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BALTIC FLEET SAILS FOR THE FAR EAST

THE RUSSIAN ARMADA OF ALMOST FORTY WAR VESSELS WILL TAKE A HAND IN THE PROCEEDINGS.

COLLIERS WILL ACCOMPANY THE FLEET WHICH WILL COAL AT SEA IN TRANSIT

Scene When the Squadron Weighed Anchor Was an Impos- ing One, Guns of the Forts Saluted and the Czar Was Present to Wish Them All Good Luck.

Cronstadt, Sept. 11.—The Baltic fleet sailed today for the far east. The vessels of the fleet are as follows:

The battleships Souvaroff, vice Admiral Rojestvensky's flagship the Navarin, Sissoievskiy, Borodino, Alexander III, Oleg and the Oslaba, Rear Admiral Voelkerson's flagship, the cruisers Admiral Nakhimoff, Dmitri Donskoi, Aurora and the Almaz, Rear Admiral Enquist's flagship and several torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers.

The fleet will touch at Libau, where it will be joined by colliers and supply ships, and will then proceed directly to the Orient.

The scene on the departure of the fleet was an imposing one. At dawn, the first anchor was hoisted on the swift cruiser Aurora which accompanied by two torpedo boat destroyers. The town was awakened by the booming of the guns of the forts, as the Aurora sped towards Libau in advance of the main squadron.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the time set for the departure of the remainder of the fleet, the imperial yacht with the emperor, Grand Duke Alexis, the high admiral and other high naval officers on board, put out from Peterhof, on the other side of the bay with an escort of three torpedo boats. Admirals Rojestvensky, Voelkerson and Enquist, went on board the imperial yacht and presently said farewell to the emperor.

Then, the Souvaroff led the squadron down the Finnish gulf. The water front and the piers and forts were crowded with spectators. The cannon on the forts and yachts were dipped and the guns of the chain of forts across the bay joined in an admiral salute, while from the signal masts above the forts fluttered a string of colored flags reading: "Good luck to the Baltic fleet on its long voyage."

The weather all day had been alternating from clear to cloudy, but as the fleet left port there was a burst of sunshine, followed up on the southern horizon by the blur of a rain squall across the gulf.

Cruise Carefully Mapped Out.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 12, 2:33 a. m.—The departure of the Baltic fleet for the far east is officially announced.

Admiral Brillief, commander of the naval forces at Cronstadt, will accompany the fleet as far as Libau from which port this modern Armada of almost forty pennants will sail immediately for the Orient.

The admiralty does not state how long Admiral Rojestvensky will stop at Libau, but it is understood that it will be only for a few days.

The plan of the cruise has not been mapped out, but it has been carefully mapped out. Colliers, accompany the fleet for the purpose of supplying the torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers while a steamship tug is smaller. Other colliers have already sailed or are awaiting orders at foreign ports. All the vessels are equipped with apparatus for coaling at sea.

The general opinion is that the vessels will go by way of Suez, but some rumors say that the cape route will be taken.

Shows Russian Temper.

The decision of the admiralty to send out the fleet in the face of the existing situation in the far east is an evidence of the temper of the government to prosecute the war to a finish.

It is understood that there was considerable divergence of expert opinion on the question of delaying the sailing of the fleet until the spring, but the emperor turned the scale in favor of immediate departure.

In this connection, there are other ways shown. Mobilization in southern Russia was announced today and in addition practically all the reserve officers of the navy have been called out.

The emperor will leave about September 15 for Kishinev and Odessa to bid farewell to the stable army corps.

The first army corps has arrived at Mukden.

At a meeting of the emperor's military advisers of September 11, the late Sakharoff recommended the send-

ing of an additional 350,000 men to the far east.

The very brief report which Gen. Kurapatkin, which was given out Sunday, constitutes the latest news from the front. The place at which the report was filed is not indicated but the report seems to show an almost entire suspension of active operations on both sides.

The few news despatches drifting in all refer to phases of the last weeks fighting which are already known.

ASKOLD REPAIRED.

Crew Will Remain on Board the Disarmed Warship.

Shanghai, Sept. 11.—The Russian protected cruiser Askold completely repaired, painted and gilded, with no bunting whatever, proceeded to her berth of retirement in the upper harbor yesterday. There were three courses proposed for the disposition of the crew of the Askold and the crew of the torpedo boat destroyer Grosowoi, also held in retirement.

One was to distribute them among the chief treaty ports, which was first accepted and then rejected. The second was to turn them over to the Chinese forces at Kiang Ning, on the Yangtse river and the third was that they should remain on board the disarmed warships. The Japanese government has accepted the third and final proposition. It is understood that the visit of Tiegang, who left Fekin a short time ago for a visit to the southern provinces is mainly concerned with an exhaustive inquiry into the proposed removal of the position of the Kingan arsenal and the erection of an arsenal at Ping Hsiang, the site of the Kiao Juanpoas collieries and iron mine.

ANTI SEMITIC RIOTS.

People Injured and Shops Pillaged in Volhymia.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 11.—Anti Semitic rioting took place at Rovnok in the government of Volhymia September 4, during which many persons were injured and shops pillaged. A similar outbreak occurred at Smela, in Kiev, where the troops were called. Ninety-eight houses and 145 shops were pillaged and several people were seriously and many slightly wounded by the troops. Many of the rioters were arrested.

Poona Cases to Be Tried.

Jackson, Miss., Sept. 11.—At the regular term of federal court, which convenes in Meridan tomorrow, the first poona cases to be tried in Mississippi will be called. Iva Henderson and the legatees, who are citizens of Kemper county, are under indictment for holding in involuntary servitude, a negro by the name of Shep Griffin on their farm in Kemper county.

WILSON INVESTIGATING.

Want to Know Who Tipped Off Government Report.

Savannah, Sept. 11.—Yesterday Chairman Hunter of the cotton exchange information committee received a letter from Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, asking for the name of the "prominent wire house" in this city that bulletined the government's cotton crop figures recently thirty minutes before the report was officially released.

Chairman Hunter wrote to the secretary in reply as follows:

"I am directed by the committee on information and statistics of the Savannah Cotton Exchange to say that at 12:45 on Sept. 2, Messrs. Hayward Vick and Company, who have an office in this city, received the following telegram: 'Government looks like \$1.1.' Signed Burke, which was posted in their office for the information of the public. I am informed by Messrs. Hayward Vick and Company that Messrs. J. S. Burke and Company of New York are the correspondents and authors of the above telegram. The writer together with several others saw the telegram in question."

The letter was signed Captain Hunter, as chairman of the committee. Secretary Wilson has made no statement as far as is known here what his investigation will take.

GRIMSON STORY OF PORT ARTHUR

RECITAL OF BOMBARDMENTS OUTPOST CLASHES AND RECONNOITERING.

AN ATTACK IS HOURLY EXPECTED

Russian Guns Fire Almost Unceasingly on the Two Captured Forts at Palichwang.—Heroic Sacrifice by Soldier.

Ch'e Foo, Sept. 11, 11:00 p. m.—The story of the happenings before Port Arthur for the past ten days according to the Novikrai, is one of bombardments, outpost clashes and reconnoitering exploits. Copies of the Novikrai dated September 5, 6, and 7, received here today, are devoted most exclusively to a recital of the details of these occurrences. Russian activity on the northeast front, which includes Tighlungshun and Kitowan-shan is noted by the paper and the inference is drawn that an attack in that quarter is expected.

The bombardments of the Palichwang fort, which is only 300 yards from Tighlungshun, are frequent. The Russians are trying desperately to retard the further strengthening of this position.

On September 1, a fire partially destroyed the village of Palichwang. Later the Russian artillery leveled walls which the Japanese had been using for cover. The Japanese outposts there were strengthened and wires hung with bells were then strung to sound an alarm in the case of a sudden attack. The village of Chaitseis which was in front of the parade grounds has also been destroyed, presumably by the Russians, although it is not so stated by the Novikrai.

Russian guns on a position known as Rock Redoubt fire almost ceaselessly on the two forts at Palichwang. The Russians call these forts Redoubt one and two. The Novikrai mentions seeing two companies of Japanese working when a shell compelled them to flee.

The Novikrai of September 7, relates a heroic sacrifice of life by a Japanese, who, it was said, attempted to blow up a wall behind which the Russians waited. The Japanese soldier calmly left redoubt one, carrying two boxes and deliberately marched toward the Russians, who suffered him to approach. When he was quite near, sharpshooters killed him. On near, sharpshooters found that the boxes he carried, contained dynamite with fuses carefully fixed.

DESTROYED TRENCHES.

Russians Said to Have Shelled the Japanese at Polichuang.

Ch'e Foo, Sept. 11, 11:29 p. m.—According to the latest news received here from Port Arthur, the Russians on September 4 shelled the Japanese covered trenches in front of Polichuang and destroyed them.

Japanese reserves poured into the trenches and opened fire on the Russians, but a shell from a Russian battery landed in the trench and killed many of the Japanese soldiers and the remainder retired. This enabled the Russians to occupy the trenches until dawn.

The Port Arthur Novikrai, in a recent issue, declares that a Japanese colonel has been executed because he failed to occupy a certain position on Corner Hill within a specified time.

In its issue of September 2, the same paper says that a Japanese torpedo boat struck a mine 14 miles southeast of the harbor and sank, and that on the day after this occurred, the Japanese cruiser Itankushied, was also damaged by a floating mine.

INQUIRY TO START.

Investigation of Militia and Georgia Sheriff Begins Today.

Atlanta, Sept. 11.—Col W. E. Wood, president, will call the State board of inquiry to order in this city tomorrow morning.

Gov. Terrell declined to discuss the matter today but it is understood that he will take such action as the report of the court of inquiry warrants. In the event a court martial is ordered, it will probably be instructed to meet within a short time and the now famous case will be thrown out before it is called.

There are no predictions here made with any appearance of authority as to what the report of the court will be.

Port Eads.

Port Eads, Sept. 11.—Arrived the steamer Beverly, Puerto Cortes, Sailed, steamer Trinidad (R.R. Eagle, London; San Juan, Porto Rico; El Paso, New York; Norfolk, Mexican ports; John Wilson, Colon.

RUSSIAN TRANSPORT HERE.

San Francisco, Sept. 11.—The Russian transport Lena, Captain Berlinsky, put into this port today for repairs. The Lena is 31 days from Vladivostok. Instructions are expected from Washington authorities tomorrow as to the length of time the ship may remain in port. Immediately after the Lena dropped anchor in the bay, Captain Berlinsky left the warship, but the object of his visit ashore was not announced. An officer of the cruiser, however, said that the Lena left Vladivostok on a cruising expedition, hoping to capture some of the trans-Pacific vessels carrying contraband. It was admitted that the vessel most eagerly sought for was the American steamship America.

WILL BE GIVEN TO PUBLIC TODAY

ROOSEVELT'S LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE IS NOW READY FOR THE READER.

MARKS OPENING OF CAMPAIGN

State Openings Will Follow Rapidly on the Issuance of the President's Letter—Getting Ready for Campaign.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—With the issuance of President Roosevelt's letter of acceptance tomorrow, the Republican campaign may be considered as formally open. It then depends upon the various state organizations to arrange for their meetings and the national committee will assign the speakers who are to do the work.

Partly in furtherance of this a number of state chairmen are being called on to see Chairman Cortlyou, who has been in Chicago the past week.

State Openings Will Follow.

State openings follow rapidly on the issuance of the president's letter. Michigan, Washington and Montana will begin September 15; Nebraska and West Virginia September 17; Indiana and Iowa September 20; Pennsylvania on September 21; Minnesota on September 24 and Ohio on October 1. In Missouri and Kansas, work has already been begun.

A feeling of indifference has been a cause for alarm for many western politicians, and it has not been confined to those of any one party. Men who don't rank as workers, have been impressed with the fact the average man is not concerned with politics this year. This has been noted as one of the particular features of the work. Various reasons have been assigned for not stirring up interest.

Lack of Political Hysteria.

In view of these facts, the statement from the western headquarters that such conditions in no way are injurious, is mainly beneficial, because interesting. Western Republican managers are of the opinion that lack of political hysteria is appreciated to be a blessing and that it does not indicate carelessness. Business men, they explained, are satisfied with a campaign which does not disturb business transactions.

TRAIN HELD UP.

Canadian Pacific Robbed of \$5,000 by Masked Men.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Sept. 11.—The Canadian Pacific Railway west bound trans-continental express was held up by four masked men last night at 9:20 four and a half miles west of Mission Junction. At the point of robbery, the express messenger was compelled to hand over the valuables. The safe was dynamited and \$5,000 secured from it. The registered mail was also ransacked.

The robbers escaped to the bushes and are supposed to have crossed the boundary.

ENGAGEMENT REPORTED.

Insurgents and Government Troops Said to Be Fighting in Uruguay.

Buenos Ayers, Sept. 11.—A further heavy engagement between the insurgents and the troops of the government, in which the latter are supposed to have been defeated, is said to have occurred in Uruguay. Rumors concerning the casualties are conflicting.

Negotiations between the Paraguayan government and the revolutionists there are still proceeding.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 11.—
• East Texas: Fair Monday; and cooler in east and south portions, the rest.
• Tuesday, fresh south wind on the coast.
• West Texas: Fair Monday and Tuesday.

NOTHING DOING IN VICINITY OF MUKDEN

EIGHT DROWNED BY A COLLISION

LAUNCH CAUGHT BY A PASSING STEAMER AND CRUSHED IN PIECES.

ALL WERE FROM PHILADELPHIA

Disaster Was the Ending of a Day's Pleasure Trip and Occurred in the Darkness. Launch Was Cut in Two.

Philadelphia, Sept. 11.—The Delaware steamer Columbia, on its way from this city to Bristol, Pa., tonight crashed into a steam launch about 10 miles north of here, grinding it to pieces and causing the drowning of eight of the dozen occupants of the small boat. All of the party were from Philadelphia. The dead: JOSEPH FORTESCUE, owner of the launch; WADE AUDAY; THOMAS DUFFY; THOMAS CORVESC; ANNA YOUNG; JOSEPH PFOMER; MRS. JOSEPH PFOMER; ENGINEER named BRIGGS.

The accident was the tragic ending of a day's pleasure trip. The launch party had been made up from among the friends of Fortescue. The day was spent in a cruise up the river as far as Trenton. The return trip was begun after nightfall, the pilot of the boat keeping close to the Pennsylvania shore as the run down the river. When a fog set in, the launch was suddenly jammed up in the darkness. Fortescue jammed his wheel to starboard, but just a moment too late. The big steamer struck the launch squarely in the middle and cut it in half, throwing all the occupants into the water.

A terrible shriek went up as the boats struck, which almost caused a panic among the passengers on the Columbia. Dozens of life preservers were thrown overboard to those in the water and a boat was quickly lowered. When the rowboat reached the scene, only four parties could be found in the darkness. It is believed that several of the victims were crushed by the passing wheels of the Columbia.

ROBBERS HOLD UP CANADIAN TRAIN

GANG WAS MADE UP OF FOUR MASKED MEN HEAVILY ARMED.

MADE HAUL OF NEAR \$5000 IN GOLD

Package of Currency Taken Estimated at \$1,000.—Registered Mail Pouches Were Rifled of Their Contents.

Quiet at Mukden.

Mukden, Sept. 11.—All is quiet in this region. It is understood that the main force of the Japanese have retired to Yentai.

A solemn service was held here today for the repose of the souls of those who died in action. It was attended by the entire staff and garrison.

Distant shots were heard, but this did not disturb the solemnity of the service.

The weather is threatening and more is expected.

Japanese Loss at Liao Yang.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 11.—A dispatch from Tokyo, which reached the Japanese legation today places the total casualties on the Japanese side at the battle of Liao Yang at 17,539. Of these the army of the right (Kuroki) lost 4,865, the center (Nodzu) 4,992 and the left (Oku) 7,681. The number of officers killed was 136, and wounded 464.

No Hostilities.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 11.—In a telegram to the emperor, dated Sept. 10, Gen. Kurapatkin says:

"There were no hostilities today, Saturday, except insignificant patrol encounters, in which we sustained no casualties."

Alexieff Wants to Resign.

London, Sept. 11.—A dispatch to Reuters' Telegram Company from St. Petersburg says: It is understood that Viceroy Alexieff, in view of the military contingencies, in the Far East, has placed his resignation in the hands of the emperor, but no decision in regard to it has yet been made.

Russian Call to Arms.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 11.—The emperor has called to arms the reserve troops in twenty-two circuits of the governments of Kherson, Hersonsk, Ekharstovsk and Tavris, belonging to the military district of Odessa and

AN ALMOST ENTIRE SUSPENSION OF ACTIVE OPERATIONS IS REPORTED FROM THE FRONT AT MUKDEN.

REPORT THAT VICEROY ALEXIEFF HAS RESIGNED TOKIO REPORTS A LIST OF JAPANESE LOSSES

Russian Losses up to the Fall of Liao Yang Estimated at 25,000 But do Not Include Casualties Suffered in the Actions of the Rear Guard During the Retreat.

Associated Press Bulletin.

It is agreed that a somewhat prolonged lull in the operations of the Japanese and Russian forces around Mukden will ensue.

Detailed accounts of the battle of Liao Yang especially that of the Associated Press confirm the general belief here that the Japanese have not paid an excessive price for the success and that they were balked in achieving another Sedan by Kurapatkin's generalship.

The situation at Port Arthur, especially in view of the sailing from Cronstadt on Sunday of the Baltic fleet receives renewed attention in the newspapers.

What little news was received Sunday from the Manchurian theatre of war indicates the almost entire suspension of active operations by both Russian and Japanese. The last dispatch from Mukden was filed by a correspondent of the Associated Press Sunday evening. It said that all was quiet in that region and the understanding was that the main force of the Japanese had retired to Yentai on the railroad about 10 miles northwest of Liao Yang.

Kuropatkin briefly reports that there was no fighting Saturday except small patrol encounters. A dispatch received in London from St. Petersburg gives a report that Viceroy Alexieff has resigned. The Baltic fleet, rumors regarding which have from time to time occupied the press, sailed Sunday from Cronstadt and it is officially announced in St. Petersburg that its destination is the Far East. St. Petersburg dispatches indicate active preparations to greatly increase the Russian fighting force. The story from Port Arthur is one of bombardments.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—Nine thousand men have been thrown out of work by the closing down of the three big branches of the International harvester company, the McCormick and Deering divisions in Chicago and the plant at Plano, Ill. Following the announcement today that the McCormick plant had closed, came the information that the Deering and Plano plants had also been shut down last night. The notices posted in each of the plants stated that the shutdown would continue for an indefinite period.

Officials of the company asserted tonight that the only significance in the move is that the dull season has arrived and that extensive improvements are to be made while the properties are not in operation.

Trades union leaders, however, as set that the move was made by the International Harvester company because its agreement with the organized trades employees will expire Sept. 15, the union believing the company does not wish to renew the agreement.

REDUCED WAGES.

Ohio Iron Works Cut Down Pay of 20,000 Workmen.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—Victory for the employers was the outcome of the conciliation plan of adjusting wage differences between the republic iron and steel company and its 20,000 skilled union employees at Ashtabula, Ohio.

The members of the amalgamated association of iron and steel workers employed by the Republic company were forced to submit to a reduction in wages. The decrease in pay will be from two to thirteen per cent. The most skilled workers will suffer the greatest reduction.

The finishers who have been paid \$3.50 a ton, will receive next year only \$2.15. The boilers the least skilled, will be paid \$4.50 a ton. The award was made after an all night session at the Sherman House, Col. H. I. Martin of Ironton, Ohio, Ben Davis of Birmingham Ala., and H. W. Reedy of Youngstown, Ohio, composed the board.

Victor Russel Improving.

Victor, the 10-year-old child of T. J. Russell, who was painfully hurt Saturday while playing at a neighbor's home by jumping on some broken logs in the grass, is getting along as nicely as can be expected and the doctor thinks he will be able to walk by Wednesday. The little fellow's foot was very badly cut on the steps which make a mighty sore show. Dr. T. B. Haynes was called in to dress the wound after the boy had been carried to his parents' home at 1012 Calder avenue.

also one category of reserve officers throughout the empire.

Russian Losses 25,000.

Tokio, Sept. 11, 8 p. m.—Telegraphic reports received here today from the headquarters of the Manchurian army, declare the Japanese to be in full possession of Yen Tai coal mines and estimate the Russian losses up to the fall of Liao Yang at over 25,000 men. The estimate of losses does not include those suffered by the Russians in the rear guard actions fought after the evacuation of Liao Yang.

HARVESTER WORKS SHUT UP SHOP

NINE THOUSAND WORKMEN LET OUT BY THREE FACTORIES.

DURATION OF STOP INDEFINITE

Trades Union Leaders Claim That It is Part of a Plan to Defeat Signing the Scale Which Expires September 15.

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