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NO BATTLE AT MUKDEN

Russians Will Make Defense Outside of City.

NO NEWS OF A FIGHT

Report That All Idea of Carrying Port Arthur by Assault is Abandoned.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 1.—Important developments on the eastern flank of the Manchurian army are admitted by the war office to be proceeding. The Russian cavalry is executing important movements, trying to cut the Japanese line of communications and thus defeat the flank advance. It is denied that a general engagement has been won at Mukden by the Japanese.

No Battle at Mukden.
St. Petersburg, Oct. 1.—Gen. Kuropatkin now is concentrating his forces at Tieling. Mukden evidently will be spared the terrors of a battlefield. In the meantime matters are said to be lively in the sacred capital. Trade is brisk, especially in furs. The Japanese in force at Davan, on the Liao river, are making their way toward Simintin. A second force is near Tehantanz, with its center at Schelchabanjapsa, while Gen. Kuroki with an unexpected amount of cavalry is pushing along in the mountains to the east.

Best Fighters on Way.
In a fortnight's time Gen. Kuropatkin will be reinforced by the 8th army corps, the best equipped fighting unit of Russia. Until then he is little likely to give battle, according to competent military authority.

The report that the Japanese are using Chefoo as a harbor for torpedo boats is indignantly resented here. It will supply a lead to Russia for utilizing Mongolia for military purposes.

The change of tactics on the part of the Japanese, attacking all along the line, renders Gen. Stoessel's task doubly difficult. He can no longer call out the reserves and concentrate them on one spot, as was the case heretofore. The military critic of Novoye Vremya says this increases the chances of Japan's success.

Settle Down Before Port Arthur.
London, Oct. 1.—The failure of the latest Japanese attempt to drive out the Port Arthur fleet and reduce the fortress has led, according to the Telegraph's Chefoo correspondent to the decision that the Japanese must go into winter quarters. Japanese officers admitting that Stoessel is making a superb stand.

"Accordingly," the correspondent says, "permanent fortification affording excellent shelter are being constructed outside the Russian main line of defenses and warm clothing is being brought up for the troops. Reinforcements are continually arriving."

Finding it impossible to hold the outer forts, even when they are captured, owing to the enfilading fire, the only alternative left the Japanese is to cut off supplies and communications.

Crossing the River.
St. Petersburg, Oct. 1.—Sakharoff reports that the Japanese are still pouring across the Taitse river at Hensih, 30 miles northeast of Liaoyang, and that a number of Chinese bandits are with the Japanese on the Liao side of the railroad.

Enemy Near Simintin.
Harbin, Oct. 1.—Russian scouts have ascertained that fresh Japanese forces are concentrating at the Yental mines and gradually moving eastward. A strong Japanese force west of the Liao valley has occupied Siaoheyho, south of Simintin.

A company of Chinese bandits attempted to wreck the railroad near the station of Franktattum, 150 miles south of Harbin. They killed a sentinel and caused slight damage. A detachment of guards was sent in pursuit of the bandits. The railway track was repaired by morning.

Outposts Fifteen Miles North.
Headquarters of the Second Japanese Army, Sept. 28, via Fusan, Oct. 1.—There is no change in the situation. Japanese outposts are now 15 miles to the north. There are daily clashes between Japanese outposts and Russian patrols, usually resulting in only small casualties.

Great Change in Situation.
Mukden, Oct. 1.—A great change in the situation here has taken place. The Japanese now appear anxious to

INTERNATIONAL DIVORCE RECOGNITION FAVORED

Justice Kennedy of English High Court, Closes Session of Lawyers and Jurists.

St. Louis, Oct. 1.—International recognition of divorce decrees where the court granting the decree is located in the territory where the marriage was celebrated was one of the points urged by Sir William R. Kennedy, Justice of the high court of England, in his address at the closing session yesterday of the universal congress of lawyers and jurists.

His subject was "To What Extent Should Judicial Action by Courts of Foreign Nations be Recognized," and his argument tended to show the importance of the establishment, either by "facit recognition or international pact, of the principle that a judgment anywhere is a judgment everywhere."

A resolution was unanimously adopted requesting the American Bar association to take steps to organize a permanent association of lawyers representing the different countries of the world.

AMERICAN MAIL CAR IN FRANCE IS LOOTED

Ninety-One Bags Are Opened on a Car Between Havre and Paris.

Paris, Oct. 1.—A bold robbery was committed on a mail car between Paris and Havre containing American mail. The train, which left here at midnight, had two mail cars, the first an ordinary mail car, in which the distribution was going on. The second car was entirely given up to mail for the United States. There were 100 pouches on this car, which was sealed and heavily locked.

On arriving at Rouen early yesterday morning it was found that the American car had been broken open and that the pouches were in great disorder. Ninety-one bags had been opened and their contents rifled of valuables. There is no record of their contents or of the valuables secured.

CITY OF PITTSBURG BANKRUPT

Treasury is Empty—City Employees' Pay is Withheld.

Pittsburg, Oct. 1.—Assistant Comptroller E. S. Morrow has suspended the issue of all city warrants except those relating to contracts. There is no money in the treasury. Unless the comptroller's office retreats from its position thousands of city employees will not receive their salaries until the receipts from taxes next month come in. Others, having dealings with the city, will have a long wait for payment of their bills.

MINERS CONCEDED RIGHTS

Colorado Judge Enjoins Employers From Using the Black List.

Leadville, Colo., Oct. 1.—Judge Owens has issued an injunction against the members of the Leadville Mining district association restraining them from discriminating against any miner because of his being a member of the Western Federation or from making out a black list or from compelling them to sign any agreement that they would renounce membership in the federation or from any other way conspiring to deprive any member of the federation from obtaining employment.

act on the defensive and have fortified a position northwest of the Yental mines. According to the best estimates obtainable, the Japanese army confronting Kuropatkin comprises a grand total of 180 battalions. Allowing 800 men to a battalion there are 144,000 infantry. In addition there are 3,500 cavalry and 628 guns. The distribution of the Japanese forces is as follows: One division at Bentsajunze, two divisions at the Yental mines, four divisions on the railway a little north of Liaoyang, one division westward near Hiameidense and one division at Sandzen.

Japanese Driven Back.
St. Petersburg, Oct. 1.—The war office at a late hour last night gave out a telegram from Gen. Sakharoff, dated Sept. 29, describing a successful assault upon a Japanese advance guard near Yental on Sept. 28. The Japanese began the fight by attacking a position held by the Russians at Onitaidze, 20 miles south of the Hun river. The Russians withdrew and then counter-marched and occupied the enemy's position at Toumytsa, north of Yental, and drove the Japanese as far as Yental station, losing four men wounded, whereas the Japanese lost 20 killed or wounded.

Sakharoff further reports that a reconnaissance on Sept. 29 showed that the Japanese force was concentrating in increasing numbers along the Yental branch of the railroad, and that there is also considerable concentration of the Japanese along the Taitse river near Bensiho.

Sakharoff's telegram as given to the press contains no mention of developments on the eastern flank. This silence probably is due to the fact that details of operations telegraphed to the emperor at Odessa had not reached the general staff.

PUT UP THE PRICE

Beef Trust Marks End of Strike by Advancing Prices Another Cent.

PUBLIC IS AT ITS MERCY

At the Same Time Brewery War Cuts Price of Beer Nearly in Half.

Chicago, Oct. 1.—Beef went up with a bound yesterday and beer came down with a thud. A half-cent a pound was tacked onto the price of the better cuts of meats, making the price a cent a pound higher than the values exacted during the packing-house strike, the other half-cent having been added immediately after the union men gave up the struggle against their former employes. No reason was given for this latest advance.

With beer the shift of prices was in dollars rather than cents. Amber liquid of the grade that normally sells for \$6 a barrel could be bought as low as \$3.50. The big reduction was due to a fight for trade among the breweries, the cut being made by the so-called trust in an effort to under mine the business of a local brewery which has refused to come into the fold.

MEAT AT HIGH MARK.

The added half-cent to the price of choice cuts of beef brought the whole sale price up to 17 cents a pound. Before the stockyards strike the price was 15 cents. After the strike ended half a cent was added.

Yesterday the retail dealers and restaurant owners were dismayed by the announcement that there had been still another advance of half a cent. As one restaurant owner said: "It looks as if the packers need—or want—the money. Market conditions do not justify the advance, which simply means that the packers will make about 3 per cent more profit than formerly on the best grades of meat. And prices, too, already were abnormally high. We must grin and bear it, I suppose, as there is little chance that the independent packers will come to our relief. They trail along at the heels of the big fellows."

JURY FREES CASHIER BUTLER

Official of Defunct Lockport Bank Acquitted After Long Deliberation.

Joliet, Ill., Oct. 1.—A. H. Butler, former cashier of the defunct Exchange bank at Lockport, was acquitted yesterday.

The trial was notable from the fact that the defense offered no testimony, relying solely on legal arguments. The charge against Butler was that he had received deposits, knowing the bank to be insolvent, and it was proved that both Butler and the president of the concern, C. H. Bacon, had speculated with the bank's funds on the Chicago Board of Trade.

There are other indictments against both men, but it is believed now that convictions are improbable. The bank, which had 400 depositors, failed a year ago for \$10,000 to \$75,000. One dividend of 25 per cent has been declared by the receiver.

POSTMASTER GENERAL SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

Passes Good Night and is Much Better Than Yesterday, Although Case is Still Grave.

Washington, Oct. 1.—Postmaster General Payne passed a better night, sleeping well a number of hours and was distinctly better this morning than yesterday. Although his condition is still grave it is more favorable.

THRASH SON IF YOU WANT TO

Sheboygan, Wis., Judge Acquits Parent Who Whipped Boy.

Sheboygan, Wis., Oct. 1.—A father may thrash his son till stripes are raised without being liable to arrest for assault, provided the boy is not old enough to have his dignity injured, according to the decision of Judge Kirwan in the circuit court. Franz Radloff, contractor, was acquitted of thrashing his 9-year-old boy with a whip because the boy watched a circus parade.

CLEVELAND WILL NOT SPEAK

New York, Oct. 1.—It is announced at democratic headquarters that the statement that Cleveland was "about to go upon the stump" is absolutely without authority either from himself or from the democratic national committee. In other words, however, it is stated that Cleveland will do all he can to promote democratic success.

MADDEN KNOCKS OUT DEMPSEY.

Pueblo, Colo., Oct. 1.—Jack Madden of Chicago knocked out Jack Dempsey of Pueblo in the second round of what was to have been a 20-round go.

Judge Parker at Wedding.
Esopus, Oct. 1.—Judge Parker and members of his family today attended the marriage of his ward, Miss Katharine Lawton, and Robert Livingston at West Park.

TWO NOTED MEN EXPIRE

Maj. Henry E. Alvord Drops Dead at the World's Fair.

WAS DIVISION CHIEF

Sir William Harcourt, Leading English Liberal, Passes.

St. Louis, Oct. 1.—Maj. Henry E. Alvord, chief of the dairy division of the United States department of agriculture dropped dead at the world's fair today of apoplexy.

Sir William Harcourt Dead.
London, Oct. 1.—Sir William Vernon Harcourt died this morning. He was a prominent member of the liberal party and had held a number of the highest offices in the United Kingdom.

BRIGHTER THAN IT WAS YEAR AGO

Dunn's Trade Review Comments on Improving Conditions at First of Month.

New York, Oct. 1.—R. G. Dunn in his weekly review of trade, says: "The last quarter of 1904 opens with much brighter prospects than prevailed a year ago. At that time securities had fallen on an average of \$34 a share from the top point of the year previous, and there was a general disposition to curtail manufacturing and commercial operations because of the heavy losses. The nation was entering on a period of conservatism, augmented by numerous labor controversies."

At the present time there are no alarming features, strikes are few and unimportant, while indications of growing confidence are numerous. Business does not show the hesitation customary during the closing weeks of a presidential campaign, and the prospect of profitable agricultural results stimulates trade especially among retailers west and south.

Building operations are expanding, providing a better demand for lumber and materials. Clothing and kindred lines are stimulated by colder weather, and clearance sales are well attended. Manufacturing plants are decreasing the proportion of idle machinery.

Railway earnings for September exceeded last year's by 6.5 per cent. Foreign commerce at this port for the last week showed a small decrease in exports and a gain of \$2,153,246 in imports as compared with 1903. The security markets have risen \$14 above the corresponding date last year and money is easy and abundant.

With the exception of steel rails, which are not on a parity with the rest of the markets prices of iron and steel have apparently attained a position of stability and tardy contracts are gradually coming forward.

Textile manufacturing plants are still operating on reduced time. Cotton goods purchases persist in disregarding future needs, confining business to immediate requirements only. Woolen goods are more active, men's wear deliveries being on time and larger orders for dress goods are recorded.

Failures this week were 223 in the United States as against 225 for last year.

HERRICK RESIGNS OFFICE AS JUDGE

Democratic Nominee for Governor of New York Now Free to Make Race.

Albany, N. Y., Oct. 1.—The resignation of Judge Herrick, democratic nominee for governor, as justice of the supreme court was filed today with the secretary of state. Herrick and other candidates of the democratic ticket were officially notified today of their nominations.

MORE TIME FOR AIRSHIPS

World's Fair Gives Contestants Another Month to Try.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 1.—Owing to the failure of the entries in the world's fair airship contest to qualify for the prize of \$100,000, the time limit for making the required flight has been extended to 30 days.

A MILLION DAMAGE

Flood of Las Animas River in Colorado Cause of Much Destruction.

NO LOSS OF LIFE REPORTED

Railway Service in New Mexico Demoralized by Unusually Heavy Rains.

Trinidad, Col., Oct. 1.—Railroad traffic entirely suspended, general business paralyzed, property damage of \$1,000,000 or more and a city in darkness—this is the record of the flood that has been raising in this city and along the whole valley of the Las Animas river. A wide section has been devastated. So far as is known there has been no loss of life, but several persons are reported missing.

Every bridge here is out, the Santa Fe station and the new \$20,000 Baca hotel are demolished and several other buildings are in great danger of being undermined.

Thirty Blocks Covered.
More than thirty city blocks are covered by four feet of water and boats and rafts are in general use. The flood is due to heavy rains. Thursday night the rain reached cloudburst proportions and before daylight the river was out of its banks. The city was flooded even to the heart of the business section. In the meantime the gas and electric light plants were put out of operation and the city was in darkness.

Hundreds of people traversed the streets on the edge of the submerged district, carrying lanterns and doing their best to provide shelter for those driven from their homes. Warning of the flood was given when the river left its banks, by revolver shots and the ringing of the fire alarm, followed by the blowing of all the whistles in town. Citizens upon rafts made sections of sidewalks paddled through the streets, rescuing families from danger.

Heavy damage is reported from other places on the river.

FORBID HAZING AT CORNELL

President Schurman Declares Punishment Will be Expulsion.

Ithaca, N. Y., Oct. 1.—No more hazing at Cornell is the edict that went out from President Schurman. The president in his annual address to the students at the opening of the university defined hazing as "any interference with the personal liberty of any student."

He announced that it had been decided that even an attempt at hazing would be punished by immediate expulsion. This means that the expelled student could not only never return to Cornell, but neither could he ever get into any other university.

With this punishment hanging over them it is not likely that the sophomores will attempt to discipline any of the "fresh."

CROWDS AT THE STATE FAIR

Large Increase in Attendance and More Exhibits.

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 1.—There was a notable increase in the attendance at the state fair yesterday, and the officials are now taking a more hopeful view of the outlook for the exposition. With the visitors came a large number of additional exhibitors, and much of the work of preparation is still under way. Today the gates were thrown open to the school children of the state.

The fair will be open tomorrow, but its secular features will be toned down. The places of amusement will be given in the Coliseum. Dr. Louis H. Stine will deliver a lecture on Biblical history.

FARMERS OPPOSE SUBSIDY TAX

Declare Against "National Aid For Private Enterprise."

St. Louis, Oct. 1.—The Farmers' national congress, at its closing meeting yesterday, adopted a resolution opposing any legislation by congress which contemplates a subsidy or appropriation from the public funds, "creating a tax on the people, in support of private enterprise." A resolution favoring the compilation of a history of American husbandry also was passed.

FIND GIRL'S BODY.

Chicago, Oct. 1.—The body of Frances Parkhurst, aged 15, who was missing last night from Ferry hall, Lake Forest, and for whom hundreds of students, citizens and soldiers searched all night, was found yesterday in Lake Michigan. All indications point to suicide. The girl came from Danvers, Ill., three weeks ago to enter college. It is believed she was homesick.

MOODY MAY SUCCEED TO SEAT IN SENATE

Attorney General Favored by Hoar, His Appointment by the Governor Expected.

Washington, Oct. 1.—Attorney General Moody may be chosen United States senator from Massachusetts. When last elected Senator Hoar had a presentation that he would not live through his term. He had strong wishes regarding his successor. These are known to most of the men in control of republican politics in Massachusetts. To a correspondent Senator Hoar once said:

"If anything should happen to me, Mr. Moody is regarded as my logical successor. It is my wish that he should be."

This and other reasons led opinion here to the conclusion that Gov. Bates of Massachusetts probably will designate Attorney General Moody to serve out Senator Hoar's term.

GALESBURG CLERGY FIGHT OPENING OF STREET FAIR

Backed by a Big Petition They Ask Injunction on Ground of Demoralizing Effect.

Galesburg, Ill., Oct. 1.—Injunction proceedings against the Street Fair association, composed of prominent business men, and against the mayor, to prevent the use of the streets for a fair the second week in October, have been begun by local clergymen, backed by several hundred signers to a petition who claim the show would be demoralizing.

INDIANS MASSACRE MANY

Led by Renegade, They Attack Camps in Southern Mexico.

New York, Oct. 1.—Advised received by mail from Belize, British Honduras, says: In the recent attack by Indians on the camps of chewing gum gatherers, in southern Mexico, 17 persons were killed, 18 wounded and 57 more either murdered or carried into captivity.

The force of Indians consisted of about 300 and was led by a renegade from the national guards of Yucatan. The Indians first attacked a camp at Quintana Roo, where they killed three women and two men and wounded three more men. At another camp they killed two men and two women and wounded three men.

In Chenechunche the hospital, commercial warehouses and offices were burned. Three patients perished. Attacks also were made on camps at Cozumel and Tulum, resulting in several deaths.

PARKER AND GORMAN CONFER

Reconciliation of Elements of Democratic Party Discussed.

New York, Oct. 1.—Judge Parker took the 8:45 train last night from Washawken for Esopus. He is expected to return here Monday. Senator Gorman of Maryland visited the judge again during the day, and during the hour he spent with the democratic nominee they discussed all that has been done during the campaign, and all that has been contemplated. Their discussion, it is said, had to do largely with the reconciliations among the many elements of the democratic party which have not been in harmony.

JOKE WITNESS OF SUICIDE

Residents Laugh at Story Until Victim's Body is Found.

Terre Haute, Ind., Oct. 1.—Several nights ago "Bud" Shewmaker reported at police headquarters that he had seen a man deliberately jump out of a boat in the Wabash river and that he did not reappear above the surface. He was laughed at and has been made miserable by his friends since, but today the man's body was found. He was William Poese, a bricklayer, formerly of Watsela, Ill., where two sons live.

DYNAMITE POSTOFFICE SAFE

Seven Hundred Dollars Stolen by Burglars from Greenville, Ill.

Greenville, Ill., Oct. 1.—The post-office safe here was blown by nitroglycerine. Seven hundred dollars in money and stamps was taken. It is supposed to be the work of professional burglars in conjunction with local men. Skeleton keys and tools stolen from a section house on the Chicago & Alton railroad were used in effecting an entrance.

CANADA'S WHEAT CROP IS GOOD

That of Manitoba and Northwest Territories Will Aggregate 60,000,000.

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 1.—Based on official reports Minister of the Interior Clifford Sifton has issued the following statement regarding crop conditions in the Dominion: "I am now able to state definitely that under conditions of unusual difficulty in the northwest a fair average of crop of wheat of good quality has been reaped and is now secure from substantial damage. The reports of injury by frost and rust were grossly exaggerated. The wheat of Manitoba and the northwest territories will aggregate from 55,000,000 to 60,000,000 bushels."

LA FOLLETTE HAS THE POLE

Supreme Court Does Not Settle Republican Fight.

ADJOURNMENT TAKEN

Secretary of State, Governor's Man, Will Have the Say.

Madison, Wis., Oct. 1.—It looks as if the La Follette people had won. The supreme court yesterday adjourned until Oct. 18 without filing a decision or doing anything at all in relation to the case. As the matter stands now, Secretary of State Houser is free to make up the official ballot as he pleases, and Mr. Houser is a La Follette man.

The supreme court can still enter an order Oct. 18, and the last day on which anything can be done is Oct. 19. It does not look reasonable, however, that it will do anything. With nonaction on the part of the court the secretary of state is foot-loose.

HIMSELF A CANDIDATE.

He is a candidate for reelection on the La Follette ticket, and has frankly stated all along that should the court not interfere he would instruct the county clerks to put the La Follette ticket in the republican column.

The secretary of state, however, says he is in no hurry to act in the matter. He has until Oct. 19, and may wait until then to give the court a chance to give its decision. The fact that it has adjourned until Oct. 18 without doing anything is taken as good proof it will enter no decision at all, and Mr. Houser can get to work as quickly as he pleases.

ATTITUDE OF COURT IN DOUBT.

How the court stands in the matter cannot be said. The story that it is two and two generally is believed. Chief Justice Cassiday came to the court room yesterday, but did not sit on the bench. It is said the court stands three for the La Follette faction, and one, the chief justice, opposing. The story is not credited, however, as a majority of the court probably would hand down some order or decision. It is based on the argument that the other justices desire to make the matter unanimous when it is finally decided. The La Follette men are rejoicing, while the "stalwarts" are depressed.

PYTHIAN CONSTITUTION IS TO HAVE A REVISION

Supreme Chancellor Shively Names a Committee of Five to Do the Work.

Richmond, Ind., Oct. 1.—James E. Watson, of Indiana; Tracy R. Bantz, of North Dakota; C. D. Myers, of Illinois; D. C. Richardson, of Virginia, and U. S. G. Cherry, of South Dakota, were today named by Charles E. Shively, supreme chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, to revise the Pythian constitution.

GANS AND WALCOTT DRAW

Former Had Best of it and Decision of Referee Was Hissed.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 1.—Joe Gans and Joe Walcott, light weight and welter weight champions, fought 20 rounds to a draw last night. The fight throughout was furious. Gans enjoyed a decided advantage in the opening two rounds. After the second round, however, and until the middle of the contest, Walcott had a decided lead and several times greatly weakened Gans, who was unable to stop the terrific onslaught of Walcott's right.

In the 19th Gans had the advantage but from the 11th to the 16th it was nip and tuck. In the 17th the tide turned in favor of Gans and the 19th nearly saw Walcott's finish. The 20th was a repetition of the preceding round.

"HELLO GIRL" GETS A FORTUNE

Kansas City Telephone Operator Bequeathed a \$500,000 Estate.

Kansas City, Oct. 1.—Miss Clytie Griggs, a young telephone girl, has been notified by attorneys in Cape Nome, Alaska, that she had fallen heir to mines and mining stocks valued at \$500,000, the estate of her cousin, Mrs. Lillian Warner Moore, who died there some weeks ago. She will go north to claim the property.

HOLLY AND LANGFORD FIGHT DRAW.

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 1.—Dave Holly of Philadelphia and Sam Langford of Boston fought 15 rounds to a draw last night before the Eureka Athletic club,