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## STATUS OF THE "LENA" AT SAN FRANCISCO

### JAPANESE CONSUL PROTESTS AGAINST THE PRESENCE THERE OF THE RUSSIAN AUXILIARY CRUISER.

### FEDERAL INSPECTORS OF BOILERS AND HULLS WILL INVESTIGATE SINCERITY OF THE VISIT

### Russian Representative at Washington Will Ask Permission to Remove Guns and Thoroughly Overhaul the Vessel Which May Remain Until War is Over.

San Francisco, Sept. 12.—The Russian transport Lena, which unexpectedly arrived in port yesterday from Vladivostok, remains at anchor off the Union Iron Works. Her commander states that her boilers are in need of repairs and that some time must elapse before she will be in condition to go to sea. As yet nothing has been done toward placing her in dry dock and no intention has been disclosed regarding her future movements. The United States authorities here say their action will be governed by instructions from Washington.

At the conclusion of a conference between the collector of the port and the Japanese consul, the collector gave out a statement in which he said: "I have decided not to allow the Japanese to go aboard the Lena to make an examination. This matter is between the United States and the Russian government and the United States will attend to it without asking assistance from others. I know the law and will enforce it. The neutrality of the United States will be maintained without regard to any request or act of the Japanese consul."

**Wants to Make Repairs.**  
Rear Admiral Goodrich lunched with Captain Berinsky and other officers of the Lena on board the vessel. They could not be seen. Lieut. Zoff, speaking for the captain, said that the main object of the Russian vessel in making this port, was to have an opportunity to make necessary repairs to her engine and boilers. Her bottom is foul and will have to be cleaned in dry dock.

The lieutenant said that the Lena's coal bunkers were far from being depleted and he thought it would be unnecessary for her to coal at this port. The United States inspectors of hulls and boilers have been ordered to make a thorough examination of the Lena and on the report will largely depend the duration of the stay of the vessel in this bay.

If it is decided that repairs are required they will be made as rapidly as possible and it is generally anticipated that this will be done.

**Collector Wires Account.**  
Collector of the Port Stratton has not received any definite instructions from Washington but has wired an account of the situation.

In the meantime, the collector, in view of the fact that the repairs are said to be imperative, has refused to order the Lena from the harbor within 24 hours without a full investigation.

The Lena is anchored between the four army transports lying in Mission bay and the new battleship Ohio. In fact she is only about 500 yards from the big guns of this battleship which was accepted by the government Saturday.

The navigating officer Speckenhoff, on being asked how long he would remain here, said: "We expect orders from our naval representative at Washington, who has been advised of our arrival. It is probable that he will ask the American government for permission to remove the guns from our decks and allow the vessel to remain here until the repairs can be finished."

When asked how long he thought that would require, he said: "The Lena will probably remain here until the war is over."

The Japanese consul has little to say on the subject of the presence in the harbor of the Lena.

"I have wired to the Japanese minister at Washington," said he, "notifying him of the vessel's arrival here. The Japanese government will take no action at present, but will wait for the United States to make their move. The vessel does not impress me as being formidable, and I do not believe that she has come to this port in a spirit of empty to Japan."

**Japanese Consul Protest.**  
Washington, D. C., Sept. 12.—The protest of Japan against allowing the Russian auxiliary cruiser Lena, which arrived at San Francisco yesterday, to remain longer than 24 hours, came today when the Japanese consul in that city through the collector of customs, made formal demand that the vessel be required to leave at the end of that time.

ties of the arrival and the protest was addressed to the secretary of the treasury who transmitted copies to Secretary of State Adee and Acting Secretary Murray of the department of commerce and labor who has direct jurisdiction in the matter. The telegram reads as follows: "Japanese Consul has made demand upon me that Russian auxiliary cruiser Lena, arriving at this port 11th inst., leave within 24 hours. The captain reports that he has entered for repairs later. I am requesting the inspection of hulls and boilers to make an examination of the vessel's machinery, with the consent of the Russian consul and the commander of the Lena. Can find no authority in the law or regulations for the collector assuming any authority and request instructions."

**Orders to Collector.**  
Acting Secretary Murray sent the following dispatch to the collector: "Your telegram addressed to the secretary of the treasury concerning Russian steamer Lena received at 4:45 p. m. You should have addressed this department as directed in circular 29."

"Wire the exact hour of steamer's arrival at your port and concise statement of steamer's condition, and if repairs are necessary and the time probably required to complete them. On receipt of particulars the department will instruct you further. The circular referred to was issued on February 13 of the present year before the hostilities between Russia and Japan commenced and besides containing the president's proclamation and the statutes regarding neutrality, gave instructions to collectors that should any cases requiring official action occur, you will communicate the fact to the department by telegraph."

**Russians After Kuroki.**  
London, Sept. 12.—The Daily Mail's correspondent with the Japanese reports the Tien Pein report that Lieut. Linevitch with 50,000 men invaded the eastern coast and cut Gen. Kuroki's communication at Feng Wang Chang.

**Falls Back on Rumors.**  
St. Petersburg, Sept. 12.—With the fall in military operations and an almost entire suspension of despatches from the front, St. Petersburg has again fallen back upon rumors. Countless stories are afloat regarding the Russian defeat at Liao Yang, some of which are absolutely absurd while others have apparently basis in fact to give them a semblance of truth.

The rumor that Gen. Kuropatkin is to be superseded by Gen. Linevitch is named as the most probable successor. This is supposed to rest upon the emperor's displeasure with Kuropatkin's generalship at Liao Yang and general dissatisfaction with the course of events at the front. Neither Alexieff's nor Kuropatkin's friends seem to attach great importance to these stories involving them.

**Weather Forecast.**  
Washington, D. C., Sept. 12.—Forecast: Louisiana partly cloudy Tuesday; showers and cooler in west portion; Wednesday, showers; light to fresh south winds.

East Texas—Showers Tuesday; cooler in northeast portion; Wednesday, showers; fresh south winds.

West Texas—Part cloudy Tuesday; showers; cooler in extreme western portion.

**Member of Parliament Dead.**  
London, Sept. 12.—James Lesther, the conservative member of parliament for the district of Kent, is dead. He was born in 1840.

**Republicans Carried Maine.**  
Portland, Maine, Sept. 12.—The Republicans carried the state in the biennial elections today, the returns up to 11 o'clock tonight indicating a plurality of about 22,000 for Cobb, the Republican candidate for governor, compared with 22,384 for Hill, the party candidate four years ago.

In the first and second congressional districts, the returns indicate the election of Amos L. Allen and Chase H. Littlefield by about the same plurality as four years ago.

**A BREAK DOWN.**  
A break down and delay of 3 hours at the power house of the Beaumont Ice, Light and Refrigerating Company almost put the Enterprise out of business last night.

## RUSSIAN RETREAT IS YET GOING ON

CHINESE BANDITS ARE SWARMING AROUND MUKDEN.

## 12 DAYS FIGHT AT LIAO YANG

Correspondent says Muscovites Presented Dejected Appearance After the Battle and the War is Unpopular

London, Sept. 12.—The Daily Mail's Siaminith correspondent cabling under date of September 11 says: "General Kuropatkin has returned to Mukden after inspecting the fortifications at Tie Pass, work on which is not well advanced but is being hurried along. At the same time dangerous and costly efforts to delay Japanese advance are being made.

This is the outcome of the emperor's orders and that the emperor even peremptorily commanded Kuropatkin to retake Liao Yang.

There is no abatement in the retreat of the Russian troops northward. The noise of a fierce artillery engagement was heard south of Mukden Friday night.

The whole line of retreating Russians when within five miles south east of Mukden were attacked by Japanese marksmen who were invisible amid the mist. The Russian troops sent to Topingshen retreated with heavy loss.

Chinese bandits are swarming the district and have stopped traffic between Siaminith and Mukden, shooting to death Russian patriots.

The operations against Liao Yang are described as twelve days of the hardest fighting and marching on short rations with a temperature of 100 degrees in the shade and frequent falls of rain. All of this it is said, was borne splendidly though the men were worn out after the tense struggle.

Recounting the general lines of fighting, the correspondent says: "On September 3, the attack of the Japanese first army had been checked. The enemy were much stronger than we, they having five divisions holding the northeastern heights. Our position for the time was critical in view of the possibility that the enemy might have attacked us in force. But a mixed brigade and later the left column reinforced us, making our position safer."

"On September 4, the enemy was in full retreat, and the first army was ordered to pursue. General Kuropatkin's retreat was masterly. He held the northeastern heights to the last possible moment and secured a safe retirement for his army."

Barnett Barfield sends to the Daily Telegraph from the Japanese headquarters a long description of the fighting. He says: "General Kuroki, who was hotly attacked by Kuropatkin and was for a time in jeopardy, was unable to get astride the railway, otherwise Liao Yang would have been a Russian for the Russians."

"What surprised me more than anything else was the wonderful manner in which the Japanese continued for a whole week their awful bombardment of the Russian positions. It was the fiercest artillery attack I have ever seen in history."

Tens of thousands of shells were thrown daily, but the supplies seemed inexhaustible. The Russians only replied spasmodically, but their rifle fire was often the heaviest.

"It must be said for the Japanese that although they fight with the utmost fierceness, daring and courage, they battle, not like madmen, but with their heads and they obey their officers in all straits."

Mr. Barfield testified, as other correspondents have done, that the Japanese are continually drafting fresh men into the fighting ranks and remarks how, marvelously they took fortifications when capture appeared to be impossible. He asserts that it was Kuroki's dangerous position that compelled the other Japanese to force the fighting and says that it was partly the shell fire and partly also Russian immobility that surrounded the combination in the Russian quarters of Liao Yang, the immobilization probably being the set of drunken soldiers.

The Muscovites present a most dejected appearance in the retreat, writes Mr. Barfield.

"The men are of good material but the officers lack many necessary qualities. The war is most unpopular with the Russian soldiers. In Japan it is just the reverse. I know that

## ANTI-JEWISH OUTRAGES.

Kattowitz, Russian Silesia, Sept. 12.—Anti-Jewish disturbances occurred Sunday at the frontier town of Sosnowice, Russian Poland, on the occasion of the celebration of the Jewish New Year. Boys stoned the celebrants and injured a child, with the result that a rumor spread that the Jews had killed a child. A number of women marched in procession through the streets in the evening, stoning the windows of Jewish houses and those of the synagogue. Several Jews were injured with knives and stones. The doctors refused to attend them, fearing the mob. The rioters also broke into several Jewish dwellings. The troops of the garrison eventually dispersed the rioters and arrested ten of them.

## CHICAGO WAR NOT YET ENDED

EIGHT PEOPLE INJURED IN ATTACKS ON NON-UNION MEN.

FOUR WERE SENT TO HOSPITAL

Two Young Women Pulled From Car and Beaten, One Struck With a Rock in the Face—Mob Fought the Police.

Chicago, Sept. 12.—Savage attacks were made on non-union workers at the stock yards tonight and in the fights that followed, eight people were injured, four of them so severely that it was necessary to take them to hospitals. A Halseid and Root streets, two young women, Annie Cook and Mable Jasper were dragged from a street car, pounded over the head, knocked down and badly beaten before the police arrived. Miss Cook was severely cut in the face, her shoulder was injured and she was taken to the hospital. Miss Jasper was struck with a brick and her face and forehead badly cut. It was necessary to take her also to the hospital.

Three policemen rescued the women from the mob, but it refused to disperse and continued to throw stones. A west bound car which happened to pass during the trouble, was struck and two of the passengers were hurt. One woman was hit in the mouth with a brick and all her front teeth knocked out.

Anton Ashutra, a driver for a brewery, tried to drive through the crowd and was hit in the back of the head with a brick and knocked from his wagon. His scalp was badly cut.

A call for help has been sent in and officers soon arrived whereupon the crowd soon scattered.

Ten minutes after the officers returned to suppress a second riot in which several colored men employed in the stock yards were scattered by a large crowd of strike sympathizers. Policemen made a strong fight against the crowd.

One of the negroes was chased into an alley where he was knocked down, kicked and badly bruised. A number of the crowd were hurt by flying stones.

**MODERN THEATRE.**  
Louisville Play House Fitted With Fire Protection Devices.

Louisville, Sept. 11.—The Hopkins theatre, situated on the site of Mast-Hall, the scene of the famous Goebel convention, opened its doors tonight. The theatre which has the largest seating capacity of any in Louisville was built in strict conformity with the city ordinances regulating the construction of theatres. A wall of masonry 21 inches thick and extending four feet above the roof of the building on the house proper from the east side which can be instantly cut off by an asbestos curtain.

In addition to ample fire apparatus there is an immense spray over the stage for emergency use. There are numerous exits on three doors, all operated by an electric button and fire escapes six feet in width extend from the floors entirely to the ground. The dynamo which operates the lights on separate plants at the city ordinances requires that these decorations of the house are in white and gold. A number of notables were present at the opening.

It is a doctor's business to study death. Doctor confidently recommends Harper Whiskey. Sold by J. T. Gossett.

The Russians have heavily fortified their lines upon the river and towns forty miles north of Mukden, where they intend to make a desperate stand.

## PRACTICALLY NO NEWS FROM THE FRONT

### ROUGH HOUSE ON FLORIDA TRAIN

WHITE MAN AND NEGRO DEAD AS THE RESULT OF A FIGHT.

### FRIENDS TO RESCUE OF SHOOTERS

Are Guarding a House Where Accused Are and Offer Defiance to the Sheriff and Militia.—Cause of Trouble Not Known.

Atlanta, Sept. 12.—A special from Cordele, Ga., says a party of about 50 friends are standing guard with loaded Winchester around a house in Baxter, Barker county, Florida, in which are Charles Altman and Hilary Altman, two men who are accused of killing a negro and a white man in an excursion train near that place last night.

The friends of the Altmans say that the sheriff or militia will take the men only over their dead bodies.

The two men killed were Jackson Duncan, a young white man, and Jim Riley, a negro.

W. M. Duncan, the father of the man who was killed, was shot from ambush four times today. It is not known who did the shooting.

It is reported that a military company from Jacksonville has been ordered to the scene.

The exact cause of the trouble on the train is not known.

**No Arrest Made.**  
Jacksonville, Fla., Sept. 12.—During a row on an excursion train on the Georgia Southern and Florida railway between white men, Jackson Duncan was killed and his brother Marshal Duncan, dangerously wounded. Both men lived at Eddie, a station just south of the Georgia-Florida line.

Jim Riley, a negro, was killed by a stray bullet, he not being mixed up in the row.

Today, W. M. Duncan, father of the Duncan boys, was shot four times in the back as the result of the trouble. No arrests have been made up to 6 o'clock tonight.

W. M. Duncan is a turpentine operator at Baxter. His sons run a general merchandise store at Eddie.

**ASKS REDUCTION.**  
McFaddin Interests Write Letters to Railroads.

Mr. W. P. H. McFaddin of the McFaddin, Weiss and Kyle Rice Milling Company yesterday sent out letters to the Texas railroads asking for a reduction of the state rate for handling rough rice. The real object of the letter was to inform the railroads that the McFaddin mill here, which will begin operations within the next few days, has made a cut of 5 cents per barrel on the current rate of milling rice.

A short time ago when Mr. McFaddin was in Houston, asking the railroads for a reduction, that would enable the farmer to make money, the railroads asked him, "What are you railroads doing for the farmers?" His letter announcing the cut is his answer.

**ALLEGED HE WAS DUMB.**  
Clyde Arnett Arrested Yesterday as Suspected Fraud.

A man giving his name as Clyde Arnett, his profession as a waiter, and his home as New Orleans, was arrested and confined in the police station last evening on a charge of vagrancy. He is suspected of having worked a fraud on the Beaumont public, by palming himself off as deaf and dumb, and thereby securing gifts of money.

Some of the police officers say they saw Arnett during the day, representing himself as deaf and dumb, and asking alms by signs and writing. In the evening, they alleged, they saw him talking with other men, and laughing and using his vocal organs as well as anybody. He was therefore taken into custody.

**Hypnotizing Rabbits.**  
An American physician, who has been accustomed to experiment with rabbits, generally found that chloroform killed them before he had a chance to operate. Disgusted at the wastefulness of this method, he tried hypnotism on one rabbit that he had left, and found to his surprise, that with a few passes of the hands he could easily hypnotize the little creature so perfectly that it lost all capacity for movement or sensation. If rabbits can be hypnotized, it will save perhaps a little less irretrievable than some diseases of horses may be to mental treatment.

### RUMORS OF ALEXIEFF'S RESIGNATION AND RETIREMENT OF KUROPATKIN CANNOT BE AUTHENTICATED.

### DISAPPEARANCE OF JAPANESE FROM FRONT IS PRECURSOR OF APPEARANCE ON FLANKS

Roads are Impassable at Mukden and the Price of Food Has Become Prohibitive, Army Scuttlers Losing Most of Their Supplies in the Retreat From Liao Yang.

Associated Press Bulletin.  
The sanguinary side of the Russo-Japanese conflict is now in evidence and with the practical suspension of news from the front, the interest for the time being, centered in rumors today that Viceroy Alexieff had resigned and is to be replaced by Lieut. Gen. Linevitch now in command of the forces at Vladivostok and other statements which cannot be traced to authentic sources, but all of which if true, would have a most important bearing on the situation.

One Russian correspondent points out that when the Japanese withdraw from the Russian front, it is usually the precursor of their appearance on the flanks and he thinks the indications point to a winter campaign.

**Dum Dum Bullets Used.**  
Washington, D. C., Sept. 12.—The Japanese legation today received the following cablegram from Tokio: The Manchurian army reports that two kinds of dum dum bullets were found among the munitions of war captured at the Liao Yang battle. They resemble cartridges intended for the Russian rifles of the type of 1891. Some of the wounds inflicted on the Japanese is thought to have been caused by bullets of that kind.

**As to Contraband.**  
St. Petersburg, Sept. 12, 6:23 p. m.—The commission which has been considering contraband questions has reached a decision. While unable to ascertain its exact terms, the correspondent of the Associated Press learns that it is favorable in the main to the contention of the United States and Great Britain regarding absolute and conditional contraband. Foreign Minister Lamsdorff will see the Emperor tomorrow and answers to the American and British notes are expected this week.

**The Baltic Fleet.**  
St. Petersburg, Sept. 12.—The Baltic fleet, which sailed from Cronstadt yesterday is expected to remain at Libau for about a fortnight. Thence it will sail for the Mediterranean.

**From Front to Flank.**  
St. Petersburg, Sept. 12.—The retirement of the Japanese southward from Mukden means nothing to a Russian correspondent, who when telegraphing the news calls attention to the fact that previous experience has shown that when the Japanese withdrew from the Russian front this was usually the signal for their appearance on the Russian flanks.

It is said there remain two full months, the best of the year for campaigning. An expert correspondent considers it extremely significant that the Chinese officials at Mukden have already broken off relations with the Russians. The chief of the Chinese says he has received orders from the Japanese to pay the tax to them.

**Rumors Discredited.**  
St. Petersburg, Sept. 12, 8:50 p. m.—The rumor that Viceroy Alexieff has tendered his resignation has been current for several days. No confirmation of it is obtainable but it is hardly credited.

A report that Lieut. Gen. Linevitch will succeed Gen. Kuropatkin as commander-in-chief, is also circulating but is not confirmable.

The report published in the Daily Mail of London that Gen. Kuropatkin has been ordered by the Emperor to re-occupy Liao Yang is not credited here.

**Losses at Liao Yang.**  
Oyster Bay, Sept. 12.—President Roosevelt received today a cablegram from United States Minister Griscom at Tokio giving revised official figures of the losses at the battle of Liao Yang.

As reported by Field Marshal Oyama, the Japanese losses during the several days' fighting were 17,500, while the Russian losses were 29,000.

**Russians Continue to Retreat.**  
Mukden, Sept. 12.—The Russians are continuing their retreat to Tie Pass. The Japanese advance is slow though the military situation is not unfavorable to them. Many Russian companies now consist of only thirty men. Notwithstanding the Russian reverse the troops are cheerful.

**Keeping in Touch.**  
Tokio, Sept. 12, 2 p. m.—Field Marshal Oyama reports that a large body of Russian cavalry has appeared at Pihaitzu, eastward of the railroad between Yentai and Mukden. The Russians are merely keeping in touch with the Japanese.

**Sighted Japanese.**  
St. Petersburg, Sept. 12.—A despatch has been received from Lieut. Gen. Sakharoff under yesterday's date, reporting that a large Japanese force has been seen north of Yentai, but on the south there are many large camps of Japanese.

**High Prices at Mukden.**  
Mukden, Sept. 12.—Last night rain again fell in torrents and today it is drizzling. The roads are impassable and military movements are at a standstill. The town is so crowded that foodstuffs are a most scarce article. Prices have tripled and quadrupled. The division sutlers lost at

**George Hobbs Accused of Attempted Hold-up of Stranger.**  
A stranger to the city filed complaint with the police yesterday that he had been the victim of an attempted hold-up the evening before in the vicinity of the Gulf and Interstate depot. He had fished a roll of money at the depot and later, he claims, was snatched by a man who attempted to rob him. Last evening he went about town with police officers and succeeded in locating and, he says, identifying his assailant in the person of a man who gives his name as George Hobbs. Hobbs was arrested.

**Hogg Called on Davis.**  
New York, Sept. 12.—Henry G. Davis called at Democratic national headquarters and held quite a reception in the room occupied by Wm. F. Sheehan, Chairman Taggart, August Belmont, Secretary Woodson, Former Chairman C. K. Jones, Former Governor Hoar of Texas and all of the prominent officials connected with the national committee called to see him. Delaney Nicol, vice chairman of the Democratic national committee has come to St. Louis to spend a few days at the World's Fair.