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### THE YELLOW TIDE IS ROLLING BACK

**Kuropatkin Having Taken the Offensive, the Japanese Relinquish Bentsiaputze Almost Without a Struggle, and Fall Back.**

### THE RUSSIANS PURSUE

As They Advance They Are Throwing up Earthworks and Otherwise Seeking to Guard Against Any Possible Counter Attack—The Boom of Artillery is Heard at Times Along the Forty-Five Miles of the Russian Front—The Muscovites Think the Japanese Are Concentrating Behind the Fortifications Thrown up by Themselves on the Right Bank of the Taitse—Such is the Story, But Oh, For One Glance Into the Slanting, Half Shut Yellow Eyes of Oyama What of That Slow, Sleepy Glean? Is it the Cold Light of Triumphant Laughter?

(By the Associated Press.) Mukden, Oct. 10.—At last the correspondents are permitted to telegraph the news that the Russian army is moving upon the Japanese. They have waited a long time for this moment, the turning point in the campaign. The advance actually began October 5, and the preparations were enveloped in the greatest secrecy. Last night a correspondent of the Associated Press telegraphed the first news that the forward march had begun auspiciously for the Russians, the Japanese having lost a most important fortified position, Bentsiaputze, the key of the Bentshu roads, and the ford of the Taitse river, and having exposed their right flank. This morning came the news that the Japanese were being driven back along the whole front.

But these are only advance guard successes. The heavy work is still ahead and a Russian victory will only be certain when the Russians re-enter Liao Yang. It is necessary to study the Japanese dispositions, telegraphed to the Associated Press last night, in order to appreciate General Kuropatkin's task. The Japanese armies are prepared to meet the Russians on the advance of the latter is expected to develop quickly. The decisive moment of the campaign is close at hand.

**Retiring Steadily.** (By the Associated Press.) St. Petersburg, Oct. 10.—A dispatch to the Bourse Gazette from Mukden, dated yesterday, says: "The general situation at the seat of war has materially changed. The Japanese main army is retiring southward. Its right wing has gone thirty miles southward, evacuating Sianshan, Sianpai, Saimateze, Fenshui Pass and the neighborhood of Kwandian. The Japanese are thus giving up not only the positions which they occupied after the battle of Liao Yang, but places they have previously taken."

**Kuropatkin in Personal Command.** (By the Associated Press.) St. Petersburg, Oct. 10.—6:15 p. m.—General Kuropatkin is in the field personally directing the forward movements of the army, which, it is understood, is divided into two strong columns, moving on each side of the railroad whence they will draw their supplies, their flanks being assured by no less than 150 squadrons of Cossacks. The Russians are operating along a front of between forty and forty-five miles, extending from Kaoutou Pass to Bentsiaputze on the east and across the Hun river to the west bank of the Liao river on the west. They are taking every precaution against possible counter-attacks, throwing up entrenchments as they advance southward. Field Marshal Oyama, however, has not yet shown a disposition strongly to hold his outer positions. The evacuation of Bentsiaputze left the flank of the Japanese position at the Yental mines unprotected and news of the abandonment of the mines is now expected.

The Japanese appear to be concentrating their forces in the fortifications formerly occupied by the Russians on the right bank of the Taitse river, which are exceedingly strong, and they have an equally good defense south and north.

The Japanese retire from Bentsiaputze almost without a struggle, fearing that General Mischtenko's attacks would surround the position and cut them off. Bentsiaputze is of the highest importance, commanding the roads from Mukden and Fushan to Liao Yang and Bentshu. Private advices from Mukden just received indicate that the artillery is already at work.

An engagement is reported to have occurred yesterday on the Russian

across country from Garland on the Atlantic coast to the Yellow River in the Bladen Superior court this week. Judge George W. Ward presiding. The negroes were accompanied only by Sheriff Lyon and one other deputy, though there were other officers at the station at Garland tonight, to join the party for the trip across to Elizabethtown. The officers appear to have little fear of being intercepted on their way and expect to reach their destination by midnight. The negro who testifies against his comrade still sticks to his story, and will so testify at the trial.

The negroes have employed no counsel. R. S. White, Esq., of Elizabethtown, will assist Solicitor Lyon in the prosecution. Court met at Elizabethtown this morning, a tremendous crowd being in attendance. There is no excitement. The trial of the negroes will hardly be reached before Wednesday.

**SUITS AGAINST A. & N. C.** (Special to News and Observer.) Durham, N. C., Oct. 10.—At the present term of the Superior court there are two damage suits on the summons docket that are of more than local interest. These are the cases against the Atlantic and North Carolina road, on account of the killing of two soldiers, A. B. Warren and George H. Johnson, near Goldsboro, on August 19th, while the soldiers were returning from the Morehead encampment. The suits are for \$8,000 each and will be tried at an approaching term of court, probably in the near future.

The suits are brought by administrators, J. B. Christian, for the estate of A. B. Warren, and George W. Johnson, for the estate of his son, George H. Johnson. It will be remembered that while the military train was going from Morehead City to Goldsboro, that there were four men on top of the train, and that two were killed and two injured. These men were riding on top of the train at the time of the killing, which occurred at Stony Creek bridge, and that their dead bodies were discovered just as the train pulled into Goldsboro. On account of the deceased being soldiers and moving under orders from the government, and the fact that they were killed on a train owned by the State, the suits are of more than passing interest.

This morning Messrs. Fuller & Fuller, attorneys at law, gave notice that a motion would be made to compel the plaintiffs to give bonds to the claim being that as administrators the plaintiffs cannot take advantage of the power of the State.

The complaint alleges that the men were killed while on a train on the Atlantic & North Carolina road, and that their faces had been paid to Goldsboro. The date, time and place of killing is given.

Cause for damages are that the company allowed the men to ride on top of the cars; that the law had been violated in erecting a bridge so low as the one at Stony Creek; and that the officials knew of this danger and knew of the presence of the men on top of the car, and yet refused to stop and save their lives.

The plaintiffs are represented by Winston and Bryant, while the defendant is represented by Fuller & Fuller and perhaps others. The cases will be heard by Judge Ward.

**DEATH OF G. Z. FRENCH.** He Was Once Prominent in Republican Circles in Wilmington.

(Special to News and Observer.) Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 10.—A telegram from Russell announced the death of G. Z. French Sunday night at the home of his sister-in-law in Bangor, Me. Mr. French had lived in Wilmington since the war and had been a leader in the Republican party until the revolution here in 1898, when he gave up the office of acting sheriff and retired from the city to his plantation near Rocky Point, Pender county. He was a member of the Wilmington branch of the Grand Old Party and was a representative from New Hanover and had since that time been postmaster in Wilmington for two or more terms. He was about seventy-five years of age and leaves no immediate relatives. Time interment will be held at the native home of Mr. French in Maine.

**WOOD'S GIN HOUSE BURNED.** Several Thousand Pounds of Seed Cotton Are Consumed.

(Special to News and Observer.) LaGrange, N. C., Oct. 10.—The gin house of Mr. D. W. Wood in the east part of town caught fire today in the afternoon. It is supposed, from a list box, in a few minutes the building was wrapped in flames. Several thousand pounds of seed cotton were consumed. Thirty or forty bales were safely removed by the early arrival of help. The building and machinery were comparatively new and the loss is considerable.

The annual Primitive Baptist Association was held at Mewborn's church in Greensboro Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. A. A. Bullock, of Fuquay Springs, has opened a general stock of goods in the office of C. H. Robinson & Co., and having occasion to go to the rear of the building, he fell through the door.

**BROWN AND SELLERS.** Negroes Charged With Outrage and Murder Taken to Elizabethtown.

(Special to News and Observer.) Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 10.—Brown and Sellers, the negroes charged with implication in the murder and brutal outrage upon Mrs. George Packer, near Clarkton, during September, and who were saved by the military from a lynching in Wilmington two days afterwards, were brought from the Penitentiary via Fayetteville, this afternoon, and are now being taken

speech, but he took care of himself in handsome style. There was a warm personal exchange between them in the rejoinder. Mr. Webb charged that Mr. Newell had said in a speech at Marshall that the Democratic party in his (Newell's) part of the district, was composed of "lawyers and rascals." Newell denied this with heat and Webb insisted that the charge was true. Webb said that he could produce a dozen affidavits to sustain the charge. He has sent for them and expects them before morning.

**KITCHIN AND REYNOLDS.** They Close Their Joint Debates in Durham County at Durham.

(Special to News and Observer.) Durham, N. C., Oct. 10.—Tonight Congressman W. W. Kitchen and Hon. Charles A. Reynolds, Democratic and Republican nominees for Congress next November, closed their joint debate in Durham county at Durham. The speaking began at seven o'clock. It was the third and last joint debate in this county. The first was at Mangum's store in the northern part of the county; the second at W. D. Durham, and then the candidates jumped to Orange county for two speeches. The debate tonight will finish this county.

There is much interest here in politics, although not so much as was expected and predicted by some.

**Child Sealed to Death.** (Special to News and Observer.) Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 10.—The 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Donaldson, of this city, pulled a kettle of boiling hot water over her head today, causing death a few hours later.

**Fifty Men Killed.** (By the Associated Press.) Santiago, Chile, Oct. 10.—By the collapse of a building in the course of construction here today fifty men were killed.

**DID SHAME LEAD TO SUICIDE?** Charged With Abhorred Practices Hall Dies Before Case Comes Up.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 10.—Frank DePeyster Hall, a member of several prominent clubs, today shot and killed himself. A suit brought by him against two other club men alleging slander and demanding \$100,000 damages, was to have come up in the courts today.

The fact of the institution of these slander suits only became public during the past week, although the first suits were begun last May. These were against Alfred H. Bond, president of the Calumet Club and George A. McCormack, secretary of the same club. The answer filed was that the suits were untrue and the conversation privileged. Hall denied the truth of the charges and on last Wednesday from Superior Court Judge R. E. Rogers ordered requiring Mr. Bond to give a bill of particulars. On the settling of this motion all the papers were filed in the Supreme court and the fact of the suits became public.

**The Body Found.** Hall's body, partly dressed, was found by a servant lying in a pool of blood on the floor in his bachelor apartment. A revolver was found underneath the body. On a table among articles of clothing and jewelry was a package of letters. Some of the letters had been opened while others were still sealed. The doctors who came in response to calls from the house said that Hall had been dead only a short time. He had been in the apartment for some time.

It was reported today that Hall had heard that the district attorney had started an investigation of the charges against him. He was a member of the Calumet Club, a social and athletic club, and was a member of the St. Anthony Club, the New York Yacht Club and the Trinity Athletic.

In his suits Mr. Hall alleged that the statements made were false and malicious made, that because of these statements he was obliged to resign the presidency of the DePeyster Hall & Company, that his business and social acquaintances refused longer to transact business with him or to associate with him; and that he had been obliged to abandon entirely his occupation.

Mr. Hall was about 50 years of age, was devoted to athletics, having a good athletic record in college, where he was a member of the Delta Psi Fraternity.

**Mrs. Madry Improving.** (Special to News and Observer.) Durham, N. C., Oct. 10.—Mrs. J. Frank Madry, wife of the well-known and highly esteemed newspaper man, and who has been ill for some time with typhoid fever, is reported to be improving.

### LOVED, HONORED, HE'S LAID TO REST

**Last Honors Paid to General Ransom's Body.**

### MANY THE TRIBUTES

**Among Those Who Throng to the Place of Burial on the Old Home Place Are Numbers of the State's Most Prominent Sons.**

(Special to News and Observer.) Selma, N. C., Oct. 10.—The funeral of General Matt W. Ransom, ex-United States Senator, Minister to Mexico, Confederate Brigadier, was held at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon at his home "Verona," in Northampton County.

The services, which were conducted by Rev. James A. Weston, a Confederate major, were very simple. Rev. Weston read the Episcopal service, the prayers and afterwards delivered a brief tribute to General Ransom, who was his personal friend.

The body was followed to the grave by the widow, Mrs. Pattie Exum Ransom, her daughter, Miss Esther, and five sons, Messrs. Matt W., Robert E., Joseph, George E. and Patrick Ransom. The burial which was conducted with martial honors by Lodges from Henderson, Warrenton, Littleton and Weldon, was in the garden of the old place in clump of walnut and locust trees, and the grave was just next to that of General Ransom's deceased son, Thomas.

The pall bearers were: R. T. Stephenson, M. F. Stancil, W. H. Buffaloe, T. L. Emory, W. J. Hawkins, R. R. Lacy, T. N. Harrison, R. T. Dowd, W. A. Grant and G. L. Crook, active members of the Grand Army of the Republic. Judge R. B. Peebles, Gen. W. P. Roberts, Maj. J. D. Shaw, Col. A. B. Andrews, Judge T. R. Farnell, Dr. E. E. Dixon, R. D. Gilmer, Gen. J. S. Carr.

There were many prominent people in attendance and the casket and grave were covered with flowers. On the head of the casket was a battle flag of the Confederacy, done in flowers and the face of the dead captain of men showed fine traces of the high forehead, the strong and prominent nose and the straight mouth and decided chin, fringed with close cropped grey beard, place in clump of walnut and locust trees, and the grave was just next to that of General Ransom's deceased son, Thomas.

In addition to the pall-bearers I noted at the funeral Messrs. T. J. Aldrich, H. J. White, W. P. Massenburg, B. T. Ferrell, Ed. Petar, R. E. Davis, J. A. Daughton, J. C. McCray, Jr., H. B. Hunter, Alex. Kazinstein, W. K. L. S. Northrup, W. H. Johnson, Jr., J. C. Caudle, J. S. Dixon, E. B. Penny, Jr., F. A. Fetter, Jr., of Littleton; Dr. S. J. Picot, of Littleton; Rev. B. S. Bronson, of Warrenton; William C. Egger, of Warrenton; Major George, Dr. A. R. Zollieffer, Dallas Zollieffer, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harrison, R. Wilson, Jno. B. Burton, of Weldon, Capt. B. M. Collins, of Ridgeway, (who was in the 2nd North Carolina Infantry, 2nd regiment); Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nicholson, of Ridgeway; Hon. T. W. Mason, Dr. Ellis, of Garysburg; James Graham, of Garysburg; R. E. Rogers, T. W. Russell, Henry Farnen, J. T. Evans, A. E. Wilson, W. R. Smith, W. B. Tilling, J. S. Turner, W. W. Rose, J. B. Collins.

An interesting feature of the funeral was the presence in the spacious yard of two hundred or more negro men, women and children, all of whom had been employed on labor of the five or six large plantations owned by General Ransom.

**THE STATE SORROWS.** Flags Fly at Half Staff and Resolutions Are Passed.

The State flag on the Capitol of North Carolina was at half staff yesterday as a State tribute to the soldier and statesman, the late General Matthew W. Ransom, whose funeral was yesterday conducted at his home in Northampton county. The office of the State officials were closed at the hour of the funeral.

And another tribute with the flag of his State was paid. Out at the Soldiers' Home where are other veterans of the Lost Cause the State flag was at half staff, in memory of the dead.

Throughout the entire State there have been expressions of grief at General Ransom's death, and voices of this on behalf of the people the Council of State met yesterday and passed the following resolutions:

**Resolutions by Council of State.** At a meeting of the Council of State in the Executive Office of the morning of October 10, 1904, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

At one o'clock on Friday morning, October 8th, in his home, Northampton county, North Carolina, surrounded by his sons, General Matthew W. Ransom, died. It was on the 78th

anniversary of his birth—he having been born on October 7th, 1826, in Warren county, North Carolina.

General Ransom was distinctly a North Carolinian, and he served his State with ability and great ability, as a member of the Legislature, Attorney General, Brigadier General, United States Senator and as Minister to Mexico, as well as private citizen. We thank God that his life was spared for so many years, in order to accomplish this great work for his State and that he might complete a great and perfected life, and that he died in the autumn, when rich harvests were being garnered, when the roses had faded and the sere and yellow leaf of the year had appeared, and the golden rod was in bloom, thus indicating the end of the perfected year.

And while we bow in humble submission to the will of Almighty God in removing him from this field of labor, we desire to express our deepest sorrow at the loss of North Carolina's greatest citizen, statesman and patriot, and to offer our sincerest sympathy to the sorely bereaved wife, who has lost that strong arm upon which she hoped to lean in her declining years, and to the sons and daughter who are deprived of a father's wisdom and care in guiding their footsteps aright. May the pity and mercy of God protect and keep them to the end.

Resolved that the flag of the Capitol building be placed at half mast, and the different departments of the State government be closed during the hours for the funeral service. That these resolutions be spread upon the Minute Book of the Council of State, and a copy sent to Mrs. Ransom.

**These Went From Raleigh.** Many went to Northampton county yesterday to attend the obsequies which took place at the old home place in the old family burying ground. In the party from Raleigh were State Treasurer B. Lacy, State Auditor R. F. Dixon, Attorney-General R. D. Gilmer, Col. A. B. Andrews, Mr. Fab. H. Bushee, Esq., Mr. P. C. Ennis, and others. Governor Aycock is expected to arrive from Raleigh tomorrow morning. Col. J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary (Continued on Page Five.)

### "I AM NOT MOSES," SAYS BRYAN

**I'll be Aaron if Our Moses Will Lead Us Out the Wilderness.**

(By the Associated Press.) Marysville, Mo., Oct. 10.—William J. Bryan addressed an open air meeting today pleading the election of Joseph W. Folk, Democratic candidate for governor of Missouri. Touching on National affairs, he said he believed his listeners would give him credit for courage enough to oppose Parker openly if he did not regard him as the best man for the place and that he hoped his reputation for truth and veracity was such that his friends would believe him when he said he was supporting the Democratic nominees by every means in his power.

**Bryan at Elk Park.** Chillicothe, Mo., Oct. 10.—William J. Bryan addressed a large outdoor meeting in Elk Park this afternoon. Having been introduced as "the man who had seen Moses of Democracy," the United States Senator, Mr. Bryan said that he used to think he would be President and that he would be "the Moses of the Democratic party," but he had changed his mind now. "Moses you know, was slow of speech, and the Lord selected Aaron as his speech-maker. I believe that I am the Aaron rather than the Moses of Democracy, and I am willing to be the Aaron of the party, if our Moses, who has been so slow of speech, will but lead the people out of the wilderness."

**CENTRAL CAROLINA FAIR.** Everything Points to a Splendid Exhibit and a Rush of Visitors.

(Special to News and Observer.) Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 10.—Decorated store fronts on the principal business streets, the advent of many new characters and the sight of great numbers of moving vans on the streets, indicate that the Central Carolina Fair is close at hand. It begins tomorrow, with every promise of large crowds and splendid exhibits. Everything now points to the largest and best fair the association ever had. It will last until Friday night. The Southern Railway will run trains every fifteen minutes, and the street cars will have a ten-minute schedule to the grounds, making it convenient for everybody to get to the fair without discomfort or delay.

The fair is back again in its own home. Postmaster Glenn was able Saturday to move out from the rented and cramped quarters he has had to use for more than a year. So admirably had he calculated everything that parties who got their mail in the old office Saturday morning, experienced no confusion or delay in getting mail from their post boxes at noon. The arrangement in the new building is well nigh perfect.

**TWENTY-EIGHT KILLED.** And Sixty Injured in Head-On Collision.

(By the Associated Press.) Warrenton, Mo., Oct. 10.—Twenty-eight persons were killed and sixty injured by a head-on collision of Missouri Pacific trains three miles east of Warrenton today. The trains were the second section of a passenger train from Wichita for St. Louis and an extra freight train. Most of the dead were residents of Missouri and Kansas as are the injured.

### EATERS OF BEANS BY SKIN OF TEETH

**That is How They Grasp the Championship.**

### NEW YORK A HOT RAG

**Boston Took One of the Double Headers and on That Flapped Wings, Flew up to the Perch, and Roosted There.**

**Crowing.** (By the Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 10.—Boston vanquished New York on the baseball field here today, winning the American League championship pennant for the second time. It was a sensational finish to a thrilling struggle, which has been going on for several months, and while Boston won, the New York representatives were not disgraced.

In fact they almost shared the honors with the victors. During the last two months these teams have been seeing-sawing in the lead for championship fame and the score for Boston, which has been going on for several months, and while Boston won, the New York representatives were not disgraced. In fact they almost shared the honors with the victors. During the last two months these teams have been seeing-sawing in the lead for championship fame and the score for Boston, which has been going on for several months, and while Boston won, the New York representatives were not disgraced.

In the seventh inning a bad throw by Williams to the plate allowed Lachance and Ferris to cross the plate and tie the score for Boston. Each side being equal, things went smoothly until the first half of the ninth inning when Criger reached first safely on a infield hit. Dimeen advanced to him to second by a sacrifice and Chesebro, losing control at this critical stage made a wild pitch, the ball hitting the press stand, while Criger was running in with the winning fly. New York failed to offset the advantage which Boston had gained and again the pennant went to the New England team by a score of 3 to 2.

Over 28,000 persons were within the enclosure when the victory was won and the scene which ensued will not be forgotten easily by any one of those who were present. The Boston contingent, some three hundred strong, headed by a brass band, had accompanied the champions from their home city to the park, where they were noisily enthusiastic and were helped along by thousands of local enthusiasts.

Putnam and Winter were the opposing pitchers in the final game, which went the full nine innings without a run being scored. It was a battle between these two and was lost by a wild throw by Lachance.

**First game.** R. H. E. Boston ..... 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 1—3 9 0 New York ..... 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0—2 2 0 Umpires: Dimeen and Criger. Chesebro and Kleinow. Time: 2:05.

**Second game.** R. H. E. Boston ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—1 4 1 New York ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1 4 1 Batteries: Winter and Doran; Putnam and McGuire. Time: 1:15. Umpires, Sheridan and Connolly. Attendance 25,834.

**Post-Season Games.** (By the Associated Press.) Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 10.—The first post-season game between Cleveland and Pittsburgh today ended in a tie, the game being called on account of rain. Score: R. H. E. Cleveland ..... 0 0 0 2 0—2 3 1 Pittsburgh ..... 0 0 0 2 0—2 4 1 Batteries: Hess and Bemis; Flaherty and Phelps.

**American League.** (By the Associated Press.) At Washington—R. H. E. Philadelphia 0 0 0 5 0 2 0 0—7 11 3 Washington ..... 0 0 0 0 3 2—6 11 3 Batteries: Hughes and Clarke; Applegate and Noonan.

**Second game.** R. H. E. Washington ..... 3 0 0 1—4 5 0 Philadelphia ..... 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0—2 2 0 Batteries: Hughes and Kittredge; Waddell and Noonan. (Called by agreement.)

**DEAD BY HIS OWN HAND.** Mr. Dorch Appears to Have Died by Accident, However.

(Special to News and Observer.) New Bern, N. C., Oct. 10.—Mr. T. C. Whitaker brought the sad news to the city today that Mr. V. Dorch, a Russian, who carried the start line route from Trenton, Jones county, to Core Creek postoffice, Jones county, met death by his own hand at the latter office at one o'clock this morning.

He entered the office and threw his mail pouch on the counter, scarcely having any mail in it. He wrapped up a pistol in it which he always carried for protection. The weapon was discharged and the ball took effect in the heart. Dorch exclaimed that he had killed himself, turned and walked out the door and fell dead on the street. Mr. Dorch had the reputation of being a thorough and intelligent gentleman. He had served his time in the Russian navy.

A good deal of the money that makes the mare go is invested in wild oats.