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## AFTER RUSSIAN FLEET

SEVEN OF ENEMY'S VESSELS SEEN OFF COREAN COAST.

Japan's Last Attack on Port Arthur Was a Success—The Town Is Now Deserted by All but the Military—Other News.

Tokio, March 17.—The Navy department has received a dispatch stating that seven Russian warships have been seen passing port Lazareff. No information is given as to whether they were part of Port Arthur squadron or whether they were the Siberian squadron and accompanying colliers under Captain Reitzenstein.

Hurry orders have been forwarded to Admiral Togo to detach a squadron from his command and send it in pursuit.

Port Lazareff is just north of Gensan on the Northeastern coast of Corea. It was off this port that the Russian Siberian Squadron was reported to have been seen two weeks ago.

There is no question that the recent bombardment of Port Arthur was fruitful of results, from a Japanese standpoint. More than one-quarter of the new portion of the town is in ruins, while several of the big guns in the fort on Tiger Tail peninsula were blown from their mounts and disabled.

Despite the denials from Russian sources, the Japanese government has information from its spies showing conclusively that the bombardment was so terrific that for a time it seemed the entire town would be destroyed. The town is now practically deserted by all but the military.

The latest reports from Corea state that the Russians are occupying an area having a 40-mile base extending from Wiju to Chang Tong and south to the Park Chou river.

Shanghai, March 17.—The disarmament of the Russian gunboat Mandjur has now been completed, and all of the essential parts of the guns are in the possession of the Chinese port authorities.

The officers and crew have taken passage on a French steamer for Russia, after having first pledged themselves to take no part in the war unless first exchanged.

Yinkaw, March 16.—It is authentically reported that for a week past there has been a small and changing military garrison at Hai Cheng, but that a large force has been stationed at the invaluable fortified and strategic town of Ashang Chang, where the Japanese army concluded its advance during the war between China and Japan.

The only reliable reports at the present moment from the main Manchurian cities show a quiet movement along the railway. Such cities as Mukden, Pichu are off the main line, are undisturbed, and are not in possession of definite news of outside events.

The chief movement of the Fong Hung Cheng military road is the dispatch of riders to and from the Russian advance forces.

A creditable native arrived here today, bringing a report as late as March 12 from Wong Feng Chung to the effect that the main body of the concentrated Russian forces had crossed the Yalu, leaving small bodies of troops at Antung and other points to guard the river.

A fortnight ago a few spies visited Antung, but since then no Japanese have been seen west of the Yalu.

Foreigners choosing to remain in the interior must now sign an agreement restricting their movements and stipulating that a special pass is necessary when leaving their bounds.

Seoul, March 16.—The Korean superintendent of trade at Kyong Hung, on the Tumen river, has received a note from the general in command at Vladivostok, saying that since Corea has joined Japan, Russia considers that Corea is a belligerent, and will act accordingly. Two thousand Korean troops now at Seoul will be sent to the North next week.

The Japanese have obtained definitely that a strong force of Russian field artillery is on the north

bank of the Yalu river and that earthworks have been thrown up. Advices from Chong Ju, a town northwest of Anju, say that the people are in a state of panic, owing to the treatment of women and the seizing of grain by the Russian soldiers.

Paris, March 16.—The Tokio correspondent of the Matin sends this information, which he says comes from reliable authority, concerning the Japanese military situation up to March 10:

"The first army of 70,000 troops, under General Kuroki, occupies Northern Corea. The brigade landed at Gensan forms part of a second army of similar strength. The mobilization of the latter has been completed, and the troops will sail shortly for an unknown destination. The mobilization of a third army began on March 7."

St. Petersburg, March 16.—Captain Ivkov, of the Manchurian commissariat service, has been summarily court-martialed and shot for acting as a spy in the pay of the Japanese. When arrested on suspicion of espionage, documents found in Ivkov's possession left no doubt of the truth of the charges that he had long been revealing military secrets to the Japanese.

The tragic story became public through a simple announcement in the army organ today that Ivkov had been excluded from the service.

New York, March 16.—Two Russian bluejackets, whose bodies were recovered from the Variag, have been buried at Chemulpo with full honors by the Japanese, says a World's dispatch from Seoul. Twenty sailors carrying the Japanese flag draped with crepe, headed the cortege. Behind them walked two more sailors bearing wreaths of flowers. Then followed the coffins, which were covered with a Russian flag and rested on a gun-carriage drawn by sailors. A guard of honor of bluejackets from the United States and French gunboats in the harbor succeeded the gun-carriage in line.

The Rev. Mr. Bridle read the funeral service, and praised the valor the dead had shown. All the Japanese residents went to the grave and bowed to the coffins. The Japanese fired three volleys as the coffins were lowered.

Port Arthur, March 16.—Everything is quiet here. There is no sign of the enemy. The advices from Fong Cheng, about 45 miles west of Wiju, say the Russian troops are showing admirable spirit in surmounting the difficulties and hardships of the march over the frozen tracks of East Manchuria.

Wanted.  
Girl wants place to do housework. Inquire at TIMES office.

## JAPAN'S FINANCES

JAPAN CAN READILY RAISE MANY MILLIONS.

The War Loan Was Subscribed Five Times More Than The Amount—Mob at Telluride Exiles Union Miners. Other News.

Tokio, March 15.—Leading Japanese financiers estimate the cost of the war at \$265,000,000 a year; also that even now Japan is in a position to maintain war for a year and a half without being driven to the necessity of borrowing money abroad.

Necessarily, the country's financial policy is to keep all possible gold within it. Its banker's estimate that for months not more than one-eighth of the war's cost must be expended outside of Japan and this chiefly for coal, steel and cordite.

The war loan of \$50,000,000 was subscribed five times over and \$30,000,000 was taken, patriotically, above 95, the price of the issue. A wealthy Japanese deliberately bid 145 for bonds he could have had at 95 or a little more.

The emergency has developed unexpected financial resources. So it has been decided to double sugar, income and business taxes, and to raise the tax on tobacco, saki and other commodities so as to bring in an extra \$20,000,000 yearly.

A raise in the land tax from 2 1/2 to 4 per cent., will fetch \$15,000,000 additional. Postponement of railway and other works will save \$20,000,000 to the country. To meet the balance needed the government can draw upon its unexpended funds in the postal service and upon its savings in other departments which have been conducted not only economically, but profitably.

The old spirit which made the nobles of Japan ready to sacrifice their goods at an instant's call seems to have pervaded the entire populace. There would be an outpouring of every bit of personal property, did need demand such sacrifice, from the humblest of laborers to the richest of the merchants.

Officials regard the financial sinews as being almost secondary in the struggle, so confident are they of Japan's great ability to meet all demands that the war may bring.

Telluride, Col., March 15.—After months of more or less stormy scenes this city was last night given a further surprise in the ejection from the camp of entire families of union miners and their sympathizers. One hundred members of the

citizens' alliance, which includes many well-known business men, set an example in lawlessness, by marching fully armed to the homes of their opponents, or those whom they regarded with disfavor.

The raid took place shortly after midnight and was directed principally against those miners and sympathizers who were on a previous occasion ordered from the city. Whole families were compelled to fall into line of march and were driven to the railway station, where they were guarded by pickets until a train for deportation was due.

In several cases a determined resistance was made by miners or friends, who refused to surrender, or summon their families for an exodus. In two cases the resistance became so effective that pitched battles followed, in which several men were severely beaten, one being rendered unconscious. The mob, toward the close of the roundup, became more lenient toward the families of the evicted, but warned them that they would be expected to leave the city immediately.

When the train of the deported miners was finally arrived, at 2 o'clock this morning, the men were warned that they must not again return to Telluride under pain of immediate death. Several of the miners who were thus compelled to leave declared they would return at a later time and in sufficient numbers to prevent a recurrence of what they style "whole-sale white-capping." It is not believed, however, that serious trouble will result.

Chicago, March 15.—Through the accidental dropping of a box of toy torpedoes in the plant of the Chicago Toy Novelty company this morning three, and probably four lost their lives, a building was wrecked and a fire started.

The explosion took place shortly after the workmen and girls employed in the factory had assembled, and for a time created a panic in the vicinity of the works, as first rumors were to the effect that a much greater number of lives had been lost. Foreman Gordon, who was carrying a box, is said to have slipped over some obstruction on the floor, hurling the box forward. Its detonation was followed by a terrific blast as the other explosives in the building were set off.

In the panic following, the streets were instantly filled with employees from the surrounding manufacturing, the police vainly struggling to restore order and rescue any who might be injured and still panned in the wrecked building, from which flames immediately began to issue.

The firemen gained control of the fire within a few minutes, and later recovered the mangled body of Gordon and the blackened corpses of two other employees. One other employee is missing and is believed to be in the ruined building.

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