army on the left delivered a fierce and successful assault against the heights to the west of Hsinlin-tun and on the high grounds west of Shoushan-pa. It pierced the Russian lines and probably later forced the retirement of the Russian troops from their positions on the right and center. Marquis Oyama telegraphs that his losses in the assaults were heavy.

It is believed here that Kuropatkin has been sweepingly defeated and that the possession of Liao Yang is only a matter of hours.

General Kuroki's casualties from August 24 to 28 amounted to 2,255 men. The other casualties have not been reported.

Russian Strength. A telegram from the Japanese headquarters in the field says the Russians at Liao Yang number twelve to thirteen divisions.

A Correspondent is Shot. M. Kiraloff, one of the Associated Press correspondents, was shot through the lung while on the firing line yesterday.

Yesterday's Awful Struggle. St. Petersburg, Sept. 1. — The battle at Liao Yang last night continued until midnight with frightful slaughter. The Japanese at last succeeded in getting a column across the Taitse river in positions northeast of Liao Yang and General Kuropatkin gave the order to fall back on the main works, but owing to the Japanese pressure this movement was not executed and the armies slept in their positions.

Official advices this morning, timed 6 a. m., say the battle had not been resumed at that hour.

A Most Desperate Battle. The battle at Liao Yang yesterday was of the most desperate character. It raged continuously from dawn until midnight and the slaughter must have been immense. At 8 o'clock in the evening, after holding his outer positions all day in face of the most desperate charges, General Kuropatkin gave the order to retire upon the main works about the city.

Meaning of Retreat. As Kuropatkin's line, according to previous advices, occupied a semi-circle several miles toward the town of Liao Yang, it is evident the movement above alluded to is a retreat in the fortified positions of the town and not from Liao Yang itself northward.

Attack Russian Center. The Japanese assaults during the day had been directed principally against the Russian center, a little east of Maletung hill, near the railroad and three miles southwest of Liao Yang.

Unrivaled Severity. Nothing approaching the severity of the infantry and artillery fire here has been heretofore experienced in this war. General Kondratyevich's division bore the brunt of the attack and suffered the most. Bayonet charges succeeded each other in rapid succession,

while the artillery duel never ceased for a moment. No attempt is made in the official advice to estimate the number of guns the Japanese used, except that they had many hundreds.

Each gun carried 150 charges and these must have expended many times, as several hundred thousand shells were fired between sunrise and sunset.

Japanese Cross River. General Kuropatkin's order to fall back on the fortifications was probably due to the receipt of information that the Japanese had succeeded in crossing the Taitse river, northeast of Liao Yang, although Generals Renenkamp's and Mandariteff's divisions had been especially placed in position in this direction to checkmate such a move.

The Japanese crossed at a point called Sakankwan-tun, twenty miles east and somewhat above Liao Yang, and marched in force directly westward with the evident object of cutting the Russian line of communication with Mukden. Their exact strength was not established, but a division was made out.

Feint Retreat by Russians. As soon as the Japanese found that the Russians were retiring from their outer positions southward they resumed the attack there, although it was then quite dark. Thus pressed the Russians arrested their movement to the rear and again faced the Japanese.

Death Traps for Japanese. With a view to eventual retirement from their outer positions the Russians had dug a large number of pits with stakes concealed in their bottoms. The pits were artfully concealed among the high Chinese corn when the Japanese charged after the Russians and they fell into the pits in hundreds and were engulfed and impaled on the stakes. Their lines were thrown into confusion.

March Over Dead Bodies. When the Russians faced about to return to their old positions they found these death traps filled with dead and dying Japanese.

Fight Ends at Midnight. The rattle of musketry and the boom of cannon continued until midnight when at last silence brooded over the bloody battlefield and the tired soldiers lay down where they had fought, while worn out surgeons and angels of mercy ministered to the wounded all through the night with Chinese coolies carrying them into Liao Yang.

Japanese Losses Very Great. General Sakkaroff in reporting the battle says the Japanese suffered enormous losses, much larger than those of the Russians, who, however, also lost heavily.

Russian Generals Wounded. General Stakelberg, though wounded still retained command of his army corps and did not leave the field. General Marozovsk, who was severely wounded, commanded the artillery brigade.

There has been no interruption of telegraphic communication with Liao Yang up to this hour, which the general staff considers to be conclusive evidence that if the Japanese flanking movement was pressed north of Liao Yang today it was unsuccessful. The receipt of press and private dispatches has been delayed, the chief telegraph office at Liao Yang having been moved north.

Fighting at Port Arthur. Che Foo, Sept. 1.—Severe fighting occurred at Port Arthur August 27, when the Japanese, moving from Shushihyung, attempted to capture Falungshan, which is south of Shushihyung and west of the railway. The Japanese made two assaults between 4 and 8 o'clock in the morning. They were repulsed both times. Prisoners subsequently taken place their loss at 1,045 killed or wounded. For one hour after shells were thrown from Shushihyung into Port Arthur.

The above information was brought here last night by a Chinese who was employed at the cable station in Port Arthur, which place he left in the evening of August 29. At the time of his departure no further attack had been made by the Japanese on Falungshan.

Take Fort But are Routed. On August 28 the Japanese attacked Fort Number 6, on the northeast portion of the right flank. After three hours' fierce firing the Japanese succeeded in entering the fort, but later several of the Russian forts concentrated their fire on it and the Japanese were compelled to retire.

Heavy firing was heard by the Chinese on the night of August 29.

Suspend Bombardment. The bombardment of Fort Arthur has been completely suspended, as the Japanese have given up the idea of taking the fortress by storm and will for the future, content themselves with a strict investment of the place.

The Russians are gratified at this result, for munitions are running short. With their provisions they can hold out for a long time yet.

Japanese Burn Their Dead. In the last attack the Japanese lost heavily. With the aid of glasses they could be seen gathering up their dead, placing them in heaps and burning them. The spectacle was very impressive.

Recently a Japanese officer tried to gain entrance into Port Arthur in a sack carried by a Chinaman. The mouth of the sack was filled with cabbages. A sentry stuck his bayonet into the bag and exposed the artifice. Both the Japanese and the Chinaman were shot.

Russian Officers Captured. It is reported here upon good author-

A NOTABLE WEDDING

MISS CAROLINA BOUSQUET OF PELLA MARRIED TO DR. W. B. LAFORCE.

Ceremony Was Performed at High Noon in the Second Reformed Church at Pella — Many Guests are Present From Out of Town.

Pella, Sept. 1.—(Special).—The marriage of Miss Carolina Bousquet, daughter of Pierre Henri Bousquet, of this city, and Dr. William Brooks LaForce, of Ottumwa, was solemnized at high noon yesterday at the Second Reformed church, Rev. W. Joan Kersen officiating. The church was beautifully decorated with palms and asters. Lohengrin's Wedding March was rendered. Mrs. Henry G. Cox presiding at the organ and Prof. Henry G. Cox playing the violin obligato. The bride who is a tall and graceful blonde, was attended by her sisters, Miss Marie Bousquet, maid of honor, and Miss Josephine Bousquet as bridesmaid. Dr. LaForce had for his best man, Dr. Robert McKee Lapsley, of Keokuk, and the ushers were Dr. Frank LaForce, of Burlington, Charles R. LaForce, of Ottumwa, Louis Bousquet of Pella, Gerard Nollen of Des Moines, Paul Scholto of Pella, and Homer J. Clark of Des Moines.

The bride wore a bridal robe of white satin trimmed with a duchess lace bertha and a collar of old lace. The tulle veil was held in place with a spray of lilies of the valley and she carried a shower bouquet of the same beautiful flowers.

The maid of honor and the maid were both beautifully gowned in white French mousseline trimmed in Valenciennes lace, the former wearing a short veil of tulle.

Immediately after the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served to the bridal party at the Bousquet home. The decorations at the home were green and white, carnations, asters, palms and asparagus ferns being used. From 4 until 7 o'clock in the evening a reception was held at which a large number of guests were present.

The bride is the oldest daughter of Pierre Henri Bousquet, one of the early settlers of Pella. She is a graduate of several colleges, and a fine linguist, being able to speak several languages fluently. The groom is the oldest son of Dr. and Mrs. D. A. LaForce, pioneer settlers of Wapello county. He is the city physician of Ottumwa, and a most successful practitioner of his medical profession. After completing his medical course in colleges in this country, he took a course at Heidelberg, Germany. Dr. and Mrs. LaForce left last evening for a week's visit at the St. Louis exposition. From there they will go abroad for an extended trip, after which they will be at home in Ottumwa.

The out of town guests were Dr. and Mrs. D. A. LaForce, Dr. and Mrs. B. D. LaForce, Miss Abbie Cooper, Miss Laura Cooper, Miss Keota Williams and Dr. Murdoch Bannister of Ottumwa; Mrs. Henry L. Bousquet and Master Pierre Henri Bousquet, of Knoxville; Mrs. Richard Swinney, of Floris; Mrs. Fannie Barker, of Egan; Mrs. Egan, of Burlington; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Carney, Master Creigh Carney and Miss Nora Carney, of Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Nollen, Mr. and Mrs. Ira M. Earle, Mrs. N. C. Towne and family, Mrs. Robert McCartney, Morton M. McCartney and Mrs. C. L. Brown, of Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Snow, of Corydon; Miss Winifred Hays and Tobias van Horn Hart, of Knoxville.

It is thought that the Japanese have captured some Russian officers bound to Port Arthur with important papers. These officers left Mukden and attempted to get into Port Arthur by a junk. For some time past a Japanese torpedo boat has been at sea watching this junk, and according to the report she day after day at 1 o'clock this morning and took the officers, the papers and the junk into Port Arthur.

A Japanese vessel sighted. A Japanese cruiser, and two destroyers were seen near the harbor here today. Heavy firing was heard nearly all last night from the direction of Port Arthur.

Red Hot From the Gun. Was the ball that caused horrible ulcers on G. B. Steadman, Newark, Mich. Bucklen's Arnica Salve soon cured him. 25c. F. B. Clark.

EDDYVILLE. Eddyville, Aug. 31.—Rev. W. T. Howe and a number of other Eddyville people attended the dedication of the new M. E. church at Columbia Sunday forenoon at 11 o'clock. A large number of people were present to hear the fine sermon which was delivered by Dr. J. W. Hancher, president of the Iowa Wesleyan university at Mt. Pleasant. Rev. Howe and Rev. R. N. Bruce, the latter being the pastor of the Chillicothe and Columbia churches, assisted in the services. The handsome new church edifice, which is something to be proud of, cost about \$2,700, and it was desired that about \$675 be raised to finish paying for it. Pledges were called for and it was not until over \$700 had been pledged. In the evening Dr. Hancher delivered another excellent sermon.

Charles Switzer, east of town, returned Saturday night from a short trip to the world's fair at St. Louis. August Melcher and daughter Lizzie returned to their home at Ottumwa Saturday, after a visit at the Anton Mayer home, north of town.

Mrs. John Eich and little daughter went to Ottumwa Saturday to visit with Mrs. Eich's daughter, Mrs. Frank Cook.

George, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Barnhill, has been hit by a broad trouble. He is about 11 years old.

Mrs. Catherine Todd, after a short visit at the David Cowden home, left for St. Louis Tuesday to attend the world's fair.

Mrs. Margaret Newell, of Fudge Creek, was taken sick Monday night with an attack of liver trouble.

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Methodist Episcopal and Presbyterian Churches Will Be Used by Those Attending Conference in Keokuk County City—The Program.

The program for the Iowa annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, which is to be held in Sigourney, September 7 to 11, inclusive, has been issued and received in this city by the pastors of the Methodist Episcopal churches. Rev. A. E. Craig and Rev. D. C. Bevan, together with a number of the workers of their churches will attend the conference. Dr. Craig is chairman of the Iowa conference evangelistic commission, while Rev. J. W. Lambert is a member of the committee on public worship. The meetings of the conference will be held in the Methodist Episcopal and Presbyterian churches.

The complete program for the conference is as follows: Tuesday, September 6. At the Presbyterian church. 8:00 p. m. Lecture to undergraduates and board of examiners and others, Rev. J. F. Little, D. D., president Garrett Biblical Institute.

8:00 p. m. Temperance mass meeting—Addresses, Dean A. C. Piersel, Rev. A. E. Craig, D. D.

Wednesday, September 7. 8:30 p. m. Devotional service followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's supper. Bishop W. F. McDowell. Memorial service, committee on Memorials.

Business session. 2:00 p. m. Sunday school anniversary. Address, Rev. A. P. George, D. D.

3:30 p. m. Pentecostal service, Rev. Joseph H. Smith. 8:00 p. m. Missionary anniversary. Address, Rev. A. B. Leonard, D. D.

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Friday, September 9. 9:30 a. m. Conference breakfast, Rev. W. G. Wilson. 11:00 a. m. Sermon, Bishop W. F. McDowell, D. D., LL. D. 2:30 p. m. Ordination of elders and deacons, Bishop McDowell. 3:30 p. m. Pentecostal services, Rev. Joseph H. Smith.

At the Methodist Episcopal church. 8:00 p. m. Educational anniversary. Address, Rev. J. W. Hancher, D. D. At the Presbyterian church. 8:00 p. m. Preaching and pentecostal services, Rev. Joseph H. Smith.

Monday, September 12. 8:30 a. m. Devotional services, Rev. Joseph H. Smith. 9:00 a. m. Business session. 3:30 p. m. Pentecostal services, Rev. Joseph H. Smith. 8:00 p. m. Church extension anniversary. Address, Rev. W. D. Parr, D. D.

2:00 p. m. Anniversary of the Women's Foreign Missionary society. Addresses, Mrs. Alma H. Holland and Miss Ada J. Lauck. 3:30 p. m. Pentecostal service, Rev. Joseph H. Smith. 8:00 p. m. Epworth League anniversary. Address, Rev. Edwin H. Hughes, D. D.

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Saturday, September 10. 8:30 a. m. Devotional service, Rev. Joseph H. Smith. 9:00 a. m. Business session. 2:00 p. m. Anniversary of the conference. Claimant permanent fund. Address, Rev. J. C. Cox. 3:30 p. m. Pentecostal service, Rev. Joseph H. Smith.

Chicago Police Raid Book Maker's Establishment in Fashionable Flat. Chicago, Sept. 1.—What is declared by the police to have been one of the few gambling houses in Chicago to which women could go unnoticed and place bets on race horses was raided at 424 Indiana avenue yesterday and Florence Tyrrell was arrested as keeper of the place. With her when detectives from Assistant Chief Schuttler's gambling squad entered the house, was her brother, Harry Tyrrell, who was also taken into custody as a bookmaker.

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Miss Brand of Lamoni Falls Twenty Feet to Road Below. Chariton, Sept. 1. — Miss Brand a young woman of Lamoni, walked off a passenger car while it was standing over a bridge at that place and fell twenty feet to the wagon road beneath breaking her arm and receiving other injuries which may prove serious. According to the story of the trainmen, the young woman got on the train at Lamoni to say goodbye to a friend and while she was in the car the train was backed down the track to put a car on the side track. When the train stopped Miss Brand jumped off, being unable to see in the darkness that the car was standing on a bridge twenty feet above the wagon road. The screams of the injured girl brought the passengers to the door and a doctor was summoned at once.

BUNCH. Bunch, Aug. 31.—James Zigler and wife and Russell Scott of Mountain Park, Oklahoma, are here for a month's visit.

Quite a number from this place attended the Old Settlers' Reunion at Drakaville last Saturday.

P. J. Kinsinger, who returned from California a short time ago, has bought out the old firm of Buntin, Son, dry goods and groceries, of Drakaville.

Ira McConnell, who had his arm broken besides some other slight bruises by being thrown from a bicycle, is again able to be on the streets with his arm in a sling.

Emmit Jones' little baby, which has been sick for some time, is slowly recovering.

Mrs. James Proctor, who has been sick for some time, is some better at present.

Mrs. Bert King died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bridgeman, Saturday with consumption. The funeral was conducted at the home Sunday at 2 o'clock by the Methodist Episcopal minister of Unionville. Interment was made in the Taylor cemetery.

Sherman Downing, who has sold out his hardware store in Kansas, is here on business.