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FIGHTING AT SEA

Russian and Japanese War Vessels Engaged in Battle Off Port Arthur.

Three Vessels of the Vladivostok Squadron and Japanese Warships Engaged.

London, June 15.—A dispatch to the Central News from Tokio filed this afternoon says a naval engagement is in progress off Tsuchima Island, in Korea Straits, between three cruisers of the Vladivostok squadron and a number of Japanese warships. No details have been received.

Tokio, June 15.—The entrance to Port Arthur harbor is clear and now open for the passage of ships. Yesterday the Russian protected cruiser Novik steamed out to sea and engaged the vessels of the Japanese blockading fleet.

St. Petersburg, June 15.—The Japanese are displaying activity at all their advance lines.

According to information in the possession of the war office two divisions of the enemy are now marching north along the railroad towards Valangou (twenty-five miles above Kinchou). They are having constant skirmishes with the Russian forces, but the advance is not being seriously checked. Although it is too early to determine the exact purpose of the advance, the presumption of the general staff is that the northward movement is intended to effect a junction at Kaichei with the column from Siyen, which is still moving westward.

The bombardment of the coast near Kaichou and the blockade of Newchwang might indicate that the ultimate object of the combined movement is to clear the Liaoting peninsula of Russian and occupy Newchwang as a new base. The garrison at Newchwang, it is claimed here, remains undiminished, but it is not believed that the Russian plans contemplate a serious attempt to hold Newchwang.

Outposts East of Liaoyang.

North of Fengwangcheng the Japanese are also moving. The war office has no advice confirmatory of their abandonment of Saimatza (north of Fengwangcheng and east-southeast of Liaoyang). On the contrary the latest reports are to the effect that the Japanese hold Saimatza, their outposts reaching as far north as Fenshiang in pass (about due east of Liaoyang), which is held by the Russians.

A Japanese force of 3,000 men is reported to be moving north from Fenshiang, thirty miles from Saimatza.

The Japanese are strongly fortifying Fengwangcheng as a precaution against possible disaster.

The war office has advised since June 12 from Puliantin (in the southern part of the Liaoting peninsula) and they do not mention the reported Japanese ambush of that date, resulting in the loss in that vicinity to the Russians of 800 men. Neither has the war office anything confirmatory of the reported ambushing and almost total destruction by the Russians of two Japanese battalions on the Hancheng road. The officials of the war office discredit both reports.

Private but reliable advices from Port Arthur dated June 8 are to the effect that the Japanese on that date

NINETEEN MEN ARE KILLED

JAPANESE TRANSPORT DAMAGED WHILE LAYING MINES OFF PORT ARTHUR.

Tokio, June 15.—While the Taihoku was engaged in laying mines at the entrance to Port Arthur Monday night a mine exploded, killing one officer and eighteen men and wounding two officers and seven men.

The Taihoku, which is a naval transport, was not seriously damaged.

RUSSIAN SHIPS SIGHTED.

Baltic Fleet Seen Manoeuvring South of Swedish Coast.

London, June 15.—A Hamburg dispatch to the Daily Mail says: A private telegram received here states that a Russian squadron, composed of forty large and small warships, probably the Baltic fleet, has passed the island of Bornholm, to the south of Sweden, following a westerly course. It cannot be ascertained whether this is the trial trip of the fleet or the actual departure for the Far East.

The Morning Leader's correspondent at Copenhagen confirms this report, but he says the ships were only practicing maneuvers.

TROOPS IN EXCELLENT SPIRITS.

Viceroy Alexieff Receives Dispatches From Port Arthur.

Liaoyang, June 15.—The two officers who escaped from Port Arthur and arrived here June 11, after crawling through the Japanese lines for four days, brought important dispatches from Lieutenant General Slessoff, commander of the Russian military reserves at Port Arthur, to Viceroy Alexieff.

The general reports that the troops composing the garrison of Port Arthur are in excellent spirits and says the hands play regularly in the park and that Port Arthur has not the appearance of a besieged fortress.

GREAT BATTLE EXPECTED.

Big Japanese Army Marching Toward Haicheng.

Paris, June 15.—A dispatch to the Temps from Liaoyang says that the Japanese divisions which departed at Tatusian and General Kuroki's divisions which were at Siyen are marching toward Haicheng. Indications, it is added, point to a great battle soon in the region southeast of Haicheng.

SEIZED BY JAPANESE.

Fleet of Junks Loaded With Supplies For Port Arthur.

Chefoo, June 15.—A fleet of junks loaded with flour and rice for Port Arthur was seized off this port during the day by the Japanese.

The Japanese have complained to the local of Chefoo that foreign merchants here are shipping goods to Port Arthur and that the Russians have established at Chefoo a station for the receiving from Port Arthur of messages by wireless telegraphy. Evidence of the existence of this wireless station is lacking.

OCCUPANCY OF WEIHAWEI.

British Control Will End With Fall of Port Arthur.

London, June 15.—It appears from a question and answer in the house of commons during the day that the fall of Port Arthur will mark the end of British tenancy of Weihawei, on the Shantung promontory. Earl Percy, the under foreign secretary, informed the house that under the Anglo-Chinese convention of 1885 Great Britain's lease of this port was only valid so long as Port Arthur remained in the occupation of Russian hands.

MOODY IS SELECTED

Present Secretary of Navy Will Succeed Knox as Attorney General.

Does Not Intend to Remain in Cabinet Until December, as Reported.

Washington, June 15.—It is learned from a high source that Attorney General Knox will resign from the cabinet in a few days and will be succeeded by William H. Moody, the present secretary of the navy.

It is said that after a conference with the president Attorney General Knox concluded that his action in re-



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BRIEF BITS OF NEWS.

The Annual Convention of the International Association of Railway Clerks convened in Milwaukee Tuesday with about 100 delegates in attendance.

At Butte, Mont., Benny Yanger, the "Tipton Slasher," was knocked out in the eighth round Monday night by Aurelio Herrera of Philadelphia, Cal.

Anna Allison Russell, widow of Joel T. Russell, the historian, is dead at Newburg, N. Y., aged more than eighty years. She was born in New Bedford and was a niece of William Lloyd Garrison.

Samuel S. Robinson, well known in the copper country of Upper Michigan and in the West as a mine manager and bridge builder, is dead at his home on a farm near Detroit, aged eighty-one years.

Mrs. Helen Coffin Beedy, whose ability and devotion to temperance work was recognized a year ago by her appointment as a national organizer of the national W. C. T. U., is dead at Farmington, Me.

Miss Elsie Wheeler of Philadelphia and Mr. Robert Golet of New York were married Tuesday in the Church of St. Mary, a fashionable suburb of Philadelphia. The bridemaids included Miss Alice Roosevelt.

"The people of Colorado love order and peace and law, just as much as those of the other communities, but they sometimes make their election of officers in a hury and the numerous, unseparable outrage at the Independent station a week ago, coming as a culmination of many hidden crimes, all traceable to the Western Federation of Miners, precipitated such an election."

DOMESTIC TROUBLE THE CAUSE.

Cleveland Woman Kills Her Husband and Herself.

Cleveland, June 15.—L. D. Allen and his wife were found dead in their room in an apartment house during the day, the woman having shot her husband to death and then fired a bullet into her own brain. Allen was twenty-three and his wife twenty years of age. The young woman evidently fired four bullets at her husband, two of which took effect, after which she wrote a farewell note to relatives and then killed herself.

The cause left by Mrs. Allen indicated that the tragedy resulted from domestic trouble. It read:

"I have tried to have Mr. Allen come to some agreement and he will not. I cannot stand it any longer. Forgive me all. I am a slave to what I have done. Any young wife placed in my position would have done the same."

DANCE OPENED WITH PRAYER.

Pastor and Elder Methodists Compromise With Young People.

Brazil, Ind., June 15.—A dance given by the Pastime club of Knightsville was opened with prayer by the pastor of the Methodist church as a compromise with the young folks who were members of the club and church. When the dance was announced there was a discussion, followed by warm words, the older members supporting the pastor in opposition. The dance was given with the pastor and other members attending in a body and opening with prayer and prayer and prayer with authority to stop the fun if it became too unbecoming. The dances were played slowly and there was no interruption.

SUBMITTED TO PRESIDENT.

Details of Labor Dispute in Government Arsenal.

Washington, June 15.—Details of a labor dispute in the United States armory and arsenal at Springfield, Mass., were submitted to the president during the day by Representative Frank H. Phipps, commander of the arsenal, has arbitrarily reduced wages of all grades of employes. The reductions, Mulholland says, especially affect the metal workers. He claims that the reductions should be reconsidered. He declares that he speaks for all classes of workmen employed in the arsenal, regardless of membership in labor organizations. He claims no question of the recognition of unions is involved in his appeal, his desire is to have the day's employes be paid a fair scale of wages.

On Mr. Southard's request President Roosevelt ordered an investigation by officials of the war department and that in the meantime no change be made in the scale of wages. The investigation will be reported to the president on the basis of the report the matter will be determined.

Threatened Milner's Life.

Johannesburg, Transvaal, June 15.—Three foreigners, supposed to be anarchists, were arrested here during the night. One of the men had been heard to boast that they would attempt to assassinate the British high commissioner, Lord Milner, if it was made worth their while.

CONDITIONS AGAIN NORMAL.

SITUATION AT CRIPPLE CREEK IMPROVES WITH RESUMPTION OF WORK.

Cripple Creek, Colo., June 15.—With the resumption of work in the mines the streets of all the cities and towns in Teller county have taken on their normal appearance. A man with a rifle is now rarely seen, although many are carrying revolvers. The district apparently is as safe today to the district or the resident as ever it has been.

Two passes scoured the country to the west of Cripple Creek without finding the armed bodies of men reported to be entrenched on West Four and North Four mile creeks. General Bell says he will send out military expeditions daily until he rounds up all refugees in the surrounding mountains.

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RESULT OF OLD FUED

Five Men Killed or Wounded in Street Duel at Dryantsville, Indiana.

Participants Fight at Close Range and Not One Escapes Unhurt.

Dryantsville, Ind., June 15.—Three men are dead and two wounded, one fatally, as the result of a duel fought on the streets of this village.

James Rout aged thirty-two; Charles Rout aged thirty-six; and Milton Trow aged thirty-four, were killed; James Trow aged thirty-two, fatally wounded; and Frank Trow, aged twenty-six, severely wounded.

The fight is the culmination of a feud between the Rout and Trow families which has existed for several years.

The Routs reside at Bedford, near Bryantville, and the Trow boys are farmers near here. The latter are relatives of the Trow family, which participated in the notorious Tow Lane feud, which formed a bloody record for Lawrence county and Southern Indiana.

A free gravel road election was being held here during the day and the little village of 300 was crowded. Farmers from the surrounding country were gathered and there had been considerable drinking. The two Rout brothers drove into town in a hired rig. The Trow boys were standing near each other in the crowd when the election booth when the Rout boys drove past and it was witnessed through the crowd that one of the Rout boys had a revolver in his hand. Within five minutes from the time the Rout boys arrived in town they were seen approaching the booth. The Trow brothers got together and, after a conference, stood about ten feet apart awaiting the arrival of the Rout boys. There was a dispute as to whether there were any words before the shooting began and it is also in doubt as to who fired the first shot. Each of the five men drew a revolver and each side advanced rapidly. The men were not far apart when the firing began and on the ground three lay dead, one lying with a bullet through his neck and one still stood with a bullet wound through his arm and one in his side.

The crowd had scattered hastily when the shooting began and none of the bystanders was struck, although over twenty-five shots were fired.

SENTENCE IS AFFIRMED.

Two Convicted St. Louis Loodlers Must Serve Time.

St. Louis, Mo., June 15.—The supreme court has affirmed the bench cases of former Congressman Charles H. Johnson and James Feagan of St. Louis and reversed and set aside the conviction of Robert M. Snyder of Kansas City, a convict sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, will have another trial. Snyder pleaded the statute of limitations of three years as a bar to the prosecution, while the state attempted to prove that he lived in New York and could not plead such a statute. The court sustained the defendant on that point and gave him another trial.

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