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RUSSIANS SURROUNDED

General Kuropatkin Ordered to Retreat—Sevastapol Battle Repeated

St. Petersburg, June 28.—Reports here this afternoon are to the effect that General Kuropatkin has been ordered to retreat from his present position if possible. Much uneasiness is manifested because the Japanese have surrounded Kuropatkin's army.

RUSSIAN GENERAL CONFESSES

That the Japanese Have the Upper Hand in Manchuria

Kuropatkin Was Driven Out of Three Mountain Passes—Large Forces Inside the Russian Lines

St. Petersburg, June 28.—Kuropatkin's reports from Liao Yang say: Yesterday the Japanese attacked our positions occupying Molten Ling, Feng Shulin and Tallen passes. Our infantry retreated, persuaded that the attacking divisions of Japanese operating against each of the passes was stronger than our detachment. In the attack on the Tallen pass, the Japanese imperial guards, besides other regiments, took part. The Japanese made a frontal and flank attack. There was considerable force on both sides. The Japanese occupied the Feng Shulin and Molten Ling passes on the morning of the 27th. After having pushed back our advance on the evening of the 26th to the Tallen pass, the Japanese continued to advance this morning against our position. For some time the attack of the Japanese infantry brigade was repelled. Three battalions engaged in the frontal attack, but being menaced by other troops engaged in the flank movement, and our troops retreated. Reconnoitering parties report one portion of the Japanese army is moving to the northeast, with the intention of joining Kuroki's forces. At noon today our cavalry was hotly engaged near Tenyou Chen. All reports the past few days state that the Japanese forces against our Manchurian army consist of eight or nine infantry divisions. Several brigades troops also occupy a position in the fighting lines."



Governor Chamberlain is building a first-class good road from the state reform school into the city of Salem with convict labor under the provisions of an act of the last legislature. Johnny Hargis, a student at the Chemawa Indian training school, has furnished the above political cartoon expressing the situation.

RED HOT BATTLE MONDAY

Japs Forced Enemy to Retire in Disorder

The Vladivostok Fleet Is Again Reported Hovering Around Tokio

London, June 28.—Japanese Minister Hayashi this morning issues the following report of fighting between the Russian and Japanese forces which landed at Taku Shan: "The Taku Shan army, after six hours' of severe fighting on the 27th, occupied Fen Huling, 13 miles northwest of Shuyen. The enemy, consisting of five battalions of infantry, two regiments of cavalry and 16 guns, fled in disorderly fashion toward Tomu Ching and Shimu Cheng. Our casualties are estimated at 100."

Rome, June 28.—The pope has handed Monsignor Mugabure, coadjutor bishop of Tokio, who is now here, an autograph letter to the Mikado, thanking the latter for his protection to Catholics in Japan, and begging him to make the protection to the Catholics effective in the war arena.

Tokio, June 28.—An unconfirmed report from Hokkaido today is to the effect that ships resembling the Russian Vladivostok squadron appeared off there Monday.

Tokio, June 28.—It is reported that another Russian battleship has been discovered stranded off the Tiger Rock entrance to Port Arthur. It is presumed it was wrecked while running back to port after the fight of Thursday night last.

Wines and Fruit. San Francisco, June 28.—The California delegation to the Democratic convention departed this morning for St. Louis. They were given a rousing sendoff. Two cars equipped with California wines and fruits were hitched to their train.

ANOTHER COALING STATION

Uncle Sam May Grab One From the Bandit Protecting Nation

Birmingham, June 28.—The Post hears that a conference will occur next week between the French foreign minister and the British and American ambassadors, regarding Morocco, especially regarding France's intentions for protection of Americans and Europeans in that country.

Tangier, June 28.—Native authority is responsible for the assertion that America is demanding the port of Arseala as a coaling station. A portion of the American squadron is still here.

ST. LOUIS ALDERMAN SQUEALS

Grand Jury Gets Busy Over Information That He Reveals

St. Louis, June 28.—Charles Gutke, former member of the house of delegates, this morning made a full confession to District Attorney Folke of his connection with the famous city lighting deals.

Gutke told how he got his \$2500 at Delegate Lehmann's renowned birthday party. A stenographic report of the confession will be presented to the grand jury.

In view of the serious outcome of the labor troubles in Colorado, the bureau of labor has begun a special investigation of the subject.

WOMEN GRABBING LAND

Hundreds in Line All Night and Suffer to Beat the Band

Lincoln, Neb., June 28.—The new Kincaid law, permitting homesteaders to file on six 40-acre tracts of the public domain went into effect today. All land offices in Western Nebraska were confronted by a horde of claimants. At O'Neill 300 stood in line all night, mostly women. The low temperature caused much suffering.

The London police are abandoning the theory that Loomis landed at Cherbourg, and, acting on the conviction that he was lost overboard, are working on the supposition that he was murdered. They have several suspects in mind.

SLASHED THE BIG BALOON

St. Louis, June 28.—Vandals have ruined Santos Dumont's baloon, entering the big sheds in which the airships are stored, and cutting the silk covering of the seventh and latest pattern airship built by Dumont, to be used by him in the aerial contest at the fair. It is thought to be the work of some souvenir hunter. Repairs cannot be made for the initial flight on July 4th, as intended.

JEWESS WEDDING DAY

Paris, June 28.—The wedding of Count Biron to Miss Leishmann, daughter of the American ambassador to Turkey, was solemnized at the Church of St. Pierre Chailot at noon today. Ambassador Porter was present, and Secretary Hay cabled congratulations. Earl Young, of Rickreal, was a Salem visitor.

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Any \$24.00 Suit, Top-Coat or Overcoat.

\$17.00

Except staple blues and blacks

Any \$25.00 Suit, Top-Coat or Overcoat.

\$17.00

Except staple blues and blacks

Tomorrow Only

Our 182nd Wednesday Surprise Sale. Tomorrow we offer a genuine Gendron Folding Go-Cart with wood seat and back, steel springs, rubber tires. Regular \$3.50 kind

\$2.68

St. Louis Fair Contest

Only TWO days in which to vote your June votes. One vote with every 25c purchase, two with a 50c purchase and 1.00 on.

Result of vote up to 5 p. m. last evening.

TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST 28,429

TOTAL NUMBER PERSONS VOTED FOR 63

Miss Mellen, East	10,160	Miss Kramer, East	534
Miss Shelton, Music	10,060	Miss K night, Music	454
Miss Thomas, Park	1,577	Miss Patrick, O. E. B.	383
Miss Cosper, East	1,443	Miss Prunk, Elocution	359
Miss Bushnell, Park	1,254	Miss Gordon, East	235

Women's Suits

Our spring purchases of Women's Suits have shrunk amazingly and the prices have shrunk correspondingly—and the beauty of it is that the greater part of your wear time is mostly ahead. All new spring suits at

HALF-PRICE.